

One trouble with George Bush is that he keeps saying the wrong pledge. He should stand up, cross his heart and

"I pledge allegiance to the United Credit Card of the United States of America and to the deficit for which it stands, one obligation, indivisible, with bankruptcy for us all."

Then, when we read his lips, we would know that he is telling the truth.

For a presidential candidate who talks "values," who wants "a strong America," who would "deal from strength," in a "kinder, gentler" climate, for such a candidate to avoid discussion and duck questions about the national budget and trade deficits says something about the level of his intellectual integrity.

After all, we all want to achieve higher values, to maintain a strong America and to deal from wisdom as well as strength; but at least some of us realize none of these goals can be achieved by spending \$200 billion a year more than we earn and by buying some \$150 billion a year more than we are able to

The Vice President likes to talk about traditional values standing before a backdrop of the flag. One of the most basic of those values requires us to pay our honest debts through hard work and frugal management. But when it comes to dealing with that value, Mr. Bush is apt to respond with a false statement, that "we reduced the deficit by \$70 billion under Gramm-Rudman last year" when, in fact, more than \$140 billion was added.

Mr. Bush would rather talk about gun control, being tough on crime, putting prayer back in the schools, things that a president really has very little to do with. He shies away from those problems, such as taxes and deficits, with which the next president will certainly have to deal.

For example, under the next administration the interest on the \$2 trillion national debt will exceed the amount of red ink used during the year. Without an increase in rates, interest on the national debt will amount to \$150 billion in 1989, or about 14 per cent of the total federal budget.

That will be more than \$140 billion in red ink being forecast for 1989. And it will recur

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Cables Cut

ELIZABETH CITY--Carolina Telephone customers in the Albemarle area who attempted to make long-distance calls Sunday and Monday may have been unable to complete their calls.

Long-distance cables were cut, preventing these calls from being completed, accord-ing to Bill Meekins, Carolina Telephone's district community relations manager. cople affected by the cut cables would have received a recorded message informing them that the call could not be

completed, he said. "All of us at Carolina Telephone work very hard to maintain 24-hour trouble-free telephone service, but in this trol. One thing to remembe r long-distance calls is that hen everything else fails, al 0 to reach a Carolina Telephone operator or dial 00 to reach your long-distance operator," Meckins said.

Council Approves Rezoning Request

After 15 years of effort, Judy Earnhardt Adams was successful Tuesday night in gaining the rezoning of the last parcel of her land fronting on Virginia Road Street.

Edenton Town Council voted to approve the rezoning of the five acre parcel between Luke Street and U.S. 17 Bypass from R-20, agriculturalresidential, to CH, highway commercial. Dissenting were Councilmen Willis Privott and Allen Harless.

The rezoning has been recommended by the Planning Board three times and rejected by the council twice.

Mayor John Dowd polled the council individually. Jimmy Alligood voted yes. E.N. (Pete) Manning reserved his comments until after hearing from Livy Goodman.

Goodman asked about a market analysis and a traffic survey which were not immediately available. He expressed concern that adequate planning had not been done for the highway intersections and that the uses allowed for highway commercial were "not applicable to Edenton." He mentioned that a new planning and rezoning document was in the works but wouldn't be ready for several

Dowd interjected with the observation that the high cost of the land would preclude adverse uses for the property. "No one could make a car wash work there."

Manning said that he had



Sarah Jordan

Campaign

Sarah Jordan, wife of gubernatorial candidate Bob Jordan, will be in Edenton at the old Chowan County Courthouse on Tuesday, October 25. The Chowan County Committee for Bob Jordan is hosting a coffee and "peanut-tasting party" from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Organizers for the event aid that there is no charge for the event which will provide an opportunity to visit with Mrs. Jordan on topics con-

cerning this area. Music will be provided by groups from Chowan and Pasquotank Counties. Mrs. Jordan will draw the winning ticket for a quilt being raffled

by Jordan supporters. The Jordans have been married for 30 years. She is a UNC-G graduate and is a former public school teacher. She has served three terms on the Board of the N.C. Children's Home Society, participated in the state's Study on Child Abuse and the Children's Subcommittee of the Mental Health Study Com-

mission.
Coordinators for the event Prances Hollowell and

"mixed feelings" and would prefer to wait for a consultant's advice. "If favorable, I would accept it." He suggested postponing a decision for a month.

Willis Privott said that he too would prefer to wait. He said that he didn't want to be put in the position later of saying, "I wish I hadn't done

There was no doubt in the mind of Councilwoman Marina Crummey. She said that council should listen to the Planning Board. Placing "stumbling blocks" in the path of progress can cause problems for growth she told council. "I think the lady has bent over backwards to produce what we have asked. I'm voting for it."

Allen Harless said simply, "I oppose the request."

Referring to this third request, Dowd said, "I think the council has had adequate time. I am for controlled growth in Edenton. I don't want Judy to have to wait another six months.'

