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Lt. Bruno Tells Of Malaria Control Now Being Carried Out

The campaign to banish malaria in Edenton and Chowan County, which was started early in March, and sponsored by the Federal Government with Lt. Ralph D. Bruno in charge, has done quite a bit of good work in stepping up the project and combating mosquitoes in this area.

The following is a report of the progress of the work done up to date. This report comes from Lt. Bruno.

It is a well-known fact that the armed forces in war zones are combating malaria while fighting the enemy. It must be brought to the attention of the general public that a major or decisive battle can be lost as a result of malaria. In order to keep the service men healthy while in this country, a campaign is underway to control the production of malaria mosquitoes in malarious regions of the United States where military personnel is being stationed.

Human malaria in this part of the country is transmitted almost exclusively by one species of mosquito, *Anopheles quadrimaculatus*, and malaria can be controlled by measures directed specifically against this mosquito at a much lower cost than would be required for general mosquito control.

In order to accomplish control work, attention is given to the habits of the malaria mosquito. This is done by the entomologist and his helpers who guide the control operations and determine the effectiveness of the work on malaria control programs.

During the day the *Anopheles quadrimaculatus* rests in places such as underneath houses, in cow barns, privies, culverts and under bridges; in dark places in homes, such as behind pictures and curtains, underneath furniture and the like, where cool, dark and quiet conditions exist.

A number of these resting places are used as catch stations throughout the control area, where adults are trapped with a catching tube periodically.

The number of resting *Anopheles* in these places gives a reliable index of their density in the surrounding area and the effectiveness of the control work can thus be gauged.

Only the female mosquito bites and transmits malaria. The female mosquitoes are out seeking a blood meal soon after dusk, continuing throughout the night. The male mosquito subsists on water, nectar and fruit juices.

Anopheles are comparatively weak fliers. The flight range of this species is limited to one mile under ordinary conditions. Therefore, all actual or potential breeding places within a mile radius from an area to be protected are searched out and located on maps, so that they can be easily found and treated by control.

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Police Chief Tanner Studies Edenton's Parking Problems

Edenton's new chief of police, J. R. Tanner, has recently made a survey of the automobiles parked on Broad Street and in the business areas, and has found that as many as 35 to 40 of these cars are owned and operated by the townspeople, the clerks and merchants, who are driving to their various businesses and who are thoughtlessly taking up parking space that should be used by the out-of-town people who have to drive to town to carry on their various business affairs, and who must find proper parking space while they are here.

Therefore, local people are being asked to take notice of this fact, and if they do find it necessary to drive to work, they are asked to find parking space on side streets, or other places where parking space is less congested.

This brings up the subject of Edenton's parking lots. On Saturdays, particularly, there is a terrific congestion for lack of parking space to take care of our out-of-town visitors, customers and farmers who must be taken care of, in the sense of giving them an adequate parking space.

Herald Editor Under Knife; Lena Jones Pinch-Hitting For Him

News has come to The Herald office that J. Edwin Bufflap, editor, who underwent two operations at Duke Hospital this week, is doing splendidly and is going to be as chipper as a chic-a-dee after his recuperation.

"Buff's" multiplied dozens of friends, who have been constantly asking after him since his operation, will be glad to hear this good news concerning him.

During his absence from business, Miss Lena Jones of the Edenton School faculty, and correspondent for the Daily Advance, is pinch-hitting for him, in the capacity of news gathering and what-not.

Miss Jones says she finds this sort of vacation work a fastidious hobby and most pleasant pastime.

Youngest "Veteran"



T. SGT. HUGH ASHLEY Stationed at the Army Air Base at Maxton, N. C., Technical Sergeant Hugh Ashley is said to know his business including rules, regulations and soldiers.

Plans Now Making To Secure Housing Project For Edenton

"With the hearty cooperation of our citizens, Edenton's Housing Project is practically assured," states J. G. Campen, president of the Chamber of Commerce.

During the past week Campen was in conference with John R. Ruggles, a Government agent from the Atlanta offices of Housing Projects, and a survey of facts and figures was made as a basis on which to work out Edenton's problem, which has caused considerable deep thought and acute interest during, not only these past months, when the local Air Base brought in an inflation of house, room and apartment seekers to our town, but this shortage has prevailed for a number of years.

Newcomers to Edenton and vicinity have always had to put their names on a long waiting list before being able to rent quarters of any sort, in order to bring their families in. This acute situation has not been relieved to any extent during these years. Many business people have given the situation quite a lot of serious thought, but as yet those thoughts have not been executed. It has been suggested through civic clubs, and from individuals, that Edenton's Housing project could be taken care of through private enterprise. This is a good timely thought, and no doubt could be easily worked up.

Campen states that the Chamber of Commerce has had much pleasant correspondence with the Atlanta offices of Federal Housing, also there has been some correspondence of the same nature and interest with the Housing Projects in the Norfolk Area. Edenton happens to be in the Atlanta Area.

