



Ms. Linda Penuel

Art Director Making Plans

Ms. Linda Francis Penuel has begun her duties as executive director of the Northeastern Arts Council. She will be working in Bertie, Martin, Chowan, Perquimans, Gates and Hertford counties.

The new council is supported by the Department of Cultural Resources, Division of State Arts Council, and Alliance For Progress.

Ms. Penuel will endeavor to get more local art participation as in creative crafts and the little theater. The council will also work with the Poetry in the schools program as well as artists in residence.

Efforts will be made to establish an art center in each county for the local artists to display and sell their work. Also, the council will work toward performances for both adults and children.

A graduate of N. C. State University, the executive director previously was state coordinator of National Alliance for Arts Education, sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center in Washington, D. C., and the Office of Education.

Farm - City Week

Edenton and Chowan County will again participate in National Farm-City Week, November 22-28. George Lewis, chairman of Chowan County Planning Board, has been named chairman.

Highlight of the week will be a banquet November 25 at Jaycee Community Building on Base Road.

The activities are sponsored by civic clubs in Edenton and Chowan County and the Agriculture Committee of Edenton Chamber of Commerce. W. Earl Smith is committee chairman.

Project Gets Feasibility Funds From State

The N. C. Bicentennial Barge has been given a substantial push on its path along the watery byways of the state through a grant from the N. C. Department of Cultural Resources.

In announcing the grant, to be used for a feasibility study and development of an action plan, Grace J. Rohrer, department secretary, said, "The barge concept has aroused our active immediate interest and we look forward to completion of the study and the support of other appropriate state and civic organizations."

Tentative plans for the barge call for it to make stops, starting in 1976, at 33 towns and cities on the coast and navigable waterways of the state. The barge, presenting changing displays of informative and recreational material for North Carolinians and out-of-state tourists, would remain at ports of call for varying periods of time, depending upon population and interest.

The barge is the brainchild of Nellie Sanders, a regional librarian of Plymouth, who thought of it first in terms of a promotional device for library facilities, then expanded the idea to include other cultural and educational benefits available to people.

She said that 20 per cent of the costs of the barge will be met

Time To Take Stock

Recently the board of Albemarle Regional Planning & Development Commission decided, in the absence of its amiable executive director, to ask the N. C. Department of Natural and Economic Resources to send in independent consultants to review regional planning, development and program operations along the Public Parade and throughout Northeastern North Carolina.

The area, designated as Region "R" in the State's multi-county plan, has been studied by agencies from as far away as Kentucky and Tennessee. Personnel has been invited to appear before congressional subcommittees in Washington, D. C., because the area has been innovative in human resources planning and service delivery.

Unfortunately, Wesley Cullipher, ARPDC executive director and father of regionalism in this sector of Tar Heelia, is confined to Veterans Hospital in Richmond, Va., and cannot participate in this examination. His absence of the past 10 weeks has been at a crucial time when Jim Holshouser's designation of Lead Regional Organizations to parcel out certain programs was necessary.

The Albemarle Human Resources Development System, the program implementation arm of ARPDC, has from the outset pledged its full support to assist in carrying out the governor's mandates. Unfortunately, there has been some disagreement in interpretation of the mandate.

AHRDS has operated on grant funds from numerous sources, without asking local governments for funding therefore, has been successful in remaining non-political. ARPDC, although a majority of the operating funds come from Economic Development Administration, assesses counties and municipalities on a per capita basis for a certain amount of funding.

While this has been somewhat awkward, the boards of AHRDS and ARPDC have been able to

