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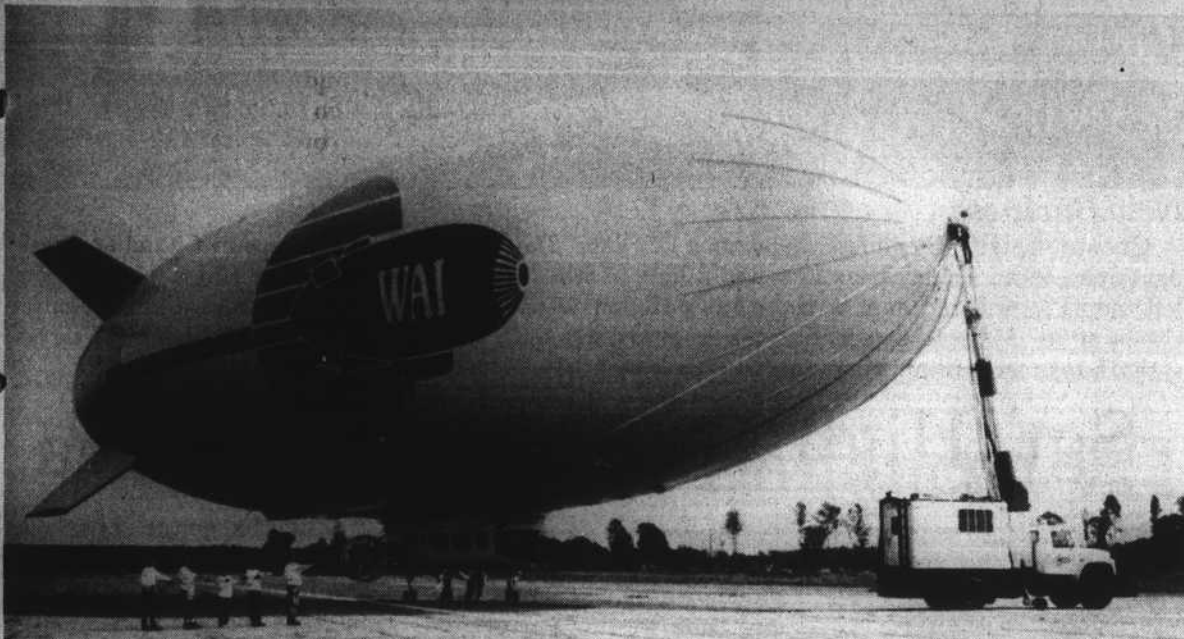


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The Westinghouse Airship Incorporated (WAI) ground crew forms a "V" to hold cables steady while the mast operator (at nose of airship) performs a critical function in docking the "Sentinel 1000" at the Edenton Municipal Airport Friday. (Staff photo by Marguerite McCall)

Airship Practices At Airport

By MARGUERITE MCCALL
Residents looking skyward around noon Friday may have spotted a blimp, an airship, circling above the Town and County.

The Westinghouse Airships Incorporated (WAI) vessel not only circled, it docked at the Edenton Municipal Airport. Approximately 25 people greeted the giant craft's unusual visit.

Built in Weeksville, the "Sentinel 1000" was completed in June 1991. Since that time, until Friday, October 22, when it received FAA certification of its type, it was confined to flights within a 25-mile radius of the Weeksville base.

"Now we can go anywhere," explained Samuel E. Porter, site manager at the Weeksville WAI Manufact-

uring & Flight Test Center. "We selected Edenton as the first flight and first docking (away from the base) after the certification."

The docking was the airship's 98th, Porter said.

Excitement mounted as the ground crew and mast truck got into position to secure the descending airship. The crew moved into a "V" formation to

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Trash Reduction Is Required

Chowan County continues to work toward a county-wide trash disposal/recycling program through the use of convenience centers, County Manager Cliff Copeland said Monday.

"The State of North Carolina set the requirement that counties reduce their trash disposed by 25 percent," Copeland said. "The only way this can be done is through recycling."

