

Noted And Passed

Noticed on a bumper sticker while traveling through an Eastern Tar Heel city last week: "I've had as much of the Pack as I can hack. Go Heels!" Agreed!

Airport Department

Town Administrator Sam Noble is to be commended for presenting a balanced budget, with some increased services, which requires no new property taxes for the next fiscal year. One of the new areas centers around Edenton Municipal Airport which would become a department of the town.

The administrator foresees the department being able to stand on its own bottom, but not be a moneymaker for the town. "It's a service," he was quoted as saying last week. He and the town fathers should never forget this fact.

For reasons unknown to us, the airport has become a political issue along the Public Parade. It has been operated by a joint Edenton-Chowan Airport Commission for a number of years with the county making a financial contribution. This would change under the Noble plan.

To make the airport a municipal department is a step backward. There should be more joint activities between the town and county government, not less. When the town needed financial aid in the Recreation Department, the county agreed to participate. The same was true when financial assistance was needed to obtain a new National Guard Armory, to mention only two areas where cooperation has been beneficial to the citizens.

If the Edenton-Chowan Airport Commission has become too political, then there are less drastic ways of correcting the problem than are recommended by the town administrator. If there is something in the woodshed which hasn't surfaced, now is the time for it to be aired. There is something here that just doesn't smell right.

Crowded Field

Democrats along the Public Parade and throughout Tar Heelia are going to have an interesting Spring in 1984. Last week's anticipated announcement by Atty. Gen. Rufus Edmisten of his candidacy for Governor of North Carolina puts three men in a race which could get as many more before the filing deadline closes.

Charlotte Mayor Eddie Knox and former Superior Court Judge Lacy H. Thornburg of Sylvia have already declared for the chief executive's post. Former State Rep. Tom Gilmore of Guilford, Commissioner of Insurance John Ingram, and Sec. of Commerce Lauch Faircloth of Clinton are just waiting for pre-arranged times to announce.

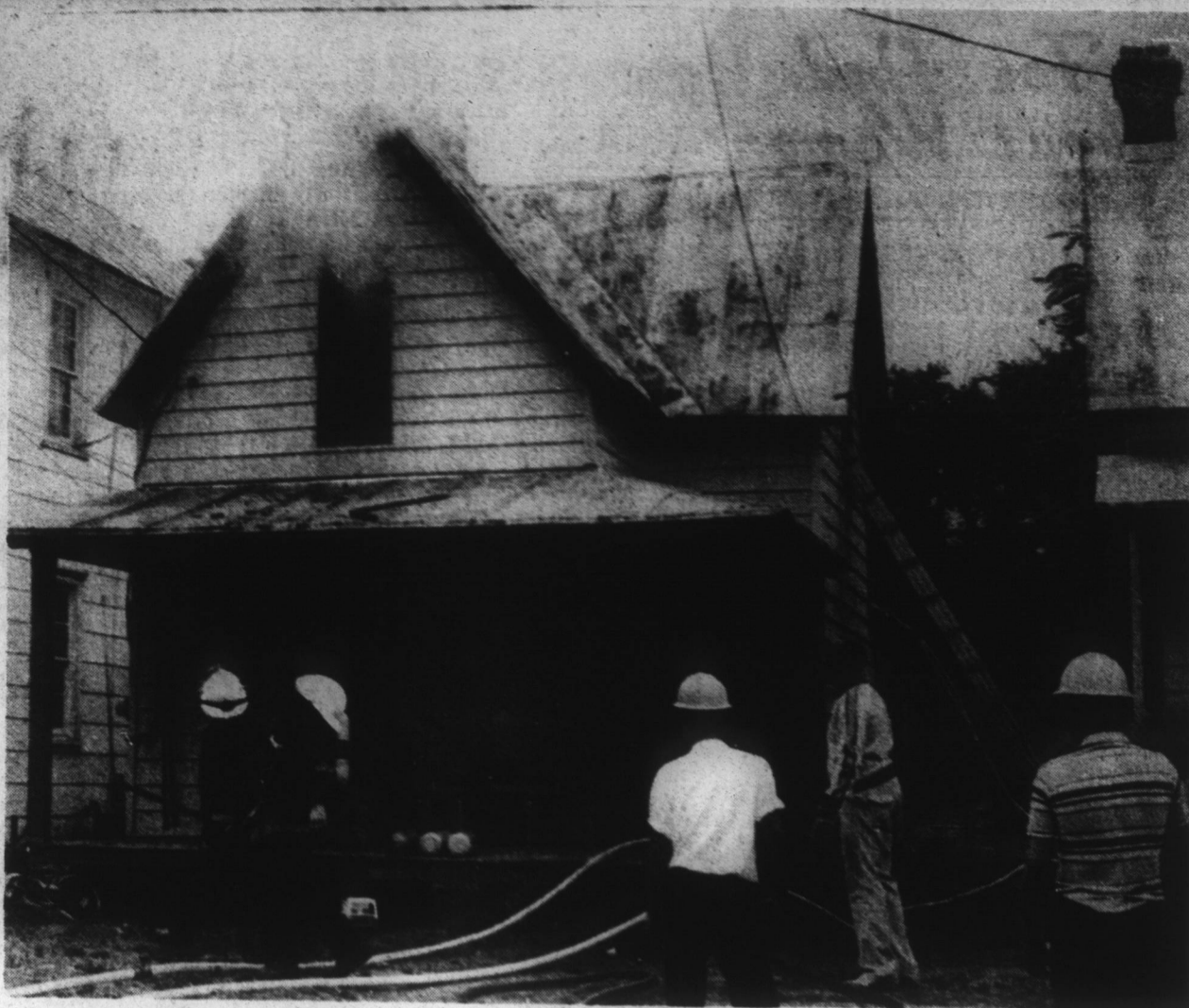
Then there is U.S. Rep. Charlie Rose of Fayetteville who has promised a decision by July 4.

