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#### **Color** Sketch

Joseph S. Ferrell of the Institute of Government at Chapel Hill has edited a revised edition of "County Government In North Carolina". Our copy just came yesterday so we aren't in a position to comment on the content. But no one along the Public Parade can fuss with the editor's choice of the cover.

The cover design is taken from a sketch of the Chowan County Courthouse done by Jerry W. Miller. It was done last year for a Bicentennial celebration and we understand some prints are still available at the chamber of commerce.

The book is also available from the Institute of Government at Chapel Hill.

#### **Director Dunn** Exits

Charles Dunn has resigned as director of the State Bureau of Investigation to re-enter politics. This is a sad day for law enforcement.

The gliberals who six years ago were critical of the appointment by then Gov. Robert Scott are now trying to read all sorts of things into the resignation. And the burden is being placed on an honorable profession to meet the test and prove them wrong.

"I think that to a degree we have gone just about as far as we can go with the bureau," the director said Monday when he resigned. He is to be commended for recognizing this if it is a fact. Men of lesser qualities would have hung in there regardless of their effectiveness. While we aren't able to warm up to his choice of candidates for the Democratic nomination for Governor of North Carolina we can't let this blot out all the better decisions Charles Dunn has made as director of the SBI.

He will do his candidate a good job. At this point in time we just hope he doesn't do too good a job.

#### **Almost Perfect**

Chowan County commissioners had an opportunity Monday to take three steps forward for education along the Public Parade. They halted after the second one.

The county has finally agreed to



NEW FOODS FROM PEANUTS-Persons involved with the peanut indsutry on both the local and state levels gathered at Pert Lab Thursday for a luncheon consisting of foods prepared with peanuts and peanut flour. Pert Lab is carrying on research into the uses of peanuts as food extenders providing low cost and high protein, and it was reported that many other ideas are being formulated for use of the peanut that will be presented in the near future. In the photo, seated are, left to right: James W. Gardner, president of Seabrook Blanching Co.; Joe Sugg, executive secreatry of N. C. Peanut Growers Association; Astor Perry, extension peanut specialist; and Russell Baxley, food technician for Pert Lab. Standing, left to right are: Pete Thompson, Chowan County extension chairman; D. T. Bateman, president of N. C. Peanut Growers Association; Bill Hoover, NCSU food science department; and C. B. Smith, Seabrook director of sales.

# Words Fly At Council Meeting

A dispute on the wording of a motion to rezone a portion of the Ward property on Highway 32, next to the US 17 by-pass erupted at Tuesday night's meeting of Edenton Town Council. At one point Mayor Roy Harrell said he would "hate to suggest that we would have to tape our meetings." Also, Mayor Harrell objected to

## School Survey

Edenton-Chowan Schools had a current expense budget of more than \$2.5-million in 1973-74 with 17.6 per cent of the funds coming from local sources. The state contributed 67.7 per cent and the remaining 14.7 per cent came from the federal government.

This is contained in a recently released statistical survey compiled by the Division of Management Information Systems of the State Department of Public Instruction. It is derived from financial reports submitted by superintendents of the 149 local school units.

The per pupil expenditure in

the language of a letter from Atty. W. T. Culpepper, III, to the State Attorney General's office regarding the council action of August 12.

Following heated discussion between Mayor Harrell and Councilman J. H. Conger, Jr., W. B. Gardner, town administrator, was instructed by the mayor to arrange a hearing before the attorney general or a member of his staff. The mayor said he would invite anyone on the council or any interested citizen to attend.

During the 30-minute discussion, which started with the mayor questioning the wording of a motion, Gardner contended the wording was accurate. Conger agreed. But the mayor said it was not what the councilman had said at the meeting. He said the motion of the zoning ordinance update but came afterwards. "This would be misleading to the attorney general," he contended.

Councilman Harry Spruill, Jr., who seconded the motion, said he Continued on Page 4

# Support Pledged COA

College of The Albemarle will receive \$5,300 from Chowan County as seed money to acquire a \$2-million grant from the federal government for Phase II of the college's building program. Acquisition of that grant is dependent on support from the seven counties that COA primarily serves.

Regional support of the effort will total about \$35,000.

The motion approving the funding came after a discussion between the Chowan County commissioners and Dr. Parker Chesson, acting COA president.

Commissioner N. J. George stated that previous objections to the funding were based on how the COA charter had been handled, and the fact that while Chowan County was being solicited for funds, it was not represented on the board of trustees.

While the ramifications of this funding had been of major consideration, commissioner Alton Elmore stated that he would hate for \$5,300 to hold back the federal funds.

Commissioner J. D. Peele made the motion for approval for the funding which was unanimously passed by the board.

