



**FARM-CITY COOPERATION**—It was entirely fitting that Mayor George Alma Byrum help Pete Thompson, county extension chairman, straighten his tie in preparation for a Farm-City Week promotion picture. Looking on are Wallace Evans, observance co-chairman with Thompson, and C. A. Phillips, chairman, Chowan County Commissioners.

## Med School Gets Support

A four-year medical school to be located at East Carolina University was endorsed at the regular meeting of the Albemarle Regional Planning and Development Commission in formal session Thursday afternoon. The presentation was made in behalf of (Plymouth) Mayor William Flowers.

Mayor Flowers is currently serving as chairman of a Northeastern North Carolina Citizens' Committee to secure the four-year school. He said that the medical school would greatly enhance the possibility of physicians locating in the Region.

The staff of ARPDC was instructed to work with the Citizens' Committee in their efforts to accomplish this cause.

The meeting was presided over by Chairman William B. Gardner and was held in the office of the regional commission in Edenton.

## Employment Is Good Here

The 2.3 per cent of Chowan's population that was unemployed as of September 30 is the lowest it has been since August, 1970, according to Bob Jenkins, manager of the local office of the employment security commission. This figure is indicative of the tight labor market in the area.

During the month of September, Jenkins states that the office received 154 job openings and placed 120 persons on jobs. The types of openings that were received and filled were mostly with local production companies; however, many were placed in private homes and smaller businesses.

Jenkins also reports that there were 148 new applicants for jobs during the month ranging from the unskilled to the professional levels.

## Veterans Day Theme At Flag Pole Dedications

Saturday was the 11th day of the 11th month. And at the 11th hour the Edward G. Bond, Post No. 40, American Legion, conducted an impressive ceremony to dedicate a flag pole in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

The day, month and hour of the special service was set to coincide with the ending of World War I and the later designation of Veterans Day.

At about 12-noon, a second new flag pole in Edenton was dedicated. This one is located at Unanimity Lodge No. 7, AF&AM, on Water Street. Robert A. Tart of Benson, past State Department Commander of the American Legion, was keynote speaker at both dedication ceremonies.

Tart, like others connected with veterans organizations, was highly critical of Congressional action which changed Veterans Day to a Monday. He said the change was apparently made to give workers a three-day holiday. He called this complete disregard of a historic date.

"Let Veterans Day remain a day of solemnity and not a day of commercialism," he declared.

Tart pointed out that there are 38-million veterans of all wars in which the U. S. has been engaged and 27-million are still living. "There is no single day to honor so many for a job well done," he added.

The speaker called service to one's country "the heaviest

## Public Parade

### Farm-City Week

A number of surveys taken around the country show that consumers have a very high opinion of farmers and are generally sympathetic toward their problems. Even so, a continuous effort to bring about a better understanding between the rural and urban segments of our society is essential.

After all, farm and city people cannot very well get along alone nowadays. Each is dependent on the other for products and services that are essential to modern living.

Farm-City Week is designed to call attention to this interdependence and to narrow the gap that sometimes divides these two segments of our population.

Some 450 people are expected to attend the Farm-City Week banquet Monday night at Edenton Jaycee Community Building. Keynote speaker will be James A. Graham, N. C. Commissioner of Agriculture. Many merchants in the area have free tickets to the banquet.

During Farm-City week is a good time to focus on many specific areas where more understanding is vital. For example, the consumer should realize that he is actually getting a bigger bargain in food today than ever before because of the steady decline in the percentages of earnings required to meet family food needs. Yet, the farmer's net income has been decreasing because of rising production costs.

Environmental quality also stands out as a major concern and one that needs to be approached in a responsible, reasonable way for the benefit of all.

Better understanding is not a program of one week's duration. Rather, Farm-City Week highlights the work already done and stimulates interest in bettering the relationship between the urban and rural segments

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# Recreational Facility Is Sought

Recreational facilities, sidewalk conditions, street paving and water and sewer assessments were the principal items of business handled by Edenton Town Council at its meeting Tuesday night.

The subject of recreation in Edenton, one that has been hanging by boot-straps since 1971 when the Albemarle Law and Order Association proposed a recreational plan that failed then due to lack of funds on the local level, was brought up again with he motion to initiate a committee to perform a park and playground study.

The matter was urged on by Mayor George A. Byrum and Councilman Roy Harrell who both felt that the time is right to make a

positive step in the right direction. Another positive step was taken when Town Administrator W. B. Gardner reported that with the availability of local funds, the proposed "judicial center" recreation project of the Albemarle Law and Order Association can become a reality.

Applications for the position of director of the center are now prepared. With this in view, Councilman Harrell's motion to prepare to advertise for this position was adopted and the council will now begin to define the director's job as a preliminary move to making the advertisement.

Based on information from a similar project in the state, Gardner stated that the funds for

the first year would be sufficient to build the facility, equip it, and staff it for the first year of operation. Federal money for these projects will start flowing as of July 1, he said.

Byron Kehayes, chairman of the Downtown Merchants Association, was on hand to bring to the attention of the council the poor condition of downtown sidewalks, labeling them as outright dangerous, especially with the flow of traffic building up prior to Christmas. He pointed up the number of holes, and elevated sections which exist and urged their immediate repair before a citizen is injured.

His action prompted the council to make arrangements for temporary repairs to be made rather

than wait for federal grant monies to come in to completely rebuild these sidewalks.

Two public hearings will be called in December concerning street paving, and water and sewer assessments. They will fall on the first two Tuesdays in the month.

The street paving assessments as presented at the meeting are: Paxton Lane, \$1.46 per foot; Walker Street, \$5.43 per foot; Eden Heights, \$6.64 per foot, and West Gale, \$2.47 per foot. As well, water will be \$2.00 per foot, and sewage, \$2.50 per foot.

