



MISS EDNA SNELL

Miss Snell To Lead District

Miss Edna Snell of Edenton has been installed as director of District X, N. C. Federation of BPW Clubs. She will direct the activities of eight clubs in Northeastern North Carolina.

At the annual convention held June 6-9 in Asheville, Mrs. Julia Hassell was named to serve as state legislative chairman. The state organization has 3,616 members in 81 clubs.

In addition to Miss Snell and Mrs. Hassell, Mrs. Clara Boswell, president of the Edenton club was recognized. Others attending were: Mrs. Gail Gieseke, local first vice president; Mrs. Brenda Spruill, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Carolyn Ricks, who will serve with Miss Snell as district secretary-treasurer.

District X is composed of Ahoskie, Edenton, Elizabeth City, Hertford, Nashville, Roanoke Rapids, Rocky Mount and Tarboro. Miss Snell will be serving as liaison officer between the local presidents of these clubs and the area vice president.

The 1974-75 program, "Blueprint For Women", will be one of the main presentations for the year. It is designed to have a diversity of methods for helping women. The National Federation offers Career Advancement Scholarships for mature, working women who need further training to advance in their careers.

Deckard To Speak To ARPDC

Edwin Deckard, director of the newly established State Office of Intergovernmental Relations, will be keynote speaker at the third annual banquet of Albemarle Regional Planning & Development Commission.

Wesley B. Cullipher, ARPDC executive director, has announced that the meeting will be held at the Carolinian Hotel in Nags Head on June 20. The banquet at 7 o'clock will be preceded by a social hour at 6 o'clock.

At the same time, Jeffrey Dick, president of the Albemarle Area Development Association,

Democrats To Elect Leaders

Democrats in Chowan County will gather at their respective polling places Tuesday night at 8 o'clock to name precinct leaders.

Mrs. Edward G. Bond, acting executive director of the county party, has encouraged good attendance at the various precincts.



CHURCH OUTING—A host of members of the United Methodist Youth Fellowship gathered at Sandy Point Beach Tuesday for an afternoon of fun in the sun. The activities concluded late in the afternoon with a barbecue cook-out. Mrs. L. F. Amburn, Jr., left, and Mrs. W. H. Hollowell, right,

Historical Inflation

An elderly Negro man had sworn out a warrant against a former co-worker for the larceny of a dip net. To some this would appear not so serious but a \$10 dip net not only is an expensive fishing aid but a valuable tool when the herring are washing against the breakwater in Edenton Bay.

The defendant admitted taking the net and had a ready answer when Judge Wilton Walker, Jr., of Currituck, inquired as to why it had not been returned. "Someone stole it from me," the defendant said.

Judge Walker noted that a \$10 dip net has a way of moving around.

Later the prosecuting witness was in the defendant's seat, and vice versa. He had been indicted for larceny of a shovel.

When Asst. Sol. Keith Teague of Elizabeth City inquired about the value of the shovel, the witness placed it at \$14. The prosecutor's next question was when the shovel was stolen. "I believe it was about 1942," the witness said.

Judge Walker dismissed the case and warned the witness against any future spite indictments. A \$14 shovel in 1942? And we thought inflation was something of an infant.

It's Sign-up Time

Chowan County leaders continue to establish ambitious goals toward the development of a regional water system which, when completed, will be the most progressive step toward complete and orderly growth along the Public Parade.

The county planning board, spurred on by the county commissioners, are already seeing wells, treatment plants, elevated tanks and miles of lines carrying decent, safe and sanitary water to the citizens of every nook in Chowan County.

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announced that the organization would forego its regular June meeting in order to join in the ARPDC annual meeting.

W. B. Gardner, Edenton town administrator, has been re-elected chairman; Walter Harlow of the Bank of North Carolina, N. A., at Hobbsville, is the newly elected vice chairman; and N. J. George of Edenton, was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Deckard was recruited to the new State Department of Administration job by Gov. James Holshouser from the Office of Management and Budget in Washington, D. C., where he was a regional representative. He had served in various positions in OMB since 1963.

Deckard is a native of Indiana and received degrees from Indiana University and the University of Cincinnati.

He has served as associate professor lecturer with George Washington University since 1962, teaching advanced administrative management.



PLAN FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES—T. R. Spruill, right, last week was named temporary chairman of the council developing a Region R Emergency Medical Services Program. Others are, left to right: Macon Johnson, chairman, Camden County commissioners; Dr. James Slade of Edenton, a member of the State EMS board; Harold McKinney of Albemarle Human Resources Development System; and Charles Skinner of Hertford, chairman of the nominating committee.

Med Plan Begins To Move

Wheels were put into motion here last week to establish a council to operate an Emergency Medical Service Program in the 10-county Region R. The group, meeting at the Housing Authority Community Center on Blades Street, adopted temporary by-laws and named T. R. Spruill of Washington County, temporary chairman.

