

Board Member Resigns

Mrs. Emily G. Amburn has resigned from Edenton-Chowan Board of Education, citing "personal and professional" reasons.

Mrs. Amburn, the only woman to serve on the seven-member board, did not seek re-election in the May primary.

of the system and the construction of a new high school facility, as well as the Tri-County concept.

Taylor is the Democratic nominee in the November general election. He has no opposition. In the May primary he defeated Mrs. Patricia Downum and John A. Mitchener, III.

Chairman Eugene Jordan told the board Mrs. Amburn's resignation was "quite a shock" to him.

Dr. Edward G. Bond moved that the resignation be accepted with regret and "thanks for many years of valuable input."

Mrs. Amburn pointed out in her letter that in 1970 the newly legislated board was not only beginning a new decade but a new era in public education in the community.

"The demands of the 80's appear to be even more challenging than those of the past decade," she continued. "I am confident that the members of the board of education will meet them in a democratic fashion with the result being what the majority sincerely believes to be the best at the particular time."

Mrs. Amburn said she felt the board is on a new plateau and Taylor would be unduly handicapped if he "is not allowed to enter the decision-making process immediately."

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Band Parents Term Festival Big Success

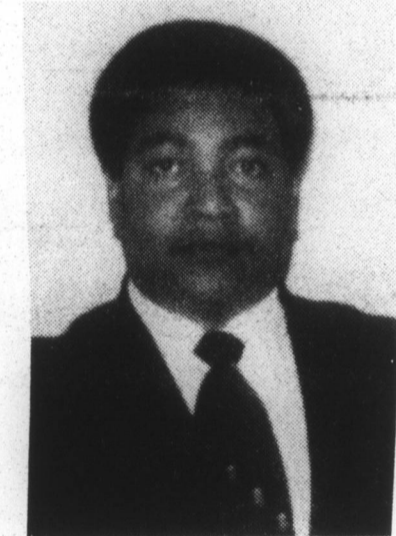
The Edenton Peanut Festival staged last weekend was termed a tremendous success with large crowds, plenty of sunshine and fun for the entire family.

The Talent Show was held Thursday night, with Bill Norvell acting as master of ceremonies. The show opened with the Edenton Choral Society rendering several patriotic numbers.

In the 13 years and over: First Place was won by Rodney Halsey with a dance routine; Second Place a clogging group comprised of Pat Casper, Mike Jones and Angela Copeland; and Third Place went to Cheryl Harmon and Steve Lane, who sang "Dust in the Wind."

Saturday morning at 10 A.M. Edenton was the scene of the largest parade ever seen here. The judges, Jim Kincaid of TV-13,

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James Taylor



Mrs. Emily G. Amburn

Council Approves Professional Park Plan

The site plan for a Professional Park near Chowan Hospital was given approval Tuesday night by Edenton Town Council.

At the same time, the council set November 11 as the date for a public hearing on yet another request to rezone another area of the property for a shopping center.

The site plan had gained the unanimous approval of the Planning Board. However, Mayor Roy L. Harrell went through, item by item the requirements for council approval.

Mayor Harrell has been a foe of the development of property adjacent to U.S. 17 by-pass.

