

Court To Hear Zoning Suit

Arguments before the N. C. Court of Appeals on a suit initiated here last year against the Town of Edenton regarding a Zoning Ordinance update, which changed the designation of certain property on Virginia Road near the U. S. 17 by-pass, will be held November 17.

W. B. Gardner, town administrator, said he has been informed that attorneys for the town and the plaintiffs will be given 20 minutes each for oral arguments.

At the same time Town Council on Tuesday night tentatively set a public hearing for December 14 on a request for a change in the Zoning Ordinance to allow a fertilizer blending operation in the now closed Albemarle Mill on Badham Road.

The request will go before a town board next week for consideration and recommendation to the council.

Councilman Jesse L. Harrell spoke in favor of the change. He said if there is opposition to the

new industrial operation "then they should take the opportunity to visit a similar plant."

Harrell went on to say he saw "absolutely nothing offensive about the operation. I invite people to come talk with me and learn what they are opposed to before they express such opposition," he continued.

The board also set a public hearing for December 14 on a request for a zoning change on West Albemarle Street to allow a self-service gasoline outlet. The Zoning Board has recommended denial of the application because it would constitute "spot" zoning.

Dr. Allen Hornthal reported that the Edenton-Chowan Recreation Commission has started talks about a long-range plan which would include property at Edenton Municipal Airport as well as the National Guard Armory. He said local and state planners have encouraged the group to go forward with plans.

Gardner reported that approval had been received from Southern Railroad to put a drainage pipe under the track by Northside Shopping Center.

In other action council approved a new policy recommended by the Utility Committee which would give the consumer a break should a water line leak occur.

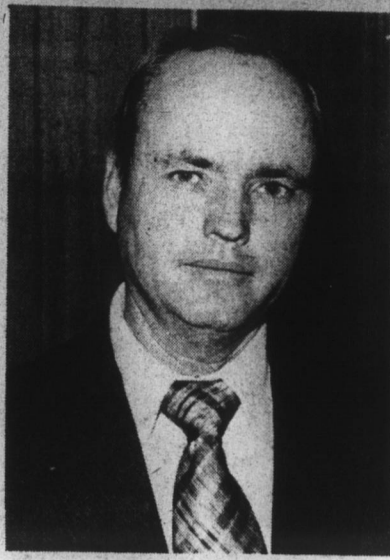
Fire Chief Luther Parks reported that the fire truck ordered in November, 1974, is expected to be delivered early next year.

Mayor Roy L. Harrell called for a delay in appointment of a Historic District Commission. No action was taken on appointment of a Community Development Council.

Open Saturday

The service window at the U. S. Post Office in Edenton will be open on Saturday mornings from now through the holiday season.

Postmaster James M. Bond said window service will be available from 9 A.M. until 12-noon for the convenience of postal patrons.



Eugene Jordan

Jordan Takes Board Post

Eugene Jordan, chairman of the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education, has been elected as a member of the Board of Directors of the N. C. School Boards Association. His election came during the annual association convention in Asheville, Nov. 4-6.

Jordan has a long history of service to education in Chowan County. Prior to the merger of the Chowan County Board of Education and the Edenton Board of Education in June, 1967, he had been a member of the county board for ten years. He has served as chairman of the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education since January, 1971.

Man Dies

One man is dead, two people are hospitalized and a fourth person faces a felony charge as the result of a single-car mishap in Yeopim Township Saturday.

James Wilson, Jr., 27-year-old Negro of Hillside, Md., was identified as the driver by State Trooper M. J. McArthur, who investigated the mishap. He has been held in Tri-County Jail in Elizabeth City in lieu of \$25,000 bond.

Wilson also faces charges of reckless driving and drunk driving as a result of the accident on SR 1102. He was slightly injured but was released after being treated at Chowan Hospital.

In a first appearance Tuesday morning in Chowan County District Court, Judge John T. Chaffin reduced Wilson's bond to \$12,500 and ordered that he be allowed to attend his step-brother's funeral in Hertford Thursday afternoon.

A probable cause hearing on the felony charge was set for

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DUI Campaign

People who drink and drive in Edenton are the target of law enforcement officers.

Eight charges of drunk driving, one involving the same person within a matter of hours, have been lodged by policemen in the past week.

Chesson Heads Observance

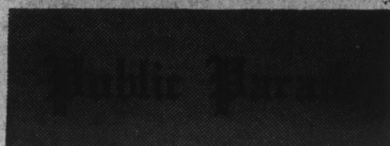
Wesley Chesson has been named chairman of Farm-City Week in Chowan County, according to Pete Thompson, county extension chairman. Named vice chairman was Thomas Paul Griffin.

