

Edenton Air Festival Set June 21-22

The Feeling Is Mutual

The note from Rep. Walter B. Jones read:

"This will acknowledge your notice of increase in subscription rates. I do not intend to take advantage of your special offer for I am convinced your paper is well worth the increased rate."

Since he was elected to the U. S. Congress, we have attempted to contribute to making him a good representative. This has mainly been done through sending him a copy of The Chowan Herald each week, without charge.

Rep. Walter B. Jones is an able congressman, well worth the increased salary he enjoys. If our weekly efforts have aided him it has been well worth the price.

And this ain't no mutual admiration society meeting, either.

Shad and Kittens

Palmer Tynch is minus three May roe shad and the end of a thumb, thanks to John White.

The T. B. H. Wood's are minus a black and white kitten, appropriately named Troublefoot, thanks to the Amburns.

And it all happened the same day.

John White, who does a lot of things including practicing law, hitched a ride with us down to Palmer's Tuesday morning to pick up some shad. In the process of cleaning his handsome gifts, a slip of the knife took off more of Palmer's thumb than the shad's tail.

Although the fish was delicious, the family's trip to Wood Hall earlier in the afternoon to pick up Troublefoot took something from the flavor. By the time we rescued Troublefoot from the troublesome five our appetite for shad had diminished.

This is to say we are grateful for the shad but sorry about the accident. We are also elated that the Wood's fine cat had kittens but sorry one of them found a home on Gale Street.

Swallowing The Elephant

Both the Greensboro News and the Raleigh News and Observer seem to be suggesting that Gov. Robert W. Scott should name "a blue ribbon" commission to ferret out the truth of what happened in Greensboro last week.

In this age of the alibi, what could be more useless?

Chickens that have long been running wild in Greensboro and other large North Carolina cities are coming home to roost. They are not featured friends, but a foul breed which, all too often, have been coddled and encouraged, fed and sustained, printed and broadcast.

When any tinhorn troublemaker, without background or following, can command a national audience over television or a statewide readership through the daily press, then it will take more than a blue ribbon commission to separate the good from the evil, the true from the false.

It would be funny if it were not so serious.

Here we have a group of adults—college students, no less—holed up in state university buildings, ignoring legitimate orders to clear the campus, firing at police and guardsmen.

This, anywhere in the world, calls for direct action; so Gov. Scott ordered the buildings cleared and searched and the weapons seized. One student died and one police officer was critically wounded in the process.

So what happens?

Student "leaders" ask for a "press conference" to give "their side"; and the reporters and cameramen flock around, panting for "news". What comes out is not news, but propaganda

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Edenton Jaycees will co-sponsor air races at Edenton Municipal Airport on June 21 and 22. This was announced this week by Wayne Ashley, Jaycee president.

The weekend event has been billed as Edenton Air Festival with activities going on throughout the weekend. Wallace Evans and Marvin Shaw have been appointed co-chairmen for the festival.

Evans said the Edenton Air Festival could be the biggest event ever held

Northeastern North Carolina. A full weekend of thrilling and exciting events are planned, he said, including 12 air races around pylons that will be set up on the airfield. Similar races are annual events in Reno, Nev.; Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; and Cleveland, Ohio.

Other features of the festival will be airplane stunts of all types, mad dog fights, stolen plane acts and comedy plane acts. An added attraction will be a swim suit pageant consisting of seniors from 20 high schools in North-

eastern North Carolina and Southeastern Virginia. Miss Edenton Air Festival will be crowned at a dance to be held at Jaycee Community Building June 21.

Prior announcements and ads hailing the local festival have already been published and circulated nationwide. Area motels are already receiving requests for room reservations for the weekend.

"This will not only be a profitable project for the Jaycees," Evans said, "but the publicity and promotion given the Town of Edenton is invaluable and