Spruill, who is chairman of the Albemarle Association of Counties and Towns, was on the initial steering committee with Dr. James Slade of Edenton, a member of the State EMS council; Thomas M. Surratt, chairman-elect of Albemarle Human Resources Development System; and Wesley Cullipher, executive director of Albemarle Regional Planning and Development Commission.

The temporary chairman's first action was to name John Outten of Washington County chairman of the by-laws committee, and Charles Skinner of Hertford, head of the nominating committee. The next meeting was for July 25 at 7 P.M.

The by-laws name AHRDS as executive agent for the council and Harold McKinney, assistant executive director in charge of programs, is directing the establishment of the program.

The group has already received

Youth Dies

A young Negro boy was pronounced dead on arrival to Chowan Hospital early Sunday evening after being struck by a Southern Railway train as he crossed the track near Freemason Street.

Police Chief J. D. Parrish identified the victim as Theodore Dexter Sutton, eight, son of William and Rosa Sutton, 215 East Church Street.

William Leroy Messick of Virginia Beach, Va., was engineer of the train.

The victim was crossing the track with his bicycle at the time he was struck, according to police investigation.



Signup Slated For New Program

User signup for the Chowan County water system will begin following a meeting of community leaders at the courthouse at 8 P.M. today, according to George W. Lewis, chairman of the county planning board.

Lewis said following Monday's board meeting that the initial meeting will provide instruction to the leaders prior to county-wide community meetings to be Monday night.

Chowan County commissioners last week made application to the Local Government Commission for approval to hold a \$1.9-million referendum to establish the regional water system. The bonds and interest would be paid from profits derived from the sale of water to some 1,250 families throughout the county.

Tuesday's community meetings will be at 8 P.M. at the following: Yeopim, county courthouse; Advance, community building. The residents of US 17 south and Mexico Road will meet at the American Legion building.

Lewis said there will be a \$10 deposit at the time of the signup but will be returned if the service is not rendered to those who sign.

All residents of the county are urged to attend the meeting in their community for signup as users. Immediately following these community meetings, leaders will canvass the county with plans for completion of this initial phase to end by June 24.

"This is a big undertaking that will require the help and cooperation of all the citizens of the county," Lewis stated. He said hopefully all questions will be answered at these scheduled meetings.

New Headquarters For Squad

Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad has a new slate of officers and the Edenton unit is making preparations to occupy a new headquarters—the first permanent home for the nine-year-old volunteer service group.

Marion Bunch of Unit 3 at Rocky Hock has been elected captain of the squad which has three units and a ladies auxiliary. Murray Ashley is operation and training

officer and Steve Hampton is secretary-treasurer.

Chowan County commissioners recently purchased the Gulf station property at the corner of Broad and Queen streets as headquarters for the base unit of operations. In the appropriations was \$2,500 for renovations.

Workmen are now paneling a room for the squad office and small training groups. The petition has been removed from the bay area and additional work is to be done to the walls and floors. This area will be used for training also. The ceilings in the entire area will be lowered.

Ashley said this week that additional funds will be necessary to put the building in top flight shape. He said an air conditioning bid alone was \$10,000.

However, Ashley estimated that it would take about \$6,000 to \$8,000 to complete the project considering the funds already available. Anyone who desires to make a donation should specify it as for the Building Fund of Unit 1.

Unit officers are: Edenton—1st Lt. Willis Privott, commander; 1st Lt. Edward Taylor, maintenance officer; and 2nd Lt. Elbridge Smith, assistant unit commander.

Gliden—1st Lt. Roger Spivey, commander; 1st Lt. Thomas Blanchard, maintenance officer; and 2nd Lt. Jerry Ward, assistant unit commander.

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NEW RESCUE SQUAD HEADQUARTERS—Workmen are now renovating the former Gulf station at the corner of Broad and Queen streets to make a new headquarters for Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad. The county recently purchased the property which will give the squad its first permanent home in nine years.

Improved Education Is Aim Of Objectives

By FLYNN SURRATT

Draft plans of objectives and strategies for the improvement of education in the schools was presented to the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education and reviewed, June 4.

Seven objectives were listed with a lengthy list of strategies for their implementation. Included will be improvement of internal and external communications with teachers, parents, and community; production of a systematic assessment program for the benefit of the students; and development of positive public

attitudes toward the Bond Issue scheduled in November. Improvement of language arts performance will be addressed through the initiation of new school programs, community resources, and federal programs.

Receiving special attention in the meeting was the objective to raise the qualifications of substitute teachers to the satisfaction of administration and faculty utilizing training sessions. One of the main problems cited in this area was the interruption of the continuity of education which often occurs with the absence of a

teacher and a substitute teacher not thoroughly versed in the teaching process and following a classroom schedule.

Auxiliary services such as maintenance, lunchroom, and transportation will receive attention, and better communication of pupil performance to parents, including a more consistent grading and reporting system, will be devised.

During the coming school year, the Edenton-Chowan Schools will be the only system in the state to have five federally funded

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local advisors, are shown presiding at the grill. While some of the group soaked up the sun, center picture, others looked for a shady spot to discuss their summer activities.

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