

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

FOR MAYOR	East Edenton	West Edenton	Total
George Alma Byrum	271	368	639
Roy L. Harrell	555	307	862
FOR TREASURER			
A. B. Harless, Jr.	686	609	1,295
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE			
James C. (Pete) Dail	392	445	837
Joe Lee	403	215	618
COUNCILMAN, THIRD WARD			
Errol Flynn	265	241	506
William Reeves	262	206	468
David G. White	262	222	484
COUNCILMAN, FOURTH WARD			
Harry Spruill, Jr.	697	579	1,276

STATEWIDE REFERENDUMS

	School Bonds		Mixed Drinks		Clean Water	
	For	Against	For	Against	For	Against
East Edenton	704	162	186	686	748	93
West Edenton	722	145	223	656	761	100
Center Hill	155	25	16	170	166	12
Rocky Hock	178	43	34	189	175	24
Wardville	148	52	16	193	155	36
Yeopim	128	24	47	105	129	20
Totals	2,035	451	522	1,999	2,134	285

# Harrell Elected Mayor By Big Margin

Edenton voters Tuesday elected a new mayor, two new



ROY L. HARRELL Mayor-Elect

councilmen, a new treasurer and re-elected an incumbent councilmen. Town voters joined those in Chowan County and throughout North Carolina in approving two referendums and soundly defeating a third—the question of mixed beverages.

Roy L. Harrell, 200 South Oakum Street, piled up more than a 2-1 majority in East Edenton to unseat Mayor George Alma Byrum. The final vote was 862 for Harrell and 639 for the incumbent. James C. (Pete) Dail, councilmen-at-large and mayor pro tem, lost by 11 votes to Joe Lee in East Edenton but a 230-majority for the incumbent in West Edenton was too much for the challenger to overcome. Dail received a total of 837 votes to 618 for Lee who was seeking his first elective office.

The only close contest in the Municipal Election turned out to

be the three-man race for Third Ward councilman. Errol Flynn, a newcomer to the political arena, unseated David G. White. Flynn received 506 votes while White polled 484 votes. William Reeves received 468 votes.

Harry Spruill, Jr., unopposed candidate for Fourth Ward councilman polled 1,276 votes.

A. B. Harless, Jr., was elected treasurer without opposition, having received 1,295 votes.

Jesse L. Harrell, J. H. Conger, Jr., and James Darnell will move from the Board of Public Works to the Town Council at the meeting Tuesday night, when the newly elected officials will be sworn in. The Board of Public Works has been abolished and the three men with remaining terms will serve for two years on the council.

Mayor-elect Harrell is a councilman-at-large, choosing not

to step down to run. Therefore, one of the first items to be faced by the new council will be that of filling the vacancy created by Harrell's election.

Totals in the statewide referendums include:

School Bonds—For: 2,035; Against: 451.  
Mixed Drinks—For: 522; Against: 1,999.  
Clean Water—For: 2,134; Against: 285.

## Board Studies New Districts

Chowan County commissioners agreed in a discussion Monday that substantial inequality of population existed in the townships, yet voted down a suggested plan to equalize the districts. The vote was 3-2 against the motion of Commissioner Alton Elmore, with Chairman C. A. Phillips breaking the 2-2 deadlock.

However, Chairman Phillips said the board can continue to study the matter of reapportionment and reach a compromise that will "suit all our needs."

Commissioner David Bateman, who opposed the Elmore plan on the grounds that it would "create an imbalance of power" on the board, said he favors more study but he "can't see anything constructive coming from it."

Elmore's motion followed argument by Commissioner N. J. George that on the basis of voter registration, the commissioners residing in First Township represented 1,549 voters, Fourth Township, 419; Second Township, 871 and Third Township, 498. "On the basis of this breakdown I submit there is great inequality," he added.

When Bateman asked George what he proposed the commissioner suggested that two districts be established—one to include only the Town of Edenton (2,385 voters) and to have two commissioners; the other district to include the remainder of the county (2,501 voters) with two commissioners; and one commissioner to run at large.

Bateman contended that the at-

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## Scott Plans Visit

Former Gov. Bob Scott will speak Friday morning to the student body and faculty of the College of The Albemarle in Elizabeth City. The assembly is scheduled for 10 A.M.

He then addresses a class on the topic of state-federal relations.

Scott is executive vice president of the N. C. Agribusiness Council, headquartered in Raleigh.



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## Eure To Speak

Thad Eure, Secretary of State, will be principal speaker at a meeting here on Tuesday.

Eure will address the 18th annual meeting of the Northeastern Area Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors to be held at 6:30 P.M. at the Edenton Jaycee Building. Also scheduled on the program is James A. Graham, Commissioner of Agriculture.

Area Chairman, Lloyd C. Bunch, said the public is invited to attend the meeting. Tickets for the event are available from either Bunch or the local Soil and Water Conservation District office located in the basement of the U. S. Post Office.

