

## Public Parade

### Business As Usual

The proliferation of false rumors about activities along the Public Parade continues to aggravate efforts to return the community to peace and harmony. Spiteful efforts to completely disrupt the normal scheme of things, however, appear to have failed.

Except for the law enforcement agencies, the atmosphere of "business as usual" prevails in downtown Edenton. Pickets have been bothersome, but orderly. Therefore, there is no sign of hostility in the commercial district.

And there are those who would lead you to think everything has ground to a halt in Edenton. It just isn't a fact.

Leaders of the entire community have not passed up a single opportunity to discuss recent problems caused by outside agitators. Nevertheless, they stand four-square against being pressured into hasty actions and or decisions.

There is, however, a genuine expression of concern and an awareness of the seriousness of an otherwise insignificant problem which could be touched off by a single thoughtless act. It is because of this that it is incumbent on everyone to return to good reasoning and get on with the task of making meandering along the Public Parade a completely wholesome experience.

Too, the majority of the students in local schools have responded positively to an appeal by Edenton-Chowan Board of Education to curb absenteeism.

All of this speaks well of the citizenry hereabouts. There is not a single disagreement, regardless of how big or how small, that we have been unable to resolve in a spirit of fairness. Local people have a responsibility to settle local matters, but to be allowed to do it in an atmosphere of calm, not under threats of violence.

People of all stations in life along the Public Parade are to be commended for their demeanor in the past weeks. Meanwhile, people from outside the community who have absolutely nothing to lose, other than saving face, continue to beat their gums.

Thankfully sterling characters are most often difficult to compromise.

### Recreation Potential Good

A new era in organized recreation began this week when Roy Winslow became director of the Edenton Parks and Recreation Department. In this position he will also organize and coordinate a program for the entire county.

It was quite an expression of mutual cooperation recently when the Town Council and Chowan County commissioners agreed to fund a joint program. There has been a summer recreation program in Edenton for many years; quite a successful program, as a matter of fact.

From Mr. Winslow's "Recreation Update" column appearing elsewhere in today's paper, it appears that he has been quick to utilize the nucleus which existed here.

Chowan County has excellent facilities and potential for a countywide recreation program which could become a model for the area. But Mr. Winslow, on a limited budget of \$21,000, cannot be expected to perform miracles.

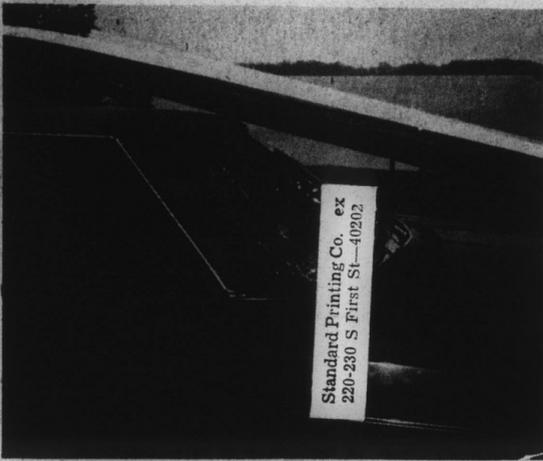
The director possesses credentials which are highly desirable. Given adequate time, money and citizen support, the new era in organized recreation along the Public Parade can be beneficial and a source of pride for everyone—especially the taxpayers who are picking up the tab.

Those who would be quick to criticize can do the program a great service by being patient while the director establishes a foothold in Edenton before expanding to other areas along the Public Parade.

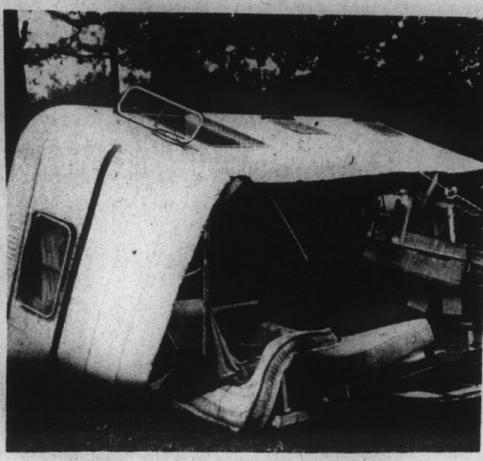
### Fatten The Treasury

Although it cost North Carolina taxpayers over \$2.5-million last year to clean trash and litter left by careless travelers along our roadsides, only 26 persons in the

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Councilman W. H. Hollowell, Jr., lost a windshield.



Trailer is overturned in Westover.



Mobile home smashed against Harrell residence.

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## Graduation Is Set June 8<sup>th</sup>

### Holmes High

Commencement exercises for the 149 graduates of John A. Holmes High School are scheduled for June 8 at 8 P.M. at Hicks Field. The theme for the program is "The Threshold of Our Goals."

