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## Public Parade

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act rather than sit back and react at the eleventh hour.

If Loyal has a shortcoming it is his inability to say "no." And this may be one of the reasons he is now looking for quieter times as a four-day-per-week columnist on "Today," a Gannett newspaper in the Cape area.

But we doubt that he will hang up his community affairs hat. He will find a project, we are sure, which needs more than his editorial support and he will dash from the typewriter into the heat of battle. And as in the Albemarle, the odds are in his favor that he will be successful.

Personally, we'll miss having Loyal to turn to when the ox is in the ditch. But we want to be among the first to wish for him many, many happy years in "retirement."

### Chowan Gross Sales Climb

Gross retail sales in the 10-county Albemarle Area exceeded \$200-million during fiscal 1971-72, according to a report issued by the State Department of Revenue. Sales reported in Chowan County amounted to \$24,758,626, up some \$2-million from the same period a year ago.

Total sales amounted to \$207,427,088 in the Northeastern counties, up \$17-million from \$190,687,264 in fiscal 1970-71. Also, it was noted that gross retail sales in the area have increased \$93,789,274 in the past seven years.

In Chowan County, for example, seven years ago the figure was \$15,191,282, compared to this year's \$24.7-million.

Pasquotank County continued to lead the area in sales at \$69,238,639 compared with \$64,065,134 in 1970-71. In neighboring Perquimans County the figures are \$14,470,097 in 1971-72 and \$13,273,115 the previous year.

Food sales in Chowan reached \$6.8-million in the past reporting period, with automobile sales second at \$4.6-million. General merchandise sales amounted to \$4.1-million and auto, planes and boats paying 2 per cent tax was \$2.3-million.

Furniture sales were just over \$1-million in this county during the past fiscal year.

The 10-county comparison shows:

Camden	\$ 3,707,332	\$ 1,916,751
Chowan	24,758,626	15,191,282
Currituck	12,457,525	6,211,951
Dare	32,222,254	13,291,380
Gates	10,018,556	5,917,964
Hyde	6,091,580	3,286,850
Pasquotank	69,238,639	43,088,645
Perquimans	14,470,097	11,461,281
Tyrrell	5,661,843	3,931,993
Washington	28,800,636	15,551,668

### BOWLES SEES

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about the algae bloom in the Chowan River, he said it would be "nothing short of criminal if we allow the Chowan River to be killed." "Government officials should take every means to see that it doesn't happen."

Bowles said this problem should be corrected and then highly selective industries should be invited to "join us here."

"We don't have to take or keep polluting industry in North Carolina," he continued. "It is time to get tough with industry without driving them out of business."

A surprise visitor at the Municipal Building was Jim Sugg of New Bern, chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee.

A. B. Harless, Jr., the co-manager with W. H. Hollowell in Chowan County, presented the candidate by saying Bowles is three for three here. "Rain, rain, rain," Harless noted.

### FAIR OPENS SEPTEMBER 18

The annual Chowan County Fair will open September 18 for a week's run under sponsorship of Edward G. Bond Post 40, American Legion. W. A. Perry is president of the fair association of the post.

A 44-page premium book is being distributed in a wide area to promote exhibitors to the fair.

## Hospital To Raise Price For Rooms

Following a long-standing policy of management and the Board of Directors of Chowan Hospital towards conservatism, a room rate increase of \$3 per day to provide sufficient revenue to cover added expenses during the current year was unanimously approved at the board meeting on August 29 to become effective Sunday.

The Finance and Executive committees of the board have been studying the problem for several months and gave serious consideration in their meetings in July. Notification to the Internal Revenue Service and to North Carolina Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Inc., was submitted including a number of calculations which demonstrated the absolute necessity for the increase.

One of the greatest increases in cost is due to the fact that the hospital, for the first time effective January 1, is covered by the Employment Security Commission Act which requires participation in Unemployment Compensation. Several other factors were minimal increases in wages and increases in procurement of food and other supplies, as well as 16.2 per cent increase in premium dues for the hospital's Blue Cross-Blue Shield plan.

This increase will put the rates at Chowan Hospital slightly above the other area hospitals but it was pointed out that Chowan Hospital (Unit A) has the most modern, up-to-date facility in the area. The room rate includes the cost of telephone and television except for long-distance telephone calls. The new rates are:

Intensive/Coronary Care, \$85; private room with shower, \$42; private room without shower, \$41; semi-private (two bedroom), \$36; pediatric unit, \$33; nursery (no change), \$18.

