

Women's lib and planning have something in common along the Public Parade. They are sometimes good for a laugh.

Both items played a humorous role Monday during the lengthy meeting of Chowan County commissioners.

When Murray Ashley reported that Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad needed more county volunteers who are trained, Commissioner N. J. George had an instant solution—women. "We're in women's lib so get some women involved," he remarked.

Ashley, almost speechless, did manage to say women fainted easily. "But they can drive," the commissioner replied. And when this suggestion met with about as little enthusiasm as the first, he called it quits.

Later, George W. Lewis reported that the \$300 budgeted for the planning board four years ago had run out. Someone at the table pointed out this was poor planning on the part of the board. "But the emergency in the situation is the red ink," Lewis said.

And all agreed this was even poorer planning since the board chairman is a banker. But he got another \$300 and promised to make it last four more years, if possible.

Actually, though, what these two groups have in common is quite far removed for the humor they injected into the meeting. Chowan County taxpayers get more for their money via the rescue squad and planning board than any other agency.

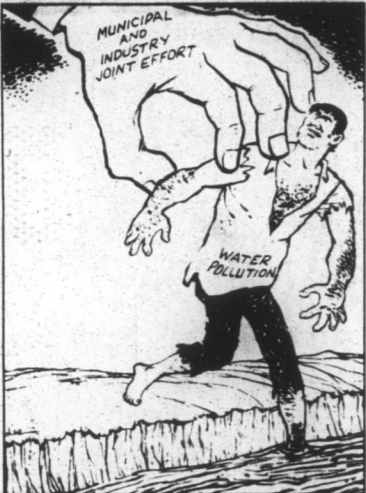
A recent Letter to the Editor notwithstanding, this newspaper has been quite generous in the support of both. And we don't intend to stop now.

**Cooperation Needed**

Taxation to achieve any purpose except raising money for the government is seldom a good idea and it would seem exceptionally ill-advised to tax industrial plants on their air and water emissions.

At first whiff, the idea of a pollution tax smells good. But, when all of the implications are considered, it just smells. It seems

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to be based on the belief that adequate regulation would require too many government employees which would make it too expensive. A pollution tax, they say, would give companies an economic incentive to control pollution.

Actually, a pollution tax would be one of the most complicated taxes ever adopted, even more complicated than the income tax, and it would direct money away from pollution control. Also, if a company is complying with

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**HOUSING PROJECT DEDICATED**--Jack Habit, second from right, chairman of Edenton Housing Authority, is shown with three of the persons recognized Sunday afternoon at dedication services for the 100-unit project. They are: Rev. S. N. Griffith, Oscar Holley, Habit, and Mayor George Alma Byrum.

**Public Housing Here Praised At Dedication Service Sunday**

The development of a 100-unit low-rent public housing project by Edenton Housing Authority was described Sunday as being a blow which "knocked the props from old Edenton".

Rev. S. N. Griffith, for whom one of the four sites was named, said the authority had proven that it is composed of "young, industrious, far-seeing men" who had worked "Courageously, freely, boldly and religiously" for improvements to the community.

A. C. Hudson, an authority commissioner, was in charge of the brief dedication service and

**Aces In Win; Lose 2-A Title**

By FLYNN SURRATT

The Edenton Aces capped the season throwing the Williamston Tigers for a big 32-14 loss Friday night to put the Albemarle AA Conference in a three way tie for the conference cup. However the taste of victory was embittered by the decision of the conference coaches Saturday to allow Williamston to go to the play-offs.

With most of the outcries of public anger having died down, head coach Marion Kirby stated "I can't sit in moral judgment as to what guides their consciences. I would say that the state-wide system of picking play-off representatives was drawn up on the assumption that when people are given a responsibility, they will carry out that responsibility with integrity and open-mindedness."

"As anyone who goes to court and stands before a judge or jury, he hopes to see justice done. We must assume that those men voted within the limits of their integrity and character."

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said former Mayor John Mit-chener, Jr., saw the need and Mayor George Alma Byrum had followed through.

Mayor Byrum, for whom a second site was named, said the project is something everyone in the community can be very proud of. He lauded the architecture as being in keeping with the town and the landscaping as adding to the beauty of the area.

