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## Personnel Of Navy Department And Air Station Contractors Planning Mammoth Christmas Party In Edenton December 19

Principal Purpose Is to Raise Funds For Navy Relief

SHOOTING AT \$1,000

Group of Strong Committees Appointed Monday Night

Machinery was put into action Monday night to stage a mammoth Christmas party in Edenton which, if Monday's meeting is any indication, will far eclipse any similar affair ever staged here. The party will be held at the Edenton Armory Saturday night, December 19, and is sponsored by personnel of the Navy Department at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, assisted by members of the personnel of North Eastern, Warren, Beckham & Brooks, construction contractors, and Olsen, Detrick, Carr & J. E. Greiner Company, architect and engineer contractors at the base.

At the meeting held Monday night at Hotel Joseph Hewes, representatives from the three air station groups, as well as a large number of representative citizens, were present in order to lay the groundwork for the affair. The meeting was presided over by George C. Cunney, Navy auditor, who briefly explained the purpose of the party. It is twofold, he said, in that it will provide first class entertainment and usher in the holiday season, and secondly and primarily, will raise funds for Navy relief, to which the proceeds will be given. Mr. Cunney briefly explained Navy relief, which until the present emergency was maintained entirely by men enlisted in the Navy themselves. The fund is used in many ways in providing relief for men in the Navy as well as for their families who need help. Though generous response has been made to appeals for Navy relief, Mr. Cunney said that when newspapers begin to carry casualty lists in the present conflict there would be even a greater desire on the part of the rank and file to contribute to this purpose.

Mr. Cunney, as well as others present, felt very optimistic regarding the success of the affair and there was no reluctance in predicting that the party would clear \$1,000 for the relief fund.

Of course, the highlight of the party will be a dance in the Edenton Armory, with the music to be furnished by the United States Navy Orchestra of Elizabeth City. This orchestra includes a number of professional players, who before their enlistment, were members of some of the outstanding orchestras of the

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## House Committee Discusses Peanut Program For 1943

Big Difference In Price Of Edible and Oil Peanuts

Members of the House of Representatives, representing the peanut areas throughout the United States, met in a conference Saturday in the Agriculture Committee Room of the House to discuss the peanut program for 1943 with respect to the difference in prices between quota and non-quota peanuts, or edible peanuts and oil peanuts, the latter so necessary to the war effort. After consideration of various plans to take care of the vast discrepancy in price, the conference passed a resolution instructing Congressman H. P. Fulmer, Chairman of the Agriculture Committee of the House, to name a select committee to meet with J. B. Hutson, President, Commodity Credit Corporation, and Secretary of Agriculture, in an effort to work out a fair and equitable program for all growers, quota and non-quota, during the emergency.

Immediately after the meeting adjourned, Mr. Fulmer named Congressman Winder Harris of Virginia, Congressman Herbert C. Bonner, of North Carolina, Mr. Pace, of Georgia, Mr. Fulmer, of South Carolina, and others from Alabama, Texas, Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi, which are the principal peanut growing states, to the Select Committee.

This Select Committee will meet during the week.

## TWO MORE LIBERTY SHIPS NAMED AFTER EDENTONIANS DURING COLONIAL PERIOD

The James Iredell Sent Down Ways at Wilmington Sunday Afternoon and the Penelope Padgett Barker Launched Monday Afternoon

Another Liberty Ship named in honor of one of Edenton's outstanding citizens of Colonial days was launched by the North Carolina Shipbuilding Company at Wilmington, N. C., Sunday afternoon. This latest in a series of 10,000-ton vessels, eighth to be launched in November, was named "James Iredell" in honor of James Iredell who lived in the home now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gordon on East Church Street.

The James Iredell is the 45th vessel to be launched at the Wilmington shipyard since the first, Zebulon B. Vance, was sent down the ways on December 6, 1941. The launching of the James Iredell was sponsored by Miss Helen MacMillan, of Wilmington, a great-great-great-granddaughter of Iredell. Her matrons of honor were Mrs. Edwin Lee Clark, of Columbus, Ga., and Mrs. Laurens Wright, of Charlotte.

James Iredell was born in Lewes, England, October 5, 1750, and came to North Carolina when he was 17 years old. While a young man he was appointed deputy collector of the Port of Edenton and studied law, receiving his license to practice

## Time Of Opening School Changed

Due to Busses, School Opens 30 Minutes Later

Due to the extreme difficulty in busses getting to school on time in the morning, Superintendent John A. Holmes, on Wednesday, inaugurated a new schedule of hours, which will be in effect during the three winter months. Beginning Wednesday, which starts the fourth month of school, the opening hour will be 30 minutes later, thus school will begin each morning at 9:05 o'clock, instead of 8:35 as heretofore.

