

Town Council Approves New Budget

Town residents will continue to pay an ad valorem tax rate of 64 cents per \$100 valuation, it was revealed at the Edenton Town Council meeting, Tuesday night. The total budget for fiscal year 1975-76 will amount to \$3,129,298 which compares to the \$2.5-million budget of the previous year. The budget is based on a valuation of \$40,500,000 and a 95 per cent collection rate.

W. B. Gardner, Town Administrator, stated that the increase in budget is reflected largely in the increase of utility costs.

He noted that cost of the purchase of electricity will amount to \$750,000, an increase of \$167,000. Fossil fuel costs have risen to \$500,000 from the \$315,000 figure of last year.

Systems improvements

necessitated by the replacement of voltage regulators by VEE and other factors included in the expansion will cost the town \$122,000.

Gardner reported that the water-sewer system are not yet self sustaining. There will be a transfer of \$28,000 to this department from the electrical fund.

Revenue sharing monies will

amount to \$293,000. These funds will be applied toward the Downtown Beautification Project, sewage disposal, plant, possible purchase of the armory, and several lesser purchases.

Town employees will generally receive a five per cent pay raise, it was stated.

A telegram from Congressman Walter B. Jones informed the council that maintenance

dredging of Pembroke Creek by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers is scheduled to begin on June 23. The \$50,000 project which has been seven years in the making will require seven days to complete. Administrator Gardner stated that both Congressman Jones and Col. Cullen Capehart of Edenton have been instrumental in the implementation of the project. Col. Capehart is supplying the holding ponds of the old fish

hatchery for disposal of the creek dredging.

Bricking of sidewalks in the Downtown Beautification Project will begin Monday.

Water enthusiasts have been warned by the Town Council that swimming off the town dock and diving from the dolphin, there, is strictly an "at your own risk" proposition. Signs are to be erected at the dock stating this.

Public Parade

Vacations

By the time you read this we will be returning to the Public Parade after our first real vacation in more than a decade. Obviously, we have avoided vacations like the plague.

Recently we promised the folks we provide a living for that this year we would take a real vacation. We decided that we would take them back to one of our childhood favorites -- Fontana Village, near the North Carolina-Tennessee border.

We wrote for literature and were pleased to learn that they provided accommodations for a family of seven. Just before responding for reservations we learned that Bob and Eulene Gray has proselytized two in the household to go on the Baptist youth choir trip to Disneyworld. (That is hardly fair return considering the influence of that congregation on our trip to Nags Head.)

Before this sunk in, we learned that our eldest had landed a summer job as lifeguard at Chowan Golf & Country Club. Rejoice! Rejoice! We pawned her off on Dan and Edna Reeves and headed west.

With one and two children, about the ages we remember as a visitor to the Tennessee Valley Authority project, we headed out Saturday morning. We were filled with anticipation (?) and a greater feeling of guilt but somehow managed to drag ourselves away -- so far away that we couldn't be returned for a minor incident.

Except for this column, though, we take no responsibility for the content of the newspaper you receive along the Public Parade this week. "You have to trust them some time," we were told, at least once a month over the past decade. Nevertheless, we felt uneasy, not for fear that it couldn't be done but for fear that someone would learn that it could be done -- without us.

Vacations are for the birds! If you think that is a preconceived notion, then you are on the right wavelength.

Golden Opportunity

We boast of unity, regionalism and the little influence man-made geographical boundaries have on the search for a better life along the Public Parade and throughout Northeastern North Carolina. Sometimes it is taken with a grain of salt and other times it is proven to the greatest degree.

With the proposal thrown out by Pasquotank County commissioners and the College of The Albemarle recently we have a golden opportunity to show that we

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HONORED—Dr. Richard Hardin, center, receives the plaque from Dr. Edward G. Bond, left, honoring him for 25 years of practice in Edenton. It was presented during a luncheon held for him by the staff of Chowan Medical Center, last Friday. Dr. Hardin, senior physician at the medical center, is also pictured with his wife, Mary, and daughter, Candy.

