

# Historic Edenton Opening Set; Escrow Fund Doubtful

Chowan County commissioners Monday voted to contribute \$5,000 to Historic Edenton, Inc., while a board of education request to start a \$100,000 escrow fund for a school administrative building was coolly received.

The Historic Edenton, Inc., request had been tabled at the April meeting for further study. Commissioner J. Clarence Leary spoke at length in favor of participating in efforts to increase tourism here.

Chairman W. E. Bond told Supt. Bill Britt the request to put \$25,000 in escrow for the next four years was too much. "We are in no position to handle such a request," the chairman said. He pointed out it would require an additional tax levy of nearly 12 cents per \$100 valuation.

Commissioner Leary, in speaking on the Historic Edenton request, praised the work of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce has done in interesting industry in Edenton and Chowan County. He said this has resulted in increased valuation which has kept the tax rate stable.

"I think it is a good program," I said of plans to attract more tourists. "It is something that we should give a lot of thought." Later he said he thought the county should be obligated to such a program and that everyone would be glad the county has had a part in it.

"There is no other town in Eastern North Carolina with the possibilities of Edenton," he said.

Commissioner Dallas Jethro said the biggest majority of the people he had talked to were not in favor of the county participating in the program. "The people out in the county don't understand it," he added.

When the vote was taken Leary and Commissioner C. J. Hollowell voted in favor of participation while Jethro voted against. Commissioner C. M. Evans did not vote. Later Jethro made a motion to make the vote unanimous and Evans provided the second.

Participation by the county, along with the Town of Edenton, assures opening of the Visitors' Center-Museum on June 9 and the beginning of guided

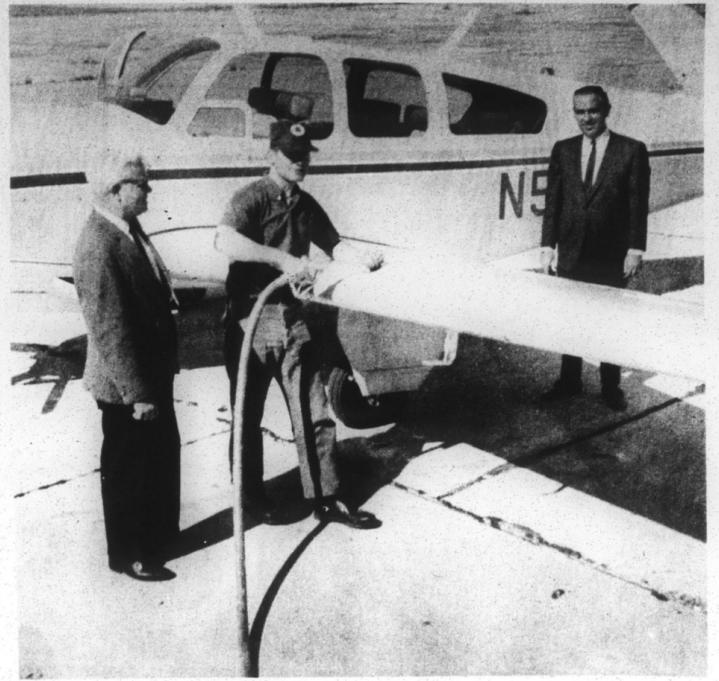
Chairman Bond said it has been estimated that it would cost \$2,100 or 2,200 to renovate the third floor of the county office building for the school superintendent's offices. He said work would begin about June 1.

Aid to the Blind and Estimated Public Assistance Budgets were approved and sent to Raleigh.

The Alcoholic Rehabilitation Center in Elizabeth City, now getting 5 per cent of Chowan's ABC revenue, has submitted a budget requesting nearly \$10,000 more from the participating counties. Chairman Bond said he doesn't see how Chowan could contribute more to this center.

A request by Dr. David Wright that he receive \$60 per delivery for care of medically indigent patients was approved. These people will be certified by the welfare department and the fee will be paid from \$10,000 given annually to Chowan Hospital for care of welfare patients.

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**NEW SERVICE AT AIRPORT**—One of the new services now being offered at Edenton Municipal Airport is the availability of gasoline. Hunter Morris, airport employee, is shown filling up the plane of James W. Gardner, owner of Seabrook Blanching Corporation here and a member of Edenton-Chowan Airport Commission. In the right background is Tom Soga of Philadelphia, Pa. Grand opening of the airport facilities is scheduled to begin with a free air show Sunday, May 19, at 2 P. M.

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### The Public Parade

#### Path Of Reason

Lt. Gov. Bob Scott will carry the Democratic banner in the November general election against GOP Rep. Jim Gardner.

This was assured at mid-morning Wednesday with second runner Mel Broughton declining to call for a second primary with Scott. Broughton has shown good judgment in his decision and is to be commended for it.

