



Deadline To Register Is Saturday



The Public Parade

Many Not Registered

The final call is being sounded for those who desire to participate in the May 4 primary elections. Regardless of how many times you have voted in the past, unless you register during this new voter sign-up you will not be allowed to vote.

Latest reports from the board of elections show that about the same number of people have registered who voted in the 1964 general election for the governorship. At that time Democrat Dan K. Moore received 1,920 votes to 525 for Republican Robert Gavin. Through last Saturday 2,585 people had registered.

This isn't nearly good enough. The new voter registration has been one of the area's best publicized events. The word has been spread by every possible means so only those who have put off until tomorrow what they should have done today will be left by the wayside.

Saturday's your last chance to register. Make plans to do it.

A Real Change?

Another Civil Rights law is put on the books and a strike is settled.

All of this was brought to a dramatic conclusion with the death of one individual from a sniper's bullet.

Obviously pressure was applied in both instances from many angles. Nevertheless the question remains: "In the minds of the men who acted in Congress and at the labor conference table, is there really any change?"

Strictly Off Limits

Thrill seekers continue to find Edenton Municipal Airport one of the best hunting grounds along The Public Parade. However, efforts are being intensified to bring to a halt vandalism and other unauthorized activities at the airport.

Although the airport is owned by the Town of Edenton, it is operated by Edenton-Chowan Airport Commission and leased to a private corporation. Several thousand dollars have been spent to light the runway and renovate a portion of the tower building for use.

Such a facility, with adequate services to the flying trade, is a tremendous asset to Chowan County. And those in

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Firm Notes Gains

The annual report of The United Piece Dye Works reveals a distinct turn-around in 1967 as compared to 1966. The company has a plant on Chowan River, northwest of Edenton.

"In the last quarter of 1967 all five plants operated at full capacity resulting in increased efficiency benefits," it is stated. "The fashion trend of woven fabrics, along with the increasing popularity of knit goods, moved in our favor, with indications that this trend will continue during the year 1968. Operations through March 12 in the first quarter continue at capacity levels, with sales and earnings above the first quarter of 1967."

"The decision to have the Edenton plant specialize exclusively in dyeing and finishing knit goods has proven to be rewarding," according to Charles Blount, Jr., chairman of the board, and Harold Welburn, president and chief executive officer.

The annual report includes pictures of the plant managers, including Joseph P. Gano of Edenton.

Also, it is stressed that the company does no manufacturing nor selling of textiles but on the contrary processes the greige goods belonging to its customers, changing them from "harsh colorless fabrics into colorful appealing yard goods for manufacture of ... apparel."

'The Chowanian' Voted Top Honor

The newspaper publication for Chowan High School, THE CHOWANIAN, has recently been awarded the official rating of first place, as released by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association of Columbia University in New York City.

The first place rating signifies first place in the mimeographed newspaper division on a nationwide basis. The issues that were judged by the CSPSA board of judges were the 1967 issues edited by Wilma Hare, editor-in-chief, and Belinda Perry, associate editor, and also the first three issues edited by the current staff, headed by Emily Peele, editor-in-chief, and Brenda Hollowell, associate editor.

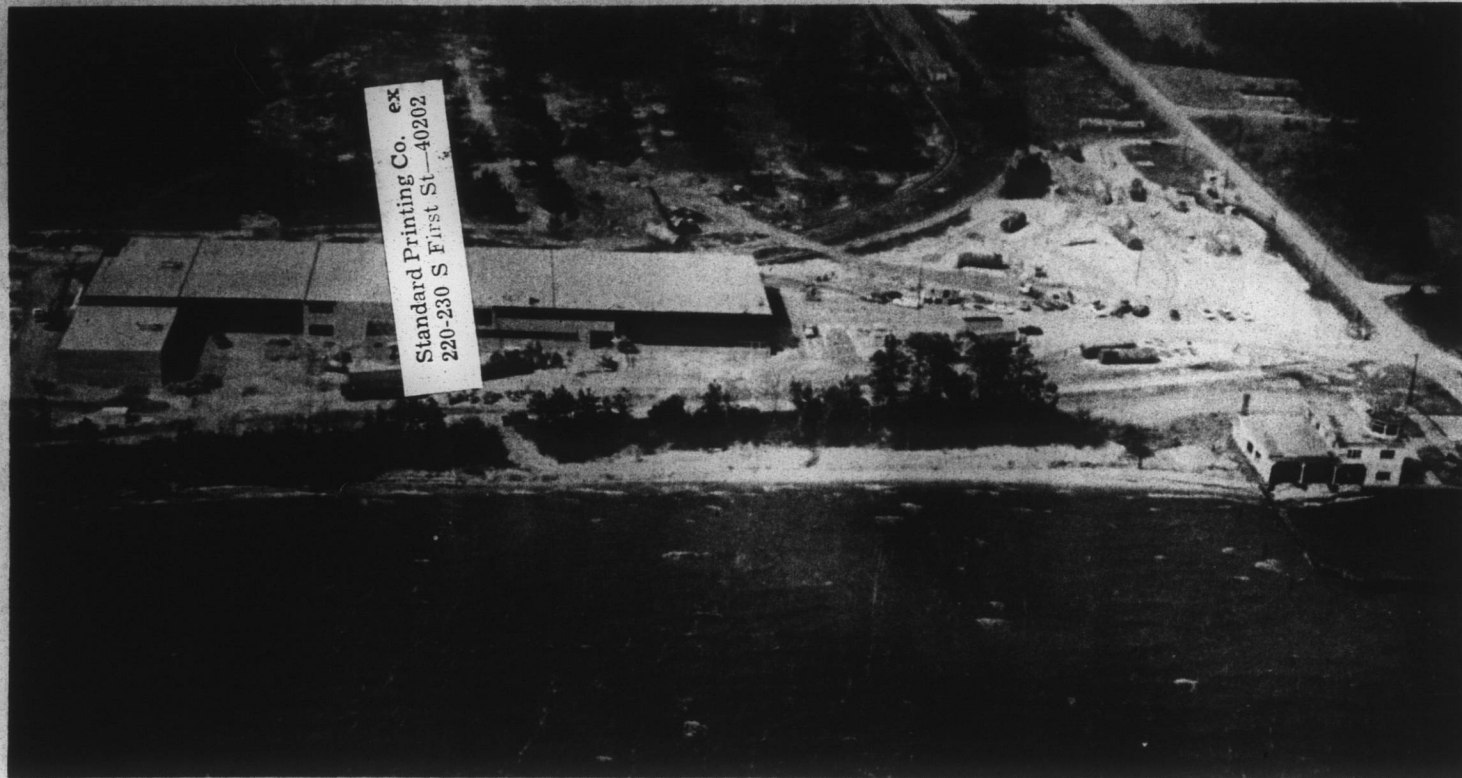
The 44th annual contest sponsored by the CSPSA required all school issues for

