

# Heard & Seen

"By Bull"

With the consumption of a large amount of sunflower seed, flocks of grosbeaks still hover around bird feeders in my back yard. And this feed is consumed between the presence of several neighborhood cats who hang around the yard. And though much sunflower seed has disappeared, I'm not as much out financially as my friend Edmond Plummer, up in Schuylerville, New York. In a brief letter Friend Plummer had this to say: "Your mention of the evening grosbeaks has brought to mind that I have consumed, or rather fed over 150 pounds of sunflower seed this winter." He said further that as many as 20 grosbeaks have been on his feeder at a time and have been there all winter. In fact, he says they have been so plentiful that they have scared the bluejays off, but that they are a pleasant sight, along with the cardinals. Incidentally, Mr. Plummer sent a newspaper clipping showing a group of grosbeaks perched on a feeder which was just about covered with snow. Well, there's been more than 20 grosbeaks on one of my feeders at a time, but with the warmer weather in the offing, they'll no doubt soon be leaving for parts further north.

Next Saturday will be the first Saturday in April when the "boys" of the Methodist Men's Club usually put on a pickled herring breakfast at the Methodist Church. However, the breakfast will not be held Saturday morning for it has been postponed until the Saturday morning of the Edenton Pilgrimage which will be held April 15, 16 and 17. It is hoped that some of the visitors who like pickled herring will turn up at the church to eat breakfast and maybe some who have never tasted the things will also try 'em out.

Without a doubt most of the television sets in Edenton were turned on Monday night to watch the North Carolina Tar Heel basketball team play Marquette in the NCAA finals at Atlanta. Carolina fans were very much encouraged at the start of the second half after trailing at half time by a score of 39-27. They tied the score at 41-41 in short order and then went ahead 45-43 but from then on the Tar Heels gradually fell behind. The Marquette Warriors finally won the game by 67 to 59, much to the regret and disappointment of North Carolina fans. But on the other hand, had the Tar Heels won the game, there's plenty of fans who would have been happier than had they won one of the big prizes offered on television shows these days. Anyway, North Carolinians can well be proud of the record of the Chapel Hill team, as well as the UNC of Charlotte for going as far as they did in the tournament.

## Motorcyclists

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range work. Helmets are being provided.

Turner's Honda of Elizabeth City is providing motorcycles to the school system at no charge. Successful graduates will be given course completion cards making them eligible for insurance premium discounts offered by several motorcycle insurance companies.

The course is being taught at Holmes High School.

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now raise most of their revenues from the property tax and from a local option sales tax. Officials in the larger urban areas generally claim the property tax is high enough already. And, we agree.

The state has a responsibility to local governments and the General Assembly should give consideration to their financial problems. But, tying local governments into the income tax structure definitely isn't the answer to the problem.

On the contrary, it would be a problem added to the already overburdened taxpayers. Federal and state governments now get sizable bites out of everyone's paycheck. Enough is enough. Local governments shouldn't get involved with the individual income tax.

### Washington Goofed

Washington County voters last week overwhelmingly defeated a \$1.3-million water bond referendum which would have financed a county-wide system. In doing so they turned their back on a \$1 million Farmers Home Administration grant and a chance to finance the system over a 40 year period at 5 per cent interest.

It is obvious from the returns that someone dropped the ball in the Town of Plymouth. Of 586 voting there, 504 were against while only 82 voted for the issue.

When a \$1.9-million issue of a like nature was put to the people along the Public Parade a few years ago, voters in the Town of Edenton supported it almost as strongly as those in Plymouth opposed it.

County-wide water systems are in vogue. This is true primarily because of the attractive package FHA puts together, coupled with the fact that the users require the debt. This way, the county tax structure is not affected.

In our opinion the voters in Washington County goofed. We once did regarding a new hospital and ended up paying dearly. We predict the same will happen to our neighbors on the south side of Albemarle Sound.

## Pilgrimage

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"country federal" is intact throughout the older portion.

The Coffield House will also join the list of distinguished homes on the tour. After many ownerships of this property, Samuel Butler advertised it for sale in 1799. The sale record describes a house on this sit with piazzas on the front and back. The dimensions of this house suggest that this building may be incorporated in the present house. In 1837 James Coffield purchased the house and it remained in the family of his daughter Margaret Coffield Warren until 1924. In 1973, Mrs. E. W. Bond sold the house to Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Campbell, who restored it and made additions. It is located at 209 East King Street.

### CHOWAN CANCER SOCIETY

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Subscription rates on The Chowan Herald will be increased April 1. The price for a single copy will remain at 15 cents.

This is the first mail subscription price increase in a good while and is necessary due to the continuing increase in postage, newsprint and production.

The rate for Chowan County residents and those throughout North Carolina will be \$8.32 for one year.

Outside the state the rate for a year will be 9.00. The student rate (for nine months) will be \$6.24.

All of the above prices include N. C. sales tax and must be paid in advance. However, telephone subscriptions will be taken and billed immediately. Anyone who renews a subscription prior to April 1 will be allowed to do so at the existing rate.

Also, the U. S. Postal Service considers any subscription six months in arrears as not a paid subscription and cannot legally be mailed in accordance with the Second Class Postage Permit. These subscriptions will be discontinued without a second or final notice being sent.

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AT EDENTON BAPTIST—The Campbell College concert band, featuring their woodwind ensemble will be included in the 11 A. M. worship service at Edenton Baptist Church, providing a program of sacred music. The band is on tour in Eastern North Carolina and Virginia.

