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Last Obstacle Removed In Way Of Hard Surfacing 3.6 Miles Of Rocky Hock Road

New Right-of-Way Goes Through Part of W. E. Bunch's Farm

CLAIMS DAMAGE

Action Taken to Prevent Loss of Long Sought And Needed Road

What was possibly the last obstacle in the way of building a new road in the Rocky Hock section was removed Monday when the County Commissioners passed a resolution guaranteeing a right-of-way through the W. E. Bunch farm at a cost not to exceed \$500. Of this amount the State Highway and Public Works Commission has agreed to pay \$300 to Mr. Bunch in the way of damage caused by going through the farm, and \$200 has been pledged by Rocky Hock citizens living along the contemplated improved road, who are very anxious to see work begun.

The road in question is 3.6 miles long, running from the vicinity of Rocky Hock church along the river road toward Cross Roads to a point beyond the home of R. N. Privott. This particular road is much needed and for several years has been discussed and efforts have been made to have it improved. It was only last summer, however, when Highway Commissioner Carroll L. Wilson met with a large number of interested Rocky Hock citizens and, while not definitely promising the road at that time, said he would do all in his power to have it included in work to be done. One requirement he set forth at the time was that there should be no objection as to the right-of-way, if and when, the road is built. This was readily agreed to, the only question raised at the time being which end of the road would be started first.

Through Mr. Wilson's efforts, the Highway Commission agreed to build the road, but when engineers laid out the right-of-way, it passed through Mr. Bunch's land and he claimed that it would greatly damage the farm. After dickering with the Commission, Mr. Bunch refused to grant the proposed right-of-way on the ground that it would practically ruin the farm.

Of course, the Highway Commission could have condemned the property, but in the process of settling the matter, Mr. Wilson feared the amount, approximately \$60,000 would be transferred to some other road work and consequently the chance of the road lost, possibly forever. The Highway Commission definitely would not pay more than \$300 damage, and in order not to hold up work on the road, the County Commissioners agreed to assume the obligation of damages over \$500, \$300 of which, of course, will be paid by the State and which resolution was passed in order to protect the State above that amount. The Commissioners felt that a board of review will not appraise the damages to Mr. Bunch at more than \$500.

A delegation coming from the section affected by the road appeared before the County Commissioners on Monday, headed by Representative J. G. Campen, who spoke in its behalf. At first the Commissioners felt that the responsibility of the right-of-way was a State matter, but upon consulting County Attorney W. D. Pruden, they were informed that they had the power to pass a resolution guaranteeing the right-of-way, which was subsequently done.

Basketball Teams Wind Up Season

Loss to Roper Mars Perfect Season For Girls' Aggregation

Ending up a very successful year of basketball, the local Aces and Acetels split a double-header with Hertford in the Armory last Friday night, the boys trailing Hertford 8 to 9 and the girls winning easily to the tune of 15-9.

The season, as a whole, of course, was successful, but the girls' team far outplayed the boys' team and racked up a beautiful succession of wins, losing only one game to the Roper girls' team.

The Aces won five games during the entire season, triumphing over Columbia twice, Windsor twice, and Williamston once.

Off Goes The Lid

Though Special Tax Attorney J. N. Pruden has been collecting a satisfactory amount of back taxes, the County Commissioners on Monday authorized him to take off the lid and go the limit in bringing delinquent taxes into the county's coffers. When tax suits were ordered to be instituted, the Commissioners instructed Mr. Pruden to bring suits for back taxes only in excess of \$50. Now, however, suits will be brought to collect all back taxes regardless of the amount, these suits to be instituted by Mr. Pruden as soon as he can complete the necessary legal details. The Commissioners are determined to clean up delinquent taxes even if property must be bought by the county, which will be resold and put back on the tax books.

Superintendent Of Welfare Perkins Leaves For Army

Position Will Be Filled Temporarily By Mrs. J. H. McMullan

William M. Perkins, Chowan County Welfare Superintendent, will leave today (Thursday) for Fort Bragg to enter the United States Army. Mr. Perkins' position will be filled temporarily by Mrs. J. H. McMullan until a superintendent is appointed by the Welfare Board from three names furnished by the State Board of those who have passed the merit examination. Mr. Perkins has been granted a leave of absence during the duration of war, by both the local Welfare Board and the State Board.