the year 1967. Consequently two different newspaper staffs' work was analyzed and reviewed.

Out of a possible 1,000 points, THE CHOWANIAN received a total of 895 points, thus qualifying for first place rating. This 895 points is an 18-point increase over the previous point value of THE CHOWANIAN, when it received the CSPSA first place rating in 1966.

The critical analysis offered constructive criticism as well as praise to be used by the next staff. The incoming editor-in-chief is Jo Ella Copeland with Diane Peedin as associate editor. It was divided into four distinct sections: (1) Content, (2) Writing and Editing, (3) Make-

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CHRIS-CRAFT PLANT TAKING SHAPE—This aerial view shows the modern boat manufacturing facility Chris-Craft Corporation is constructing on Albemarle Sound, near Edenton Municipal Airport. W. M. Sanford, general manager, said a training program is now in progress at temporary quarters near the airport. N. C. Monroe Construction Company of Greensboro is general contractor for this plant. (Staff Photo. Aerial view courtesy Dr. Richard Hardin).

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CHOWAN STUDENT LEADERS—Officers of the newly formed Student Council at Chowan High School were elected recently. They will direct student activities for 271 boys and girls in grades seven through 12 at the rural high school. Left to right are: Jerry Hare, president; Brenda Smith, treasurer; Tommy Bass, vice president; Mrs. Marion Kirby, advisor, and Ronda Bunch, secretary. Principal Kenneth L. Stalls recommended organization of the Student Council this year.

Hospital Program

A formalized program for youth volunteers is planned this summer by Chowan Hospital, according to Thomas M. Surratt, hospital administrator.

Surratt said the hospital is currently taking applications from boys and girls between the ages of 15 and 17 years. There will be a maximum of 10 volunteers working within the various departments of the hospital.

The administrator said the program will let young people who might be interested in a career in the health field get exposed to the elements of medicine. "There are any number of activities available to young people today in this field," he stated.

This program begins June 10 and will be designed primarily as a summer activity. However, Surratt said the hospital will try to use the services of those who are interested on a limited basis throughout the year.

ASCS Report Notes Drop

The 1967 average peanut yield in Chowan County was 518 pounds per acre less than the year before and the lowest since 1961.

This was brought out in the ASCS annual report published this week.

Comparison figures in the report show

2,585 Registered;

Deadline Is Near

The first complete new voter registration in Chowan County in many years is nearing an end with only one day remaining for citizens to get their names on the voter books prior to the May 4 primary election.

Mrs. George S. Hoskins, chairman, Chowan County Board of Elections, reported today that 2,585 people have registered in the six precincts. It was estimated that 4,500 names were on the old books.

Mrs. Hoskins said registrars will be at their respective polling places Saturday from 9 A. M., to 6:30 P. M., and those who have not registered are urged to do so at this time.

The new registration combines the county and town voter books into a loose-leaf system required by the State Board of Elections. It is believed that with a single registration much confusion and inconvenience will be avoided in the future for residents of the Town of Edenton.

One of the requirements of registering is that proper identification be presented at the time of registering. Mrs. Hoskins said a driver's license, social security information, etc., is adequate.

