



Farm-City Week

Observance of Farm-City Week along the Public Parade is set for Monday. Several hundred people from throughout the community will gather at the Jaycee Building on Base Road for a 7 P.M. banquet.

We want to encourage people to attend the free dinner. The big treat, however, will be the address by Dean J. E. Legates of the School of Agriculture and Life Sciences at N. C. State University in Raleigh.

In the past couple of years we have grown accustomed to the West Raleigh Branch of the Greater University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. At the same time we have grown to admire Dean Legates and his immediate associates.

As chairman of the State Agricultural Extension Advisory Council we continue to marvel at the dedication of associates Dean Legates has recruited.

Dr. T. C. Blalock, extension director, enjoys a national reputation in his field, as does Dr. E. W. Glazener in academic affairs, and Dr. Durward Bateman in research. Dr. Bateman is a Chowan County native who arrived at NCSU via Cornell University.

Farm-City relationships are a top priority among these agricultural leaders, as it is along the Public Parade. It is practiced every day but only highlighted during a national focus once each year.

Dean Legates will not be among strangers Monday night. He represents the best in all of us on the farm-city front. We are sure an extra effort will be made to fill the Jaycee Building to capacity to demonstrate support for efforts generated in the Ivory Tower.

Negative Vote

Mayor Roy L. Harrell is just about assured of having two chances to vote each year. During a two-year term he would be allowed to cast at least four votes. And if one draws on history to predict the future, his lordship can expect a crowd to witness the negativism.

Edenton's chief executive got his semi-annual vote in last week. He surprised no one when he broke a 3-3 deadlock against rezoning property on Virginia Road. Almost every time in the past five years that the law allows efforts to rezone the property for commercial development has resulted in a negative vote by the Town Council.

There have been good arguments, pro and con, but one fact stands out head and shoulders above them all. It is that the power to zone by a political body is not a tool to stifle free enterprise and-or regulate trade. Nevertheless, admitted or not, this is exactly what is happening along the Public Parade.

The players have changed but the signals are the same. Then, what makes last week's vote any different from the others? It lies in the "Edenton Area Report" distributed by Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce in mid-October. It illustrates that a majority of those elected by the people to make decisions for the community are not sensitive to public opinion.

We found few surprises in results of a questionnaire circulated by the chamber. The real surprise is the fact that of 147 copies mailed out, 68 replies were received.

Those who responded overwhelmingly support additional small business and feel the chamber should actively solicit not only industry, but business. Further, the majority voiced the

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Santa Clause To Make Debut

Santa will officially arrive in Edenton during the Annual Christmas Parade to be held Sunday, November 30, at 2:30 P.M. This year's parade is expected to be one of the best ever with outstanding floats, marching units and bands.

Prior to the parade, at 1:45 P.M. the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing Band from Cherry Point will present a concert at Chowan County Courthouse on Broad Street.

All organizations and individuals wishing to participate in this year's parade are urged to get their entry form in right away.

For information phone the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce at 832-3100.

Telephone Book Change Contested

Opposition is being generated here to a recent announcement by Carolina Telephone Company to circulate a "merged directory" in the future. All 17 exchanges in the area will have separate alphabetized lists.

The change is to be effective in May, 1981.

The proposal was outlined in a letter to those customers who do business in more than one exchange.

Jerry Hendee, executive vice president, Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce, said local businessmen object to the proposed merged directory. He said other official groups in the Albemarle Area are known to object and will join the local chamber in writing letters to the telephone company.

Hendee pointed out that the proposed plan would be harmful in this immediate area because of the nearness of the Welch exchange to Edenton. He said this will create confusion among people not knowledgeable of the situation who attempt to locate people in this area.

No Pay-Off

Earl Augustus Roberts found out Tuesday it doesn't pay to return to the scene of a crime; especially where officers of Edenton Police Department are involved.

Roberts was convicted in Chowan County District Court on two counts of drunk driving and an additional charge of failure to notify the Department of Motor Vehicles of an address change.

Judge Richard Parker of Elizabeth City sentenced the 31-year-old Negro to 90 days on the first two charges, suspended upon payment of a \$175 fine and court costs. On the other DUI charge he was sentenced to 90 days, suspended upon payment of \$200 fine and costs.

