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Baptist Assembly At Chowan College Week Of July 12-16

Leading Workers of Denomination Included On Program

Baptists of the West Chowan and Chowan Associations are now making final plans for another large assembly at Chowan College the week of July 12-16. Outstanding Baptist workers of the two associations will lead daily classes in Sunday School, Training Union Work, W. M. S. Work, Y. W. A. Work, G. A. Work, R. A. Work and a Bible Study class for ministers and both young and old laymen.

The Assembly opens Monday night, July 12, at 6:30 o'clock, with the supper meal after registration and acclamation during the afternoon. Following the evening meal the initial evening worship period will be held at 8:45. Classes will begin at 8:45 on Tuesday morning and continue through Friday noon.

One of the most outstanding features of the Assembly is that it covers the entire Baptist Church program and those attending are required to attend at least two classes each morning, thereby availing themselves of the benefits to be had in at least two departments of the church work. Swimming, games, and supervised recreation are planned for each afternoon.

The officers of the Assembly are: Director, the Rev. J. M. Duncan, Murfreesboro; Associate Director, the Rev. E. R. Stewart, Windsor; Dean of Preachers' School, the Rev. J. L. White, Elizabeth City; Dean of Sunday Schools, the Rev. Dr. E. H. Potts, Elizabeth City; Dean of Training Unions, J. M. Elliott, Edenton; Dean of W. M. U. Department, Mrs. J. Grady Bridgers, Murfreesboro.

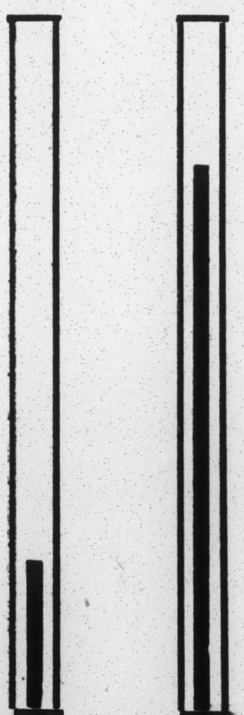
Those expecting to attend are asked to make reservation as soon as possible by sending in name and address, along with \$1.00 reservation, to the Rev. J. M. Duncan, Director, Murfreesboro, N. C. The total expenses for the entire week are \$7, which includes the \$1 reservation fee. Each year the attendance of the Assembly has been growing and another large crowd is expected this year to enjoy the fun, fellowship, instruction and inspiration.

Fire Inspection Will Begin Next Week

Fire Chief R. K. Hall announces that he will begin his annual inspection in the residential section next Monday morning. In view of this inspection, he is asking that furnace rooms be cleaned of all unnecessary material so that proper investigation can be made in the least possible time.

TIN CAN THERMOMETER

Cans Saved Cans Wasted



Though the "mercury" in the column representing tin cans saved has risen somewhat following Friday's collection, the pile of cans at the salvage depot next to the W. D. Holmes Wholesale Grocery shows very little progress toward a carload shipment.

Another collection will be made on the third Friday in July and if no appreciable increase is noted, R. N. Hines, county salvage chairman, may abandon the drive feeling that more vital war material is used than is gathered by making the collection.

Cotton Blossoms

That cotton blossoms are early this year in Chowan County is reflected in the fact that shortly after last week's issue of The Herald was printed a number of blossoms were reported to this newspaper.

G. C. Hare was the first to report from the Hayes Farm, where 20 acres known as "Jack's Pasture" is in full bloom. Following Mr. Hare's report, came those of Zell Ward, T. L. Ward, Floyd Griffin, J. H. Byrum, J. A. Bond, Will Jones, Joe Byrum, H. S. Byrum and J. Timothy White.

For many years July 4 was considered early for the appearance of cotton blossoms.

Methodists Call Off Night Services During Month July

Guest Preachers For Morning Services During Pastor's Vacation

With the Rev. W. C. Benson, pastor of the local Methodist Church, being granted a vacation during the month of July, guest preachers will occupy the pulpit each Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service. There will be no services, however, at the evening hour while Mr. Benson is on vacation.

Before leaving for New York Tuesday, Mr. Benson announced the following schedule of the Sunday morning services:

Sunday, July 4—Chaplain H. E. Chace of the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station.

Sunday, July 11—The Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

Sunday, July 25—Lloyd E. Griffin (pending).

