

Study Discloses That Needs Of Highways In Critical Condition

Average Rural Road 20 Years Old; Not Surfaced For 15 Years

Some \$490,400,000 would be needed to bring federal-aid highways in North Carolina up to adequate standards, according to Arthur O. Dietz, president of C.I.T. Financial Corporation, the nation's largest independent financing institution.

Dietz quoted a study by the American Association of State Highway Officials in pointing out that some 4,667 miles of North Carolina's federal-aid highways are considered inadequate.

Nationally, he explained, improvements are needed on almost 64 per cent, or more than 429,000 miles, of the federal-aid system. On all roads and streets—federal, state and local—he said at least \$50 billion is needed just to bring the system up to adequate standards. Road spending in the United States, Dietz declared, must be increased to a level of some \$11 billion a year, more than double the present rate, "if we are to solve the highway crisis."

Dietz said federal-aid highway needs are particularly critical because the system's 673,000 miles, only about one-fifth of the nation's roadway mileage, carry four-fifths of the traffic.

Emphasizing the seriousness of the nation's traffic problem, Dietz said the average rural road is more than 20 years old and was last surfaced more than 15 years ago.

"Highway travel has climbed to more than two and one-half times the volume in 1931, when many of our roads were constructed," Dietz said.

"Traffic volume in 1950 reached a level that had not been expected until 1960. Today we have some 55,000,000 vehicles on our roadways. By 1975, we probably will have 85,000,000 vehicles in use and traffic volume probably will be doubled by 1970."

If the nation is to continue to prosper, Dietz said, highway spending must be increased to a level of some \$11 billion a year over at least a 10-year period.



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In an over-anxious way, many people try to make up for the long, cold winter by giving themselves too much exposure to the sun. Instead of a good tan, which can be gotten easily with gradual exposure, they end up with a bad burn.

Recently scientists in Holland discovered that two different layers of skin burn under two different wave lengths of invisible ultra-violet rays. Generally, however, blondes burn faster than brunettes, children more quickly than adults and dry-skinned persons more easily than people with oily skin.

The average brunette can stand about two 15-to-20 minute stretches of strong sunlight the first day, double that the second day and gradual increases thereafter. Blondes and redheads should cut that schedule in half. Once tanned, you can stay out in the sun longer because one layer of skin thickens and the pigment develops, resulting in the "tan" color.

Don't be fooled on an overcast day, for clouds do not necessarily remove ultra-violet rays, and reflections from sand and water produce greater exposure.

All doctors agree that it's a good idea to use protective clothing and creams, lotions or oils. Many preparations contain compounds that filter out most of the ultra-violet rays and permit gradual tanning at the same time.

Vacation athletes who exercise under the hot sun may suffer sudden attack of heat exhaustion or the more serious sunstroke. To help prevent both conditions, avoid over-exertion and long exposure under the sun's rays. It is also necessary to replace the salt that the body loses in perspiration and to wear light, loose, protective clothing.

4-H Elimination Contest Held At Chowan High

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Chowan 4th and 5th Junior Club—Cheryl Hobbs, Walter Baker.

Chowan 6th and 7th Junior Club—Kay Frances White and Jeff Ward.

Chowan 8th and 9th Senior Club—Jean Evans and Norman Bunch.

Chowan 10, 11, 12 Senior Club—Mary Sue Elliott and Jackie Morris. Edenton Senior Club—Margaret Forehand and Ronald Bunch.

A dress revue in which 13 charming girls modeled beautiful dresses which they made followed the health pageant. Janice Harrell, member of the Chowan 10, 11, 12th club, acted as narrator. "A Date with a Dream" was the topic of the dress revue. Barbara Anne White took a leading part in the dress revue, as did Shirley Harrell and Mary Sue Elliott. Girls who modeled dresses were: Beckie Harrell, Rocky Hock Junior Club; Carolyn Wilson, Kay Frances White, and Bonnie Welch, all of the Chowan 6th and 7th Club; Betty Privott, of Edenton Junior Club; Barbara Anne Jordan, Peggy Smith, Frances Louise Chappell and Anne Pearce, of Chowan 8th and 9th Club; Mary Sue Elliott, Shirley and Margie Harrell, Sara Margaret Asbell, of Chowan 10, 11, 12th Club. Shirley Harrell was declared county winner. Judges for the dress revue were Mrs. B. P. Monds, of Center Hill and Mrs. I. E. Halsey of Edenton. Shirley Harrell will represent Chowan County as dress revue winner at the District Elimination Contest.

Shirley Harrell and Jackie Morris gave a demonstration on "Better Lighting in the Home" and Billy Goodwin gave a demonstration on "How to Build an Electric Pop Corn Popper." Since only a team or an individual demonstration can be entered in the district elimination contest at Washington, the winner (which was the team demonstration) will represent the county in the district contest.

Ida Ann Blanchard will represent Chowan County as the senior individual dairy foods demonstration, and Mary Sue Elliott and Evangeline Copeland will represent the county for the Dairy Foods team demonstration. Kay Frances White and Carolyn Wilson gave their dairy foods demonstration at the county elimination, as did Ida Ann Blanchard. In this particular contest, each county is permitted to have an individual and a team demonstration at the district elimination contest.

Gerald Harrell gave a demonstration on soil conservation, and will represent Chowan at the district contest.

Lloyd Wayne Evans gave a demonstration on "Planting Forest Trees" and Sherwood Harrell gave a demonstration on "Controlling The Big Three Garden Insects." These club members will represent Chowan at the district elimination contest.

