

Chamber Post Goes To Gardner For Next Year

W. B. Gardner, 116 West Church Street, was elected president of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce at a board of directors' meeting Thursday. He will assume his duties October 1.

Gardner, town administrator, has served as vice president during the past year with Supt. Hiram J. Mayo of Edenton and Chowan schools being president.

The nominating committee, headed by past president Alton G. Elmore, recommended Gardner, W. J. P. Earnhardt, Sr., vice president; Graham White, secretary, and James C. Dail, treasurer.

There were no other nominations and this slate was unanimously elected.

Supt. Mayo recognized six new directors who were elected during balloting which ended Wednesday. They are: Earnhardt, Dail, Mrs. Elton Forehand, L. F. Amburn, Jr., Ross Inglis and J. H. Conger, Jr.

Directors on the chamber board serve two-year terms. Those going off the board this year include: W. J. P. Earnhardt, Jr., West Leary, Ed Bass, Dick Dixon and Gene Perry.

Supt. Mayo thanked the board for the support given the chamber this past year and called on the general membership to assist Gardner during his administration.

Gardner, in brief remarks to the board members following his selection to the presidency, said he would ask various committees to become more active. "Industrial development is not the only function of the chamber," he said. In the past, Gardner went, on some have felt the primary activity of the chamber was in the field of seeking new industry for Edenton and Chowan County.

The president-elect said one of the biggest problems facing this community today is the lack of adequate housing. He said a committee would be named to work on this problem.

Robert Moore, executive vice president, said the annual chamber banquet will be held September 27 at Chowan Golf & Country Club. Only 200 tickets will be sold due to the space limitations at the club.

Dail was made chairman of the ticket sales. Tickets can be obtained from members of the board or at various downtown establishments.

'Royal Gambit' Readings Slated

The Edenton Little Theater board made its selection for the Fall production, and a most challenging selection it is, too, both for the cast and the audience.

"Royal Gambit" is a play of ideal rather than a play with a story and its interesting theme is presented in an unusual setting.

Readings for casting purposes will take place at John A. Holmes High School auditorium tonight (Thursday) and Monday at 8 o'clock.

The cast calls for six women and one man. Anyone interested in a worthwhile activity should come, says Ross Inglis, who will direct the Fall production.

Those interested in participating, who will be unable to attend the readings are asked to contact Inglis or Joe Conger Jr., Little Theater president.

Red Men Plan Banquet Monday

Chowan Tribe of Red Men has scheduled a banquet for Monday night. The affair will be held at the Jaycee building on the Edenton base beginning at 7 o'clock.

The banquet is free to members of the tribe and their wives, as well as members of the Degree of Pocahontas and their husbands.

Those who plan to attend must notify Jack Barrow not later than Friday of this week so that arrangements can be made for enough meals can be made.

The principal speaker for the occasion will be Jesse L. Harrell, who will speak on the needs of a new hospital in Edenton.

SUCCESSFUL VISIT
Monday's visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile was successful, with 107 pints of blood being collected. Tommy Privott, Jaycee Chairman, said he is grateful for local response to the Bloodmobile.



W. B. GARDNER



JAMES C. DAIL



MRS. ELTON FOREHAND



ROSS INGLIS



L. F. AMBURN, JR.



J. H. CONGER, JR.



W. J. P. EARNHARDT, SR.

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RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE — Four members of the board of directors of Edenton Savings & Loan Association have compiled 145 years of service to the local financial institution. James C. Dail, center, executive vice president of the association, poses here with the men who were given service pins. Left to right are: J. Clarence Leary, president, 25 years; Albert Byrum, 25 years; Dail; R. E. Leary, 45 years; and F. W. Hobbs, 50 years.

The Public Parade

IN RIGHT SPIRIT — The manner in which everyone involved went about the orderly enrollment of 26 Negro students to Chowan High School is commendable.

County school officials, faced with no place to assign the students after the federal government told the city school board they could not be educated at D. F. Walker, had no choice but to send them to Chowan.

Supt. Hiram J. Mayo and Principal J. P. Snipes discussed the situation with the high school student body and bus drivers. They said they expected everyone to go about the job at hand—getting the best possible education—in an orderly fashion.

Reports from those in a position to know are that everything is going smoothly in the rural school.

The situation is one which requires the best efforts of not only school officials but those who live in the community.

Although opposed to federal intervention in local school matters, we agree with the school board's action. When the chips were down the members demonstrated, by unanimous vote, that their primary interest was what would be best for the students involved.

For the community to follow this leadership is to the best interest of everyone concerned. It was done in the true spirit of fairness.

SEEKING BETTER BALANCE—Those along The Public Parade can expect some efforts toward a more balanced Chamber of Commerce during the next year.

That was the theme sounded by Bill Gardner recently when the board of directors chose him as president.

