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Registration For Sugar Is Scheduled To Be Held In Chowan County May 17-19

Plans Announced Early This Week By W. J. Taylor, Chairman AT FOUR PLACES

Cooperation on Part of Citizens Is Earnestly Requested

W. J. Taylor, chairman of sugar registration in Chowan County, announced early this week that preparations are being made to hold a registration for sugar for canning purposes at the Chowan Woman's Club Building and Rocky Hock Central School building for both white and colored in the two upper townships, at the Edenton white high school for white people, and the Edenton colored school for colored people in the two lower townships. The dates set for this registration are May 17, 18 and 19 between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m.

In connection with the registration Mr. Taylor has issued the following instructions:

1. Applicants must state names of consumers on whose behalf the application is made, and present War Ration Book One of each consumer. Applications are to be made by one adult member of the family for all members of the family unit.

2. State the number of quarts of canned fruit possessed by the individual or family unit at the time of registration.

3. State the number of quarts of fruit canned the preceding calendar year, at the time of registration.

4. State the number of quarts of fruit to be canned during the period (March 1 through February 29, 1944) or which the application is made.

5. State whether sugar is to be used for preserving.

6. State the excess sugar supply as of the time of registration and any subsequent reduction therein.

Boarding Houses and other Institutional users must register with the local Rationing Board for sugar used for canning.

The purpose of the registration is to afford each family or person as convenient opportunity as possible to register for the amount of sugar needed for canning and preserving purposes. However, provision is already made for those who need sugar for canning and preserving strawberries. If the sugar is needed for these purposes before the above dates of registration, registration may be made with the local War Rationing Board any day between 9 a. m., and 3 p. m.

The registration centers in the upper townships will be manned by the club women as volunteers. Through the assistance of Miss Rebecca Colwell, as heretofore, it is felt that a sufficient number will volunteer their services so that the registration will be satisfactory.

The school centers in the two lower townships, as heretofore, will take care of the registration very satisfactorily. The teachers, students and volunteer citizens of the community have been very faithful and they are counted upon to render the same faithful service on the above registration dates.

The cooperation of the public is asked by appearing at the various registration centers between 9 a. m., and 5 p. m., not to wait until a few minutes before 5 p. m., and not to wait until the last day. Registration will begin at 9 a. m., and close strictly at 5 p. m., and the 19th is the last day.

A meeting of all volunteers in the upper two townships is being called at Rocky Hock Central School at 2 p. m., Friday, May 14, and at 4:45 p. m., at the Chowan Woman's Club Building. The purpose of this meeting is to familiarize those who are to help register with the registration forms and organization.

Shore Patrol

Mayor Leroy Haskett has been informed by Lieutenant-Colonel Z. C. Hopkins, commanding officer of the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, that a shore patrol will be inaugurated in Edenton, with headquarters in the Municipal Building.

This patrol will begin with four men on duty as military police, and will go into effect next Saturday night.

Institute Director



GLADYS E. EVANS As disaster field representative of the eastern area for the Red Cross, Miss Evans will conduct a disaster preparedness institute in Edenton next Thursday, May 20.

New Schedule Of Hours For Making Surgical Dressings

Summer Schedule Will Go Into Effect Next Sunday

A new schedule of summer hours has just been announced for the local Red Cross surgical dressing workers, which will go into effect next Sunday. Beginning Sunday the group will meet from 4 to 6 o'clock, instead of 3 to 5. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday the hours will be from 10 to 12 in the morning, 4 to 6 in the afternoon and 8 to 10 at night.

This schedule will be in effect until the summer is ended and it is hoped that the new schedule will make it more convenient for still more volunteers to take part in this very important and patriotic work. There is more work to be done than present workers can complete in time, so that more volunteers are greatly needed.

Important Meeting Of Garden Club Monday

Edenton's Garden Club will hold a meeting in the Municipal Building on Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Matters of great importance are to be discussed, so that every member is especially urged to be present.

St. Paul's Auxiliary In Final Meeting Monday

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church will meet on Monday afternoon, May 17, at 4 o'clock, in the Parish House. This is the last meeting of the year, and, instead of the educational program, a business meeting will be held. It is very important that all members attend, since there will not be another meeting until September.

Doing Their Bit

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank White, Sr., are contributing their share to the war effort, if boys in the service mean anything. Mr. and Mrs. White have six sons in various branches of the service, as follows:

J. Frank White, Jr., Captain State Guard unit in Edenton; Fred F. White, stationed at Camp Lee, Va.; Sgt. Ned M. White, in 13th Armored Division, at Camp Beale, Calif.; William A. White, in Signal Corps, at Miami Beach, Fla.; Henry A. White, stationed with Air Corps at Greensboro, N. C., and Samuel P. White, in quartermaster department at Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania.

Meeting Tonight To Perfect Organization Of Air Warning Post

Interested Citizens Requested to Meet at Court House

AT 8 O'CLOCK

Public Relations Officer Scheduled to Attend Meeting

An important meeting will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock, in the Court House, when organization of the local aircraft warning post will be effected. Captain DeWitt M. Smith, public relations officer of the Ground Observer Corps' regional office in Norfolk, will be present at the meeting to assist in the organization.

