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the newspaper's contribution to this community project of Edenton Woman's Club. Although there are those along the Public Parade who differ, we make no apology for our coverage of the events—either before or after.

Those who are more interested in clippings for a scrapbook fail to measure success in means other than column inches. And while we are accused from time-to-time of having "pet" projects, every effort is made to weigh each undertaking equally.

The 1981 Biennial Pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton didn't go unrecognized by this newspaper, nor in the U. S. Senate. Since everyone, including the vast majority of Woman's Club members, doesn't read the Congressional Record, we are reprinting a page from the May 18 edition. Get the scissors ready, girls!

EDENTON'S WOMEN'S CLUB CONDUCTS ITS BIENNIAL PILGRIMAGE

Mr. Helms, Mr. President, there is an historic North Carolina town that has played a large role in the drama of America's growth as a nation of high principle.

The town is Edenton, situated on the banks of the Chowan River in northeastern North Carolina. Its streets and buildings, dating to the early 1700's, are a living chapter in the history of our great Nation.

"Ye Towne on Queen Anne's Creek," incorporated in 1722, was swept along in the rapid growth of North Carolina. As an official port of entry along the Albemarle Sound, Edenton became a melting pot of immigrants searching for a better life in the New World.

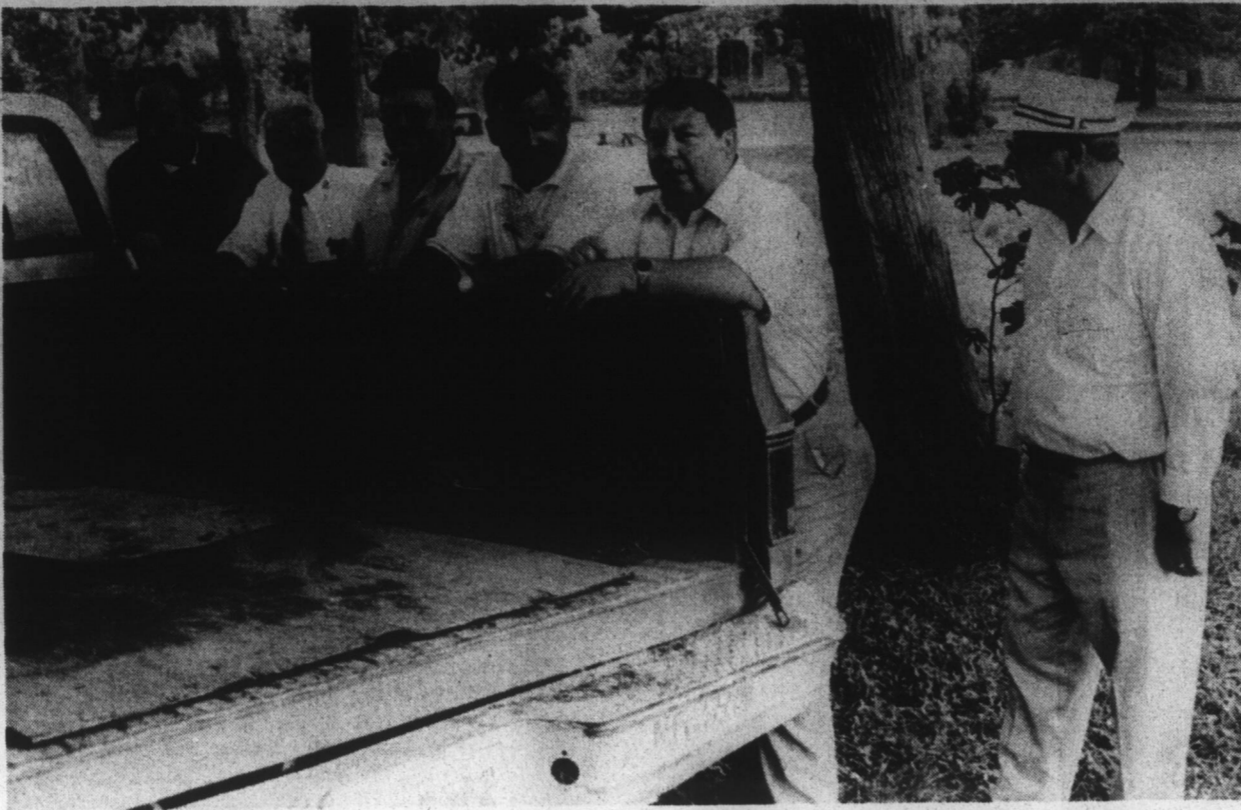
The Scotch-Irish, Germans, Scottish Highlanders, Welsh, and English filtering into Edenton in the 1760's brought a wealth of trade knowledge to the port town. They also brought with them a fierce loyalty to their new home—a loyalty that would make Edenton a center for the patriots cause during the Revolutionary War.