Sunday, August 1—To be announced later.

Sunday School will be held as usual every Sunday morning at 9:45, as well as the Young People's Fellowship every Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

Rotary Club Installs New Officers Today

R. N. Hines Succeeds Frank Holmes as President

At today's Rotary meeting new officers for the year will be installed, the incoming president being R. N. Hines, who succeeds Frank Holmes, and the Rev. Lewis F. Schenck, vice-president, succeeding Wood Privott.

The new board of directors will be composed of the out-going president, the new president and vice-president and D. M. Warren, Marvin Wilson, J. A. Moore and J. E. Wood.

Rotary has been on the up-grade during the past year, the club having appeared high all year in the attendance report and several new members having been added.

Newspaper Man Praises Edenton's New Chief Of Police

J. L. Horne, Jr. of Rocky Mount Congratulates Town on Selection

Learning that J. R. ("Fats") Tanner has accepted the position as chief of police of Edenton, J. L. Horne, Jr., publisher of the Evening Telegram at Rocky Mount, where Mr. Tanner has been deputy sheriff for 14 years, had complimentary remarks about Mr. Tanner in a letter to the editor of The Herald this week.

Said Mr. Horne, in part: "It is my understanding that 'Fats' Tanner is going to be your new police chief, and I want to congratulate you on your selection. He has been a deputy sheriff in Nash County for some years and during that time has done a good job here and he deserves the promotion. 'I am telling him to go in and make your acquaintance... treat him kindly. He is a 'smile' boy with a big family, and will make you folks a good officer...'"

Mrs. Willie West, 30, Dies As Result Of Self-Inflicted Wound

Succumbs In Windsor Hospital Saturday Night

Mrs. Edith West died in the Windsor Hospital Saturday night where she was taken earlier in the day following an attempt to end her life in her home on Court Street. Mrs. West, 30 years old, had been in ill health for several years and her attempt to kill herself was attributed by the family to brooding over the necessity of undergoing another operation.

The affair occurred Saturday morning shortly after Mrs. West had served breakfast. She had not eaten and when asked if she was not going to eat she replied that she did not care to eat. Very soon thereafter, she entered her bedroom, locked both doors and carried out her intention to kill herself with a single-barreled shotgun. She apparently had the gun aimed at her heart, but for some reason the major portion of the shot entered between the heart and left shoulder. The wound, however, proved fatal.

Deceased is survived by her husband, Willie West, and two young sons, Willie, Jr., 11, and Philip, 4. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Greene, also survive, as well as two sisters, Mrs. J. H. Williams of Norfolk, and Mrs. Louis Sutton of Portsmouth, and two brothers, Richard Greene of Gates County, and Billy Greene of Edenton.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at 10 o'clock, at the Quinn Funeral Home with the Rev. W. C. Benson, pastor of the Methodist Church, officiating. Interment was made in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Current Rumors False Relative To Ban On Bathing

Board of Health Has Issued No Such Orders

Numerous rumors have been going the rounds to the effect that bathing has been prohibited in local waters, these rumors going so far as to say that a fine would be imposed upon anyone found guilty of bathing.

The source of these rumors could not be learned, but on Tuesday The Herald contacted the local Board of Health office, being informed that no prohibition had been ordered by Dr. J. M. Jackson, health officer.

The rumor has caused quite a bit of confusion among those who enjoy bathing as a means of relief during hot summer days, so that the above information should clear up any misunderstanding.

Knitted Garments Sent By Red Cross To State Arsenal

Need For More Women To Help With Knitting

According to Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the Chowan County Red Cross Chapter, 11 army sweaters, nine helmets, 54 mufflers, one Navy sweater, four pairs of Navy socks and eight pairs of Army wristlets were shipped to the State arsenal at Seagirt, New Jersey, on Tuesday.

Of the 54 mufflers, 28 were made by pupils in the North Carolina School for the Deaf at Morganton, where Miss Kathleen Parker of Chowan County, is one of the teachers in the vocational department.

There is a great deal of knitting necessary to be done and any who will assist in this work are asked to contact Mrs. Mattie Davis, knitting chairman.

ODT Representative In Edenton July 9th

O. K. Joyner, representative of the Office of Defense Transportation, will be in Edenton on Friday, July 9, to aid persons in this vicinity in any problems they may have concerning the regulations of the ODT.

