

THE OLD POST OFFICE—Before the present facility was built, the Edenton Post Office was located at the corner of Broad and Eden Streets. Shown in the photo, at left, is Josiah Elliott and Marvin Simpson is on the right. The photo was sent to The Herald by Mrs. Josiah Elliott, who now lives in Hampton, Va.

The Superintendent Reports

In an effort to bring about continued significant improvement in the quality of education in Chowan County, several new programs have been initiated this year in the Edenton-Chowan Schools. This week's column will focus on one of them. Subsequent columns will provide information on others.

At Chowan High School exciting things are happening through a federally funded project entitled Project SCORE. SCORE is an acronym for "Student Communications and Occupations Related Experiences." And, in essence, that is what the project is all about.

For pupils enrolled in Grade 7-10 the project is attempting to improve the reading performance and oral effectiveness of pupils while, at the same time, improve their knowledge about attitudes toward difficult occupations.

To accomplish these goals a team of dedicated teachers, Jake Boyce, Miss Sylvia Jordan, Elaine Layton, Ethylene Rascoe, and Janet Yearwood, working closely with Donald Lassiter, director of instruction, have and are continuing to plan and implement exciting learning experiences for their students.

One unusual type of learning experience within the project classroom occurs when students engage in actually simulating occupational problems. This type of activity allows for creative student expression and oral communication through role playing and in identifying possible solutions to occupational problems.

Another type of learning occurs in the community itself

when students actually visit employers. They spend time interviewing, observing, communicating, and recording, through various modes and means, ideas, facts and information related to occupations such as business, bankers, lawyers, semi-skilled workers, skilled workers, laborers, craftsmen, doctors and the like.

Through these experiences students see directly the necessity for the skills of reading and oral communication regardless of the type of occupation or the level of employment. In addition, students have an opportunity to view first hand the importance of reading and communication skills by actually seeing and reading the type materials persons employed in various occupations must read.

Upon their return, and so as to facilitate merger of reading, communication and occupational knowledge, students will write and publish their own books. Contents of the books can then be based on the student's experiences. Not only will this provide a variety of relevant reading material on various occupations, it will provide teachers an excellent motivational technique for helping pupils see the need for and become adapt at using proper grammar and creative and written self-expression.

The above are a few of the teaching procedures being used in Project SCORE. Other techniques are also being utilized.

As with any program strongest evaluation have been incorporated into the project for the purpose of assessing or determining the effectiveness of the curriculum. If initial pupil reaction can be utilized as a criteria, Project SCORE is well on its way to being a success.

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The family of Mrs. Mary E. Ashley would like to express their thanks to Dr. Walker, Nursing Staff of Unit B Chowan Hospital and would also like to thank their many friends for the food, flowers and other acts of kindness and concern shown during her illness and since her death.

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