The Other Side

A lot has been written, and more said, about the problems in the Chowan River in 1972 and then again this year. One side which has been somewhat conspicious by its silence is management of the Farmers Chemical Association facility at Tunis.

The silence is broken this week as CF Industries, Inc., the Illinoisbased management firm that operates the Hertford County plant, goes to the public through paid advertisements in area newspapers as well as the big dailies circulated along the Public

The other side, so to speak, is presented to the subscribers of this newspaper in the form of a paid advertisement and a news story from the public relations department of the company. As you read the material, weigh it against the information presented earlier, and you will find that the true friends of the Chowan River are not found among the regulatory agencies in Raleigh nor the industrialists in Chicago, Tunis, etc.

If the industry expects such hogwash to improve its credibility with the citizens hereabouts then it is a strange versoin of Dixie they whistle in Chicago.

Big One For Roy

Voters along the Public Parade and throughout Tar Heelia will have an opportunity Tuesday to exercise their right to a voice in government. In this county there are races for four positions yet predictions are there won't be a crowd at the polls.

Nominees for a new state administration will be chosen along with nominees for district and county positions.

On the state level our choices are Jim Hunt for governor; John M. Jordan for lieutenant governor; George W. Breece for secretary of state; Lane Brown for state treasurer; Henry L. Bridges for state auditor; John Johnson for commissioners of insurance;

Jessie Rae Scott for commissioner of labor; and Craig Phillips for superintendent of public instruction.

Rep. Walter B. Jones is a

natural choice to be returned to the U.S. Congress for another two year term.

We could elaborate at length about how we arrived at the decision to endorse and vote for these candidates. However, in this Bicentennial year we feel more compeled to put in an extra word for Mayor Roy L. Harrell, a candidate for one of the two seats in the General Assembly from the First House District.

Chowan County, in our opinion, has not been adequately represented in the State House since W. J. P. Earnhardt, Jr., chose not to run for re-election in a multi-county district. We now have, in Mayor Harrell, a qualified candidate who would not only represent Chowan's interests but those of the other seven counties as well.

In this election seniority should not be an issue. While the incumbents have some experience we feel that Mayor Harrell's leadership qualities would outweigh any seniority of those who now represent the district.

Mayor Harrell has campaigned for the office with vigor and at a Continued On Page 4

LUNCHEON GUEST-Mrs. Jessie Rae Scott, left, candidate for the Democratic nomination of commissioner of labor, is shown with Mrs. W. J. P. Earnhardt, Sr., at a luncheon here last Thursday. Mrs. Earnhardt arranged the event at Mrs. Boswell's Restaurant.

Mrs. Scott Luncheon Speaker

pushed by anyone--and that

Mrs. Jessie Ray Scott, former

First Lady, had her "campaign

scheduler" with her last Thursday

when she arrived in Chowan

County to seek support for her

candidacy as Commissioner of

Labor. Unaccustomed as he was,

he appeared relaxed as he sat in

the audience while his equally as

relaxed spouse talked to some 25

women and a male reporter at

Mrs. Scott made jokes about her

past role in Democratic politics.

She said her husband, Gov. Bob

Scott, was getting a taste of

homemaking and she was actually

getting revenge after 25 years.

And, as a good husband should, he

laughed at the humor she spread.

that she would draw on her "long

association with government in

North Carolina and my working

background" in one of the state's

And, too, she relates with vigor

that the race is not an ego trip nor

that she is on a lark. "This is a

serious effort on my part," she

Mrs. Scott explained some of the

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programs in the Department of

Forty-one feeder pigs were

stolen last Wednesday night from

the farm of Mrs. J. L. Hardison,

Route 2, Edenton. They were

Sheriff Troy Toppin said the

theft was reported Thursday

morning by Edgar Earl Hollowell,

also of Route 2, Edenton. He said a

caretaker, John L. Cofield, last

saw the pigs at about 11:30 P.M.

Sheriff Toppin reported that the

pigs were moved in a pick-up or

van-type vehicle. A gold colored

van was seen in the area Thursday

the investigation continues.

No arrests have been made and

most important positions.

Pigs Stolen

valued at \$2,000.

Wednesday.

She is hasty, however, to admit

Mrs. Boswell's Restaurant.

includes her husband.

One of North Carolina's foremost names in Democratic politics again appears on the statewide ballot next Tuesday. Another Scott from Haw River is seeking the party nomination for a top state post.