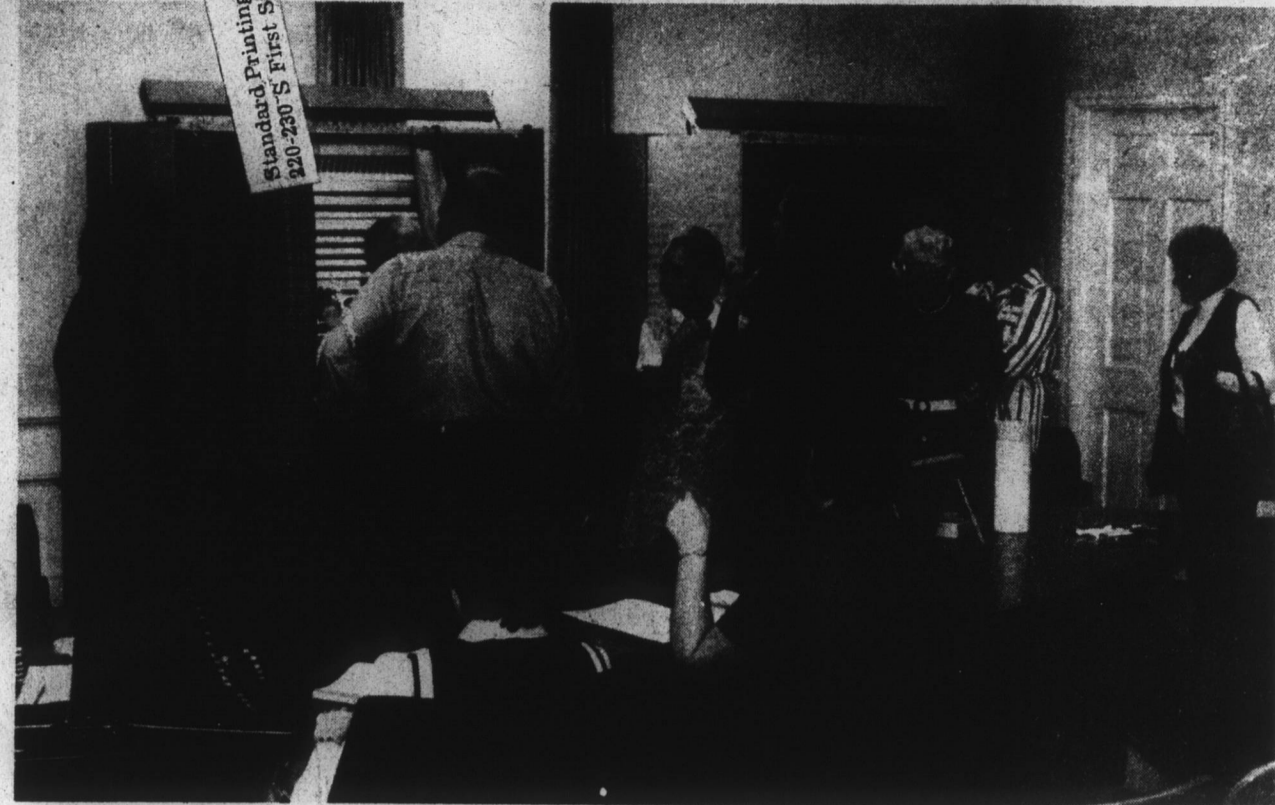
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The Chowan County Courthouse lithographic prints by Jerry Miller are available at the Edenton Chamber of Commerce.

These prints are 10 by 14 inches and are selling for \$10. Proceeds will go to the Chowan County Bicentennial Committee for projects.

miles of the ports selected, and that an additional 2,400,000 in Virginia and South Carolina are within easy traveling distance of the barge stops.

An architectural firm is working on plans calling for construction of a barge pavilion about 200 feet long and 40 feet wide with a ribbed dome rising about 40 feet above the water. Within the dome would



VOTING MACHINES BRING SMILES—Chowan County used voting machines for the first time in Tuesday's election and the expression of the faces of those pictured here would indicate they were well received. Election officials said there were no problems encountered by the 28 per cent of the registered voters who went to the polls. The picture here was made at Edenton Municipal Building, polling place for West Edenton Precinct. (Staff Photo by Asbell).

Chowan Democrats Did Their Thing Tuesday

Chowan County voters, following past patterns, gave huge majorities to Democrat candidates in Tuesday's General Election.

There were no local contests and 28 per cent of the registered voters cast ballots. Mrs. Joseph M. Thorud, executive secretary of Chowan County Board of Election,

said it was the same percentage of voters who cast ballots in the 1970 election.

Voting machines were used throughout the six precincts and reports are that everything went smoothly.

Both constitutional amendments were favored in the county.

The biggest majority went to

Superior Court Judge J. William Copeland of Murfreesboro who was elected an associate justice of the State Supreme Court. He polled 1,127 votes to 234 for Appeals Court Judge James Baley, Jr.

Rep. Walter B. Jones of the First Congressional District, who is always a popular vote getter in Chowan received 1,120 votes as compared to 297 for Harry McMullan.

Robert Morgan defeated William Stevens at Chowan polls, 1,119 to 307 and Rufus Edmisten polled 1,080 votes for attorney general with James Carson, Jr., getting 311.

Returns late Wednesday morning showed that Morgan won the U. S. Senate seat with 63 per cent of the vote and Edmisten was elected attorney general by about the same majority.

Judge Copeland, who is presiding over a civil term of court in Chowan this week, soundly defeated Judge Baley.

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To Address Area Banquet



Lt. Gov. Jim Hunt

Lt. Gov. Jim Hunt will be principal speaker at a dinner meeting to be held here, at the Edenton Jaycee Building on Tuesday. The meeting will get underway at 6:30 P.M.