The Child Development Center at Chowan High School for preschool age children will continue another year of operation despite the fact that the Albemarle Regional Planning and **Development** Commission relinquished responsibility for the program in July.

The commissioners approved, in a split decision of 3-2, to amend the county budget to include \$5,800 for continuation of the program, and \$6,000 for securing a bus.

The center was begun a year ago through the cooperative efforts of the Department of Social Services, Board of Education, and ARPDC.

Ron Huffman, director of social services, stated that the center had provided pre-school education for underprivileged children while at the same time reducing the number of families on the welfare rolls because mothers were now free to seek employment.

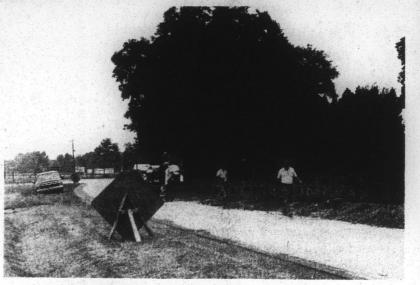
A 12-inch water pipeline, instead of 10-inch will be installed to the site of McMillan-Bloedel's plant, and the board agreed to pay the cost of difference between the two. The county's obligation will end at the property line. From there, the company will install the pipeline to the plant at their expense.

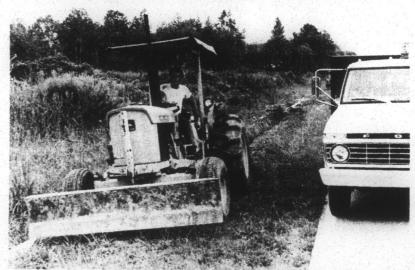
The county will be provided rights-of-way for installing pipeline in the future.

The commissioners opted to allow both publicity dedicated and private roads in the county subdivisions, and residents will be required to hook up to the new county water system.

A request by the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education for approval of the purchase price of a site for a new high school was denied unanimously by the commissioners, stating that the need for a new high school had not been demonstrated, and therefore, there was no need for a site.

Commissioner D. T. Bateman was selcted to succeed N. J. George on the executive board of ARPDC. George served as secretary-treasurer since the commission began four years ago.





**INSTALLING PIPELINE—Bryant Utilities Construction** Company has begun installing pipeline for the Chowan County water system. The above photos show work being done along Highway 32, east of Edenton. In the top picture, installed pipe is being covered over near Hoskin Harrell's store, while further up the road, an auger digs the ditch in preparation for work teams who follow with loads of pipe.

## No Rate Increase Is Foreseen

The board of trustees of Chowan Hospital have adopted a \$2.1million budget but is is anticipated that revenue will be such that no rate increase will be necessary.

Thomas M. Surratt, president, said the action was taken at the quarterly board meeting Wednesday morning of last week. Thomas Shepard is board

chairman. It was explained that the new

lessen the time flow for cash, among other things. There has been a general realignment in the business office which included elimination of one management position.

Surratt was especially pleased with the board's approval of an "outreach" program in area communities in need of additional medical services. "This shows that we have a board at Chowan

financially support College of The Albemarle. If the community college in Elizabeth City is successful in obtaining \$2million in federal-funds then Chowan and six other area counties will chip in a token \$35,000.

Therefore, Chowan's share, on a 50-cent per capita basis, would be \$5,300. What it amounts to at this time is more or less a letter of credit that would go a long way toward COA successfully getting along whit Pahse II of their building program.

COA has a wide service area and is doing a good job in all the counties, not just Pasquotank. For this reason we have supported earlier requests from COA for financial assistance.

The commissioners, in a split vote, amended the budget to fund the Child Development Center at Chowan high School. While some Continued on Page 4

Chowan County was \$1,036.17, compared with a state figure of \$915.15 for each pupil in 1973-74. The local public schools had an average daily attendance during this period of 2,486. A breakdown of the expenditure shows:

Administration--\$92,556.02. Instructional Service--

\$1,643.215.65.

Operation of Plant--\$116,507.68. Maintenance of Plant--\$101.240.19.

Fixed Charges--\$288,031.35.

Auxiliary Service-\$334,343.49. During the year the schools served 405,584 students with federal reimbursement amounting to \$165,499.25 and an additional \$6,949.31 from the state. The system operated 35 buses. They transported 1,132 elementary students and 495 secondary students at a total cost

of \$53,072.19. This averaged \$32.62 per student.

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# Aces Down Northeastern 20-6

Willie Holley and Lonnie White played thrilling roles in a grid game Friday at Hicks Field which saw the Edenton Aces down the Northeastern Eagles, 20-6. It was the third consecutive year the Aces have defeated the rivals from Pasquotank.

