



NEW PROGRAM LAUNCHED—Mrs. Carole Nance, who began her duties today as director of the Albemarle Adult Day Care Center here, is pictured with Bill Safriet, left, of the eastern regional office, State Division of Mental Health, and Jim Lewis, executive director, Albemarle Human Resources Development System. The center is located on Highway 32, north of Edenton.

Center For Adults Opens Here

An new adult day activity program was launched in Northeastern North Carolina on November 1 with the opening of the Albemarle Adult Day Care Center near here. Mrs. Carole Nance, a registered nurse, has been named director of the program.

The center will be located in the old Immanuel Baptist Church building on Highway 32, just north of Edenton. It will be open from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M., Monday through Friday. The center is designed to handle up to 20 people.

Family members of the adults participating in the program will be required to provide necessary transportation. Lunch will be served at the center and a diversified program is being developed.

The center is a joint venture between Albemarle Mental Health Center and Albemarle Human Resources Development System. It is funded at the \$38,000 level by the State Division of Mental Health.

Bill Safriet, a representative from the eastern regional office, explained that the funds were made available by the 1973 General Assembly to establish these centers to aid mentally retarded adults.

In addition to the center, the program will include counseling with families. It was noted that the center will provide relief to the family through the various programs and the exposure of the participants to a variety of social surroundings.

Mrs. Nance, who previously was connected with the Family Planning Program as assistant coordinator, will be assisted by a teacher and two aides.

Jim Lewis, AHRDS executive director, said the program was developed from a regional task force of local citizens, headed by Mrs. J. P. Ricks, Jr., working towards a sheltered workshop for the 10-county region.

Town Qualifies

Property owners in the Town of Edenton Wednesday became eligible to purchase flood insurance. W. B. Gardner, town administrator, said certification had been received from the Department of Housing & Urban Development.

Miss Rogerson Places First In Contest

Marta Rogerson won first place in the National Horticultural Marketing demonstration contest, held last week in Oklahoma City. The demonstration contest was held as part of the Annual National Junior Horticultural Association Convention which brought together youth interested in horticulture from the entire nation.

In giving her demonstration, Marta showed and told how to market watermelons. She stressed the importance of placing on the market a high quality watermelon, a product uniform in shape and size, mature or ripe, and free of disease and mechanical injury.

As a national winner, Marta received a pen with the National Junior Horticulture Association emblem on it and \$50 in cash as the award. Marta held the last night of the contest.

Special Notice

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, The Chowan Herald will publish one day early next week. The next edition will be distributed Wednesday, instead of Thursday.

All advertising copy must be submitted by 5 P.M. Monday and all news articles by 10 A.M. Tuesday in order to appear in next week's paper.



Public Parade Problem
Reapportionment is not popular in most quarters. Neither is it an easy matter to resolve. However, without question there exists "substantial inequality of population" among the townships along the Public Parade and it is the responsibility of Chowan County commissioners to address themselves to the problem.

If a county commissioner, town councilman or any public official, for that matter, attempts to skirt the rough spots, pass the buck and conduct a popularity contest, he just isn't doing his job. While the initial motion to reapportion was defeated, the wound is not as deep as the 3-2 vote against would first indicate.

To the man, county commissioners agreed that the residency requirements for seeking election to the board is out of kilter. With five men on the board there is a possibility of having five different plans. But, a thorough study of the distribution of population along the Public Parade should leave the commissioners with full realization that some distinction is necessary between the Town of Edenton and First Township when it comes to board composition.

The problem of reapportionment won't go away. It behooves the commissioners to complete their study and take positive action before the wounds are deepened. And it must be done prior to the May primary election.

More Of The Same

Well, we went over to the site of Pasquotank last Friday to break bread with former Gov. Bob Scott and College of The Albemarle officials. We found the fellowship especially refreshing; the conversation lively.

The former Tar Heel chief executive was his usual relaxed, candid self and disavowed some editorial claims that he has a timetable for getting back into public service at some lofty level.

