



LEGION HONORS OFFICERS—Law enforcement officers were in the limelight Tuesday night at the fourth annual banquet sponsored by Edward G. Bond Post 40, American Legion. These pictures tell the story. At left, Capt. C. H. Williams of Edenton Police Department is shown with Sheriff Troy Toppin, post commander, and Bruce Honeycutt, state department commander after he had been named officer of the year. In the center picture, Mrs. Glenn Perry pours coffee for Atty. Gen. Robert

Morgan, and E. L. Hollowell. At right, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Phillips are shown with Jim (Catfish) Hunter, of Hertford, a special guest of Perquimans Sheriff Julian Broughton. Below, Commander Honeycutt presents a special American Legion citation to Hollowell, president of Chowan Veneer Co., Inc. Some 350 people attended the banquet.

Chowan Farm Income Tops

Keep Reins On Booze

In most quarters along the Public Parade and throughout Northeastern North Carolina liquor is not among the more popular topics of general conversation. There are those who do, those who don't and those who really don't give a hang where the limits of control of alcoholic beverages extend. And that is the real question to be answered.

There have been many emotional overtones written into the November 6 referendum dealing with mixed drinks. We have attempted to weed through every argument carefully and with an open mind. We do not think passage of this referendum would mean open bars in North Carolina. We do not think it would eliminate those who drink and drive.

But we do think it would take a considerable amount of control away from the ABC system which hasn't been without its dirty linen. In our opinion, the ABC system has been highly successful in this state, although from time to time a black eye is uncovered.

While the ABC system is not without its flaws, it has been proven to be the best method available and the wild '70s isn't the proper time to unleash the lion. We will vote "no" on the liquor-by-the-drink question on November 6 because we are opposed to lessening the control at the state level.

Beautify For Tomorrow

Now is the time to plant to make your garden the show-place of the neighborhood next Spring and for Springs to come. This is the message begin heralded by members of the Garden of Eden Club.

Take a stroll through your yard and see what you need because the garden club will hold its annual plant sale Tuesday from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. The location is the lot on Broad Street between Peoples Bank and the Cupola House.

They will have for sale trees, shrubs, bedding plants, bulbs, and some dried material for arrangements.

Advance orders may be placed with any club member or call Mrs. Jean Leary at 221-4923.

A Vote For Schools

Voters along the Public Parade and throughout Tar Heels will participate in the American system on November 6 when they will answer the question posed by the 1973 General Assembly relative to borrowing \$300-million in state aid for public education.

The money would be used to assist 151 school districts in meeting facilities needs. Edenton-Chowan Schools would receive \$738,669.51.

In a bond referendum of this kind the people asked to supply the money to repay the debt normally have at least two questions in mind. They want to know if the need exists and how much it will

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Although farming and ranching have not been the most lucrative of occupations in recent years, Chowan County's agricultural community has been making out better than most, it appears.

The majority of local farmers held their own last year and a number of them, especially those with well-equipped, commercial-size setups, ended up well ahead of the previous year.

Credit for it is attributed to record output, made possible by generally favorable weather conditions, by greater mechanization and by more

intensive use of fertilizers and pesticides.

Gains were made in nearly every section of the country. The Northeast, which was hit by heavy and continuous rains, was an exception.

The facts and figures, showing how local growers fared in relation to others, are contained in a survey released by the Standard Rate and Data Service.

It reports total receipts in Chowan County from farm operations in the past year at \$9,031,000. Two years ago, when it

made a similar survey, it listed the total at \$8,195,000.

That was the gross amount, before deductions for operating costs and taxes.

Included in it are the cash receipts from the sale of farm goods, together with government payments and income in kind, which is the value of products grown and consumed on the farm.

The increase, 10.2 per cent, compares with a 8.4 per cent rise in the State of North Carolina.

According to the most recent figures from the Department of Agriculture, approximately 62 per cent of the total received locally from the sale of farm products came from the marketings of crops and 38 per cent from livestock, poultry and dairy goods.

Although the past year was a big one for the American farmer in terms of gross income, it was also a record one for expenses. However, there was some net gain.

The Agriculture Department reports gross income at \$68.9-billion, an increase of \$9.2-billion over the prior year.

Production expenses rose in the same period to \$49.2-billion, which was \$4.7-billion above 1971. As a result, net farm income went up \$4.5-billion in the past year.

All signs point to a much bigger improvement in the current year.

Grant Made

The U. S. Department of Labor has approved 15 out-of-school Neighborhood Youth Corps (NYC) projects in North Carolina to provide 1,002 work opportunities for boys and girls from poverty level families.

Among those funded is the NYC at Economic Improvement Council, Inc., headquartered in Edenton. The grant of \$132,660 is for 60 trainees in Edenton-Chowan, Camden, Gates, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington counties.

NYC, established in 1964 under the Economic Opportunity Act, has three main components: an in-school, a summer, and an out-of-school program. The out-of-school program offers remedial education, work experience, and in many instances, skill training.

Radio System Being Erected

The U. S. Coast Guard is working to improve radio communications in the area with the placing of an antenna and relay station atop the Weyerhaeuser water tower in Plymouth.