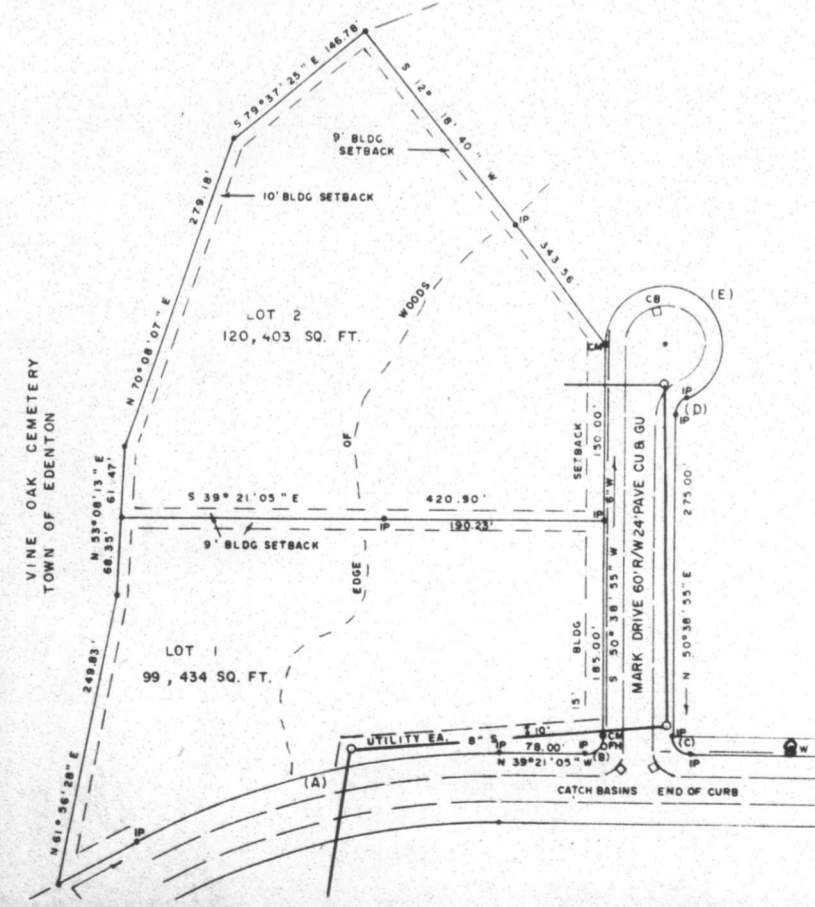
Also, the board decided not to change the voting procedures of extra-territorial members on the Planning Board. As not constituted, there are five members appointed by the town and five members named by Chowan County.

Dr. Allen Hornthal, a councilman, said he felt any change would give county members "undue influence" on matters concerning the municipality.

Councilman Gil Burroughs led a discussion of action to prohibit "U" turns at the intersection of South Broad and Water Streets. It is to be put on the agenda for the November meeting.

W.B. Gardner, town administrator, reported that the state has recommended Edenton for a federal grant to do further work on Edenton Bay at the former Conger property; a cable TV ordinance is being studied and another firm has expressed in-

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PROFESSIONAL PARK — Shown here is the site plan for the first phase of the Professional Park being developed on West Hicks Street, near Chowan Hospital.

Water Department Head Cited For Leadership

Graham Farless, head of the Chowan County Water Department, was honored by the N. C. Water Works Operator's Association, Monday morning during the meeting of the Chowan County Commissioners.

Bell, in citing Farless's leadership abilities, said the award was "a little extra burden to live up to and I'm sure you will."

Based on a recommendation by county manager Cliff Copeland, water system tap on fees were increased from \$150 to \$225 for a three-quarter inch tap, and from \$200 to \$275 for a one inch tap.

George Jones, a commissioner, told the board several water system users were dissatisfied with the quality of their water. The board agreed to allow those users to return to well water and refund

the \$25 tap-on fee charged when the system was put into operation. However, those wishing to return to county water will have to pay the new rates.

Copeland said additional bulk salt bins should alleviate the "hard water" problem found in some area of the county.

Commissioner Barbara Ward said that despite some of the problems in the system, county water was still the "best thing to come down our road since electricity."

The commissioners learned that

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ARPDC Meeting Tuesday Night

The monthly meeting of Albemarle Regional Planning & Development Commission will be held at 7 P.M. Tuesday. The meeting is set for the ARPDC-Perquimans County Office Building in Hertford.

One item on the agenda is a resolution supporting petition of Chowan Hospital, Inc., for a change in the State Medical Facility Plan to allow the hospital to expand by 10 beds. A public hearing on the petition will be held at 10 A.M. Friday in the Chowan County Office Building in Edenton.

