

Noted and Passed

There were seven students from along the Public Parade in this year's graduating class at Elizabeth City State University. It is amazing that five of them graduated cum laude.

The honor graduates were: David W. Cross, Pansy A. Elliott, Theresa S. Parker, Jo Ann White and Madeline F. Wiggins.

Barbara J. White and Wanda K. Sykes are also to be congratulated as being awarded degrees May 7 from ECSU.

'Southernness'

Elsewhere in today's edition of The Chowan Herald is a letter from a "northerner" who is highly critical of the alleged treatment she and her husband received along the Public Parade. We would argue this is an isolated case and stand ready to print the other side.

What is somewhat funny, though, is in the same mail came the "Around The Old Well" column from the University of North Carolina News Bureau. The subject of Wendell Wood's column is 'Southernness' is Changing" is the heading. We think you will find the column interesting and therefore are giving it this prominent play:

CHAPEL HILL—The economic and demographic changes that have swept over the south have altered the region's identity, but they haven't doomed "Southernness" to early extinction, says a sociologist at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

In fact, these changes have made regional identity more useful, perhaps even necessary, says Dr. John Shelton Reed, professor of sociology and adjunct professor of American studies at UNC-CH.

"The nature of Southernness is changing, but there still is such a thing," Reed says.

Reed discusses these changes in a monograph, "Southerners: An Essay in the Social Psychology of Sectionalism," which recently was published by the UNC Press in the Institute for Research in Social Science Monograph Series. The findings reported in the monograph grew out of a general population survey of North Carolina that Reed did with Dr. Glen Elder, a former UNC-CH faculty member now on the faculty of Cornell University.

Economic changes in the past 30-40 years have given Southernness a new meaning alongside the old,

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Hospital Receives Aid For The Deaf

Chowan Hospital is the recipient of a telecommunications device for deaf persons, called the TDD, from the North Carolina Association of the Deaf. The North Carolina Association of the Deaf, the only statewide organization of deaf persons, has engaged on a program designed to enable hearing and speech impaired individuals to have access to emergency health care services. The Kate B. Reynolds Health Care Foundation has given the Association of the Deaf a grant to place the TDD in the emergency room of the Chowan Hospital on a permanent loan basis.

Persons wishing to communicate with the Hospital through the TDD must also have a TDD in their home. It operates on a rechargeable battery or AC current and can be placed in a carrying case for take along convenience.

The device can also be used to make other emergency calls to law enforcement agencies and physicians who do not have a TDD. The message can be typed on their keyboard to the hospital and hospital personnel can contact the desired party by radio or telephone.

Anyone desiring additional information regarding the acquisition of a TDD for their home may contact the administrative department of the hospital for further information.

Taylor Receives Injuries In Two Vehicle Accident

Rodney Kee Taylor of Route 1, Tyner was injured in a two vehicle accident which occurred Thursday, June 9, at 4 P.M. on North Carolina 32, North of Edenton.

