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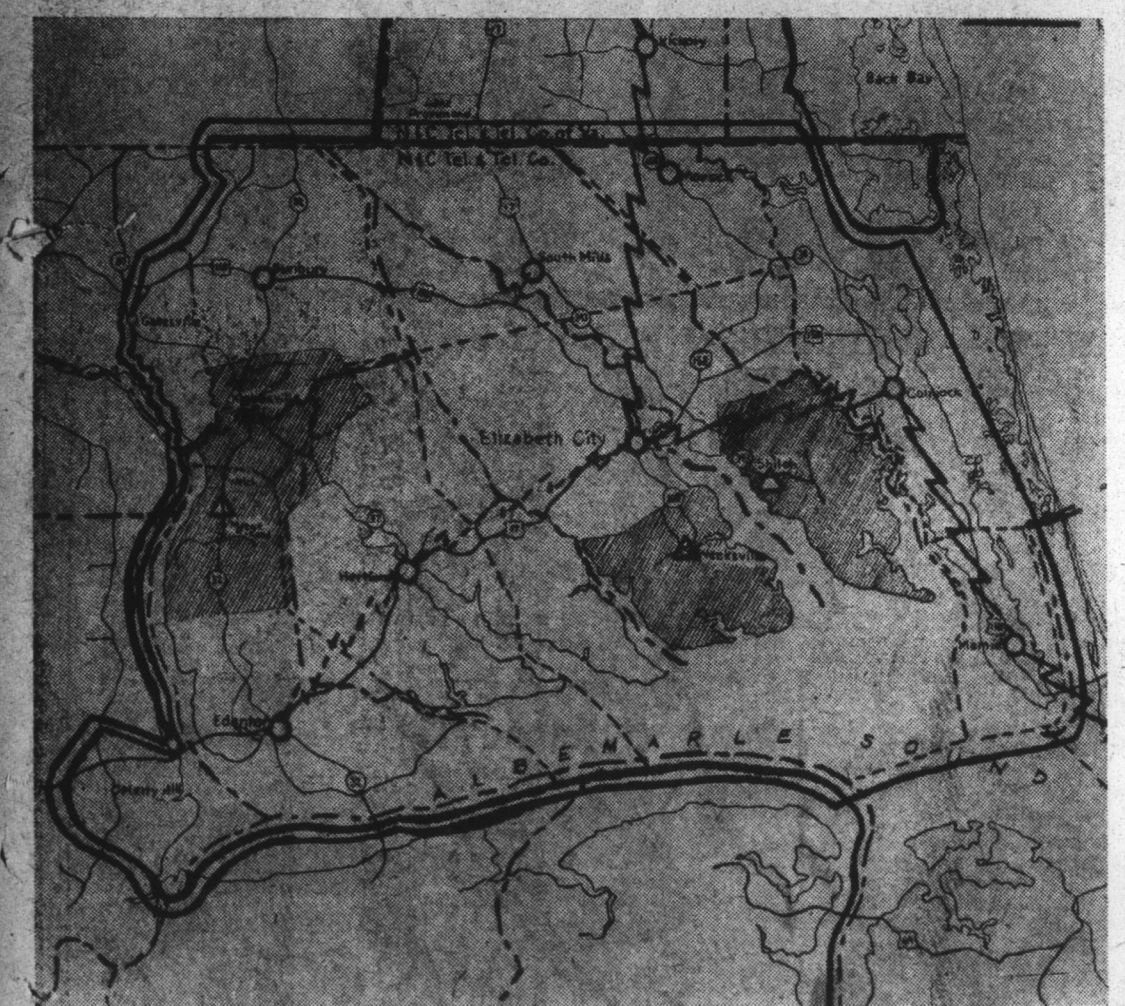
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Chamber Of Commerce Gives Support To Proposal By Telephone Company For New 'Albemarle Metro'

ELIZABETH CITY—The Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Company announced Friday that toll-free telephone service will be made available to its customers in 11 exchanges if they approve the plan by mail ballot.



ALBEMARLE METRO.—The sketch above shows the proposed toll-free calling area which Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Company proposes. The new system, known as Albemarle Metro, will go into effect next year if telephone subscribers approve the plans later this month. Officials believe this would be the largest area of toll-free calling in the country.

The Public Parade

ROLL HER OUT—The welcome carpet in Edenton is bigger and redder than anyplace else. And it is all rolled out this week for visitors to the dedication and 1965 Pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton and Countryside.

We take special pride in having the opportunity to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Bunch, Jr., of Statesville. Mrs. Bunch is president of the N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs.

In addition to her important service through the years to the Woman's Club, she has had a little to do with politics. As a matter of fact, she weathered many storms on the Iredell County Board of Education and turned up as chairman.

Rep. Herbert Bonner of Washington, veteran congressman from the First District, is interrupting a busy schedule in the Nation's Capital to fly to "Ye Towne on Queen Anne's Creek" for the dedication of the new Municipal Building today. He needs no introduction hereabouts.