Another vacancy will occur in the local Welfare Office caused by the resignation of Miss Margaret Satterfield, stenographer, who expects to leave Saturday to accept a position in Wisconsin. This vacancy will also have to be filled by an applicant who has passed the merit examination.

In submitting his monthly report to the County Commissioners Monday, the latter expressed their regret that Mr. Perkins had to leave and assured him that they were well pleased with his work as welfare officer. Mr. Perkins, in turn, expressed his pleasure at serving in his capacity and thanked members of the board for the cooperation he has received.

Another Shipment Of Garments Sent By Red Cross Chapter

Chowan County Chapter of the American Red Cross this week made another shipment of garments to the Red Cross warehouse in Sea Girt, New Jersey.

Included in the shipment were 38 boys' shirts, 16 pairs men's pajamas, 14 sweaters and two shawls.

32 Placed In Chowan Jail During February

Though still below the average, the number of persons placed in the Chowan County jail during February shows a gain over the two previous months. According to Jailer Shelton Moore's report to the County Commissioners Monday, 32 persons were jailed during the month. These prisoners were confined from one to 10 days and resulted in an expenditure of \$74.20, which includes jail and turnkey fees.

Sheriff's Tax Collection In February, \$4,198.18

Sheriff J. A. Bunch, during the month of February, collected \$4,198.18 of the 1941 tax levy, which brought the year's collections to date up to \$53,171.32. The 1941 tax levy is \$78,080.89, leaving still uncollected \$24,909.57.

COLERAIN GIRLS WIN TOURNEY

The girls' basketball team of Colerain won the tournament on Saturday night in the finals against Merry Hill.

Spring Term Chowan Superior Court Will Convene March 30

Judge Clawson L. Williams of Sanford Will Preside

MIXED TERM

Jury List Drawn Monday By County Commissioners

Thirty-six names were drawn from the jury box Monday morning by the County Commissioners, those whose names were drawn to be summoned for jury duty in the Spring Term of Chowan County Superior Court, which convenes Monday, March 30th. Judge Clawson L. Williams, of Sanford, will preside over the session which will be a mixed term of civil and criminal cases.

Those drawn for jury duty are as follows:

W. F. Perry, Earl Jones, W. L. Bateman, Henry Jordan, Herbert Small, R. E. Cobb, J. A. Morgan, Hutchings Winborne, Norman Hollowell, William Jethro, W. I. Cozens, G. H. Harding, W. L. Hardison, C. A. Perry, J. V. Lane, E. E. Boyce, Clyde Hollowell, Sidney Campen, Cecil Byrum, C. S. Morgan, J. T. Layden, Rodney Byrum, J. L. Chestnut, C. D. Privott, Paul Wallace, Earl G. Harrell, E. J. Goodwin, M. L. Hoffer, James Dail, John A. Bunch, Harry Perry, H. C. Wozelka, Curtis Chapell, J. H. Ward, Richard H. Byrum and W. E. Sutton.

County Furnishes \$150 To Be Used In Interest Of Defense

Town Council Will Be Asked For Same Amount

Chowan County Commissioners, at their meeting Monday, sensed the serious need for proper defense precautions and, after discussing the matter, agreed to make available \$150 to be used in connection with the purchase of equipment to be used by air raid wardens, fire wardens and auxiliary policemen, as well as other necessary expenses of the county tire rationing board.

The matter was presented by J. H. Conger and West Byrum, who briefly explained the duties of the defense volunteers, who, it was pointed out, contributed their time and should not be called upon to personally bear the expense of any equipment needed in the interest of civilian defense.

It was also pointed out that members of the tire rationing board are required to do some traveling in connection with their duties, with no provision made for any expense entailed.

The \$150 was promised providing Town Council set aside a like amount and the understanding that the fund will be used for necessities only and that orders will be approved by some member of each governing body.

Rotary Club Votes To Sponsor Forums

Committee Appointed to Make Necessary Arrangements

At last week's Rotary meeting, the Edenton Club unanimously agreed to comply with a suggestion made by John A. Graham, that the Club sponsor a series of public forums. A committee was subsequently appointed to make the necessary arrangements, which includes John A. Holmes, C. D. Stewart and Mr. Graham.

Tentative plans call for one forum each month which will be held following the Rotary dinner, to which the public will be invited.

Before last week's meeting adjourned, William M. Perkins, who leaves today for service in the Army, was voted an honorary member for the duration.

