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Baseball Meeting Here Tonight In Court House

April Term Superior Court Not To Be Held

Taxpayers Saved Expense of Session of Court

ONLY ONE CASE

May Call Special Session For Civil Cases, if Necessary

Chowan taxpayers will most likely be saved several hundred dollars due to a movement now on foot to abandon the April session of Superior Court. The County Commissioners are agreeable to the action as well as members of the local bar, and it is practically assured that the term will be called off.

The decision to do away with this term of court was reached when it was learned that only one case was docketed on the criminal calendar, and that a minor misdemeanor in which the defendant took an appeal and is out on bond after being tried in Recorder's Court on an automobile tire theft charge.

There are about 15 civil cases awaiting trial, but most likely many of these would be asked to be continued due to John White and Lloyd Griffin attending the General Assembly and also due to the recent illness of W. S. Privott.

Inasmuch that the holding of court to try criminal cases entails an expense of approximately \$100 a day and the possibility of very little to do, it was thought to the interest of taxpayers to call off court, and if necessary call a special session later on to dispose of the civil cases.

Play Friday Night At Oak Grove School

"Eyes of Love," a home talent play, will be staged at the Oak Grove school building Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. The play promises to furnish good entertainment and everybody is invited to attend.

Those appearing in the cast are as follows:

- Carolina, a negro servant, Mrs. Craig Haste.
- Gailya, an adopted daughter, Aletha Forehand.
- Reeta, a two-faced friend, Mrs. Percy Smith.
- Burt Wade, Reeta's brother, Lloyd Peele.
- Mrs. Barry, Gailya's foster-mother, Emma Bunch.
- Lora, a lively housemaid, Gertrude Nixon.
- Clark, a busy butler, Alma White-man.
- Judge Barry, Gailya's foster-father, Haywood Bunch.
- Royal Manton, Burt's rival, Percy Smith.
- Jim Rankin, the manacled man, Craig Haste.

Last Bertie Civil War Veteran Answers Call

Mr. Joe Myers, the only surviving Civil War veteran of Bertie County, aged 90 years, passed away on last Thursday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Joe White. He was buried Friday afternoon at Christian Harbor church cemetery. A very large crowd attended the funeral, and the floral offerings were beautiful and in profusion.

METHODISTS ARRANGE FOR EASTER OBSERVANCE

Teachers and officers of the Methodist Sunday School held a meeting Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. G. A. Helms when plans were completed for the observance of Easter and Church School Day. After the meeting, Mrs. Helms served delicious refreshments.

TWO-STORY HOUSE BURNS

A two-story house in the Cowpen Neck section, occupied by Mr. Elton Jordan and family, was completely destroyed by fire Tuesday night about midnight. The family saved practically nothing, barely escaping with their lives.

NO RECORDER'S COURT

Due to no cases being on docket, no session of Recorder's Court was held either last Friday or Tuesday.

FOUR GRAVES LOCATED UNDER OLD ST. PAUL'S

All Prominently Identified With Early History of Edenton

Announcement has been made that the four graves recently located beneath historic old St. Paul's Church by termite exterminators from Norfolk contain the bodies of parishioners who died long before Revolutionary days. Over each grave was a heavy slab of stone marked with the names and dates of death of those below it, and while the church authorities say they knew there were graves underneath the church they only had a record of one, that of Col. Thomas Nash, who is honored by a marble marker on one of the walls of the church main auditorium.

A cursory search to prove the burials in question has been made through the church vestry records but this has obviously been a difficult task. E. R. Conger, of the vestry, and Rev. C. A. Ashby, the church rector, have also expressed an interest in whether the burials were made at the time the church had a tile floor or in the days when its main floor was wood. They each feel sure Rev. Dr. Robert B. Drane, who was rector at St. Paul's for 56 years and who was thoroughly conversant with its history, may be able to aid in making the present day discovery one of official record. Dr. Drane, now living with one of his daughters at Hillsboro, has been communicated with and his reply is expected to clarify matters.

The buried dead were all prominently identified with the early-day history of Edenton, which makes the finding of the graves by the ant-killers all the more important, as Edenton views it. The names on the slabs show that Mrs. Alice Hutton, born at Chesterfield, England, on July 25, 1722, and died "in Carolina" September 28, 1777, and that her only daughter, Ann Booth Pollock, placed the stone over her. Another grave contains two bodies, the marker's inscription stating that Ann Mills, "who died November 4, 1763, aged 80 years," and Samuel Walter Swift, 7 years old, who died October 8, the same year, were interred beneath it. The third grave contains the remains of Mrs. Elizabeth Dawson Buncombe, "wife of Col. E. Buncombe," who died October 24, 1773 at 24 years of age. The last grave is of Col. Nash, of Wales, Great Britain, a son of Col. John Nash, and a member of the Virginia House of Burgesses from 1756 to 1758, and "a commander of Linnburg troops in the Indian Wars."

Special Meeting For Red Men Friday Night

A special meeting of Chowan Tribe (No. 12, I. O. R. M.), has been called for Friday night at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of conferring degree work upon a number of palefaces. Members of the degree team are asked to assemble before 7:30 in order to arrange the paraphernalia.