This change, of course, will affect the closing of school, which will also be half an hour later. Hereafter school will close at 4:10 o'clock instead of 3:40.

## Few Cases Disposed Of In Winter Term Of Superior Court

Criminal Docket Completed First Day of Court

With Judge R. Hunt Parker presiding, the December term of Chowan Superior Court, which convened about 11 o'clock Monday morning, developed into a very light docket, with only two criminal cases being disposed of. This phase of the court's work was completed Monday afternoon, after which civil cases were tried.

Upon arrival Judge Parker lost no time in getting down to business, the first order of business being the selection of a grand jury. This body was composed of W. H. Pearce, O. M. Elliott, O. B. Perry, David Holton, George S. Harrell, J. P. Perry, Eugene Baker, R. B. Hollowell, W. M. Chesson, Seth Cayton, E. E. Privott, Glenn Bunch, Hoskins Bass, E. J. Ward, Ellsworth Blanchard, J. Q. Bass, H. Tom Hollowell and H. V. Bass. O. B. Perry was designated as foreman of the jury.

In his charge to the Grand Jury, Judge Parker gave the usual instructions regarding presentments and bills of indictment. He asked the jury to ignore trivial cases which might be brought in malice, but also warned that those guilty of law violation should face trial, and at the same time no matter how humble, every citizen is entitled to protection from being wrongly accused.

"There are none too powerful not (Continued on Page Five)

in 1775. He was elected a judge of Superior Court in December, 1777, which office he resigned soon afterwards. He was a leader of the Federalists in North Carolina and at the convention held in Hillsboro in 1788 he argued without success in favor of the adoption of the Federal Constitution. On February 10, 1790, President Washington appointed him as associate justice of the U. S. Supreme Court. Iredell County was named for him in 1788. He died at Edenton, N. C., October 20, 1799.

The 446th Liberty Ship to be completed by the Wilmington concern and the fourth to be named after an Edentonian, was launched Monday afternoon. It was named in honor of Penelope Padgett Barker, a leader of patriotic women in Edenton during the Revolutionary War. It was Penelope Barker who acted as chairman of the Edenton Tea Party on October 25, 1774.

The launching of the vessel was sponsored by Miss Anna Wood of Edenton who had as her maids of honor Miss Mary D. White and Miss Betty Wales.

## Red Cross Nutrition Course Completed

14 Enrolled With Miss Josephine Grant as Instructor

Chowan County's Red Cross adult nutrition course has been completed. Fourteen ladies were enrolled under Miss Josephine Grant as instructor. This course will, according to Mrs. J. N. Pruden, county chairman, shortly be followed by a Red Cross canteen course with Miss Marie Anderson and Mrs. Frank Cale, Jr., acting as instructors. The exact date of this course has not been decided, but it is expected to be announced in a short time.

Those who were enrolled in the nutrition course and will be eligible to enroll in the canteen course are: Mrs. Richard P. Boyer, Mrs. W. J. Zebulon C. Hopkins, Mrs. M. A. Daniels, Mrs. J. L. Goodwin, Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. J. M. Jones, Mrs. Wallace Jones, Mrs. S. Owen Leider, Mrs. P. T. Owens, Mrs. Robert J. Perine, Mrs. Donald C. Kline, Mrs. J. Frank White, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Wood and Mrs. Julien Wood.

## Nelson Appeals To Farmers For More Vital Scrap Metal

Urges Intensified Hunt On Farms Throughout Country

While Chowan County is still conducting its scrap metal campaign, Donald M. Nelson, in a telegram to The Herald late last week, appealed to farmers to wind up the year 1942 by intensified efforts to gather every available piece of scrap metal for war purposes.

Mr. Nelson's telegram follows: "The Government is asking the American farmer to dedicate the remaining weeks of 1942 to an intensified scrap hunt. Steel mills need more heavy scrap and the farms are one of the best sources of this type of metal. We need your further help in this farm drive, and in aiding our salvage committees to continue this effort throughout the next few weeks. All salvage committees are being instructed to continue to make available to the farmer all their transportation facilities and manpower, and to cooperate with you in every possible way. The nation is looking to the American farmer. I am sure, with your help, he will come through."