Chowan County presently

has two sites in operation, the first on Highway 32 beside Joe Lee's store and the second, recently opened, also on Highway 32 near Evans' Church. Construction on the site proposed on Soundside Road (Base Road) should begin within the next two weeks.

As the sites open, the green boxes are being removed from the communities served by the convenience centers, Copeland said. He said dumpsters in Rocky Hock and Cross-

roads have just been removed following the opening of the center at Evans' Church.

"Patrons may use whichever site is most convenient," Copeland said, "and are requested to separate their trash -- plastics, cardboard, green and white glass, newspapers, cans, aluminum, and household garbage."

He said staff is on-site to assist and that containers are also provided for yard debris.

'Kids' Will Be Focus Of Parade

By REBECCA BUNCH
"Kids 'R' Christmas" will be the theme of this year's Edenton Christmas Parade, according to Jerry Holmes, who is coordinating the event with the Chamber of Commerce on behalf of the Legion Baseball Booster Club.

Holmes met with interested Legion members Monday night to form an official parade committee. Serving on the committee this year will

be: Doris Harrell, special events chairman; Cleo Griffin; Sharon Edwards; Mary Ellen Pierce; Donald Wheeler; and Janet Thomson.

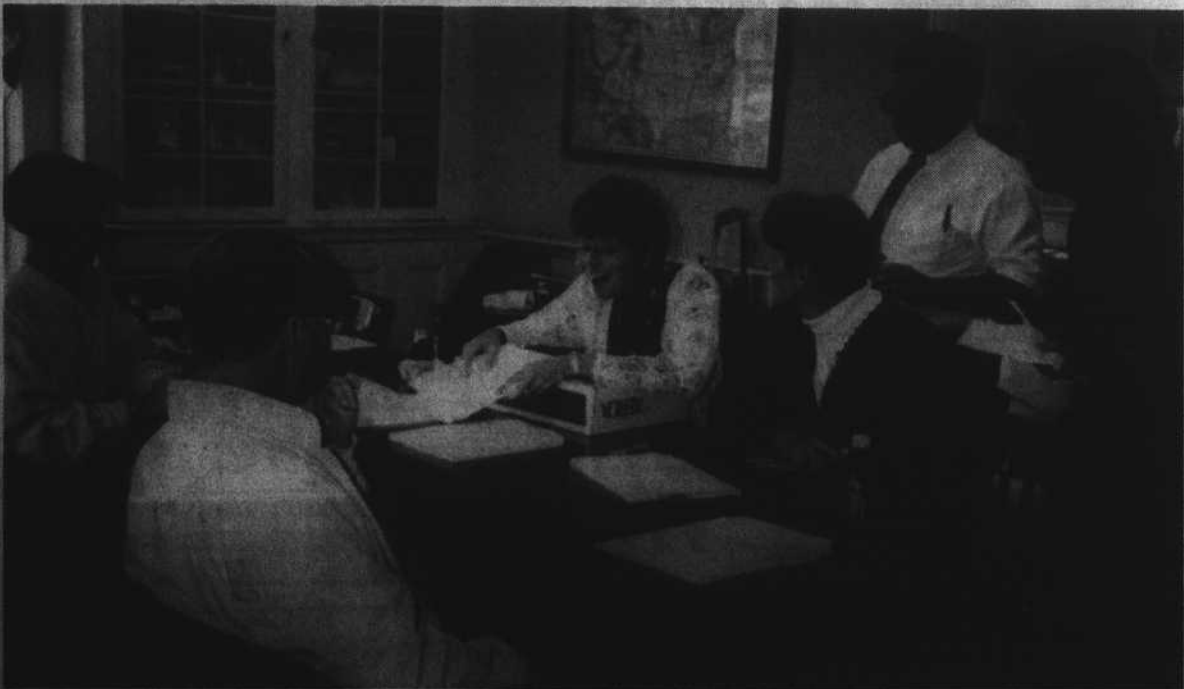
"Santa's Workshop" will be set up in the old Quinn Furniture Building and will provide an opportunity for local children to visit with Old Saint Nick and tell him of their Christmas wishes. "Santa's elves will also be handing out Christmas bags

of fruits and goodies," Holmes said.

