



Edenton Cotton Mills Complete Most Successful Year In History

During 1965 Edenton Cotton Mills had its most productive year and the outlook is for another record-breaking year in 1966.

Philip S. McMullan, president, said the company employs 190 people and during the past year spent more than \$900,000 for salaries, wages, taxes and supplies purchased locally.

Statistics show the local company as a pace setter in the cotton manufacturing industry in increasing wages and production. The firm has given two general pay increases in the past 18 months. Over the past five years more than \$500,000 has been spent on capital improvements and production in 1966 is expected to be increased by 20 per cent over 1965.

Production at the mill, McMullan said, is between 90,000 and 95,000 pounds of yarn a week. Stretched out, this yarn would stretch one million, 600 thousand miles.

Seventy-five per cent of the local production is sold directly to the customer by either McMullan or his vice president, C. A. Phillips.

The local mill has been running three shifts of employees on a six-day work week for more than two years. Management at the

plant does not see any interruption of this schedule in the near future.

McMullan proudly reports that the mill has run five and six days a week since 1958.

While cotton yarns have been in increased demands, McMullan said quality has

not been sacrificed for quantity. He said the mill produces first class finished cotton yarns for the weaving, knitting and brading trade.

There is a particular gleam in McMullan's eyes when he speaks of employee-employer relations at the county's oldest and biggest manufacturing plant. "We have a very fine, loyal group of employees who take pride in their work," he says.

McMullan, who has been president of Edenton Cotton Mills since 1957, was re-elected president and treasurer at the stockholders' meeting recently. He has been connected with the mill since 1920 and was manager for 10 years prior to being elected to his present position.

Phillips and John Graham were re-elected vice presidents, and R. F. Elliott was again named secretary and assistant treasurer. Leo Katkaveck is superintendent.

The firm, organized August 2, 1898, now has 120 stockholders, most of whom reside in Chowan County.



PHILIP S. McMULLAN



C. A. PHILLIPS

The Public Parade

COME ALIVE — There isn't much connection between cotton yarn and gum veneer.

Neither are there close ties between finishing fabrics and operating a railroad.

Nonetheless, the importance of these three industries and a utility cannot be overstated when discussing economic conditions along The Public Parade.

We specifically call to your attention Edenton Cotton Mills, Chowan Veneer Company, United Piece Dye Works and Norfolk Southern Railway Company.

Elsewhere on this page are stories about the banner year just completed by the cotton mill and veneer company. Management of each firm feels 1966 will be even brighter.

Across our desk recently passed the annual report to the stockholders of one of the newest members of our industrial family — United Piece Dye Works.

It is reported that it took nearly \$3,000,000 to build and equip the local plant — the largest investment the company has ever made in a single year. Although beset by unanticipated problems, the company reports a profit from the Edenton plant in December, 1965.

"It is reasonable to expect that there will be no loss at Edenton for the current year, but that the plant will contribute to earnings for 1966," wrote Charles Blount, Jr., chairman and president.

The sudden success of the railway company is credited to the recent development in the area it serves.

Henry G. Bruns, chairman, and Henry Oetjen, president, wrote: "It appears that the area of Eastern North Carolina which we serve is finally beginning to grow."

Right now two new industries are taking a close look at Chowan County. They are considering this area for new plants to expand their operations.

This tends to support the railway firm's claim that the Albemarle Area is not sleeping.

We are fortunate to have the necessary ingredients here which leads toward expansion of existing industry as well as the location of new plants. Both complement each other.

CLEAN SWEEP — Edenton Lions will be out in mass Monday night for their annual broom sale.

Lions will begin knocking on doors at 6 P. M., as they set out to help you keep a cleaner home with an adequate broom. These brooms are made by the blind and are sold for household and commercial use.

If you want to make a clean sweep the way to do it is with a broom sold by the Lions Club. You'll have your chance to get prepared for Spring cleaning Monday night.

DEAR RALPH — The following is an open letter to Ralph Howland, who is just getting settled in a nice executive chair in Gov. Dan K. Moore's administration.

Dear Ralph: Before you get too comfortable those along The Public Parade interested in highway safety would like to appeal to you for assistance.

The purpose of this letter is not to ask for another expensive bridge. All we need are a few road signs.

While highway signs can sometimes become as repulsive as auto graveyards, there is always a time and place for everything.

There is a one-mile stretch of secondary road just outside Edenton identified by the State Highway Commission as No. 1105. It connects busy U. S. 17 with North Carolina 32. Needless to say, it is heavily traveled.

Houses line both sides of this road and since there are no community playgrounds in the area the children use the nice highway surface for their games. Two or more stores are in the area and children meander back and forth across the road on errands for their parents. Several mishaps—some involving children—have occurred on this road.

In less than 18 months the

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Sheriff's Post Sought By Carroll A. Boyce Jr.

On April 16, 1935, death claimed Sheriff C. A. Boyce.

Today, 31 years later, his son, Carroll A. Boyce, Jr.,

announced his candidacy for the office in Chowan County.