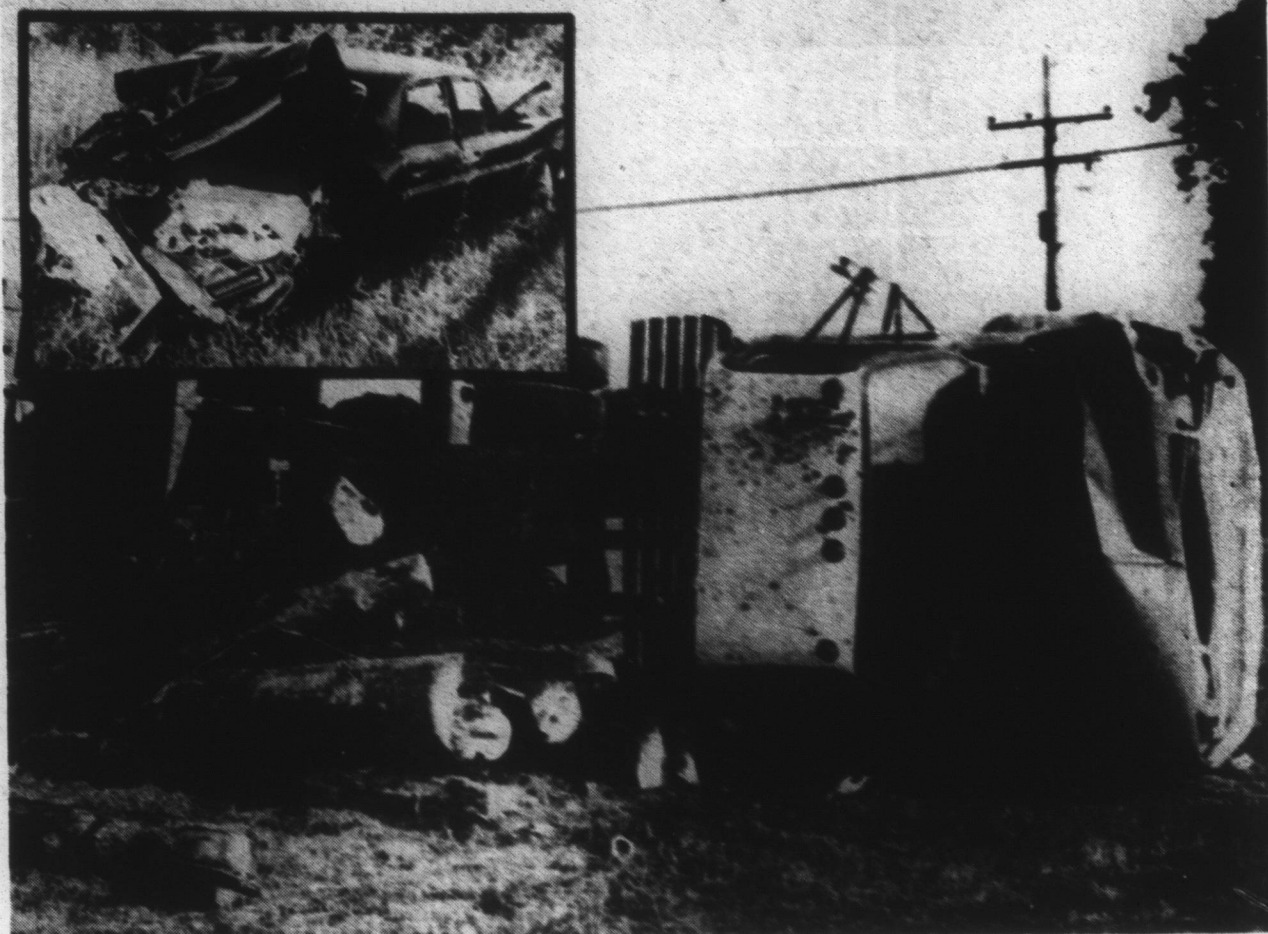
The accident occurred when the 1967 Buick, driven by Taylor, attempted to turn left off of Highway 32 onto rural paved road 1230. Taylor failed to give a turn signal,

and the 1978 Chevrolet tractor trailer loaded with logs, struck the car from the rear. The truck was driven by Lewis Easton of Route 1 Sunbury and owned by George Penn Gattling also of Route 1, Sunbury. The tractor trailer, after crossing a ditch, positioned on its side. Both vehicles landed in the same grassy area.

Rodney Taylor was taken to Chowan Hospital because of injuries received during the accident.

Both men were charged with a vehicle violation. Rodney Taylor has been charged with failure to give a turn signal; Lewis Easton has been charged with failure to reduce speed.

The accident was investigated by State Trooper Siles.



ACCIDENT—Rodney Taylor was injured in an accident which demolished the rear of his car, pictured top left. He was struck from the rear by the truck, pictured above, after failing to give proper turn signals. (Photos by Paul Amburn)

Handicapped Trained To Be Self-Sufficient

June, the season of graduations, and all were duly noted by the public as they each passed into history. The graduation of one Chowan County resident, however, passed unnoticed. He had no fanfare at his graduation nor was any diploma given. His graduation, however, marks a special place in Chowan County's history.

This young man graduated from Skills Inc., a sheltered workshop for handicapped individuals. He received instead of a diploma, a job. A job that would free him of Chowan County's Social Service System. He, like many other handicapped individuals, was forced by his handicap to rely on Social Service's Medicaid program, Food Stamp program and other such services.

When he was referred to Skills

Inc. by Vocational Rehabilitation, he underwent vocational evaluation to determine if he would be able to adjust to a work situation. Once the staff at Skills had determined that he was able to adjust to work situations, he received training in wood working. During his training he followed a strict work schedule. A schedule that was developed to break the old habits of not being able to do things and to develop within him good work habits that prospective employers seek.

After months of hard work at Skills Inc. and under the constant and watchful eyes of his evaluator, he obtained the ultimate goal of gainful employment.