He said that Shawn Massey, manager of the Belk's store in downtown Edenton, is arranging for local merchants to stay open until 8 p.m. that night so that kids can stay and visit with Santa, and give working parents an extra opportunity to do some shopping.

Holmes said the parade

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Working to send out letters inviting local groups to participate in this year's Christmas Parade are (seated, clockwise) Harriett Sawyer, Connie Scheel, Chamber Special Projects Coordinator Carol Twiddy, and Jerry Holmes of the Legion Baseball Booster Club which will sponsor the annual event. Looking on are Chamber Director Richard Bunch and Chamber Program Director Nancy Nicholls. (Staff photo by Rebecca Bunch)

Low Turnout At Polls

By MARGUERITE MCCALL

This off-year election — as far as State and National offices being on the ballot — resulted in a slow day at local polls Tuesday. Only 28.3 percent of Chowan's 6,581 registered voters went to the polls.

"Let's just say we haven't kept anyone waiting," replied a registrar at West Edenton when asked if there had been a heavy turnout.

Town voters sent back former Town Councilman Willis M. Privott Sr., 4th Ward, and

returned Councilman Jerald I. Perry Sr., 3rd Ward, to Edenton Town Council. The candidates ran unopposed in their races.

Hotly contested was an At-Large seat held by Jerry Parks and challenged by Henry Smith. Voters returned Parks to the Council with 568 votes to Smith's 392 votes.

A State referendum on a constitutional amendment and four bond issues has received a great deal of media attention in the past few weeks. Especially publicized by TV commercials and news-

paper ads was the \$310 million North Carolina University System bond issue.

Both Town and County voters had the option of casting separate ballots for or against the amendment and the four issues.

Locally, they voted against the amendment but passed the University bond, the \$35 million State Park System bond, the \$250 million Community College System bond and the \$100 million Clean Water Program bond.

	East Edenton	West Edenton	Center Hill	Wardville	Yeopim	Rocky Hock	Absentee & PTV's	TOTAL
Constitutional amendment permitting the General Assembly to enact general laws permitting issuance of bonds without referendum	For	211	202	27	13	58	27	556
	Against	136	371	52	57	164	108	905
The issuance of \$310,000,000 State of North Carolina University Improvement Bonds	For	229	392	44	37	135	59	1152
	Against	127	201	35	35	92	82	580
The issuance of \$250,000,000 State of North Carolina Community College Bonds	For	215	418	50	41	144	62	958
	Against	135	162	28	34	78	77	521
The issuance of \$145,000,000 State of North Carolina Clean Water Bonds	For	215	436	51	44	161	70	1008
	Against	144	150	28	27	66	71	490
The issuance of \$35,000,000 State of North Carolina State Parks Bonds	For	116	400	45	41	154	69	853
	Against	221	176	32	34	70	73	613

	East Edenton	West Edenton	Absentee	PTV's	TOTAL
JERRY PARKS	334	216	16	2	568
HENRY SMITH, III	170	219	2	1	392
JERALD PERRY, SR.	63	44	8	1	116
WILLIS PRIVOTT, SR.		68			68

Veterans Honored

Veterans Day will be observed nationwide Thursday, November 11. The American Legion Post 40 encourages citizens to bring wreaths that day to the Veterans Memorial in Edenton to honor deceased or living veterans.

Post member George Stokes said Monday that beginning at 11 a.m., a program will be held at the Memorial located on the corner of Court and East Queen Streets. Wreaths will be laid during the ceremony.

Lest the day be viewed by some as simply "a holiday from work," reflect upon its designation, captured in an essay entitled, "American Hero," written by Mary West Jorgensen.

"Our history is studded with heroic names. These names compose a world roster from which almost every nation may choose one and say: He is ours!"

We produced the clan from which he sprung. See how he spells his name! That is how his family spelled their name years ago, here, in this land.

