

**'Greenfield' In Spotlight**

Historic old "Greenfield" in eastern Chowan, a showplace of the Albemarle region, will be featured in an article in the March issue of "The Carolina Farmer."

The magazine, which has 200,000 subscribers across the state, presents a description of the gracious old home, with pictures of the house and some of its furnishings. The article is by Betty McBride, homemaker editor for the popular publication.

"Greenfield, with its lovely setting on the Albemarle Sound and its 200-year-old history, attracted North Carolina writer Inglis Fletcher," the article says. "She was seeking quiet and seclusion to write her second Carolinian novel. . . . Inglis Fletcher chose to use Greenfield as a setting for part of her novel. Greenfield became the fictional home of the two main characters in her book, 'Men of Albemarle'."

The article also refers to the Wood family and its ties with Greenfield and notes the late George Wood, Sr., was a director and vice president of Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation of Hertford which serves the area.

Greenfield in recent years, like other areas of Chowan County, has become industrialized. It is now home of Darf Corp., a Wood family enterprise.

**From The Outside**

It is 113.4 miles from Edenton to Trenton.

Trenton is the home of Federal Judge John D. Larkins, Jr.

Trenton is also the seat of Jones County.

Also, it has a general store, a stop light and a nice little federal building. It stands as evidence that Judge Larkins hasn't spent all his time in recent years wrecking school systems across Eastern North Carolina.

These bits of information were gathered last Wednesday afternoon when we went to report on a hearing which bore greatly on the future of education along The Public Parade.

In the past 16 years we have been denied admission to fancier quarters. It was our first experience, however, of witnessing a defendant being denied entrance to a hearing where his own case was being argued.

Sometimes public figures speak more freely in the absence of the press. Therefore, we were more surprised than hurt when Judge Larkins sent back a firm "No" when our name was sent into the hearing room. But when N. J. George, a member of Edenton-Chowan Board of Education and thereby a defendant in the case, was kept out, that

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**Fires Are Costly**

Two costly fires, both in Chowan County, were answered early this week by Edenton Fire Department.

Damage to a smokehouse and meat at the T. S. Leary farm at Rocky Hock Monday afternoon was estimated at \$3,000.

Firemen answering the 1:10 P. M., blaze said Leary was smoking eight hogs. The building and contents were insured.

At 10:47 A. M., Tuesday, fire destroyed the home of Charlie Holcomb on Paradise Road. The Holcomb family lost all their personal belongings.

The two-story frame home was owned by Leroy Haskett.

A drive is currently underway to secure donations of household furnishings and clothing for the Negro family. There are four children in the family, girls: eight, 11 and 14, and a boy nine.

Items can be left at the Civil Defense Agency office in the County Office Building on East King Street.



**HAVE HIGH CORN YIELD** Harold Lloyd Bunch, Jr., second from left, is the corn growing champion of North Carolina. He is shown here with his father, left, Adrian Smith, Jr., adult winner, and Harry Venters, assistant extension agent.

**State Corn Titles Come To Chowan**

A 13-year-old 4-H Club member from Chowan County has been declared North Carolina's official corn growing champion of 1968.

The 4-H'er, Harold Lloyd Bunch, Jr., grew slightly over 174 bushels of corn on an acre to win the contest.

Runner-up in the annual contest and winner of the adult division was another Chowan native, Adrian Smith, Jr., who had an official yield of 171 bushels on an acre.

Bunch and Smith will each receive a \$200 bond from the North Carolina Plant Food Institute of North Carolina and Virginia as their award.

A. D. Stuart, extension agronomy specialist at North Carolina State University, announced the winners.

The state winner, Bunch, planted Pioneer seed, spaced six and one-half inches apart in 38-inch rows. He used 1,225 pounds of 5-10-10 at planting time and sidedressed with 200 pounds of nitrogen.

Stuart expressed confidence that Bunch would have made 200 bushels per acre if he had had more rain. "He followed the all-practice concept," Stuart added.

Chowan County Agricultural Extension Agent Harry Venters said that Bunch and Smith have already taken soil samples and were shooting for even higher yields in 1969.

**Two Adult Classes**

Two adult classes are currently being organized in Edenton-Chowan Schools with organizational meetings set for next week.

Sewing classes will be held at John A. Holmes High School on Monday and Thursday nights at 7 o'clock. Sponsored by the College of the Albemarle, they are open to anyone 18 years of age or over.

An organizational meeting will be held at D. F. Walker School at 7:30 P. M., Monday for persons interested in small motor repair, cabinet making or brick masonry. The meeting will be held in the Agricultural Department.

**Lane No Stranger In N. C. House**

Take 120 people from all areas of the state and put them together under one roof in Raleigh and call them members of the 1969 House of Representatives, and you might get organized confusion.

And whenever there is confusion, someone must get it straightened out and running smoothly so that the legislative mill can start grinding out needed legislation.

**Hearing On School Plan Set After Judge Denies Motion**

Edenton-Chowan Board of Education, faced with time running out for submitting a plan for complete high school integration, will hold a public hearing tonight (Thursday). The board, acting as a committee, will meet at John A. Holmes High School at 7:30 o'clock.

Final action on a plan to submit to Federal Judge John Larkins of Trenton will be taken at another meeting Friday night.