Bunch speculates that over 400 conservationists and guests from the 20 Northeastern North Carolina counties will attend this meeting for an evening of fellowship and at the same time lend their support to the Soil and Water Conservation District Program.

## Kwik-Pik Opens Local Market

L. G. Frazier, president of Kwik-Pik Markets, Inc., has announced the opening of a new Kwik-Pik convenience store in Edenton.

The new store, located at 210 North Broad Street, brings the total of Kwik-Pik units to 115, with locations in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Michigan. Based in Henderson Kwik-Pik is the largest convenience store chain headquartered in North Carolina.

The first Kwik-Pik opened in Raleigh in 1962, operated by Frazier and the late George

Tharrington, co-founder. In the eleven years since, the Kwik-Pik concept has grown into one of the largest, most successful convenience store chains in the South.

Kwik-Pik markets are neighborhood stores that are open from 7 A.M. to 11 P.M., seven days per week. They carry a variety of groceries and notions and offer fast, easy shopping with convenient parking at the front door.

The new Edenton unit is managed by Roy H. Spruill, who resides at 1025 North Broad Street.

## Public Parade

### New Leadership

We want to be among the first to publicly congratulate Roy L. Harrell on being elected Mayor of the Town of Edenton in Tuesday's election. After tasting defeat in three previous attempts his persistence resulted in a solid victory over Mayor George Alma Byrum.

Mr. Harrell accomplished this feat by broadening the margin in his district—East Edenton, and cutting deeply into the incumbent's normally high vote in West Edenton.

In 1969 Mayor Byrum received 49 per cent of the total vote, Mr. Harrell, 39 per cent and Henry Quinn, 11 per cent. By contrast, on Tuesday, Mr. Harrell received 57.4 per cent of the vote with Mayor Byrum getting 42.6 per cent.

There was a good vote in the municipal election, 62.9 per cent of the registered voters, and Mr. Harrell did an exceptionally good job of getting his supporters to the polls.

The gavel of authority will be passed to the new mayor Tuesday night. In the mayor-council-administrator form of government his most important duties center around appointment of committees among the councilmen for efficient operation of that body, suggesting programs and ordinances, and the appointment of members of various boards and committees with the approval of the council. The manner in which he performs these duties will chart the course for the next two years.

An awesome responsibility rests upon the shoulders of the new leadership along the Public Parade. Edenton, during the administrations of Mitchener and Byrum, has enjoyed unprecedented growth and progress.

If Mayor-elect Harrell dedicates his time and talents to continued growth and progress he will find that he has a friend in this quarter. The town deserves no less, nor can expect no more.

### Crisis After Crisis

It is extremely uncommon to provide space in three quarters for writings by a political figure. However, the seriousness of the subject of Sen. Sam Ervin's column this week deserves better play along the Public Parade than is normally given.

We remain puzzled by the fact that there is a shortage of almost everything in this land of plenty. Like the fuel crisis, about which Sen. Ervin writes, there is a newsprint crisis. The Chowan Herald will receive no more newsprint until January 1, 1974, and we don't know how much longer thereafter. It appears, though, that we have a sufficient quantity in the shop to last through December.

Some newspapers, which are not as fortunate, are finding it necessary to go on the black market and pay twice the going price just to keep publishing.

There doesn't, however, appear to be any black market for fuel, but we'll let the Senator speak to the problem.

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## New County Complex Proposed

Plans for a proposed new governmental center for Chowan County were unveiled Wednesday morning with a \$1.6-million courthouse jail complex being the central feature. The complex

would be on a 25-acre tract located in the vicinity of Chowan Hospital.

County, town, state and federal officials were on hand at the Municipal Building to receive the feasibility study of the center from

J. Everette Fauber, Jr., architect, of Lynchburg, Va.

Court officials have for many years been critical of continued use of Chowan's historic courthouse, calling it inadequate; and state officials have moved in to demand that a new jail be constructed or prisoners be kept in a facility outside the county.

"A site near or even adjacent to the new Chowan Hospital on Route 32 as one enters Edenton from the north appears to be one that should be selected," the report noted. Earlier in the report three sites in the Edenton Historic District were ruled out for various reasons—mainly lack of adequate space without costly piling and relocation of existing structures.

Fauber said that based on desired space allotment schedules a minimum 22,000 to 25,000 square feet of floor area will be needed for the new courthouse and adjacent offices and record storage vaults for the Clerk of Court and Register of Deeds. Approximately 9,500 to 10,000 square feet of floor area will be required for the new jail.

The cost estimate of \$1,621,903 is based on \$45 per square foot, which is the prevailing unit cost for such construction.