Building And Loan Groups Distribute \$2,000,000 Earnings

Record Mark For Half Year's Earnings, Says President

By June 30th, distribution of two million dollars of earnings for the first half of 1943 will be distributed in the form of dividends to the members of 174 Building, Savings, and Loan Associations of the State, it is announced by the North Carolina Building and Loan League.

C. B. Miller, of Albemarle, president of the League, said: "The dividend will help pay for the War by several uses to which it will be put. In the main, the bulk of the payments will be on the regular savings and investment share accounts in the Associations. On the savings account, the dividends will be credited, and will flow back into the same uses as the regular capital of the institution is directed, and much of it will go into the purchase of War Bond issues of the Association."

"Dividends, paid in cash, will, in a great many cases, be used to increase the individual War Bond holdings."

"Among the Associations participating in this dividend distribution," said Mr. Miller, "will be the Edenton Building and Loan Association."

Guest Preachers At St. Paul's Church During Month July

Rector and Wife Leave To Spend Month In Tennessee

St. Paul's Church Vestry has granted the Rector, the Rev. Lewis F. Schenck, a month's leave of absence for July. During this time he will conduct the twilight hour at Mont-eagle Assembly in Tennessee. While Mr. Schenck is away, guest preachers will conduct services at St. Paul's.

The Rev. A. J. Mackie, of Belhaven, will be the preacher for the 11 o'clock service on the first Sunday in July; the Rev. John H. Bonner, of Ahoskie, on the second Sunday; the Rev. Sidney Mason of Windsor on the third Sunday; the Rev. W. B. Daniels of Plymouth on the fourth Sunday, and the Rev. Henry E. Chace, chaplain at the Marine Corps Air Base, on the first Sunday in August.

The Church School will convene as usual at 9:45 a. m. every Sunday. There will be no early services, nor Sain't Day services during July.

During the absence of the Rector, Chaplain Chace will occupy the Rector's apartment in the Parish House. Mrs. Chace is expected from Cincinnati to be with the Chaplain during a large part of this time.

Watchers Needed At Observation Tower

The local observation post is having much difficulty in filling the watches from midnight to 3 a. m., and from 3 a. m. to 6 a. m. According to the Rev. J. W. Crawford, Jr., chief observer, men are needed for these watches and those who feel their patriotic duty to help in this work are urged to contact him immediately. This work is doubly important as it aids in defending our country and at the same time helps in training our pilots. Men who will take watches during the above mentioned hours are asked to call the Rev. Mr. Crawford at once, signifying their willingness to help and stating their preference as to days and hours. The chief observer can be reached by calling phone 324-J, between 9 and 12 in the morning.

Soil Conservation Supervisors Named

As the result of an election of land owners to select supervisors for the Albemarle Soil Conservation District, John T. Lane and E. M. Perry, of Perquimans County, and E. N. Elliott of Chowan County, were elected. These men will serve, together with the two appointed by the State Committee, T. C. Byrum, of Edenton, and Archie Lane, of Hertford.

The final vote was counted Tuesday of the ballots cast up until Saturday.

"Santa Claus"

Users of electricity in Edenton were agreeably surprised early this week when they received their June electric bill which was marked "paid." Accompanying the bill was a printed slip from the Board of Public Works, reading as follows: "Your electric bill for June is paid."

"The Board of Public Works, at the close of this fiscal year's operation, feel that our financial condition warrants our passing on to the customers of this department a month's electric service at no cost. We are, therefore, attaching your bill dated July 1, 1943, marked PAID."

"We take pride in offering this reduction to you in the face of rising prices on every hand, and solicit your comments on the reverse side of this announcement."

One month's electric bill was also remitted last year by the Board of Public Works.

Representatives of Civilian Defense In Edenton on July 8

Key Workers To Meet In Court House at 3:30 O'clock

Mrs. Walter Craven, State director of the Citizens Service Corps, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Judy and Harold Rogers of the Regional office in Atlanta, Ga., will be in Edenton Thursday, July 8, at 3:30 p. m., for the purpose of discussing the civilian war service program and offering any assistance in the development of the local program.

These representatives will come prepared to answer questions about any phase of the Service Corps program, and E. W. Spire, civilian defense chairman, is requesting all key men and women of the civilian defense organization will be present at the meeting which will be held in the Court House.

