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\$2,500 For Navy Relief And \$100,000 Worth War Bonds Result Of Christmas Party

Success of Affair Surpasses Most Optimistic Expectations

PRAHL SURPRISED

Armory Crowded Saturday Night With Dancers and Spectators

Though members of the personnel of the Navy Department and the two contracting concerns at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station were very optimistic in their predictions as to the financial outcome of the Christmas party held in the Armory Saturday night, the success of the affair outstripped all expectations. Many local people felt at the outset, when the party was planned, that a goal of \$1,000 for Navy relief was more than could be realized, when as a matter of fact, the party cleared more than double that amount, George C. Cunney and H. S. G. Verlander reporting Tuesday morning that \$2,500 remained for the Navy Relief Fund, after all expenses were paid.

This sum was realized through three sources. Headed by Mr. Cunney, a drive for outright contributions was made among base workers and Edentonians, which resulted in \$1,140 being raised. From this amount nothing was taken for expenses, so that the sale of tickets for chances on war bonds and tickets for the dance netted \$1,360, after paying the expenses incurred.

Without doubt, the affair was by far the best attended social function ever held in Edenton. The spacious building was filled to capacity with dancers and those who turned out to see the floor show, as well as others who attended principally to show their interest and cooperation in raising funds for Navy relief.

The whole affair was delightful throughout, and it appeared to be one large, happy family with a very friendly atmosphere pervading the entire building as many danced to the music of the U. S. Navy Orchestra from Elizabeth City, and others milled around meeting and greeting friends. So much merry-making was in progress that it was difficult to even quiet the crowd and clear the floor for the floor show. This feature, too, was very much enjoyed by the huge throng on hand.

No little interest was directed toward the drawing for the war bonds as prizes which followed the floor show. The first prize of a \$100 bond was won by J. H. Gray, Jr., of Edenton. Second prize of a \$50 bond went to C. L. Whitfield, of Route 2, Winterville, N. C., and Harvey Bragg, Box 107, Edenton, was awarded the \$25 bond.

Another \$25 war bond was awarded as a door prize, this going to H. L. Linda, 53 Market Street, Hertford.

A climax to the entire party, however, occurred when Harold Woodall mounted the platform and, after a few remarks, called for Lieutenant C. G. Prahl, officer-in-charge of construction of the air station, to come on the stand. Lieutenant Prahl was at most speechless when Woodall stated that more or less of a secret campaign had been waged by the purchasing department of North Eastern, Warren, Beckham & Brooks to sell war bonds as a feature of the party.

Woodall reported that sales of bonds had totalled \$100,000, and at once handed to Lieutenant Prahl the checks in the amount of \$90,000 with the remainder promised to be bought. So that the tabulation listed \$90,000 with an assured fact that as the result of the campaign \$100,000 worth would be purchased, and possibly more. These bonds were purchased by firms furnishing material for the base, some coming as far as the west coast, some by the contractors and workers at the base, and some by Edenton concerns and individuals.

The report of the sale of these bonds immediately brought a thunderous cheer from the crowd, and it was some time before Lieutenant Prahl could respond to the surprise. He expressed his appreciation and said that while the boys on the front lines are doing their duty, those on the home front are cooperating and helping to raise the money needed for furnishing supplies with which to win the war.

The list of those who purchased bonds was not completed when The Herald went to press, but this list will be furnished in order to be published next week.

Decorations in the Armory were very timely and most attractive, featuring a large illuminated V over the

Leaving Edenton



LLOYD E. GRIFFIN

Many Edenton friends will be interested to learn that Lloyd E. Griffin will leave Edenton early next month to become executive vice president of the North Carolina Citizens Association, Inc. Mr. Griffin will be located in Raleigh.

Special Program At Presbyterian Church 11:45 Christmas Eve

In the Presbyterian Church at 11:45 Christmas Eve a special Christmas program will be presented, according to the pastor, the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr. The program includes special Christmas music, a feature being a solo by Miss Julia Burton.

Former Pastor At Presbyterian Church Next Sunday Night

Friends in Edenton will be pleased to learn that the Rev. Marshall W. Doggett, Jr., a former pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will preach in his former church next Sunday night at 8 o'clock. Mr. Doggett, who was for a number of years located in Texas, is now a chaplain at Cherry Point, N. C.

GIRLS AUXILIARY MEETS

The Girls' Auxiliary of Merry Hill Baptist Church met with Misses Frances and Reba Coward on Monday evening. Those taking part on the program were: Misses Evelyn Jernigan, Annie Ruth, Sarah Leigh and Frances Baker, Virginia Lane and Frances Coward.

After the meeting delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Ration Board Office Closed Two Days

Chowan County's War Price and Ration Board will observe two days for the Christmas holidays, so that the offices will be closed all day Friday and Saturday. Any matters of importance, therefore, should be attended to before Friday.

