

'Green Tide' Causes Talk About River

By L. F. AMBURN, JR.

The "green tide" of the Chowan River came to a head Friday, three days after Farmers Chemical Association, Inc., at Tunis had been ordered by the state to discontinue discharging any effluent, treated or not, into the water. In the area of Colerain Beach and Rocky Hock Creek, on the Chowan side of the river, it appeared as a frothy mass running several yards out into the water.

Recent developments have caused commercial and sports fishermen and residents along both sides of the river to become alarmed.

The latest development was a meeting here Tuesday night where officials impressed upon State Sen. J. J. (Monk) Harrington of Lewiston in Bertie County, and Speaker of the House Phil Godwin of Gates County, the importance of clean water in this area.

Representatives of the fishing industry, the Town of Edenton, Albemarle Area Development Association and the Industrial Committee of Edenton Chamber of Commerce, were told by Sen. Harrington that he disapproved of double standards for waters in the area. "I'll fight for standardization, for we must protect our waters from further pollution," he said.

Speaker Godwin, who is also Democratic State Senate nominee, agreed. The two political leaders will arrange a meeting with state agency officials and people on the local scene to insure "continued clean water in unpolluted streams as well as cleaning up those already in bad shape."

The meeting was tentatively set for Tuesday in Edenton, with Dr. Arthur Cooper, deputy director of the state's Economic and Natural Resources Board in attendance.

W. P. (Spec) Jones, Industrial Committee chairman, said he felt the state agencies were not being consistent in requirements on various streams, which threatened to pollute Albemarle Sound. "Let it be made clear," Jones stated, "that we want clean water, period."

Jones said first priority must be given to this effort in order to protect the fishing and recreation industry in the area.

J. D. Peele, speaking for the fishing industry, said they had seen the "green tide" coming for the past four or five

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Hearings Planned

The N. C. Commercial Fisheries Study Commission will hold three public hearings along the North Carolina coast during the months of August, September and October.

The first of these public hearings will be held in the central area of the coast. This meeting will be held Saturday at 1:30 P. M. in the District Courtroom in the Town of Beaufort, Carteret County.

The meeting to be held in the southern coastal area and the meeting to be held in the northern coastal area will be announced at a later date.

This is an independent commission, and is in no way connected with the State Fisheries organization or any other state agency.

The commission was established by the 1971 General Assembly (1) To investigate the scope of services authorized and rendered to the commercial fishing industry and individuals thereof, as measured against those authorized and rendered to other segments of society. (2) To determine specific needs

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New Phone Plan

Seven county departments or offices can now be reached by dialing a single number, it was announced here this week. An improved telephone system has been installed and the new number is 482-8484 and the operator is located in the Sheriff's Department.

By dialing this number you can not only reach the law enforcement agency but the following offices: Tax Supervisor, Register of Deeds, County Treasurer, Election Board, Tax Collector and Magistrates.

Registration At Schools Is Nixed

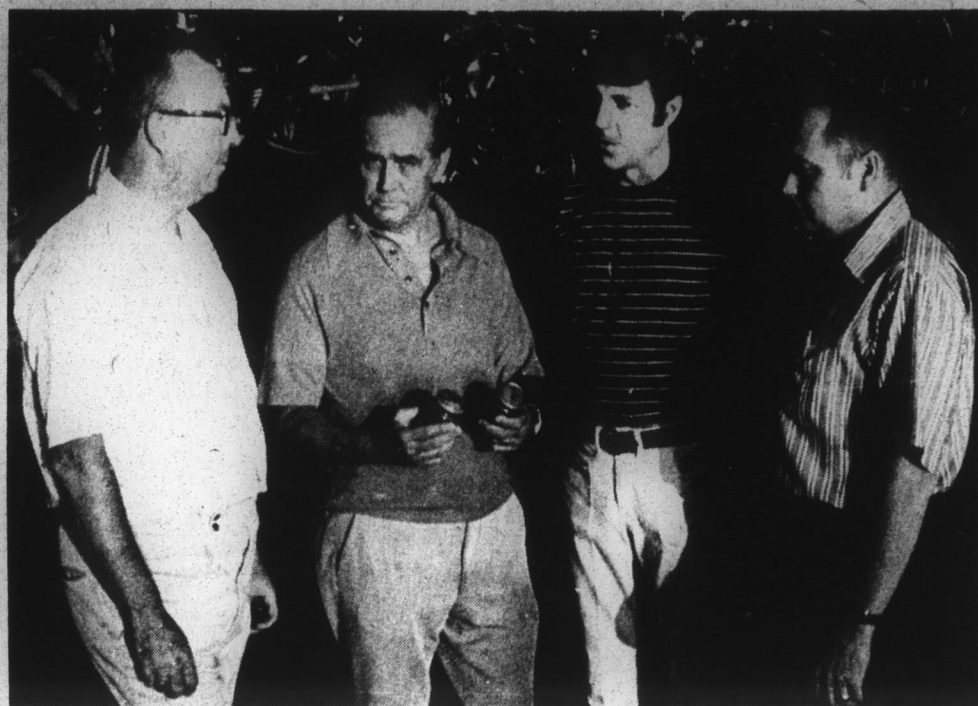
Chowan County Board of Elections does not plan to go to the schools to register students, according to a statement issued today by Mrs. George C. Hoskins, chairman.