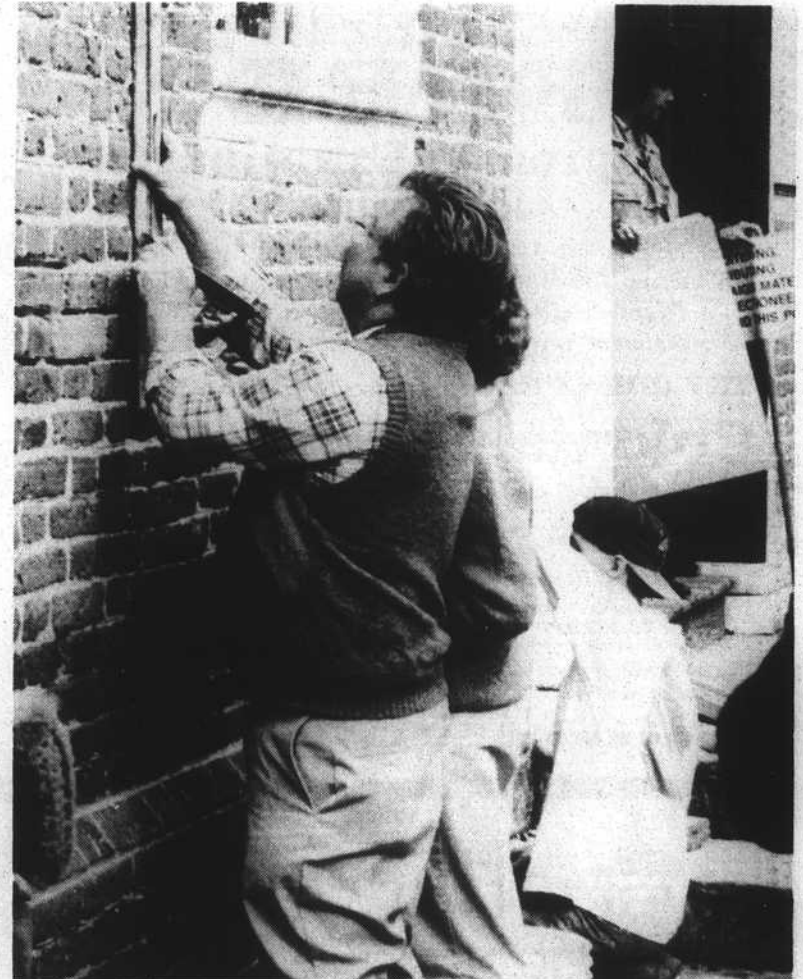
The tale of heroism runs true from Valley Forge to Gettysburg, from the Argonne to Guadalcanal. How is it possible to select one and say of him: He is the bravest of all?

Therefore, I choose one who lies in Arlington beneath the inscription: 'Here rests in honored glory, an American soldier, known but to God.'

Of him we know three things: he was an American, he died for freedom, he sleeps in the comfortable keeping of the Lord of Hosts.

He is a symbol of heroic qualities, of the vision of Washington, of the humanity of Lincoln, of the courage of

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Jack Peet (left), a masonry restoration specialist from Williamsburg, Virginia, works alongside his students during a masonry workshop conducted Thursday and Friday at the Old Chowan County Courthouse. (Staff photo by Marguerite McCall)

Masonry Workshop Held At Courthouse

By MARGUERITE MCCALL
Learning, caring hands caressed the brickwork at the Old Chowan County Courthouse Thursday and Friday during a masonry restoration workshop.

At no cost to the County, 17 participants came from Virginia, Georgia, and across North Carolina to work with Jack F. Peet, a third generation bricklayer and masonry restoration contractor from Williamsburg, Virginia, to repoint bricks failing from improper repointing two years ago.

"The failure occurred because the building was not wetted down," said A.L. Honeycutt Jr., supervisor, Restoration Branch State Historic Preservation Office in Raleigh.

Honeycutt, a member of the Old Chowan County Courthouse Study Commission (CSC), said omitting the step did not allow the mortar to dry properly. He also noted the more attractive and original appearance presented by the new repointing, which held the mortar back from the face

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