

DR. DAVID PHELPS AADA To Hear ECU Professor

Dr. David S. Phelps, professor of anthropology at East Carolina University, will be the speaker tonight (Thursday) at the monthly meeting of Albemarle Area Development Association.

The meeting will begin at 7 P.M. at the fire house in Columbia.

Mrs. Lane Kinion is program chairman for AADA. She said Dr. Phelps will speak on the subject of "Archaeology Resources in the Albemarle Region: the Development of the Potential".

Dr. Phelps has been associated with ECU since 1970 and earlier was for six years with Florida State University in Tallahassee. He has also done work for Tulane University in New Orleans, La.

He has done extensive research and writing including an archaeological survey of the Chowan River Basin and archaeological investigation of the North Carolina Coast.

L. F. Amburn, Jr., is AADA president.

The Albemarle Regional Planning & Development Commission's board, of which W. B. Gardner is chairman, will meet at 5:30 P.M. at the same location.

Receives Grant

By an act of the May 1974 General Assembly, \$900,000 was appropriated for 60 full time school psychology consultant positions across the State.

Jonathan Robinson, a native of Elizabeth City, has been employed by the State Department of Public Instruction as the consulting psychologist the six counties in Region R, which includes Chowan, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Gates, Hertford, Camden and Currituck counties.

Edenton-Chowan Schools will benefit from Robinson's services regularly on the first and third Wednesday of each month, and at other times upon special request. The role of school psychologist is not synonymous with testing.

Robinson will be doing some testing, but no more than 40 per cent of the time. The remaining time will be used in terms of consultations and education with teachers, students, and parents. He will be working primarily with teachers in helping them learn how to recognize possible problems of students and methods of dealing with them.

Robinson states that he sees his "role in the light of three broad areas of psychological services: consultation, education, and evaluation. But within these three broad areas of service, many specific functions exist. As a performing my job by meeting the specific needs of the students and teachers I serve."



NEW SERVICE TO SCHOOLS—Dr. Eddie West, superintendent of Edenton-Chowan Schools, is shown at left with Jonathan Robinson, the school psychology consultant in the region.

Our Week

This is our week along the Public Parade. National Newspaper Week is the rare occasion for the editor to toot his own horn.

We have come to this position cautiously.

One of the things in which we take the most pride is that in more than two decades of handling the news we have never intentionally slanted it.

In the eye of some we have developed and adhered to what might be considered harsh policies. We have, however, acted fairly and impartially.

Our intent has been to honor and cherish the freedom of the press, not abuse it. It is more difficult to publish a newspaper in a community where you constantly come face-to-face with your adversaries. Nevertheless, the joys of being steadfast and honest mean much more than all the awards which hang on the walls of newspapers which write for them rather than write in the best interest of the community.

To us, this is what the free press and the observance of National Newspaper Week is all about. In this instance each week is newspaper week as we carry out our responsibility to the community we serve.

Shortly after we came to meander along the Public Parade we got a call at home one night. We were lectured that "if you keep writing like this you are not going to be very popular".

To this we replied that we didn't intend to run a popularity contest, but a newspaper.

Because of this conviction we don't fear the challenges being put to the press these days. If the press, to draw upon a saying by the late President Truman, can't stand the heat then it is best that it stay out of the kitchen.

We, however, find the heat quite comfortable.

Universal, Yet!

The menu for Wednesday in Edenton-Chowan Schools will take on a carnival air. It is the Universal Menu with catchy descriptions of the food to be served that more than likely will attract a record number of students to the cafeteria along the Public Parade.

Mrs. Etta Hathaway, food service director in the system, notes the menu as follows:

- Circus submarine sandwich;
- Flying french fries;
- Barnum-Bailey green beans
- Big Top fruit cup;
- Greatest chips on earth; and
- Midway milk.

And if you can get more universal than that you'll be going some!

The "Better Half"

