

A. R. ELKS

Elks Fills Vacancy

RALEIGH—A. R. Elks, 32, of Edenton, has been named supervisor of the N. C. Wildlife Resources Commission's District 1 in the northeastern counties. He replaces the late L. Carlton Spain who died recently after some 22 years of service with the Wildlife Resources Commission.

Elks has been with the commission eight years, beginning in 1967 as a wildlife protector. In 1971, Elks became a wildlife patrolman, then was named assistant supervisor under Spain in 1973.

"We're proud to have a man of Ray Elk's caliber to fill the position so ably handled by Carlton Spain for so many years," said Don Curtis, chief of the commission's Division of Protection.

Elks is a native of Chocowinity in Beaufort County, and graduated from Chocowinity High School in 1961. He is married to the former Carol Jones of Chocowinity and the couple has one daughter, Susan, age eight. Elks will continue to live in Edenton.

Assistance

R. M. Midgett, local revenue officer for the N. C. Department of Revenue, advises that personnel to assist in filing state income and intangibles tax returns will be available in Wednesday of each week thru April 15. In addition, the office will be open on Monday and Tuesday, April 14 & 15 to render assistance.

The office is located on 102 West Eden Street, Eamhardt Building and assistance is available on these days between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M.

Midgett requests that taxpayers bring the pre-addressed forms which were mailed to them from Raleigh. Completed returns showing refunds due should be mailed to the North Carolina Department of Revenue, P. O. Box R, Raleigh, N. C. 27634; other completed returns should be mailed to the N. C. Department of Revenue, P. O. Box 25000, Raleigh, N. C. 27640.

Graded Hog Sales

A graded market hog sale has been added by Albemarle Cooperative Association, Inc., at its facilities on Paradise Road, Gene Nixon, manager, reported this week that after three sales via tel-auction prospects for improved prices for producers is evident.

For more than two years the cooperative has operated graded feeder pig sales on the first and third Thursdays of month. The new graded market hog sale is set of the second and fourth Tuesday. This gives the facility a sale each week, which improves the feasibility of the market, according to Nixon.

At the sale held last week there

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Academy Receives Delegate

Edward G. Bond Post No. 40 American Legion, will sponsor three high school students to Boys State at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem this year.

A decision was made at a meeting Tuesday night to sponsor a student from Chowan Academy as well as from Chowan and James high schools.

Commander Troy Toppin resided at the meeting where Carl White gave a report from the nominating committee. Election of new officers will be held at the next meeting. Sheriff Toppin has

No Surprise

The fact that Rep. Walter B. Jones of the First Congressional District has saved the taxpayers over \$500,000 by not filing all the staff positions allotted to him won't come as any surprise to the people the Public Parade. It is consistent with his philosophy that bigness doesn't make greatness.

The following is from Jack Anderson's syndicated column: "Most members of Congress try to beef up their staffs at taxpayers' expense. But Rep. Walter Jones, D-N. C., a hard-working, nine-year House veteran, has turned back \$413,507 in his clerk hire pay to the U. S. Treasury. With the other extras that go along with Capitol Hill jobs, he has saved the taxpayers well over \$500,000."

One area in which these funds have been saved is the fact that Rep. Jones has not chosen to scatter staff people throughout the 21-county district. Instead, he does his own leg work with frequent personal visits in order to maintain the pulse of his constituency.

In this manner, he can do his own independent thinking and not rely on a memo from a field assistant. He had rather have a phone call or a personal note on matters of interest and concern. This is the type representation that is desired but so seldom experienced.

The Health Care Arena

There are some surprises in that January report from the N. C. Board of Nursing on the licensing examinations for registered nurse certificates.

The report covers in-state graduates from 44 schools of nursing who were standing their first examinations for registered nurse certificates in 1974.

The results show that the East Carolina University of Nursing led all the others in the percentage of candidates passing the examination.

This is particularly surprising in the light of all the controversy that went on over the ability of ECU to mount an adequate medical education program; for these nursing candidates were up against graduates of the best schools in the state.

Only one of the 42 candidates from ECU failed to pass the exam.

And while on the subject of the health care situation we were especially interested in Wes Lefler's recent "Around the Old Well" column which follows:

CHAPEL HILL—Dr. Charles C. Edwards, a former federal health official, said here in March the health care system in this country is out of focus, out of balance, without direction and without leadership.

Dr. Edwards delivered the annual Fred T. Foard Memorial Lecture before several hundred persons attending the 1975 University of North Carolina School of Public Health Alumni Day. Dr. Edwards is senior vice president for research and development at Becton, Dickinson, Inc., and former assistant secretary for health, U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

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SPECIAL FEATURE—One of the special features at next week's Bicentennial Pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton and Countryside will be the presentation Saturday night of "The Enchanted Tree" by the Carolina Reader's Theater. It begins at 8 o'clock in Holmes Auditorium, sponsored by Edenton Little Theater. Advance tickets are available and tickets will be sold at the door.

Livestock Show Is Scheduled

By MURRAY L. GOODWIN
Agricultural Extension Agent
The 21st annual Chowan County Junior Livestock Show and Sale will be held April 21 at the American Legion Fair-grounds. The show will be held at 3:30 P.M. and sale at 8 P.M.

Nine businesses will support this youth event by sponsoring trophies. They are as follows: Albemarle Production Credit, Peoples Bank & Trust Company, Mitchener's Pharmacy, Hollowell's Rexall Drug Store,

Albemarle Motor Company, P & Q Supermarket, Edenton Savings & Loan Association, George Chevrolet Company, and J. H. Conger & Son.

This year boys and girls will have an opportunity to judge classes of animals. Also there will be a civic club judging contest.