Judge Larkins last Wednesday denied a motion for a year's delay in implementation of his July 30, 1968, order relative to the high schools.

He also denied N. J. George, a board member, admission to the hearing. Attorney W. J. P. Earnhardt, Jr., attempt-

ed to get George admitted to the hearing, but failed.

At Monday's board meeting, Supt. Bill Britt presented a proposed plan for housing students for next year. It calls for assigning students by attendance zone, following the lines of the old Edenton City and Chowan County boundaries.

The only students being allowed a choice of schools, under the Britt Plan, would be those enrolled in the first year of a two-year vocational program.

Chowan High School would house grades five through 12 and White Oak Elementary School, grades one through four.

Swain Elementary would have grades

four through six; D. F. Walker, grades one through three and grades seven through nine. John A. Holmes would be the senior high with grades 10 through 12.

This plan will be explored further at tonight's hearing. Issued special invitations to attend are PTA executive committees, student council officers, principals, and teacher representatives.

The hearing proposal was made by George after he said something must be done to bridge the "credibility gap between the board and the people."

He said a unitary, non-racial system is only a term. "If they (the schools) are open to all students all the time I

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**CHRIS-CRAFT OFFICIALS CONFER**—Donald Wich, executive vice president of Chris-Craft Corporation, center, was in Edenton this week conferring with local plant officials. Shown here with the Pompano Beach, Fla., executive, are: W. M. Sanford, general manager of the Edenton facility, left, and Roy Kee, newly named plant manager. Chris-Craft, the world's largest manufacturer of motor boats, began turning out fiber glass models in a modern plant on Albemarle Sound last year.

**Kee New Chris-Craft Plant Manager**

Roy Kee of Courtland, N. Y., has arrived in Edenton to assume his position as plant manager at Chris-Craft Corporation. Kee succeeds Don Gilbert who has been promoted to plant manager of the firm's Salisbury, Md., plant.

Kee also has worked at Chris-Craft plants in Hayward, Calif., and Holland, Mich., during his 12 years with the firm.

W. M. Sanford, general manager of the Edenton facility, said he is pleased to have Kee join his staff. He said Kee has been a valuable member of the Chris-Craft team for many years and he is happy to have him associated with the local plant.

A graduate of the University of Michigan, Kee is married to the former Dorothy DuBreuil, also a UM graduate. They have three children, Scott, 17, April 15, and Kelly, six.

Kee has been active in Scouting and his son is an Eagle Scout. Kee has served as president of the Scout Council in New York, worked with the United Fund and been on the board of directors of the Courtland Chamber of Commerce.

The Kees are Methodists and plan to move to Edenton as soon as suitable housing can be secured.

**Expert On Speech Will Talk Tuesday**

Hugh C. Winslow of Greenville, noted for his work in speech rehabilitation, will speak in Edenton March 4.

Winslow, a Pitt County farmer, will speak at the board of directors meeting of Chowan Chapter, American Cancer Society. The meeting will begin at 8 P. M., in the Municipal Building.

Mrs. R. Elton Forehand, chapter president, said the public is invited and encouraged to attend this interesting meeting.

Winslow is past president of the Lost Chord Club. He teaches speech rehabilitation weekly in Goldsboro and Winston-Salem. He is highly qualified for his work, as he is an example of successful rehabilitation himself, having suffered cancer of the larynx.

**Open House At Academy**

Chowan Academy at Rocky Hock will put its best foot forward Friday night on the eve of a financial campaign to raise \$35,000 for expansion.

Open house will be observed at the academy, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Then Saturday, E. L. Hollowell, chairman of the finance committee, will launch the funds campaign to erect a 5,000-square-foot permanent addition and improve the existing facility. The academy plans to offer three more grades in 1969-70, going through grade seven.

Carroll Evans, chairman of the board, and other board members will join Miss Minnie Hollowell, headmistress, and other faculty members in greeting those attending the open house. They will describe progress made this year as well as discuss the future program.

The new addition will have six classrooms. The central heating system will also be expanded to include the existing facility, on which the academy has obtained a long-term lease. This is necessary, according to Hollowell, for the academy to become accredited.

Chowan Academy was founded in the fall of 1968 by a group of concerned citizens after a federal court order totally integrated elementary grades of Edenton-Chowan Schools.

**Chowan Hospital Gets Duke Grant**

CHARLOTTE—Appropriations totaling \$2,067,166 are being distributed to hospital and child care institutions in the Carolinas this week by The Duke Endowment.

Thomas M. Surratt, administrator at Chowan Hospital, has been notified that this institution will receive \$4,352. Of this amount, \$1,878 is for short term care and \$2,474 is for long term care.

Chowan Hospital had 3,752 charity days of care during the past fiscal year.

Other area hospitals receiving Duke grants were: Bertie, \$3,538; Washington County, \$956; Albemarle in Elizabeth City, \$6,169; and Martin General, \$863.



**IN THE THICK OF THINGS**—Perquimans County native, Archie T. Lane, is one of the elected officers of the 1969 session of the General Assembly in Raleigh. Lane is serving as House sergeant-at-arms. Shown here at swearing in ceremonies in January, are, left to right, Mrs. Johann Smith of Raleigh, principal clerk; Sam Burrows, of Asheboro, reading clerk; Lane, and Earl Vaughn of Eden, speaker of the House.



Hugh C. Winslow

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