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perhaps partly replacing it, Reed says. "The South is more of an economic reality now than ever, with the emergence of regional airlines, regional associations of businesses and, soon, regional banks. Go to any big convention center in the South and you'll find a Southern association of something or other meeting there. Many of these organizations didn't exist 50 years ago.

"We've generated a whole class of people interested in seeing Southernness persist," he says, citing the popularity of Southern Living and other regional magazines founded in the last 20 years.

In many ways, Southerners are moving toward "a more American way of life, though," Reed says. He cites changes in Southern standards of living, where they make their living, the nature of their towns and cities and their patterns of race relations, family and culture.

Some traditional Southern traits also are on the wane, Reed says. These include authoritarianism, ethnocentrism, localism, fatalism, traditional sex role ideology, fear of foreigners and resistance to innovation.

"In some aspects of religion and politics, however, the South does not seem to be changing at all or seems to be changing away from the national norm," the Tennessee native says.

Reed refers to the rise of the Moral Majority and of the power of such New Right conservatives as Sen. Jesse Helms, as movements born in the South.

This evolving regional identity tends to tie the South together more strongly, although there may be less identity for a particular city or town, Reed says.

"There are a lot of people moving around within the South," he says. "This may be a problem—with a small town losing its population—but the town is losing its people to Charlotte, not New York."

Another change, which, ironically, goes hand-in-hand with technological growth in the South, is the increasing individual identification as a Southerner, Reed says.

"It is those who are most 'modern' in background and experience—the increasing proportion of Southerners who live in cities—who have had a good deal of education, who ravel, watch television and read, who do business with non-Southerners—who are most likely to think in regional terms, to categorize themselves and others as 'Southerners' and 'non-Southerners' and to believe that they know what that means," he says.

Regional identification for people who live in small rural towns is less likely. "Some of them are no more aware of the South than fish is of water," Reed says.

If people still are identifying themselves as "Southern," what do they see that sets them apart from the rest of the country? Manner and style is what stands out in most minds, Reed says.

"When we asked people about the 'most important' difference, most of them talked about manners, friendliness, morality, style and pace," he notes. "These distinctions will still be around in the future."

Most of the findings in Reed's monograph reflect his belief that the South, like any society, will grow and change to stay alive. He cites a passage by George Orwell describing the fate of a changing England:



HOLLOWELL NAMED DIRECTOR OF MUSIC — Martha Jo Hollowell, shown above with Rev. Blankenhorn, was certified as a Director of Music at the Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church in Fayetteville, N.C.

Hollowell Certified As Director Of Music At Recent Conference

RALEIGH—During the Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church held at Methodist College in Fayetteville, June 5-9, Martha Jo Hollowell, having completed the requirements necessary, was certified as a Director of Music in the Methodist Church. Miss Hollowell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Hollowell, Jr., is presently serving the Edenton United Methodist Church as Director of Music, Choir Director and Assistant Organist.

Besides being active in numerous civic and community organizations, she is involved with the Fellowship of Christian Musicians, The Edenton Choral Society, and the Fellowship of United Methodists in Worship, Music and Other Arts. She is also on the Board of Directors of the Chowan County Chapter of the North Carolina Symphony, the United Methodist Women, the Sanctuary and Building Committees, the Council on Ministries and the Administrative Board.

Court Docket

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ty of passing a worthless check. He was sentenced to 30 days with 2 years suspended, \$25, cost of court, restitution of \$122.66 to the benefit of the Coach House Inn, and must stay on good behavior for 12 months.

Reginald George Morris was found guilty of driving 76 miles an hour in a 55 zone. He was sentenced to 30 days with 2 years suspended, \$75, cost of court, and has lost his privilege to operate a motor vehicle in the state of North Carolina for 12 months.

Dorothy Ragland Gurganus was found guilty of driving 67 miles an hour in a 55 zone. She was fined \$25 and cost of court.

Willie Joe Cecil Leary was found guilty of driving under the influence. He was sentenced to 90 days with 2 years suspended, \$100, cost of court, and the surrender of his license.

Linda Ott Brinn was found guilty of driving 60 miles per hour in a 45 zone. She was fined \$15 and cost of court.

Joseph Edward Delaney was found guilty of driving 67 miles an hour in a 55 zone. He was fined \$10 and cost of court.

Craig Eugene Blanchard was called but failed to show on the charge of driving 64 miles per hour in a 55 zone.

Ronald Rascoe Prater was called but failed to show on the charge of driving 67 miles per hour in a 55 zone.

Russell Thomas Byrum was called but failed to show on the charge of driving 66 miles per hour in a 55 zone.

David Thurman Stallings was found guilty of shoplifting. He was sentenced to 30 days with 2 years suspended, \$100, cost of court and 12 months good behavior. He is not to set foot on the S&R property for two years.

