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## PLANNING BOARD FOR CHOWAN COUNTY MEETS TO RECEIVE PROJECTS

### Ten Projects Presented At Meeting Wednesday Night

#### MEET SATURDAY

### Committees Appointed To Secure Information On Each Project

A large number of representatives of city and county organizations as well as other interested citizens met Monday night in the Municipal Building for the purpose of forming a central planning board to receive suggestions for projects to be submitted under President Roosevelt's \$4,880,000,000 relief bill. Mayor E. W. Spires, who presided over the meeting, explained the purpose of the meeting and suggested that projects be submitted in an effort for Chowan County to secure its share of Federal money if the bill is passed.

Suggestions regarding the formation of a central planning board were made by a number present and after a thorough discussion of the matter a motion was made by D. M. Warren, seconded by S. E. Morris, and unanimously passed that a committee be named consisting of two members from Town Council, two members from the County Commissioners, one member from the E. & W. Department and one member from each of the school boards, this committee to name one member from each of the four townships of the County.

The board as named is as follows: W. H. Winborne and D. M. Warren, representing the County Commissioners, L. W. Belch, representing the County School Board; Thomas Cheers, representing the City School Board; Fred Wood, representing the Board of Public Works; X. E. Copeland and E. W. Spires, representing Town Council.

This group met Tuesday night to appoint a representative from each of the four townships in the County as follows: First Township, W. D. Pruden; Second Township, B. W. Evans; Third Township, E. N. Elliott; Fourth Township, J. A. Webb. D. M. Warren was duly elected chairman of the board, and John A. Holmes, secretary, the latter without power to vote.

John A. Holmes, Thomas Cheers and J. H. Conger made a report of their visit to Capus Waynick, chairman for North Carolina, in Raleigh, when it was reported that requests for projects were coming in very slow. Mr. Waynick urged the local delegation to get up a list of projects to be submitted as soon as possible, saying that he hoped to take to Washington a request for \$150,000,000 to be spent for work in North Carolina. Last week when the delegation was in Raleigh Mr. Waynick had only enough projects presented to him from the State to call for an expenditure of \$13,000,000. There is no limit to the number of projects which may be presented, which of course will be approved according to the amount of Federal money allocated to North Carolina and the necessity of the project asked for.

The mill village sewerage project has been signed and sent in to head quarters and Mayor Spires feels certain it will be approved.

John A. Holmes, while in Raleigh, asked for a new high school for Edenton, the present plant being inadequate for the increased number of children attending the local school. A similar situation prevails at other schools of the County.

The central planning board met Wednesday night in the Municipal Building, at which time 10 projects were received, approved and committees appointed to secure the necessary information.

The board will meet again Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock to receive reports of each chairman, after which proper forms will be filled out and sent to Raleigh.

The projects submitted Wednesday night are as follows, the first named committeeman being chairman of his particular committee:

Project 1—This project includes three which have already been submitted, including a request for sewerage disposal system, additions to the plant, a gymnasium and garage at Chowan High School; a new high school for Edenton, modernizing the present building and building an extension to the colored school; and the

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## A MAN OF MANY DUTIES



*Walter J. Taylor*

W. J. Taylor, pictured above, besides his regular work as superintendent of the Chowan County Administrative Unit of schools, has been called upon to consider the many duties as welfare officer for Chowan County. It was through Mr. Taylor's thorough investigation of conditions throughout the county, bringing to light many cases of absolute suffering, that the need of the United Charities was realized and subsequently recognized. Through his efforts relief has been given to many families, and at present the United Charities has a fund large enough to take care of the situation. Mr. Taylor is to be complimented for his efficient work as a welfare officer, as well as his work in the schools of Chowan County.

## United Charities Campaign For Funds Closes; \$450 Secured For Relief In Chowan County

### Chairman Pleased With Response to Call For Relief Money

#### ALMOST COMPLETE

### Few Remaining Contributors May Mean Realization of Goal

With a total of \$450 and a number of donations, as well as a few more contributors to hear from, Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the United Charities drive for funds, is elated over the result and feels sure that when everyone is heard from the goal of \$500 will have been reached. This sum will be turned over to Mrs. A. T. Bush, treasurer, of the newly organized United Charities to be used in relief work in the County.

According to W. J. Taylor, welfare officer, suffering has been very much alleviated throughout the County, the milder weather being a big factor.

Following are the names of those who cooperated in raising the relief fund.