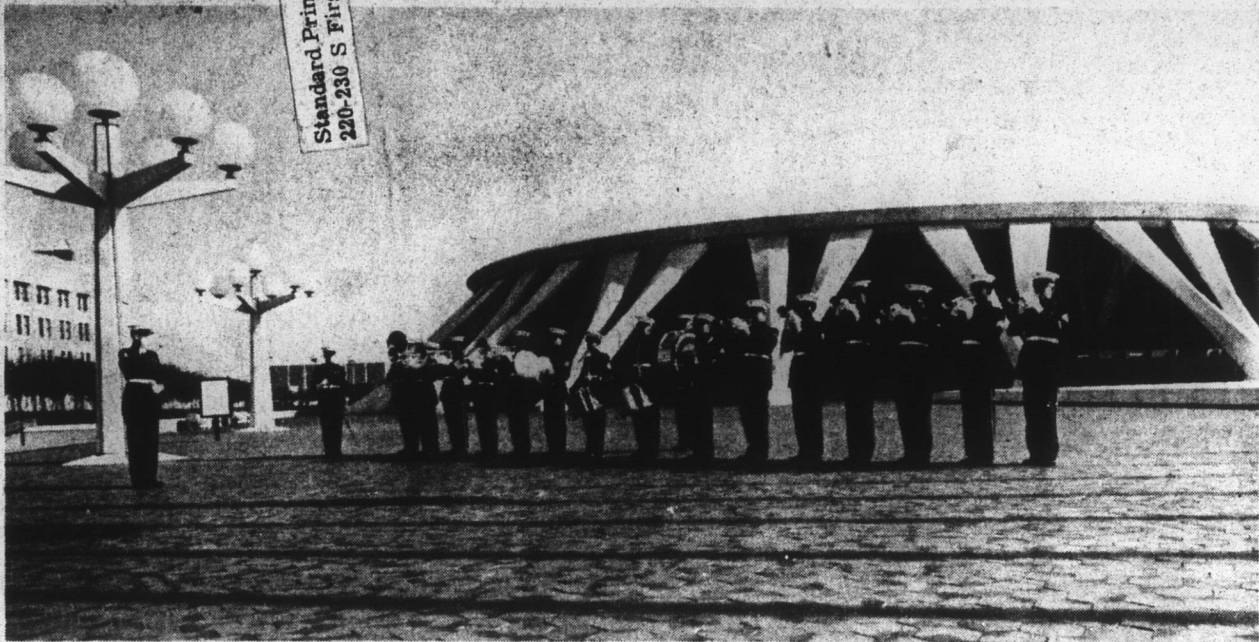
The wives of Republican candidates for state-wide office are on the road for the next eight days, joined by Mrs. Pat Holshouser and a batchelor candidate for the Superior Court.

The press release said the tour was organized by the State Republican Party and is aimed at allowing the voters to get a look at the "better half" of the candidates.

That is, if you live in Greenville or west.

They began in Raleigh Tuesday with a news conference at 9 A.M. they are touring 32 counties in Tar

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HERE COMES THE BANDS—Colorful bands are the highlight of any parade and according to the latest news the Tea Party Celebration parade here October 26 will have plenty of music. Included will be the Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic Drum and Bugle Corps, pictured above.

Parade High On Activity List

J. Clarence Leary, Jr., chairman of the Chowan Bicentennial Commission, announces that the Jaycees will be handling the Saturday morning parade which is a part of the "Tea Party Celebration" planned for October 25-27. The parade is scheduled to start at 11 A.M. and will begin at Hicks Field and extend down Broad Street to Water Street and back up Oakum Street.

Jaycee chairman, Ray Midgett, states that out-of-town responses for participation in the parade have been good, and that a number of colorful marching units will be on hand. Midgett states that one unique group that will be featured is the "Second North Carolina Regiment of Foote", a member of the N. C. Brigade from Dunn. This group of authentically dressed colonial soldiers will provide music from drums and bag pipes and will actually fire their colonial muskets during their drill routines.

Another attraction to the parade will be the Tactical Air Command Marching Band out of Langley Air Force Base, Va. This Air Force Band consisting of 60 members is the largest and considered to be the finest Air Force Band on the East Coast. In addition to the Air Force the 38th Army Band and Honor Guard from Fort Eustis will be participating.

The Marine Corps will be providing the Atlantic Drum & Bugle Corps out of Norfolk, Va.

Many other marching units have consented to participate in the parade, and in all the Jaycees promise that his will be a most colorful part of the celebration.

Midgett states that the local "Youth for the Bicentennial" headed by Grif Bond, is working very hard on behalf of the parade and the entire celebration, and it appears that they will be very well represented. Midgett urges those area clubs and organizations who have not yet made a decision to participate and may desire to do so, to contact any member of the Bicentennial Committee as quickly as possible.

Council Concerned

Virginia Electric and Power Company has informed the rural electric cooperatives, municipalities and one private utility it serves on a wholesale basis including Edenton of plans to increase the rates these customers pay for electricity by about \$21.6-million.

The Town of Edenton through its member organization, Electricities, has continuously protested the rate increase of Veeco. W. B. Gardner, town administrator, and James Martin, director of utilities, said the town will continue to object to higher electric rates.

Veeco will seek a 28.68 per cent increase from the municipalities and one private utility.

Peanuts, Soybeans Damaged By Earliest Frost

BY R. M. THOMPSON
County Extension Charirman
We had quite a frost in most areas of Chowan County last Thursday.

Checking the sweet potatoes in the county for frost damage, we suggest that you make an effort to get these potatoes out as soon as possible and by this we mean within a week to 10 days after the frost.

The peanuts that were hit by frost, and most of them were that were not plowed up, probably should be dug as soon as possible, fitting it into the curing program as best you can. We would like to suggest that you do not mix the peanuts that were dug the day of the frost with other peanuts.