Brenda Lee Harris was found guilty of shoplifting. She was sentenced to 30 days with 2 years suspended, \$100, cost of court and is not to set foot on the S&R property for 2 years.

"The Stock Exchange will be pulled down, the horse plough will give way to the tractor, the country houses will be turned into children's holiday camps, the Eton and Harrow match will be forgotten, but England will still be England, and everlasting animal stretching into the future and the past, and like all living things, having the power to change out of recognition and yet remain the same."

New Business To Open Office Here

1st Choice Homes, a Dallas based firm which builds uniquely economical steel-framed houses on-site, has targeted Edenton for its next sales center.

1st Choice, a division of Jewell Building Systems, Inc., was recently ranked 175th in INC. Magazine's list of the "500 Fastest Growing Private Companies in the U.S."

The five-year-old company already has builders in 11 North Carolina cities.

"We think Edenton is an ideal market area for our houses," said Everett Jewell, president of 1st Choice, "and it is a logical next move for us. Our goal is to make our sales centers easily accessible to all Carolinians by the end of this year. An Edenton location is strategic to this plan."

"I believe our houses, costing under \$30,000, will revolutionize the housing industry," said Jewell. "I think 1st Choice will become the McDonald's of the building industry, as soon as enough people discover the concept."

"In addition to being affordable," said Jewell, "these homes are cost-efficient. Heavy insulation keeps heating and cooling bills for a standard 1,025 square foot model at an average of \$30 or less a month."

"Also, steel doesn't deteriorate like wood and costs much less to maintain, and fire insurance rates may be sharply reduced for residents of steel frame houses."

Jewell estimates that some 80 per cent of prospective home buyers nationwide have been priced out of conventional housing.

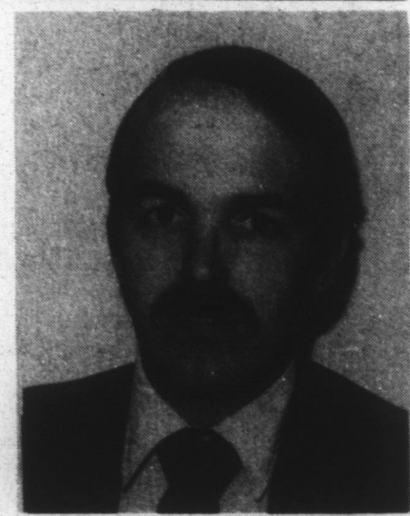
"Anytime you have an 80 per cent market and an effective product, you might as well hitch up the locomotive and go," he said.

Besides national sales, 1st Choice is now negotiating to build 20,000 steel homes in Colombia, South America.

Terry Chamberlain, national sales manager for 1st Choice, said, "At this point, we do not know who our building contractor in Edenton will be. We are still accepting applications."

"When the contractor is selected, he will then find a good location to build a model in Edenton, and this will be our sales center."

"If everything works out as planned, we could be showing a model house to prospective Edenton home owners in two or three months."



Dr. William Stephen Blakemore

Hospital Welcomes Dr. Blakemore

Dr. William Stephen Blakemore is opening an office for the practice of ophthalmology at 102 West Eden Street in Edenton on July 1.

He completed his specialty training at the University of Chicago in the medical and surgical management of eye disease with the well-known teacher, Professor Frank Newell. His first year of graduate training was spent at East Carolina University Hospital and School of Medicine in Greenville.

He is joining the staff of Chowan Hospital in Edenton and will be moving to Edenton with his wife, Maureen, and daughters, Kelly and Melissa.

Dr. Blakemore's hobbies are fishing and sports. He has been National Schoolboy Rowing Champion, captain of the Rugby Team, and while in college, played varsity football and was on the wrestling team.

Time is not so scarce. What is rare is the proper and intelligent use of time.

Communities To Benefit From Reagan's Emergency Jobs Bill

RALEIGH—More jobs will be created in North Carolina and rural communities will benefit by more water and waste disposal funding under the emergency jobs bill signed recently by President Reagan, Larry W. Goodwin, Farmers Home Administration state director, announced.

Godwin said that nationally rural water and waste disposal system assistance will be increased by \$225 million in loans and \$75-million in grant authority. These new funds, combined with regular appropriations for fiscal year 1983, will give FmHA a much higher program level of \$600-million in loans and \$200-million in grants for this same period.

The additional funds made available in North Carolina for rural water and waste disposal system financing has increased by \$8,091,000 in loans and \$2,479,000 in grants for fiscal year 1983. This will increase the funds available to \$25,000,000 in loans and \$8,000,000 in grants. These additional funds could create approximately 588 jobs such as on the worksite pipeline manufacturers, transportation and the like.