This is the only increase in rates for any services in the new hospital since it opened October 17, 1970. Further, it was pointed out that a number of laboratory tests and other services have been reduced without any public pronouncement. The hospital is continually striving to up-grade its services to an ever-widening area of people, it was stated.

### ACES TIE

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sistance from the Aces' defense who, collectively, showed an ability to stand them up and knock them down.

Bertie fumbled the ball behind the line of scrimmage in the fourth quarter and Jimmy Fleetwood, after unsuccessfully trying to latch onto the elusive ball, fell on it for the turnover. This seemed to light a fire in the Aces and after a long, hard drive, Moring took the hand-off and made a plunge into the endzone to even the score.

The point after attempt was high and wide of the uprights.

With less than three minutes on the clock, the pace picked up and the Falcons made their last ditch effort to clinch the game only to punt with 23 seconds on the clock. For the Aces, the clock ran out in mid-drive and final score, 6 to 6.

Moring and Thomas Slade anchored the offensive backfield, Moring showing agility and Slade showing the desire to hunt heads. It was a hard-fought game, and without a doubt, the Aces showed a tenacity beyond their years.

With their team spirit and desire, it looks like it is going to be a good season.

## Holshouser Ties Bowles To Liberals

By FLYNN SURRETT

Republican gubernatorial candidate Jim Holshouser made a brief stop in Edenton Thursday as part of his running campaign in Eastern North Carolina. He arrived at Chowan County courthouse to be greeted by a light turn-out of about 30 people.

Holshouser's delivery, on the courthouse steps, was somewhat impromptu, leaving his prepared speech to touch on the recent issue of the environmental status of the Chowan River and other bodies of water in this part of the state.

He stated the need for uniform and strict legislation concerning the dumping of industrial wastes and sewage into our waterways. He also discussed the

### HOUSE SEAT

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taken within the committee. He added that it is the opinion of some that it should be along the one man, one vote theory which would give each county a vote for each 300 Democrat ballots cast in the primary.

Mitchener, former Edenton mayor and past president of the N. C. League of Municipalities, has reiterated his interest in the post because of his desire to serve the people of Northeastern North Carolina.

White, former chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners, was appointed to the House of Representatives by Gov. Bob Scott to fill the unexpired term of the late Archie Burrus and with a heart condition



Pollution of Chowan River has not only affected fishing and bathing, but it has also interfered with baptisms up at Welch's Chapel Baptist Church. Rev. W. H. Davis, pastor of the church, says maybe the devil has something to do with the pollution, so that the preacher would be prevented from baptizing some folks who have turned to God. But, says Preacher Davis, he fooled the devil. For, although the Welch's Chapel Church was destroyed by fire and a new church building is still not completed, he took his new converts in the completed church, managed to get some water in the baptistry and baptized the new members despite the polluted Chowan River.

Rev. Bob Gray recently bought himself a Thunderbird boat. Someone a little while back was introducing Mr. Gray to a friend, in the course of which he said, "Mr. Gray lives in a nice house right on the waterfront and now he has a ya-chet." Well, it isn't exactly a yacht.

Pete Manning recently returned from a vacation way down in Alabama with his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Letcher. Mr. Letcher sent me a souvenir—and I don't know what the bloomin' thing is. About the only clue I have is that Pete said it was one of the whiskers of a wild turkey. Well, with the price of haircuts and shaves taking a boost, I don't blame the turkey for getting rid of the whiskers.

Mrs. Elnora Walker, who was sort of chief factotum out at Cape Colony, is now living at Vinton, Va. She was among those who last week renewed her subscription to The Herald, and in a footnote said, "Sure do miss Edenton." And so say many more people who have lived in Edenton and moved elsewhere.

Well, the Edenton Aces, despite what Coach Marion Kirby says is the youngest group of players in many years, did not lose their first game. The Aces played the Bertie County boys to a 6-6 tie, which is better than being defeated. They play their first game on home soil Friday night, when they butt heads against the Murfreesboro High School gridders. Of course, the Aces would like to see a big crowd turn out for the game.

And speaking about football, Dwight Flanagan, a former Aces star, is now assistant football coach down at New Hanover High School, Wilmington. That, you know, is down in former Edenton Coach Leon Brogden's bailiwick.

At the meeting tonight of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., the third degree will be conferred upon a candidate, so that the master of the lodge, Curtis Forehand, is urging a large turn out of members. And incidentally the lodge will celebrate Ladies' Night on Thursday night, September 14. The banquet will be held at the Rocky Hock Community Center, which is an omen of a stumped down good meal. And, incidentally, Sam Long is in charge of the affair and he must know how many will attend, so it is important to see him at once and secure tickets. In other words, "no tickie, no eatie."

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