W. J. Daniels has been elected delegate, and Jake Hobowsky alternate, to represent Chowan Tribe at the Great Council meeting which will be held this year in Elizabeth City.

At next Monday night's meeting of the local tribe refreshments will be served and a record crowd is expected.

High School Seniors Practicing For Play

Members of the Senior Class of the Edenton High School are now diligently practicing on the Senior play, "So You're From Missouri," a comedy in three acts. The date of the presentation has not been decided as yet, however.

Among those taking part in the play are Louis George Wilkins, Eleanor Small, Bill Harrell, Ruth Elliott, Marjorie Powell, Sainie White, Jack Satterfield, Clara Mead Smith, and John Paul Morgan.

FIFTH GRADERS VISIT MASONIC LODGE ROOM

Members of the fifth grade of the Edenton school, taught by Mrs. W. S. Summerell, on Wednesday morning visited the lodge room of Unanimity lodge, which is an unusual affair for this class. The children displayed a keen interest as they were told of the various historical connections of the old lodge.

TRIANGULAR DEBATE TO BE HELD FRIDAY NIGHT

Affirmative Side Debate At Home, Negative At Hertford

The triangular debate in the Albemarle will take place on Friday night with the Edenton affirmative team remaining at home to contest with the Elizabeth City negative debaters the query: "Resolved, that the United States Should Adopt the Policy of Extending Federal Aid to General Public Education." The Edenton negative team at the same time will be arguing with the Hertford affirmative debaters in Hertford.

Edenton's debaters are: Affirmative, Margaret Spires and George McKenna; negative, Junius Davis and Eleanor Small.

The school winning both sides of the debate will send its representatives to Chapel Hill on April 11 and 12 to compete in the State-wide contest for the Aycock Memorial cup, the trophy which has been donated to the High School Debating Union by the intercollegiate debaters of the University of North Carolina.

For some reason in former years small crowds attended the triangular debates and it is hoped more citizens will show an interest in this phase of school work this year.

Coach House Calls Baseball Practice

Coach Henry House this week started baseball practice for the Edenton High School, the first session being held Tuesday afternoon. Prospects seem bright for a good team this season with right many of last year's team being out for berths on the nine.

The Edenton High School will not play conference baseball this season. Coach House has announced.

The first game has been scheduled for Friday, March 29, which will be played on the local diamond, with the Columbia High School team being the opponents.

Those who reported for practice the early part of the week include: Vernon Sprull, Edward Wozelka, Richard Davis, Richard Rogerson, Bill Harrell, John Byrum, Melvir Layden, Clyde Cates, Calvin Sexton, and Reuben Miller. Others are expected to come out and try for the team.

A tentative schedule as arranged by Edmund Forehand, the team's manager, is as follows:

- March 29—Columbia at Edenton.
- April 5—Edenton at Columbia.
- April 9—Williamston at Edenton.
- April 12—Edenton at Hertford.
- April 16—Hertford at Edenton.
- April 19—Edenton at E. City.
- April 26—E. City at Edenton.
- May 7—Edenton at Williamston.

Dr. R. Cary Montague Speaks To Rotarians

Dr. R. Cary Montague, of Richmond, Va., who is this week conducting a preaching mission at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, was a guest at the weekly luncheon of the Rotary Club at 1:00 o'clock today. The program was in charge of the club service committee which is composed of C. E. Kramer, chairman, E. W. Spires, Earl Goodwin and D. M. Warren. Rev. C. A. Ashby introduced Dr. Montague, who spoke very interestingly to the Rotarians during the time allotted for the regular program.

Of especial interest is the fact that Dr. Montague is a grandson of the pastor of the Old North Church at the time Paul Revere made his famous ride at Concord, and was also with George Washington at Valley Forge.

At last Thursday's Rotary meeting J. A. Moore made a very interesting talk on the world's cotton situation, the International Relations Committee having charge of the program.

New Furniture For Home Agent's Office

The office of Miss Rebecca Colwell Chowan home demonstration agent in the Post Office Building has been re-arranged with new steel filing cabinets, which arrived at the Federal building this week. The new furniture replaces wooden shelves and will enable Miss Colwell to better arrange her reports, pamphlets, and the like.

Will Discuss Plans To Organize League

Bank Stockholders Relieved Of Double Liability On Stock

In the interest of relieving the stockholders in the Bank of Edenton of double liability on their stock holdings in that institution, Mr. John G. Allen, Jr., from the Examining Staff of the State Banking Department was in Edenton Tuesday morning.

The Legislature on last Friday passed the Lindsay Bill (H. B. No. 185) and it was immediately ratified. It makes the following provisions for relieving stockholders in State banking institutions of double liability:

1. Publication by the Bank in a newspaper having general circulation in the community where the bank is located, once each week for four consecutive weeks prior to May 1st, 1935, of the bank's intent to such relief.
2. Mailing written notices to each depositor and to each other creditor prior to May 1st, 1935.
3. Sworn affidavits from a bank officer that such notices have been mailed and sworn affidavits from the publisher on each insertion of the advertisement, that such publication has been made.

