



Cost Effective Training

Forty-seven of the state's 58 community colleges trained 12,263 workers for new and expanding industry during the year ended June 30, 1988. This was carried out through 167 different projects at an average cost of \$479 per worker.

New industry accounted for 104 of the training projects, while expanding industry accounted for the remaining 63. But the 8,661 workers trained for jobs with new industries cost a little more per trainee than did the 3,602 trained for expanding industry jobs, \$494.60 as against \$441.50.

Eleven of the 58 community colleges in the system did not offer this type of training during the fiscal year which ended June 30. Fifty-five per cent of the training projects were in the piedmont, 50 per cent along the coastal plain and 15 per cent in the mountains. College of the Albemarle was one of the 11 institutions not participating.

Central Piedmont, located in Charlotte, carried on the largest program, training a total of 1,549 but Alamance Community College was a close second, with 1,154. Guilford Tech came in third, with 1,067.

Spokesmen for the Department of Community Colleges were pleased at the scope and cost-effectiveness of the training program. Previous government-sponsored job training programs have run into the thousands of dollars per worker when carried out through other agencies. It was common to note that many of these workers could have been sent to an Ivy League university for less money. But the \$479 average cost in the community college system is hardly enough to pay for a student's books at one of those places.

Pat On Voters' Backs

Chowan County voters are to be congratulated for the large favorable vote they gave the \$7-million school bond issue. The margin of victory was such as to reflect widespread support for education all along the Public Parade.

The voters were able to approve such a large issue with confidence because the 1988

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Aviation Corp. Considers Move

By JACK GROVE

Edenton may soon have a new business located at the municipal airport. L.N. Christensen has been here this week discussing with town officials the possibility of moving his company, Vintage Aviation Corp., from Front Royal, Va.

Christensen is looking for a location closer to the Port of Norfolk that provides ample space for a plant complex and airplane tie-downs. He has been considering the Edenton location for two months.

He is in the process of procuring derelict World War II era military aircraft from Morocco and Thailand, as many as 45. He will restore and sell them. He expects to sell some as "kits," just the airframes, engines and parts for others to restore; restore others up to airworthiness certification condition; and some he will completely re-

store to mint condition.

While touring the airport Monday with Utilities Director Hawk Crumme and Edenton Councilman E.N. (Pete) Manning, Christensen talked about the transport, observation, bomber and fighter aircraft he is acquiring. They include T-28's, Bearcats, F8F's and MIG 15's and 17's. He said that restored Bearcats, for example, could command prices of from \$600,000 to \$800,000.

The company would need 4-5 acres for buildings, storage and aircraft tie-downs. He would bring four employees with him and, with expansion of his business, might employ up to 15.

Christensen is also discussing with the town the possibility of his company assuming the fixed base operation (FBO) at the airport.

As FBO, Vintage Aviation

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Basnight To Speak

Chowan County's Farm-City Banquet will be held Tuesday, November 22 at the American Legion Building. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Senator Marc Basnight. He will speak about water quality, a subject of great concern to residents of the Albemarle area. The senator is presently chairing the state Legislative Committee on Water Quality.

Chairman Harry Lee Winslow is anticipating a good turnout for the banquet. "This year we hope to exchange more door prizes between businesses and farmers than in the years past," he said.

A special feature of the program will be Albemarle Sound Action Program's

recognition of a local farmer using Best Management Practices. Area farmers are making efforts to control water run-off in their efforts to

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Renovation Causes Officials Concern

A recent house remodeling in Edenton's Historic District has sparked concern among town officials that some home owners may not be aware of a recently enacted town ordinance. The work on the house had been done without getting the approval of the town.

The ordinance, enacted in February of this year, ex-



PROPOSED AIRPORT BUSINESS--Discussions were held at the municipal airport Monday morning concerning the possible location for a new business there. From left are Councilman E.N. (Pete) Manning, L.N. Christensen, president of Vintage Aviation Corp. and Utilities Director Hawk Crumme.

Board Abandons Proposal

Fishing Pier Idea Dropped

A proposal, first made by county commissioner Alton Elmore last year for a fishing pier into Albemarle Sound, has been abandoned by the board of commissioners.

The idea was to convert a portion of the old Albemarle Sound Bridge to a fishing pier when the new bridge is completed. After a public hearing and indepth investigation of feasibility by County Manager Cliff Copeland, the pros

and cons of acquisition were discussed in executive session last week by the board. (Closed meeting by governing boards are lawful when property acquisition and legal matters are discussed.)

At the public hearing, Fred Wood of Raleigh, objected to the plan stating that his adjoining sound front acreage would decrease in value. He also told the board that the old bridge's right of way would revert to his family, a fact that the board was unaware of.

Copeland obtained confirmation from the State Dept. of Transportation and the Attorney General's office that the state owned an easement over Wood land for the bridge approach that had to be returned upon abandonment of the

bridge. He said that condemnation proceedings would be costly if the owner sought damages for property devaluation.

The county's feasibility study for the project estimated an annual maintenance cost at \$6-7,000. DOT, on the other hand, came up with a ten-year maintenance cost of \$696,000 and estimated the maximum life of the pier would be 15-20 years.

The county manager said that other obstacles to the project included insurance coverage and resistance by the state to operate the fishing pier.

The board reconvened in open session and unannouncedly voted to drop the proposal.



OLDEST VETERAN--James Oglesby, one of two surviving World War I veterans, who will be 93 in January was present as usual for the annual Veterans Day observance at the Broad St. monument. As a doughboy, he spent 47 days and nights in the Meuse-Argonne battle with the "Huns." Some 18 Legionnaires from Edenton's Post 40 took part in the Friday morning ceremony which began with a one minute sounding of the town's fire siren.

System Is Operating

Edenton officials heaved a collective sigh of relief Friday morning after the new wastewater treatment went into operation. The system became operational at 2:02 a.m. with the flip of a switch.

The town had been operating the old system under a federal "Judicial Order of

Consent" (JOC) that expires Jan. 1, 1989. Operation of the old plant after that time would have brought substantial daily fines. The JOC allowed no additional hookups to the system.

The new system is a land application system on 328

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Van Overturned On Queen Street

A Grafton, Va. woman sustained a fractured arm in a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Court and Queen Streets Thursday at 12:36 p.m. Responding to the scene were Edenton Police,

the Edenton Fire Dept., Rescue Squad and Chowan Sheriff's Dept.

Injured was Rebecca Bissett, 33, who was driving a 1984 Dodge van east on Queen St. Her van was struck broad-

side by a 1985 Ford driven by Donnie Eason, 66, of Rt. 1, Hobbsville.

Ms. Eason was driving north on Court St. and was cited for a stop sign violation.

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COLLISION--A two-vehicle collision at the intersection of Court and Queen Streets Thursday left a Grafton, Va. woman with a broken arm and brought out all of the town's emergency services. She was the driver of the overturned van. The driver of the car in the foreground was charged with running a stop sign.

Deadline Announced

The Chowan Herald will be closed on Thursday, November 24 in order to allow employees to spend the Thanksgiving holiday with their families.

Accordingly, an early deadline will be observed for next week's edition.

All advertisers and persons wishing to submit news articles or photographs

for next week's paper are asked to have items delivered to the Herald office no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, November 18. Ads or news items not received prior to 10 a.m. on Monday, November 21 will be accepted only as long as space remains available.

The Herald staff wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday!

Applications for certification
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