## Sale Of Christmas Seals In Chowan Will Begin Today

Seals Will Be Mailed Following Last Year's Successful Scheme

QUOTA IS \$600

War Conditions Expected to Cause More Tuberculosis

Beginning today (Thursday) and continuing until Christmas, an effort will be made to raise \$600 as Chowan County's quota of the Christmas Seal sale.

This year more than ever before tuberculosis must be fought on the home front. History has proved that in any country during a sustained period of stress, tuberculosis has flared up. The grim story that tuberculosis and war wrote together from 1914 to 1918 told what could happen, what did happen and what may happen again.

The X-ray of the men who enter the service is a great advance made against the disease. But to counterbalance the gain thus made, the Nation may lose ground in the migration and concentration of industrial workers and in the increased hours of labor necessary to the war effort.

The Christmas Seal sale this year is a defense measure of far-reaching importance. Following the plan adopted last year, Mrs. J. A. Moore, Chowan County chairman, is mailing seals throughout the town and county. These letters will be sent out today (Thursday) and will contain, in addition to the seals, a letter of explanation and a return envelope addressed to Mrs. R. C. Holland, treasurer.

It is earnestly hoped that the response to these letters will be prompt and generous.

Will you consider for one moment what tuberculosis means in the war effort to which we have pledged ourselves?

In 1940 the various sanatoria throughout the country provided 22 to 23 million patient days of treatment. Tuberculosis divisions of hospitals provided 6 to 7 million treatment days.

These figures, added to the man days of hospital personnel total more than 40 million man-days per year.

Forty million man-days, if employed in war production would be sufficient to build 160 destroyers, 940 flying fortresses, 8,000 combat planes or 16,000 light tanks.

The high cost of tuberculosis, which is preventable and curable.

Will you not contribute as generously as you can to the Seal Sale program which is: Find the sick, treat the patient, restore his earning power, prevent the spread of the disease, and keep the family from falling to pieces.

## Prominent Ministers Scheduled Appear At Presbyterian Church

Pre-Christmas Religious Season Begins Next Sunday

On Sunday morning the pre-Christmas religious season will open at the Presbyterian Church, when the Rev. Ray Riddle, of Columbia, S. C., will preach at the morning service at 11 o'clock, and the Rev. Gower Crosswell, of Chingapin, will preach at night at 8 o'clock. Mr. Crosswell will be remembered as the minister who held a revival in the church during the past summer.

According to the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., pastor of the church, other outstanding guest ministers will fill (Continued on Page Six)

## District Superintendent Will Preach Sunday

At the evening service in the Methodist Church next Sunday at 8 o'clock, the Rev. W. L. Clegg, new superintendent of the Elizabeth City District, will make his initial appearance. The Rev. Mr. Clegg will preach at this service and immediately following the first quarterly conference will be held.

The public is cordially invited to hear the new superintendent, who was formerly pastor of the West Durham Methodist Church and is regarded as one of the most able preachers in the conference.

## December 7-19 Designated By R. C. Holland As Climax Chowan Scrap Metal Drive

Warning

With many leaves on the ground at this time and the tendency on the part of housewives to burn these leaves in order to clean up premises, Mayor J. H. McMullan has called attention to a Town Ordinance forbidding the burning of leaves or any other trash either on the street or on private property.

Burning of leaves creates a fire hazard and for that reason to burn leaves a permit must be secured from Fire Chief R. K. Hall. Both Mayor McMullan and Fire Chief Hall urge housewives to secure this permit before burning any material about their homes.

## Draft Board Ordered Reclassify Essential Workers On Farms

Those Leaving Farm Will Be Subject to Induction In Army

Recently, General Lewis B. Hersey, Director of Selective Service, has seen fit for the local Boards to reclassify essential agriculture workers for the farm. This means that those workers must be engaged in the production of agricultural products more than necessary for subsistence.

In the future, in order for agricultural workers to be entitled to this reclassification of II-C or III-C they must make known their willingness to remain on the farm for the year 1943 to help produce necessary foodstuff. However, this does not prevent any farm worker, after the present 1942 crop is harvested, from engaging in outside work—but he must make this fact known to the local Board and state his intention to return for farm work by March 1, 1943.

When registrant leaves the farm permanently for other work, his classification will be immediately changed and he will be classified I-A subject to induction into the Army.