The extra funds provided by the jobs bill "will provide further impetus to the economic recovery that is beginning to take hold," Godwin said. "This boost is especially important in rural areas whose ability to borrow is traditionally more difficult than for urban areas."

Interest rates for water and waste disposal loans vary from 5 per cent to a market rate (currently 9.125 per cent), depending on the income of the community and any existing health or sanitary problems.

Grant funds may be available to facilities serving the most finan-

cially needy communities to reduce their costs to a reasonable level.

Farmers Home Administration is the rural credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It helps farmers and other rural residents and communities without adequate credit finance farms, homes and essential community facilities such as water and waste disposal systems.

Chowan County Has High Yield

Cotton production in Chowan County in 1982 totaled 6,250 bales (net weight 480 pounds per bale) from 4,070 acres harvested.

The N.C. Crop & Livestock Reporting Service this week also announced that tobacco production in Chowan last season declined by 227,000 pounds from 1981, to 657,000 pounds harvested from 325 acres. The per acre yield was 2,020 in 1982 and 2,310 pounds per acre the year before.

More than 354-million pounds of tobacco were harvested last year in the 26-county Eastern Belt.

Preliminary cotton estimates for 1982 showed 102,000 bales harvested from 70,000 acres across the state. More than half the amount, 58,559 bales, were harvested in the 11-county North Coastal District.

Statewide the average yield per acre harvested was 699 pounds. In Chowan County, the per acre yield was 737 pounds, somewhat above the 691-pound average for the entire district.

The average yield was higher in Halifax (759); North Hampton (740); and Washington (800) where only 81 acres were harvested.

Elmore, Copeland To Lobby For Community Block Grant Funds

Chowan County along with twenty-six other North Carolina communities have submitted Community Development Block Grant applications to the Department of Natural Resources and Community Development.

The sixteen municipalities and ten counties are requesting a total of \$12.9-million for economic development projects ranging from the expansion of waterlines to accommodate new or expanding industries to the establishment of low interest loan pools by the local government to assist businesses and industries.

The request from Chowan County for \$750,000 is for the expansion of the water system in the northern part of the County. The expanded water system will assist the county in meeting the growing water needs of United Piece and Dye Works. Specific plans call for the upgrading of the Valhalla pumping station from its present rate of 200 gallons per minute to 900 gallons per minute.

Funds for the Community Development Block Grant include a portion of the states' regular grant allocation from the federal government for fiscal year 1983 and up to \$8.5 million from the recently enacted federal Jobs Bill. But despite the additional funds from the Jobs Bill, there is not enough money to cover all funding requests and, according to NRCDC Secretary Joseph Grimsley, a competitive grants selection system was developed because such a situation was anticipated.

"With cutbacks in other federal funding programs, we knew cities and counties would be increasingly turning to the Community Development Block Grant program for extra community development dollars and it was imperative that a selection system be developed which would result in the limited funds having the greatest impact possible," he said.

Grimsley feels the selection system, developed in cooperation with local officials, has worked well.

"In the economic development category in 1982, \$2.5-million in Community Development Block Grant awards resulted in the creation or retention of over 700 jobs and the investment of over seven-million additional dollars. During the first economic development

funding cycle this year, \$3.9-million was awarded, creating or retaining 1,400 jobs and injecting an additional \$35-million into strained economies," he noted.

Each economic development application is rated in the areas of community needs, project design, benefit to low and moderate income persons, other public and private funds to be used for the project activities and the project's consistency with state policies and programs.

Alton Elmore, Chairman of the County Commissioners, along with Cliff Copeland, County Manager, left Tuesday to lobby for the County's grant application.

Grant awards to be selected from the most recent economic development applications, as well as those in the community revitalization and development planning categories, are expected to be announced by Governor Hunt in late August.

Skiing Competition To Be Held

Water ski competition in slalom and jumping will be featured in the 1983 Pembroke Open, to be sponsored by Pembroke Water Ski Club at Pembroke Creek in Edenton, N.C. on June 25 and 26, 1983.

Skiers in all age divisions will be taking part in the action which will begin at 8:00 A.M. each day. Much of the local attention will be focused on Bruce Jones, Mike Partin, Bob Partin, Henry White and David Payne.

Entries have already been received from 50 skiers from 5 states, including Va., N.C., S.C., Ga. and Tenn. The entry list will be closed after the first 100 are received by the tournament chairman, Bruce Jones.

The slalom event involves running a course of six evenly spaced buoys. The contestants continue through the course at predetermined speeds and shorter towline until the skier with the most consecutive buoys without a miss is declared the winner. In jumping, the skiers attempt to attain winning distances by leaping off a ramp that is set at five feet, five and a half feet or six feet, depending on the division of the contestants.

Chief judge of the tournament will be Bruce Jones.

Chief driver of the tournament will be Mike Partin.

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