Gardner wasted no time in freely expressing his belief that while industrial development is important, it is not the single purpose for a chamber of commerce to exist. He said during his administration he would expect more action by committees as the chamber goes about making Edenton and Chowan County a better place in which to live, work and play.

The president-elect pointed specifically to action aimed at providing housing in the area. He termed this situation critical at this

time. Tourism is a tool which has never been unwrapped in the area. While we live in one of Tar Heel's most beautiful and historic communities, we are not, by any stretch of the imagination, getting our share of the tourist dollar. The Chamber of Commerce can be a driving force in this respect.

Vigor is a word which has taken on added meaning in the past few years. It sounds as if Bill Gardner has recognized the need for a better balanced attack by the chamber in a more vigorous manner. He'll get our wholehearted support. What say you?

LOOKING FOR RING—Mrs. Albert E. Lassiter, 301 West Gale Street, has asked us to help her locate a ring she misplaced last Thursday while walking in the downtown area.

The ring, with three diamonds, slipped from Mrs. Lassiter's finger while she was enroute from Dr. Allen Downum's office to Phthisic's Super Market.

Mrs. Lassiter has been in possession of this ring for some time and it has great sentimental value.

If anyone along The Public Parade happened to find it, you can collect a reward by returning it to the rightful owner.

SAVE THIS NEWSPAPER—The Edenton Jaycees will stop at your home Sunday, September 25, 2 to 5 P. M., to collect anything made of paper.

Make a bundle of all newspapers, magazines and cardboard and tie securely. Place these outside your home.

Hopefully, the Jaycees will reach every home in Edenton on Sunday afternoon, September 25.

The Jaycees plan to complete several community service projects through this paper drive. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

CLUB FUNCTION
Reno night at Chowan Golf and Country Club on September 24. Members come and bring guests. Join the fun at Harold's Club at 8 P. M., sharp! Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 11 P. M.

Edenton Travels To Northampton

Coach Marion Kirby takes his Edenton Aces to Northampton Friday night in search of the third win of the season and the 28th consecutive victory for the John A. Holmes High School squad.

After carving out a 6-0 opener at Pasquotank Central, the Aces opened at Hicks Field with an easy 32-6 victory over Gates last week.

Boosted by the return of Quarterback Wesley Chesson to the field, Coach Kirby says his team has picked up a considerable amount of desire.

Chesson came off the bench late in the second period to direct the Aces to the first score of the night. He scampered seven yards for the tally and the Aces went into the dressing room at half-time with a 7-0 lead.

Directing the attack in the second half, Chesson was aided by the running of Tony Twiddy and Mike Spruill as well as the excellent performance turned in by Brian Twiddy at end.

Fullback Twiddy scored. Plates will cost \$1.



PLANT PLANS MOVE ALONG — Town Administrator W. B. Gardner, right, last week discussed progress being made on a new industrial plant with Carter's Ink Company officials. Going over the plans are, left to right, J. F. Tuscher, vice president; Donald Tabeau, general manager of the new Edenton plant; Fred Cameron, local plant superintendent; and Gardner. The firm is preparing a building at the airport as a training site. Construction of the new plant is said to be on schedule.

Old Fire Station To Be Acquired By Cupola House

Town Council took action Tuesday night which is expected to lead to the sale of the old fire station to the Cupola House Association.

The association has offered \$12,500 for the South Broad Street property.

Council went on record favoring special legislation in the 1967 General Assembly allowing the transfer of this property without a public sale.

The Cupola House Association contends this property is a must if the restoration of the old kitchen to the rear of the existing structure is advanced.

Thomas Cheers, Jr., local attorney and spokesman for more than 30 interested citizens, said it would be perfectly legal, under a 1957 state law, for the town to make an outright gift of the property. However, he said he realized it is a valuable piece of real estate and the association is in a position to make the \$12,500 offer.

Cheers said the opening of the historic home on South Broad Street to the public is the first of a three-step restoration project. The second concerns the kitchen and the third and final phase of restoration is building the formal garden on property now owned by the association but leased by Goodyear.

Mrs. George Mack, acting president of the association, lauded the work done by the late David M. Warren and said there is considerable community and statewide

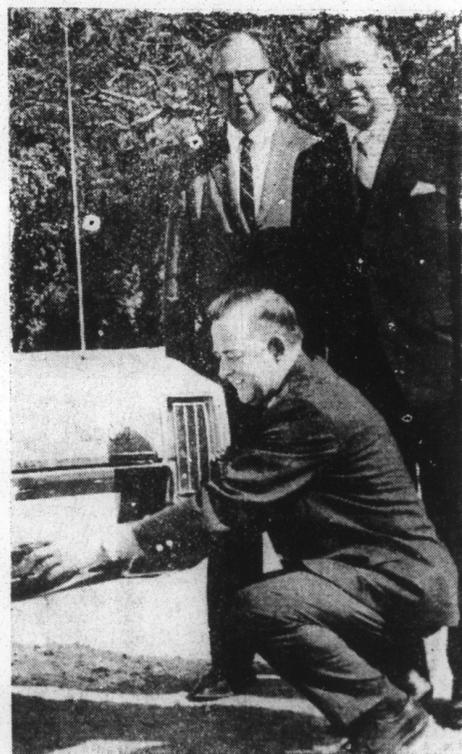
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Group Plans Fish Supper

The Rocky Hock Athletic and Development Association will sponsor a fish fry Wednesday, September 21, at the Rocky Hock Community Center. Plates will be served from 5 P. M. to 8 P. M.