Speakers for the occasion are Charles Everett, valedictorian; Lois Satterfield, salutatorian; and Ralph Nixon. Other graduates to appear on the platform are Jerry Castelloe, William Chesson, and Patricia Rankins.

Charles Arnold Everett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Everett of Elizabeth City. During the summer of 1972, he attended the N. C. Governor's School for exceptional students. At school he is a member of the National Honor Society and the Deca Club. As a junior, he served as an honor marshal for the 1972 graduating class. Charles plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Louis Paulette Satterfield is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Satterfield of Edenton. She was chosen as the 1972 delegate to the N. C. Scholastic Press Institute at the University of North Carolina School of Journalism in Chapel Hill. Other honors include membership in the National Honor Society, winner of the 1972 DAR Good Citizenship Award, and honor marshal for graduation. She is editor-in-chief of the school paper "The Spotlight," secretary of the senior class and a member of the Future Homemakers of America. Lois plans to attend UNC at Chapel Hill.

Ralph Wade Nixon is the son of

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### Troops To Train At Ft. Stewart

RALEIGH—Some 3,500 North Carolina National Guardsmen who are members of the 30th Infantry Division will go to Fort Stewart, Ga. for their annual training this year.

These include Edenton Guardsmen who are members of Co. "C" (Det 1) 1-119th INF stationed here.

As the result of a special experiment being conducted by the Department of Defense, the annual training period for troops in the Old Hickory Division will span a month-long period. However, individual units will be phased into and out of training during the period so that most individual Guardsmen will not be required to spend more than two weeks at camp.

## Board Reaffirms Earlier Decision; Attendance 'About Normal'

Edenton-Chowan Board of Education, after reconsidering an earlier decision, Thursday afternoon notified Richard Satterfield that his contract would not be renewed. Satterfield is band director at John A. Holmes High School.

The board's latest decision was made public at noon Friday by Chairman Eugene Jordan. Chairman Jordan merely released the text of the letter to Satterfield.

The board of education was called back into session at 10 P.M. Friday after the request was made for a joint meeting with a group of local citizens and leaders who

### Chowan High

Commencement exercises for the 1973 graduating class at Chowan High School will be held June 8 at 8 P.M. in the school auditorium. Dr. Edwin West, superintendent of Edenton-Chowan Schools, will be keynote speaker.

Glenn Rogerson is valedictorian of the class and Debra Harrell is salutatorian.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rogerson of Center Hill, Glenn has maintained a 93.84 scholastic average. He plans to continue farming with his father.

Debra maintained a 93.67 scholastic average and will enter Louise Obici School of Nursing this fall. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Harrell of Rocky Hook.

Baccalaureate services will be held at 8 P.M. Sunday. Bruce Copeland, a Roanoke Bible College student, will be the speaker.

At next week's graduation exercises Eugene Jordan, school board chairman, and Carlton Goodwin, a member, will participate in the activities.

Pam Bunch is chief marshal, having a scholastic average of 94.5. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Bunch. Other marshals chosen from the Junior Class include: Melvin Leary, Randy Chappell, Vincent Roberts and Beth Boswell.

There are 61 students in the Class of 1973. Jeff Copeland is class president, Richard Elliott, vice president, Debra Harrell, secretary, Don Bass, treasurer; and Donna Peele, reporter.

### Support Is Offered Officials

Noting that the N. C. General Assembly has enacted a law to protect water from pollution caused by sediment, the Soil Conservation Service today pledged its full support to the Sediment Control Board and local

### Meeting Tonight

The annual membership meeting of Chowan Golf & Country Club will be held at 8 P.M., Thursday (May 31), according to Caswell Edmundson, president. The meeting was originally scheduled for May 16 but no business was conducted because of the lack of a quorum.

Edmundson urges members who will be unable to attend the meeting to sign a proxy and mail it to Mrs. Ruth Whichard, secretary, or give it to a director or any member planning to attend.

have been directing demonstrations, reportedly over the Satterfield matter.

Dr. Ralph Albemathy of Atlanta, Ga., requested that the board agree to the formation of a biracial committee to investigate the matter. The school board met for approximately an hour before Chairman Jordan reported it was their decision that such a committee would not be beneficial at this time.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 A.M. Saturday.

The board has steadfastly maintained that the personnel file of Satterfield and others in their

### Bond Vote Is Important

"North Carolina voters will make a momentous decision on the future of their public schools this fall when they decide the fate of a \$300-million state-wide bond issue," according to State School Superintendent Craig Phillips. "The decision will have a direct influence on Tar Heel children for generations to come," Dr. Phillips added.