MRS. TURNER AT HOME

Mrs. J. S. Turner returned to her home at Center Hill Sunday, after spending the past 23 days in Lake View hospital, Suffolk, Va., where she was under observation and treatment. Her condition remains about the same, her friends being distressed to know that her recovery will be slow. Mr. Turner went to Suffolk to bring his wife home.

CHRISTMAS BONUS

Employees of the Edenton Cotton Mills this week were made happy when they received as a Christmas present a certain percentage of their earnings during the year.

Army stage. Those in charge of the affair have consented to leave the decorations as they are for the Christmas dances to be held Friday.

The affair was a success from every view point and reflects splendid cooperation and hard work on the part of everyone having any part in arranging the affair.

Greetings



Blend together at Christmastime to sound a glorious symphony of glad tidings that present a note of cheer in a world oftentimes torn asunder by peoples burdened with cares. The atmosphere of good fellowship dominates the minds of free nations everywhere.

It is our sincere wish that the bells of universal peace will peal forth to bring happiness and contentment to the whole world. May they echo our own sincere good wishes to all those again we have the privilege of calling friends.

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Dance In Armory One Of Attractions For Christmas Day

Dillard Dixon and His Orchestra Will Fur- nish Music

One means of entertainment in Edenton on Christmas Day will be a dance in the Edenton Armory, music for which will be provided by Dillard Dixon and his orchestra, local organization which is gradually earning for itself quite a reputation.

A tea dance will be held from 3 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon, while another dance will begin at 9 o'clock and continue until 2 o'clock.

The Armory will carry out the holiday spirit in decorations and tables will be arranged for private parties. With a number of men in the service at home for the holidays, as well as college students, a large crowd is expected to attend both affairs.

New Shipment Of Surgical Dressings Material On Hand

Work Will Be Resumed Tuesday Morning Af- ter Christmas

Mrs. W. H. Coffield, surgical dressings chairman of the Chowan Chapter of the Red Cross, last week received a shipment of surgical dressings materials and has announced that work on these dressings will be resumed on Tuesday after Christmas, December 29. The quota includes 31,500 dressings, of which 9,000 are 4x4 inches and 22,500 are to measure 4x8.

Making of the dressings by the local chapter was suspended on November 18, when all material was used up and since which time none had been received until last week.

Mrs. Coffield has announced that classes for making these dressings will be held from 10 to 12 o'clock each morning, 3 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon, and from 7:30 to 9:30 at night. She emphasizes the importance of quick action on the latest quota and for that reason urges all who can possibly do so to assist in this work, and also urges doubling up on the time contributed due to waiting until after Christmas to start.

Midnight Service Thursday Night At St. Paul's Church

Rector Announces Ser- vices In Connection With Christmas

The following Christmas services have been announced for St. Paul's Episcopal Church by the rector, the Rev. Lewis F. Schenck:

The midnight service which has grown in popularity throughout the years will begin promptly at 11:30 p. m., on Christmas Eve. This service will feature the singing of the old familiar Christmas hymns and carols. The rector will deliver a short Christmas Greeting at this time.

At 11 o'clock on Christmas morning there will be a special Christmas service with the singing of hymns and special music by the choir. Danks' Te Deum will be sung by the choir and for the offertory the choir will render Williams' Jubilate. The rector will deliver his Christmas sermon at this service.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated at both the midnight service and the 11 o'clock service Christmas morning. The public is most cordially invited to attend both these meetings.

Saturday being St. Stephen's Day, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 a. m.

Services for next Sunday will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 a. m., Sunday School at 9:45 a. m., and Morning Prayer and Sermon by the rector at 11 a. m.

Masonic Lodges Calls Off Meeting Thursday

There will be no meeting of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., Thursday night, it having been called off due to being Christmas Eve. The regular meeting will be held next Thursday night, however, when the newly-elected and appointed officers will be installed.

Dime Society Meets Tuesday, Dec. 29th

The Dime Society of the Baptist Church will meet Tuesday evening, December 29, at 8 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. J. G. Campen.

All who did not bring or send their envelopes at the November meeting for the national holidays and birthday offerings are requested to send them to Mrs. H. B. Jones or Mrs. W. D. Holmes before Tuesday, December 29.

Edenton Almost As Whole Will Devote Two Days To Observance Of Christmas

First Chowan WAAC

Chowan County's first contribution to the WAAC's is Mrs. Eleanor W. Epps, who officially enrolled on December 16 at Fort Bragg as a member of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. Mrs. Epps is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Winslow, and has been living with her parents since her husband went overseas.

L. E. Griffin Executive Vice President Of Citizens Association

Headquarters Will Be In Raleigh Shortly After First of Year

Lloyd E. Griffin has been selected as executive vice president of the North Carolina Citizens Association, Inc., which is a newly organized fact finding body with reference to local and state government conditions. One of the primary functions of the Association is looking to the post-war period in the hope of avoiding the sort of disaster which was experienced after the first world war.