We're not saying that these peanuts were damaged but just in case they were and you did not

Steps Are Taken On Water Project

Chowan County commissioners have formed a Temporary Advisory Committee to proceed with plans for construction of a county-wide water system. The commissioners, however, will retain full control of the project.

During the sometimes heated discussion Monday of how best to proceed, C. A. Phillips, chairman, said his suggestion to work with a committee was not designed to "pre-empt the responsibilities of the commissioners".

"This is a major project and we have to start hitting the ball," the chairman said of the \$3.2-million undertaking.

Commissioner N. J. George at first opposed the committee idea, saying "the only way to make sure it is constructed properly is for the control to remain with the commissioners." Later he said he understood an attempt was being made to establish a permanent authority which should only be done after the project is completed.

Commissioners C. M. Evans and Alton G. Elmore agreed that the establishment of a permanent authority now would be premature. Commissioner Evans said once an authority is appointed it should have representatives from every township.

Phillips and David Bateman will represent the board
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KAY CURRIE

Rotary Speaker

Kay Currie, woman's director of WITN-TV in Washington, will be guest speaker today (Thursday) at the luncheon meeting of Edenton Rotary Club. The club meets at 1 o'clock at the Parish House of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Jack Harris is program chairman.

Mrs. Currie has held her present position with the TV station for the past four years and has appeared as hostess of Hospitality House, aired Sundays at noon. She also serves as an "eyeWITNESS News" reporter and handles the weather assignment on the noon news each weekday.

She is a graduate of Centenary College for Women in New Jersey, a charter member of the Washington BPW Club. In the past she has served on the board of the United Fund in New Bern and the board of the Mental Health Association in Beaumont, Tex.

This summer she was a TV correspondent in France.

She is president of the N. C. Chapter of the American Women in Radio and TV.



WHERE BODY WAS FOUND—Sheriff Troy Toppin, right, and Deputy Joe Byrum inspect the location where the body of a Virginia man was found last Thursday morning. A motorist on Highway 37 spotted the body floating face down in the canal at the county line.

Nurse Drain In Hospitals Is Alarming

The "ever increasing" number of professional nursing positions being created by the N. C. Department of Human Resources and other regionwide agencies throughout the state has become a threat to acute care hospitals.

This "real dilemma" was discussed recently in a letter from Chowan Hospital to all professional nurses in its service area who are working in nonacute care situations.

In a letter signed by Thomas M. Surratt, president; Mrs. Barbara R. Cale, vice president, professional services; and Dr. Bernie B. Baker, vice president, medical affairs, it was noted that some hospitals in the state and elsewhere have had to close down nursing stations and reduce the number of patients they can care for because of the serious drain of nurses.

At a recent meeting of the medical staff and members of the nursing department at Chowan Hospital it was unanimously agreed that top priority must be given "to our intensive and coronary care unit".

"You can see that establishing priorities in the manner mentioned means that other areas in the hospital needing professional nurse service will have less than what we feel is adequate staff," it was stated. "This then causes a further dilemma for this violates our philosophy of the highest quality service to the people in our community in our care."

In an effort to solve the problem, action was taken to elicit the support of all nurses in the community by seeking their agreement to work whatever time is possible for them to give the hospital.

The hospital has established "team scheduling" to look at new and different ways to accomplish the goals. This will include establishing more effective ways time can be scheduled to make it (acute care nursing) more attractive.

It was noted that the hospital
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Virginia Man's Body Found

The body of Joseph O'Shields, 66, of Portsmouth, Va., was found in the canal at the Chowan-Perquimans county line on Highway 37 Thursday afternoon by a passing motorist.

The badly decomposed body was removed at the direction of Coroner Marvin Barham and later

We are sure that late soybeans are hurt, that we have to dig sweet potatoes and peanuts before we want and this will reduce yield.

But we still do not know exactly how much damage has occurred. We just would like to see you take all care possible not to contaminate the good with the bad.

sent to N. C. Memorial Hospital Hospital in Chapel Hill for an autopsy. Sheriff Troy Toppin said the report had not been received Tuesday afternoon

G. B. Munden of Elizabeth City saw the body and the Chowan County Sheriff's Department was notified at 11:05 A.M. Deputy Joseph Byrum responded to the call and then notified the coroner.

The body was fully clothed and face down in the canal. The victim was last seen on September 25 in Currituck County.

The investigation is continuing.

Fall Holidays

The next two Fridays will be holidays for students in Edenton-Chowan Schools, while the teachers put in their usual time.

This week is the district NCAE meeting in Greenville which teachers will attend.

The following Friday is the day set aside for parent-teacher conference to discuss progress being made by the students. The report cards will have been distributed prior to this day to allow parents to know what progress their child is making.