The courthouse would include separate courtrooms for Superior and District courts. The jail is designed for proper handling of a total complement of 25 to 30 inmates while the administrative wing actually could take care of an expansion to 50 inmates. The jail could be expanded into a regional unit.

The architect envisions a relatively low masonry structure for the courthouse, using materials with some nobility, such as cut or cast stone; light, grey, pressed brick, etc. A flat, built-up roof would be punctuated by a large dome skylight over each bar.

The jail would be built of face brick with much less or cut stone trim and properly subordinated, yet related, to the larger, more imposing courthouse building.

West W. Byrum, Jr., chairman of the Courthouse-Jail Study

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**CYSTIC FIBROSIS CAMPAIGN**—"Score a touchdown for cystic fibrosis" will be the main theme next week as the Cystic Fibrosis campaign gets underway to collect 100 yards of dimes, equal in length to a football gridiron. In addition cans will be placed in various business, grocery stores, and the shopping center. Next Sunday, a roadblock will up to solicit for funds. Co-chairman for the campaign against this respiratory disease are Mrs. Susan Godley and John Guard. Pictured with them are Mayor George A. Byrum and C. A. Phillips, County Commission chairman who are signing a proclamation designating Cystic Fibrosis Week in Edenton and Chowan County.

## Aces Seeking Perfect Season

The Edenton Aces' juggernaut offensive and defensive squads bombed the Bertie Falcons with a 45-7 victory at Hicks Field Friday night. This non-conference win sustained the Aces' unblemished over-all record of nine wins and no losses.

The leading ball carrier of the contest was Arnold Brothers who scored four times and amassed 180 yards in rushing out a total of 328 yards.

This Friday night, the Aces will travel to Ahoskie to battle the Cougars who are rated number three in the conference. This will be the final game of the regular season. Game time is 8 o'clock.

Bertie began a strong match on their first possession, but lost the ball on the Edenton 39. The Aces promptly ran up 25 points with four touchdowns in their first four possessions of the night.

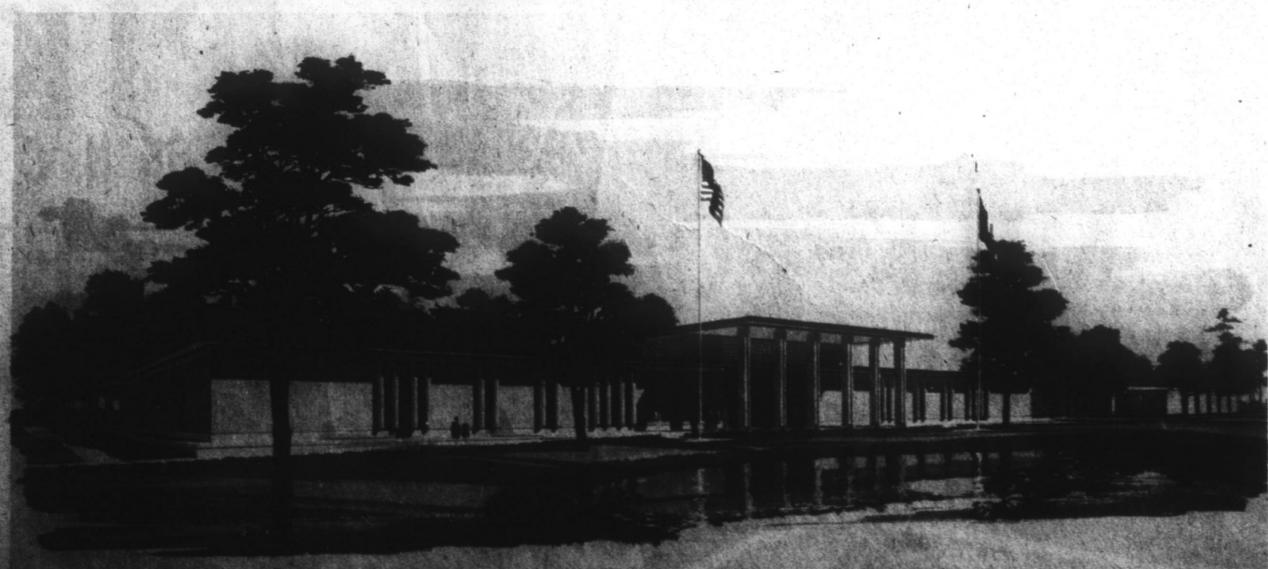
A 61 yard drive featuring the foot-work of Brothers and Willie Holley characterized their first score. It came late in the first period. Brothers made the touchdown and Ralph Garrett converted.

On the first play after the kick-off, Thomas Slade picked off an

## Mr. Webb Presides

Judge John Webb of Wilson presided over a two-day session of Chowan County District Court here this week.

There was no jury trials during the term established to hear civil cases, according to Mrs. Lena M.



Artist's Rendering of Proposed New Chowan County Courthouse-Jail