

Commentaries On Edenton Tea Party Celebration

(Editor's Note: Two recent editorials of local interest appeared in The Daily Advance.)

October 27, 1981
Once again, Edenton has demonstrated to the Albemarle and the rest of the state just what history can mean by staging, for the second year in a row, a celebration of the famous Edenton Tea Party of 1774. It's too bad more regional citizens weren't on hand to witness and take part in the festivities. It was a first-class operation and one that should be used as an example by other historic-minded communities in the Albemarle.

Edenton realized, before such ideas were fashionable, the valuable lessons offered by its rich history and began capitalizing on those attributes when historic districts and historic registers were only dim terms used in Washington, D.C., Williamsburg, Va. and other "faraway" historic places.

Those who did attend this weekend's ceremonies probably were startled by the decided understatement of everything. Those who came expecting glittery fireworks shows, overrated and exotic baked goods, and outrageously priced art and craft works were no doubt pleasantly surprised.

There were no fireworks shows. There were, instead, elaborately recreated battles staged by a crackerjack regiment, simple, authentic and moderately priced goodies and furniture and other items of colonial life that were handmade with

colonial replica tools. In short, what Edenton did was demonstrate how genuine historical celebrations should be implemented, not only for the good time of participants but also as a living example of what our history was.

What Edenton did, and will continue doing so long as the public shows its support, is renew our sense of history and tell us where we've been so that we will know where we are going. That's a mighty important undertaking and one that every community in the Albemarle, no matter how rich or sparse its history, should emulate.

November 1, 1981
The historic town of Edenton and Chowan County have many shining attributes connected with their progressiveness and reputation. Unfortunately, the chamber of commerce is not one of them - it needs a lot of polishing from a lot of people.

It would be almost unforgivable if chamber members don't join with all business concerns in that region to improve the situation, especially after the admonition the group got last week at their annual banquet from Edward M. Walker, head of the Pitt-Greenville Chamber of Commerce, one of the most successful in the state.

Walker charged the group to become more actively involved in economic matters concerning the town and county and urged full participation from members. That is certainly needed, but there is more to it.

It would certainly be unfair to chamber members to lay all the blame for poor membership and dwindling funds on them alone. That is not the case. It takes an entire business community to make a chamber work, just as it takes an entire community to let it fall into disarray. If there is interest, there will be participation. If there is participation, there will be accomplishments. And if there are accomplishments there will be growth and prosperity.

The task before chamber members now is to renew their efforts in rebuilding and reshaping their organization into the valuable tool it can be in boosting Edenton and helping it to grow and preserve those ideals it has held onto so well over the years.

At the same time, it is the task of the business community to welcome overtures from existing chamber members to come aboard. There is really no logical reason why every business in the town shouldn't be a member. There is everything to gain and nothing to lose.

Besides that, the region is fairly bursting with a readiness for growth. The extremely valuable historic aspects are there, as is a budding boating industry, cotton crop and other possibilities.

All these facets are just waiting for a guiding hand to

Research Fund Is Approved By Graham

RALEIGH — An agricultural research program funded by assessing each ton of feed and fertilizer sold in the state has been endorsed by state Agriculture Commissioner Jim Graham.

Called "Nickles For Know-How," the program has been approved by the N. C. Board of Agriculture for a referendum to be held November 24.

"I wholeheartedly endorse the nickles program and urge passage of the referendum," the commissioner said. "Upon passage, the assessment will be increased from five cents to ten cents a ton for feed and fertilizer. This will fund far more needed research."

According to officials of the N. C. Agricultural Foundation, Inc., sponsors of the nickles program, slide presentations, brochures, posters, fact booklets, explaining the program and recommending its support are available through county extension offices.

With his endorsement of the program, Graham encouraged use of the informational materials and suggested the slide presentations for civic clubs, farmer meetings and similar groups.

develop and exploit them to the benefit of the entire community.

But none of that is going to

happen unless chamber members become, as Walker put it, "doers", and inspire non-members to join

up so that an entire chamber of commerce can function properly for the betterment of the region.

Campbell Is Elected President

Tom Campbell, vice president and general manager of WGAI Radio in Elizabeth City, has been voted president elect of the N. C. Association of Broadcasters. Meeting in their annual convention in Asheville, the statewide group selected radio and television directors for the organization.

Campbell's election slates him to take over the presidency of the NCAB for the 1982-83 year.

First elected to the board in 1978, Campbell has been serving as vice president for radio during the past year. He first got involved in the association while managing WGTM Radio in Wilson, North Carolina, and after moving to Elizabeth City,

active in community affairs, with Tom winning the Jaycee's Distinguished Service Award in 1981 and is currently serving as Chairman of the Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Committee of 100 and a member of the Industrial Development Commission.

Campbell and his wife, Lib, have two children; Lisa, 12 and Richard, 9. They have both been very

survival. He was introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

He participated in an active physical conditioning

Pvt. Riddick Completes Training

Marine Pvt. Edward L. Riddick, son of James E. Riddick and Dorothy V. Riddick, Route 2, Edenton has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S. C.

During the 11 week training cycle, he learned the basics of battlefield

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Letter To The Editor

I am sure that many readers of the Chowan Herald have followed with fascination the television series "Cosmos" as narrated by Dr. Carl Sagan, Professor of Astronomy at Cornell University. I am equally sure that many of us have read his comments in the prestigious journal, Time. However, there is a fly in the ointment which has been carefully concealed from the public.

In Time (October 20, 1980, page 63) we read these words, "Sagan, also issues some open challenges. To creationists, who argue for a Biblical interpretation of life's beginnings, he states that evolution is not a theory, it is a fact." On March 9, 1981, Amy Musher (a Time editor) assures by letter that Dr. Sagan's remarks were carefully checked for accuracy by Sagan himself and are true. Therefore, the case surely

must be (1) that the speaker on "Cosmos" has issued challenges to Biblical creationists, and (2) that Sagan knew that evolution was not merely a theory but a fact.

If Professor Sagan is right about evolution, then nothing really matters. On the other hand, if we are right about our views of God and creation, then nothing else matters more.

What the readers of this newspaper do not know is that these "open challenges" have been taken up by Dr. Thomas B. Warren, Ph.D. (Vanderbilt University) and that letters have been sent to Sagan since December 4, 1980, and he has never had either the courtesy nor perhaps the courage to reply.

The respected Time magazine has responded to letters sent, but has refused to print any communication

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