England's heavy-handed taxes met with feisty resistance from Edenton's women. In October 25, 1775, these brave women held the famed Edenton Tea Party to protest England's tea tax. This historic tea party, during which the women resolved not to drink any more of the taxed tea, was the first known female political activity in the colonies.

Mr. President, as England continued to threaten the colonies' independence, Edenton's patriots sprang to action. The town boasted such prominent individuals as Joseph Hewes, who later signed the Declaration of Independence, and Hugh Williamson, a signer of the Constitution. Edenton also produced two of the country's greatest statesmen: Samuel Johnston and James Iredell.

The political career of Samuel Johnston spanned nearly 5 decades, those turbulent years when our infant Nation was struggling for independence. Johnston felt that England's unfair actions were a stab at America's freedom, and he led North Carolina's fight for our Nation's rights.

Johnston was a leading figure on the political scene. He was Governor of North Carolina, the first U. S. Senator from our State, and president of the North



NOT EMPTY FOR LONG — Some 30 growers from throughout Chowan County are expected to have produce ready for the opening June 10 of a Farmer's Market on Highway 32. This pickup truck, owned by Thomas Paul Griffin, won't be empty as shown in this promotional picture. Left to right are: R. M. (Pete) Thompson, chairman, Agricultural Committee, Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce; Jerry Hendee, chamber executive; Griffin, Wayland Spivey, technician with the Agricultural Extension Service; Oscar White, president of the chamber; and Murray Goodwin, extension service agent. The market will be open from 10 A.M. until 6 P.M. and on Saturday from 10 A.M. until 1 P.M.

Tax Increase Is Proposed

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Also, the board reappointed Mrs. Nancy Wood to the Edenton

Carolina Convention in 1788. He was a great mind, a man of impeccable integrity, and uncompromising morals.

James Iredell, another of Edenton's great statesmen, also directed his efforts toward the colonies' rights. In North Carolina he served as a superior court judge, as attorney general, and on the Council of State. Iredell's eloquent interpretations of law drew national attention, and in 1790 he was appointed associate justice of the Supreme Court.

So, Mr. President, these two men epitomized North Carolina's progressive spirit. They fought for justice. They spoke for the people. They served the Nation.

Through the diligent efforts of its fine citizens, Edenton has withstood the winds of change. Within the town's confines remain the echoes of yesteryear. As Roy Thompson, a well-known North Carolina journalist, once wrote: "Unlike Williamsburg, which is a restored glory, Edenton is an antique that has been lived in continuously."

Every two years, Edenton Woman's Club conducts its biennial pilgrimage through the town. It is a journey into the past, a quiet walk past a number of the 61 18th- and 19th-century homes in the town and countryside.

Several of these buildings are listed with the National Register of Historic Places, and three have been named National Historic Landmarks. And in 1976, to recognize the townspeople's proud preservation of the past, Edenton, and Chowan County were appointed a national bicentennial community.

Mr. President, I urge anyone interested in our Nation's history to visit Edenton. The town's good people embody both the character of America and the down home, southern hospitality of North Carolina.

Edenton has stood firm for close to three centuries. And the townspeople will see to it that Edenton's foundations—liberty, justice and freedom—will never weaken.

zoning board; Mac Privott and Margie Harrell to the Edenton Board of Adjustments; Warren Twiddy to the airport commission and David Henson to the board of Eastern Carolina Health Systems Agency.

We are always a little bit suspicious of those who assure us that they want nothing.

Outer Banks Weekend

Well, we meandered along the Outer Banks last weekend, thanks to the generous hospitality of Tanya Young at Ocean House Motel. The occasion was the unfolding of the second phase of Tanya's Tarheel Collection.

(See feature on Page 8-A). The collection is a growing series of designer-decorated rooms, each one representing a very special facet of North Carolina history or geography. And each room in the collection is unique.

We were with an elite group. Hardly had we settled in before we saw Amy O'Neal, the daughter of Jeanne O'Neal—the best legal secretary on Cheapside. Amy is a seasoned reporter for the Durham papers.

The first night we were sorta adventuresous. That explains why we ate at the Papagayo, a Mexican place in the Coratan Inn. The sign headdressed the Papagayo as "the best place between here and Chapel Hill." Maybe, if you like it hot!