Another function of the Association is to try and avoid excess spending in governmental affairs which are not for the best interest of the government and at the same time adds to the burden of taxation.

Mr. Griffin will be located in Raleigh, where he will go early next month. His family will also most likely move to Raleigh after the present term of school is over.

Group Of Colored Boys Be Inducted Saturday, Dec. 26

13 of 29 Sent to Fort Bragg Pass Physical Examination

Chowan County's Draft Board has been notified that 13 of the 27 colored boys sent to Fort Bragg last Saturday passed the physical examination and these will leave next Saturday morning to be inducted into the army. Each one is requested to be at the Armory promptly at 8:45 where a brief program will be presented after which the boys will leave at 9:20 from the bus station.

Those included in the group to leave Saturday are Jerry Thomas, Jr., Francis Wiggins, Haywood L. Knight, William Henry Taylor, Fred Blount, Raleigh Augustus Baines, Oscar Frederick Blair, Frank White, John Wallace Hathaway, Emanuel Overton, John Isaac Perry, Robert Louis Lamb, and Melvin Philip Littlejohn.

Three others in last Saturday's group were retained and the Draft Board, early this week, had no information as to whether or not they were accepted. These men were Horace Lee Jordan, Adolph Britt and Earl Bland.

Mrs. W. A. Divers Dies Victim Of Pneumonia

Mrs. William A. Divers died in the Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City, Sunday night about 9 o'clock, where she had been a patient for a week, succumbing to an attack of pneumonia. She was only 28 years old and leaves to mourn her passing her husband, William (Bill) Divers, her mother, Mrs. Minnie Perry, of New Hope, two children, a daughter, Billy Carroll, and a son, William Divers, III; three brothers, R. R. Perry, of Elizabeth City; S. J. Perry, of New Hope, and Lon Perry, of Clifton, New Jersey, and one sister, Mrs. Julian White, of Hertford.

Funeral services were held from the graveside in Cedarwood Cemetery on Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, with the Rev. J. T. Cranford officiating.

Stores and Business Es- tablishments Close Fri- day and Saturday

NO STREET LIGHTS

Celebration Takes on More Serious Aspect This Year

Edenton generally will devote two days, in addition to Sunday, this year in celebrating Christmas, and as a result business will be at a standstill from Thursday night until Monday morning. Practically every store and business establishment will be closed Friday and Saturday. This will include all county and city offices and the Bank of Edenton. At the post office, however, only Christmas Day will be observed as a holiday with business going on as usual Saturday. Incidentally, at the post office a limited force of workers are tackling the heaviest amount of mail in the history of the office, but early this week Postmaster C. E. Kramer said that he felt reasonably sure that it would not be necessary to deliver any mail on Christmas Day.

Included in the two-day holiday will be the Edenton Street Department, members of which have been given Friday and Saturday off. The usual rounds for collection of garbage will be made Thursday and at night the business section will also be cleaned up. No collection will be made on Friday and Saturday, so that housewives are urged to cooperate. The usual collections will be resumed Monday morning.

With a war in progress and many boys scattered over the globe, coupled with the absence of street lighting and decorations, the usual Christmas spirit appears to be lacking in Edenton. Then, too, there is a marked decrease in the shooting of fireworks, all of which tends to reflect a more serious aspect to the observance of the holiday.

The tire and gasoline situation, too, will play no little part in the celebration of the holidays, for many will remain at home who otherwise would journey to distant points, while there will also be lacking many former Edentonians who usually come to Edenton to visit relatives and friends.

Chowan's Drive For Scrap Metal Is Just About Completed

Various Piles Will Be Sold Early Part of January

As the result of the response of truck drivers last week Chowan County has just about completed its campaign for the collection of scrap metal, which at present, is deposited at various central community depots throughout the county. R. C. Holland, county salvage chairman, is delighted with the response to the call for trucks, saying that there was not a single refusal when the services of trucks were requested to haul metal from one point to another. Mr. Holland, too, is very much pleased with the amount of scrap metal collected, and while early this week he had not secured definite weights, he said the amount on hand has far exceeded his expectations.

This scrap iron will be sold at the various depots instead of being hauled to the official depot in Edenton. This method was adopted in order to save extra handling. The scrap will be sold to the highest bidder some time during the first two weeks in January. Mr. Holland has the assurance that R. E. Zimmerman, of Greensboro, assistant district chief, will be in Edenton at the time the metal is sold to see to it that the highest dollar is received for the metal which has been collected.

Mr. Holland is well-pleased with the response in Chowan County for scrap metal, both Edenton and the rural sections rallying splendidly to the appeal. Mr. Holland is still receiving information that here and there some metal is available and this metal, too, will be rounded up before the piles are sold.