C. A. Phillips, chairman, Chowan County commissioners, is state chairman for this year's observance.

The annual Farm-City banquet will be held November 22 at 7 P.M. at Edenton Jaycee Community Building on Base Road. The program will be provided by a group of musicians from Rocky Hook. Door prizes will be awarded.

"We would like for every farmer and every business person in Chowan County to attend as it is one of the highlights of our Farm-City Week festivities," Thompson stated.

The annual banquet is sponsored by all the civic clubs such as the Ryland and Chowan Ruritan clubs, Edenton Lions Club,



Better Neighborhoods

People throughout the Town of Edenton have seen sidewalk construction underway during the past few days. It is an attempt by Town Council to improve the quality of residential areas.

For the past several years the council has budgeted money for sidewalk construction and improvement which has gone begging. This is because residents in areas where there are no sidewalks are unwilling to participate in the program as well as resident in areas where dangerous sidewalks don't report them.

If we are going to have property improved via sidewalks then the lead must be by those who benefit the most. If it is a new sidewalk, then property owners have an extended pay plan at an attractive interest rate.

Sidewalks improve property values more than most property owners realize. The drain on the family budget is much, much less than the benefits arrived from such a town-sponsored undertaking.

Become A 'Friend'

If there is anything more beautiful than Edenton and Chowan County in the Fall, it is the Spring. Leaves turn exciting colors and fall; pecans make a near deafening sound as they crash against a metal roof in the middle of the night; the wind blowing across the Chowan River turn cheeks a special crimson; etc.

It is a love affair we take for granted; a love affair many seek only to never find. And you realize this in some of the craziest places.

Take Tuesday morning. We stood in the back of the historic Chowan County Courthouse. We were locked in on the beauty of the Courthouse Green and the brown leaves from the sycamores, resting on the grass when Sheriff Troy Toppin awakened us. Yes, 12 years of tender loving care causes a thing of beauty to grow.

Our town and county fathers are doing the best they can with what

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Profits Revealed

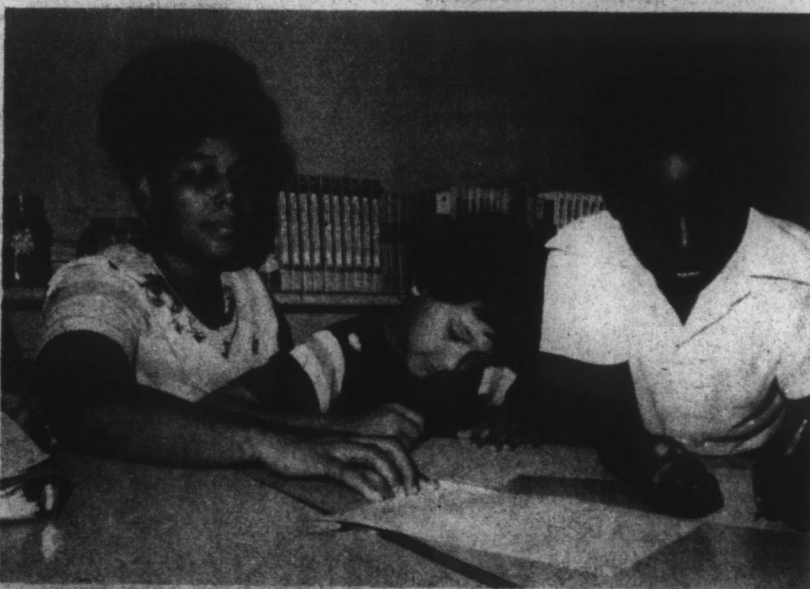
Chowan Academy's annual Halloween Carnival resulted in profits of approximately \$6,000 a spokesman reports. The event was held October 29.

The Ways and Means Committee of the Parent Teacher Organization has expressed thanks to all who helped make the event a success.

Many of the items sold at the auction, at the country store and at the various booths were donated by parents, businessmen and individuals from the Chowan-Perquimans-Gates area.

Bruce Ahsley of Sunbury won a side of beef.

Edenton Rotary Club, Edenton Jaycees, and Edenton Business and Professional Woman's Club, in conjunction with Edenton Chamber of Commerce.



TEACHER HONORED—Mrs. Florence Price is Edenton-Chowan 1977 Teacher of The Year. The fourth grade teacher at Swain Elementary School is shown here with two of her students.