The Edenton Coast Guard Auxiliary has announced that the improved facilities are expected to be in operation by November 1. This will mean that any boat in distress in Albemarle Sound or Chowan River will have no trouble contacting the Coast Guard by the use of FM radio-telephone.

All a boater in trouble has to do is use the distress signal "Mayday" and the call will be monitored by not only the Elizabeth City base but also the stations at Cape Hatteras and Coinjock. After March 1, 1974, only Cape Hatteras and Coinjock will monitor.

"This is good news because many times in the past boats in the Edenton area in distress were unable to reach the Coast Guard," stated Max Busby, commander of Edenton Flotilla 10-9.

Those seeking further information on the subject may contact Busby or any member of the Edenton Flotilla.

Banquet Set

The annual Edenton Jaycee Bosses Night banquet will be held tonight (Thursday) at the Jaycee Community Building on Base Road. Gus Tulloss of Rocky Mount, national director of the N. C. Jaycees, will be the speaker.

Wayne Sawyer is chairman of the event which begins with a social hour at 6:30 o'clock. The banquet will follow.

Tulloss has been very active in his Jaycee career. He is past president of the Rocky Mount Jaycees, recipient of the DSA award and served as special assistant to State President Fred Morrison in 1972-73.



EDUCATORS MEET—Dr. Cecil Yarbrough, left, Regional Commissioner of Education, Atlanta, Ga., and Dr. Craig Phillips, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, were special guests for the Alliance of Progress meeting held last Wednesday night in Ahoskie. Both spoke informally on the role of the alliance in improving the total community of Northeastern North Carolina.



Capt. Williams Paid Honor

Edenton Police Capt. C. H. Williams is recipient of the Law Enforcement Officer-of-the-Year award in Chowan County. The announcement was made Tuesday night at the fourth annual appreciation banquet sponsored by Edward G. Bond Post 40, American Legion.

C. A. Phillips, chairman, Chowan County commissioners, presented a handsome plaque to the popular officer at the banquet attended by more than 350 people.

He said Capt. Williams is symbolic of law enforcement in this area.

Capt. Williams joined the Edenton Police Department in October, 1961, and moved up through the ranks. In November, 1967, he was promoted to his present position and named assistant chief.

The spotlight moved briefly from the law enforcement officers as Chowan Veneer Company, Inc., was cited by the N. C. Department of American Legion for employment of the handicapped, veterans and older workers. E. L. Hollowell, president, received the framed citation from Bruce Honeycutt, Franklinton department commander.

Atty. Gen. Robert Morgan briefly took the wraps off North Carolina's "crime clock" to relate the seriousness of crime in this state. And because of their responsibilities to curb crime, the policeman was labeled by the speaker as being "our most versatile public servant".

Unfortunately, he continued, public understanding and support for law enforcement and the administration of criminal justice is not what it ought to be. "Crime prevention suffers from a lack of public support," he said.

Earlier the speaker, always a big drawing card in the Edenton-Chowan area, noted that the policeman is expected to be all things to all people. And, he said, the police are the victims of a basic conflict in our attitude toward law enforcement. "On the one hand, we demand law and order...On the other hand, we don't expect all of these laws to be strictly enforced, at least not against ourselves," he added.

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New Officers

Police Chief J. D. Parrish has announced the employment of two new patrolmen which brings the local department up to only one man below full strength. The new policemen are Isaiah Sylvester Brickhouse and David Glenn Lane.

Since joining the local department both men have attended the police training course at Elizabeth City. The 160-hour course is conducted by the College of The Albemarle.

The men have also passed all requirements of the N. C. Criminal Justice Training and Standards Council.

Brickhouse, 24, resides on West Albemarle Street Extended with his wife and one child. He is a native of Washington County and graduated from Tyrrell County High School.

He was employed at Townson Lumber Company prior to becoming a policeman.

Lane, 20, resides at Cape Colony. He is a native of Chowan County and graduated from John A. Holmes High School. He formerly was employed at P&Q Super Market.

State, Federal Leaders Laud Six-County Alliance

By FLYNN SURRATT

AHOSKIE — The six county Alliance For Progress has taken steps toward improving the quality of education in Northeastern North Carolina. Plans are progressing toward the establishing of a graduate Education Center, Businessmen's Career Guidance Institute, and the possibility of an Environmental Education Center.

These and other ideas were also heard by Dr. Craig Phillips, State Superintendent of Public Instruction and Dr. Cecil Yarbrough, Southeastern regional commissioner of education. They

were special guests for the meeting held here last Wednesday night.

Dr. Phillips had praise for the group's singular attitude toward problems in the area and the solutions being sought; but he added the groups should make all moves "carefully and with forethought". He cited the pulling together of the elements of society and government as one outstanding aspect of the alliance.

"If you come to a new understanding of the relationship between the county government, education, and community services, you have made a great stride," he stated.

"You can count on our support in the sense of services from the State Department of Public Instruction," he said. He added in this statement that the Alliance for Progress will have the interest and attention of educators and funding agencies as they progress in their plans. He advised the group to seek the aid of legislators and other influential persons in securing money for the multi-county endeavors.

Dr. Yarbrough, likewise, had words of praise for the group and noted with some humor that Richard Baker has displayed a great talent for opening the doors

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