

Inflation Beater

Inflation has affected nearly every aspect of American life in the 1970's, and the food budget is one of the hardest hit areas. Yet the lunches served children in schools are still a bargain.

Where else could a child get one-third of the average daily requirements of nutrients for such a low cost?

Thanks go to planning on the local level and federal reimbursement for lunches, school lunch prices can remain stable even during inflation in food prices.

School lunch is important for children. It is probably the least expensive meal the child has during the day, and the most nutritious. With a minimum of cost saving methods the school can afford to invest in the good health of its students.

Success Story

It is always good to report a "local girl makes good in the big times" story. While she isn't exactly "local", Jean Clark Harrell meandered long enough along the Public Parade that now she has signed successful modeling contracts we want to claim her.

Jean, the wife of Capt. Joseph E. Harrell of Edenton and the mother of Joel, migrated from the mountains of Tar Heelia to Edenton nearly 10 years ago. After a stenography course she stayed on as legal secretary to W. J. P. Earnhardt, Jr.

We can boast that she got her first modeling job for The Herald, holding a map of the historyland trail—U.S. 17. She later was chairperson of a successful Yule Parade and then was carried away by who has now become Capt. Harrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl G. Harrell, Albania Acres, Edenton.

Elsewhere in today's newspaper is a picture of "our Jean" and a story of her new success. These are the type stories which make a hometown newspaper proud. She may never again be a legal secretary and-or a weekly newspaper model, but we trust she will never outgrow her upbringing.

Exciting Welcome

We want to welcome Rev. and Mrs. Willard Lampe to Edenton and the Presbyterian Church. While we are not a member of the congregation we still remember some of the church doctrine from our prep school days at Glade Valley.

It is a long way to the Public Parade from Omaha, Neb. But the Lampes come with good credentials and the community is fortunate to have them join our circle of friends.

But they have their work cut out for them. The Presbyterians have been moving right along without a minister. They have gained membership, attendance and community interest. Take the Scouting program, as an example.

While the Presbyterians have by far the smallest congregation along the Public Parade, they sponsor a Boy Scout Troop and four Cub Scout Dens. The Cubs took over the Jaycee Community Building last week, drawing nearly 150 people for a buffet dinner, awards program and Pinewood Derby.

Bobby Jones was recognized for his salesmanship. He got rid of 26
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DAMAGED BY STORM—This unoccupied home at Second and Cabarrus streets was heavily damaged Monday afternoon when a twister moved through Edenton and Chowan County. Officials have estimated property damage at \$58,000. There were no injuries reported. Other pictures appear on Page 5-A. (Staff Photo by Asbell).

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READY TO RIDE—Some of the nearly 70 participants in the Easter Seals Bike-a-Thon held Sunday are shown in front of John A. Holmes High School as they prepare to participate in the benefit. The course meandered through Edenton and Chowan County and was a measured 24 miles.

Successful Bike-A-Thon Held

Another successful Easter Seals Bike-a-Thon was completed here Sunday afternoon when

approximately 70 participants peddled the 24-mile course. The measured course took the rider through Edenton and the eastern sector of Chowan County.

Nears Completion

The Chowan County Planning Board will meet jointly Thursday with the Citizens Advisory Committee appointed by county commissioners to give input into the land-use plan being developed in compliance with guidelines of the Coastal Resources Act.

George W. Lewis, planning board chairman, said the joint meeting will be held at 7:30 P.M. in the board room of Peoples Bank & Trust Company. It will follow a 6:30 P.M. meeting of the planning board.

This is the first meeting of the advisory committee

Alternate Plan

The conduit and storm drainage installation portion of the Downtown Edenton Development Project should be completed this week, according to the W. B. Gardner, town administrator.

Gardner reported that once this work is completed the contractor will move in to install new curbs and gutters. This work is expected to begin early next week.

The town administrator said the project is moving along on the time schedule outlined in the plans.

Gigi Leary, director of the Edenton-Chowan Recreation program and head of the benefit program, said participants ranged in age from 10 to 53.

Martin Cross led the pack, covering the course in one and one-half hours. All the riders were through within three hours on the sunny Sunday afternoon.