This time, however, there is a new wrinkle. It is a female in the clan and while she is proud of her political heritage, she is a selfstyled candidate who isn't being

Funds Allotted

Chowan County Department of Social Services has been allocated \$108,360 in federal Title XX funds. This is some \$5,000 more than the county's fair share by population.

The announcement was made in Raleigh by the N. C. Department of Human Resources which allocated the county's share of the \$63,256,250 allotted to the state.

These funds are to be matched by 25 per cent local funds to provide a wide array of social services to the residents of each county during the fiscal year 1976-77. Some of these services are mandatory in every county while some are optional.

Some \$20-million is being retained by the state to provide certain services it has contracted with various agencies to provide across the state.

Ronald Huffman, director of the Chowan County Department of Social Services, said \$60,000 of the Title XX funds are being put into the Child Development Center at Chowan High School. He said the county received more than its population share because of the

Six of the 10 Albemarle Area counties received an allocation less than their fair share by population.

Workshop Set

Edenton-Chowan Schools announces a workshop for anyone interested in having their name placed on the approved list of substitute teachers for the 1976-1977 school year. This workshop will be held on August 23 at D. F. Walker Cafeteria from 9 A.M. to

Persons who are already on the approved list should attend from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. the same day.

Substitute teachers must hold a high diploma or the equivalent and must attend this full-day workshop before they can be employed.

Additional information about substitute work may be obtained by calling the Edenton-Chowan Schools Administrative Office,

Habitual Offenders Sentenced

Two habitual offenders of drunk driving were tried Tuesday in a engthy session of Chowan County District Court. One was given an active prison sentence, the other a

Judge Grafton G. Beaman sentenced Rayford Wilson Perry, 62, to 12 months in prison for driving while his license were permanently revoked. He was given an additional 12 months, to tun concurrently with the other sentence for fifth offense of drunk driving; and another five days, also to run concurrently with the earlier sentences, for improper

appeal.

Asst. Dist. Atty. Chris Bean had recommended that Perry be given a suspended sentence and placed on probation. He said the defendant had voluntarily sought help for his drinking problem.

Judge Beaman said he rarely failed to accept the recommendation prosecution, but in this case he felt it was the intent of the General Assembly to give an active sentence when driving while one's license was permanently revoked

In another case, Richard Edward Taylor, 42, was given 12 months, suspended upon payment of \$800 fine and costs for driving while his license were revoked and drunk driving, third offense.

opening at 6:30 A.M. and closing at 7:30 P.M. Voting will be by machine in Chowan County. contest is the two seats in the

The primary election will be

held Tuesday with the polls

On the district level the only State House of Representatives. Incumbent Reps. Vernon James of Weeksville and Stanford White of Manns Harbor are seeking reelection. They are challenged by Mayor Roy L. Harrell of Edenton and Philip L. Twiddy of Manns Harbor.

There are four contests on the county offices-register of deeds, county commissioner, Third Township, and board of education, First and Second townships.

Mrs. Bertha B. Bunch, register of deeds is not seeking re-election. Candidates for the post are: Anne K. Spruill, a deputy in the office, Murray D. Ashley, Jean A. Bunch and Laura S. Evans.

Seeking the Third Township seat on the county commission are Lester T. Copeland and H. Ivey Ward, Jr., The incumbent, David Bateman, is not a candidate.

Polls Open Tuesday

Dr. Edward G. Bond, and Thomas P. Griffin, incumbents on the school board from the First Township, are being challenged for one of the two seats by W. J. Underkofler.

In the Second Township, Carlton W. Goodwin, the incumbent, has opposition from Wilbur Ray Bunch and James K. Copeland, Jr.

A copy of the sample ballot appears on Page 6-B in today's newspaper.

There are 5,282 registered voters in the county, according to Mrs. Byron P. Kehayes, chairman, Chowan County Board of Elections. Among them are eight 17-year-olds who will be 18 by the time of the general election in November. However, these young voters will not be able to vote for the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education because the members of the school board run in a nonpartisan election.

Curbside voting will be allowed from 9 A.M. until 5 P.M. only. These persons will vote by paper

A registered voter qualified to vote shall be entitled to assistance in getting to and from the voting booth and in preparing his ballots. In all cases the voter must ask for assistance.

Democrats will vote for those persons running on that ballot and the school board; Republicans for those running on that ballot and the school. Those persons registered as Independents, American Party and No Party Affilitation will vote only on the school board. A person registered as No Party Affiliation may, on the day of the primary, go to the polls and declare to the Registrar that he or she wishes to affiliate with a party.