People along the Public Parade and throughout Northeastern North Carolina will need to ask all of the candidates some hard questions. We want commitments, not campaign promises. There have been too many instances where promises have been made to secure votes and then when the campaign conversation has died into the wilderness it appears that our top elected officials think North Carolina ends at Interstate 95.

Out of the announced, unannounced and undecided people are a lot who will vie for the Jim Hunt vote. With a race of his own in mind for 1984, the governor will have to walk a tight rope during the primary election for the selection of his successor, since at least three of the potential candidates are closely identified with him. But he is a master at strategy and has already taken positive steps to keep his "keys" in the fold.

Politics are always interesting in Tar Heelia. The crowded field for the governorship in 1984 has all the aspects of being a thriller. And it will be especially difficult for those who find themselves with friends on more than one side.

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HOUSE ENGULFED IN FLAMES—The Edenton Fire Department responded to a house fire at 121 West Carteret Street on Tuesday, June 7. As thick brown smoke poured from the small two story wood frame house with brown siding, the fire fighters inside the house became mindful of the possibility of a flash back. But, luckily none occurred. The fire seems to have started in a front upstairs bedroom.



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Edenton Wins Community Excellence Award

Gov. Jim Hunt has announced that Edenton has been named a winner of the Governor's Community of Excellence Award for the

fifth time.

Gov. Hunt will present the award to an official of Edenton at a statewide economic development

conference on October 19 in Raleigh.

Gov. Hunt said, "My congratulations to community leaders for winning the award. Building an economic development organization is one of the best things a community can do to attract industry or encourage expansions."

The award goes to communities with under 15,000 people which have met requirements designed to make them more attractive to economic development.

The Communities of Excellence Award is administered by the North Carolina Department of Commerce. Communities must qualify for the award each year.

The following are some of the standards communities must meet to receive the award:

- An economic promotional organization must exist to promote the community for industrial plant location.

- A development corporation must exist, with the ability to option, purchase and sell property.

- Industrial sites must be available.

Department of Commerce representatives visit each community to assure the standards have been met. Winning communities will receive highway signs designating them as winners. They are also given special promotional attention when working with industries looking for a plant site in North Carolina.



COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE AWARD RECEIVED — Mayor Roy Harrell is shown here going over the letter sent to him by Governor Jim Hunt, with Jerry Hendee, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce. The letter names Edenton as a winner of the Governor's Community of Excellence Award for the fifth consecutive year.

Rev. Blankenhorn Re-Appointed As Pastor To Methodist Church

Rev. Richard R. Blankenhorn has been re-appointed as pastor of Edenton United Methodist Church. This was announced today by Bishop William R. Cannon at the Annual Conference of the N.C. Conference being held in Fayetteville.

