



Public Parade

Jones Stands Tall

Democrats in the First Congressional District have an opportunity May 8 to say "thank you" to Rep. Walter B. Jones. A vote of appreciation for past service and a vote of confidence in the future is appropriate.

Rep. Jones, now in his 18th year in Washington, is among the country's most elected people. The former resident along the Public Parade won in the Special Democratic Primary Election on December 18, 1965, and again in the Special General Election on February 5, 1966. These events were brought about by the death of Rep. Herbert Bonner after a 25-year tenure.

The amiable congressman has won re-election every two years since 1966. He has won twice over now U.S. Sen. John East. There also have been "so so" opponents.

In each election, Rep. Jones has run on his record. He's doing it again Tuesday and has probably his greatest challenge.

The opposition is young, idealistic, well organized and well financed. The opponent's nomination is risky at best; a risk the people can ill afford.

The First Congressional District has been characterized by Secretary of State Thad Eure as "The Fantastic First." The good secretary calculated 13 years ago that the 21 counties in the district had a total of 12,244 square miles. The area is larger than at least nine states—Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Vermont.

From the yellowed pages of the Public Parade came this portion of the endorsement of Rep. Jones, on December 15, 1965:

"This candidate has proven to produce results rather than lip service. He is a man you can put your finger on and depend upon to be the same today, tomorrow, next week and next year. He believes in progress but he believes stronger in principle."

A month previously he had in announcing his candidacy:

"I trust my legislative (municipal and state) records in the interest of a more progressive Eastern North Carolina merits the vote and support of the people of the First Congressional District."

It did and does Tuesday, (LFA).



MAY PLAY DAY—Kathy and Michael Mann perform traditional folk music using a variety of instruments, including a hammered dulcimer built by Michael, a luter. The Manns will appear at May Play Day on Saturday, May 5 at Rocky Hock Community Center, located approximately 8 miles outside of Edenton. (Related story on page 12-B).

Primary Polls Open Next Tuesday

By Ron Anderson

Nearly 7,000 registered voters in Chowan County have an opportunity to go to the polls next Tuesday, May 8. (A sample ballot is printed on page 11-B).

They will be voting in both the Democratic and Republican primaries as well as choosing a candidate to fill the vacant 1st Township seat on the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education.

The polls will be open from 6:30 A.M. until 7:30 P.M. with curbside voting allowed only during the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Democrats will be able to vote for the entire slate (except for Republican candidates) as they appear on the machine. Republicans will be able to vote for Republican candidates, the non-partisan Board of Education seat and a Constitutional Amendment.

All voters will vote for the vacant first township seat on the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education. Four candidates for this office are listed on the ballot, but only Lois Jordan and C.B. Smith are still running.

In the Democratic primaries, Democrats will be voting for either Walter Mondale, Gary Hart, or

Jesse Jackson to become the Democratic Presidential candidate. They will also be voting for either Jim Hunt, Harrill Jones or Tom Alfred to run for the U.S. Senate.

John Gillam and Walter B. Jones are running for the U.S. Congress (1st Congressional District).

Democrats may also select two candidates for the State House of Representatives from Charles D. Evans, Vernon James, or Robert Wilkins.

For governor, the Democrats may choose from a total of ten candidates listed on the ballot including Rufus Edmisten, Lauch Faircloth, Tom Gilmore, Jimmy Green, John Ingram, and Eddie Knox.

Democrats running for Lt. Governor are Bob Jordan, Stephen Miller and Carl Stewart, Jr.; running for Secretary of State: Thad Eure and Betty Ann Knudsen; for Commissioner of Insurance: Jim Long and Billy Martin; for Commissioner of Labor, Dick Barnes, John C. Brooks and Donald Wiseman.

Republicans will be choosing their candidate for U.S. Senator, a candidate for Governor, and a can-

didate for Lt. Governor. Jesse Helms and George Wimbish are running for the Senate; Rudy

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Town Officials Denied Request

by Maru Amburn

Edenton town officials in Wilson last Wednesday requested leave of their membership in the North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency.

However, none of the 31 other member cities offered to purchase Edenton's share in the municipal electric cooperative as hoped by Mayor Roy Harrell.

After the mayor's attempt to sell Edenton's ownership share failed, Harrell questioned the competence of the NCEMPA staff, the use of weighted voting and high salaries of staff, attorneys and consultants for the agency.

According to the power agency staff, even if Edenton's offer to sell its ownership share had been successful, the town would still remain under long-term indebtedness due to its contract with the agency.

Speaking for over one-hour without notes, Harrell also cited the loss to the power agency when three units of the CP&L Shearon Harris nuclear power plant were cancelled. The mayor charged that the plant closing should have been expected by the high priced agency consultants.

Ralph Shaw NCEMPA general manager responded, "At the time of the signing of the contract (establishing the power cooperative) the cancellation of (Shearon Harris) units III and IV was an accepted fact."

"That cost would have been in the rates anyway," Shaw said.

Earlier news accounts quoted the Edenton mayor's attack on the weighted vote policy, "The only chance this agency has is to put it back in the hands of the people. Right now it is operating in the hands of six big towns (Wilson, Greenville, Kinston, Rocky Mount, New Bern, and Louisburg) and the vote is weighted in favor of those towns."

