

Parker, Amburn Receive Leadership Awards

Thanksgiving 1981

There has been frost on the pumpkins a few times this fall, the harvest is almost complete, and Christmas promotions have already begun. It must be Thanksgiving!

This is an important time for those who meander along the Public Parade, especially, since we have so very, very much to give thanks for. We live among people who care for one another; in a community of diversified business, industry and agriculture.

The United States has hit on difficult economic times. Joblessness alone will cause many Americans to have to eat a little closer to the bone this year. We are thankful that while general conditions leave a lot to be desired the people along the Public Parade are not as affected as those in other parts of the country.

The United States has a government which is constantly being tested, from within as well as from outside its jurisdiction. We are thankful that while not perfect, our system of government has always stood the test of time.

Closer home, those who till the soil have barned a bountiful harvest. Although it is always difficult to make up for huge losses the good years produce more vim and vigor for the future.

This is our 17th Thanksgiving along the Public Parade. And we are thankful for every last one of them. Some have been better than others. This one will weigh heavier than any because of the death of our Mother and our eldest son. Nevertheless, we are thankful for their lives, the joy they gave us and the fond memories to be cherished for the remainder of our days. We are also thankful for our first grandson who was born in time for Christmas.

Illness has kept us away from Cheap Side for much of the past two months. To say we have missed it is a gross understatement. We are, though, grateful, as well as thankful, for the dedicated "crew" at The Chowan Herald. They are all unsung heroes as far as we are concerned.

We have taken on new business partners in endeavors outside the newspaper and we are thankful they too have cheerfully gone the extra mile in lessening our burden.

It is unfortunate that it takes tragedy of near fatal proportions to cause us to change our lifestyle. At such a time, we are fortunate to have and, thankful for, friends as well as associates who understand. The outpouring of love and concern, coupled with physicians guided by the Great One, make us more aware of our mission.

And always standing as a stalwart is the family, one strengthened by another, and another, and others. They share the bad as well as the good, the hurt as well as the joy. For this we are thankful.

Regardless of station in life, everyone has something for which to be thankful. It could be that display of humility might be more filling than the customary turkey with all the trimmings.

Think about it, and be thankful not only at Thanksgiving but every day so long as you live.

Another's View

Among the regular editorials we read are from the pen of Joel Lawhorn at Capitol Broadcasting Company in Raleigh. Two of his timely pieces follow:

David Stockman

David Stockman's comments to the Atlantic Monthly have seriously damaged his credibility.

In spite of his acknowledged ability as a brilliant and hard-working manager, he can no longer be an effective spokesman for President Reagan's economic program. He has lost credibility with Congress and the public and should be replaced.

However, we don't believe that what he actually said was as earth-shattering as the media are making it seem. After all, President Reagan himself has recently indicated doubts about the time-table for economic

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RALEIGH — John W. (Jack) Parker, area extension swine specialist stationed at Edenton, and L. F. Amburn, Jr., editor and publisher of The Chowan Herald, also in Edenton, received leadership awards at N. C. State University here last week.

Parker received one of four outstanding leadership awards from the N. C. Agricultural Ex-

tension Service.

Amburn was one of three persons who received "Friend of Extension" awards from Epsilon Sigma Phi, the professional fraternity of agricultural extension workers. The award was presented Friday at an awards breakfast at Jane S. McKinnon Center.

Parker received the award

November 17 at a state conference of the extension service at N. C. State University.

The specialist, who works in a 12-county area of Northeastern North Carolina, was cited for his leadership of a broad, well rounded educational program for pork producers and the county extension agents who work with those farmers.

Parker, who has been in extension work 21 years, was cited specifically for his thorough knowledge of the swine industry and for his ability to enlist the support of agribusiness, farmer leaders and county agents in presenting helpful informational programs to farmers.

The advances the northeastern area has made in rapid expansion

into largescale swine production have been closely guided by Parker, the citation said.

Parker is a native of Northampton County.

Others receiving the extension leadership award were Dr. Jack Baird, specialist in charge, soil science; Dr. Frank Sargent, dairy specialist, and William S. Lamm, Lenoir County extension chairman.

Dr. T. C. Blalock of Raleigh, retiring director of the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, made the Epsilon Sigma Phi

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Dr. Chester Black

Jack Parker



Dr. T. C. Blalock

L. F. Amburn, Jr.

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State Leaders Are Honored

RALEIGH — At its November 19 Awards Dinner, the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina honored 14 leaders in historic preservation in the state, with the presentation of the Cannon Cup, the Stedman Incentive Grant of \$1,000 and the 12 Awards of Merit.

The Edenton Woman's Club won an Award of Merit, which for the first time "The Gertrude S. Carraway Awards of Merit," in honor of one of the state's most distinguished historians. The Edenton club was cited "for their continued work to raise funds for the sustained preservation of this Colonial capital through the Biennial Pilgrimage."

Historic Edenton is a past recipient of the coveted Cannon Cup. The 1981 Award went to an individual, James Robert Warren of Wilmington.