Tanya had greeted us with a fresh fruit basket and a sack of interesting materials. There were handsome brochures from Carteret County and Tryon Place; none from Historic Edenton.

The most interesting new place on the beach is J. Fleming Munde's Restaurant. That experience was saved until Saturday night so we could observe our 24th wedding anniversary a bit early at the same time. We were greeted by Gayle Young, an Outer Banks transplant from along the Public Parade.

While we waited to be served the Keith Johnsons and Ernie Knightons appeared. And we got a glimpse of young Jackie Ricks when she arrived for dinner.

One of the most fantastically interesting happenings on the Tar Heel coast is a time sharing housing complex, Outer Banks Beach Club. The idea to buy certain weeks at the facilities arrived in the area a year ago. Saturday was the first anniversary of the decision to "go" with the project. The first contracts were signed in late summer.

Mike Kuntz, general manager, gleefully reported that the 1,000th contract was written Friday. When completed, Outer Banks Beach Club will include 20 buildings of four apartments each. The big promotion of the project was during the winter months and as many as 52 people were employed.

"Remember, we did it just for fun and we're still doing it!" That's Tanya Young's slogan. We are glad that she did and is.

Extension Post Is Abolished

The budget crunch has taken its toll in the Chowan County Agricultural Extension Service. An important position has been closed out and existing personnel will take up the slack.

Mrs. Connie Sherrill, specialist in housing, home furnishing and clothing, has resigned and will take a position in Edgecombe County, according to an announcement made Monday by Cliff Copeland, county manager.

Mrs. Sherrill has been with the local department since October, 1978.

Mrs. Fran Ward, acting extension chairman, said Mrs. Sherrill had done a splendid job in

Chowan County. "We not only hate to see Connie leave," Mrs. Ward said, "but we are sorry the position is being closed out."

The post was one of several across North Carolina being eliminated due to federal budget cuts.

Mrs. Ward will assume added duties in housing and home furnishings and Mrs. Theresa Ford will add clothing to her other duties.

Dance Academy Performance Set

The Chowan County Academy of Dance, directed by Marsha T. Gordon, will present a performance Saturday night at 8:30 o'clock in the John A. Holmes High School Auditorium.

"The Magic Garden", "Snowflakes In June", and "We're Wiz 'In" will be performed.

Tickets are \$2.50 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. Proceeds will be donated to the Chowan Arts Council. For further information call 771-5133.

We are encouraged with the progress of the human race whenever we meet a person who admits he doesn't know the answer to something.

Fishermen

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they have," Peele added. "It's getting tight on them (the commercial fishermen), really tight."

Copeland said he had told state and federal officials that the situation warrants designation as a disaster area and county leaders are presenting the case in a forceful manner.



HOSTS SECOND JAIL SCHOOL — Sheriff Troy Toppin, left, and Joe Johnson, instructor-coordinator for the N.C. Justice Academy at Salemburg, are shown here discussing a jail school now being held in Edenton. This is the second such course here since the new Chowan County Detention Facility was opened.

Jail School Now In Session

Thirteen students, including the Sheriff of Washington County, are this week attending a 40-hour course in jail operations in Edenton. The course is being taught in cooperation of Chowan County Sheriff's Department.

Sheriff Troy Toppin pointed out that this is the second such course provided here since the new Chowan County Detention Facility was opened. Joe Johnson, instructor-coordinator with the N. C. Justice Academy in Salemburg is directing the school.

Among the students is Sheriff Jim Whitehurst of Washington County. Five of the students are from Chowan County with others

coming from Tyrrell, Martin and Pasquotank counties.

Johnson said the Academy, a branch of the N. C. Attorney General's Office, is co-sponsoring the course with the Jail and Detention Branch of the N. C. Department of Human Resources. Training includes lectures, discussions and practical exercises.

At the conclusion of the week, students must take and pass a certification test.

Sheriff Toppin said having the course taught here is a great convenience for area law enforcement officers. He said he appreciates the cooperation of the state agencies.

Correction

The Sidewalk Sale Circular in today's edition of The Chowan Herald contains a typographical error in the Quinn Furniture Company ad.

The correct price is as below:

Sale

"Nights of Rest"
Regular Bed Size

MATTRESS & SPRINGS

Regular \$199

\$129 Set

The Chowan Herald regrets this error and is sorry for any inconvenience it may have caused the company or its customers.

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CONSTRUCTING NEW PLANT



Bill Lassiter, who has been connected with the LP gas industry for 27 years, and self employed for 10 years, wishes to announce that he is now constructing a plant on Mexico Road.

He has served 907 satisfied customers and would welcome the opportunity to serve YOU.

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