

Degrees of Cooperation

There has developed some disagreement as to the degrees of cooperation being enjoyed by a new program in Edenton-Chowan Schools. We speak of Volunteer Services.

Mrs. Lane Kinion, guidance counselor, has worked hard on the program as have many, many others. This newspaper has on two different occasions told the VS story in pictures and words.

It is not the pictures but the stories which has caused the rub. We suspect it is not what was written but what was not written that has been a bone of contention.

Here at The Herald we take the news as it comes. For this reason, the Holmes High program got first billing. Last week the Walker Junior High program was covered. But, as is generally the case, not to the satisfaction of everyone involved.

This has resulted in a Letter to the Editor published elsewhere in the newspaper. We have again penciled out a copy of the hand-out given our reporter.

We admit knowing very little about the Volunteer Service program although in theory it sounds like a winner. We do, however, know the policy of this newspaper. In this regard, it is not to run material, except in paid ads, exactly as they are submitted. They must be edited to conform to style, etc., as well as to be integrated into information on the same subject received from others.

We, therefore, can't measure the degrees of cooperation the VS program receives at one school or another. We do know the ground rules at this newspaper. And so long as you play in this league the same rules apply to everyone.

Neighboring Culture

Dr. Clifford Bair, "Mr. Culture" in Northeastern North Carolina, will direct Albemarle Players in "Music Man" in Elizabeth City next week. The production will be March 25-27, at 8 P. M., in Sheep Auditorium.

Those who meander along the Public Parade who are interested in taking advantage of this bit of culture, may purchase advance tickets at Edenton Chamber of Commerce.

Straight From Bogue

Jim Tyler of the Division of Commercial and Sports Fisheries of the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development (whee!) writes from the "Bogue Banks" thusly:

She must have been close to 60, but her posture was good and her strides were strong as she worked the beach, bucket in hand.

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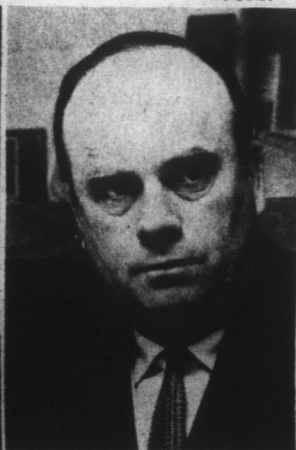
Oral Clinic Slated

Three Edenton dentists are cooperating with Chowan Unit, American Cancer Society, in an oral cancer detection clinic here April 3. Dr. Allen Hornthal, unit president, said Drs. R. N. Hines, Jr., and J. H. Horton would join him in the free clinic.

Plans call for the clinic to be operated at Edenton's Municipal Building from 10 A. M., to 4 P. M. Additional information will be released in the next two weeks.



Jesse L. Harrell



J. H. Conger, Jr.



James E. Darnell



Gilbert H. Johnson



Leo Katkaveck

Elliott Bows Out; Town Political Pot Is Warming Up

There was a bevy of activity this week on the political front as the March 26 deadline for filing to run in Edenton's May Municipal Election nears. It went like this:

A veteran councilman announced he would not seek re-election.

A second veteran representative filed with the board of elections.

A newcomer to the political arena paid his filing fee.

Two veteran members of the Board of Public Works filed as did a newcomer who seeks one of the three seats up for election.

And there were indications more candidates would emerge within the next few days.



J. D. Elliott said he would not seek re-election as councilman-at-large. Gilbert H. Johnson, 204 East King Street, filed for this post.

Leo Katkaveck, Second Ward councilman, also filed. Katkaveck is seeking his second four-year term.

Jesse L. Harrell and J. H. Conger, Jr., veteran members of the Board of Public Works filed for re-election. They were joined by James E. Darnell, Morgan Park, who is seeking one of

the three seats.

It was said that T. C. Byrum, Jr., the other incumbent public works board member who has been hospitalized recently, would not seek re-election.

Mrs. George Hoskins, chairman, Chowan County Board of Elections, said the deadline to file as a candidate in the May 4 election is March 26.

Mayor George Alma Byrum has filed for re-election. So has W. H. Hollowell, Jr., First Ward councilman.