He revealed that he is giving 80 per cent of his time to the N. C. Agribusiness Council and 20 per cent of his time to the Department of Community Colleges, which was the reason he was in Elizabeth City. He did not, however, explain how he was giving the promised time to his family and farming operations.

The jovial former governor would not be drawn into discussion of the Holshouser Administration. He said prior to the inauguration he told the governor elect: "Your problems are going to come from your own folks and not from me."—And he was right on target.

He stated we are fortunate in North Carolina to have a stable government. "I just believe our

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New Town Officials Seated; Harrell, Councilman At Large

By FLYNN SURRETT

The new mayor and councilmen of Edenton took their oaths of office at the Town Council meeting Tuesday night. Mrs. Lena M. Leary, clerk of court, administered the oaths to Roy L. Harrell, mayor, and councilmen Errol Flynn, Harry Spruill, and James C. Dail, who was elected mayor pro-tem.

Allan B. Harless was sworn in to succeed James Bond as treasurer. In addition the council gained three new members from the Board of Public Works; J. H. Conger, Jr., James Darnell, and Jesse L. Harrell. However, Harrell resigned from office in order to be eligible for nomination as councilman-at-large. He was elected with the dissenting votes cast.

Councilman Herbert Hollowell recommended the resignation of Harrell in keeping with the Town Charter which calls for an elected board of six members. This move lowered the number serving from nine to eight. He then placed Harrell in nomination with Joe W. Lee and William A. Reeves, who had been nominated previously. Several citizens present at the meeting questioned the action. Later in the meeting upon request of Mayor Harrell, the procedure was again explained.

Following the meeting Councilman Hollowell explained that his only intent on filling the vacancy was to keep the council as near as possible to the number as

specified in the Town Charter. "Personally, I don't care if we have 25 or 50 on the council but the charter specifies six members and I don't think we should take advantage of the special legislation relative to the Board of Public Works to expand the council when it is not necessary," he stated.

Committee appointments were made by Mayor Harrell to various boards and agencies. Harrell and Harry Spruill were appointed to the Public Works Committee; Flynn to the Finance Committee; Darnell, Conger, and Dail, to Utilities Committee.

Dail also was named to the Recreation Committee.

Dr. A. F. Downum, Sr., was

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FARM-CITY WEEK SCHEDULED—Wallace Evans, center, chairman of Farm-City Week in Chowan County discussed an official proclamation with C. A. Phillips, left, chairman of Chowan County commissioners, and Mayor Roy L. Harrell. The observance is November 16-22.

Farm-City Banquet Scheduled

A highlight of Edenton and Chowan County's observance of Farm-City Week, November 16-22, will be a free banquet Monday night at Edenton Jaycee Building on Base Road. The banquet begins at 7 P.M.

EIC Gets Grant

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Rep. Walter B. Jones of the First Congressional District Wednesday announced approval of a \$75,516 grant to Economic Improvement Council, Inc., by the Office of Economic Opportunity. EIC is headquartered in Edenton and serves the 10-county Albemarle Area.

Rep. Jones said the funds will provide for administration and management of the Community Action Agency.

Wilbur G. Pierce is executive director of EIC.

Wallace Evans is again chairman of the event and has announced that Dr. Bill Toussaint of Raleigh will be the guest speaker. Dr. Toussaint is head of the Agricultural Economics Department at N. C. State University.

There will be three other important functions at the banquet:

- 1—The Jaycees will name the recipient of the Outstanding Young Farmer Award;
- 2—The Lions will announce the corn contest winners; and
- 3—Edenton Chamber of Commerce will present the 1972 Peanut Champion.

Farm-City Week will be observed across the nation, ending on Thanksgiving Day. The purpose of the event is to help create a better understanding between rural and urban people.

Evans stated that Chowan County is fortunate to have a fine relationship between urban and rural citizens. "Farm-City Week can help to maintain and strengthen this relationship," he said.

This will be the 19th annual observance of Farm-City Week. Last year's observance, according to final reports received at national headquarters, involved the active participation of more than 15,000 communities in the U. S. and Canada.