After Lloyd Wayne's and Sherwood's demonstrations a talent contest was held with a total of 10 different individuals and group entries, which consisted of 19 different club mem-

bers. Five entries (either individual or group) were selected by the judges to represent Chowan at the district contest. Winners selected were: Kay Frances White, skit; Chowan Ramblers, string music; Peggy Perry, vocal solo; Ann Pearce, piano solo; Joe Privott, Joe Wiggins, Lloyd Neal Ward and Jimmy Hollowell, vocal quartette.

Other contestants who entered the talent contest were: Beckie Harrell, Margie Parrish and Peggy Smith, Bryant White, individual solos; Gail Skinner, Georgia Skinner, Kay Lowe and Linda Spivey, vocal quartet. Judges for this contest were James Wellons, Jr., and Miss Martha Stille of VEPCO, Elizabeth City.

Jackie Morris then announced the winners of the various contests after which followed the 4-H pledge.

The morning schedule was very full, but the audience seemed to enjoy it. A very delicious picnic lunch was served on the school grounds followed by the 4-H tractor operator's contest, which was the last event of a busy day. Robert Preston Dail, member of the Chowan 8th and 9th Club won first prize, and Harold Lloyd Bunch, of Edenton Senior Club, won second prize. The tractor operators' contest consisted of three parts—Safety, driving through obstacle course and belting the tractor.

Judges for this event were: Thomas Byrum, Leslie Harrell, Preston Rogerson of Byrum Implement and Truck Company; Guy Hobbs of Hobbs Implement Company; Leonard Small of Edenton Tractor and Equipment Co., and L. B. Dixon and W. T. Ellison, Jr.

Other boys who entered this contest were: Joe Privott, Joseph Wiggins, Lloyd Neal Ward, all of Chowan 8th and 9th Club; J. D. Parrish and Elliott Belch, Jr., of Chowan 6th and 7th Club; Sherwood Harrell and Carlton Perry of Edenton Senior 4-H Club and Bryant White of Edenton Junior Club.

The Chowan 4-H Club members did a real good job, and are already looking forward to another county elimination day next year.

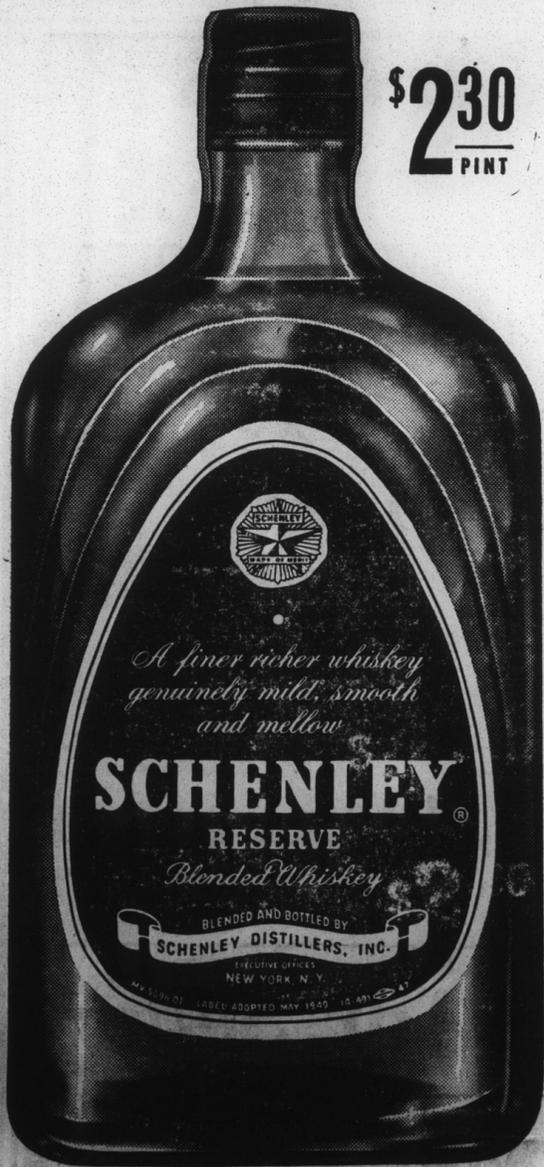
Eastern Star Calls Off Meetings For Summer

Edenton Chapter, No. 302, Order of the Eastern Star, has abandoned its semi-monthly meetings during the summer months and will not hold a regular meeting again until Monday night, September 6.

However, the lodge will meet in special session the fifth Monday night in August in order to rehearse before the regular meeting the following Monday night.

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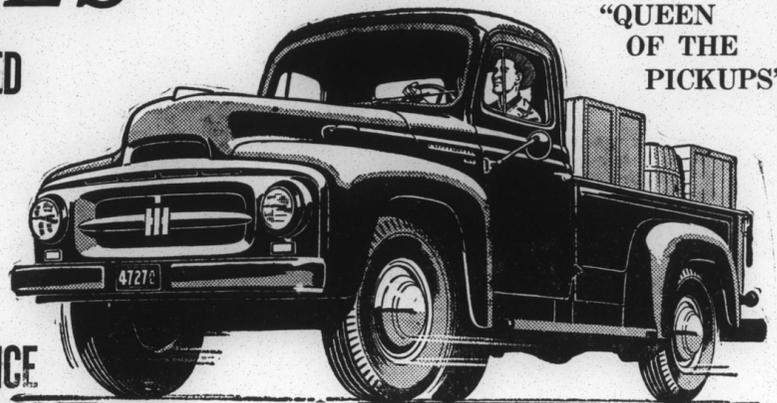
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