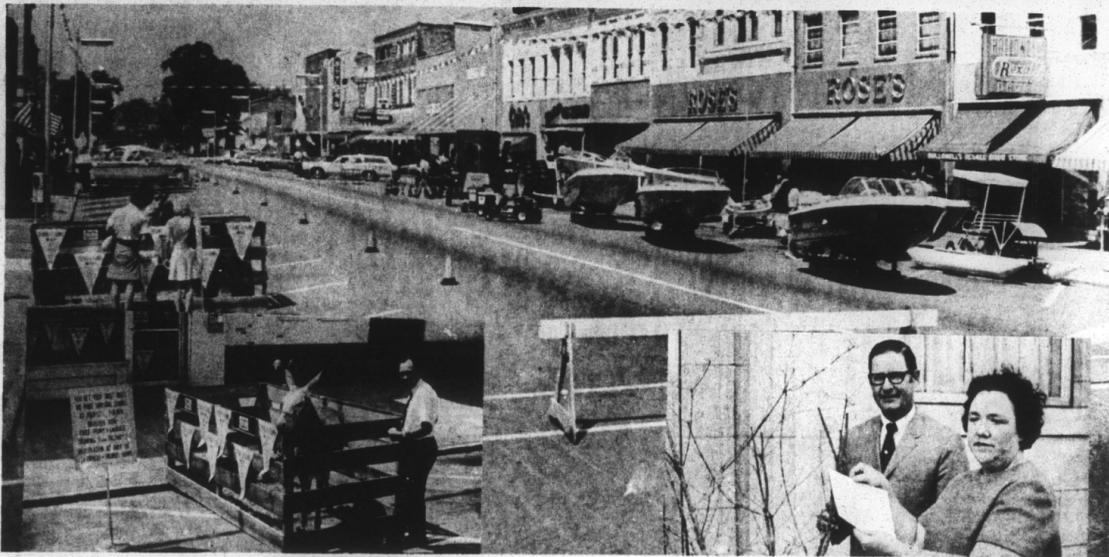
benefits will be reaped for years to come." The festival has the endorsement of Edenton Chamber of Commerce.

Advance tickets are now on sale at discount prices. For further information and tickets, contact Bill Bunch at Peoples Bank & Trust Company or any Edenton Jaycee.

Co-sponsoring the festival with the Jaycees is Interstate Air Races, Inc., of Fayetteville. Promotion and trophies are being sponsored by Pepsi Cola Company.



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SPRING-O-RAMA SPECIALS—Shown here is an overall view of a block of downtown Edenton, showing some of the numerous displays prepared by local merchants who participated in the successful event. In the lower left, George Lewis, executive vice president of Peoples Bank & Trust Company, talks to his display which drew a great deal of attention Thursday afternoon. The animal was on loan from Wood Hall Farm. Mrs. Lillian Jackson, Route 3, Edenton, is shown at right as she takes her check off the First National Bank money tree. She is assisted by C. A. (Chuck) Benson, branch manager. Mrs. Jackson came closest to guessing the amount of money on the tree.

New Super Road Gains In Support

The first shot at what could develop into a superhighway through Northeastern North Carolina was fired last week in Atlanta, Ga.

Coastal Plains Regional Commission gave top priority to construction of a four-lane interstate-type highway from Savannah, Ga., to Norfolk, Va. The route would pass through the Albemarle area.

Priority for the limited access turnpike, so long sought in Northeastern North Carolina, was outlined in a resolution adopted by the commission on transportation in the states represented on the commission—North and South Carolina and Georgia.

Another superhighway endorsed by the commission would be an east-west turnpike linking the cities of Columbus, Macon and Augusta, Ga.

No details of the exact route the new north-south road would take through the Albemarle were given by commission spokesmen, but planning commissions in Northeastern North Carolina have previously recommended a four-lane road which would link Wilmington to Norfolk. One proposal called for widening and improving U. S. 17. Another plan calls for an entirely new superhighway which would parallel this highway through Edenton and Elizabeth City and U. S. 168 to Norfolk.

The commission also adopted a resolution expanding the "target area" with which the agency is concerned to include housing and health.

Gov. Robert Scott of North Carolina, the commission's outgoing state co-chairman, offered the resolution. He said housing and health are areas of "extreme importance."

Memorial Holiday

Friday will be a holiday for federal and municipal employees—or at least most of them.

Memorial Day will be observed by the U. S. Post Office and other federal agencies.

The Municipal Building will be closed, as will the Electric and Water Department. W. B. Gardner, town administrator, said the street department will operate on its regular schedule with trash collection on the east side.

Spring-O-Rama Winners Are Named Action Is Taken By Judge Privott

There are five lucky citizens and a host of pleased merchants as a result of last week's Spring-O-Rama. The four-day sales promotion has been hailed as one of Edenton's most successful.

The attractions—including street displays of various items—drew thousands of people to downtown Edenton. Homer Briarhopper's country and western music show Thursday and Friday night took on a local flavor when Chrystal Page joined the group.

Miss Page, formerly of Edenton, is a Nashville, Tenn., recording artist. The ink was not dry on her five-year contract with a prominent agency when she took the stage with Briarhopper and his popular group.

Mrs. T. B. Smith, Route 2, Edenton, won first prize of \$250 in the drawing Friday night. Second place winner of \$150 was Mrs. Gail Forehand, 808 North Broad Street. Harry Kaupp, 915 North Broad Street, won the \$100 third prize.