**Contributing Members**  
(Contributing Over \$1.00)  
Mrs. W. A. Graham, Miss Mary Pruden, Miss Margaret Pruden, E. R. Conger, Mrs. E. R. Conger, Mrs. O. M. Elliott, Mrs. C. S. Vann, Mrs. Ravenel Holland, Rev. C. A. Ashby, Mrs. C. A. Ashby, Miss Jessie McMullan, M. F. Bond, Jr., Mrs. M. F. Bond, Jr., Mrs. G. K. Mack, G. K. Mack, Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Mrs. R. F. Roper, R. R. Roper, Mrs. Wood Privott, Mrs. M. G. Jones, W. J. Berryman, Young Peoples' Service League of St. Paul's Church, C. E. Kramer, Mrs. C. E. Kramer, Chowan Motor Co., J. H. Holmes, John C. Bond, Wallace Jones, Mrs. Wallace

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## Major Bond Furnished Data On Postmasters

The Herald last week carried a story naming all the postmasters and dates of their appointments since a post office was established in Edenton. Postmaster C. E. Kramer was given credit for the research necessary to secure this information, but it has been learned since that Major John C. Bond furnished all of the data.

The Herald gladly makes the correction, giving credit where credit is due.

## Chowan Teams Divide Honors In Twin Bill

The Newsome, Virginia, High School basketball team, which is coached by Leroy Dail, Chowan High School's former coach, went down to defeat at the hands of his former cohorts Saturday night on the Chowan court by the score of 37 to 15. Carlton Goodwin starred for Chowan scoring 25 of his team's points.

In the second game of the double bill the Newsome locals downed the Chowan locals in a close game by the score of 23 to 19. Leroy Dail, playing a forward position for Newsome was high scorer with 14 points. For Chowan Herbert Leary led the scoring with 7 points.

## SUCCESSFUL CLOTHING SCHOOL HELD FRIDAY

The clothing school held last Friday morning in the Hinton Hotel proved to be very successful, 35 club members being present for the session. Miss Willie Hunter, State clothing specialist of Raleigh, conducted the school, which was very interesting and instructive.

## Parents in Chowan Registering Babies

Chowan County parents are starting their reports to Washington of the births of children born in the county during the past 12 months. Cards mailed during the first two weeks of the "Register Your Baby" campaign show that 66 children have been properly registered.

This is compared with 266 children which were recorded as having been born in this county during the year 1933, as shown in the files of the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the State Board of Health in Raleigh. Parents are urged by Dr. John H. Hamilton, director of the Bureau, to send in these cards as early as possible.

North Carolina had 75,238 birth properly recorded in 1933, and incomplete figures show that 79,356 births had been recorded for 1934, by which Dr. Hamilton estimates that enough more will be added to make the number of births in the State last year 80,000, or more.

With almost a 5,000 increase in births in 1934 over those in 1933, as shown by the records, it is believed that North Carolina has the chance of again taking her place at the head of the list in birth rate, a position held for many years, but from which she was dislodged last year by New Mexico, and tied with Utah for second place.

Complete recording of births is being urged in the State by the U. S. Bureau of the Census, the State Board of Health and the State Emergency Relief Administration.

## MASONS MEET TONIGHT

The regular meeting of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight at 8 o'clock. A good attendance is requested.

## Local Fishermen Seek Patrol Boat In Sound

### Boxing Match Called Off Due To Injuries

Due to injuries to members of the Edenton High School boxing team, the match with Elizabeth City High School which was scheduled for tonight (Thursday) has been cancelled by Coach Henry House.

The two teams in their previous meeting several weeks ago fought to a draw.

The boxing season for the local team is apparently over, as the Elizabeth City match was the only remaining one on the schedule. The loss to Rocky Mount Friday night is the only defeat suffered by Edenton this year.

### Corn-Hog Contract Signers Requested To Sign By March 1

Corn-Hog contracts are rapidly being signed in Chowan County, N. K. Rowell, County Agent, expecting that the total number of signers will reach between 75 and 100. All applications for contracts should be in by March 1, in order that each county can organize its own association. If there is sufficient signers in any one county, that county will be allowed to form its own association. Otherwise it will be affiliated with an association comprising two or more counties.

The reduction for 1935 will be 10 per cent as against 25 per cent last year. Signers last year will only have to renew their contract, but new signers will be obliged to furnish supporting evidence as to the number of hogs sold from litters born from December 1, 1931, to December 1, 1933, in order to arrive at a base. The same amount as last year, \$15 per head, will be paid on the number of hogs reduced. A payment of about \$10,000 to Chowan County corn-hog contract signers for last year will soon be received, which will make a total of \$32,000 Chowan farmers received by cooperating with the government.

