

# The Carolina Review: Redistricting Plan Rejected... Again!

The Missing Link...As everyone must know by now, the U.S. Justice Department last week rejected both the State House and Senate redistricting plans.

Those two plans, along with congressional redistricting, were submitted for bureaucratic perusal back in mid-February -- over two months ago. Since that time, this state's entire electoral process has been on hold, from local city - county races to the congressional

races to the senate - house races. Without acceptable redistricting lines, a primary election date could not -- cannot -- be set.

Now this week, after the latest rejection, the N.C. General Assembly has been called into another special session (we lose count) to decide on a new course for reaching agreement with the federal government.

But let's go back to February, the Legislature's third effort to design acceptable redistricting lines under the 1965 Voting Rights

Act. Regardless of what takes place over reapportionment, or when, it seems apparent that somewhere in the process there has been a missing link.

Early on, some legislators tried to blame Ator. Gen. Rufus Edmisten for lack of input and guidance in designing the plans. Edmisten might well be able to prove that such criticism was a part of partisan politics reaching way into the 1984 governor's race, but it's true the AG's office was late in offering advice. There are logical explanations for that too -- one obvious explanation is that designing the districts is purely a legislative exercise.

Anyway, by February, the legislators had decided they needed more judicial redistricting expertise and reluctantly hired a Washington law firm to oversee and advise them on the process. Perhaps more importantly, the expensive lawyers were supposed to have a pipeline to the Justice Department perfect for lobbying on North Carolina's behalf.

By this time, the legislators and Washington redistricting experts were beginning to pick our real faces in the U.S. Justice Department who would be making the decisions on the plans North Carolina submitted. These faces, according to conversations

with the legislators involved, began to offer concrete advice on the dos and don'ts of an acceptable formula.

Also, there were the Senate and House leadership positions who were actively protective of the lines they personally liked -- assuming any of it was likable -- and they readily injected their desired upon the whole Assemblage.

That Assemblage, made up of 50 men and women in the Senate and another 120 in the House, had the final say -- so in what plans to send to Washington.

So where in the process did things go wrong? Where is the missing link?

Was it Edmisten early? Or was it the Washington law firm? Or did the bureaucrats deal in bad faith? Or did the leadership not lead? Could the 170 men and women in the General Assembly have done a better job with their vote?

Maybe it just isn't a missing link. Maybe it's the chain, or in this case, the 1965 Voting Rights Act. That act gives enough power to unelected officials in Washington to actually circumvent the principle of one man -- one vote that the Supreme Court has set forth as all -- encompassing in assuring free and fair elections. The Voting Rights Act is supposed to insure that principle for minorities as well. Unfortunately, the powers of the Voting Rights

Act seem to have grown past the insurance stage.

There is a growing uneasiness among many of the legislators over what they've been asked to do in meeting the guidelines. Some observers now look for the pendulum to swing the other way.

## Anniversary Celebration

The 73rd Anniversary Celebration planned by the First Presbyterian Church, Edenton for Saturday and Sunday, May 15 and 16 has been revised. Some scheduling has been changed. Anyone who expects to attend please get in touch with Art Beeler - 482-4718 or Madge Whitehurst - 482-3528 for details. "Being born from above" from John 3, will be the sermon by Rev. H. E. Mallinson, Pastor at the First Presbyterian Church Edenton this Sunday at 11 A.M.

Enlistment for the Summer Sunday School program of the First Presbyterian Church begins this Sunday. The lessons are based on 12 days in the life of Christ. The classes will meet in as original settings as possible -- beside the sea, in the fields, in homes, early in the morning, late in the evening, on the sea, at breakfast, lunch and supper.

## Pesticide Laws Altered To Protect Beekeepers

RALEIGH -- Farmers and others contracting for aerial application of certain pesticides are now required by law to notify registered beekeepers of intent to apply these chemicals. Pesticides involved are those required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to carry a label indicating the products are toxic to bees.

"Notification, either written or oral, must be given not less than 24 hours or more than 10 days before single application or a seasonal spray schedule," said John Smith, pesticide administrator of the N.C. Department of Agriculture. "The notification must include the approximate time of day of application and the type of pesticide to be used."