Winner Is Named

Carolyn Lassiter of Manteo won \$250 in gift certificates at the close of the Pre-Thanksgiving Sidewalk Sale conducted by Edenton merchants. Lula Drew, Route 3, Edenton, won second prize which was \$100 in gift certificates.

The prizes were awarded Saturday evening following a three-day sales promotion

New Service Planned Here

Northeastern North Carolina's second speech and hearing center is expected to open at Chowan Hospital shortly after January 1, 1974. Some \$10,000 worth of equipment has been ordered and the operating room suite of the old hospital will be renovated.

The first center opened in September in Elizabeth City. David McGraw is director and speech pathologist and Mrs. Becky Hite is audiologist.

The centers are operated by Albemarle Human Resources Development System of which Jim Lewis of Edenton is executive director.

Lewis said the equipment is being purchased from a grant given the 10-county region by Regional Medical Program. He said the equipment would allow the center to do infant testing as well as check noise levels in industry. When the Edenton unit opens the region will have some \$33,000 in speech and hearing equipment which can be used throughout the area.

Thomas M. Surratt, hospital administrator and chairman of the Comprehensive Health Planning Council, said the two centers will give the Albemarle Area one of the most complete testing facilities for speech and hearing defects anywhere in the state.

Surratt said renovations include lowering the ceiling in the suite, the walls will be made "sound deadening" and the floor carpeted. Other renovations include blocking up some windows and replacing some doors.

The rooms will be petitioned off and the entire area will have bright fluorescent lighting.

Banquet Held

Lloyd C. Bunch of Edenton was re-elected chairman of the 20-county Area Five, N. C. Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts at the 18th annual meeting held Tuesday night at the Jaycee Community Building on Base Road.

Some 400 people attended the banquet and heard Secretary of State Thad Eure proclaim that Americans should launch a program to "stamp out apathy" while accepting a deeper responsibility for government and constitutional authority.

The state official, who is a native of Gates County, pointed out that last week's election saw municipal officials put into office, important bond issue passed and liquor given a setback. "But fewer than 40 per cent of the registered voters exercised their right of franchise," he said.

"Unless we wake up," he went on, "we are going to find ourselves in the greatest dilemma of our times." Citing the lack of voter interest, he said those who are most critical don't vote.

Eure, much to the satisfaction of his audience, said if he had been the czar of state government reorganization he would not have

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ACES Upset By Ahoskie

AHOSKIE — Football season ended last Friday night for the Edenton Aces. They felt the stunning blow of defeat at the hands of the Ahoskie Cougars who shut them out 23-0, taking the Northeastern Conference title and the right to go on to the quarter finals leading to the state 3-A championship.

Three touchdowns and a field goal marked the victory.

The first quarter was scoreless. Edenton gained possession twice in the first period. On both counts, the Aces failed to sustain a drive. They fumbled once and had to punt from deep within their own territory.

Ahoskie emerged from the second quarter with one TD and the field goal. The score was made by Calvin Sessoms from the two yard line. The field goal came minutes later after a fifteen yard penalty against the Cougars. Gregory Boone split the uprights from 32 yards out to give the Cougars a 10-0 lead at halftime.

Following intermission, Edenton appeared ready to muster some fire power with a 34 yard run from Jimmy Fleetwood. A passing attempt was stifled only after Gerald Hall scrambled for eight yards. But the Aces lost the ball to downs.

The ball changed hands twice before Ahoskie went to score again. From the nine, Sessoms scored and the extra point was good. There were only seconds left in the third frame.

The Cougars' final touchdown followed an Edenton fumble on the 25. After a 17 yard pass play, quarterback Mike Umphlett hit paydirt for six more points to land the 23-0 final score.

The Aces final hopes were quashed by an interception. Ahoskie maintained control until the clock ran out of the contest.

MDTA Funded

Seventeen Manpower Development and Training Act (MDTA) projects have been jointly approved by the Department of Labor and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to provide classroom-type training for 575 persons in North Carolina.

Twenty-seven trainees have been approved for Chowan and Pasquotank counties. The grant is in the amount of \$41,820.

The training will be given by College of The Albemarle.

The Employment Security Commission determines the need for workers in the economy.



MARTA ROGERSON