The Cupola House grant application has been accepted by HUD, and Mayor Byrum said that indications are funds may be coming soon.

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Jack Harris

## Harris Heads

Jack Harris of Edenton has been named Chowan County chairman of the 1972 Eastern Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association Christmas Seal campaign. Harris is vice president of Bank of North Carolina, N. A., and in charge of the bank's Edenton office.

Announcement of the appointment was made by Dr. Joe Pou of Greenville, chairman of the Christmas Seal campaign in 22 Eastern North Carolina counties.

This year marks the 65th year of the familiar Christmas Seals have gone out to millions of American households as the principal means of raising funds for the fight against TB and, in recent years, other respiratory diseases.

This year, for the first time in North Carolina, all Christmas Seals are being mailed throughout the state from one central point. Mrs. Ruth Peterson, executive director of the association, explained that all funds are being mailed to one central location in Raleigh.

reverse this negativeness," he said.

Commander Bus Wozelka dedicated the flag pole and monument.

J. L. Chestnutt was in charge of the service and the wreath was donated by Pate's Florist.

## Bunch Re-Elected Chairman Of Supervisors

Lloyd C. Bunch, Route 1, Edenton, has been re-elected chairman of Area V. N. C. Association Soil & Water Conservation Districts, and Zeno Ratcliff, Jr., of Beaufort County, is recipient of the Conservation Farmer of the Year award.

Some 400 district supervisors, their wives and other friends of soil and water conservation were on hand Tuesday night at Edenton Jaycee Community Building on Base Road for the annual meeting where new officers were named and Louis Aull, extension agronomy specialist at N. C. State University, was keynote speaker.

In addition to Bunch, the supervisors named Paul R. Bullock, Jr., of Edgecombe District, vice chairman; and re-elected A. B. Etheridge of Pasquotank County, secretary-treasurer.

Arch J. Flanagan of Pitt District, vice chairman and

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## To Print Early

The Chowan Herald will publish one day early next week due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, November 23.

The newspaper will be printed Tuesday evening and distributed Wednesday. Therefore, all advertising copy must be submitted by 5 P.M., Monday, and all news items by 10 A.M. Tuesday.

The business office of The Chowan Herald will be closed from 5:30 P.M. Wednesday until 8:30 A.M. Monday in order to give employees a well-deserved holiday.

## Yule Tree Sale

Christmas trees from Avery County will be sold this year by the William Coffield, Jr., Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, according to Col. H. E. Bass, chairman of the promotion.

Col. Bass said there will be a wide selection of fraser fir trees and a few white pines. Prices will be between \$8 and \$10.

The trees will be available about December 10 in front of National Guard Armory.

Col. Bass said that in the past the VFW has sold Canadian trees and this year decided that better quality trees could be obtained right here in North Carolina.



**CONSERVATION FARMER RECOGNIZED**—Zeno Ratcliff, Jr., of Beaufort County, Tuesday night was named Conservation Farmer of the Year in Area V. N. C. Association Soil & Water Conservation Districts. He is shown at left with Lloyd C. Bunch of Edenton, center, who was re-elected area chairman; and Louis Aull of Raleigh, principal speaker at the banquet held at Edenton Jaycee Community Building.

## Nowell Cites Need For Unity

ELIZABETH CITY--The Albemarle Area Development Association has been called the proper vehicle for counties to use to present a united front in obtaining better highways in Northeastern North Carolina.

Speaking at the monthly meeting at Holiday Inn, Joe Nowell, district highway commissioner said:

"For years Raleigh has played each county and group against the other. We must support whatever counties in our area which are approved for highway work. No matter what counties get highway work done, it will help the entire Albemarle Area."

The commissioner said AADA is the logical organization to coordinate a united front for, whatever road efforts come about in the next several years.

He said the North Carolina highway network is the largest state maintained system in the country with some 74,000 square miles of

roadway.

Nowell, who has served on the commission for about three and one-half years, said there are not many primary projects in Northeastern North Carolina, but he predicted that many he has spearheaded will be completed because of the tremendous need. He pointed out that getting a primary project approved takes time—sometimes as long as six years.

The commissioner spoke in favor of abolishing the highway user's fund if it is not needed for highways. He said he is opposed to this fund being used by the state for other things.

During his tenure, he said, about \$4½-million has been spent in the seven-county district on secondary roads.

L. F. Amburn, Jr., president, presided and the board approved a motion to make the Finance Committee and Governmental Affairs Committee permanent AADA committees. Wesley Cullipher, a past president, said during the past year it has been proven that these committees have provided valuable service to the area organization.

It was also announced that the annual meeting will be held in Edenton on December 5.

## Parade Is Set

Edenton Jaycees will be in charge of the annual Christmas Parade, scheduled for 4 P.M. on December 7.

Alton Clark, chairman of the Merchants Committee of Edenton Chamber of Commerce, announced the sponsorship and time for the popular event.

At the same time it was announced that Joe Hollowell, Jr., will be parade chairman. Anyone wishing to enter a float or otherwise participate in the December 7th event should contact him prior to December 1.

Further information may be obtained from either Clark or Robert Moore, executive vice president of the chamber of commerce.



**FLAG POLES DEDICATED**—Flag poles at Beaver Hill Cemetery and the Masonic Temple were dedicated in ceremonies Saturday. At left, Robert Tart of Benson is shown with Jimmy



Yates, Bill Easterling and Curtis Forehand, master of the lodge, surrounding the flag pole. In the picture at right, Tart poses with J. L. Chestnutt and Bus Wozelka at Beaver Hill.