Sheriff J. A. Bunch, who is chief observer of the Edenton post, as well as C. E. Kramer, district director, invites all citizens in this area to be present at the meeting in order to perfect the organization with the least possible loss of time.

Sheriff Bunch emphasizes the fact that this air warning service is the first line of civilian defense against enemy air attack, and in fact it is so important that the first fighter command desires to have every observation post on a 100 per cent basis immediately.

More than a million volunteer observers are now manning 12,000 posts on the Atlantic and Pacific seaboard and it is believed that Chowan County will hold a top place in this service as it has done in all other war services.

"If you desire to keep faith with our boys on the battlefield," says Observer Bunch, "be sure to attend this meeting." There are already about 75 who have offered their services as observers in order to put the post on a 24-hour basis, but to prevent any hardship on the part of anyone, in the neighborhood of 112 will be needed. It is the purpose of both Bunch and Kramer to have a schedule so arranged that it will not be necessary for any one person to serve more than a few hours every other week.

The observation post on Hicks Field is now ready for operation and provides as fine headquarters as will be found in this section. The observation post at Valhalla, for which the County Commissioners agreed to pay for material, is rapidly being constructed by volunteer workers in the neighborhood. In the meantime this post has not missed a single watch and the efficiency of the post will be hard to match by any other group of observers.

ENTERS GENERAL HOSPITAL

Howard Jackson went to Norfolk, Va., Wednesday to enter General Hospital for observation and treatment.

Red Cross Chapter Plans For Disaster Emergencies; Sponsors Institute May 20

Miss Gladys Evans, Field Representative of Red Cross Disaster Relief, Will Be In Charge of Instructing Committee on Preparedness

Readiness for disasters resulting from natural causes, expanding war industry or enemy action will keynote a Disaster Preparedness and Civilian War Aid Institute, sponsored by the Chowan Chapter, American Red Cross, to be held in Edenton Thursday, May 20th.

Final plans for the institute have been completed, according to Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the local chapter, who announced that Miss Gladys E. Evans, disaster field representative for the eastern area, American Red Cross, will conduct the institute.

Mrs. Pruden stressed the vital importance of preparedness so that prompt and adequate relief may be administered in the event of disaster. If you are well organized and prepared in advance for any emergency, you have the jump on human misery and suffering. Once the catastrophe occurs, it is too late," says Mrs. Pruden.

The institute will provide an intensive review of the Red Cross plan of disaster preparedness for members of the local committee. Consideration will be given not only

Mrs. West Byrum Named Chairman Poppy Day May 29

Asks For Renewal of Faith In Those Who Gave Their Lives

PLENTY FLOWERS

Arrangements In Making For Sale of Memorial Poppies

Poppy Day will be observed Saturday, May 29, with Mrs. West W. Byrum being appointed by the Auxiliary of Ed Bond Post to act as chairman this year.

During the day poppies will be offered to everyone in Edenton by the women of the Auxiliary, and no price will be asked for the flowers, the pennies of the children being just as welcome as the dollars of the wealthy. A poppy for every heart is the goal.

"Faith in America with those who have died in the nation's service will be pledged anew on Poppy Day," said Mrs. Byrum, in announcing preparations for the annual distribution of the memorial poppies. "The wearing of a poppy is a personal pledge that we will not break faith with those who died, but will carry on to the achievement of the things for which they gave their lives."

Contributions given to the Auxiliary's volunteer poppy workers will go in their entirety to the rehabilitation and child welfare funds of The American Legion and Auxiliary, where they will help support the Legion's and Auxiliary's efforts for the disabled fighting men of both wars, and for the children of the dead and disabled.

District Meeting Of American Legion In Hertford On Monday

Commander R. L. Pratt Asking All Legionnaires to Attend

R. L. Pratt, commander of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion, is calling upon every Legionnaire to attend the district Legion meeting which will be held in Hertford Monday night at 8 o'clock. Amos Maynard, of Greensboro, department commander, is scheduled to be present, which will be a drawing card for all ex-service men in the district.

Lloyd Griffin, a member of the local post, will take part on the program, being scheduled to make the address of the meeting.

Leroy H. Haskett Succeeds J. H. McMullan As Mayor Edenton Effective May 11

Be Patient

Because of recent rains, grass in Edenton has made considerable progress and a number of inquiries have been made as to why street commissioner employees have not started cutting grass. As much as six months ago, the street commissioner endeavored to purchase a power mower to replace a machine which was badly worn, but due to war conditions a new mower could not be purchased. The only alternative was to send the worn machine to Milwaukee to be rebuilt, which was done.

Following a wire to the Milwaukee concern, the street commissioner was informed that the mower had been finished and would be shipped this week, so that cutting grass will begin as soon as the machine arrives. A hand-mowing machine was purchased to be used temporarily, but of course could cover only a limited area.