Word has just been received that a special guest for the pilgrimage will be Alfred P. Nicholson, British Counsel in Norfolk.

vious productions, it is confidently expected that this play will surpass the others, at least in several aspects of the production.

In that it is set in Revolutionary times and because performances coincide with the tour, special care has been taken to be historically accurate in the selection of furniture and properties.

Charles Wood is the unfathomable minister and Jim Ricks the gentlemanly General Burgoyne.

Performances are set for 8 P. M. Friday and Saturday, at the John A. Holmes High School auditorium. Tickets are available at Mitchener's and Hollowell's or at the door.

Call it what you want, George, but to those who matriculate at Wake Forest, Duke and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the campus in west Raleigh will still be "Cow College."

In addition, new exchanges would be located at Shiloh, Weeksville and Welch, which will also share in the free calling area.

Rates would be standardized throughout the new metro area. "It would be the first 'non-urban' metro area in North Carolina and one of the first in the nation," N. & C. T. & T. President L. S. Blades, Jr., said.

The proposal was formally announced here Friday night at a dinner for 100 business, civic and political leaders from the affected area.

The change-over would cost the company \$2,152,906 in capital outlay and would climax a \$6,855,458 expansion program which has been underway since 1961.

The toll-free service area would extend for 60 miles from east to west—roughly the distance from Greensboro to Raleigh. It would reach from the Albemarle Sound to Virginia and from Currituck Sound west to the Chowan River, including Merry Hill section of Bertie County. It would include all of parts of seven of the eight counties served by N. & C. T. & T.—Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Pasquotank and Perquimans.

There are now about 12,000 subscribers in the affected area. The company anticipates a growth to more than 13,000 by the target date of the change-over in October, 1966.

Of the area now served, only Dare County and 92 subscribers in Gatesville would not be included in the new free calling area.

Over-all monthly rate increases would range from 75 cents to \$4.75 for business. However, residence rate increases would only be 75 cents to \$2.00. The new areawide rates for (Continued on Page Seven)

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The board accepted the resignation of district chairman Henry Bunch and planned to name the fifth member of the committee in the near future.

A discussion was held concerning the election of faculty members in the county schools, but no action was taken pending recommendations from the district committee and Supt. Walters.

Since 1953, Smith-Douglass has contributed \$26,000 and has awarded approximately 28 scholarships at North Carolina State. These were made available through the 4-H and FFA programs.

Mrs. Edna Reaves, home economics teacher at John A. Holmes High School, will begin a series of clothing construction classes for adults Tuesday evening, April 13, at 8 o'clock, in the home economics department of the school.

The classes will be held each Tuesday evening for a period of six weeks with the exception of the week after Easter, at which time the class will be held Thursday evening, April 22.

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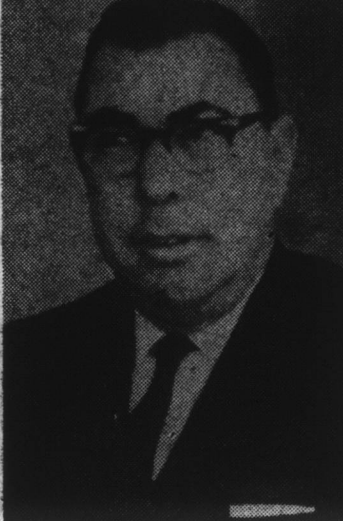
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Edenton Jaycees took the First District Rally in Wilson last weekend like Grant moving into Richmond.



HENRY G. QUINN

Quinn, Twiddy File For Office

A race for the second of three town council seats up for election on May 4 developed Monday when two men filed for councilman-at-large.

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Municipal Building Program, Pilgrimage Bringing Throngs Here For Special Weekend

Baptist Church Scene Of Second Society Concert

Another in a series of concerts by The Albemarle Choral Society will be held at Edenton Baptist Church at 4 P. M., Sunday with Dr. Clifford Bair as conductor.

This is the first annual series of spring concerts by the choral group which is sponsored by The College of the Albemarle and the Fine Arts Council of the Albemarle Area Development Association.

The first concerts by the group was during the Christmas holiday season when programs were presented in Edenton and Elizabeth City.

The spring concert held last week at Elizabeth City was well received and a good audience is expected for the event in Edenton on Sunday.

Soloists for the Edenton concert will be Myrtle Pritchard, Nelson Cheers, F. S. Braswell and Irving Baeus. A quartet, composed of Nelle Jones, Faye Cartwright, C. W. Overman and Braswell will also be featured on the program.

The program includes the lent and Easter portions of Handel's "Messiah" and Vittorio Giannini's "Canticle of the Martyrs" which was commissioned for the 500th anniversary of the Moravian Church.

Anna Withers Bair will be organist.

