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Fail To Accept Plan To Dispose Of Bank

Three Plans to Close Liquidation Presented To Depositors

CRUMP PRAISED Another Meeting Called For Saturday Afternoon at 2 O'clock

The Chowan County Court House was filled with depositors of the Citizens Bank Saturday afternoon when a meeting was called for the purpose of discussing the disposal of the local bank building and the winding up of the liquidation of the closed bank.

W. O. Crump, the liquidating agent, called the meeting to order, explaining its purpose, and later turning the affairs over to Smith Medlin of Monroe, a representative of the Banking Department of North Carolina.

The first order of business was the naming of a chairman and secretary, W. S. Harney, formerly of Edenton, but now of Norfolk, Va., being selected as chairman, and W. A. Everett, secretary.

Mr. Medlin explained the various methods that could be used to complete liquidation, stating that the banking department could complete the affairs in 30 days, but that it was the desire to have all interested parties have a voice in the matter to the end that the most satisfactory results may be obtained.

Three suggestions or plans were outlined by Mr. Medlin, anyone of which he said would be fruitful in its results. The first plan had to do with the disposal of the smaller recoverable assets. Out of any such recovery "the little depositors," as Mr. Medlin put it, would be paid in full. Any balance would revert back into the larger funds. Under the second plan this balance and any moneys that could be secured through the disposal of all notes outstanding on the institution's books, would take care of depositors placed by Mr. Medlin in the second class, meaning those depositors "between the small fellow and the large fellow." The third plan carried a method whereby 54 of the largest depositors of the bank would take over the building in return for what was owing them.

There seems to be no unanimity of opinion as to the wisdom of accepting any of these plans hurriedly, however. Wood Privott moved that Plan No. 1, as it was called, be adopted, anyhow, but it was not concurred in. Senator L. E. Griffin asked what was owing by the bank and was told "around \$39,000" or which the bank building was carried at \$25,000, leaving \$14,000 to be cleared up besides. There was further discussion regarding the action to be taken which culminated in L. E. Griffin offering a motion that a committee of five be appointed and clothed with power to select a plan and meet at the Court House Saturday, August 3, at 2 P. M. The motion was seconded by S. E. Morris and passed unanimously. The committee named consists of Z. W. Evans, chairman, D. B. Liles, E. L. Winslow, S. E. Morris and N. L. Ward.

A resolution was offered by D. M. Warren, seconded by L. E. Griffin and unanimously carried expressing appreciation of W. O. Crump's administration of the affairs of the closed bank.

The resolution follows: "This meeting hereby goes on record in expressing its appreciation to Mr. W. O. Crump for his administration of the affairs of the Citizens Bank. While his work has been done in a most competent manner and his accomplishments have been most satisfactory, he has at the same time been sympathetic to the needs, the rights and interests of both the bank's depositors and borrowers.

"The time, efficient and diligent services he has given this community has meant much to all of our citizens. Therefore, be it resolved that this resolution be sent through Mr. Medlin to the Commissioner of Banks of North Carolina, with our thanks to him for his fortunate appointment of Mr. Crump."

The committee named will study over the three plans submitted and will be ready to furnish a definite decision at the meeting to be held Saturday when the depositors will be given an opportunity to express their opinion. All interested parties are urged to attend.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT

The weekly Masonic meeting will

RED MEN HOLD DISTRICT MEETING

A. S. Hollowell Unanimously Endorsed As Great Junior Sagamore of North Carolina

The first district meeting of the newly organized First District of the Improved Order of Red Men was held Tuesday night in the local Red Men Hall, when a large number of representatives from Edenton and Elizabeth City were present.

In the absence of Sachem Johnny Williams, of Elizabeth City, the meeting was presided over by Leslie Sherlock. Various phases of Redmanship were discussed and more thorough methods of organization of the district consumed much of the time.

The district voted unanimously to endorse A. S. Hollowell as a candidate for Great Junior Sagamore at the next meeting of the Great Council of North Carolina.

The next meeting of the district will be held in Elizabeth City.

School Men Apply For Loan From PWA

Edenton school officials continued their efforts to secure more adequate school facilities last week when John A. Holmes, Thomas Cheers and J. H. Conger, representing the city schools, and W. J. Taylor, S. E. Morris and L. W. Belch, representing the county schools, journeyed to Raleigh to file an application with PWA officials for funds to build a new school in Edenton and a new building at Cross Roads. The application, however, will be presented to the local government commission, which body must pass on the application and if accepted the matter must again come before the County Commissioners for approval or disapproval.

Maurice L. Bunch Is Back From Hospital

Maurice L. Bunch, register of deeds of Chowan County, who has been in the Protestant Hospital in Norfolk, Va., for over three weeks, has recovered sufficiently to be brought home. He was brought home Sunday and stood the trip very well.

