

Commission Sets Date For Public Hearing

The Legislative Research Commission Study Committee on Coastal Area Management will hold a public hearing October 13 in Manteo. The hearing will be at the Marine Resources Center from 2 P.M. to 5 P.M. and from 7:30 P.M. to 9 P.M.

Vehicle Fires Are Reported

Chief Perry of the Edenton Fire Department has reported that a series of vehicle fires occurred this week. When asked about the irregularity of there being so many fires of this type he said, "You know sometimes it happens that way - you can go for months without any fires of this type and then suddenly you will have a lot of them."

The first vehicle fire was a pickup truck on Highway 32 North. The fire department was called, but by the time of their arrival the owner has extinguished the blaze. This fire occurred on September 21.

The second fire was a Forest Service Bulldozer that was involved in a reforestation project, on Indian Trail Rd. The bulldozer was chopping up tops of trees when leaves and other trash got into the engine compartment and started to burn. The fire caused \$20,000 worth of damage to the \$80,000 vehicle. This fire occurred September 24.

The last vehicle fire reported by Chief Perry was a 1975 Ford Pickup truck owned by David Mertz. The fire occurred on Highway 32 South at 12:20 P.M., Monday, September 27. The Chief was unable to give the cause of the fire or a report of the damages at press time.

Computer

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Power Agency has the option of buying power from several sources. Other possible solutions were discussed and a decision was made to accept the suggestion of Southeastern Consulting Engineers who presented a plan that would bring the electric rate in Edenton to two per cent below VEPCO. Council voted to increase the rates, adopting the suggestion of Southeastern Consulting Engineers. The rate increase will be felt by consumers beginning with the November billing period.

The last item was the disposal of a 1964 bus that the town has declared surplus. It was decided to re-advertise the bus for bids.

The study committee wants public input on the Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA), including the rules and regulations pertaining to it and the way it is administered by the State and local level.

The study committee recognizes that CAMA is of special importance to coastal area residents; therefore, the study committee is going to the coast to get direct input from those people

Festival

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Join your friends at Colonial Park on Sunday afternoon for a concert by the John A. Holmes High School Band and the Albemarle Pops Orchestra. Also enjoy gospel and country and western music by local groups.

The beautiful Edenton Bay will provide a picturesque setting for a sailboat regatta, beginning at 2:00 P.M. Day sailers will compete for honors as their race begins at 3:30 P.M.

Trophies for the sailboat regatta will be awarded at 5:00 P.M. at Edenton Marina. Be there to cheer for your favorite sailors.

The Peanut Festival Committee takes great pride in planning an event that provides entertainment for everyone. If you can't take part in all of the events, choose those that are most pleasing to you and support the band program in our local school system by taking part. You'll be glad you did!

Washington Defeats Aces, 27-12

The cool crisp breezes of autumn blew across the stadium at Hicks Field as the Edenton Aces faced off against the Washington Pam Pack last Friday night. The wind held an ominous chill for the Aces as they fell to defeat at the hands of the Pam Pack. The score at the game's final whistle was 27-12.

Edenton jumped to an early lead on a three yard run by Ed Alston in the first quarter but the point after attempt failed, leaving the score at 6-0.

Earl White scored the second touchdown for the Aces in the second quarter on a two yard run but again the Aces failed to obtain the extra point; the score now stood at 12-0.

Suddenly and without warning the Edenton game slowed. There would be no more points added to the scoreboard by the Aces for the rest of the game.

most affected by CAMA. The study committee is primarily interested in specific, rather than general or theoretical concerns about CAMA. Persons appearing at the hearing are urged to speak on:

What CAMA is doing well;
What CAMA could and should do better;

What CAMA should be doing that it is not doing; and
What CAMA is doing that it should not be doing.

The study committee encourages the public to appear at this hearing. Everyone who wishes to speak will be permitted to do so. Everyone who appears at the hearing is urged to give a written copy of his comments to the study committee. Anyone who is unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments by October 15 in lieu of appearing. You do not have to contact anyone in advance if you wish to speak. If you wish to reserve a specific time to speak or if you wish to submit written comments, please contact Sarah L. Fuerst, Legislative Office Building, Suite 100, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611, (919) 733-6660.

The study committee co-chairmen are Sen. Melvin Daniels of Pasquotank County and Rep. Charles Evans of Dare County.

How many real friends do you think you have?

Surratt, Amburn Serve As Guest Lecturers For Seminar

by Pauline Travis

The News Media Seminar set up for participants of local organizations and individuals to learn techniques of reporting news and study of the news media on a local and regional basis began on September 14th at John A. Holmes High School.

Flynn Surratt, Director of News of Radio, WCDJ, provided a successful beginning as the first visiting lecturer for the series sponsored by the College of the Albemarle adult education.

Surratt, a former newspaper reporter, presented an informative format for publicity in radio. With "brevity" as the key in radio news media, he took his class through the proper steps of development of news. To develop concise materials as required for the broadcasting industry, Surratt had the class develop a news release to be broadcast the following morning.

As a result of "learning by doing" of a 30-second news article, the participants gained a working knowledge of rules and procedures in preparing written radio releases. They also learned publicity through pretaped messages and interviews.

The group will tour WCDJ on October 5th to further study radio media.

Participants of the seminar had a rare opportunity to see their local editor in a different perspective Tuesday night, September 21st, when L. F. Amburn, Jr., Editor of The Chowan Herald, took time out of his busy schedule to serve as a visiting lecturer.