The \$300-million school construction bond issue, to be voted on November 6, was authorized by the 1973 General Assembly. The money would be used to build new schools and to enlarge and renovate existing facilities.

Edenton-Chowan Board of Education would receive approximately \$725,000 from the school bond issue. Dr. Edwin West, superintendent, said this would be very beneficial now that the local board is discussing consolidation and calling for a local bond referendum.

If the bond issue is approved,

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### Installation Set

Officers of the Edward G. Bond Post No. 40, American Legion and auxiliary will be installed at a joint meeting Tuesday. The meeting will be held at the Legion Building.

The installation session begins at 7:30 o'clock. All members are urged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

governmental officials in carrying out the sedimentation program.

State Conservationist Jesse L. Hicks of Raleigh, who heads SCS in North Carolina, said today: "We feel very fortunate that we have well qualified people in every part of North Carolina to assist this excellent effort with out technical expertise. SCS has been working to control sedimentation and related pollution for many years, and we think this forward-looking legislation will help make North Carolina an even better place in which to live."

The legislation is aimed at controlling sediment from urban construction, removal or shifting of soil, and similar projects.

Hicks noted that the 11-member Sedimentation Control Board will have a member of the N. C. Soil

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A giant ash tree caused power failure in wide area.

## Tornado Hits In Edenton

A tornado struck portions of Edenton last Thursday night at about 10:30 o'clock. The twister moved in a northeasterly direction from an area of King and Granville streets out to Westover

Heights. Murray Ashley, Chowan County Civil Defense director, said that no injuries were reported, although two mobile homes were completely destroyed.

### Talk Planned By Mashburn

ELIZABETH CITY — Bruce Mashburn of the Governor's Committee on Law and Order, will be keynote speaker at the annual summer dinner meeting of Albemarle Law & Order Association. The meeting will be held June 14 at Mattamuskeet Lodge in Hyde County.

Mashburn is chief, police programs division law and order.

R. L. Spivey, president, and Mashburn's talk will deal with crime prevention. Chief J. D. Parrish of Edenton, is second vice president of the association.

The business meeting begins at 5 P.M. and all executive committee and policy board members are urged to attend. The social hour begins at 6 P.M. and the banquet an hour later.

The annual meeting has been arranged by Melvin E. Bunch, planning director.

### Harry Land Gets Tidewater Title

Harry Land of Chowan High School has been named 1973 Basketball Coach of the Year in the East Tidewater Conference.

Land coached the Bulldogettes to a 23-4 season. The team was East Tidewater champions and tournament runner-up. The Bulldogs were also successful, having a 17-10 season and being named tournament champs.

Another target of the demonstrations has been the Confederate Plaza at the foot of Broad Street. Four militants were arrested at 2:20 P.M. Monday (Memorial Day) when they removed the Confederate and Union Jack flags from the plaza. Three of those arrested were involved in earlier unlawful acts and are free on bond.

Two young Negro males were arrested by Police Chief J. D. Parrish at noon Tuesday as they walked up Broad Street with the Confederate flag they had allegedly just moments earlier removed from the plaza.

They were owned by the Immanuel Baptist Church and Arriold Driver. As well, the Immanuel Baptist Church activity bus, a sailboat, a private seaplane were overturned. Several trees were uprooted, limbs broken chimneys toppled, along with TV antennas.

Electrical power was disrupted mainly on Broad and King Streets. Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad provided emergency power for the Electric and Water Department while repairs were being made on a fallen pole at the intersection of King and Granville streets.

Total damages were estimated at about \$25,000 by the civil defense and State Highway Patrol.

At Westover, the Immanuel Church mobile home did extensive damage to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Harrell. The Harrells were at home at the time of the storm, but were not injured.

The storm hit not long after a tornado watch for South Carolina to Cape Hatteras was lifted.

Ashley said that the twister was a relatively light one and only touched down sporadically as it moved over the town. No damages were reported in the county, so he assumed that it dissipated soon after passing through Edenton.

Tornadoes occur seasonally and he reported that during the past week approximately 200 occurred throughout the country. Unusual weather patterns seem to be the cause of these disturbances. For now, the situation appears to be clear, but some thunderstorm activity may be expected.

While clean-up operations are underway in the western portion of the state, Eastern North Carolina has continued to carry the brunt of foul weather present since the Memorial Day weekend. In Greenville a small tornado was sighted, Tuesday. Damages were light and no injuries were reported. High winds in Columbus and New Hanover counties were reported. Again, there were no injuries.

As of Tuesday, the death count had risen to eight, including a nine-month-old child, her father and brother. They were on the missing list.

The office of Governor Jim Holshouser has stated that crop damages presently amount to over \$2-million.