While living in New York City, Mrs. Cheers sang with two choral groups, a Madrigal Quartet and in a performance of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Iolanthe". She was soloist in the American Churches in Bremen, Germany, Rome, and Salisburg, Austria.

She was soloist at St. Matthew's Church in Edenton.



MRS. FRED B. BUNCH, JR.

2 Local Statutes Are Investigated

Chowan County Commissioners will ask Rep. W. J. P. Earnhardt, Jr., to consider two pieces of local legislation during the current term of the General Assembly.

The board will ask for a bill to stagger their terms of office and another which would establish a continuing grand jury for Chowan County.

Both these areas of local government are established in many counties of the state.

The commissioners feel the county would benefit from a statute which would have only a portion of the board coming up for re-election every two years. Also, they have been advised that the best interests of everyone would be served with a grand jury with some members serving from term to term.

At their meeting Monday, the commissioners passed a resolution.

Mrs. Fred Bunch Joins Rep. Bonner In 1965 Limelight

Visitors began arriving early today for the dedication of the new Municipal Building here and the biennial Pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton and Countryside.

Early indications were that both events would be a huge success.

The only question hanging fire at presstime was the weather. Rain fell Tuesday but the forecast was for clearing skies Thursday afternoon and a typical sunny spring Eastern North Carolina weekend on tap.

With the dedication scheduled for in front of the handsome Municipal Building at the foot of Broad Street, town officials were hoping for clear skies.

Rain would also inconvenience visitors to the pilgrimage, which is one of North Carolina's finest cultural attractions. The homes, public buildings and gardens on the tour are scattered throughout Chowan County.

With cooperation from the weatherman, this is expected to be the biggest pilgrimage ever held in Edenton.

The 1965 events will have a flavor of politics and civic leadership, with veterans in both fields scheduled to be honored.

Rep. Herbert Bonner of Washington, First District Congressman, will deliver the address at the dedication. He and other out of town guests will be honored at a reception at Chowan Golf and Country Club.

Edenton Woman's Club, sponsors of the pilgrimage, will have as their special guest during the weekend Mrs. Fred B. Bunch, Jr., of Statesville, president of the N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING DEDICATION

Thursday 4 P. M.

TOUR HOURS

Friday and Saturday 10 A. M., to 1 P. M. and 2 P. M., to 5 P. M.

Sunday 2 P. M., to 5 P. M.

Flags Designate Houses Open.

Closed Sunday The Homestead and James Iredell, Sr. Houses

SPECIAL EVENTS

Heritage Tea Barker House, 2 P. M., to 5 P. M.

Colonial Craft Demonstrations by Home Demonstration Club Members

Barker House

Waterfront Tour on a U. S. Coast Guard Cutter Friday-Saturday

(No Charge)

The Edenton Little Theatre Presents

"THE DEVIL'S DISCIPLE"

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Saturday Morning, 7-9 A. M. Pickled Herring Breakfast

Methodist Church (next to Post Office)

LUNCHEONS

St. Ann's Catholic Church Friday-Saturday, 12-2 P. M.

Iredell House—Box Lunches Friday-Saturday 12-2:30 P. M.

St. Paul's Parish House Saturday Only, 12-2 P. M.

Band Parents Snack Bar — Hotel Joseph Hewes

Friday - Saturday - Sunday

DINNER

Masonic Temple Friday-Saturday, 5-7 P. M.

Free Guide Service and Transportation

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Ice Water Served by C.A.R. at Iredell Grounds

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Walters Re-Named To School Post

C. C. Walters this week was reelected superintendent of Chowan County Schools.

The board of education named Supt. Walters for another two year term. No other applications for the post were received and the board's action was unanimous.

At Monday's meeting, the school board also re-appointed four members to the district school committee. They are: Willie Joyner, Ivan Bunch, Wilbert Hare and Carlton Goodwin.

The board accepted the resignation of district chairman Henry Bunch and planned to name the fifth member of the committee in the near future.

White Oak Elementary School will be available for use by the anti-poverty group to set up a day care center, if such space is needed.

Supt. Walters was instructed to work toward getting all fees cut to a minimum, especially those involving commercial studies at the school. The board agreed that no student should be deprived of the privilege of taking typewriting because of the \$12 fee.

Supt. Walters said some fees, such as fines on late library books, etc. are necessary but assured the board that every effort would be made to slash the fees as much as possible.

O. C. Long, chairman, presided at the lengthy session. Dr. A. F. Downum, N. J. George, Eugene Jordan and Frank Williams, members, attended the monthly meeting.

Tax Collections Off During March

Tax collections in Chowan County were experiencing the usual spring slump, according to a report issued this week by Sheriff Earl Goodwin.

The sheriff reported that \$16,165.94 was collected on the 1964 levy of \$391,864.63. Also, delinquent tax collections during the month, with penalties, amounted to \$1,116.83.