

Tuesday's Results

	West Edenton	East Edenton	Total Vote
Mayor			
George Alma Byrum	364	318	682
Roy L. Harrell	140	397	537
Henry G. Quinn	78	76	154
Councilman-at-Large			
J. C. (Pete) Dail	267	388	655
Alton G. Elmore	173	213	386
Richard L. Satterfield	105	120	225
William H. Collins	32	53	85
Councilman, Third Ward			
David G. White, Jr.	359	412	771
Edward W. Taylor, Jr.	192	320	512
Councilman, Fourth Ward			
Luther C. Parks	419	563	982
Oscar F. Blair	144	169	313
Treasurer			
James M. Bond	329	420	749
Mrs. Carolyn S. Ricks	245	332	577

Assumes Duties Tuesday

Bvrum Is Elected

Geo. Church office over two precincts. Roy third c. muncipal. Standard Printing Co. 220-230 S First St.—40202

lma Byrum, 119 West Church Street, moves into the mayor's office Tuesday following victory over two opponents in this week's Municipal election.

Roy Trell, who was making his fifth bid for the top municipal office, placed second and was trailed by Henry G. Quinn. The complete but unofficial vote was: Byrum, 682; Harrell, 537; and Quinn, 154.

Two incumbent councilmen won re-election to four-year terms and Treasurer James M. Bond was re-elected for two years. James C. (Pete) Dail was elected to a four-year term as councilman-at-large in a four-man race.

Two members of the Board of Public Works, W. J. P. Earnhardt, Sr., and

James P. Ricks, Jr., were unopposed. Byrum, 43-year-old businessman and community leader, returns to municipal government after an absence of four years. He served on the council for 12 years but did not seek re-election in 1965.

The winner rolled up a substantial majority in his home precinct—West Edenton—and this was too much for Harrell to overcome in his home ward—East Edenton. Byrum came out of West Edenton leading his nearest challenger by 224 votes. He trailed Harrell in the other box by 79 votes.

Dail carried both precincts in his bid for the council seat being vacated by Quinn. He polled 655 votes to 386 for Alton G. Elmore; 225 for Richard

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NEW FIRST FAMILY—Edenton's Mayor-elect George Alma Byrum and his family are pictured here in their home, 119 West Church Street. Shown with Mr. and Mrs. Byrum are their daughters, June, left, and Jean, right. Byrum was elected Tuesday in a three-man race for the top municipal position. He will take office Tuesday night.

Public Parade

Election Wrap-Up

Edenton has survived another municipal election with qualified candidates being either elected or returned to office. For those who are followers of politics along the Public Parade, Tuesday's election produced no big surprises.

The winners are to be congratulated. Also, congratulations are due the losers. They participated in a spirited election which was not marked by mud-slinging. They ran hard but everyone could not win. Those who participated as candidates demonstrated an interest in the affairs of the town which is needed.

There are challenging days ahead for Edenton. The town limits have just been extended, doubling the land area and bringing in an estimated 1,000 people. The fact that no taxes will be derived from these people for another year, while they enjoy municipal services, will make the coming year more difficult for those who sit in the Municipal Building.

Mayor-elect George Alma Byrum is well aware of the problems of serving the people. He moves into the top town position with no strings attached, no political promises to fulfill, no obligation except to give his best in leadership to keep Edenton on the move.

The transition in municipal government, therefore, will be smooth. Mayor John A. Mitchener's philosophy along these lines, in the main, are shared by his successor.

The Good Ship Edenton will continue to enjoy a strong captain at the helm. With a team like George Byrum, Leo Katkaveck, J. D. Elliott, Luther Parks, David White, W. H. Hollowell and James C. Dail you can look for good government here to continue to be a habit.

Change From Pabum

There are two groups of people who will be interested in tonight's (Thursday) meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association at Holmes Auditorium. They are:

1—Those who have children who will be in grades seven through 12 for the 1969-70 school year.

2—Members of Edenton-Chowan Board of Education.

A note in our unattended typewriter said the program will be a discussion of the "organization and curriculum" of the junior and senior high school for the coming year.

Parents should be interested in getting their children into proper course selections.

School board members should be interested in what Supt. Bill Britt has come up with in the way of "organization and curriculum" for the system's first junior-senior high structure.

One would think the school board would have had a sneak preview of what is taking place. This could have been accomplished Monday night at their regularly scheduled meeting which was postponed for one week without public notice. After all, they are by law given the responsibility in such matters.

There are other portions of the school laws of North Carolina being ignored by local authorities. Among them is a statute which says: "By October 1 after the close of the school year a condensed statement of the report on the audit shall be published in some newspaper published in the county . . ." This had never been done in the history of local schools although for the past two years this act has been called to their attention.

Decisions from federal court judges are not the most important things in the world. There are state statutes just as binding. The sooner local school officials recognize this and accept their responsibility, the sooner the quality of education will improve along the

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CONTINUE SUPREMACY—Coach Marion Kirby is pictured here with three pace setters on the track team at John A. Holmes High School. Team members who were individual leaders in the 2-A Albemarle Conference meet last week at Northampton are, left to right, Mike Ervin, Earl Chesson and Gigi Leary.