N. C. Press Meeting In Winston-Salem July 15, 16 And 17

General Theme of Meeting Will Be Post War Planning

Paul Gray Hoffman will address the North Carolina Press Association at the Friday morning session of the 71st annual convention, to be held in Winston-Salem July 15, 16 and 17, President W. K. Hoyt announced.

The Association will convene at the Robert E. Lee Hotel on Thursday night, July 15, and the meetings are slated to continue through the morning session Saturday, July 17.

Although Hoffman is one of the outstanding industrial speakers of the nation, he is to appear on the Press Association program as Chairman of the national Committee for Economic Development. This committee has been organized to assist commerce and industry in preparing to make their full contribution to stability and prosperity through high levels of employment and productivity, when peace comes.

While the successful prosecution of the war is recognized as the first concern and paramount obligation of commerce and industry, Mr. Hoffman and the members of his committee are working and planning to fulfill the further obligation to provide employment in private industry for those millions of war workers and returning soldiers, who will be returning to peacetime pursuit following the war.

Also slated to speak at the Press Association meeting is Sir Gerald Campbell, G. C. M. G., British Minister to the United States and Special Assistant to the British Ambassador at Washington.

The general theme for the meeting will be "Post War Planning." Officers of the Association are: W. K. Hoyt, Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel, President; John B. Harris, Stanly News Press, Albemarle, Vice-President; Miss Beatrice Cobb, Morganton News-Herald, Secretary-Treasurer; and Clarence Griffin, Forest City, Historian.

Two Edenton Boys Play Role Of Heroes At Nags Head

William Lea and Gurney Hobbs Save Lives Of Two Ladies

Two Edenton boys, William Leary and Gurney Hobbs, played the role of heroes Sunday afternoon at Nags Head when each saved a young lady from drowning. A party of bathers were drawn beyond the breakers by a strong undertow, one of whom, Norman Markham, of Elizabeth City, was drowned.

Realizing the plight of the bathers, the two Edenton boys, both of whom are well versed in Boy Scouting, rushed into the surf. Both being good swimmers, they grabbed a girl each and managed to get them to shore, where they proceeded with their knowledge of resuscitation work learned as Boy Scouts, until the young ladies were taken to Elizabeth City for further treatment.

The two ladies saved by the Edenton boys were Miss Annie Cooper and Mrs. Roger Hunter, both of Elizabeth City. Another man, Alphonso Scott, was saved by Ensign Steve Blanchard of the Coast Guard.

No Need To Worry If Ration Book 3 Has Not Arrived

New Coupons Will Not Be Used Until September 1

Information from the State OPA mailing center in Charlotte is to the effect that there need be no uneasiness if War Ration Book No. 3 has not been received before July 1. Applications are being filled in the order of their receipt in Charlotte, and not by town or city.

The mailing center, in response to many queries, points out that Book 3 will have only the name of the applicant on the front cover, the applicant being required to fill in the address, age, sex, race, height and weight.

Failure of a person to receive the book or to secure correction of errors will cause no hardship, according to the mailing center, since the new ration book will not be used until September.

The mailing center is accepting no further applications for Book 3 until after August 1. Likewise, no error or omission can be corrected until after that date.

W. J. Taylor Awarded Secretarial Trophy At Lions Convention

Edenton Group Returns From Winston-Salem Tuesday

Edenton's Lions Club was represented by four delegates at the State Convention held early this week in Winston-Salem. The quota was composed of J. Clarence Leary, John Mitchener, Hector Lupton and Sidney Campen.

The local Lions left for Winston-Salem Saturday night and returned Tuesday night, reporting a well-attended convention and a very interesting and helpful program.

W. J. Taylor, secretary of the Edenton Club, was awarded a secretarial award for efficiency and promptness in sending in monthly reports to the district governor.

Ep Debnam Promoted To Second Lieutenant

Joseph E. Debnam, Jr., has recently been commissioned as second lieutenant, following his graduation from the Transportation Corps Officer Candidate School at State College, Miss. The Transportation Corps Officer Candidate School is the only officer candidate school in the United States training prospective transportation officers. Lieutenant Debnam has been ordered to active duty in the newly organized Transportation Corps of the Army of the United States.