The Edenton church is nearing completion of a new sanctuary which is the second phase of a construction program exceeding \$1-million which has been accomplished under the ministry of Mr. Blankenhorn. He has pastored the local congregation for six years.

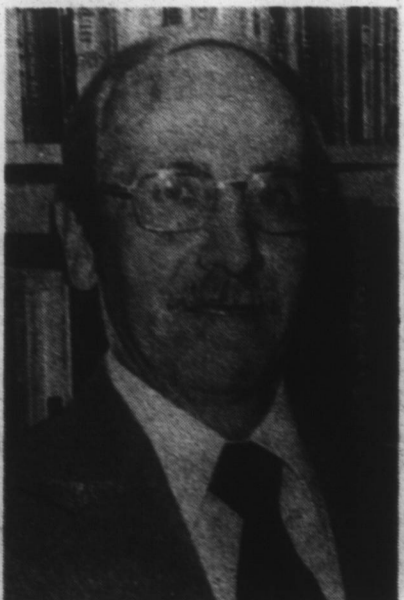
Miss Martha Jo Hollowell, director of music at the local church, was certified as a Director of Music in the United Methodist Church.

C. B. Smith was delegate for the Edenton church to the conference, which began Sunday evening with the ordination of deacons. Mrs. Smith was the alternate delegate.

The appointments for the upcoming year, to take effect on moving day, June 16, included three changes in the western section of the Elizabeth City District, headed by Supt. Kermit Braswell.

Rev. Susanna L. Williams will come to the Chowan Charge from Mamers Church. The charge includes Anderson and Bethany churches in Perquimans County and Center Hill and Evans Churches in Chowan County.

Rev. Carol W. Goehring moves from the Chowan Charge to become associate minister at the First United Methodist Church in Elizabeth City.



Rev. Richard R. Blankenhorn

The Creswell Charge, which includes the Creswell, Holly Grove and Mt. Herman churches will be pastored by Rev. Robert K. Caruth who has been associate at St. Marks in Raleigh.

Rev. Raymond K. Whittman will move from New Hope-Woodland in Hertford to Pilmoor Memorial Church in Currituck.

Board Of Education Listens To Reports And Approves Budget

The Edenton-Chowan Board of Education met in their regular meeting on June 6 at 8 P.M.

Gil Underwood, the Principal of Ernest A. Swain, began the report segment of the School Boards agenda by discussing three activities which the students of Swain participated in. First he introduced Chad Johnson, assistant editor and Jim Blount, a staff member of the school's newspaper "The Dragon Speaks." The newspaper is a collection of poems, articles, features and comics including United Feature's "Garfield." Introduced next were Mrs. Bissette's sixth grade advance language arts students who after sending letters to several celebrities received replies. The letters received impressed upon the students... "to develop self respect and to get the very best education possible." The students were impressed by both the concern shown by the celebrities in their answering and that the letters received contained correct grammar and punctuation. The final activity introduced by Mr. Underwood was the Flag Corps, who have been raising the American Flag at public buildings. The members of the Flag Corps present reported on their activities and modeled their capes.

In other reports presented to the Board of Education: Chris Bean reported that the sale of the Chowan Teacherage was to take place on June 13 at noon; Walt Noneman gave the calendar for the end of the year activities; Maxine Britt gave a profile of the school systems professional staff, flood prevention and drainage project application and the two per cent reduction in State funds for education.

The School Board next approved the budget reflecting a ten per cent increase in the County Commissioners share. The total County Budget for the School System would be \$1,157,690 including the capital outlay for the completion of construction at John A. Holmes High School.

The School Board next approved the calendar for Board meetings as presented by Walt Noneman along with a local plan for vocational education which was presented by Ken Stalls.

Superintendent John Dunn was directed by the Board to explore the feasibility of rescheduling Little League games after school instead of nights with the Edenton-Chowan Recreation Commission.

The minutes of the previous meeting in May was approved as was the Summer School faculty.

Ruby Jernigan, Elton Jordan, Herman Jernigan and Joseph Copeland all retired from the school system at the end of this year. The school Board accepted the resignations for retirement.

Van Duyn Gets A Promotion

A person familiar to many farmers in Northeastern North Carolina is getting a promotion July 1.