BEDROOM GALLERY OPENS—The Bedroom Gallery, a new addition to Quinn Furniture Company, is now open. In the photo above Faye Stallings, Bill Norvell, and Hugh Dial are shown in the front of the annex as they discuss plans for the gallery.

'Bedroom Gallery' Completed

What was formerly a shoe repair shop is now an addition to Quinn Furniture Company, called the Bedroom Gallery. With the completion of the 90-day remodeling and renovation project, about 4,000 square feet has been added to the store, reported Bill Norvell.

In conjunction with the opening of the Bedroom Gallery is a storewide sale through November 13.

Taking in what Hobowsky's Shoe Repairs required knocking

two archways through three feet of solid brick and altering the store front to accommodate plate glass windows. The attendant remodeling and interior design was handled by Hugh Dial, Thurrell Bunch, and Norvell.

The Bedroom Gallery is designed to display the suites in a simulated room setting as they may appear in a persons home. The individual rooms include their own wallpaper and panelling, with partitions separating each display.

Mrs. Price Is Honored

Mrs. Florence Price, a fourth grade teacher at Ernest A. Swain Elementary School, had the honor this fall of being named the Edenton-Chowan 1977 Teacher of The Year. Mrs. Price's selection was based on the criteria of a teacher who exemplified excellence in the profession of classroom teaching.

As the local nominee, Mrs. Price was in competition with local nominees from 17 other school systems in District 15 in search of the 1977 North Carolina Teacher of The Year.

Annually, the North Carolina Teacher of The Award Program is sponsored jointly by the Department of Public Instruction and the Association of Classroom Teachers (ACT) a branch of the North Carolina Association of Education (NCAE).

A local committee composed of the students, two community ladjpersons, two ACT teachers, one school board member, one principal, and the ACT president chose Mrs. Price from local nominations.

Mrs. Price portrayed the traits and characteristics of one who is skillful in teaching, dedicated and interested in the well being of students. Another important selection factor was that she has the superior ability to inspire love of learning in students of all backgrounds and abilities.

Not only has Mrs. Price gained the respect and admiration of students, parents, and co-workers, but she has played active and useful roles in her community. Mrs. Price, who resides in Elizabeth City, has taught in the local system for the past six years.



NEW PROJECT STUDIED—The Alliance For Progress in Northeastern North Carolina is currently looking into a possible "Foxfire" type project in the Albemarle Area. Eliot Wigginton, second from left, developed the concept in Georgia and was in the area this week talking with officials. Left to right are: Dr. John Dunn, superintendent of Edenton-Chowan Schools; Wigginton; Richard Baker, Alliance director; and Dr. Tom Parramore, historian who is researching a project in the area.

New Concept For Schools

A classroom concept which gives students a chance to act rather than be acted upon may be coming to Northeastern North Carolina through an Alliance For Progress project.

The six-county educational consortium hopes to bring the "Foxfire" concept into area schools. To this end the leaders went straight to the most knowledgeable source—Eliot Wigginton at Rabun Gap, Ga.

Wigginton, father of the concept which led to the establishment of a magazine which is a popular item nationwide, made three appearances in the area this week talking to various groups about the project.

At an informal dinner Sunday night at Chowan River Inn near Winton he said a fraternity brother in the publishing business saw the "Foxfire" material

developed by students and put it into print. The first edition of the book has sold more than 1,500,000 copies, two others have been printed and two more are well along the way.

The program has lead to the formation of a non-profit corporation which handles more than \$500,000 annually. The program now has a staff of seven professionals who work with students.

The magazine is written, printed and distributed by students and is based on mountain folklore and crafts which very nearly became lost through the years.

Wigginton said from what he has learned about Northeastern North Carolina he feels such a project

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Dye To Speak

Pat Dye, head grid coach at East Carolina University, will be the featured speaker at the Aces Athletic Association's fall sports award banquet. It will be held November 23 at Edenton Jaycee Community Building on Base Road.

The banquet will honor the Jaycee and Varsity football teams as well as the girls tennis team at Holmes High.

Tickets are \$4 for the steak supper and are now on sale by members of the athletic association. They can also be purchased at Hollowell & Blount Rexall, Mitchener's Pharmacy or at the high school office.



TEACHING CONCEPT DISCUSSED—Eliot Wigginton of Rabun Gap, Ga., standing, touches on an amusing aspect of his "Foxfire" concept during an informal dinner Sunday at Chowan River Inn near Winton. Mrs. Emily G. Amburn, right, and Dr. Edward G. Bond, both members of Edenton-Chowan Board of Education, are joined by Mrs. Bond in the discussion.

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