There were 10 different check points along the route. National Guardsmen helped at the check points and distributed ice water to the riders. Coble Dairies provided lemonade which was distributed at the halfway point. A soft drink and hamburger was provided each participant by Hardees.

Each rider has to collect from his or her sponsors and after all the money is collected prizes will be awarded to the top 10 money raisers.

Susan Clark, area director for the Easter Seals Society, was here and participated in the activities.

School Holiday

All schools in the Edenton-Chowan system will be closed for spring vacation the week of March 31-April 4. Teachers and students will resume their regular schedule on April 7.

Services Set For Sunrise

Holy Week services are being held at noon each day in Edenton with sunrise services planned by several churches and special Easter programs and sermons. And for many it will be a long weekend with Easter Monday being a holiday.

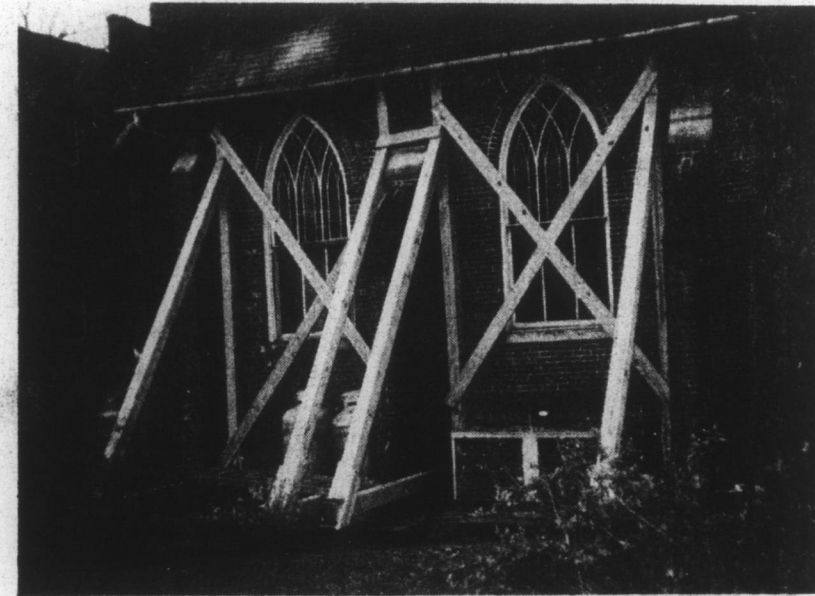
Edenton United Methodist Church and Edenton Baptist Church will have a joint sunrise service on the courthouse green at 7 A.M. Sunday. Rev. E. L. Earnhardt, the Methodist pastor, will bring the message with music by the combined choirs.

At the same time, a sunrise service will be held at Sandy Point Beach on Albemarle Sound. The service is sponsored jointly by Oak Grove, Mt. Pleasant, Chappell Hill and Whiteville Grove Baptist churches. Rev. Ralph W. Knight, pastor of these churches, will bring the Easter message: "The Wonders of the Resurrection".

Rev. E. C. Alexander will be in charge of the sunrise service at 6:30 A.M. Sunday at First Christian Church.

The public is invited to all of the services.

Holy Week services, which began Monday, will continue through Friday at Providence
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CHURCH REPAIRS MADE—Emergency repairs have been made to the sanctuary section of Edenton United Methodist Church on Broad Street to make it safe for continued use. Four shores, shown above, have been placed along brick buttresses which were installed in 1969. Inside the church further supports have been installed. The church is now engaged in an active fundraising campaign for a new building. More than six acres of land adjacent to Chowan Hospital has been donated by Mrs. E. L. Ward for the church site. (Staff Photo by Asbell).

Edenton Feels Storm Effects

A severe storm moved through Chowan County about 5 P.M. Monday leaving in its wake some \$58,000 in damages. There were no injuries reported. Wind speeds were reported as high as 60 miles per hour.

Murray D. Ashley, civil preparedness agency director,

said the conditions were such at the time of the storm that the area is fortunate much more damage was not experienced. "I still think by the updraft of wind it was a tornado that didn't actually hit the ground," Ashley stated.

The storm, which moved across the state, did considerable damage in surrounding counties. "We were just fortunate here in Chowan," Ashley noted.