Farmers, aerial applicators and others involved with aerial pesticide

application can get information about the new legislation and listings of registered apiaries from county agricultural extension chairmen or the Plant Industry Division of the NCDA. Beekeepers may register their colonies with the Plant Industry Division of the N.C. Department of Agriculture, Raleigh; the Department of Entomology, N.C. State University, Raleigh or county agricultural extension offices.

## For Sale

23.22 Acres  
Located 5 Miles North On U.S. 17  
At Intersection Of N.C. 37

Excellent Location For Commercial - Industrial Use.

## Home Realty

Day 482-2153 Night 482-2375

# MACKS

Shop 12 'till 7

## OPEN SUNDAY

PRICES GOOD SUNDAY ONLY

CHECK

the SAVINGS



Quaker State  
MOTOR OIL

84¢

Reg. or H.D.

Limit 10 per family!

CHECK

the SAVINGS



Embers  
Charcoal  
Briquets

\$1.27

10 lbs.  
limit 2

CHECK

the SAVINGS



Delicious  
Coble  
Ice  
Cream  
24¢

per dip

CHECK

the SAVINGS

Boys' or Girls'  
Underoos



1/2  
price

R2 - D2

Yoda

Superman

Darth Vader, and many more.

## FREE SOLAR SEMINAR

8:00 P.M.  
Friday, May 21st.

American Legion Hall  
South Business 17, Edenton

Speaker and Slide Presentation

With fuel costs forever on the rise, solar energy could be the answer to cutting your energy bills, and saving you money. Come learn about this energy alternative.

Seminar is Sponsored by AQUA HEAT SYSTEMS, Inc.  
For more information call - 426-8247.

## JONES

REAL ESTATE

318 S. Broad St.



Call Terry Jones At 919-482-7522

BRAND NEW DOUBLEWIDE CONNER HOME -- 1,340 ft of Living space. Living rm. (fireplace), dining rm., kitchen, utility rm., 3 BR, w full baths. Fully furnished, including appliances. Delivered and set up. \$4,500 down and \$426.80 mo.

OLD COUNTRY HOME -- Needs moving and restoring. \$7,500. Or, leave it where it is for \$19,500. Three miles from town.

ONE MILE FROM TOWN -- This handsome two story brick home has a rural atmosphere, yet is less than one mile from town. Features LR, den (fireplace), dining room, kitchen, four BR, 2 1/2 baths, and garage. Located on an acre of land. More acreage available. 9 per cent assumable. \$69,500.

HISTORIC DISTRICT -- Lovely two story colonial home on corner lot. Features living room, den, dining room, kitchen, five bedrooms, garage. Easy walking distance of downtown.

MORGAN PARK -- 1/2 acre attractive wooded lot, \$11,500.

BASE RD. -- Brick, LR, kitchen, 3 BR, bath, carport, fenced back yard. \$35,000.

CHOWAN RIVER -- This riverfront home features LR, kitchen, 3 BR, nice bulkheaded lot. \$48,000.

ON CHOWAN RIVER -- Two story brick home, featuring 4 BR, 3 baths, LR, kitchen, den with fireplace plus family room. Deck overlooking the water. \$80,000 with owner financing available.

W. HICKS STREET -- Lot for sale. \$2,900. Owner financing possible.

ARROWHEAD BEACH -- This home is located on three lots. Features LR, kitchen, DR, 3 BR, 2 baths. \$19,950.

BEAUTIFUL WATERFRONT LOTS ON ALBEMARLE SOUND -- One half acre in size. Horniblow Pt. \$26,500.

MORGAN PARK -- Beautiful brick home on an acre lot. Includes LR, DR, den, library (fireplace), rec. rm., solarium, kitchen, three BR, two baths, double garage and workshop, temp. controlled hothouse. \$68,500.

MEXICO RD. - FOR SALE -- This three bedroom brick home features large living room, den (fireplace), kitchen, two baths, and garage. \$49,000.

MORGAN PARK -- FOR SALE -- Attractive brick home on larger corner lot featuring LR, den, kitchen, 3 BR, 2 baths, garage. \$61,900.

FOREST PARK -- 3 BR, 2 baths, LR, den w fireplace, kitchen, hardwood floors, screened back porch. Attractive assumable mortgage at 9 per cent. \$54,000

HWY 17 -- Brand new! 1750 sq. ft. brick construction. Features great room with fireplace, kitchen-dining combination, 3 BR, 2 baths, utility room, deck. \$68,500.