Mayor Donald Bryan of Nags Head, ARPDC chairman, will preside. A special note should be made that the meeting is being held Tuesday rather than Thursday, the regular meeting date.

Local VFW Post To Host Meeting

The William Coffield VFW Post 9280 and Ladies Auxiliary of Edenton will host the First District VFW meeting on October 12 at 1 P.M. at the post home.

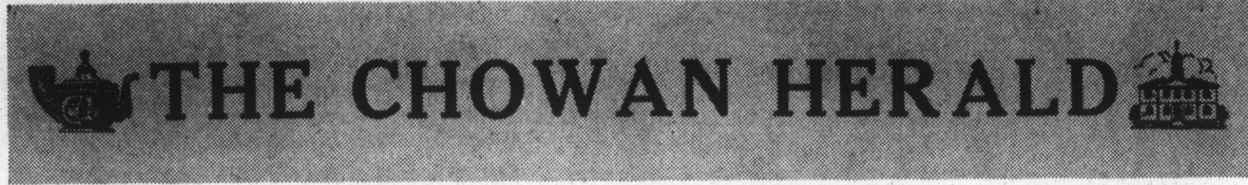
Sel Mann of Elizabeth City has received word that the State Senior Vice Commander, Carl Duncan, will be a guest. District Auxiliary President, Lois Hofler, of Sunbury, announced that former State President Belle Boyles will speak to the ladies auxiliary.

The first district includes VFW posts in Ahoskie, Murfreesboro, Sunbury, Elizabeth City, Hatteras, Hertford, Windsor, Williamston, Plymouth, and Edenton.

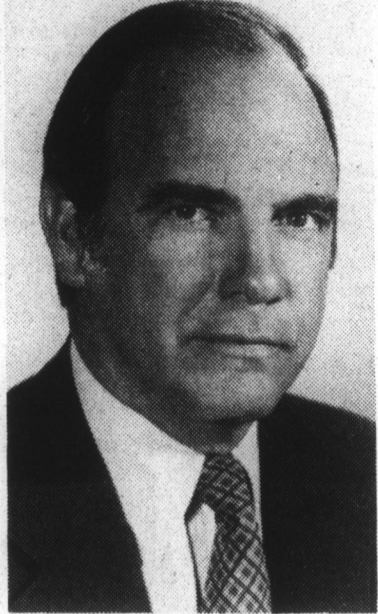
W. Earl White is commander of Post 9280 and Florence Lane is president of the Ladies Auxiliary. All eligible veterans are urged to join their local VFW Post.

For more information call first District Commander Sel Mann in Elizabeth City at 338-6418.

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Luther H. Hodges, Jr.

Luther Hodges, Jr. Guest Speaker

Luther H. Hodges, Jr., Deputy Secretary, U. S. Department of Commerce, will keynote the First Annual Business Appreciation Banquet sponsored by Albemarle Area Development Association.

The banquet is set for October 21 at 7 P.M. at the American Legion Building on U. S. 17-business outside Edenton. Tickets are limited and may be obtained through the County Extension Office in each of the 10 Albemarle Area counties.

C. B. Smith, chairman of the AADA Industrial Committee, has announced the 10 nominees for special recognition at the banquet. They are: Camden-South Mills Supermarket; Chowan-Edenton Cotton Mills; Currituck - H & W Plastics; Dare - Davis Boat Works; Gates - Hofler Tractor & Implement Company, Inc.; Hyde - East Carolina Bank; Pasquotank - U. S. Coast Guard; Perquimans - Bank of North Carolina, N.A.; Tyrrell - First Colony Farms; and Washington - Plymouth Garmet Company.

John A. Mitchener, Jr., business executive in Edenton who has been active in regional activities, is sponsoring trophies to be presented to the nominees.

Hodges will be introduced by Rep. Walter B. Jones of the First Congressional District.

The keynote speaker is a native of North Carolina and was nominated by President Carter to serve in the Department of Commerce position on December 14, 1979. Prior to his government

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Gov. Lauds Accomplishments

Gov. Jim Hunt has cited Chowan County as an "outstanding example of what state and local governments working together can accomplish in creating jobs for the people of North Carolina."