Aces Dominate Conference Track

The Edenton Aces continued their supremacy on the cinders in the 2-A Albemarle Conference last week as they won their 14th consecutive track crown.

Coach Marion Kirby's thin clads rolled up 81 points to dominate the meet held Thursday night at Northampton. Two Aces set new individual records, and two relay teams established two more.

Judge Dismisses

Suit For Damage

An involuntary non suit was ordered last week in a civil case being heard by a jury in Chowan County Superior Court.

Judge Joseph Parker of Windsor allowed a motion by the defense in the case where Mamie B. Quinn was seeking damages from P&Q Super Market.

Judge Parker ruled there was not sufficient evidence by the plaintiff to go to the jury. Mrs. Quinn was seeking \$164,000 in damages for injuries resulting from a fall in the downtown store the night of August 21, 1962.

A jury was selected Monday and the trial was in its second day when the non suit was allowed. Notice of appeal was given by Mrs. Quinn's attorneys.

In the case of Beaverton Products, Inc., against National Bindery, Inc., Judge Parker ordered that it be remanded to District Court.

Road Work Set

Dickerson, Inc., of Monroe, has submitted the low bid for resurfacing a portion of U. S. 64 between Columbia and the Alligator River. Their bid was \$196,754.

Low bids on this and other projects are to be reviewed Friday by the State Highway Commission. The bids for review and letting total \$19,236,564.06.

There are 22 projects in 21 counties involving 293 miles of road construction in the letting. The U. S. 64 project is 10 miles in length.

Dickerson's regional headquarters is in Edenton.

Closed Monday

Chowan County Courthouse will be closed Monday in observance of Confederate Memorial Day.



John Lotz

Town Limits Expanded By Annexation Measure

Legislation passed in the General Assembly last week doubled the land area of the Town of Edenton and brought an estimated 1,000 people within the corporate limits.

An "ambitious" annexation program, written by Town Administrator W. B. Gardner, was enacted May 1 when the State Senate passed the measure on third reading. Although the property was annexed immediately no taxes will be collected until 1970.

Accident Report

Edenton and Chowan County recorded three traffic deaths last year as North Carolina's highway toll soared to a record 1,867 killed and 55,133 injured in 109,383 accidents.

This was reported this week by the N. C. State Motor Club. The report showed 72 persons injured in the county.

Charlotte and Mecklenburg County led the state in traffic deaths. Charlotte's 41 fatalities were tops while Mecklenburg's 78 (including Charlotte) was 11 more than its previous high of 67 in 1964.

The following schedule will be observed:

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Community To Honor Mitcheners

Mayor John A. Mitchener, Jr., and his wife, Nancy, will be honored May 15 at an appreciation banquet to be held at Chowan Golf & Country Club.

Mayor Mitchener is rounding out 18 years of service on Edenton Town Council—the last 10 in his present position.

He did not seek re-election in Tuesday's municipal election.

Tickets to the banquet are currently being sold. Only 150 tickets are available.

It was announced Tuesday that Lee Wilson of Raleigh, assistant executive director of the N. C. League of Municipalities, will be principal speaker at the banquet. Wilson moves up to the director's post November 1 upon the retirement of Mrs. Davetta L. Steed.

Mayor Mitchener is a past president of the League. Mrs. Steed is also ex-

pected to join in paying tribute to Mayor Mitchener.

Wilson has been Mrs. Steed's assistant for 22 years. When it was learned that Wilson would step up to executive director, Mrs. Steed said it was her "crowning reward".

Other details of the banquet were not known at press time.



MORE SUPPORT FOR HOSPITAL—Sears Foundation last week contributed \$1,000 to the building fund at Chowan Hospital. Terry St. Clair, local foundation representative, presents the check to R. Graham White, right, fund chairman.

Discussion Slated

A discussion of the organization and curriculum of the junior and senior high school for 1969-70 will be discussed tonight (Thursday) at a Parent-Teacher Association meeting at Holmes Auditorium.

George Alma Byrum, PTA president, said the important program will begin at 8 o'clock.

All parents of students in grades seven through 12 are urged to attend. Information will be presented that could be most helpful in getting children in proper course selections for next year, a school spokesman said.

Carolina Coach Varsity Club Speaker

Athletes at John A. Holmes High School will be honored May 19 by Edenton Varsity Club at a banquet to be held at the Jaycee Community Building. The banquet will start at 7 P. M.

C. Z. Shackelford, club president, announced today that John Lotz, assistant basketball coach at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, will be the keynote speaker.

The dapper Lotz, one of the most popular members of the Carolina athletic family, has been on the Dean Smith staff for four years.

"I rate John one of the brightest young coaches in the game," says Smith. "He's certainly a very valuable man in our program."

Lotz is considered an expert teacher of shooting technique. He was a shooting whiz himself at East Texas State.

The speaker is active in the fellowship of Christian Athletes. He is in demand as a speaker, not only at banquets but in churches around the state.