Harrell requested that the voting policy be changed to a one-town one-vote system in order that the majority might rule. Power agency officials said board of directors has the power to change voting procedure if they desire to do so.

In an interview Thursday night, the mayor said, "I never thought for one moment that the agency would let go of the goose that lays the golden egg. We are the golden egg and they are not going to let us escape."

Advance Community Residents Express Opposition At Hearing

by Maru Amburn

Over 200 residents of the Advance Community in Chowan County expressed their opposition to the town of Edenton's proposed location of a land application facility until 1 a.m., Friday at Swain School auditorium.

Edenton is proposing to construct its 600-acre, \$6.8-million sewage treatment facility on what the residents called, "the heart of an agricultural community."

The town, having been ordered to convert to land application treatment in order to protect the nitrogen and phosphorus sensitive Chowan River has focused its study on the C.H. Small farm site, northwest of Edenton. Due to the large acreage needed, Edenton was forced to seek a site outside city boundaries.

Advance Community residents formed a citizen's coalition group soon after the town announced the Small site as its probable location for the plant. Over 700 residents within a two-mile radius of the proposed waste-water treatment plant signed a petition expressing their concern that the system location challenges the quality of their lives and the value of their property.

Among concerns expressed to the Town Council are the potential for groundwater contamination, air-

borne viruses, and further pollution of the Chowan River by land application run-off.

Stephen Burch, a Windsor attorney representing the coalition, called for a full-disclosure Environmental Impact Statement if the Small site is to be selected for the land application facility. Burch also noted that the "Farmland Protection Act of 1982" protects prime agricultural land from usage transfer.

Burch, who was interrupted by loud applause several times during his presentation continued, "The buffer zones (of sweet gum and sycamore trees) discussed prove that there will be odors and spray in the air."

During a two-hour information session, a panel of specialists assured Advance Community residents that the system would not be allowed in their area unless it is environmentally and economically sound.

The criteria used in site selection, as outlined by L.E. Wooten and Company consultant Ford Chambliss, is the type of soils that are economically sound and the environmental impact of the site.

Using this criteria, consultants hired by the town to evaluate sites determined that the Small site was

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NEW BROKER—Ruth Quesnel, in her King Street office, anticipates active business as an Edenton stockbroker.

Quesnel Joins Brokerage Firm

Ruth M. Quesnel has joined the Edenton office of Carolina Securities Corporation as a

Registered Representative for this member firm of the New York Stock Exchange.

Original Iredell Portrait Acquired

A new acquisition for the James Iredell House is the original portrait of Frances Tredwell Iredell, wife of Gov. James Iredell, Jr. The portrait was painted in 1857 by artist William Garle Brown of New York City.

The portrait was purchased by the James Iredell Association from the descendant and owner, Mrs. Frances Iredell Luther, 117 South 17th Street, Wilmington, for \$2,000.

Procurement of the portrait culminates several years of correspondence and negotiations with Mrs. Luther by the Association's Chairman of Descendants, Mrs. Cornelia Jones Privott.

John Smith, Past President of the Iredell Association, and his wife Evelyn, Mrs. Linda Eure, Site Manager, and Mrs. Cornelia Privott purchased the portrait in Wilmington on Monday, April 30. They brought the portrait home to Edenton to eventually hang in the breakfast room of the Iredell House along with her famous husband, Gov. James Iredell, Jr.

Acquisition of this portrait brings to reality the Association's long sought dream of having four original portraits of the Iredell family displayed in the Iredell House.

The Spokane, Washington native became associated with the securities corporation when they expanded their location in Edenton.

Quesnel, 30, was previously associated with Paine Webber Jackson & Curtis as Branch Manager and Vice President of Marketing in their Sun Valley, Idaho office.

Her husband, Chuck Lloyd, is employed by the Coast Guard Air Craft and Supply Center in Elizabeth City. They have lived on Church Street in Hertford since March 1.

Carolina Securities Corporation offers investments typically available through New York Stock Exchange member firms including stocks, bonds, options and mutual funds, oil and gas tax shelters, real estate partnerships and deferred annuities.

Court News

Chowan County District Court was in session May 1, the Honorable J. Richard Parker presiding over the criminal calendar.

Thomas Melton Hall was found guilty of receiving stolen property. He was sentenced to a minimum of 7 months - maximum of 9 months suspended on the condition that he pay a fine of \$250 and cost of court.

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Accident Near Chowan River Bridge

by Maru Amburn

The driver of a three-axle trailer truck was uninjured when he skidded into the marsh surrounding Highway 17 by-pass Edenton, just north of the Chowan River Bridge.

Ray Davis, of Beulaville, North Carolina, was attempting to pass a

Maroon Chrysler Cordoba at approximately 5:15 P.M. last Thursday when its driver came to a sudden stop. Davis then careened into the embankment to avoid a rear-end collision with the other vehicle.

Davis was transporting an empty mobile home from Snug Harbor

to Connor Mobile Homes in Beulaville. The mobile home appeared to have been damaged by the tornado which struck Snug Harbor earlier in April.

"I wasn't hurt," Davis said immediately following the accident,

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COORDINATED EFFORT—Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services representatives observe the accident aftermath as the North Carolina Highway Patrolman escorts the driver of the wrecked three-axle trailer truck to his patrol car for questioning. (Photo by Maru Amburn).