On the completion of these proceedings and the forwarding of such affidavits to the Commissioner of Banks, State banking institutions can accomplish this relief to their stockholders by July 1st, 1935.

When announcement was made Friday afternoon that the Lindsay Bill would become a law, Mr. Hood, the Commissioner of Banks, immediately organized the State into twenty temporary districts, and planned to send twenty men from his staff into the field immediately to explain the measure and aid and assist the State banks in taking immediate advantage of its provisions. His forces worked far into the night on last Friday preparing forms, affidavits, advertisements, etc., and beginning with Monday of this week each and every Bank, and each and every branch Bank will be visited by these representatives.

It is Mr. Hood's earnest desire that every North Carolina banking institution be listed on July 1st, 1935, free from double liability on their stock issue. A market for bank stock must be re-established.

The Lindsay Bill provides that banks previously organized or re-located through the provisions of the Aycock Bill, an enactment of the 1933 Legislature, can take advantage of the same methods of procedure outlined above, and have released to them the North Carolina or United States bonds pledged in connection with that act, and at the same time obtain relief for their stockholders from all double liability.

Essay Winners Decided Wednesday At School

Due to Chowan High School students not participating in the Keesler Memorial essay contest sponsored by the Edenton Building and Loan Association, on account of so much other school work, the two prize winners were not chosen to represent Chowan County in the district contest. Instead the four best papers from the approximately fifty written by Edenton High School students have been selected from which the two winners will be decided at the chapel period in the local school or Wednesday, March 27, at 11:20 A. M.

The writers of the four best papers are Margaret Spires, Sarah Elizabeth White, Mary Elizabeth Cates and John Briggs. These four will deliver their essays on Wednesday, and the winners will receive \$10 as first prize and \$5 as second prize which will be given by the Edenton Building and Loan Association. The first prize winner will represent Chowan County in the district contest which will be held in Rocky Mount.

The public is cordially invited to attend the presentation of the essays in the school auditorium Wednesday when they will be judged not only as to English and subject matter, but delivery as well.

LARGER DISPLAY WINDOW

Ed Habit, local cleaner and dyer has made a slight improvement in the front of his building. A doorway or left side of the building has been taken out and the space devoted to a larger display window.

Warm Weather Brings Baseball Fever to Local Fans

COLERAIN OUT

Problematical Whether Henry House Will Play Here

Everybody who is interested in baseball for Edenton during the summer months is urged to attend a meeting which will be held in the Court House tonight (Thursday) at 8:00 o'clock.

Graham Byrum, manager last year, is very anxious to have a large attendance in order to decide whether a team should be formed so that in that event preparations can be made to secure what players may be necessary. He appears confident that enough local players will be available to form a creditable nucleus around which a strong team could be put on the field.

It is hoped that Henry House will remain in Edenton for the baseball season, and in that event Edenton's backstop position would be very well taken care of. It is problematical at this time, however, whether Mr. House will remain here after school closes.

Nothing definite has been given out relatives to a league this year, although many baseball fans are strongly in favor of league baseball. Nothing as yet has been learned from other teams in last year's circuit as to their desire to form a league, but after the meeting tonight a committee will most likely get in touch with baseball leaders in the various towns.

According to H. O. White, of Colerain, however, that town will not enter the league this year, due to the expense involved. Mr. White stated, however, that Colerain would have a local baseball team which would play nearby teams.

The meeting tonight is for the purpose of thoroughly discussing the baseball situation for the summer and it is hoped a large crowd turns out.

Airplane Lands Near Cross Roads Monday

A plane from the Naval Air Station at Norfolk, Va., piloted by Lieutenant Bossier, landed near Cross Roads Monday around noon. The pilot was making a test flight under compass and when it was learned that the instrument failed to function he landed and communicated with Norfolk officials for permission to return to Norfolk, which was accordingly done.

Filling Stations Now Have All Night Service

Starting Sunday night, Burton's Filling Station inaugurated an all night service in an endeavor to serve motorists coming through Edenton at all hours.

Travel through Edenton has increased materially since the removal of tolls over the Chowan River bridge, and now two filling stations, Burton's and the Gulf, give all night service.

Mrs. T. E. Parks Dies In Rocky Hock Section

Mrs. T. E. Parks, 50 years of age, died at her home in the Rocky Hock section Tuesday afternoon about 5:00 o'clock, after several years of ill health. Funeral services, with Rev. Frank Cale, pastor of Rocky Hock Baptist Church, officiating, were held at the home Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, with interment taking place in the family burying ground near Center Hill.

The deceased is survived by her husband, several children and two grandchildren.

DR. GARIS TO HOLD PRE-CLINIC AT MERRY HILL SCHOOL APRIL 3

Dr. Garis will hold a pre-clinic at the Merry Hill school building on April 3rd. All parents are asked to bring all small children and spend the day. Lunch will be served free by the ladies of Merry Hill.