

Public Parade

Have A Safe Fourth

Nine score and 15 years ago "our fathers brought forth a new nation dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal" to the challenge of the thousand traffic accidents which the N. C. State Motor Club warns may take 20 lives and injure 700 other persons on North Carolina's streets and highways during the long July Fourth weekend.

The state will count its Independence Day toll from 6 P. M., Friday, July 2, through midnight Monday, July 5, for 78 hours. In a similar 78-hour period last year, the holiday weekend took a toll of 22 lives in 17 fatal crashes and seriously injured 654 others in 1,201 accidents.

Leading causes of accidents were speeding, driving left of center, failing to yield right of way, making unsafe movement and driving under the influence of alcohol.

Thomas B. Watkins, president of the motor club and the National Automobile Association, said: "Although the state's traffic deaths are still running ahead of last year, the holiday tolls have declined so far this year. Most motorists are heeding our warnings of increased holiday traffic hazards and driving more cautiously. Let's keep it that way."

"Don't pick this July Fourth weekend to show your driving independence!"

Salute To Postmen

Today (Thursday) has been designated Postal Service Day, not only to commemorate the official inauguration of the U. S. Postal Service but in hopes of doing something more. We'll let Postmaster James Bond say it:

"The Edenton Post Office would like July 1 to be a day when the general public and the people of the Postal Service can join together in a warm and friendly manner. We would like it to be a day when the traditional relationship of this post office to the community it serves is re-emphasized, when our customers can come in to their post office and learn more about us and about how to help the Postal Service serve them better."

"We would like, therefore, for the people of our community to join us on Postal Service Day to help celebrate in a simple and unpretentious manner. Our customers are invited to drop by our Post Office to say "Hello", to receive a souvenir envelope, perhaps to purchase a commemorative stamp, and to enjoy light refreshments and a tour of our office."

The U. S. Postal Service has pledged itself to provide a maximum degree of effective postal services to rural areas, communities and towns across the nation, and it is fitting that we support the Service by recognizing its unceasing efforts to fulfill this commitment.

Since the vast majority of The Chowan Heralds are distributed through the mail, every Thursday is Postal Service Day to us. It is almost uncanny though that the first nationally recognized Postal Service Day should fall on our day at the post office.

We, therefore, can vouch for the high degree of efficiency of the Edenton Post Office. After today we can tell you how light they make refreshments.

The Higher Education Issue

One of the best informed and most knowledgeable people on the issue of higher education in North Carolina is Jay Huskins of Statesville. He is a member of the State Board of Higher Education, was a member of the Warren Commission and represents Iredell and Davie counties in the General Assembly.

He has been on the inside, or where the action is, but as an ethical newspaper editor he has made sure not to violate a confidence. As the various activities have been made public he has commented freely about them.

Writing this week in his "Down In Iredell" column in the Statesville Record & Landmark, Rep. Huskins had this to say about the latest developments in the higher education discussion:

UP HILL AND DOWN AGAIN

What to do about higher education in North Carolina continues to be one of the major unanswered questions remaining before the General Assembly.

Early in the week the governor called to a conference at the executive mansion legislative and professional leaders in the field; and once again President William Friday of the Consolidated University marched up the hill and down again.

During the conference, called to discuss legislative strategy during the closing days of the General Assembly, Dr. Friday gave tentative approval to a stronger central agency than the Warren commission had recommended.

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Figure In Bogus Money Investigation — Police Chief J. D. Parrish holds 12 counterfeit \$20 bills which were placed in circulation in Edenton Monday morning. He is flanked by Patrolman G. W. Mizelle, left, and Patrolman Joe Norman, who were involved in the investigation which has led to one arrest.

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Farmers Get Payments

The area farm economy got a healthy boost today when checks were distributed to farmers who are enrolled in the 1971 set-aside programs on cotton, feed grain, and wheat. Checks from Chowan County ASCS office delivered this morning totaled \$77,558.59.

