

Makes Mark

Judge W. Douglas Albright of Greensboro meandered along the Public Parade this week, presiding over a criminal term of Chowan County Superior Court.

By mid-morning Wednesday he had sentenced nine defendants to active jail terms and sent some eight cases back to District Court for compliance upon motion of defendants. No jury trials had been necessary.

Judge Albright and Asst. D. Atty. Richard Parker of Elizabeth City proved to be an effective team in clearing up a "messy" criminal court calendar.

While Judge Albright dealt with a firm hand, he displayed fairness, being careful to protect the rights of the defendants. From his actions he also impressed upon those who witnessed him at work that he was equally as interested in protecting the rights of the majority.

Judge Albright may be remembered along with some of the more notables who have left their mark along the Public Parade, such as James Iredell, Samuel Johnston, and Penelope Barker, to mention a trio.

Good Average

The "Albemarle Center" concept for broadening the economic base along the Public Parade and throughout Northeastern North Carolina, as well as establishment of Community Development Councils in Tar Heelia were unveiled last week.

Sec. Howard Lee of the State Department of Natural Resources and Community Development briefly discussed both topics at a meeting of the 10-county Albemarle Development Association.

Working in cooperation with the Alliance For Progress, a six-county educational consortium, the state department will assist in developing the Albemarle Center to work with Agriculture, industry and tourism, establishing strong ties between the public and private sector. The result? Broadening the economic base in the area.

The councils Sec. Lee envisions, would have the same concept as area development associations— isolate the need and develop meaningful programs to meet the needs, especially in small communities.

Also, the councils would inspire new leadership from communities for the improvement of life in every area of the state.

The Albemarle Center "idea" is exciting. The Community Development Councils are not needed.

Area development associations are already functioning throughout the state with various degrees of success. These associations, over the years, have leaned heavily on the Agricultural Extension Service, being used by other agencies only as a forum for community action.

The Agricultural Extension Service, we are sure, would welcome Sec. Lee's department as a co-partner in this area of community development. The secretary talks of strong public-Continued on Page 4



CHAMPION STEER—Bill Jordan is shown here with his champion steer as judged in the livestock show Tuesday afternoon. The 24th annual event was held at American Legion Fairgrounds.



SHOW WINNING HOGS—These are the 4-H'ers who showed winning hogs at Tuesday afternoon's 24th annual Chowan County Junior Livestock Show. Left to right are: Joseph Goodwin, Bert Wilson, Walter Byrum, Karen Ward, Arnold Sanford and Wayne Forehand.

4-H'ers Have Successful Show; \$14,835 In Sales

Steers and hogs sold at the Chowan County Junior Livestock event Tuesday night brought more than \$14,835 to 4-H'ers. Steers sold for a total of \$8,435 while individual hogs and pens of three sold for \$6,400.

Murray Goodwin, coordinator of the event, said attendance at the 3:30 P. M. show at the American Legion Fairgrounds and the 7:30 P.M. sale was good.

Bill Jordan showed the champion steer which was bought by C.A. Perry and Central Fertilizer for 96 cents per pound. The animal weighed 1,180 pounds and brought \$1,132.80.

The champion individual hog was shown by Bert Wilson and purchased by S & R Super Market for a record \$3.40 per pound. It weighed 210 with the total amount being \$714.

Peoples Bank purchased the champion pen of three hogs, shown by Arnold Sanford, Jr., The price was \$1 per pound and the pen brought \$580.

The reserve champion individual hog was shown by Karen Ward and was purchased by Baker Hog Market. Perdue bought Walter Byrum's pen of three for 95 cents a pound.

S & R purchased Jill Copeland's reserve champion steer for 96 cents per pound. It weighed 1,220 pounds and brought \$1,171.20. Like the champion steer, it graded

choice. Ten steers were shown and averaged 80 cents per pound. Steers raised by David and Debbie Jordan graded prime, the first in many years in the event.

Fifty-hogs were in the show with 53 of them grading U.S. No.1. They averaged \$1.06 per pound.

Judges were J.K. Butler, Jr.,

and Dr. J.R. Jones, both of N.C. State University.

The 24th annual event was sponsored by the Cape Colony, Chowan and Ryland Ruritan clubs in cooperation with the Chowan County Agricultural Extension Service and the Vocational Agriculture Department of Chowan and John A. Holmes high schools.



Rep. Vernon G. James

Rep. James Vocal On The Issues

State Rep. Vernon G. James of Pasquotank said in an interview here last Thursday that he speaks out on the issues and if re-elected will continue to do so.

Rep. James, a veteran legislator, is one of three candidates seeking the two seats in the First House District.

He said that business and personal matters have kept him from campaigning for re-election as much as he had hoped to. "But the people know that I speak out on the issues and will continue to do so," he declared.