Although Mr. Bunch is still very weak and is required to remain in bed, his friends will be glad to know he is recovering as well as could be expected.

Four Cases Tried By Justice Summerell

Four cases were tried Monday afternoon in the Court House by Justice of the Peace W. S. Summerell.

Daniel Boone, colored, of Hertford, was found guilty of being drunk on the streets of Edenton, and was sentenced to 10 days in jail.

Sylvania Brooks, also colored, was found guilty of the same offense and was given the same sentence.

Joe Stallings, colored, was charged with giving a worthless check to R. L. Chesson, but the endorser failed to show that the check was refused at the bank. The case was dismissed and Mr. Chesson was charged with the cost of court.

Ham Blount, colored, was charged with giving worthless checks to Tom Goodman and was found guilty. He was sentenced to 30 days on the roads or pay the checks and court costs, but entered an appeal to be tried in recorder's court. His bond was set at \$50.

Ambulance Company Enjoying Camp Life

Word has reached Edenton to the effect that members of the 115th Ambulance Company who are now in camp at Camp Jackson, South Carolina, are thoroughly enjoying themselves. During the first week in camp the Company stood well in rank with other companies in the United States, and the boys are working hard to get as much training as possible during the 15 days in camp. In a letter sent to The Herald, the two officers, Major M. P. Whichard and Lieutenant P. L. Baumgardner are very well pleased with the showing made by the local boys.

ATTEND DISTRICT MEETING

A. S. Hollowell, accompanied by W. Ben Goodwin and Leslie Sherlock, of Elizabeth City, will attend a meeting of the Eighth District of Improved Order of Red Men to be held in Charlotte Saturday. This is the largest district in the State and usually

PEANUTGROWERS DISCUSS PHASES OF NEW CONTRACT

Many From Section Attend Meeting Friday Morning

CROP COMPARED

Reports Show Peanuts Not as Good as Last Year

County agents and prominent peanut growers from all over the eastern section of the State met Friday morning in the Edenton High School building when a general discussion was held regarding the peanut contract for the coming year. Those taking part on the program were W. A. Gwaltney and H. W. Taylor of the Department of Agriculture and E. Y. Floyd of State College.

Mr. Gwaltney gave an interesting background of the peanut situation during the past several years, at the conclusion of which he explained the peanut program of last year and asked opinions and suggestions as to what the growers thought would be acceptable for the next contract. Right much time was used in the discussion of what the growers thought would be a fair minimum price to be placed on peanuts. This figure ranged from \$60 to \$65 per ton. It was stated, however, that not until 1933 was there a control board whereby prices were regulated so that a minimum price was set at \$60 per ton and later increased to \$65 per ton. In order for such a price to exist, the growers were told that more of the crop must be diverted to the manufacture of oil and that peanuts that are used for this purpose are not subjected to the processing tax.

Mr. Gwaltney also interrogated the representatives from the various counties relative to the condition of the peanut crop compared with last year at the same time. Aside from a section in Bertie and one section in Gates, where it was reported to be 100 per cent, the stand averaged about 85 per cent of last year.

The meeting consumed the entire morning and in the afternoon Mr. Floyd held a meeting with the county agents when he explained the proper method of filling out tobacco blanks.

Dr. W. I. Hart Figures In Automobile Wreck

Dr. and Mrs. W. I. Hart were out riding just before supper Tuesday night. They had been swinging around through the watermelon country and finally came back onto the Suffolk road about four miles outside of Edenton. A negro driving a truck decided to turn off in front of them. The answer was obvious; the Hart coupe shot into the truck and was pretty badly torn apart. Mrs. Hart was quite severely shaken up and bruised. The doctor escaped unscathed. The car is in the "hospital."

Nephew Mr. Etheridge Is Killed In Norfolk

George W. Etheridge of Norfolk, Va., who is related locally, was fatally shot Tuesday afternoon when he attempted to play the part of peace-maker in a Norfolk confectionery store. He was shot when he got in line with two bullets which were intended for Nicholas Renesis, who was quarreling with Vasilios Tsakiery. Mr. Etheridge died about 6:15 in a Norfolk hospital as a result of his wounds. He is a nephew of T. J. Etheridge, and a cousin of Mrs. George Harrell and Mrs. George Lassiter of Edenton.

The funeral will be held Thursday in Norfolk, Va.

Watermelon Display In Byrum's Window

An interesting display of watermelons can now be seen in the window of the Byrum Bros. Hardware store. The display consists of 10 melons, all of large and uniform size. They were grown on the farm of C. D. Hollowell at Cross Roads and are of the Cowpen Neck Special variety. This particular seed is featured by the Byrum store and T. C. Byrum is convinced that this variety will make more money for growers than any other variety.