Lt. Gov. Jim Hunt will address the 19th annual meeting of the 20-county Northeastern Area Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors.

Area Chairman, Lloyd C. Bunch of Chowan County, speculates that over 400 conservationists and guests will gather to hear Hunt speak. He urges the public to attend for an evening of fellowship and at the same time lend their support to the Soil and Water Conservation District Program.

Tickets for the event are available from the local Soil and Water Conservation District Office located in the basement of the U. S. Post Office.

Aces Put String On Line Friday

The Edenton Aces go for all the marbles at Hicks Field Friday night as they play host to Ahsokie. The Aces are undefeated and a win over Ahsokie will give them the conference title.

Edenton defeated Bertie last week, 28-0.

Kickoff time at Hicks Field is 8 P.M.

Holders of reserve tickets have been asked to have their tickets available this week if they want to sit in the reserved section. In the past the reserve seat section has not been strictly enforced, but officials say it will be this week due to the large turnout expected for the game.

Johnson Named

Macon Johnson, chairman, Camden County Board of Commissioners, had been named chairman of the Advisory Council of the Albemarle Aging Unit.

Elected during a meeting at Edenton Municipal Building recently, Johnson will serve with Mrs. Rosa B. Gibbs of Hertford, vice chairman; and Mrs. Brenda Vanhorn, staff secretary, secretary.

The Advisory Council serves to assist the delivery of services and programs for senior citizens (those persons 60 and over) through the Albemarle Region.

The program is coordinated by Mrs. Naomi C. Hester for Albemarle Regional Planning &

County Votes To Purchase Armory Site

Chowan County commissioners agreed Monday to purchase land from the Edenton Airport Commission as a site for a new National Guard Armory. The price of the land was \$19,050.

The request came from Edenton Town Council after it was determined by the Federal Aviation Authority that the commission could not donate the land for the armory.

Earlier the town had agreed to pay 12½ per cent of the construction cost, which is another requirement.

Monday's action puts Edenton and Chowan County in a priority status for a new armory, according to a spokesman.

When the new armory is completed, the existing facility on North Broad Street would become the ownership of the town and county. It is already being used as headquarters for the joint county-town recreation program.

The commissioners also Monday accepted low bids on a new county fire truck to operate out of Edenton Fire Department. Atlantic Supply Company's bid for the equipment was \$28,984.23 and Albemarle Motor Company submitted the low bid of \$13,086 for the chasis.

The commissioners had budgeted \$30,000 for the truck and equipment but since it cannot be secured during this budget it was noted that the \$12,070 balance could be budget next fiscal year.

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Benefit Saturday

Saturday is Buddy Poppy Day in Edenton and members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary will be selling them throughout Edenton.

At 11 A.M. Monday, a wreath will be placed at the Confederate Monument at the plaza in front of the Municipal Building, in recognition of Veterans Day. A short program will be held.

Joint Training Session Held

By STANTON HARRELL
Soil Conservation Technician

A joint training session with the Corps of Engineers, the N. C. Division of Marine Fisheries and with Soil Conservation Service personnel from 11 of the Northeastern Coastal Counties was held Wednesday of last week in Edenton. The purpose of the session was to provide each agency with an opportunity to learn about the other's responsibilities and interest in river and sound shore erosion work.

John Parker, permit coordinator with the N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries, cited the state's permit requirements relating to shore erosion control measures. Federal permit requirements were discussed by Charles Hollis, chief permit branch, with the Corps of Engineers out of Wilmington.

Both stressed the importance of accurate information along with the prescribed drawings when submitting requests for structural permits on any navigable stream in North Carolina. Processing of permits should be handled more rapidly now because of additional man power in each agency. They also stressed that because a certain job may require a permit, that one should not be discouraged since nearly 90 per cent of all received by the two agencies are approved.

Technical assistance available to landusers on shore erosion problems was presented to the group by Robert Jessup, state conservation engineer with the Soil Conservation Service in Raleigh. A trip to the field related to the group some of the erosion problems being experienced along the Albemarle Sound in Chowan County.



STUDY SHORE EROSION—Representatives of the Corps of Engineers, N. C. Division of Marine Fisheries and Soil Conservation Service are shown on a field trip to study shore erosion along Albemarle Sound. They participated in a workshop here last week.



STATE SUPPORTS BARGE PROJECT—Grace J. Rohrer, secretary, Department of Cultural Resources, is shown at right presenting a check to Nellie Sanders of Plymouth, head of the N. C. Bicentennial Barge Foundation. The state grant is for a feasibility study and development of an action plan.