Mr. Amburn explained the procedures in developing news worthy articles for a local weekly newspaper, the responsibilities of persons submitting news, and the responsibilities involved in the publishing of a news article. His specific guidelines on how to develop a news item, rules to follow in writing an article, the desired form to present news, when to release news and other specific details involved in obtaining good news publicity provided valuable data for the group.

In addition to news reporting for

organizations and individuals he described the role of the editor in the news media.

Following his lecture, a very responsive audience had an opportunity to ask numerous individual questions that resulted in a keener insight and understanding of writing news articles and an appreciation of the role of a newspaper industry as a major factor in local community life.

On Tuesday night, October 12th, the group will tour The Chowan Herald to observe the process involved in the printing of news. Pete Manning, Manager, will serve as lecturer host.

Quantity Increases

All hogs and pigs on North Carolina farms September 1, totaled 2. million head, up 4 per cent from June 1 but 8 per cent below September 1 of last year, according to the N.C. Crop and Livestock Reporting Service.

Breeding stock at 270,000 rose 2 per cent from June 1 but was down 5 per cent from last year. Market hogs at 1,730,000 were 5 per cent above June 1 but 8 per cent below a year ago.

North Carolina ranks seventh nationally in the total number of hogs and pigs.

The state's pig crop during the June-August period totaled 847,000 head, 4 per cent below the same months last year. These pigs were produced by 110,000 sows, 4 per cent less than last year, for an average of 7.7 pigs saved per litter.

North Carolina producers intend to farrow 95,000 sows during the next three months - September-November 1982 - 5 per cent below the same period a year ago.

Boy Scouts

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however, a constant reminder that it does have life weekly and the laughter of youth having fun and learning for their future. We can only hope that it remains for many more years as a reminder to all the people who enjoy youth.

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counts, which are used to defend highway decisions. If there isn't enough traffic to count toward building a "free" road, there could be sufficient traffic to justify a highway which collects from the users.

Mr. Basnight suggests that such a road could be built along the northern corridor into the Outer Banks. This would "tax" out-of-staters who enjoy the highways but pay no other taxes. And, such a proposal would leave a southern corridor for native traffic.

The transportation board member has been quick to garner support. Recently the newly organized Northeastern North Carolina Tomorrow group launched conversation on the subject. There will be much, much more conversation and some bruised political knuckles before the issue is settled.

Toll roads, however, should be thoroughly and seriously discussed as an alternative to shrinking highway dollars in North Carolina.

Guest Editorial

We support the basic thrust behind President Reagan's anti-crime package, known officially as the "Criminal Justice Reform Act of 1982."

We think the President is right in believing that the criminal justice system has tilted too far in favor of the rights of the criminal as opposed to the rights of society.

Most Americans feel the criminal justice system should lean over backwards to avoid convicting an innocent person. And we agree.

But it is also a miscarriage of justice to allow thousands of guilty persons to go free because of trivial technicalities, or to let people get away with murder thru a defense of insanity that is far too broad.

The President's proposal would make changes in three main areas: the insanity defense, what is or is not permissible evidence and certain appeals. In our opinion, these are only a start towards the reforms that are needed.

Nevertheless, they are an important start, and, if passed into law, they could go far towards accomplishing what the President says ... and we agree ... is needed, namely: to "Restore the balance between the forces of law and the forces of lawlessness."

WRAL-TV

Town, County Reach Agreement

The Town of Edenton and Chowan County have entered into a joint agreement for the Town to share the County's computer system. This agreement has been made for the benefit of both the Town and the County.

The Town will save around \$26,500 by entering into this agreement instead of buying a new computer system of their own. Another benefit for the Town will be the ability to do more than one thing at a time on the computer which will speed up the Town's ability to provide services for its citizens. The last benefit will be that the Town will have access to the County's data base which will provide helpful information for tax collections.

"I think it will mean more money for the town as far as collections go" Sam Nobel, Town Administrator, said as he cited the fact that the statute of limitations had run out on the Town several times in recent years before delinquent taxes could be collected.

The County will also reap benefits from the agreement. The County will have access to an increased computer memory for projected needs and it will gain increased on-line storage capabilities for program usage.

Sam Nobel said of the agreement, "It's a good example of Town and County working together and saving money for each."

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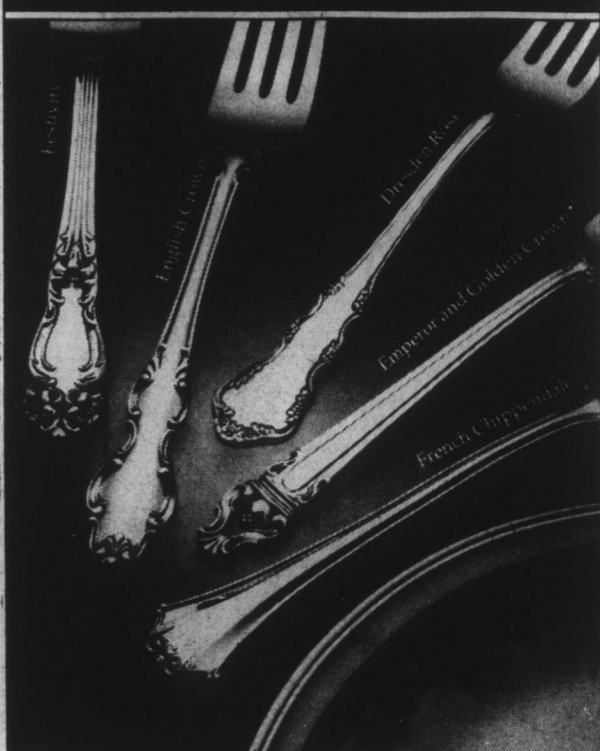
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