It was estimated that the storm left some \$10,000 in damages to metal buildings at Jimbo's Jumbos on Peanut Drive.

Ashley reported five homes had moderate to severe damage with the money estimate being placed at \$25,000. An unoccupied home at Second and Cabarrus street had a tree crush the roof.

There was considerable roof and wall damage at Bunch's Atuo Parts and plate glass windows blown out at Hoke Motor Company and Edenton Marina. Several chimneys were blown down as well as TV antennas.

Also, windows were blown out at Chowan Courts Apartments.

In other weather news, J. H. Conger, Sr., local observer, measured 15.28 inches of rain from January 1 through March 19. January's rainfall was recorded at 6.24 inches; February, 3.20 inches and March, through the 19th, 5.84 inches.

Ahoskie Firm Low Bidder

Magette Well & Pump of Ahoskie has submitted the low bid of \$57,980 to drill four wells to supply water for the Chowan County water system. Bids were opened Friday morning at a special meeting of county commissioners.

While the low bid was greater than the \$40,000 estimate, Tom Harwell of Rivers & Associates, engineers for the project, said the increase seemed in line with other bids across the state.

Two other bids on the project came from: J. F. Wilkerson Construction of Cary, and R. L. Magette Company of Smithfield, Va. The Wilkerson bid was \$75,600 while the Magette bid was \$77,920.

This is the second concrete step commissioners have made toward construction of the \$3.2-million county-wide system. Earlier they purchased pumping facilities and storage tank at Edenton Municipal Airport for use in the system.

Chowan County voters have authorized \$1.9-million in bonds and the county has been successful in obtaining state and federal grants in excess of \$1.3-million.

Charlie Overman, retired
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Net Collections

Net collections from the 1 per cent local option sales tax in North Carolina during February amounted to \$8.5-million with collections in Chowan County totaling \$16,027.38.

In other Albemarle Area counties the collections amounted to:

Camden, \$2,810.02; Currituck, \$7,422.76; Dare, \$15,105.19; Gates, \$6,446.14; Pasquotank, \$57,991.08; Perquimans, \$8,655.94; Tyrrell, \$4,332.77; and Washington, \$25,959.11.

Settlement Sought

An out-of-court settlement of a civil suit brought by Albemarle Human Resources Development System against Albemarle Planning & Development Commission moved a step closer Tuesday afternoon.

The AHRDS board of directors unanimously approved in concept measures agreed to Friday afternoon by the respective executive committees. Attorneys are to compile further details to be submitted to the two boards for ratification.

The action followed a joint meeting called when Judge Robert Rouse on Thursday refused to give AHRDS a preliminary injunction to stop ARPDC from taking over the system and at the same time denied a motion from the commission to dismiss the action. He said, however, if a solution could not be negotiated between the two parties he would set the case for trial immediately.

Under the proposed plan, members of the AHRDS board would serve as an advisory committee to the commission. The committee chairman would be a member of both the commission board and executive committee. The staffs would be combined and a single personnel policy adopted.

AHRDS has named Mac McKinney acting executive director. James E. Lewis, executive director, announced last week his resignation to work in private enterprise. At the same time, Roy Harrell has been named McKinney's assistant. The staff changes are effective April 1.

Mrs. Mary Riddick, of Gatesville, AHRDS chairman, and W. B. Gardner, chairman of ARPDC, both have expressed satisfaction with the recent negotiations which they say are in the best interest of the citizens of the region.



PINEWOOD DERBY TIME—The Jaycee Community Building on Base Road took on all the aspects of a real race event as Cub Scout Pack 173, sponsored by Edenton Presbyterian Church, held its annual Blue and Gold Banquet, climaxed by a Pinewood Derby. At extreme left, Terry Harris and Ginny Gardner begin weighing in the speedsters. In the next picture some of the 32 cars entered in the race are shown. Next, Denmaster Otis Strother, in uniform, does a countdown as



Marshall Whitt and Chester Stevens, judges, wait for the signal. Arthur Beeler, a special assistant, has plenty of assistance watching two racers finish in a dead heat. At right, the winners are shown with Strother and Dan Rowand, scout executive. Shown in order of finish are: Brian Nixon, first, Eric Strother, second, and Jay Watson, third. (See Public Parade).