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SANFORD VISITS--Senator Terry Sanford was in Edenton Monday, on the stump for the national and state Democratic tickets. He took time before the luncheon to go around the room and greet local Democrats. He had no kind words for the Republican slate and many for the Democratic side in this year's campaign.

Sanford Urges Demo Support

By JACK GROVE

Senator Terry Sanford

brought an impassioned plea for support of the Democratic ticket to Edenton Monday. An enthusiastic crowd of local

Generators Save

Edenton Money The Town of Edenton's two power bill by operating the 1,250 kilowatt diesel generagenerator during that one tors went on line July 1 of this

hour.

Operational costs are incurred when the generators are running. However, the avoidance factor far outweighs the cost of operation

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Boswell's Restaurant for a luncheon with the senator.

Sanford made a campaign sweep through Ahoskie, Edenton, Plymouth and Williamston, winding up with a dinner and reception in Washington, N.C. Monday evening.

Local Democrats heard Sanford take swipes at the Republican presidential and state gubernatorial tickets while praising Michael Dukakis, Lloyd Bentsen, Bob Jordan and Tony Rand.

Referring to polls showing the state and national candidates trailing, the senator told his listeners, "Democrats all

Democrats were on hand at over the state are kinda long in the mouth. But we've got three weeks," before election

> He mentioned the close race between President Harry Truman and his Republican challenger, Thomas Dewey in which some newspapers prematurely labeled Dewey the winner the morning after the election. "We've got plenty of time," to turn the results around for the Democrats, the crowd was told.

"It just won't do to have the Republicans in for four more years. We just can't afford that," he said with emphasis and to applause.

Sanford faulted Vice-President George Bush for his "first decision," that of naming Sen. Dan Quale as his running mate. Saying that, if elected, Bush would be naming Supreme Court Justices, he wondered, "How will he pick them?"

Quale was singled out for special criticism as a "totally inadequate person." He noted that Quale would be "a heart beat away from the Presidency," and said of the thought, "It's enough to make you shudder."

Bush was attacked for pinning labels on his opponent and for making issues of insignificant parts of Governor Dukakis' record. "He may say allegiance to the flag, but he sold weapons to people that burned the flag," the senator

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Banquet Scheduled

The eighteenth annual Appreciation Banquet for Chowan County Law Enforcement Officers will be held Thursday, October 20 (today) at 7 p.m. at American Legion Post 40 in Edenton.

The banquet annually honors all local law enforcement officers of the town, county, state and federal agencies that have arrest authority. Those expected to attend include law enforcement officers, judges, court personnel, elected officials and members of the general pub-

A special feature of the banquet is the honoring of the Chowan County Officer of the Year." Winner of last year's award was the late Capt. Ray Elks of the N.C. Wildlife Service.

Guest speaker at the banquet will be J.C. Knowles of Apex, N.C. He is an auctioneer, antique dealer and public speaker.

Knowles is seen regularly on Alert Cable TV with a program on antiques and an-

other on North Carolina history. He also writes a periodic publication entitled "N.C. Collections."

He has served six years on the N.C. Historical Commission, 15 years on the Raleigh-Wake County School Board, on the Raleigh Historical Properties Commission, the Raleigh Human Relations Commission, the Andrew Johnson Commission and the Raleigh Arts Commission.

Knowles teaches courses in the community college system on antiques and N.C. history. Raised in the Oxford Or-

phanage, he served in the Merchant Marine during Continued On Page 4

Fight Results In Man Being Shot Saturday

lage Shopping Center resulted in the shooting of an Edenton man Saturday evening.

According to a police report, Ernest Stephen Hardy, 17, of Rt. 2, Edenton, was shot in the right side during an

A fight at the Edenton Vil- altercation in front of U-Rent at 7:11 p.m. Charged with assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious bodily injury was Harold Adrian Dominic Hagley, 38 of Rt. 2, Edenton.

> Hagley, a native of Grenada, told police that when he arrived to go to the laundromat, three men were beating another man. He claimed that he was hit with a belt buckle. When he asked why he was hit, he said Hardy pulled a knife. Hagley then pulled out a .38 caliber handgun and shot Hardy.

Edenton Police Sgt. G.K. Bonner, in charge of the investigation, was asked this week if any of those involved were thought to be members of a local street gang called the "98 Posse." In replying no, Bonner added, "I don't think that there's any more posse."

Hardy was listed in stable condition at Chowan Hospital on Wednesday.

Hagley turned himself in at the police department and was released from the Chowan County Jail on a \$3,000 bond.



Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce to plan for the annual holiday event. Seated around the table from left are Richard Bunch, Chamber Executive Director, Frank Cox, Fran Cuthrell, Carol Twiddy, Cindy Fields, Mary Ann Thomas and Donna Heidenreich. The parade is cheduled for Wednesday, November 30.