



UNIQUE ENTRY — One of the most unique entries in the recent Chowan County Fair was this diorama of a war scene. It is the creation of Giacomo Belcredi and depicts an area when Russian infantry troops advanced on elements of the German 10th Infantry Division on December 24, 1941. (Staff Photo by Luke Amburn).

Forestry Field Day Plans

RALEIGH — "Money DOES Grow On Trees... Plant Some!" This will be the theme of a "Forestry Field Day" to be launched by Gov. Jim Hunt on opening day of the 1979 State Fair. The event will be sponsored by the N.C. Forestry Association in cooperation with the N.C. Division of Forestry and the School of Forest Resources at N.C. State University.

The 2:30 P.M. October 12 ceremonies will take place at the Forest Resources Center on the west side of the fairgrounds.

A feature of the field day festivities will be the governor's announcement of an upcoming public information program aimed at informing landowners of opportunities in growing trees. The field day will also include formal opening of the Forest Resources Center... plus demonstrations of log chopping, crosscut sawing and axe throwing.

Expected to be of special interest is "birling" on a log in the Fairgrounds lake, an event in which two nimble-footed contestants attempt to dump one another into the water.

The N.C. Forestry Association says the south is already recognized as the nation's "Wood Basket". Moreover, the demand for wood products will double by the year 2,000 and more than half of it will have to come from North Carolina and from other

By Congressman Walter B. Jones

You will recall last week that I reported it was a most negative week with the House of Representatives rejecting practically every measure which came up for action. A weekend certainly changes things — for on the contrary, this week the action has been extremely positive beginning with final approval of the Panama Canal implementation treaty which was rejected last week. The Treaties have prompted bitter controversy since they were first signed in 1977, but they are now binding international agreements between the United States and Panama, and are part of federal law.

The Senate ratified the Treaties in early 1978 but it was necessary for both Houses of Congress to pass implementation legislation. The House of Representatives' votes were extremely close, and as I had pledged, I voted against the implementation bill each time it was considered. Under the terms of the Treaties, which went into effect October 1, the United States and Panama will jointly administer the Canal for the next twenty years. Panama will take full control in the year 2000. Each year the United States will pay \$10-million to Panama from money derived from canal tolls. Panama will also receive 30 cents per ton in tolls for ships passing through the Canal. Finally, the United States has the right to intervene militarily to protect the security and neutrality of the Canal.

Another most controversial issue was the creation of a new Department of Education, and the Conference Report on this was finally approved by both the House and Senate and now goes to the White House for the President's signature. This was very high on the President's list of "musts". As I stated before, I voted for the new Department on the assumption that education is far too important to be immersed in the bureaucratic mire of the present Department of HEW. Again I want to assure that there are safeguards which prohibit federal intervention in local affairs which far exceed the protection now afforded, and places a cap on the number of employees in the Department, and actually provides for a reduction of approximately 500 key personnel at the present time.

After going back and forth between the House and Senate, legislation was finally passed for the 1980 budget bill which provides a ceiling of \$29 billion in deficit spending. This of course, leaves much to be desired, but is a step in the right direction compared to the \$66 billion during the last year of the Ford Administration. I am convinced that Congress is attempting if at all possible to reach a balanced budget for fiscal year 1981 or 82.

Over the weekend I joined President Carter along with other Members of Congress at a delightful White House lawn party. During the seafood buffet dinner, entertainment was provided by Luci Arnez, comedian Robert Klein, and pianist Marvin Hamlisch (renowned for music from "The Sting" and "The Way We Were"). These occasions provide a chance for elected officials to set aside political or ideological differences for a short time.



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