The decision did not come easy for the Raleigh attorney. There was pressure from all sides for him to make a second stab. History was in his favor, too. The second man in a run-off for governor has ended up victorious every time in modern North Carolina political history.

Also, there are those in the Democratic Party who would just as soon, or maybe, see the first Republican in the Blount Street mansion in 68 years than Bob Scott.

Mel Broughton is obviously not this type Democrat. As a past party chairman he has talked party unity until he was blue in the face. Calling for a second primary would have been contrary to this.

Bob Scott is a good nominee and will be elected governor. Broughton's action has aided this. We number among those who find reassurance of his loyalty and ability to make the right decision regardless of the odds.

The fall won't be nearly as interesting now. However, Bob Scott and the Democratic Party are both stronger because Mel Broughton followed the path of reason.

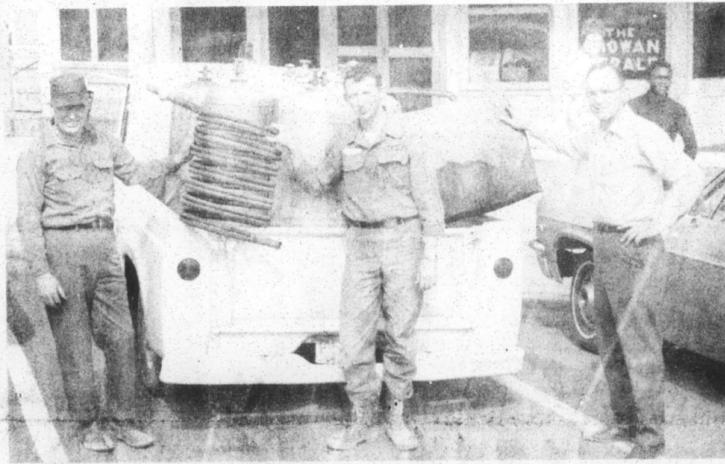
#### Problems, Problems, Problems

Several years ago we worked for a relative who accused us of always doing things the wrong way first. While he didn't express it in those terms, it was what he meant.

We didn't take him too seriously and have really enjoyed an existence of being "Wrong Way Bud". Now we are beginning to agree with that guy who never made a mistake.

A couple weeks ago we got fed up with the mother of our five children harping about getting some sand to re-

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**BAD BOYS TO ILLICIT INDUSTRY**—A Yeopim Township industry was cooking with gas earlier this week until the three men shown here paid them a visit. Shown with distillery equipment are, left to right, Deputy Sheriff Troy Toppin, ABC Officer Ellis Paul and Deputy Sheriff Glenn Perry. This is one of two outfits destroyed by officers in the past week.

### Chowan Liquor Industry Dealt Blow

Sheriff Earl Goodwin has reported that members of his department, working with state ABC and federal ATU officers, destroyed two illicit liquor distilleries in four days.

At 3:30 P. M., Thursday, officers raided an outfit that was in operation in the Holly Grove section of Fourth Township. Arrested at the site were

Eddie Lee Lawson, 27, and John R. Lawson, 23, both of Route 2, Edenton.

The defendants were given a hearing in Elizabeth City and await trial in U. S. District Court.

The outfit consisted of two 55-gallon stills; a 55-gallon boiler, a 55-gallon doubler; 66 55-gallon mash barrels; 3,630 gallons of fermenting mash and 39 gallons of liquor.

Monday afternoon officers again put a manufacturing firm out of business. They located a 50 gallon copper still with a 15-gallon doubler. There was a 55-gallon cooling barrel and coil and six fermenting mash boxes. The unit was fired with bottled gas and 11 tanks were at the site. Five gallons of liquor were destroyed.

Deputy Troy Toppin, Deputy Glenn Perry and ABC Officer Ellis Paul participated in the raids.

### Holiday Friday

Confederate Memorial Day will be observed here Friday as a legal holiday for county and municipal employees.

Chowan County Court House and Edenton Municipal Building will be closed for the day.

### Old Bed Needed

The James Iredell Association furnishings committee is making a special appeal for an antique bed to be used in the Iredell House.

Mrs. J. P. Ricks, Jr., committee chairman, explained that the association would appreciate any furnishings dating prior to 1825, but is hopeful some one may have stored a bed, too large to be used in a modern home, and would be willing to give or loan it.

The Iredell House will open with other buildings in June as part of Historic Edenton, Inc.

Extensive restoration has continued at the house during the past year with heating and new wiring being installed. The house interior and exterior will be painted prior to the opening.



**COOKING FOR BENEFIT**—Mrs. George Holmes, left, and Mrs. Ernest Kehayes are shown preparing food for the benefit Food Fair to be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M. Friday. Funds realized from the Food Fair will go to assist Missionary Tommy Kehayes and his work in Alaska.