With Boyce's announcement developed the first contest in the May 28 Democratic Primary in Chowan County.

Incumbent Sheriff Earl Goodwin earlier announced that he would seek another four-year term.

Boyce, 51, is currently serving as county coroner, a post he has held for the past

six years. He is employed as a licensed funeral director at Willford Funeral Home here.

The candidate has two years experience in law enforcement as a patrolman with the Edenton Police Department. Since being elected coroner, Boyce says he has established good working relations with the county and city law enforcement departments.

He has been one of the most active members of the N. C. State Coroner's Association and has served two terms as a director of that group.

A native of Chowan County, Boyce is the son of Mrs. Ethel H. Boyce and the late Sheriff Boyce.

A graduate of local schools, he enlisted in the U. S. Navy in 1938 and retired in 1953 after serving continuously for 20 years.

Boyce, a member of Edenton Baptist Church, is married to the former Evelyn Harrell and they are the parents of two children.

He is a member and past officer of Edward G. Bond Post No. 40, American Legion and served as master of Unanimity Masonic Lodge No. 7 during 1965.



CARROLL A. BOYCE, JR.

Expansion Job Completed At Chowan Veneer

Production at Chowan Veneer Company, Inc., was increased 25 per cent last week when a third lathe was placed into operation.

At the same time, E. L. Hollowell, company president, said employment has increased to 95 and a general pay boost was given.

Hollowell said three lathes and as many dryers are now turning out 1,012,500 surface feet of veneer each week. The veneer ranges from 1/20th to 1/8th inch in thickness.

In addition to the people employed at the north Edenton plant, Hollowell said private contractors bringing logs to Chowan Veneer employ 67 people. Most of these operations are in North Carolina.

Payrolls at the plant are expected to reach nearly \$450,000 in 1966. The company spent \$300,000 in 1965 for logs alone.

Hollowell, a 20-year veteran in the veneer business, said he buys poplar and gum logs from throughout this section of North Carolina and parts of Virginia. Ninety-five per cent of the company's production goes to North Carolina plywood manufacturers.

During the past 18 months, Hollowell said the company has spent more than \$150,000 in improvements with more still anticipated.

Starting in 1959 with a single lathe and an obsolete

dryer, the company added another lathe in January, 1963, and the latest one this month.

With three modern three and four deck dryers going around the clock, Hollowell said he has ample equipment in this department to accommodate still another lathe.

While his current production still doesn't meet the

demand for Chowan Veneer product, Hollowell does not anticipate putting on a second shift. While the mill work day averages nearly 10 hours, Hollowell said he would add additional equipment in order to keep a day-time lathe operation. "You just do a better job in the daytime," he said.

Hollowell joined Edenton Veneer Company in August, 1946, and worked in every department. He was mill superintendent when Chowan Veneer Company was formed in 1959 and he moved up to the presidency of that corporation.

Under his direction Chowan Veneer Company has become one of this area's most important industries.



READY FOR SHIPMENT — In six years, Chowan Veneer Company, Inc., has developed into one of this area's most important industries. E. L. Hollowell, company president, is shown with some of the finished veneer from his plant that is ready for shipment. Most of the veneer made at the plant is sold to North Carolina firms.



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY — Mayor John A. Mitchener, Jr., left, and W. F. Pond, chairman, Chowan County Board of Commissioners, have proclaimed April 17-23 as "Friends of the Library Week" here. They are shown in front of the new Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library with Mrs. L. F. Amburn, Jr., president of the local organization supporting the library. A membership drive is being organized.

Meeting Is Set On Fire Station

Edenton's fire station committee is expected to meet today (Thursday) to further discuss plans for the new facility here.

Councilman J. D. Elliott, committee chairman, said additional plans and cost estimates were received late last week and he feels the committee should meet to go over them.

The councilman made his report Tuesday night at a meeting of the Town Council.

Plans for the fire station have been on the drawing board for nearly two years. Bids were sought on one building but they more than doubled the \$70,000 which has been earmarked for the fire station.

Police Chief James H. Griffin reported almost complete cooperation from teachers, parents and motorists in regards to the new traffic pattern around Edenton Elementary School. He said he is well pleased with the results.

W. B. Gardner, town administrator, reported a request from the Economic Improvement Council for lease of a second building at Edenton Municipal Airport. He said the building is needed for use in the summer program but the council desires a three-year lease. The request was approved, subject to the approval of the industrial committee of Edenton Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor John A. Mitchener, Jr., presided at the short council meeting at which time routine reports were received.

In First District

Sen. Winslow Files For New Term

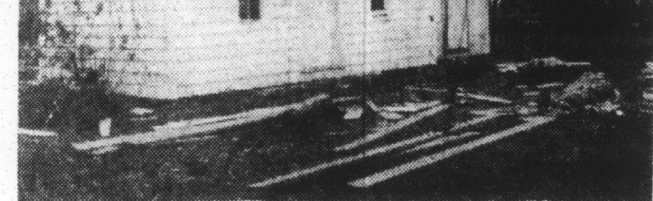
HERTFORD—State Sen. J. Emmett Winslow today announced plans to seek his sixth two-year term in North Carolina's General Assembly.