HWY. 17 -- Owner financing. 12 year old home on large wooded lot; features LR, den, dining area, kitchen, 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths. \$42,000

RIVERTON -- 8 yr. old home on 1/2 acre lot featuring LR, den, kitchen, 3 BR, 2 baths. \$55,900.

BERTIE COUNTY -- Only 12 mi. **SOLD** on 8 acres including fish pond; country home. \$40,000, owner financed it or \$35,000 cash.

SWIMMING POOL -- 2700 sq. ft. brick home with LR, family room w fireplace, kitchen, 4 BR, 2 1/2 baths plus a sewing room. Patio area. OWNER FINANCING. \$85,000.

CAPE COLONY -- Shingle home on canal features LR, kitchen, 3 BR, bath, garage. Private boat ramp. \$30,000.

BUILDING LOTS FOR SALE -- Commercial & Residential.

"Your Chamber of Commerce Encourages Others to Make Their Home in Edenton"

## PRICE JUST REDUCED!



(In Rocky Hook)

This beautiful house, set among the pines, is ready for immediate occupancy. Seven rooms, two baths, fireplace, living room and dining room drapes and all curtain rods included, kitchen range included, in individual room thermostats on electric baseboard heat, carpeted. Lot size 190' x 230' ... 15' x 24' garage. Portion of loan still assumable at 7 1/2 per cent.

\$55,000

## CHOWAN REALTY COMPANY

If you have property to sell or lease ... if you have rental property you want managed ... or if you want to buy a home, commercial property or farmland ... CONTACT ME DAY OR NIGHT! Prompt, efficient, thorough, professional service!

ALTON G. ELMORE, REAL ESTATE BROKER

211 S. BROAD STREET EDENTON, N. C. 27932

PHONE: OFFICE 482-8419

HOME 482-3577

(Located With Edenton Furniture Co.)

## NEW LISTING: 100' x 200' WOODED LOT IN MORGAN PARK

Paved Street, curb & gutter, city water & sewage, beautiful area.

\$11,995

## "WINDSOR WOODS" LOT

Right on paved road with County water; 120 ft. x 180 ft. also with some trees; near golf course and Albemarle Sound, good neighbors, growing neighborhood.

\$7,000

## INVESTMENT PROPERTY: 2-APT. HOUSE

202 Court Street; 2 apts. with 4 rooms and a bath in each apt.; lot 59 ft. x 66 ft.; use monthly income for payments.

\$20,000

## 8 Acres Off Paradise Road Between Dillard Ave. And Radio Station WCDJ

Excellent open field for development into needed house or mobile home park. Immediate possession! \$32,000

On the Albemarle Sound at Chowan Golf & Country Club. . . home building lot, already bulkheaded and landscaped. \$40,000

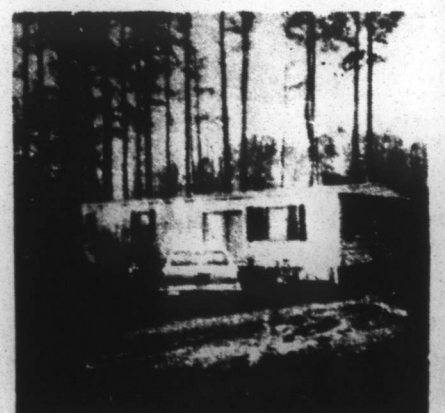
On the Albemarle Sound at Chowan Golf & Country Club. . . home building lot among the pines, already bulkheaded and well cleared. \$42,000

## 2 LOTS IN CAPE COLONY

Two lots side-by-side... must be sold together. One lot 75.9' x 175.6' and the other lot 81.6' x 150'. Located just behind lots and houses facing Montpelier Drive on Whiteoak Drive.

\$4,000

IN CAPE COLONY ... 252 Coral Lane (across railroad at Montpelier Drive, turn right, about half way block on right) 24' x 50' double-wide, unfurnished, beautifully situated in the middle of 3 lots (total 150' x 160'). Central electric heat and air condition, 3 bedrooms and 2 baths, living room, kitchen, and dining area... also small storage shed. 10 year financing available from seller.



\$26,250