### Athletic Trophies Given Students

Beth Moore, Billy Perry, Quinton Goodwin, Ronnie Harrell and Billy Wallace won Varsity Club trophies Monday night for their outstanding contribution to athletics at John A. Holmes High School.

They were voted the Most Valuable players in girls' basketball, baseball, boys' basketball, golf and football, respectively. The track trophy was not presented due to the season not being ended. The Edenton Aces won the 2-A Albemarle Conference crown in three of the sports—football, golf and track.

Perry also won the trophy given by the coaches for being the most improved football player.

Trophies and certificates to all participants in major and minor sports at the school were given by Coaches Marion Kirby, David Bumgarner, Tom Bass and Caroline Pond.

Bob Lord, new grid coach at Guilford College, gave an inspirational address about being an offensive success with an unbalanced mind. He recounted the tradition in this area and said tradition and athletics go hand-in-hand.

He praised the dedication of people who coach and participate as well as supporters of the athletics program. He went on to mention that everything about us is negative in our time. "The foundation of our homes is a little bit weak and the young people are trying to run

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### Results Of Primary Election Official

Two incumbent county commissioners were defeated Saturday and Chairman W. E. Bond ran third in the three townships in the Democratic Primary Election that saw a record 2,578 votes cast. In final returns released by Mrs.

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Mrs. S. Hoskins, chairman, board of elections, David T. Bateman led the ticket for commissioner with 1,184 votes in his successful bid to unseat C. J. Hollowell. Hollowell received 1,085 votes.

C. A. Phillips was second on the ticket with 1,178 votes as he defeated incumbent Dallas L. Jethro and Cabell Pruden. Jethro polled 731 votes and Mrs. Pruden received 368. Bateman and Phillips were elected for

four years and Chairman Bond was re-elected for two years. Bond received 1,169 votes to 1,115 for C. Z. Shackelford, running for his first political position.

Incumbents J. Clarence Leary and C. M. Evans have two more years to serve on their present terms.

Another close race developed for the coroner's position. Coroner Marvin S. Barham received 1,191 votes to 1,119 ballots polled by H. B. Williford, Jr.

Rep. W. T. Culpepper, Jr., of Elizabeth City carried Chowan County over C. D. Ferrell, Sr., 1,688 to 449.

Chowan County followed 89 other counties in North Carolina in putting Lt. Gov. Bob Scott in top spot in his bid for the governor's nomination. Scott

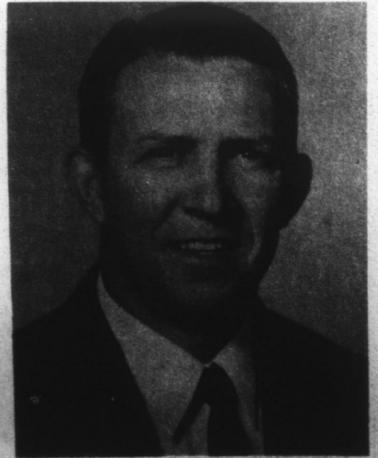
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David T. Bateman



W. E. Bond



C. A. Phillips

## Big Opening For Airport Set May 19

The grand opening of Edenton Municipal Airport will be Sunday, May 19, and will feature a free air show that is expected to bring several thousand people to the area.

Jack Douglas, president of Edenton Aviation, Inc., said Edenton Jaycees are sponsoring the air show which begins at 2 P. M.

Also, visitors to the airport will be able to tour the tower building which has been renovated. Added facilities and equipment include unicom radio contact with planes and weather instruments to aid pilots.

The opening will feature remarks from Mayor John A. Mitchener, Jr., Chairman W. E. Bond of Chowan County commissioners and Robert Moore, executive vice president, Edenton Chamber of Commerce.

There will be a fly-over by three Coast Guard planes, including a helicopter and U. S. Navy planes.

Marvin Shaw, an officer of the firm operating the airport and Jaycee coordinator for the show, said other events

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### Perjury Alleged

Three young Edenton men may be charged with perjury as a result of testimony in a speeding case heard Tuesday in Chowan County District Court.

Judge W. S. Privott convicted Edward Dalmond Byrum, 19, of speeding in excess of 100 miles per hour Sunday night.

Byrum, Terry Jones and Harry Busick had testified they were in Norfolk, Va., at the time officers said they saw them in Edenton. Shortly before noon, police produced two young women who testified they saw the trio in the Jones car on the A&P parking lot between 9 P. M. and 11 P. M.

Judge Privott had instructed the defense witnesses of the seriousness of perjury as they testified earlier in the trial.

Obviously deeply upset over events in the trial, Judge Privott sentenced Byrum, now in the U. S. Air Force, to 18 months, suspended upon payment of \$250 fine and costs. He was placed on probation for two years. Notice of ap-

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