The young man, being gainfully employed, has earned a sense of self pride, knowing that he has adjusted to his handicap and is now in-

dependent of the many governmental aid programs.

Skills Inc., a non-profit corporation, that offers the handicapped person a way out of their seemingly hopeless situation, receives its funding through a contractual agreement with Vocational Rehabilitation, the sale of the product which the student makes, along with the contributions of local governmental agencies and private citizens.

New Event Is Added To Fourth Of July Activities

The Chowan-Edenton Optimist Club is adding a new twist to their annual "Fabulous Fourth of July" Celebration. It is a new type of race for the 1983 season that will test the skills of local inventors, adventurers, engineers and sportsmen.

The race will be run on water and is expected to spawn a new class of "human" propelled vehicles. The race is designed to offer competition in two categories:

Shortest Elapsed Time - Entries completing the course in the shortest period of time; and **Most Humorous** - Entries offering the most entertaining design and/or operation.

The Optimist Club has assembled a big Schedule of Events for the Fourth Annual "Fabulous Fourth of July" Celebration. This year promises to be the best yet with a couple of new events, games and concessions, as in years past, and a firework display which is the best ever.

"The Chowan-Edenton Optimist Club is a Club which leads itself to the Youth of Chowan County", it was stated.

On the Fourth of July, the club designates Youth as being anyone from 1 to 100. The club urges all ages to participate in one or several events.

The day begins around 11 A.M. and ends after the Fabulous Fireworks Display. Plan a big day and help the Chowan-Edenton Optimist Club Celebrate the "Fabulous Fourth of July."

The unusual vehicles will be on display at 11 A.M. on the Green in front of John A. Holmes High School along Broad Street.

The celebration will begin at 1:30 P.M. from the display area and parade down Broad Street. The vehicles will make a left on Water

Autograph Party To Be Held In Honor Of Author's First Novel

After many months of writing, proofreading and editing, Mrs. Marguerite McCall has published her first novel: *And Roofs Need Patching*.

The self published work reflects not only Mrs. McCall's ability as a writer, but also her interests and life long work with other cultures.

Mrs. McCall, a Hertford native, has lived at two different times in Kahaluu, Hawaii. While in Hawaii, she studied Polynesian and Oriental cultures. She did so first by attending lectures at Bishop Museum and later as a student at the University of Hawaii. In her book, Mrs. McCall writes of a girl from a small southern town who falls in love with a Japanese-American. The cultural clash between the two young lovers is intensified by the fact that they marry shortly after World War II.

The couple however climbed above the situation of their lives by following the advice of an old Korean man, "When you can bear pain no longer, find yourself a mountain and climb it...You will come down filled with peace and direction." In following the advice they find a new direction and meaning for life.

Mrs. McCall, in addition to being a writer, has been working with the Edenton Historical Commission since 1979. As Educational Coordinator for the Commission, she

has lectured throughout North-eastern North Carolina schools on both Indian and Colonial cultures.

Mrs. McCall lives with her husband and two sons on Route 3,



Marguerite McCall

Edenton.

The Book, *And Roofs Need Patching*, can be obtained at the Barker House Gift Shop and Hollowell and Blount Drugstore. She will also be having an autograph party at the Barker House on Thursday, June 23, from 4:30 till 6:30 P.M. Everyone is invited to come and get an autographed copy of Mrs. McCall's book.

DUI Cases Crowd The Chowan County District Court Docket

Chowan County District Court was in session on June 21, 1983 with the Honorable John T. Chaffin presiding over the Criminal Calendar.

John Thomas Spivey was found guilty of driving under the influence. He was committed to 6 months. He has appealed.

Lonnie Snowden was found guilty of driving under the influence. He was sentenced to 90 days with two years suspended, fined \$100, and surrender of operator's license. He has appealed.

Marty Gene Bunch was found guilty of one count each of driving under the influence and driving without a license. He was sentenced to 90 days with 2 years suspended, fined \$150, cost of court, surrender of operator's license, and not to possess or consume any malt or alcoholic beverages for 2 years.

James Henry Horton, Jr., was found guilty of driving 67 miles per hour in a 55 zone. He was sentenced

to 30 days with 2 years suspended, fined \$35 and cost of court.

James Sharpe was found guilty of one count each of no liability insurance and improper registration. He was sentenced to 6 months with 2 years suspended, \$150, cost of court, and is not to operate any motor vehicle on North Carolina highways without proper insurance and registration.