Roberts' trouble with Edenton Police Department began in 1976 when he resided in Plymouth. Cpl. C. C. Alexander arrested him for DUI and the address charge. The defendant never appeared in court.

Capt. C. H. Williams recently arrested Roberts on a DUI charge. Cpl. Alexander remembered the previous warrants. The 1976 warrants were served and Roberts was tried Tuesday on all three counts.

At the time of his latest arrest he gave a Philadelphia, Pa., address.

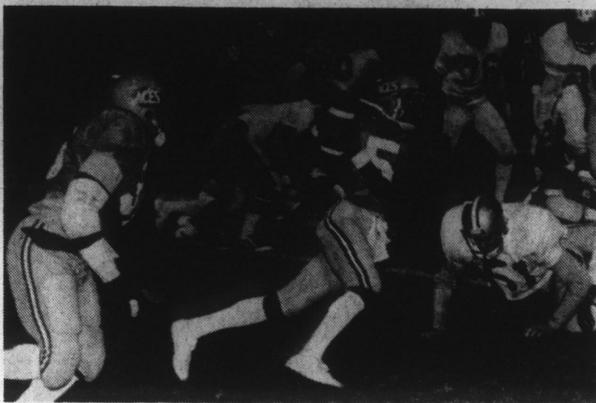
As of Tuesday evening his current address was the Chowan County Detention Facility. He was unable to pay the fines and costs imposed by Judge Parker.

Office To Close For Thanksgiving

The Chowan Herald will operate on a holiday schedule next week. With Thanksgiving on the regular distribution day (Thursday), the process will be moved up one day.

The deadline for advertising copy is noon Monday. News articles for next week's edition must be in the office by 5 P. M. Monday.

The newspaper will be printed late Tuesday and those subscribers in the area will receive their copy Wednesday. Papers will be available at The Herald office and on the newsstands Tuesday evening.



BATTLING FOR YARDAGE—In the left photo, the Edenton Aces' quarterback Steve Holley prepares to pitch-out to fullback Henry Drew during last Friday night's football game against



Southern Nash High School. The right photo taken during the 34-16 romp shows Thomas White reversing direction behind Cedric Harrell. (Staff photos by Luke Amburn.)

Aces Defeat Southern Nash, 34-16

Thousands of football fans converged on Hicks Field last Friday for the first round of the state 3-A conference playoffs in which the Edenton Aces battled their way to a 34-16 victory over Southern Nash High School.

Henry Drew, the Aces star fullback, was the leading man in yardage, grinding out a total of 204 yards in 17 carries with one touchdown, while the Edenton defense held the Firebirds' offense at bay.

This Friday night, the Aces will host James Kenan High School. Kick-off time at Hicks Field will be 8 P.M. James Kenan will be arriving in the wake of a 26-0 win over West Craven High School.

The contest got off to a good start when in the first quarter Drew took a hand-off from quarterback Steve Holley and sped 66 yards from the Aces 30 down to the Firebirds' four before being stopped. Tony Creecy took

over at the goal line to give the Aces an early 6-0 lead.

A fumble recovery in the end-zone made up for Edenton's extra point loss on the previous score. With the safety, the Aces gained two more points to make the score 8-0.

Another scoring drive for Edenton began on their 33 yard line with Drew carrying for a first down to the 43, followed by a 17 yard gainer from Thomas White. A fifteen yard penalty against Southern Nash took the Aces further into enemy territory, down to the 25. Two plays later, Drew bulled 21 yards to put the Aces on the board again, 14-0.

Southern Nash's first tally of the contest followed when Anthony Crumel dashed 65 yards from the

35 to post six points, but the extra point attempt failed.

The Aces answered with a drive that ended with Marvin Moring stretching out the Aces lead to 20-6 with a one yard plunge.

Minutes later the Firebirds, on a second and 19 from their 29, fumbled. Thomas White scooped up the loose ball and dashed 34 yards to post a touch down. White then passed to Jimmy Addison who added two extra points.

With a little over one minute left in the first half, Firebirds' George Harrison provided them with their second tally, and a two point conversion closed the gap to 28-14.