All proceeds from this event will go to the association for the purpose of installing lights on the Little League athletic field. The poles for this project have already been purchased and work is to begin on the project in the near future.

Plates will cost \$1.



CAMPAIGNS FOR RE-ELECTION — Rep. Walter B. Jones, right, poses here with his co-managers in Chowan County as he campaigns for re-election from the First Congressional District. Warren Twiddy places a bumper sticker on the car while George Alma Byrum assists the congressman in supervising the action. Rep. Jones met with a group of local supporters Saturday.

More Than 1,400

Drug Bills Are Paid

Chowan County Welfare Department paid pharmacy bills last month which totaled \$1,476.45. There were 117 pharmacy claims for this period.

This was contained in a report made last week by Mrs. J. H. McMullan, welfare director, and submitted to Chowan County commissioners by Mrs. J. H. Conger, Jr.

The report showed \$1,465.20 of the pharmacy payments came from joint funds while \$11.25 was paid by the county.

Mrs. McMullan reported 69 food stamp certifications. These families paid \$2,218 and received food stamps valued at \$4,092.

In other welfare department activities, the following was reported:

Old Age Assistance: 115 cases, \$5,694 distributed for an average grant of \$49.51.

Aid to Dependent Children: 47 cases, \$3,739 distributed for an average grant of \$16.47.

Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled: 56 cases, \$2,938 paid and an average grant of \$52.46.

Aid to the Blind: Seven cases, \$295 spent with the average grant being \$42.14.

There was one general assistance case at a cost of \$23.11.

One person was hospitalized in Chowan County at a cost of \$264 to the county.

Two people were hospitalized outside the county with the \$770 cost being paid from joint funds.

There were three out-patient cases with a cost of \$18.12.

Three dental services cases cost \$39.

The county paid \$35 for transportation in another case.

There were 330 cases in which financial assistance was given.

Copeland Given Suspended Term In Superior Court

A 19-year-old Edenton Negro, charged with five offenses of breaking, entering and larceny Tuesday was given a second chance by Judge William J. Bundy, presiding in Chowan County Superior Court.

Henderson Ray Copeland admitted going into Richard T. Baer & Company, Inc., five times between June 25 and July 23 and taking money from the petty cash drawer.

During the period, Copeland allegedly took \$90.37.

Judge Bundy said due to the defendant's age and his previously unblemished record, he was placing him on probation.

He sentenced Copeland to five years, but the sentence was suspended and the defendant placed on probation for five years. He was ordered to pay the costs of court and pay the company \$100.

Miss Edna Snell testified that \$25 was taken on June 25; \$50 on July 9; \$2 on July 13; \$9.57 on July 15; and \$3.80 on July 23.

She said on the last two occasions she placed marked money in the drawer upon instructions of Edenton Police.

Copeland was arrested shortly after the July 23 incident was discovered and officers found \$3.80 in marked money in his possession.

Sgt. J. D. Parrish testified that he found a skeleton key on the road near where Copeland was arrested. The defendant said he used it to gain admission to the building on each occasion.

A jury found Lula Leary not guilty of assault with a deadly weapon.

Considerable time was taken Monday in the trial of Stephen Moreland on three counts of false pretense. At the conclusion of the state's evidence late in the afternoon, Judge Bundy allowed defense motions for non-suit.

Moreland had been charged as a result of transactions

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Club Endorses Hospital Issue

Edenton Woman's Club has unanimously endorsed the \$1 1/2 million hospital bond referendum to be held in Chowan County on November 8.

At a meeting last week the club passed a resolution favoring the proposed construction of a new hospital here.

Mrs. Chester Stevens, president, presided at the meeting during which the referendum was explained by hospital trustees and the medical staff.

It was announced that further discussions of the issue have been scheduled in Edenton and throughout the county.

Representatives of the hospital board and other interested persons are on the program of the Lions Club and Redmen Monday night and on September 26 will appear on the program of Chowan Ruritan Club.

Mrs. Joe Thorud and Mrs. Wesley Chesson, Jr., have been named to spearhead the lining up of programs during which various phases of the issue will be discussed. Anyone desiring a program in this vein can contact Mrs. Thorud or Mrs. Chesson.

The jail report showed 27 persons booked during August at a cost to the county of \$361.95.

Mrs. J. D. Elliott, county accountant, gave the com-

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