Staff Honors Dr. Hardin

The staff of Chowan Medical Center honored Dr. Richard Hardin, last Friday, with a luncheon held at Mrs. Boswell's Restaurant, marking 25 years of practice in Edenton. He was presented a plaque reading "For Caring For Your Patients" by Dr. Edward G. Bond in behalf of the entire staff.

Dr. Hardin is senior physician at the medical center.

He opened his practice in Edenton in June of 1950, and located on the first floor of the Red Men's Building on South Broad Street. Prior to beginning his general practice here, the West Jefferson native served in the U. S. Navy. He is a graduate of the Bowman-Gray School of Medicine.

Two of the medical center staff members referred to him as "the father of the medical center", and added simply that "He is a man who cares."

Elections Board Appointments

Appointed to the Chowan County Board of Elections recently were Mrs. Byron P. Kehayes, Mrs. George C. Hoskins, and L. Earl Britton. They will serve on the board 1975-77.

They were appointed by the state Board of Elections in Raleigh, last week, and will be sworn in at noon on June 17 by Mrs. Lena M. Leary, clerk of Superior Court.

Their first action following swearing in will be to elect a chairman and secretary.

Precinct registrars and judges will be appointed August 4 from a list submitted by the political party chairman of the county. Mrs. Corrine Thorud, executive secretary, stated that the lists should be submitted no later than five days prior to the day appointments are to be made.

Time For Leaf Spot Controls

By R. M. THOMPSON

County Extension Chairman

It is fast approaching time to begin leaf spot control on peanuts. In some cases where morning glories have become a problem, we would recommend 2, 4-DB at the rate of 1 pint per acre to be applied also. In some cases insecticides should be applied to control thrips. We suggest Sevin at the rate of 1 lb. of actual per acre. Regardless of what fungicide you might use we recommend that you rotate the kind, using one material for one application and another for the next application. We are listing the kinds of fungicides and the amount and method of application as follows:

Benlate: 6 - 8 oz. - spray.
Benlate — Manzate — Oil: 4 oz.
1½ lb. - 1 qt. - spray
Duter: 6 oz. - spray.
Kocide: 2 lbs. - spray.

Copper Count-S and Copper Count-NS: One-third - ¾ gal. - spray.

Copper Count and Copper Count-NC: One-third - ¾ gal.

Fungi-Sperse: 1 - 2 gal. - spray.
Micro Sperse with landplaster: 25 lbs-A - dust.

Copper-Sulfur: 25 lbs-A - dust.

If you are having problems with weeds in your soybeans, you can use Tenoran or Nores at the rate of 2 to 3 lbs. per acre broadcast with a surfactant before the weeds and grass are 2" high. It will burn the beans but we have yet to see a reduction in yield. We do not recommend broadcast application, but band application so you would reduce the amount of material according to the amount you would spray. Basagran is also available in limited quantity, that will do a

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New Slate Of Legion Officers Sworn Into Posts

Recently elected officers of American Legion Post 40 and Legion Auxiliary were sworn into their respective posts at their installation banquet held Saturday night. Keynote speaker for the banquet was Steve Carver, department vice commander, who also installed the legion officers. Miss Macy Mallard, department auxiliary president, installed the Women's Auxiliary officers. In

addition, C. A. Phillips, chairman of the Chowan County commissioners, presented a special award to Dr. Mazhar-U.I. Haque, director of the veterinary diagnostic laboratory, who recently became a U. S. citizen.

Phillips, in presenting the Certificate of Public Recognition to Dr. Haque, said, "It is a pleasure to recognize one outstanding citizen of Chowan

County." He jokingly added, "Dr. Haque is a naturalized American citizen who has become an adopted southern rebel."

A native of the city of Patna in the northeastern portion of India, Dr. Haque remarked, "People ask me why I left India. Well, in India, being from the north, I was called a yankee, so I decided to move to the United States and try a little Dixie."

He noted that he enjoys the peace he has found in Edenton.