H. O. West, ASCS county office man-

ager, estimated that this represented about half of the payments. He said more checks are expected this week and will be forwarded to farmers as rapidly as possible.

Although the late spring slowed down the acreage certifications necessary to compute these payments, county ASCS offices were able to begin mailing the checks on schedule. A large percentage of the payments will be made during the month of July.

County ASCS offices send data sheets on each farm to New Orleans where the Data Processing Center computes the payments earned and prints out sight drafts and statements-of-payment computations. These are then returned to the County ASCS Office for issuance to producers. No payments could be issued until July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year, when sufficient funds become available.

Some 89,000 producers are participating in the feed grain program, 44,000 in the wheat program, and 13,000 in the cotton program in North Carolina this year.

Harding Antiques Going On Block

The biggest antique auction ever held in Eastern North Carolina will take place Wednesday and Thursday at National Guard Armory on North Broad Street. The auction will consist of the personal property from the estate of the late Grayson Harding of Sycamore Plantation.

The auction will operate each day from 10 A. M., to 3 P. M. There will be a free public inspection of all items the same hours on Tuesday.

One of the unique features of the auction is the fact that this is the first time in many years that period furniture has been offered in the Albemarle Area. J. C. Knowles, auctioneer and estate appraiser, states, "this is without a doubt the finest furniture and household items offered to the public. Usually historic restorations and museums get this type furniture."

Knowles has appraised and auctioned estates for 10 years. He recently auctioned the Nellie Dorminy estate in Raleigh for \$112,000.

Offered at the auction will be beautiful 18th and 19th Century furniture. One item which will be the most sought after in the sale will be a Chippendale highboy, valued at \$8,000. There will be something for everyone, Queen Anne tables, oil paintings, Windsor chairs, Chippendale slant-top desk, blue glass candle sticks, oriental rugs, empire furniture, Wedgewood china, corner cupboards, clocks, a rare ship's clock, sterling silver, Bennington pitchers, crystal, cut glass, sleigh beds,

Hospital Praised

Chowan Hospital, including its extended care facility has been accredited for a two-year period. Notification of accreditation was made by Dr. J. D. Porterfield, director, Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

The accreditation was made with only a few minor recommendations and comments. It was indicated that "this facility is to be commended for the good medical care provided its patients."

Also, Dr. Porterfield, in a letter to Thomas M. Surratt, hospital administrator, stated: "The Commission wishes to commend you for maintaining standards deserving of accreditation and for your constant effort to improve the quality of patient care."

Swimmer Drowns In Edenton Bay

Lonnie L. Dillard, 24-year-old son of Mrs. Daisy Dillard of West Albemarle Street, drowned Sunday afternoon in the Edenton Bay.

According to the police report, a man came to the station around 6:10 P. M., and reported that someone was drowning and the police department called the Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad and they dispatched two boats.

The squad drug the bay and at 6:45 P. M. recovered the Negro's body.

It was reported that the man had been swimming with several other men and got in water over his head and could not get back to shallow water.



Work In Progress—Water and sewer extension into Morgan Park has been completed and work is now underway on curb and guttering with pavement to begin soon. Rose Brothers has been given the contract for the street work. Also, a new water storage tank is being erected on Twiddy Avenue near Beaver Hill Cemetery where a new deep well is being located. This is all part of a nearly \$1-million project being conducted by the Town of Edenton.

Negro Suspect Held Bogus Bills Passed

Investigation into the circulation of bogus \$20 bills is centered in Edenton as police, SBI and U. S. Treasury officers move to round-up three Negroes alleged to have passed the counterfeit money.

Clarence Barrett, 27, 389 South Sixth Street, Newark, N. J., has been charged by Edenton Police Department with passing bogus money. Police Chief

J. D. Parrish reported that 12 bills have turned up here and Barrett has admitted putting six of them into circulation.

Also, there are reports that bogus money, all \$20 bills, bearing serial number B 8710453 A have also showed up in Elizabeth City and Hertford.