NEW V. E. CO. MAN HERE

N. T. Cross of the Virginia Electric Company, who has been stationed in Edenton, will leave Edenton and return to Suffolk, Va., the latter part of this week. He will be replaced here by C. H. ...

Counties United In Method Of Choosing Location Of Bridge

William E. Parks Will Is Probated

By the terms of the will of the late William E. Parks, aged Gliden section farmer who recently died, fifteen farms and \$4,500 in cash are bequeathed to the widow and children of the deceased. The will signed in 1918 and two codicils dated in 1931, were all admitted to probate by Judge R. D. Dixon last Saturday. Deeds for most of the farmlands had been made to the children prior to the death of their father. Deceased was a farmer, horse trader and small store keeper and acquired his acreages and other wealth fifteen or twenty miles away from any community of even 100 population.

State Nurse Instructs Mid-wives Of Chowan

An excellent response was made to the call of Chowan County mid-wives when a meeting was held Friday morning in the Court House. Mrs. Margaret Sloan, State nurse, had charge of the meeting and very ably instructed those present as to the proper methods to pursue in their work. Eighteen or twenty mid-wives were present for the class.

J. A. Curran Buys The Community Store

Of particular interest to residents of Edenton is the change in hands of the Community Store which took place last Thursday when the partnership between Rupert Goodwin and J. A. Woodard was dissolved and the store taken over by John A. Curran. The Community Store which was opened for business on September 15, 1932, has been managed by Mr. Goodwin since that time. Mr. Curran, who for the past several years has been in the insurance business, has had experience in the grocery business, having been employed for a number of years with W. D. Holmes. He plans to devote his entire time in the store after next week when his successor is named. Mr. Curran has changed the name of the store from the Community Store to J. A. Curran, Grocer.

Mr. Goodwin has accepted a position with the Self-help Fishermen's Corporation and expects to leave shortly for Morehead City, from which point he will cover a number of eastern counties.

School Property To Be Sold On Sept. 2

Notices have been posted by W. J. Taylor, superintendent of county schools, to the effect that two school sites will be sold at public auction at the Court House door on Monday, September 2, at 12 o'clock noon.

These two pieces of property include the Riverview site containing 2 1-2 acres in the Third Township, and the Walnut Hill site in the First Township, containing three-fourths of an acre.

Joyce Moore Injured In Auto Accident

Six-year-old Joyce Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Moore, was painfully but not seriously injured Wednesday night when she was struck by an automobile as she started to cross the street near her home.

The little girl sustained injuries about the head and face, and one knee was injured, but she is now able to be about.

The driver of the car, Wade Pritchard, of Chapel Hill, carried the injured girl to a local physician, who dressed the wounds. The accident was unavoidable and Mr. Pritchard was not arrested.

Little Girl Swallows Calcium Sulphate Pills

Cynthia Harrell, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harrell of the Cowpen Neck section, was rushed to the office of Dr. L. P. Williams Monday afternoon after it was learned that she had swallowed some calcium sulphate pills. A stomach pump was put in use and the little girl is apparently not suffering any ill effects.

YOUNG WOMAN'S BIBLE CLASS TO MEET TUESDAY EVENING

The Young Woman's Bible Class of the Edenton Baptist Sunday School will meet Tuesday evening, August 6, at 8:00 o'clock, with Miss Iva Mae Dail at her home on Oakum Street.

LOCAL LIBRARY CLOSED SUNDAYS

58000 Volumes Now On Shelves; Library Has 1,190 Borrowers During the Year

The trustees of the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library met on Monday at which time it was decided to close the library on Sunday afternoons during the month of August.

Of particular interest to those present was the report of Mrs. S. M. McMullan, the librarian, who reported that at the present time there are 5,800 volumes on the shelves of the library, 3,369 of these volumes being for adults and 2,433 for children.

For the year ending July 1, there was a total circulation of 27,750 volumes, 14,100 volumes for adults and 13,650 volumes for children. The total number of borrowers during the year was 1,190.

Madge Pettus Enters Suit For \$10,000

Suit for \$10,000 damages has been entered in Superior Court here by Miss Madge G. Pettus, school teacher, against her near neighbor, Mrs. Emily Badham, of Edenton, and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Coxe, Jr., of Darlington, South Carolina. On November 30, last the complainant avers she accepted an invitation to accompany the others to a football game at Chapel Hill. Near Rbersonville the car skidded, turned over twice and slung into a tree, precipitating Miss Pettus through the top and necessitating her removal to a Greenville hospital. The complaint sets forth that the car was going 60 miles an hour and that the plaintiff has been permanently injured and incapacitated from school work.

Rabies Inspectos Start Check-up On August 1

The rabies inspectors have completed their canvass of Chowan County and vaccinated dogs which have been brought to the various places for this purpose.