Sen. Winslow, one of this state's most distinguished Democrats, is running in the newly created First Senatorial District. In 1965 he represented the six county First District, composed of Gates, Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Camden, and Currituck.

During the 1949, 1951, 1959, and 1961 sessions in the Senate, added to the previously listed counties were Hertford and Bertie.

"While I have ever increasing business responsibilities, I also recognize the magnitude of one's obligation to serve his district and state in whatever capacity he feels will benefit the most people," Sen. Winslow said.

"Therefore, I again offer myself as a candidate for the State Senate in the enlarged 10-county district," he added.



IREDELL PROPERTY IMPROVED — One of the items of interest at the May 8 annual meeting of the James Iredell Association will be the kitchen and necessary house. State Treasurer Edwin Gill will be guest speaker.

May 8 Meeting Is Set By James Iredell Group

The Annual Meeting of the James Iredell Association, Inc., and the dedication of the Bandon Plantation Schoolhouse to Inglis Fletcher will be held at 2 P. M., Sunday, May 8, on the grounds of the Iredell property.

Mrs. Wood Privott, president, said this will be the largest event ever staged by the association and will culminate the special membership drive conducted this year. Members from in and out of state are expected for the occasion which will also be open to the public. Mrs. Privott added that the association is especially anxious to have local citizens attend.

Edwin Gill, State Treasurer, will be the guest speaker and Dr. Christopher Crittenden, director, N. C. Department of Archives and History, will speak at the dedication.

The ceremony will be followed by an open house and tea in the James Iredell House. A tour of other historic sites is planned between the hours of 1 P. M., and 2 P. M. and 4 P. M., and 6 P. M. Included in the tour are the Cupola House, Barker House, Chowan County Courthouse and St. Paul's Church.

Restoration of several of the outbuildings will be completed prior to May 8. Mrs. Privott said damages from lightning striking the schoolhouse last summer have been repaired and additional restoration work completed. The schoolhouse was moved from Bandon Plantation in June, 1964.

Restoration of the old kitchen to be used as a museum to house an old iron collection on loan from Mrs. Crawford Williams, daughter of former Rep. B. Warner Evans, will be open at that time.

All restoration work at the Iredell property has been under the supervision of A. L. Honeycutt, Jr., restoration specialist with the Department of Archives and History.

Assisting the association with the celebration are the Edenton Tea Party Chapter, D.A.R., Edenton Jaycees, Business and Professional Women's Club, Edenton Woman's Club, St. Paul's Churchwomen, the Barker House Association and the Cupola House Association.

Rep. Jones Says New Guidelines Unreasonable

First District Rep. Walter B. Jones has expressed concern over the HEW School Guidelines recently released. He said that, based on percentage formula, it would completely disregard the freedom of choice, allowing pupils to attend the schools they prefer.

Rep. Jones termed the directive "grossly unfair to citizens of both races," and pledged his efforts toward securing revisions to continue the plans under which the schools operated last year. He stated that the directive goes away completely with freedom of choice and if the percentage formula is placed in effect it will force students to be enrolled in schools against their wishes.

The percentage formula as promulgated by HEW also (Continued on Page Seven)

"Over the past years I have gained valuable experience by being active on various levels of government. Because of reapportionment seniority is more important than ever before, especially for our beloved Northeast."

"If favored again by the confidence of the good people of this district, I pledge my continued best efforts for the betterment of all."

In every session of the General Assembly in which he has served he was a member of the Agriculture, Wildlife and Public Roads committees.

Sen. Winslow is a native of Perquimans County. He owns Winslow Oil Company, gasoline and oil jobbers, and Albemarle Chemical Company, manufacturers of liquid fertilizer and buyers of grain. He has varied other business and farming interests.

He was first elected to public office in 1932 when he became Sheriff of Perquimans County. He served in this capacity until 1946. He was appointed State Highway Commissioner for the First District in 1953 and served for four years.

A veteran, Sen. Winslow served as a pilot in the U. S. Air Corps for two years and was in the reserves for five additional years.

Sen. Winslow, a lifelong Democrat, has been on the party executive committee since 1949. He was on the Congressional committee from 1937 to 1949; and was a delegate to the Democratic National Conventions of 1952 and 1956.

He has been active in the N. C. Oil Jobbers Association, N. C. Hardware Dealers' Association and N. C. Merchants Association.

Sen. Winslow is an Episcopalian and serves on the church vestry. He is a 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner. He is a member of the Hertford Rotary Club and New Hope Ruritan Club. Sen. Winslow is married and the father of two children.



SEN. J. EMMETT WINSLOW

EASTERN STAR MEETING — Edenton Chapter No. 302, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet Monday night, April 18, at 8 o'clock. Miss Frances Marshbourne, the worthy matron, announces that initiation will feature the meeting, so that all Eastern Stars are urged to attend.