The Firebirds threatened to score again in the second frame, but the drive was stopped short at

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RESIDENCE DAMAGED—A fire Sunday afternoon damaged the home of Clara Hoskins at 309 West Church Street. The cause is undetermined, according to Fire Chief Luther C. Parks. (Staff Photo by Luke Amburn.)

Fire Injures Woman; Child

Mrs. Edith Nixon and a child were burned Friday afternoon when a fire was started at her home on West Carteret Street. They were taken to Chowan Hospital by Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad.

Fire Chief Luther C. Parks reports that Mrs. Nixon was burned around the face and arms. He said an explosion occurred

when she started to light a gas space heater which had been leaking gas into the room.

At 3:08 P.M. Sunday, firemen responded to a call at 309 West Church Street. The frame dwelling was occupied by Clara Hoskins.

Chief Parks said the fire started in the living room but extensive heat and smoke damage was to the entire house. The cause of the fire is undetermined.

Beds Expansion Could Set Precedent

Chowan Hospital is three signatures away from present-setting authorization to add 10 medical-surgical beds. The \$894,966 project cleared three important hurdles within the past two weeks.

First, Buck Lattimore, a

hearing officer within the Department of Human Resources, recommended approval. He was joined in his findings by I.O. Wilkerson, Jr., director of the Division of Facility Services. On November 12, the Eastern Carolina Health Systems Agency

signed off on the application.

Approval is now needed from Dr. Sarah T. Morrow, secretary, Department of Human Resources; the State Health Coordinating Council; and Gov. James B. Hunt.

Chowan Hospital is seeking an amendment to the State Medical Facilities Plan. The plan now shows the 10-county Region "R" having five more beds than needed. Hospital officials have challenged the plan, supporting their petition with census data, new physicians located in the area, and a strong show of community support.

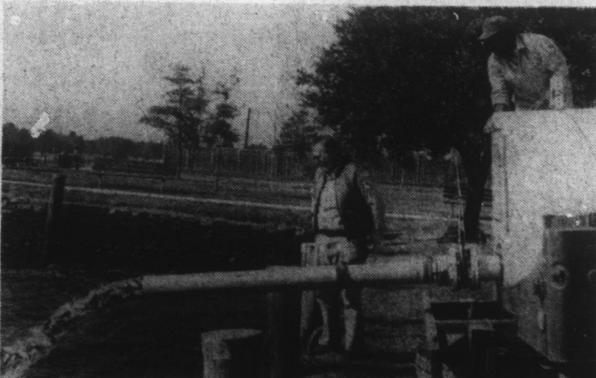
David Henson, hospital director, says he is encouraged by the most recent action but hospital officials are aware that the merit of the petition must be favorably recognized by other state officials.

The petition route to modify the State Medical Facilities Plan became effective July 1. Chowan Hospital's petition is the first to be filed within the framework of changes in procedure.

Among Lattimore's recommendations point out that 1978 data was used in developing the State Medical Facilities Plan. "Circumstances and events since 1978, along with unique characteristics of the particular region, have shown an 'isolated need' for additional beds in Chowan County" he wrote.

Furthermore, he noted that the hospital has taken steps internally which has increased the frequency of review of inpatient admissions in an effort to more closely regulate the need for hospitalization. Also, it is pointed out that the hospital "has responded in good faith to correct the excessive length of stay of patients."

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SOUND STOCKED WITH STRIPERS—Elliott Atsupenas, manager of the Edenton Fish Hatchery watches while Tom Stanley opens the valve on a tanker truck releasing some 19,000 striped bass into the waters of the Albemarle Sound. The six-inch long stripers weighed about 1,000 pounds all together. The project was a joint effort by the U.S. Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service and the N. C. Marine Fisheries Division. A number of the fish were tagged and will bring a cash reward to anyone reporting a catch. The rewards vary from \$1 to \$25.

Play Rescheduled For Dec. 11-13

The production of "See How They Run" originally scheduled for this weekend, has been rescheduled for the weekend of December 11, 12 and 13.

The performance times will be at 8 P.M. as originally advertised. Tickets will remain \$2 for general admission. The production dates are being changed in support of the Edenton Aces and its football play-off this Friday night.