About 99 per cent of the farmers have signed the peanut contract for 1935.

### Four Forged Checks Passed In Edenton

An outbreak of check forging seems to have occurred in Edenton this week when four forged checks came to light. Those upon whom the checks were written were Dr. M. I. Whichard, Dr. J. C. Hines and two on Dr. O. L. Holley. The checks were cashed at Ganderson's, J. H. Holmes Co., Pender's and one at the Bank of Edenton. Endorsements on the checks are signed by two different parties, and police are now endeavoring to identify the forger.

### Rowell To Explain Tenant Proposition

There appears to be a certain amount of uncertainty among 1934-1935 cotton acreage reduction contract signers as to the tenants on their farms. Some seem to think they are required to keep the same tenants and other employes as were employed the previous year.

Section 7 of the Contract explains the tenant proposition, and N. K. Rowell, County Agent, will within the next several days send out letters to farmers making clear the statutes of the contract.

### Safety Signal Now At Grade Crossing

The much needed traffic signal at the grade crossing of the Norfolk Southern railroad just beyond North Edenton is now installed. This safety device was approved in May 1934 but plans were held up by the Federal bureau of roads.

The equipment was furnished by the Federal Government, the State Highway Commission furnished the labor and the signal will be maintained by the Norfolk-Southern Railroad.

The signal is a red light on the right side approaching the crossing each way, the two lights flashing intermittently as trains approach and pass over the highway.

Jason Bell, of Norfolk, Va., was in Edenton Monday on business.

### Many Nets Reported to Have Been Stolen In Fishing Grounds

#### PETITION SIGNED

### Fisheries Commissioner Asked to Help Stop Thefts

Fishermen in this section are confronted with a situation which is very annoying and costly to a number of them. Several having nets set in the vicinity of the Norfolk-Southern railroad bridge report their equipment stolen, which in some cases practically puts fishermen out of business. Last week nets valued at around \$400 were reported stolen, it being the opinion that they were taken during the night. Nets previous to this time were also stolen and in all instances there is no clue as to who took them.

Last week nets were reported stolen belonging to Albert Lassiter, J. W. Bembridge, W. C. Waff and L. V. Holley.

In an effort to protect their property, a petition was signed by practically every fishermen hereabouts and sent by special delivery letter Monday to John A. Nelson, Commissioner of Fisheries, asking that a patrol boat be sent to the area in which thefts have been committed.

The petition sent to Commissioner Nelson follows:  
John A. Nelson,  
Commissioner of Fisheries,  
Morehead City, N. C.

Dear Mr. Nelson:  
We, the undersigned gill net and pound net fishermen of Albemarle Sound, in the vicinity of the Norfolk-Southern railroad bridge, near Edenton, do respectfully petition that you send a patrol boat into the above mentioned area for the purpose of breaking up the larceny of nets that is now very prevalent in that fishing ground. Seven nets have been unlawfully taken from this area within the past week and other nets have been stolen earlier this season.

Hoping that you will cooperate with us in this matter and send a boat to watch this area.

### Edenton High Boxers Lose To Rocky Mount

The Edenton High School boxing team experienced its only defeat of the season Tuesday night at the hands of the Rocky Mount High School mittmen, when every fight except one on a six card program was awarded to Rocky Mount. The one decision gained for Edenton was a technical knockout by Melvin Layton.

Tom Wilder lost the decision to Holmes in the opener. John Briggs lost to Bostain. Pete Everett lost to D. Brake. Lance Buffap lost to J. Brake. Clyde Lee Cates, a new addition to Edenton's team, lost to Murchison. Melvin Layton won by a technical knockout over Johnson in the first round for the only victory of the night.

### Five Marriage Licenses Issued On Last Saturday

Register of Deeds Maurice L. Runch had a busy day Saturday, when he issued five marriage licenses. The contracting parties were as follows:  
C. B. White and Blanche Wiggins, white, both of Chowan County.

James Beasley and May Ella Goodwin, colored, both of Chowan County.  
Matthew Brown and Catherine Spruill, colored, both of Chowan County.

Henry Leary of Bertie County, and Beulah Jordan of Chowan County, colored.

William Barner and Mattie Hassell, colored, both of Chowan County.

## NEW BOOKS

The latest addition of books to the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library recently arrived and includes the following:

"The Forty Days of Musa Dagh" by Franz Werfel; "The World Outside" by Hans Fallada; "All's Fair" by Landau; "Phantom Crown" by Alfred Newman; "The Dark Island" by V. Sackville West; "Heaven's My Destination" by Thornton Wilder; "The Spy Paramount" by Oppenheim.