Anyone over 18 years of age was allowed to register with the 29 participating merchants a week prior to the drawing. They did not have to be present to win.

Mrs. Herman White, Route 2, Edenton, won a pony and saddle given away by Peoples Bank & Trust Company during the promotion.

The money tree at First National Bank of Eastern North Carolina went to Mrs. Lillian Jackson, Route 3, Edenton. Mrs. Jackson guessed the amount of money on the tree at \$39.40 when actually there was \$39.39 there.

C. A. (Chuck) Benson, bank manager,

said the guesses ranged from a low of 99 cents (although there was a \$1 bill in the top of the tree) to a high of \$1,000. Nearly 2,000 registered at the bank.

Walter Noneman, chairman of the sponsoring Merchants Committee of Edenton Chamber of Commerce, termed the promotion "most successful." He said merchants contacted reported exceptionally good sales during the event.

Noneman thanked the 29 merchants who participated and said it demonstrates the cooperative spirit of the business community.

Anniversary Set

Chappell's Hill Baptist Church at Tyner will celebrate its 100th anniversary at 10:30 A. M., Sunday.

Rev. Ralph Knight, pastor of First Baptist Church of Davis, will be guest speaker. Special music will be featured along with talks by visiting laymen.

Rev. John Allen, pastor, said friends and neighbors are invited to join in this historic event.

Graduation Exercises Planned Wednesday In County

WALKER HIGH

The D. F. Walker High School will have its annual Commencement Exercises on June 4 at 8 P. M., in the Walker, Gymnasium, says James A. Kinion, principal.

Dr. Marion D. Thorpe, president of Elizabeth City State College, Elizabeth City, will be the speaker.

Also honored as a special platform guest will be the former principal, D. F. Walker, who will give remarks. He served as principal of Walker School for 36 years.



Diana Jones

There are 83 candidates for graduation. This is the second largest class in the history of the school. Diana Jones, class valedictorian, will deliver the farewell address.

The Walker High Band, under the direction of R. L. Satterfield, will perform at the exercises for the last time as a high school band. The valedictorian is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Jones, Jr., 203 East Church Street.

During Diana's enrollment at D. F. Walker High School, she served as a majorette in the band for three years. She has participated in the high school Choir, Library Club, Student Council,

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HOLMES HIGH

Cecil Fry, principal at John A. Holmes High School, announced Tuesday that Helen Pruden is valedictorian and Donald Rogerson is salutatorian of the Class of 1969.

Rev. George B. Holmes, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, will give the inspirational message Wednesday night at graduation exercises, which begin at 8 o'clock in Swain School Auditorium.

Joey Covington, class president, will introduce the three speakers—Miss Rosemary Holmes, Miss Pruden and Rogerson.

Principal Fry will present the Class of 1969 and diplomas will be awarded by Dr. Edward G. Bond, chairman, Edenton-Chowan Board of Education.

Miss Pruden, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Norfleet Pruden, has been

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Helen Pruden



Ronnie Rogerson



Jerry Hare



Matthew Garrett

CHOWAN HIGH

Commencement activities begin Friday night at Chowan High School with presentation of Class Night Exercises for the Class of 1969. The program begins at 8 o'clock.

At the same time it was announced that Rev. Meredith Garrett of Rocky Hock Baptist Church will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at 8 P. M., Sunday. Rev. L. T. Chappell will also be on the program.

Matthew Garrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett, is valedictorian and Jerry Hare, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hare, is salutatorian for the 1969 graduating class at Chowan. These honors were based on scholastic averages.

The valedictorian plans to attend the University of North Carolina. He recently won a Belk scholarship.

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Chief Dismissed

James H. Griffin, who served twice as police chief in Edenton, Monday was relieved of his duties as police chief of Sanford.

City Manager Robert Harris said Griffin was fired because "he was investigating employment in a North Carolina municipality and did not tell me about it until I asked him."

Griffin denied any wrongdoing.

He is president of North Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Association.

Griffin came to Edenton from Kinston. He later resigned to go with the N. C. Paroles Board in Roanoke Rapids. He returned to Edenton before the town hired a replacement.

Command Change

Installation of new officers of Edward G. Bond Post, No. 40, American Legion, will be held at 8 P. M., Tuesday. The installation was originally set for Thursday.

HONORED FOR SERVICE—W. P. (Spec) Jones was honored last Wednesday night at the biennial Industrial Banquet of Edenton Chamber of Commerce. W. B. Gardner, chairman, Industrial Committee, surprised Jones by presenting him a handsome engraved plaque in recognition of his service to Edenton and Chowan County. He was called the Father of Industry in this area. In acceptance remarks, Jones said the success this area enjoys in its effort to secure industry was due to a team effort.