Starting August 1, a check-up will be started and owners of dogs who have not complied with the law will be given notice to have this work done within three days or be prosecuted. This vaccination must be done by inspectors who have been appointed by the County Commissioners.

Edenton Cafe Sold To Mike Kehayas

J. N. Pruden, one of the administrators of the estate of Anton Athos, on Tuesday sold at public auction, on the premises, all the equipment of the Edenton Cafe, notice of which sale had been posted the required time.

Very little bidding was done and the highest bidder, Mike Kehayas, whose bid was \$600. This bid, however, will remain open for 10 days and unless it is raised the sale will be considered final.

One item, "1 cat," about which there has been much in public prints and which created much discussion, was stricken from the inventory and was not called out among the various items by Mr. Pruden.

Watermelon Shipments Continue From Dock

Watermelon shipments are still holding up well, to date 29 boats having been used to transport the Chowan crop to northern markets. Over 100,000 melons are said to have been shipped by boat thus far which does not include what melons have gone away by truck and train. Melons are being loaded on cars at Valhalla, buyers being located at that station.

While the crop is not as large as last year, there still remains quite a few melons to be marketed.

Filling Stations Raided By Federal Officers

Federal officers from Williamston suddenly made their appearance in Edenton last Thursday and raided the filling stations of Jim Davenport and Harry Crummy, both on the Hertford highway.

Davenport was summoned to appear in Williamston, where Commissioner W. C. Manning ruled there was not sufficient evidence to hold him.

Crummy, who was not at home at the time of the raid, is understood to have posted a bond for a future hearing.

Resolution Will Be Presented to Highway Commission

Commission MANY PRESENT

Travel Long Distance In Heavy Rain To Attend Meeting

Despite a downpour of rain Friday afternoon, the Chowan County Court House was filled to capacity by representatives from Chowan, Perquimans, Gates, Pasquotank and Washington counties to discuss the possibility of the North Carolina State Highway Commission erecting a bridge across the Albemarle Sound. The meeting was scheduled to begin at 4 o'clock, but was held up half an hour due to the heavy rain.

X. E. Copeland, chairman of the committee from the Chowan Business Men's Association, who arranged the meeting, called the gathering to order and explained the purpose of the meeting, immediately after which John A. Holmes was selected to act as secretary.

Mr. Copeland called on Mayor E. W. Spires to extend a welcome to the visitors, who in the course of his remarks, stated that he was happy to see such a large crowd despite the weather. He extended a cordial welcome to all not only for the bridge meeting, but at any other time they saw fit to visit the city.

"For the past two years," said Mr. Spires, "efforts have been made to secure a bridge, or bridges providing a shorter route between the counties situated on the South and North sides of the Albemarle Sound. The historic failure of these efforts is familiar to all of you. In November, 1933, we attempted to secure a toll bridge financed by a PWA loan. This likewise met with failure.

"About two months ago a committee consisting of X. E. Copeland, D. M. Warren, F. P. Wood, W. J. Berryman and myself was appointed by the Chowan County Business Men's Association for the purpose of facilitating the matter of securing a bridge connecting these territories. Our committee was authorized to proceed in any manner which we thought most advisable.

"Last month we read an Associated Press item from Raleigh stating that a delegation from Washington County would appear before the Highway Commission in interest of this bridge. We secured an appointment, but upon arrival in Raleigh we learned that only Senator Bailey was there and that he was asking for roads; not the bridge.

"Chairman Waynick informed us that we should return home, get together with our neighbors and paramount the necessity of a bridge rather than any particular location. He strongly indicated that unless we ceased fighting on the location we could expect little consideration at their hands.

"Accordingly, our committee decided to call this meeting in hopes that we could adjust our differences and present an united plea for the bridge, agreeing to leave the location in the hands of the Highway Commission.

"We of Chowan are not fighting against anyone; we are merely working for a much needed link in our highway system. Therefore, may I suggest that we work in harmony. It has been truly said that a house divided against itself will surely fall. The Public Works Administration has offered to give 45 percent of the total cost of such projects. This being true, it seems to me that if we fail now, many years will have elapsed before we again have such an opportunity.

"The iron of opportunity is now at white heat. Shall we use it to sear our souls with envy, jealousy and selfishness, or will we make use of it for the more noble purpose of smoothing out the wrinkles of contention which adorn our brows? This answer rests with you, gentlemen."

Mr. Spires read a telegram from C. W. Morgan, chairman of the Perquimans County Board of County Commissioners, who was in thorough accord with the purpose of the meeting. Letters were also read from C. E. Thompson of Elizabeth City, and Charles W. Whedbee of Hertford, both of whom urged harmony and paramount the need of a bridge rather than the location.

Rev. E. L. Stack of Washington County, who has served most of his pastorate in Eastern North Carolina, was called upon to express the sentiments of citizens on the south side of the Sound. Mr. Stack, who is (Continued on Page Five)