

Readers Comment With Letters To The Editor



Amanda Bunch Awarded Grant

RALEIGH — Amanda Bunch of Edenton has been awarded a music scholarship for study at Peace College during the 1978-79 academic year. Announcement of the scholarship award was made by Dr. S. David Frazier, president of the Raleigh college for women. Peace awards music scholarships based on the student's talent and auditions held before the Peace Music Department faculty.

Miss Bunch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bunch, Jr., Route 1, Edenton, is a senior at Chowan Academy.

Miss Bunch attended the 1977 session of Governor's School where she studied art. She was a district member of the National Piano Playing Auditions, intermediate class, and passed the N.C. Music Teachers Association audition.

A finalist in the Miss North Carolina Teen-ager pageant, she is a member of the National Honor Society, was a marshal and recipient of the DAR Good Citizen Award. She is a member of the student council and editor-in-chief of the school annual.

In addition, Miss Bunch has been pianist for church and school activities, is an award-winning artist and had a dramatic role in a play during the Christmas season of last year. She was secretary-treasurer of Acteens last year and a member of the Youth Choir.

The finish of our second annual Peanut Festival marks the beginning of our third annual Peanut Festival, and we can not let the opportunity slip by without thanking you and your staff at The Chowan Herald for your most gracious help and support for the past year. There are some, that may consider this as an endurance record on your part.

There are so many businesses, organizations, supporters, and friends that joined together, to make his festival successful, that we could never begin to name them individually without fear of leaving someone out. We do know, that without their unselfish support, The Peanut Festival would not have made it off the ground, and we would like to extend our appreciation for that support.

We have never been criticized for being too perfect, and the festival this year has been no exception. However, hopefully, we can take this criticism and use it constructively in planning our third annual Peanut Festival.

Again, we would like to thank everyone that join in to help support the band.

Sincerely,
Al Everson
Peggy Ann Vaughan
Co-Chairmen
Edenton-Chowan
Peanut Festival

On Tuesday, November 8, the voters of Perquimans County will have the opportunity to vote for a \$1.8-million school bond referendum to build a new high school.

Our children have already graduated from school but we strongly support this bond referendum. We feel we owe it to the children of to-annual.

Succession

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power in the governor will follow succession, and scandal usually follows increases in power and machine politics. I do not believe this is what the people of North Carolina wish.

"North Carolina has had a good government. It has had a good Constitution with respect to succession. We have been free of scandal. We have produced outstanding governors, including the present incumbent, but our method of government is not broke and since it is not broke, we don't need to fix it."

"Therefore, I urge all people of North Carolina to vote on November 8 and when they vote on the Succession Amendment, to vote "No".

day and tomorrow to provide facilities comparable to other progressive communities.

Renovation of the present building is not feasible since the cost to bring it up to present building codes, fire codes and the energy codes now being written, as well as meet the state school planning commission's requirements, (even if all of this can be done), will cost as much if not more than a new building.

There is no question that something has to be done. We feel it is better to vote for the \$1.8-million now rather than having to vote later on figures double or triple that amount.

Our first and foremost consideration should be the

children of our county. We should provide for them as the citizens before us provided for all of us.

Sincerely,
Marion and
Betty Swindell

On behalf of the officers and members of the Edenton Little Theater we wish to express thanks to all those who played a part in making "The Glass Menagerie" a huge success.

Among these are: Mrs. R.H. Hardin, Mrs. Bryon Kehayes, Mrs. Erwin Griffin, Mrs. Richard Goodwin, Edenton Office Supply, Norfolk and Carolina Telephone Company, Davis Jewelers, Shopwell's Fashions, and last but not least, The Chowan Herald.

We were unable to mention the above in the program credits but are most grateful for their time and assistance.

Hopefully we have not forgotten anyone who lent a hand, but if so, our sincere apologies and our heartfelt appreciation.

Edenton Little Theater is looking forward to its next production.

Sincerely,
Yvonne Chilcoat
Secretary
Edenton Little Theater

Is Alabama richer than New York? Yes, and so are 15 of the 16 states in the South that make up the "Sun Belt."