## Schools Respond To Jr. Red Cross Roll Call

Many Grades Enroll 100 Per Cent According To Report

Though the report of the Junior Red Cross Roll Call is not complete, Mrs. J. N. Pruden, county chairman, is well pleased with results reported to date, which show that many of the grades enrolled 100 per cent., and that so far \$64 have been collected.

In the Edenton High School returns amounted to \$18.25, while the Grammar Grades secured \$28.31, and the Primary Grades \$13.44.

In the Grammar Grades, the contributions by rooms were as follows: Mr. Swain, \$3.62; Mrs. Bunch, \$3.87; Miss Copeland, \$5.35; Miss McDonald, \$3.84; Miss Goodwin, \$2.22; Mrs. Davis, \$1.53 and an additional \$1.00 for kits; Mrs. Griffin, \$2.38; Miss Jones, \$5.50.

In the Primary Grades the report was as follows: Mrs. Shepard, \$3.18; Miss Jenkins, \$1.50; Miss Felts, \$1.25; Miss Warren, \$2.15; Miss Sayers, \$2.34; Miss Smithwick, \$1.67; Mrs. Swain, \$1.35.

In the Rocky Hock Central School the three rooms contributed \$3.00, while the two rooms at Hudson Grove colored school contributed \$1.00.

In next week's issue of The Herald it is hoped a full report will be available of the enrollment in other schools of the county.

## Rev. Lewis Schenck Speaker For P. T. A.

Tuesday afternoon, December 8, the regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association will be held in the High School library at 3:40 o'clock. The Rev. Lewis Schenck, new rector of St. Paul's Church, has been invited to make an address at the meeting, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

130 Truck Owners Offer Aid In Hauling Junk To Official Depot

SCRAP WILL BE SOLD

Proceeds Go to Schools And Various Relief Agencies

Though Chowan County has for several weeks been engaged in collecting scrap iron, the climax to the campaign will take place between Monday, December 7, and December 19. These dates were announced early this week by R. C. Holland, Chowan County Salvage Chairman, and during the period scrap metal collected and now stored at nine communities in the county will be hauled to the official salvage depot on the Town lot on the northwest corner of Broad and Water Streets.

Mr. Holland also has spotters scattered throughout the county, who will direct trucks to places where scrap iron too heavy to be handled by school youngsters can be secured.

To do this hauling, Mr. Holland, several weeks ago, secured the premises of at least 130 truck owners from one end of the county to the other who agreed to use their trucks to haul scrap iron to the official depot in Edenton. These truck owners will be called upon during the final two weeks' drive and Mr. Holland has no idea whatever but that the scrap will be moved promptly.

Though Mr. Holland has not checked up on collections during the last week or two, his last estimate was over 325,000 pounds on the various scrap piles. However, when all of this scrap, as well as some not on the various piles is gathered together, he expects the amount to exceed his last figures by four.

An appeal was made last week by Donald Nelson, chairman of the War Production Board, to farmers especially to exert every effort possible during the remaining weeks of 1942 to gather all the scrap metal possible to offset a shortage at steel mills. The farms, he said, are one of the best sources for scrap metal.

Mr. Holland also stated that the scrap at the various schools will be sold for the high dollar and the proceeds from the scrap used by the various schools, according to their needs. The proceeds for the scrap on the official depot pile will be donated to the Red Cross and other relief agencies designated by the Chowan County Salvage Committee.

Because of the plight of farmers in Chowan County due to the shortage of help and the necessity for harvesting crops at the time the State-wide scrap drive was in progress, the county did not participate at that time. Mr. Holland deemed it wise and figured that more of this precious metal would be secured if he waited until those on farms had some of their crops out of the way and had more time to devote to gathering together any scrap iron about their premises.

## Various Groups In County Working On Share Meat Program

Every Home Expected To Be Contacted By Saturday

Neighborhood leaders, working with the Agricultural Workers Council, are this week busily engaged in contacting families throughout the county explaining the Share-the-Meat program, which is sponsored by the nutrition committee of the County Civilian Defense Council, of which Mrs. Roland H. Vaughan is chairman, and Mrs. John F. White assisting as chairman of the block leaders in Edenton.

On Tuesday afternoon and night of last week meetings were held with the block leaders in Edenton and the Chowan County community organization for the purpose of discussing plans for the nation-wide Share-the-Meat program, which began Monday and will continue throughout this week.

This was the first work of a block leader group, of which Mrs. John F. White is chairman, but the community leaders in the county were organically invited to attend. (Continued on Page Five)