He is Dr. John W. Van Duyn, a N.C. State University entomologist stationed at the Tidewater Research Station, Plymouth. He is being promoted from associate professor to full professor. The Van Duyns reside in Edenton.

"The promotion is in recognition for the innovative contributions that he is making to insect management and agriculture in a key area of North Carolina," said Dr. Ronald Kuhr, head of NCSU's Department of Entomology.

Van Duyn, who moved to Edenton in 1971, is the only NCSU entomologist stationed fulltime away from the Raleigh campus. He spends about 80 per cent of his time as an extension specialist and about 20 per cent as a research scientist. Most of his work is with insects that attack soybeans, corn and small grains.

"John has gained a national reputation for his work in developing and promoting the integrated pest management concept," Kuhr said. "In other words, he tries to show farmers how they might control insects in a way that is effective, economical and compatible with the environment."

Van Duyn has helped to train insect scouts, organize farmer-financed pest management services, and taught farmers how to protect beneficial insects while controlling harmful ones. He has also done research on several major insect pests in the area, including spider mites, corn earworms, billbugs, and the European corn borer.

Most of his work is concentrated in the 17-county Northeastern Extension District. He was cited in 1979 by the N.C. Soybean Producers Association as the most outstanding contributor to the soybean industry.



Mr. Joe Hollowell

Hollowell To Speak To Class Of 1983

The graduation program for the Class of 1983 at John A. Holmes High school will be presented on Hicks Field at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 12, 1983. The invocation will be given by Eric Strother, Salutatorian and son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Strother. The introduction of the speaker will be given by Marvin Baccus, Valedictorian and son of Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Baccus.

The keynote address will be delivered by Mr. Joe Hollowell, Chowan County Commissioner. Mr. Hollowell was N.C. State President of the Jaycees in 1976-77. Presentation of Seniors will be made by

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Criminal Calendar For Chowan County Heard By Judge Parker

The Criminal Calendar of Chowan County's District Court was heard on June 7 with the Honorable J. Richard Parker as presiding judge.

Katisha Ann S. Elliott was called but failed to show on the charge of driving 65 mph. in a 55 zone.

Samuel (NMN) Downing was found guilty on one count of breaking and entering, two counts of larceny, and one count of larceny from employer. He was sentenced to a minimum of 12 months and a maximum of 18 months. He is to begin serving this sentence after he has served a minimum of 7 months and a maximum of 9 months for a probation violation.

Barry Carl Sharp was called but failed to show on a charge of driving 65 mph. in a 55 zone.

Marvin Ray Ford was found guilty of shoplifting. He was sentenced to six months with two years suspended, fined \$75, cost of court, is not to go on the premises of S&R

and is not to shoplift for two years. He has appealed.

John Brian Stephen was found guilty of reckless driving. He was sentenced to 60 days with one year suspended, fined \$50 and cost of court.

Willie Clifton Liverman was found guilty of one count of driving under the influence and one count of driving with no licence. He was sentenced to 30 days with one year suspended, fined \$100 and cost of court. He elected to serve the time.

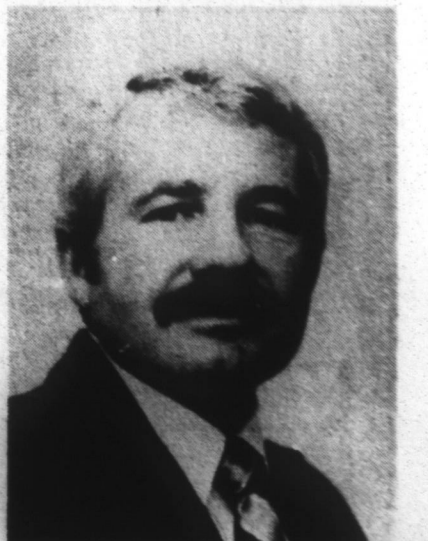
William Eugene Byrum, Jr., was found guilty of exceeding a safe speed. He paid cost of court.

William John Sessoms was called on the charge of going 70 miles per hour in a 55 zone and failed to show.

James Henry Horton, Jr., was called on the charge of going 67 miles per hour in a 55 zone and failed to show.

Jimmy Brent Holt, Jr., was found

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Dr. John W. Van Duyn