AUXILIARY MEETS FRIDAY

The monthly meeting of the Auxiliary of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion will be held Friday night at 8 o'clock, in the Rose Room at Hotel Joseph Hewes. Every member is especially urged to be present.

J. G. Campen Seeks Re-election To Seat In General Assembly

Legislator Served on 12 Committees In 1941 Session

FIRST TO ANNOUNCE

Friends For Some Time Urged Him to Run For Second Term

J. G. Campen this week announced that he will be a candidate in the May primary for re-election as representative of Chowan County. In making the announcement, Mr. Campen said that many of his friends for some time had urged him to seek re-election to return to the General Assembly, and because of this fact and the belief that his past term's experience will enable him the better to serve his county, he decided to again go before the voters for re-election.

Mr. Campen served in the 1941 General Assembly, the first time he held the office, during which he was appointed to serve on 12 committees. These committees included the powerful appropriations committee, agriculture, roads, commercial fisheries, conservation and development, counties, cities and towns, drainage, education, game, justices of the peace, libraries and printing.

This is the first announcement to be made for the office.

J. H. LeRoy Speaker At Annual Banquet Red Men Tonight

Affair Will Be Held at Cross Roads Community Building

Tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock, Chowan Tribe of Red Men will hold its annual banquet at the Community Building at Cross Roads, where upwards of 100 members of the Tribe and their wives are expected to be present. Plans for the affair were completed at Monday night's meeting.

The principal speaker for the occasion will be J. Henry Leroy of Elizabeth City, who early this week accepted an invitation to address the Red Men and their wives.

Percy Smith, sachem of the Tribe, will call the meeting to order and after singing "America," and the invocation by Clayton Hollowell, dinner will be served by members of the Chowan Woman's Club. Special music will be provided by the Chowan trio, composed of Mrs. Gordon Blow, Miss Louise Wilson and Miss Maybelle Edwards.

Mr. LeRoy will be introduced by William Privott and J. Edwin Bufflap will act as toastmaster.

Classes In Nursing Will Start Monday

Mrs. Vaughan and Miss Hester Will Act as Instructors

Red Cross home nursing classes will begin in Edenton next Monday under the direction of Mrs. Roland P. Vaughan and Miss Gladysteen Hester. The classes will begin at 4 o'clock in the afternoon in the library at the Edenton school, and all who have enrolled are urged to be present at that time.

In the neighborhood of 70 have enrolled to take the course.

State School Dentist Working In Schools

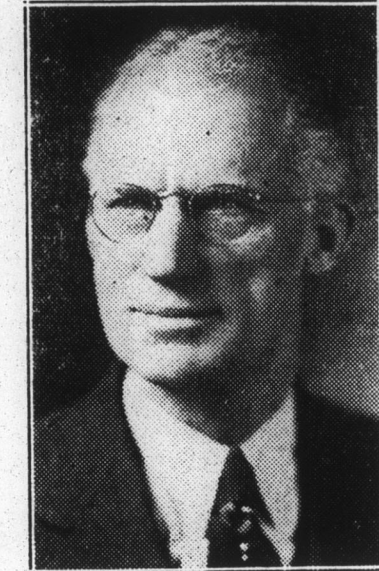
Dr. H. S. Zimmerman, of Winston-Salem, State School dentist, began work here Monday at the Edenton Graded School. Dr. Zimmerman, who is working in conjunction with the Bertie-Chowan District Health Department, will be here about nine weeks working in both the city schools and the county schools.

FLYNN'S GROCERY MOVES

M. L. Flynn this week moved his grocery store from the building between Preston's and Goodwin's Quaint Store across the street in the building formerly occupied by C. E. Byrum's meat market.

Basketball Tournament To Be Held In Edenton Armory Latter Part Of Next Week

Seeking Re-election



J. G. CAMPEN

This week Mr. Campen announced that he will be a candidate for re-election as Chowan County representative in the General Assembly.

Kramer Appointed Aircraft Warning District Director

Appointment Made By Brigadier - General John McDonnell

That Chowan County's aircraft warning service is directly under the War Department was made known this week when Postmaster C. E. Kramer was notified that he has been made district civil director of the aircraft warning service for Chowan County by John C. McDonnell, brigadier general of the U. S. Army.

In a letter to Mr. Kramer, General McDonnell said the successful defense of the eastern seaboard is, to a great extent, dependent upon the ability of the ground observer system to accurately and quickly report the detection of enemy airplanes.