Billy Smith was found guilty of permitting dogs to run at large. He was sentenced to 10 days with 2 years suspended, cost of court; he must be on good behavior for 12 months, and must not allow any dog to be at large for 2 years.

Jeremiah Copeland was found guilty of one count each of driving under the influence and wreckless driving. He was sentenced to 90 days, with 2 years suspended, \$175, cost of court, and the surrender of his operator's license.

Leon Lockler, Jr. was found guilty

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LETTER OF APPRECIATION GIVEN—Norman L. Pendleton, President of the Board of Directors of Skills Inc., is shown here giving Murry Nixon, owner and manager of Murry Nixon's Fishery, a letter of appreciation for his support of handicapped individuals at Skills Inc. while Bill Phillips, Executive Director of Skills Inc., looks on.

Retired Farmer Taken In Death

Funeral services were held June 22 for Percy Linwood Smith, 118 Virginia Road. The services were held in the chapel of Williford-Barham Funeral Home with Dr. John Allen officiating. Burial was in Beaver Cemetery with full Masonic rites.

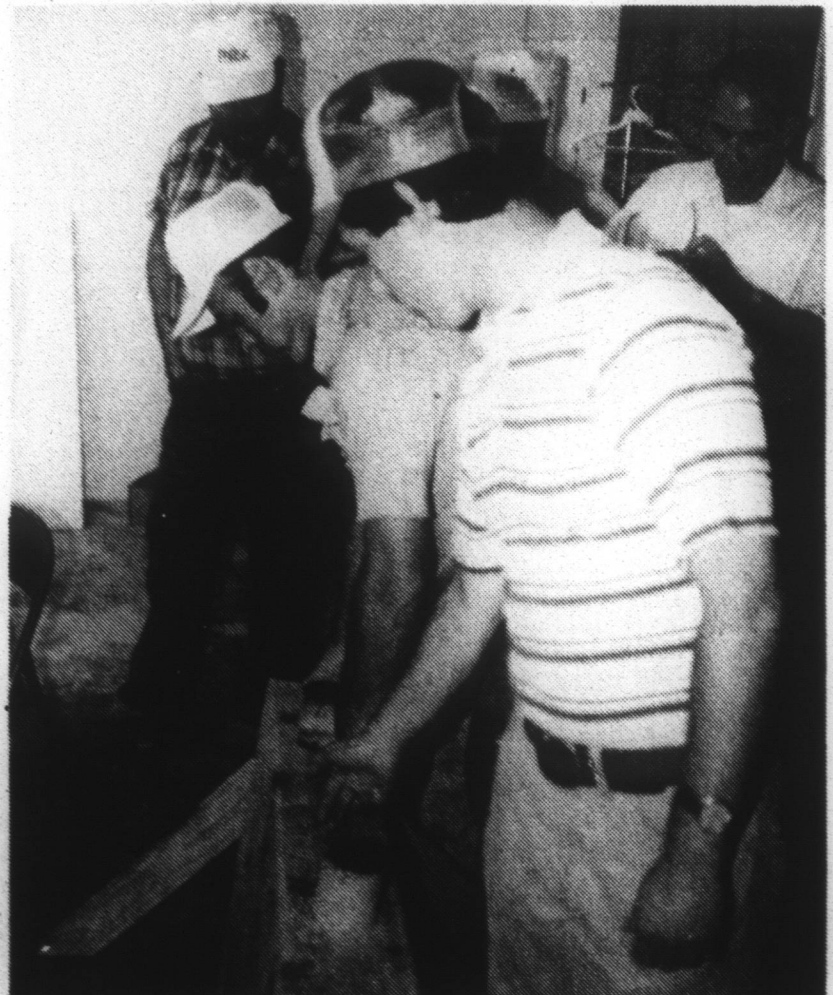
Mr. Smith, 72, was a retired farmer. He died June 20 in Chowan Hospital following an extended illness.

A native of Chowan County, he

was born May 30, 1911, son of the late John N. and Lydia Margaret Ward Smith. He was the widower of Mrs. Gladys Weatherly Smith.

Surviving are four sisters: Mrs. Sadie Morris and Mrs. Evelyn Parker, both of Edenton; Mrs. Gladys Ellis of Newport News, Va.; and Miss Mildred Smith of Panama City, Fla.

He was a member of Edenton Baptist Church and Unanimity Lodge No. 7, AF & AM.



PREPARING FOR THE 4TH OF JULY—Jerry Parks, President of the Chowan-Edenton Optimist Club, is shown above discussing fireworks safety with other members of the Optimist Club.