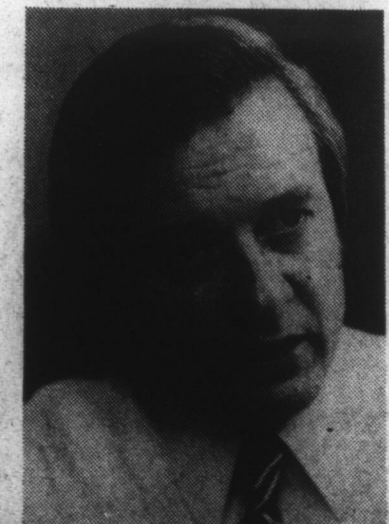
(Gov. Hunt will fulfill a campaign promise Wednesday when he returns to Chowan County to talk with fishermen about the volatile river situation.

(Capt. Al Howard of Arrowhead Beach, chairman of the Chowan Regional Task Force, said the chief executive will arrive at W.E. Smith's Store in Rocky Hock at 12:45 P.M. He will take a tour of the area with Howard and J. Gilliam Wood, former board chairman of the State Department of Natural Resources and Community Development.

(At 1:30 P.M., Gov. Hunt will meet at Unit 3, Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad, with fishermen and

Task Force members. Immediately after this meeting the Task Force will be briefed on the governor's Blue Ribbon Committee Report by Dr. Neil Grigg, assistant secretary, NCRCD.)

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Gov. Jim Hunt

Myers Expelled, 376-30

Rep. Bauman in Court

Rep. Michael Myers of Pennsylvania had just made history by becoming the first member of the House of Representatives to be expelled by his colleagues.

Parole to Cut Ira Mandel Term By One Year

Public Parade

Noted And Passed

Knocking around National Airport outside Washington, D.C., last Friday night, we ran across a second hand copy of that day's Washington Post. It immediately caught our eye; for the reasons circled in the accompanying photograph.

Rep. Michael Myers of Pennsylvania had just made history by becoming the first member of the House of Representatives to be expelled by his colleagues. Rep. Robert E. Bauman of Maryland faced charges of soliciting sex from a teenaged boy. And the U.S. Parole Commission had cut one year from the three-year prison sentence of former Maryland Gov. Marvin Mandel.

Only the Bauman incident was actually new. However, having them lumped together makes one practically go into shock. All of it causes a credibility gap which makes it increasingly difficult for a hard-working, honest politician to retain the confidence of his constituents.

Rep. Myers is one of six House members to go on trial on Ab-scarn-related bribery charges. Rep. Bauman was indicted on the solicitation charge after he was tracked down via the official license plate on his car. Former Gov. Mandel is in federal prison, serving a sentence for conspiracy, bribery and other counts, while he was in office.

Rep. Myers and Rep. Bauman are in vogue as they hinge their defense on alcoholism. If they had searched for a lifetime they couldn't find a more phony excuse.

Thank God the likes of Walter Jones and Jim Hunt are still around.

Special Thanks

The 1980 Peanut Festival along the Public Parade is now history. As in past years, the event to benefit the Marching Aces at John A. Holmes High School gets better and better.

Organizers continue to put a little extra touch to the program to make activities attractive to more and more people. As is the case in every community endeavor it is dangerous to begin naming names. But without Otis Strother there wouldn't be a band program to spotlight; without Betty and Sam Cox this year's affair wouldn't have been the success it was.

Here's how Betty gave it to us to pass along to those who meander along the Public Parade:

"Members of the Edenton-Chowan Band Parent Association would like to express their sincere gratitude to everyone who helped to make the 1980 Peanut Festival a success.

"From the Talent Show on Thursday night to the end of the Sailboat Regatta on Sunday afternoon, a community spirit prevailed.

"We sincerely appreciate each contribution of time, talent, or money and pledge that we will endeavor to maintain the high standards that our band program now enjoys."

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