

Mrs. Burch Begins 32nd Year As Teacher At CHS

Mrs. Marguerite Burch is ready to begin her 32nd year of teaching in the elementary grades at Chowan High School. Mrs. Burch states that she is looking forward to the opening of school with great anticipation and contributes much of her enthusiasm to a visit she made April 3 and 4 to some model schools in Burlington. She was accompanied by other lead teachers in the Edenton-Chowan system to observe in the Smith School and the Park Grove School.

Mrs. Burch says that she received many valuable ideas along with a realization that she must accept some changes from her traditional way of teaching to a more modern approach. She observed that more flexibility in the classroom and individualizing instruction were "pay offs" for the children.

"Now I'm determined to lean that way," said Mrs. Burch. With the money paid to her

from the county to reimburse expenses to Burlington, she bought paint, sandpaper, paint remover, steel wool, and varnish stain and spent three unbearable hot days during the last week in July redecorating the scarred furniture in her classroom. Cabinets, tables and some bookcases were painted in shades of green trimmed in ivory and some were stained natural. "She did a professional job," said Principal Gilliam Underwood.

The Youth Corps boys painted her desk yellow. Now her room has an airy, spring garden effect.

Mrs. Burch said, "I like my classroom clean, neat and pretty; it reflects in the children's work."

The furniture has been rearranged to set up learning centers. In the rear of the room is a math center with numerous devices for helping children better understand numbers.

Mrs. Burch learned to make many of them while attending a workshop prior to her visit to the Burlington schools. She saw similar ones in use while observing. Children will work on their own in the center and also receive needed individual instruction.

A research center has been set up with a round reading table, surrounded by Encyclopedias, a globe, maps, an atlas, dictionaries, newspapers, magazines, and various reference books.

Another area in the room will later be set up and called an interest center.

Mrs. Burch said, "I would not know what to put in that particular center until the children come and I give them an interest inventory to find where their real interests lie."

Mrs. Burch, a lover of art, has always maintained an art center in her room. She now has in the center, an attractive

display of paintings by famous artists. She hope to begin early lessons in art appreciation.

A LAP (learning activity package) entitled "Traveling West" is filled in her freshly painted filing cabinet. Through LAPs some students will be challenged while working independently with the aid of a cassette and ear phones. This too is one of the new approaches to learning.

"In Room I at Chowan High School one can see that Mrs. Burch has really profited from her Burlington trip and the workshop conducted by state wide educators," relates Principal Underwood.

Only one man in Coast Guard history has won the Medal of Honor. He was Signalman 1-c Douglas Munro who won the medal for valor on Guadal canal during World War II. One of the Coast Guard's newest cutters has been named for him.

Barham Begins Work In Region

RALEIGH — The N. C. Bicentennial office has announced that Otis R. Barham, Jr., has been appointed area coordinator for the Northeast region of the state.

Barham will be traveling throughout a 26-county area developing and coordinating N. C. Bicentennial programs and providing guidance and impetus for community development, volunteer efforts and budget planning as part of North Carolina's vigorous "76 And Forward" Bicentennial program.

A native of Mayodan, Barham was graduated from Virginia Episcopal School in Lynchburg, Va., before receiving his B.A. degree in political science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1973.

Those interested in the bicentennial may contact Barham at the N. C. Bicentennial, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, N. C. 27611. His counties of responsibility include: Warren, Franklin, Wake, Johnston, Wilson, Nash, Halifax, Northampton, Edgecombe, Pitt, Pamlico, Craven, Beaufort, Hyde, Dare, Tyrrell, Washington, Martin, Bertie, Hertford, Gates, Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Camden and Currituck.

The latest automatic bale wagons allow one man to pick-up, haul and stack up to 3,100 bales of hay in an eight-hour day. They are produced by the New Holland Division of Sperry Rand Corporation.



"Keep up the competitive spirit—when competition steps out monopoly moves in."—Mrs. Gary Hiott, The Pickens (S.C.) Sentinel.

"Whenever there is a crisis of some kind, the only way Congress can figure to solve it is to either levy a new tax or appropriate umteen million (or billion) dollars."—Bill Epler, Brewery Gulch, Bisbee (Ariz.) Gazette.