The board of elections is being assisted by supporters of various candidates in the primary election in reminding people to get registered before the books close at 6:30 P. M., Saturday. However, it is believed that as many as 500 local citizens will be unable to vote on May 4 because they did not get registered during the allotted time.

the 1967 yield to be 2,087 pounds per acre, well below the 1966 average yield of 2,605. Wet weather was blamed for the decrease.

Beginning in 1962 the average yield has increased and maintained a position in excess of 2,000 pounds per acre, reaching a high in 1965 of 2,730 pounds.

H. O. West, ASCS office manager, reports 6,178 acres of peanuts harvested for the 1967 crop year.

It was also noted in the report that cotton farmers received total diversion and price support payments totaling \$120,740. Planted acreage amounted to 1,116 while 727 acres failed, leaving 346 acres harvested.

The feed grain program was another one in Chowan County where farmers received sizeable payments. Total payments were \$145,251. There were 677 farms eligible and 298 participated. They diverted 1,896 acres.

A. C. Griffin is chairman of the county committeemen and Ray Byrum is vice chairman. E. E. Boyce, Jr., is a regular member; Leonard Hare, first alternate; E. M. Howell, second alternate; and C. W. Overman, ex-officio.

P.-T. A. Election

New officers of Edenton Parent-Teacher Association will be elected at the meeting to be held Tuesday night at Swain Elementary School. The meeting begins at 7 P. M.

James C. (Pete) Dail, president, said the program will be presented by Mrs. Ross' kindergarten and Mrs. White's third grade.

All parents of students in John A. Holmes High School and Swain Elementary School are urged to attend.

Storage Bins Aid To Small Farmer

The purchase last fall of three government surplus storage bins has allowed Chowan County farmers to expand their operation as well as make it more pro-



PLEASED WITH SURPLUS BINS—Frank White, Jr., right, is shown with H. O. West, Chowan County ASCS office manager, in front of three government surplus grain storage bins he purchased last fall. White says the bins have allowed him to expand his farming operation and make it more profitable. West said more such bins will be available this year through the ASCS.

Classrooms Are Needed In Chowan

A study just completed by the State Department of Public Instruction reveals 35 additional classrooms were needed by January of this year to adequately house students in Edenton-Chowan schools. Also, according to the study, 32 more will be needed by 1978.

Information furnished the state by the local superintendent's office showed five classrooms needed for excessive enrollment and replacements as of October, 1967. Then 30 were estimated for reorganization and consolidation as of January, 1968.

The needs for the future included 26 classrooms to replace obsolete facilities and six to provide for increased enrollment.

There were 137 classrooms available in October, 1967 in Edenton-Chowan schools.

In neighboring Perquimans County, where 128 classrooms were available in October, 1967, the projected total for current and future needs was placed at 80.

Up in Gates County, however, the projected need was estimated at 14 classrooms, all to replace obsolete facilities. Gates has 107 classrooms and one under construction.

The state-wide picture showed 10,355 additional classrooms needed by January, 1968, with 11,878 more by 1978.

Dr. Charles F. Carroll, state superintendent, said as of last January, 5,483 classrooms, in addition to those now under construction, were needed to provide for excess enrollment and to replace unsatisfactory classrooms (trailers, mobile units, other temporary quarters, etc.); 4,872 were needed to provide for re-

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Jaycee Top Post To Wallace Evans

Wallace Evans was elected president of Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce Thursday night and will head a slate of officers to be installed April 25.

Evans, winner of the 1967 Distinguished Service Award, served as first vice president last year. He will replace Frank Habit in the top post.

Red Gurganus of Williamston, past president of North Carolina Jaycees will be on hand at the Jaycee Building on Base Road to install the new officers. The installation banquet begins at 7 P. M.

In addition to Evans, officers for 1968 include:

Wayne Ashley, first vice president; Albert Ward, second vice president; Bert Hughes, secretary; Thomas Peele, treasurer; Jim Darnell, corresponding secretary; and Bob Waller, State director.

Habit becomes chairman of the board of directors. Other board members include: Pete Dail, Jack Evans, and Marvin Shaw, two years; and Louis Craddock, Bobby Bunch, and Carlton Jackson, one year.

fitable, according to H. O. West, office manager for ASCS.

West cited Frank White, Jr., as an example. White is holding 4,000 bushels of soybeans and hopes to realize an extra 30 cents per bushel over the price at the time he harvested them.

White purchased three bins, each with a capacity of 3,250 bushels. Two of them are used for drying peanuts and corn and the other utilized as a holding bin.

He estimates that the completed system has cost him \$4,000. The same system, purchased from commercial sources, would have cost \$6,000, he said.

White said the purchase of these government surplus bins allows the smaller farmer to take advantage of federal price support programs.

"I had to sell my corn for pot luck," he stated and pointed out that by holding his soybeans he will realize more profit, maybe as much as 30 cents per bushel.

"I hope to purchase more bins if they become available," he concluded.

West said it is possible that additional bins will be on the market through the ASCS office and farmers who might be interested are asked to contact him so the demand can be anticipated.