Winner of the \$1,000 Stedman Incentive Grant was Harnett County Historical Society Foundation, Inc., of Buie's Creek for restoration of the James Archibald Campbell House, home of the founder of Campbell University.

These awards were only part of the 68th annual observance of Culture Week in North Carolina, the unique gathering of 13 different art, music, historical and literary organizations holding separate annual meetings at the same time, but not together.

Jaycees Host Christmas Party

The Christmas season is at hand and the Edenton Jaycees are planning their annual Needy Children's Christmas Party. The Jaycees consider this the most important and rewarding event of the year.

Proceeds for the project will be raised from the sale of dry roasted peanuts produced here in Edenton by Fisher Nut. There will be a radio day this Saturday, on WCDJ and WBXB. Please call in and support this needed cause. Jaycees will also be selling peanuts during the Christmas Parade on Sunday.

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Mayor Accused Of Violating Town Charter

Mayor Roy L. Harrell and Councilman Allen Hornthal have locked horns again, this time over the reorganization of Town Council at last week's meeting where two new councilmen took seats.

Dr. Hornthal, councilman-at-large with two years to serve on his term, was unseated as mayor pro tem by a vote of the council. Councilman Steve Hampton was named to the post along with being named chairman of the Finance Committee, succeeding Councilman W. H. Hollowell, Jr., another veteran board member.

Dr. Hornthal was named a member of the tree committee. He was passed over by Mayor Harrell for any of the three major committees - finance, public works and utilities.

Councilman Willis Privott was

named chairman of the Utilities Committee with members being Hampton and Hollowell.

Serving on the Finance Committee with Hampton is newly-elected Erwin Griffin and Privott.

Another newly-elected member, Dr. James Fenner, was named chairman of the Public Works Committee. Serving with him will be Griffin. The reverse order prevails on the Parks and Recreation Committee where Griffin is chairman and Dr. Fenner is a member.

Dr. Hornthal objected to the manner in which Mayor Harrell handled the reorganization at the meeting. He pointed out that the method was in violation of the Town Charter, which states that "the board of council shall create the" committees with each composed of two or more mem-

bers. While Hollowell recognized the violation he stopped short of judgment of merits of the appointments.

"It was totally politically motivated," Dr. Hornthal said after the meeting. "I expected to be deemed to a minor role, but I didn't expect the political reprisals to be so blatant and flagrant," he continued.

The councilman, who has run unsuccessfully against Mayor Harrell, said while the assignments "severely limits my ability to serve on the council" he has no intention of resigning.

Mayor Harrell has denied doing anything that is out of line with past actions of mayors. He said appointment of committees of town council by mayors has been standard procedure for the last 15

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Farm-City Banquet Emphasizes Interdependence

It is National Farm - City Week this week, celebrating the close unity that is needed between the farmer and city dweller. The need for this closeness is quite evident. Without the farmer, those in the city would have nothing to eat. Without the city, the farmer would have no equipment to grow and harvest his crop with.

To celebrate this unity, the nation sets aside one week every

year, known as Farm-City Week. In honor of this, Chowan County has an annual banquet each year, where those from the farms in the county and those in the urban areas, can gather to eat together and share their knowledge.

The 1981 Annual Farm - City Week Banquet was held in the Jaycee Hut last Monday night.

The guest speaker for the event, was Buddy Atkins, who spoke about water quality; the reasons for bad water quality and their solutions.

Also named at the banquet was the 4-H Corn Award, given by the Edenton Lions Club. The winners were: ages 9-12, Danny Pippins; ages 13-14, Stephen Bass; ages 15- and older, Anna Goodwin.

Ashley Enters Not Guilty Plea To Fraud Charges

HERTFORD — Wayne Ashley, former executive with Bank of North Carolina here, has entered a plea of not guilty to charges that he falsified loan records and embezzled \$176,000 from the bank.

The plea was entered last week in U. S. District Court in New Bern. He has requested a jury trial and no date has been set for trial.

Spokesmen for the bank and federal government have said evidence against Ashley was discovered earlier in the year during investigation of a multi-state fraud scheme which involved BNC.

The recipient of the Outstanding

Young Farmer and Rancher award, given by the Edenton Jaycees, was Joe Carroll Byrum, III and H. Fahey Byrum. Both were well deserving of the award.

This week shows the close unity in which the farm and city have to work, to insure a better and prosperous future for all.



RECEIVE OUTSTANDING FARMER AWARDS — H. Fahey Byrum, Jr., left, and Joe Carroll Byrum, III., right received the Outstanding Young Farmer and Rancher award from Gary Anderson, President of the Edenton Jaycees. The award was given Monday night at the Farm-City Banquet.



DECLARES THIS WEEK FARM-CITY WEEK — Mayor Roy Harrell looks at the resolution declaring this week Farm-City Week. Looking on are, left to right, Tom Shepard, C. A. Phillips, Harrell, Mike Williams, and Jerry Hendee.