Vice commander Carver called for the legion members to continue to work for a stronger organization, and charged the new officers with the duties and obligations of their posts. Officers installed were: John Parrish, service officer; Bill Phillips, chaplain; Earl White, finance officer; E. C. Toppin, adjutant; Joe Byrum, first vice commander; and W. A. Perry president.

In the Auxiliary, officers given the oath of office were: Mrs. Carolyn Swindell, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Louise Pratt, asst. sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Mary Leary, chaplain; Mrs. Betsy Perry, historian; Mrs. Alice Bond, treasurer; Mrs. Iris Mills, reporting secretary; Mrs. Johnetta White, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Erelan Toppin vice president; and Mrs. Brenda Toppin, president.



GOOD GUESSING—Murray Tynch and J. Russell Byrum, first and third from left, respectively, tied for first place in guessing the peanut yield for 1975. At right, R. M. Thompson, extension chairman, was first place among the extension chairmen. Each were presented checks of \$25 by D. T. Bateman, second from left, who is president of the N. C. Peanut Growers Association.

Good Estimates Win Money

Two Chowan County farmers and the county extension agent took top honors in a peanut contest held at the annual field day of the N. C. Peanut Growers Association in Lewiston.

J. Russell Byrum and Murray Tynch tied for first place in guessing the yield for 1975 and Pete Thompson won the first prize among extension chairmen. They were each presented checks for \$25 recently by David T. Bateman, also of Chowan County, president of the association.

Chowan's yield was 2,805. Byrum and Tynch guessed 2,800.

In September the association asks extension chairmen in peanut growing counties to estimate what the yield in their respective county will be. Thompson said it would be

2,792 pounds per acre.

Joe Sugg, executive secretary of the association, noted that this county has an allotment of 6,273 acres and 6,115.6 acres were harvested. These acres yielded 17,156,550 pounds of peanuts.

While Chowan's average yield was 2,805, the state average was 2,311.

Alliance Grants

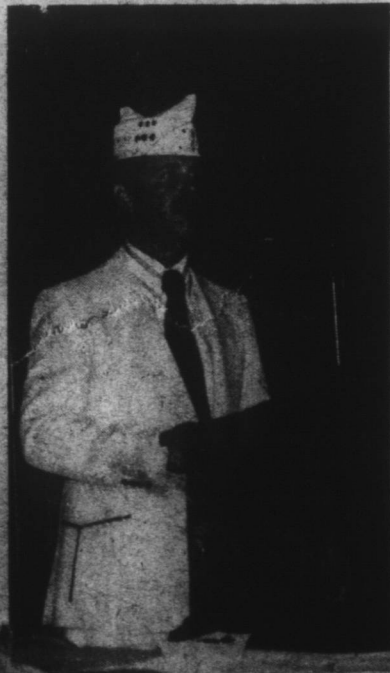
The Alliance For Progress has been awarded over \$100,000 in grants, announced Richard Baker, director, and the alliance has named a new chairman and vice chairman.

For the third consecutive year, Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation has given Alliance For Progress a \$15,000 operational grant. Bureau for Education for the Handicapped has given a \$92,900 grant to be used for the Access To Mainstream program which serves children with special needs.

Named alliance chairman was Paul Barber, a Martin County commissioner from Jamesville. W. T. Modlin, a Hertford County commissioner from Ahoskie was named vice chairman.



IN REGISTER—St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Churchyard in Edenton has been entered in the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service. This announcement was made by Rep. Walter B. Jones of the First Congressional District. The nomination was made by the State Department of Cultural Resources and joins other historic structures in this community in this elite grouping.



LEGION BANQUET—Steve Carver, commander of the N. C. Department of the American Legion, shown in left photo, was guest speaker for the American Legion Post 40 Installation Banquet, Saturday night. He also installed the new slate of officers. The officers, shown in right photo, are, left to right: John Parrish, service officer; Bill Phillips, chaplain; E. C. Toppin, adjutant; Earl White, finance officer; Joe Byrum, first vice commander, and W. A. "Bill" Perry, commander.