Absentee voting has been heavier this year because of vacations, Mrs. Kehayes reports. By noon Tuesday 35 persons had applied for absentee voting. The deadline was noon Wednesday. However, a person becoming ill after this deadline may still apply.

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INSPECT WATER SYSTEM-Jimmy Johnson, state director of Farmers Home Administration, second from left, was in Chowan County earlier this week and expressed interest in the county-wide water system. He is shown here with, from left, Melvin Howell, FmHA executive here; Don Norman, district executive; and C. A. Phillips, chairman, Chowan County commissioners. They are in front of one of two water treatment plants in the county.

FmHA Lauds Local Projects

officials in North Carolina believe Chowan County possesses one of the best examples of its wide spectrum of programs. This was stated during a visit this week by officials to inspect some of the projects which are either completed or on the drawing board.

The attitude of these officials, according to Chairman C. A. Phillips of the Chowan County commissioners, could result in

Farmers Home Administration widespread free publicity for the county as the federal agency focuses people-helping projects.

> Phillips was told Tuesday the agency might use Chowan as an example of cooperative efforts to promote projects which are cost oriented as well as providing services to the people.

> Special emphasis was placed during the visit on the joint Chowan-Perquimans Sanitary Landfill, the Chowan county-wide water system, and business development.

Jimmy Johnson, state director for FmHA was among the visitors, along with Mrs. Meda P. Bryson, special projects director; Don Continued On Page 4

Hospital Expansion Approved

Approval has been given a \$317,106 expansion at Chowan Hospital to include a Health Education Center and the redesign of the emergency department enterance.

The hospital board gave approval to the project Wednesday morning after Chowan County commissioners the night before agreed to underwrite loan monies that may be necessary to complete the project.

Thomas M. Surratt, president of the medical facilities, said \$200,000 has been approved by Eastern Health Education Center for the local project. The original grant was \$177,000, but was increased at Surratt's request since bids on the project were considerably more anticipated.

At the same time he said he feels the pressure now on the emergency department will require additional attention toward expansion in that area in the very near future.

The addition now going to contract includes 4,500 square feet of enclosed area and 1,270 square feet of entrances and ramps. Noel Coltrane of Elizabeth City is architect on the project.

Gardner Construction of Elizabeth City got the general contract with a bid of \$239,604. The plumbing went to H. V. Allen Company of Greensboro at \$12,197; heating and air conditioning to Henry Baker Heating Company of Wilson, \$24,983; and the electrical to Watson Electric of Wilson, \$14,387.

'Belle' Passes Outer Banks

Hurricane Belle and the Outer Banks tangled, but only slightly, Monday and the land-coastal and inland--was spared serious damage.

Packing 110 mile-per-hour winds in its eye, the hurricane passed off

Tickets On Sale

Tickets for the 10th annual Chowan Shrine Club Fish Fry went on sale here this week, according to West W. Byrum, chairman of

the event to be held September 11. Byrum said the tickets, at \$2.25 each, can be purchased from individual members of the club.

Last year the local club raised more than \$2,000 to the Crippled Children's Hospitals, which represent net proceeds from an all-day event at the Boy Scout Hut on North Broad Street. In order to realize this goal some 3,000 tickets will have to be sold, a spokesman stated.

Tom Byrum, president, and Bill

the coast of North Carolina some 45 miles out into the Atlantic Ocean. An estimated 10,000 vacationers had been sent packing to the north and west, some of them stopping in Edenton.

But the storm passed at mid-day Monday and the people began the trek back to their vacation spots, which were a bit damp but the inconvenience was short lived.

It was wet and windy in Edenton and Chowan County most of Monday morning but by midafternoon the skies had cleared and everyone, primarily the farmers, were thankful for the lack of destruction.

Sheriff Troy Toppin and his department, along with Edenton Police Department and the Chowan County Civil Preparedness Agency, headed by Murray Ashley, spent an uneasy night Sunday.

The American Legion Building was opened late Sunday night and some 30 people spent the night there. They were fed breakfast Monday morning and expressed gratitude for the concern and Continued On Page 4

Stallings, vice president, are coordinating the fish fry with Byrum and other Shrine Club members cooperating.



AMIABLE CANDIDATE—A young supporter of George Wood drew a laugh from the amiable candidate and nearby spectators as he campaigned at the Courthouse Green Wednesday afternoon seeking the Democratic nomination for governor.