To insure uniformity and completeness of the organization of this important civilian branch of the aircraft warning service General McDonnell has established in the Norfolk region the office of civil director. The duties of this office will be to represent him in his contact with the already existent civilian organization established and functioning.

The State of North Carolina is under the direction of W. F. Nufer, whose deputy is J. H. Rose, from whom Mr. Kramer will receive instructions as to the method in which the interceptor command desires to operate and organize the ground observer system and to whom will be referred any problems of the administration of the posts.

Mr. Kramer is the representative of General McDonnell in this district and he fully realizes the responsibility and importance which the position entails.

Mr. Kramer says posts in Chowan County are all located and that operation will be up to 100 per cent in short order.

Square Dance Friday Benefit Boys' Cagers

A Square Dance, sponsored by the boys' high school basketball team will be held Friday night, March 6, in the local Armory from 8:30 to 12 o'clock. The proceeds from the dance will be used to buy basketball jackets for the team. A small admission will be charged.

Maternity And Infancy Clinic Held Wednesday

The Maternity and Infancy Clinic was held Wednesday afternoon at the offices of the Bertie-Chowan District Health Department in the Bank of Edenton Building. Dr. L. P. Williams was in charge of the clinic.

Lunch Room Installed At Hudson Grove

The Hudson Grove Colored School has recently installed a lunchroom, which is being operated through the school Parent-Teacher Association.

15 Teams Will Participate For District Honors

THREE DAYS

First Games Will Be Played Wednesday Afternoon

Winding up the current high school basketball season, the Edenton boys' and girls' teams will be hosts and hostesses at an Amateur Independent Basketball Tournament to be held at the Edenton Armory on March 11, 12 and 14 for basketball teams in this district.

Basketball Coaches W. E. Bowman and Grady Love have released the names of the participating teams as follows: Powellsville boys, Columbia girls, Hertford boys and girls, Ahsokie boys and girls, Elizabeth City boys and girls, Roper boys and girls, Plymouth boys, Chowan boys and girls, and Edenton boys and girls.

The first games will be played off on Wednesday afternoon with four full games scheduled at the hours of two, three, four and five o'clock. There also will be four full games played on Wednesday night, Thursday night, and Saturday night with the games starting each night at the hours of seven, eight, nine and ten o'clock.

Each 1942 Tournament will award 27 magnificent trophies and 20 modern beautiful individual player awards. Among the trophies will be the 1942 Championship Team Trophy, the 1942 Second Place Trophy, the 1942 Third Place Trophy, trophies for each Championship Team Player, a trophy to each player on the Second Place Team, bronze trophies to players on the Third Place Team and three medals to be awarded to outstanding players of the tourney.

Awards to be presented will include a beautiful Sportsmanship Medal awarded at each tournament, five All-Tourney Honor Medals, seven Honor Merit Medals, a special medal for the manager of the Championship Team, a "Dead Shot" Award to the player making the most spectacular shot of the tournament, and two High Point Awards, one awarded to the player making the highest number of points in one single game and one to be awarded to the player making the highest number of points in the entire tourney.

The tournament should create a great deal of interest here, particularly since this will be the first basketball tournament to be held at Edenton. It will, no doubt, bring a large number of fans from the schools and towns entering tournament players.

Fire Chief R. K. Hall Explains Method To Fight Fire Bombs

Panic Only Thing to Be Afraid of, Warns Veteran Chief

Fire Chief R. K. Hall has outlined the latest methods of fighting fire bombs approved by the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense. "Everyone must know what to do in case of an air attack," said the Chief, "not only so we can keep fire damage as low as possible, but also so we can all face such an emergency with calmness and self-confidence. Panic is the only thing to be afraid of."

"The two-pound magnesium bomb is the type military authorities expect will be used," the Chief continued, "and, depending upon conditions when you find a bomb, use either sand or water spray on it. Wait about a minute before attacking it, so as to be sure all the violent sputtering is over. Then, if the bomb has not set fire to surrounding combustibles, it can be covered with sand, dumped into a metal pail and removed from the premises.

"But if the bomb has started a fire by the time its violent reaction is over, water spray must be used. Be careful never to let a solid stream strike the bomb, because that may cause an explosive reaction. The source of water may be a garden hose or any fire extinguisher containing water or a water solution. However, since water supplies may fall during a raid, it is unsafe to depend on garden hose. That is why fire extinguishers are so important." (Continued on Page Five)