He too praised the work of the commissioners for "serving beyond the call of duty".

Later the mayor said the people who live in all sections of the project will "live there with pride."

Oscar Holley, son of the late Dr. O. L. Holley, for whom a site was named, said his father would be honored by the recognition.

Mrs. Lenora Harris, a tenant in the project, said those residing in the area are "mighty glad to be out here" and are "living like one happy family."

Chairman Jack Habit presided at the dedication, arranged by Commissioner George W. Lewis, chairman Rev. E. C. Alexander, a commissioner, gave the invocation. Also present was the fifth commissioner, J. Scott Harrell.

L. F. Amburn, Jr., executive director, recognized special guests, including representatives of the Extension Service and EIC who are working with the local authority.

**Revenue Sharing Funds Sought; Board Quiet**

Chowan County commissioners Monday hinted quite strongly that they are ready to re-evaluate the food stamp program and were bombarded with requests for slices of the revenue sharing funds. The commissioners also named A. C. Hudson to the county planning board.

**Republicans Run Wild**

	East Edenton	West Edenton	Center Hill	Rocky Hook	Wardville	Yeopim	TOTAL
<b>For President:</b>							
Richard Nixon	450	655	152	272	209	165	1903
George McGovern	349	327	80	33	48	95	932
John Schmitz	4	10	0	3	6	5	23
<b>For U. S. Senate:</b>							
Jesse Helms	265	400	74	156	106	126	1127
Nick Galifianakis	495	543	141	110	131	128	1548
<b>For U. S. Representative:</b>							
J. Jordan Bonner	141	208	48	120	179	85	781
Walter Jones	624	739	177	151	80	161	1932
<b>For Governor:</b>							
James Holshouser	180	274	50	94	69	84	751
Hargrove Bowles	618	715	175	186	185	175	2051
Arlis Pettijohn	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
<b>For Lieutenant Governor:</b>							
James Hunt	647	775	186	182	186	186	2162
Johnny Walker	125	197	35	80	53	66	556
Benjamin McLendon	3	1	0	0	0	2	6
<b>For State House of Representatives:</b>							
Stanford White	642	769	191	191	203	178	2174
Vernon James	628	757	190	188	198	184	2145
Mrs. Iris Etheridge	126	218	22	36	33	34	469
<b>For County Commissioner:</b>							
C. A. Phillips	676	832	193	220	194	209	2324
David Bateman	657	826	206	233	221	201	2344
Alton Elmore	684	841	200	202	213	192	2332

**Bateman, Elmore Get 4-Year Terms On Board**

By L. F. Amburn, Jr.

North Carolina voters, including the vast majority of those in Chowan County, split everything but their breeches in Tuesday's general election. They elected a Republican governor, a Democrat lieutenant governor, a Republican U. S. Senator, a Democratic Council of State as well as State

Senate and State House.

And in most cases, the results in Chowan were on line with other sections of the state, including a smashing majority for President Nixon. Unofficial returns showed him carrying every Tar Heel

county except Northampton.

Boone-attorney and GOP minority leader in the State House, Jim Holshouser, won what is considered the most surprising victory as he defeated Hargrove (Skipper for Governor of North Carolina).

James Hunt, the youthful Wilson attorney who was seeking his first office in state government, emerged as the Golden Boy of the Democratic Party as he defeated Johnny Walker of North Wilkesboro for the lieutenant governorship.

Raleigh TV executive Jesse Helms ran better in Chowan than most observers had predicted and went on to defeat Democratic Rep. Nick Galifianakis for the U. S.

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**School Board Put On Notice**

The Department of Air and Water Resources has "put a bug" in the ear of the Edenton-Chowan Schools, it was reported by Asst. Supt. Cecil Fry. He reported at a meeting of the board of Education Monday night.

He reported that the department has instructed the school system to submit plans for emission treatment. As it was stated in the meeting, the letter seems to imply that the system should change from coal fuel to oil.