Mrs. Hoskins also advised residents that April 2 is the deadline to register to vote in the election or to transfer registration from one ward to another. She said registration is cut short this

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George Lewis, left, vice chairman, Edenton Housing Authority, and Mayor George Alma Byrum are shown at mobile home park on Ryder's Lane.

Local Authority Relocates Families

Edenton Housing Authority has requested permission from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to advertise for bids on construction of 100 low-rent public housing units. This request followed relocation this week of seven families who occupied dwellings on three of the authori-

ty's four sites.

A mobile home park has been developed on Ryder's Lane and six families were relocated Monday. The seventh individual moved into the home of his son.

Relocation of the families who lived

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Joint Meeting Bombs!

The Town of Edenton Tuesday night accepted a 9.24 per cent power rate increase from VEPCO, retroactive to July 1, 1970. There was no opposition to the increase as council and the Board of Public Works met jointly.

However, there immediately develop-

ed strenuous objection to a council-initiated plan for merger of the two elected boards. The sometimes heated discussion lasted 45 minutes and ended with Mayor George Alma Byrum saying while no problems had been solved the boards "have cleared the air on a number of things".

Mayor Byrum, a strong advocate of a single elected board to run all the affairs of the town, asked for continued thought on the question. "There has been no meeting of the minds (but) maybe sometime in the future we will," he said. "We want to do what is best in the most progressive and economical fashion."

Earlier, Chairman Jesse L. Harrell of the Board of Public Works defended his position that it would not be more economical or efficient to merge the boards. He contended councilmen did not have sufficient time to handle existing business and the affairs of the electric and water department.

He was joined in his defense by J. H. Conger, Jr., J. P. Ricks, Jr., and W. J. P. Earnhardt, board members.

Mayor Byrum said relations between the boards in recent years has been "excellent" while this was not the case in past years. He said he has a high regard for the manner in which the department has been operated but feels it is in the best interest of Edenton to have one elected board.

The mayor said the council feels another referendum should be held concerning the merger. (A vote was held 1967 and the merger was defeated by 33 votes).

He said the council work load has

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Jaycees Give Financial Support To Projects—Edenton Jaycees, always ready and willing to assist in community projects, passed along some of their earnings this week in support of two local projects. Jaycees donated \$100 toward establishment of the Religious Shelf at Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library and \$685 to Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad. Left to right are: Bob Roberson of the rescue squad; Wayne Conner, chairman of the project to raise money for the squad; Ed Hassell of the library staff; Jim Blount, chairman of the Jaycee religious activities committee; and Robert Dail, club president.

Area Development District Funded

Rep. Walter B. Jones of the First Congressional District Thursday announced a federal administrative grant to the Albemarle Regional Planning and Development Commission. The grant is in the amount of \$45,000.

Wesley B. Cullipher of Elizabeth City, chairman of the latest designated Economic Development Administration district, relayed the congressman's announcement to Albemarle Area Development Association board members, in session at Holiday Inn.

Cullipher is immediate past president of AADA, the organization which initiated the EDA plan for the 10-county Albemarle Area.

The first federal grant to come from EDA since the new district was designated went to Manteo. It was announced Monday. A \$52,400 grant is part of a \$147,000 grant by EDA to be used to help construct a municipal water treatment plant. Total cost of the project has been set at \$507,500.

ARPDC board members have voted to establish area headquarters in Edenton. The board began receiving applications this week for the position of executive director. Other staff mem-

bers will be employed soon.

The 10 participating counties will put up a total of \$15,000 for the first year's budget.

Rep. Jones said the grant will provide an administrative staff to assist in Eco-

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Site Manager—Willis S. Twisdale of Halifax has been appointed by the State Department of Archives and History as site manager at the state-owned James Iredell House in Edenton. Through a cooperative agreement between the department and Historic Edenton, Inc., he will also coordinate the programs at the Barker House and the Cupola House. Twisdale has been assistant manager of the State Historic Site at Halifax since January, 1970.

Benefit Program

A stage band concert, directed by Richard L. Satterfield, will be presented at D. F. Walker Junior High School Sunday at 4 P. M.

This program is being sponsored by the West Albemarle Street Community Action group for the benefit of the playground. "You are invited to hear this very fine group and support a worthy cause for our boys and girls," said Reginald Granby, president of the group.