The enclosed report from the First National Bank of Chicago is truly enlightening. It explodes the myth that the South is poor and down-trodden because its per capita income lags behind the "affluent North."

Our per capita income, relatively low in some cases, is a source of deep concern. But for the first time, an intelligent com-

parison has been made that adjusts the per capita income figures for such vital factors as cost of living and taxes. The results are profound.

When the figures are adjusted, and the real, disposable income emerges, the Sun Belt assumes the role that many of us felt we played—but couldn't prove. Of the ten top-ranking states, six are in the Sun Belt region. Six "Snow Belt" states, generally regarded as being in the rich Northeast, rank


in the bottom ten. I thought you would find the report interesting and informative and hope you will help us spread the word about our state. It is important that these findings be known.

Thank you for your interest and enthusiasm.

Yours very truly,
W.D. Stedman

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Amendment 3

FOR constitutional amendment empowering the qualified voters of the State to elect the Governor and Lieutenant Governor to a second successive term of the same office.

You deserve this choice.

Good intentions.

Once upon a time, some of King George's royal governors really pushed the colonists around. And you've been short-changed, ever since. After the Revolution, when state constitutions were being written, people remembered the crown's wrongs, and made sure that future governors couldn't abuse the power of the office. So, in many states, a governor was barred from serving more than one term. In N.C., the Assembly elected the Governor, up till 1835. Then, you got the vote — and the one-term limit. It seemed like a good idea, at the time.

But times change.

As our nation grew, and grew up, the rights of the voters and of the state legislatures grew stronger. The task of running a state government grew more complicated. And the task of finding really well-qualified people for the job of Governor grew more and more difficult.

So the states changed.

Seeing that the old fears of a governor gaining too much power were groundless under modern systems, more and more states realized that it only made sense to keep a good governor on the job. Instead of automatically turning him out and having to start fresh with an unknown and unproven person.

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And so, state after state gave their voters this option: To reject or re-elect an experienced governor. Alaska and Hawaii


brought it with them to statehood. In 1966, Oklahoma changed. In 1968, Louisiana and Missouri. 1970; Florida and Pennsylvania. West Virginia in 1972, and just last year, our neighbors in Georgia passed their amendment. Today, the voters of 43 of the 50 United States have this important right.

Here's our chance.

On November 8th, the voters of North Carolina can vote themselves this right. On the ballot, Constitutional Amendment #3 empowers the voters to re-elect their Governors and Lieutenant Governors for a second term, if they choose to.

A bipartisan effort.

A majority of the N.C. General Assembly voted to recommend this amendment. Leading Republicans, Democrats, and



Independents support its passage. All of the past five former Governors: Luther H. Hodges, Terry Sanford, Dan K. Moore, Robert W. Scott, and James E. Holshouser, Jr. endorse it. And a recent citizens committee on constitutional reform urged this change be made.

For better government.

Our state suffers from the one-term limit.

Long-range problems like water, energy, and new industries and jobs demand long-range solutions. From short-range governors. By the time our governors learn the job, their term is half over. So they can't initiate and administer the kind of farsighted programs that our state needs. But even just the possibility of re-election would encourage and allow stronger, more consistent leadership.

A fairer share.

The one-term limit shortchanges North Carolina in other ways. The people who run the federal programs and who participate in the regional conferences know full well that the N.C. governor is an automatic lame duck. So they pay less attention to our needs. Squeaking wheels get the grease; but our governor isn't around long enough to establish the working relationships or make the necessary contacts to have the kind of influence our state deserves.

And your full rights.

But over and above all the logical, practical reasons for Amendment #3, the real key is that the one-term limit is contrary to the democratic process. It deprives you of a fundamental right. If the voters are capable of finding people good enough to be governor for four years, they are capable of deciding whether they want to re-elect them for four more. To continue a good job. And they are capable of deciding that the job wasn't good enough; so they can choose to reject them after four years. Either way, you should have the choice. And Amendment #3 gives it to you.


FOR constitutional amendment of the State to elect the Governor and Lieutenant Governor to a second successive term of the same office.

AGAINST constitutional amendment of the State to elect the Governor and Lieutenant Governor to a second successive term of the same office.

November 8 vote for the right to reject or re-elect. Vote for Amendment 3.

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