John A. Mitchener, Jr., owner of Mitchener's Pharmacy, notified local police at 12 noon Monday that he had a counterfeit \$20 bill. Chief Parrish assigned Patrolmen G. W. Mizelle and Joe Norman to the case.

Miss Carole Pickler, secretary-dispatcher, immediately broadcast an alarm for the three suspects, two men and a woman in a late model Cadillac. She also notified merchants throughout Edenton that the bills were in circulation.

Within a short period of time the bogus money was discovered not only at Mitchener's but at Dixie Dollar Store, Hardee's, A&P, Pope's 5 & 10, Elliott Company, Montgomery Ward and Belk Tyler. One was passed at each of the businesses, except Pope's and Elliott's, where two were distributed, and Belk Tyler's where three were passed.

Barrett was arrested at Rainbow Inn in Hertford about 4:15 Monday afternoon after he allegedly passed one of the bills. A 1971 Cadillac, in which Barrett was traveling, was confiscated.

A U. S. Treasury Department spokesman said in Charlotte that a report was on file to the effect that bogus \$20 bills bearing the same serial number as those distributed here were from the New York area.

Brock Wins Top Honors With Flight

By Patricia M. Arnold

Over 400 out-of-state members attended the Ninth Annual Professional Rotocraft Association convention held in Edenton over the weekend.

The people attending were from 28 different states, Canada and Argentina.

Approximately 30 crafts were brought in for the demonstrations held on Saturday and Sunday. Bill Meadows from Statesville attended the meeting and gave a demonstration with his seven-story high hot air balloon on Saturday morning. Sunday morning a demonstration was given by Ken Brock on the different maneuvers of a gyrocopter.

A banquet was held at the country club Saturday night and awards were given to outstanding members in the PRA.

Among the awards given was one to Brock for flying the longest distance. Last week Brock flew from California to North Carolina.

Joe Churchman received a trophy for coming the longest distance to attend the PRA convention. He is from Argentina.

Speakers at the banquet were Dr. Igor Benson, president of Benson Aircraft Corp., and Mayor George A. Byrum. Also on the program were Mac Privott and Carlton Layton, local Jaycees.

Wallace Evans, promotion director for the Jaycees, stated that everyone was pleased with Edenton, and the people and facilities available. Many compliments were received on how clean Edenton and the countryside was.

Evans feels it is the best public relations job ever done by the Jaycees and further feels that it helped the economy in the area by some \$20,000.

Evans expressed appreciation from the Jaycees to the residents of Edenton and Chowan County for their support and special thanks to the E&W and Street Departments, newspaper, radio, and town officials for all of their special efforts to make the convention a success.

The PRA has over 12,000 members in 80 different countries

Interviews Slated

A Job Corps counselor with the N. C. Department of Social Services will be in Chowan County during the morning hours of July 7 to interview prospects.

Hazel Tayloe of Aulander will conduct interviews at the Economic Resource Center on North Oakum Street. Anyone interested in consulting with the counselor should visit the center on July 7 or call 482-4564 for an appointment.

Trio Face Counts

A policeman's hunch led to the arrest of three Virginians, one a juvenile, on theft charges last Wednesday morning.

Patrolman McCoy Parker was on routine patrol at 1:30 A. M., Wednesday at Edenton Marina when he spotted a suspicious car. He checked the 1962 Plymouth and discovered a stolen gas can.

Arrested on the theft charge was Raymond Seth Daughtrey, 20, of Norfolk, Va., Crawford Lee Armstrong, 17, also of Norfolk, and a 14-year-old boy.

Daughtrey was later charged with theft of the car from Virginia. He was released to the FBI to face a charge of interstate transportation of a stolen vehicle.

Police Chief J. D. Parrish commended Patrolman Parker for his alertness.