"This is a reminder to all students, high school and college, to register before they go back to school," Mrs. Hoskins said.

The hours for registering are on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M. at the office of Mrs. Pansy A. Elliott, county accountant. Mrs. Elliott's office is on the second



Concern Expressed Over Chowan River—Much concern has been expressed in recent weeks over the "green tide" of Chowan River, which has now made its way into Albemarle Sound. In two separate groups this week, the condition of the river was the prime topic of conversation. In the picture at left, J. D. Peele, spokesman for the fishing industry, is shown with State Sen. J. J. (Monk) Harrington, W. P. (Spec) Jones and Speaker of the House Phil Godwin. Rep. Walter B. Jones, of the First Congressional District, second from left in photo at right, holds specimens of the substance taken from the river Friday as he talks with Mayor George Alma Byrum, Town Attorney W. J. P. Earnhardt, Jr., and Thomas H. Shepard.



Public Parade

School Assignments Coming

Ready or not, school bells along the Public Parade will beckon students back to the classroom on September 5. So, principals have been busy making homeroom assignments so students will know exactly where to report on opening day.

As in the past, these assignments will be carried in The Chowan Herald. They will appear next week, so look for them. According to our agreement with school officials, no advance information can be passed out. You'll just have to wait.

While many children aren't ready to continue their formal learning process, many parents are ready for them to return to the classroom. Ain't it so?

Focus On Edenton

The Edenton Symposium announcement last week has created much interesting discussion concerning what it is all about. And for those who have scratched their head without bothering the dictionary, Webster defines a symposium as: "a collection of utterances by different persons on one subject."

Planners who have put the October program together didn't limit it to "utterances," a fact which almost assures a successful project for the Edenton Historical Commission. Speeches, etc., about Edenton's charm and beauty are not limited to the town limits. But to gain the real feeling, you have to be a part of the scene.

This is what makes this symposium a bit different. There will be, of course, scholarly "utterances," but there will also be walking tours of what is being talked about and real furnishings that can be touched by participants rather than pictures flashed on the screen. Graphics will be, nonetheless, a major role in the Edenton Symposium.

Typical of what the Commission representatives and the Office of Archives & History in Raleigh have put together is the session where Frank Horton, director of restoration at Old Salem in

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Kirby Optimistic About Grid Squad

By FLYNN SURRETT

Head Coach Marion Kirby of the Edenton Aces summed up the 1972 football squad with his usual optimism and nervous excitement by stating that the team has displayed a good attitude and willingness to "stick their noses in there."

He added, however, that there is still ground to be covered in developing technique. With only seven returning lettermen, six seniors and one junior, there will be many new, and young, faces on the field. The sophomores that will be filling many of the positions on the team will shortly come under the test of fire when the Aces play the Bertie Falcons on foreign soil September 1.

Offensively, the experience in the backfield lies with Bill Chesson, Simon Copeland, Richard Moring and Ray Bateman. Kirby is also looking for

floor of the County Office Building on East King Street.

If it is impossible for a student to register during these hours they can contact Mrs. Hoskins or Mrs. Joseph M. Thorud, executive secretary.

Mrs. Hoskins also said military absentee requests can be accepted beginning September 1. The first day for civilian absentee requests is September 23.

The last day to register for the General Election on November 7 is 5 P. M., October 9.



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Dr. H. B. Purvis

Dentist To Open Office In Edenton

Opening a new dental practice in Edenton is Dr. H. B. Purvis. His office will be located at 705 North Broad Street in Mitchener Village.

Dr. Purvis is from Baxley, Ga., and attended Southern Technical Institute, University of Georgia and the University of North Carolina Dental School. He is married to Glenda Glasco Purvis, and they have a six-months-old son, Matthew. Dr. Purvis stated that he has no hobbies, as such, but enjoys spending leisure time hunting and fishing.

He reported that he had passed through Edenton in 1970 en route to the Outer Banks and liked the town. He was impressed with the pride the townspeople take in Edenton, he said.

School Finances Involved Boards Study Loan

Edenton-Chowan Board of Education met Monday night for a special session prior to the opening of school to finish several articles of business.