"The smallest package you'll ever see is a man wrapped up in himself."—J. D. Eldridge, Overton County (Tenn.) News.

Federal Tax Due Aug. 31

GREENSBORO — Owners of aircraft should file a Federal use tax return, Form 4638, by August 31, Robert A. LeBaube, IRS district director in Greensboro said today.

The tax, used for public airport construction, amounts to \$25 plus 3 1/2 cents for each pound of maximum certificated takeoff weight of turbine powered aircraft. On piston powered aircraft the tax is \$25 and 2 cents for each pound of maximum takeoff weight over 2,500 pounds. The tax year begins July 1, and runs through the following June 30.

The U. S. Coast Guard Air Station at Elizabeth City, N. C., is the service's largest.

Mill Effluent Study Planned

A state-university-private industry supported study at New Bern on the effects of paper mill effluents on fish productivity is announced by James E. Harrington, Secretary of the State Department of Natural & Economic Resources.

Natural and Economic Resources personnel, Weyerhaeuser and the National Council for Air and Stream Improvement will be involved in the project. Dr. B. J. Copeland of N. C. State University will be the advisor and consultant.

Weyerhaeuser will provide the land and utilities for the study of the effects of treated kraft mill effluent on warm-water productivity at its New Bern Mill.

COUNSELOR TO VISIT Hazel Taylor, Job Corps counselor, will be at the Economic Resource Center on North Oakum Street the morning of September 5.

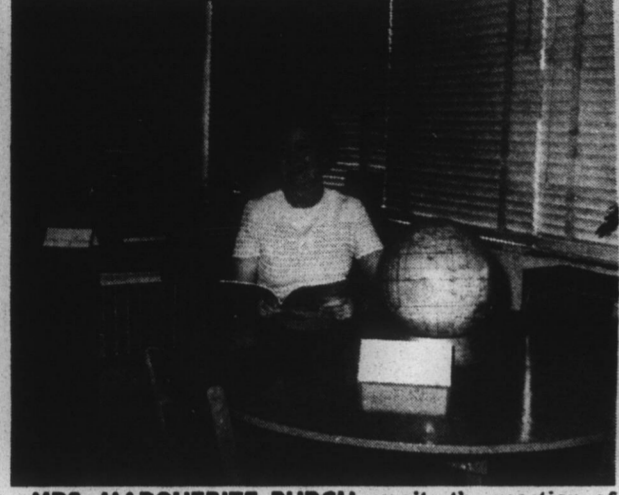
The three year study will be funded by the industry through the National Council for Air and Stream Improvement and will cost \$140,000.

The study will be conducted in a series of four controlled-flow, natural-type streams constructed near the mill site.

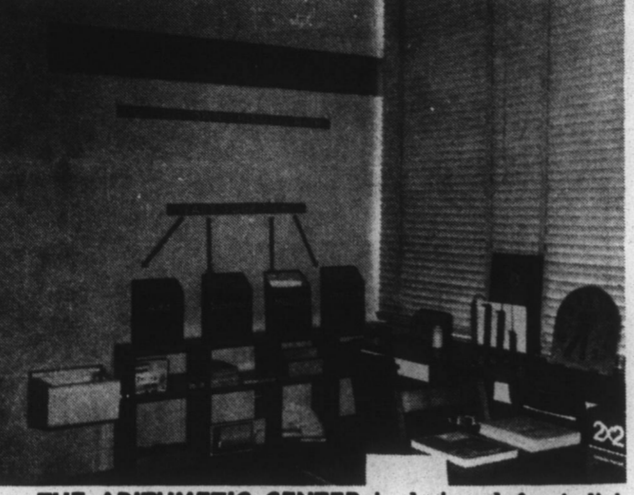
The streams will serve as a home for fish and their food organism systems that are common to the Neuse River and other streams of the Southeastern U.S. Two will contain only water taken from the Neuse and the others will contain river water mixed with treated mill effluent.

The study, similar to one conducted in the Pacific Northwest, is expected to add materially to knowledge of pulp mill effluent interaction with warm-water fishery resources throughout the Southeast.

Construction of the streams, about 300 feet long and three to five feet wide, will start in September.



MRS. MARGUERITE BURCH awaits the reaction of her students to her newly designed Research Center.



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