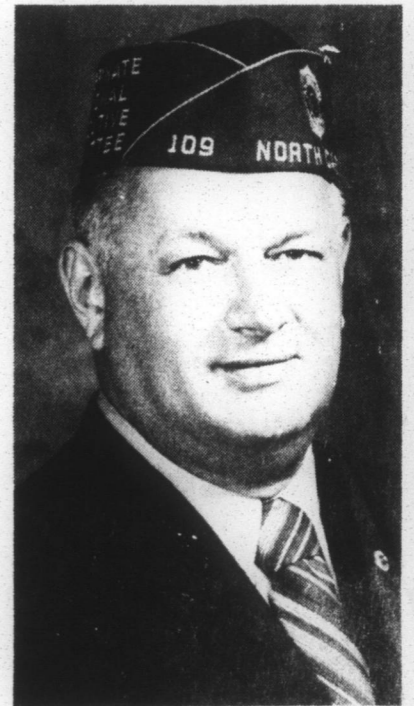
The estimated cost of conversion would be about \$32,500, according to rough calculations made by Fry. He stated that the operational permit for the furnaces in the schools had expired last year, and obtaining an extension may be very difficult.

The Edenton-Chowan system is one of two systems east of Raleigh not already converted or preparing to do so.

Supt. Eddie West reported that the school system is currently seeking money to fund Project Score, a vocational plan in which students visit prospective vocations, simulate occupational problems in the classroom, and learn how to handle these problems. The estimated cost for the first two years of operation would be about \$71,000.

Two break-ins were reported in two of the schools. White Oak Elementary School was said to have been robbed of a \$700 copying machine, \$350 typewriter, and a cassette tape player. As well, a freezer was heavily damaged by a crow-bar, and attempt was made to steal a color television. Swain school was broken into and a clock was destroyed, and desks were thrown around.

Fry stated that he believed that the incidents were more than just random acts.



Robert A. Tart

**Program Set**

Edward G. Bond Post No. 40, American Legion, Saturday morning will dedicate a plaque and flag pole at Beaver Hill Cemetery in honor of all servicemen and women who paid the supreme sacrifice in all wars. The ceremony will begin at 11 A.M.

Robert A. (Bob) Tart of Benson, national executive committeeman of the N. C. Department of the American Legion, will be the guest speaker.

Tart entered the service at the age of 19 and was discharged in October, 1945. Since that time he has been an active member of the American Legion. He has served in most elective capacities in the Benson post and has distinguished himself in the N. C. Department, having served as commander in 1967.

All veterans and the general public are invited to Saturday's ceremony. The wreath for the occasion is being donated by Pate's Florist.

A covered dish supper will be served at the Legion Hut at 7 o'clock by the American Legion and auxiliary and the Veterans of Foreign Wars and auxiliary.



**IMPROVEMENTS BEING MADE**--Workmen this week were busy making improvements in two sections of Edenton. At left, Rose Brothers workmen are shown preparing to pave the lower end of South Broad Street which will provide paved parking at the Barker House Visitor Center-Museum. Curb and gutter has



already been installed. The other pictures shows workmen with the State Highway Commission installing a new storm drainage pipe along North Broad Street, near Holmes High School. The new drainage system is expected to halt periodic flooding in the area of Habit's Motel.

been further complicated. He pointed out that to qualify a person must either work 30 hours a week, have a statement from a doctor or register with the employment office. "This has become quite a problem in our office," he added.

Other commissioners questioned the affect the regulations would have on farm labor and Chairman C. A. Phillips said maybe the program should be re-evaluated at a future date.

Representatives of the Bank of North Carolina, N. A., and Peoples Bank & Trust Company offered their services in assisting in handling the revenue sharing funds. Dr. Eddie West of Edenton-Chowan Schools asked for some of the funds. It was noted that the College of the Albemarle had already made a request.

Chairman Phillips told everyone that commissioners had not discussed how the \$178,000 would be handled or where it would be spent. Commissioner N. J. George suggested that a public meeting be held to hear all agencies.

George W. Lewis, chairman of the planning board, said the board is in need of an additional member and suggested that Hudson be appointed. Hudson is already a member of the Edenton Housing Authority.

He suggested that the county continue to work with the state in the planning program and commissioners authorized Chairman Phillips to so inform state officials.

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