It was reported that Dr. Edwin West, superintendent, Chairman Eugene Jordan and Thomas P. Griffin met with County Commissioners Nick George, D. T. Bateman and Chairman Al Phillips concerning the \$32,000 advancement to the school system as well as the \$35,000 debt from the previous year. Both Chairman Jordan and Dr. West stated that the advancement of \$32,000 will not be needed due to the recent acquisition of tax monies, and the debt owed to the county commissioners will be paid as surpluses accumulate.

The school board will formally acknowledge the loan in writing. Dr. Ed Bond stated that he felt the public should know that the school budget had been over-estimated by both the school board and commissioners, and it had been made to appear that the schools had deliberately overspent.

Dr. West, who recently returned from a development and planning workshop in Hamilton, N. Y., proposed a wide restructuring of the chain of authority in the schools. The plan, he said, is designed to eliminate many unnecessary duties now handled by the principal. Supervisors would be appointed in the various departments to act as inter-

mediate authorities thus leaving the principal with more time to visit classrooms and associate with teachers and students.

Results of this plan would be about one year away. The school board unanimously approved the plan for the upcoming term.

As part of the strategy to increase the effectiveness of the teachers, it was approved that teachers remain at school until 4:30 P. M., two days per week to meet with the principal as well as have conferences with parents or pupils.

The Emergency Employment Act, reported Dr. West, had been the source of funds for many school systems. Because the secretaries are under-staffed, he suggested that the board request of the county commissioners a portion of the money received by the county through this act.

It was also reported by Dr. West that he will have a regular column in The Chowan Herald devoted to informing the public of the workings of the school system.

Sales Tax Divided

Chowan County and the Town of Edenton split up \$38,891.84 in sales tax money from the past quarter, according to a report released by G. A. Jones, Jr., commissioner. Department of Revenue.

Based on the ad valorem basis, the county received a total of \$29,345.35 and the town's share was \$9,546.49.

At the same time, Jones reported that net collections from the local option sales tax in July in Chowan County amounted to \$13,661.31.

Other collections throughout North-eastern North Carolina for the past month included:

Camden, \$2,440.09; Currituck, \$6,782.78; Dare, \$41,219.52; Pasquotank, \$48,185.52; Perquimans, \$6,603.26; Tyrrell, \$3,077.32, and Washington, \$15,714.07.

Quarterly totals for these same counties amounted to:

Camden, \$5,745.08; Currituck, \$15,563.26; Dare, \$59,665; Pasquotank, \$130,783.58; Perquimans, \$13,512.80; Tyrrell, \$8,637.65, and Washington, \$41,467.94.

Student Plays Set

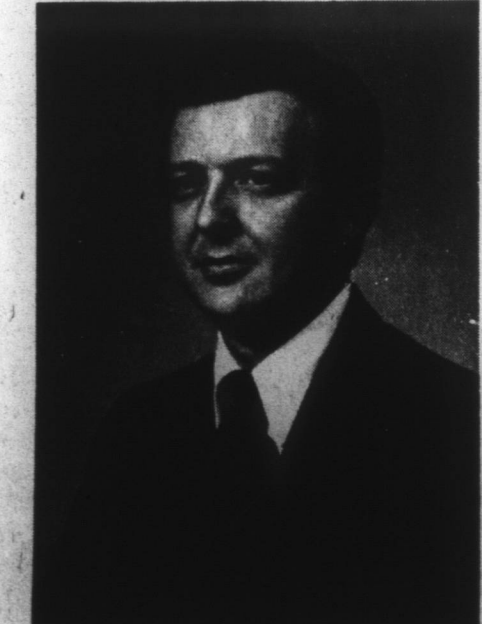
The Edenton-Chowan School System has been chosen as one of only 70 systems in the state to receive without cost, two live dramatic performances. These are being offered to us through the Division of Cultural Arts of the State Department of Public Instruction.

One, "Paul Green's North Carolina" will be presented by the Flatrock Playhouse; and the second, excerpts from Shakespeare and contemporary drama, will be presented by Theater-in-Education, based in New York.

The Flatrock Company will visit the local school system in the fall, and the New York group in the spring. Each troupe travels with five members.

"Our system is indeed fortunate to gain such a boost to our program in cultural arts for all high school students," a spokesman stated.

Holshouser To Campaign In Area



Rep. Jim Holshouser

RALEIGH—Rep. Jim Holshouser, Republican candidate for Governor, has announced that he would conduct a whirlwind 10-day tour of 46 counties in Eastern North Carolina.

The four-term legislator will speak on the Chowan County courthouse steps in Edenton on August 31 at 10 A. M.

Holshouser said that the east, "like a lot of ladies, has been wooed by almost all of the candidates for governor, and all too often has been left in the lurch by elected governors.

"As I hope all North Carolinians know, I have always kept my promises. This is one of the messages I plan to carry to Eastern North Carolina," he continued.

Holshouser said that during the tour he plans to "talk a little and listen a lot."

The tour will begin in Raleigh on August 24 and will conclude in Oxford on September 2.

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