## Community Calendar

THURSDAY March 31  
1:00 P. M.—Rotary Club - St. Pauls Parrish House  
1:00 P. M.—Ballet Class, Shepard Pruden Library  
SATURDAY April 2  
8:00 - 8:30 A. M.—Walk-A-Thon Registration Holmes  
9:00 A. M.—Jaycee Walk-A-Thon  
SUNDAY April 3  
Attend Sunday School and Services at the church of your choice  
MONDAY April 4  
8:30 A. M. - 11:30 A. M.—Pressure Cooker Testing  
1:30 A. M. - 4:00 P. M.—Pressure Cooker Testing Kitchen 4th floor County Building  
7:30 P. M.—Lions Club - Edenton Restaurant



Noon-Day Service

April 4-8, 1977

Edenton Baptist Church  
Edenton, N.C.

S. Marion Ziegler,  
Presiding

THEME: Five Cries From The Crowd

Prelude  
\*Hymn of Praise  
\*Prayer  
Welcome  
Special Music  
Reading of Scripture  
Message  
\*Hymn of Dedication  
\*Benediction  
Postlude

MONDAY: "Not This Man, But Barabbas", John 18:37-40; Raymond Storie, St. Paul Episcopal Church  
TUESDAY: "We Have No King But Caesar", John 19:12-16; James Fenner, Providence Baptist Church  
WEDNESDAY: "Crucify Him, Crucify Him", Luke 23:20-21; Willard Lampe, First Presbyterian Church  
THURSDAY: "If Thou Be the Son of God, Come Down", Matthew 27:39-40; C. C. Warren, Pleasant Grove AME Zion Church  
FRIDAY: "Truly This Man Was the Son of God", Mark 15:37-39; E. L. Earnhardt, Edenton United Methodist Church

## Holy Week Services Set

Monday through Friday of next week ecumenical Holy Week services will be held at the Edenton Baptist Church from 12 noon until 12:30 P. M.

The theme for the week is "Five Cries from the Crowd". Speakers for the sessions will be Rev. Raymond Storie of St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Monday,

Rev. James L. Fenner of Providence Baptist Church on Tuesday, Rev. Willard Lampe of First Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, Rev. C. C. Warren of Pleasant Grove A. M. E. Zion Church on Thursday, and Rev. E. L. Earnhardt of Edenton United Methodist Church on Friday.

Rev. Marion Ziegler, Minister of Education-Youth at Edenton Baptist Church will serve as moderator. Special music will be provided by the various churches.

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## Recommends Better System

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH — A major step was taken here last Wednesday afternoon when the Coastal Resources Commission approved a report to go to the 1977 General Assembly recommending a better coordinated and more unified permit system in the Coastal Area.

"This is a meaningful report for the legislature and local governments," were the comments of Chairman David Stick of Kitty Hawk. "It is the result of two and one half years of work."

The report hints at a single permit-letting agency being developed, yet it is carefully stated that where federal permits are required it will take Congressional action to bring about change.

Dr. Arthur Cooper of Raleigh, was chairman of the commission's committee which brought about the report which is a requirement of the Coastal Area Management Act of 1974.

CRC is now working toward having local governments appoint permit officers who would be responsible to assist those seeking required permits and guide them through the process, thereby lessening the burden on the property owner.

The report states that the general recommended goal is to coordinate federal and state regulatory programs in the Coastal Area in such a way as to emphasize the strengths of both levels of government, to avoid duplication or conflict, and to eliminate unnecessary red tape for permit applicants.

It calls for the development of a master application form so that permit applicants can at one time provide all the application information needed and be handed all the appropriate forms.

Studies made at the direction of CRC produced information which showed that meaningful steps can be taken toward coordination and simplification of the permit letting process.

CRC contends that the recommendations made in the report would greatly reduce the overlap, delay and confusion sometimes experienced by permit applicants.

## NORTH CAROLINA Farm Tips

From Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., N.A.



By Dr. J. W. Pou

Economic conditions for the year "have already been determined" and overall it appears that 1977 "will be a year of continued gradual improvement," says Dr. John S. Lapp, an economist at North Carolina State University.

"There are several reasons for this optimism," Lapp said.

For one thing, he said, progress was made in reducing the inflation rate during the past year, and this "continues to be the bright spot" in the economic picture.

"The economy appears to be adjusting to the reduced rate of inflation. Businesses seem to have been able to restore their balance sheets to the point where they have reduced short-term indebtedness and increased holdings of liquid assets," the N. C. State University economist said.

He added that business capital spending has begun to increase after having been largely dormant, and the construction industry is emerging from a prolonged slump.

It is generally agreed that real gross national product (GNP) will grow at a rate between 5 and 6 percent in 1977. This increase in economic activity is expected to spread over all sectors of the economy.

Dr. Fred D. Sobering, in charge of economics and business for the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, said the agricultural outlook for 1977 will be influenced by "food prices rising moderately" during the year and "generally increasing input supplies slowing the rise in farm production expenses."

There will be "stiff export competition" with some possible decline in total volume of agricultural shipments, Sobering said. Also, he said, U. S. crop and livestock supplies are large and domestic demand is increasing slowly.

"With no restrictions on plantings of major crops (except tobacco and peanuts) crop producers will likely increase soybean and cotton acreage, decrease corn acreage slightly and maintain wheat plantings. Flue-cured tobacco plantings will be down reflecting a 12 percent cutback in allotment," Sobering said.

Beef output will be down in 1977, but an expected 12 to 13 percent increase in pork production will dampen any strengthening of cattle prices. Broiler producers will slow their rate of expansion during the year, turkey output will be down, and egg production will rise 2 to 3 percent, Sobering said.

Lapp said the nation's unemployment rate fell from 8.5 percent in 1975 to about 7.7 percent in 1976.