W. D. Pruden Named Chairman Of County V-5 Naval Committee

Splendid Opportunity Is Offered 17-Year-Old Youths

W. D. Pruden has recently been appointed chairman of the Chowan County Naval Committee in connection with the Naval Aviation Cadet program, and naturally desires to get across the information regarding the qualifications, requirements and the training schedule of the program, which is known as the Navy V-5 program.

First of all, an applicant must be 17 years of age and must not have reached his 18th birthday. He must have a reasonable expectation of graduation from high school by June 30, 1943, and must have a scholastic standing in the upper half of the male portion of the class. Boys who are 17 and graduated from high school any time prior to June 30, 1943, and are currently not attending college, or who are currently attending college, are also eligible.

Assuming that an applicant qualifies, he will be sworn in and enlisted as an apprentice seaman, Class V-5, USNR. He will then return home, graduate and wait until he reaches his 18th birthday. Some will be sent to college for a minimum of one year, where they will actually be in the Navy, receiving \$50 per month, room and board. Others will be called to begin regular V-5 cadet training, and will receive \$75 per month, room, board and uniform.

Masons Call Off Meeting Tonight Due To Revival

Tonight's Masonic meeting has been called off by Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, this action being taken due to the revival meeting in progress at the Methodist Church. The Masons will not attend services in a body, but all members are urged to go to church instead of the regular lodge meeting.

No Parking

Following insistent demands on the part of West Eden Street citizens for a sidewalk, which has resulted in an investigation of property lines by a committee from Town Council, temporary relief has been authorized by Town Council by the passage of an ordinance Tuesday night prohibiting any parking on West Eden Street from Broad to Greenville Streets.

Signs are now being prepared to inform drivers of automobiles and present parking lines will be blacked out. For violation of the ordinance, a fine of \$5 may be imposed.

Office of State Library
N. C. State Library
Sworn
By Clerk
R. E. Leary

ORGANIZE

Greater Portion of Meeting Spent In Executive Session

Leroy Haskett, who had no opposition in the Town election held last week, succeeded Mayor J. H. McMullan at the May meeting of Town Council held Tuesday night. Mayor Haskett was the first to take oath of office, and was followed by Treasurer W. H. Gardner; members of the Board of Public Works, W. W. Byrum, J. H. Conger and O. Branning Perry; Councilmen-at-large, J. Edwin Buffal and Jordan Yates, and the four ward councilmen, J. Clarence Leary, Graham Byrum, J. P. Partin and Walter M. Wilkins.

The old Board was called into session by Mr. McMullan and after payment of the month's bills, the new Board was sworn in and proceeded with the current month's business.

In relinquishing the gavel of authority to his successor, Mayor McMullan had this to say:

"Members of the 229th Council of the Town of Edenton:

"Edenton received its first charter in the year 1717. So this is the 228th year of the Town's incorporation.

"It was my privilege to preside over this body in its 189th anniversary, and I have noted great changes in the problems of municipal government as it affects us. Then the Town Council was composed of a Mayor and four Councilmen. There was no Board of Public Works, no organized Fire Company or Health Department. We did have an active Police Force, however, because there were 13 flourishing open bar rooms on Cheap Side. The total revenues of the Town were about \$6,000 and our only extraordinary expense was a contribution of \$150 to the military company. We had no stock law and it became necessary to have the town fenced with gates where the roads merged with our streets, in order to keep the stock out. It happened that our fence did not prove big tight or bull strong and my administration became greatly embarrassed thereby. Mr. E. R. Conger succeeded me as Mayor and his daughter triumphant exclaimed, 'Papa will see that there are no pigs in this town.'"

"The members of the Council then were W. O. Elliott, Sr., M. F. Bond, Sr., J. R. Wheeler and Jim Howell. I called them all 'Mister' because the youngest was 20 years my senior. My association with these seniors was most cordial and our friendship continued through life. My association with you gentlemen has not been one whit less cordial, though I am many years the senior of any of you City Fathers. I have served on many governmental bodies in my life, but I can truthfully say that I have never been associated with a more sincere, cooperative and efficient body of men than those who constitute the Town Council, the Board of Public Works and our administrative employees. I cannot conclude my remarks without paying tribute to the efficiency and courtesy of our administrative employees, Mr. R. E. Leary, our indispensable Clerk, our Collector, Miss Louise Coke, who, too, is unexcelled, and Miss Cecelia Spivey, who is the personification of courtesy.

"The administration of the affairs of this town is a high and responsible trust and I feel grateful to our administrative employees for the fine service they have rendered my administration.

"It now comes my happy privilege to surrender the gavel to my successor, Mayor Haskett, and to wish him and the 229th Council joy and felicity and success in the administration of the great trust which is now in their hands."

Before Mayor McMullan left his seat, J. Edwin Buffal took the liberty to reply to the parting remarks to say that he personally, and felt sure he expressed the sentiments of the remainder of the Board, wanted to express pleasure at having served with Mayor McMullan as well as the other two departing members, Albert Byrum and David Holton, and that while it was no reflection on the incoming members, there was a feeling of regret to see the trio leave the official family.

In taking over the reins as the Town's chief executive, Mayor Haskett said he appreciated the honor

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