Rep. James said he has recently been appointed to another important commission, one to recodify the laws regarding public education. "This is a field in which I have particular interest," he said of education, "and I look forward to working with others across the state in strengthening the laws."

The First District is composed of Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington counties. He served in the General Assembly in 1945, 1947, and since 1973.

Rep. James was appointed to the National Potato Council in 1961; and was president of the National Potato Council in 1965.

Rep. Jones Honored Here

Some 70 people paid tribute to Rep. Walter B. Jones of the First Congressional District by attending a dutch breakfast Friday at Mrs. Boswell's Restaurant. The congressman said it was the best attendance at any such event thus far.

Rep. Jones has chosen to have informal functions throughout the district to "thank my friends" and remind them that "we are running

Judge Albright Holds Superior Court Session

Judge W. Douglas Albright of Greensboro presided over a criminal term of Chowan County Superior Court this week with a number of defendants being given active jail sentences.

Asst. Dist. Atty. J. Richard Parker of Elizabeth City prosecuted the docket. In cases called through mid-morning Wednesday, the following action was taken on cases not previously reported:

John Pete Lawrence, larceny of firearm and misdemeanor larceny, five years.

John William Ricks, Jr., driving with blood alcohol content in excess of .10, remanded to District Court for compliance.

Dewey Thomas Miller, drunk driving, 90 days, suspended upon payment of \$100 fine and costs.

James Edward Byrum, drunk driving, second offense, 30 days.

Earl W. Minshew, drunk driving, remanded to District Court for compliance.

Landon Belcredi, breaking and entering, four months.

Thomas S. Turnage, breaking and entering and larceny, six months.

Lewis Earl Edwards, driving

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Correction Noted

In the April 13 issue of The Chowan Herald it was reported that Joseph Webb Campen was convicted of drunk driving. This is not correct.

He was convicted of reckless driving after drinking, which the General Assembly in 1973 made a "lesser included offense" of drunk driving.

The Chowan Herald has determined that there is a substantial difference in the charges. Therefore, we apologize to Mr. Campen and express regret for any embarrassment which the inaccurate reporting may have caused him.

Local Ministers Switch Pulpits

The United Methodist Church and the Episcopal Church are among 10 denominations now participating in the Consultation on Church Union (COCU).

In observation of this consultation, Rev. Raymond W. Storie, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, will preach at the Edenton United Methodist Church at 11 o'clock on Sunday. His sermon topic will be: "The Wrong Question," and the text is: Luke 10:29.

Rev. Richard R. Blankenhorn, pastor of the Edenton United Methodist Church, will preach at St. Paul's Episcopal Church during the same hour. He has selected "The Church: Landmark or Symbol?" as the sermon topic. The text is: Ephesians 2:19.

Projects Earn Recommendations

Recommendations for funding over \$1.1-million in local government recreation programs — including one in Edenton — have been announced by Sec. Howard N. Lee of the State Department of Natural Resources and Community Development.

Sec. Lee recommended a \$110,694 grant for development of Queen Anne's Park here. The project consists of development of 1.5 acres on Edenton Bay. Development includes playground, picnic area and shelter, landscaping, bulkhead and utilities.

This would be the second waterfront park developed in Edenton.

Sec. Lee's recommendations will be forwarded to the Regional Office of the Heritage, Conservation and Recreation Service in Atlanta, Ga., for approval. In almost all cases, the federal agency concurs in state recommendations. Federal approval is expected within the next 60 days.

Sixteen local governments will receive the grants. Over 60 applied for \$4-million in assistance.

Town Administrator W.B. Gardner said application is being made for additional grant funds in order to insure proper development of the area next to the bridge to Hayes.

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Sec. Lee Outlines New Programs

"Monuments begin with dreams, dreams begin with people and people build monuments," declared Sec. Howard Lee as he announced two new programs in the area to stimulate the economy.

Sec. Lee of the State Department of Natural Resources & Community Development, last Thursday night outlined plans before the Albemarle Area Development Association for an "Albemarle Center" and Community Development Councils.

He said his department will assist the Alliance For Progress in the development of the center to broaden the area's economic base.

And he said the proposed council would have the same general concept as AADA, recognize need, and establish programs tailored to meet the needs. It would also involve people who have not been involved before.

Expressing continued support for coastal programs, he said planning is the answer to regional problems, but with plans that are not left on the shelf to gather dust.

Lee said his department recognizes the strong agricultural base of the state and will do nothing to erode it.

Also, he announced a pilot program of "circuit riders" from his office — administrators, planners, etc., — to assist smaller communities.



SECRETARY VISITS AREA—Sec. Howard Lee, right, of the State Department of Natural Resources and Community Development, is pictured here with J. Gilliam Wood of Edenton, AADA board chairman, and Wayne Ashley of Hertford, president of Albemarle Area Development Association. Sec. Lee spoke at the AADA meeting in Washington County Thursday night.