For boys and girls with pig and steer projects, there will be a fitting and showmanship demonstration on April 9. Jack Parker, area livestock specialist, will show the F.F.A. and 4-H Club members how to prepare their animals for the livestock event and how to show them.

Wallace Evans will be the auctioneer. The official judges will be Sam Buchanan and Jim Butler of Animal Husbandary Department, N. C. State University.

Drug Arrests

Nine physicians, including Dr. Robert B. Hodgson of Hertford, are among more than 100 persons arrested last week in a statewide crackdown on illegal drug operations.

Dr. Hodgson, according to records in Perquimans County Courthouse, was arrested on five counts. They involve illegally dispensing prescription drugs.

The arrests followed several months of undercover work by the State Bureau of Investigation in cooperation with other law enforcement agencies.

Citations Ordered

A local ordinance requires that residents of the Town of Edenton purchase and display a town tag on their motor vehicle. The tags arrived late and motorists were given beyond the usual February 15 deadline to purchase their tags.

Police Chief J. D. Parrish reports that officers have instructed to begin writing citations for the violation of failure to display the 1975 tags. Several have been issued within the past week.



GOOD LAND JUDGES—Four schools participated in the recent Albemarle Future Farmers of America Land Judging Contest held in Camden County. The Albemarle Conservation District sponsors the annual event with assistance from Soil Conservation Service personnel in selecting the test sites and land classes to be judged. At left, Joe Covington, soil scientist with the SCS, supervised the event. He says, "The purpose of the land judging meet is to help the boys recognize and evaluate the physical characteristics of the soil which affect crop growth and land use. They have to decide what soil and water management practices will be required to preserve the soil and to maintain it under its most intensive use capability." In picture at right, H. Fahey Byrum, district supervisor with the Chowan committee, is shown with a judging team on a typical exercise. As monitor of this particular pit, he pointed out some of the physical features of the top soil layer. Other district supervisors assisting with the event were L. C. Bunch, also of the Chowan committee, and Ed Ferebee of the Camden committee. Northeastern FFA Chapter from Elizabeth City won first place and Perquimans FFA Chapter won second. The Chowan FFA Chapter placed third and

Tar Heel Spotlight



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL RESOURCES
Grace J. Rohrer, Secretary

Once more in April, North Carolinians and visitors will glance backward and get a glimpse of early North Carolina history as the biennial Pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton and Countryside is held next Friday through Sunday.

History surrounds visitor and resident alike in this small picturesque Chowan County town on Albemarle Sound, and citizens, proud of their heritage, share it with the rest of the world every two years.

Sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club, the three-day festival includes tours of 17 homes, gardens and buildings, an art exhibit, reenactment of historical events, and dramatic productions, as well as an arts and crafts fair.

Although many of the public buildings on the tour are open year

Public Hearing

The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission will hold a public hearing at Chowan County Courthouse at 7:30 P.M. Monday to discuss proposed changes in regulations.

Clyde P. Patton of Raleigh, executive director, and O. L. Woodhouse of Grandy, a commission member, will be among officials attending.

Prior to the hearing, a dinner meeting for District 1 will be held at Mrs. Boswell's Restaurant. Newly named district supervisor, A. R. Elks, will preside.

Activity reports will be given by Elks, Richard C. Guier, Dan M. Connelly, Richard W. Wright and B. D. Hyder.

around, most of the private homes are open only biennially for this tour.

Unlike some restored historical communities, Edenton's historical structures are mostly original, and are still in daily use.

These buildings, fine examples of varying styles of 18th and 19th century architecture, have witnessed some of the momentous events that took place in Colonial North Carolina.

Edenton townfolk go about their daily lives, still using the buildings and houses that once saw such patriots as Joseph Hewes, merchant and signer of the Declaration of Independence; Hugh Williamson, an Edenton physician, scientist, philosopher, educator and merchant, attorney general of North Carolina, and associate justice of the first U. S. Supreme Court; Samuel Johnston, early governor and North Carolina's first U. S. Senator; and Penelope Barker, leader of some of the first political activity by women in the colonies.

The James Iredell House (1759) and the Penelope Barker House (1782), maintained by the State as Historic sites, are among public buildings open for the tour. Other historic structures to be seen include the Chowan County Courthouse, in continuous use since its completion about 1767.

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Student Figures

Some 54,000 Tar Heel children are currently enrolled in the state's approximately 270 non-public schools, according to a report recently released by the Department of Public Instruction. Approximately 5,000 of these children are kindergarteners.

There are 225 enrolled in the only non-public school in Chowan County—Chowan Academy, according to the report.

Seventy-five per cent of the non-public enrollment is concentrated in 15 counties.

Compared to last year's enrollment of 53,489, there has been a slight increase in non-public attendance during the current school year. Last year's increase was over 2,000.

While the enrollment has increased, it is noted that the total represents only about 4 per cent of the total student population in North Carolina. Over 1.2-million students are enrolled in public schools.

Court Rules Against Wiggins

Judge Cowper also allowed a defense motion for summary judgment in cases brought by E. H. Wiggins against Edward L. Evans, Willie Bunch and Miles Bunch.

Wiggins argued he had new evidence that would be developed by a recently employed attorney from Charlotte. He said the evidence had been discovered in the Attorney General's office in Raleigh.

The cases involve a land dispute in Rocky Hook.

Judge Cowper told the plaintiff that he had had his day in court and the Supreme Court had ruled against him. "In my opinion you have been closed out," the jurist added.

Wiggins gave notice of appeal.



are shown below with Byrum presenting them a check for their achievement. Left to right are: E. S. White, advisor, Michael Jordan, Lonnie Jones, Harry Ward and John Byrum.