The Aces journey to Hertford' tomorrow night (Friday) for a tilt with the Perquimans Pirates. The Pirates were defeated by Plymouth, 38-8, in last week's opener in Hertford.

Coach Jimmy Addison had edicted that while the Aces were ot quite as big as last year their puickness would make the lifference. The boys didn't let

Holley scored twice and played good defense game against a

much heavier Northeastern squad. He rushed for 102 yards in 20 carries and led touchdown drives of 85 and 55 yards.

The Aces led 20-0 in the fourth quarter after Holley scored on a 13-yard jaunt. Midway in the period the Eagles managed to post their only score. It came when Ray Scott went over on a quarterback sneak from the two yard line to climax a 69-yard drive.

White put the Aces ahead 13-0 in the third quarter when he hauled a punt 70 yards, showing exceptional ability to follow his blockers and at broken field running

Ray Tew showed considerable olish as quarterback for the Aces **Continued on Page 4** 

### **New Teachers Join Academy**

EDENTON-Mrs. Frances Hollowell, Head Mistress at Chowan Academy, has announced the appointment of four new teachers for the 1975-76 school year.

They are: Donna K. Wildes of Terre Haute, Indiana, teaching the first grade. Mrs Wildes is a graduate of Garfield High School, Terre Haute, and earned her B.S. degree from Indiana State University in 1968. In 1972 she received her M.A. degree in Elementary Education from Indiana State University. She was employed by the Terre Haute School as a second grade teacher prior to coming to the academy. Her husband is employed by the Albemarle Mental Health Center. Bahia Ann Weaver, a native of Fayetteville is the new third grade teacher. Miss Weaver received her elementary and high school education in the Fayetteville schools. She attended Stratford College in Danville, Va. and received her B.A. degree from Averett College, Danville, in Primary Education. She has completed other studies at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and the University of

Hawaii, Honolulu. She did her student teaching at Schoolfield Elementary School, Danville, Va. This is her first teaching position.

Ava Ellen Jackson, a native of Goldsboro, is teaching English grades nine through 12. Miss Jackson is a graduate of Goldsboro High School and a 1975 graduate of East Carolina University wth a B.S. degree in English. She did her student teaching at E. B. Avcock Junior High School, Greenville. This is her first teaching assignment.

Myra Modlin Moore, physical education teacher and coach, is a native of Williamston. She is a graduate of Jamesville High School and a 1975 graduate of East Carolina University. Her husband is employed by Winn-Dixie in Williamston.

#### Supper Slated

The Center Hill-Crossroads Volunteer fire department's Harvest Supper will be held Saturday night from 5 until 8 o'clock. Tickets can be purchased at the Chowan County Sheriff's Office in the County Office Building or from any member of the fire department.

budget includes \$10,200 in funds for a computer service and up to \$25,000 as the hospital's part of a retirement program for employees.

Surratt said the computer services will enable the hospital to

## Life Saving

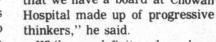
Chowan Hospital is planning a community-wide program of instruction in a life saving technique -- "C. P. R." (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation).

Cooperating with the hospital is Emergency Medical the Education Program at East Carolina University, using local health related professionals as instructors.

Mrs. Barbara Cale, vice president for professional services at the hospital, said business and industry supervisors are being encouraged to attend one and onehalf hour training sessions. They will be offered during day and evening hours at the hospital.

Sessions will begin October 8 but a schedule needs to be arranged as soon as possible. Those desiring additional information should contact Mrs. Cale at 482-8451, extension 241.

Ava Ellen Jackson



While no definite plans have been made, representatives of the hospital have been conducting discussions with a committee of citizens in Gates County. At the present the county has but one physician and he is located in Sunbury.

Surratt said the plan calls for the hospital to employ a physician and be actively engaged in the practice of medicine.

Also, the hospital board approved employment of two physician assistants who will work in the emergency department. They will ultimately provide 24hour coverage, seven days per week.

Chowan Hospital has also received full accreditation from the Joint Commission for a twoyear period.

#### **AADA** Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of Albemarle Area development Association will be held tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'lcock at the Holiday Inn in Kill Devil Hills. Phil Quidley of Manteo, AADA president, has requested that a good delegation from each of the 10 counties in the area be present.

#### Shrine Fish Fry

**The Chowan County Shrine Club** hopes to realize a \$2,000 profit from the annual fish fry for Shrine **Crippled Children Hospitals and Burn Institutes.** 

The fish fry will be held September 20 at the Boy Scout **Cabin on North Broad Street.** 

Tickets are now being sold by members of the Chowan County Shrine Club and all the profits will go to the hospitals and institutes.

**Behia** Ann Weaver