Something will definitely be known very soon concerning the local problem of housing, states Campen.

Lieut. Chas. G. Prahl Receives Promotion

Lieut. Charles G. Prahl has received his promotion from headquarters as Lieutenant Commander.

Lieut.-Commander Prahl is the officer in charge of construction at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Base, and has lived here since last August, with his family.

J. R. Tanner Assumes Duties As Edenton's New Chief Of Police

J. R. "Fats" Tanner, Edenton's new chief of police, has assumed his duties and has stated that all members of the local police force, who made application for their jobs, have been re-appointed to serve in the same capacity as heretofore. "These policemen are now hired from month to month, and not on a yearly basis as before," stated Tanner, "and they will be retained as long as their services prove satisfactory."

Chief Tanner seems very pleased over the set up which he has the opportunity and privilege to work with in Edenton. He is looking forward to a pleasant and co-operative year, and has expressed his interest in the Boy Scout organization as one of his pet civic hobbies.

As soon as a house is available, Tanner expects to move his family of five to Edenton. He has three children of school age, who will enter the Edenton City school in September.

Before coming to Edenton to become the chief of police, Tanner lived in Rocky Mount, where he was employed for 14 years as deputy sheriff of Nash County. He has been trained in FBI and also in SBI work in this State, and has done quite a bit of such work during recent years.

R. N. Hines Installed As New President of Edenton Rotary Club

R. N. Hines, local superintendent of the E. & W. Department, at approximately a 100 per cent. attendance meeting, took over the duties as president of the Rotary Club here at its weekly luncheon meeting Thursday, in St. Paul's Parish House.

Hines, a graduate of the Edenton High School, also a graduate of Bliff Electrical School in Washington, D. C., succeeds Frank Holmes, who has ably served for the past year. Since his graduation in 1928, Hines has been associated with the Carolina Light and Power Company, in Raleigh, and was superintendent of the E. & W. Department in Hertford for several years before coming back to his home town and taking over his present work. Frank Holmes, outgoing president, made a very timely speech, saying, "I heartily appreciate the good will, and cooperative spirit shown me during the past year as president of the Rotary Club, and you can depend on me this year, as a member who will lend his energies and interests, toward making our club a successful one."

Holmes then presented the new president with the president's button, and the gavel, as he took his place at the head of the table. Hines very graciously thanked the Rotarians for the honor they had bestowed upon him, and said he would put his very best into the job, and with the cooperation of the club members, they would work together to make an outstanding record this year.

Recognized at the meeting were Capt. D. C. Kline, of the local Air Base; Robert Graves, Albemarle Boy Scout Executive, of Elizabeth City, and Mrs. Virginia Gilliam, Sales Coordinator, of Burlington.

Mrs. Gilliam was introduced to the club by J. G. Campen, president of the Merchants' Association, and at the request of Campen, she made a brief up-to-the-minute sales talk, specifying good salesmanship, and discussing personal salesmanship problems. "Every employer must be a teacher, and the people must be taught in specific lines of training," declared Mrs. Gilliam. "Good salesmanship in any and every phase of life, is made up of three parts," again spoke Mrs. Gilliam. The first part is in telling, then showing, and lastly demonstrating. The last part is a combination of the first two parts."

O. K. Joyner Here On Friday To Help Truck Operators With Gas

Edenton people are being urged to keep in mind the fact that O. K. Joyner, who represents the Office of Defense Transportation, will be in town all day on Friday, July 9, and at that time he will be glad to meet and talk with those who need aid in handling their problems concerning the regulations of the ODT.

Local Citizen Cites Improvements Now Needed In Edenton

The Electric and Water Department forgave the June bills for electricity and requested the customers to write upon the reverse side of the statement accompanying these bills just what they thought of the idea.

One business man, when approached for his opinion, made the statement that while he thought it very fine to cancel the June bills, since there is a sizeable surplus in this fund, he is inclined to the belief that the surplus ought to be reserved for a post-war works program.

"There is a very present need for a lock-up for overnight cases and for certain material witnesses who might otherwise be compelled to remain in jail for want of ability to give bond, particularly a person from out of the state," said this citizen.

"I would like to see the town construct, (when normal times return) a building on the lot on the corner of Broad and Water Streets. In this could be housed the police department, a lock-up and also public toilet facilities, which are dreadfully needed."

"There is also a need for a swimming pool to protect the young folk who are now in danger of typhoid from swimming in our sewage-polluted open waters."

"Moreover, there are many streets and sidewalks which ought to be paved, to speak only of a few projects among the many."

"We are certainly going to be faced with a considerable number of unemployed when the war projects cease and our boys return from the war."

"I think it would be a fine thing to invest these surplus earnings now in war bonds looking to the day when we will have these problems facing us," he concluded.

The County Commissioners are taking the same view and it is expected that they will invest a surplus from the ABC store earnings in war bonds with a view of building a new jail and probably installing a central heating plant to take care of the Court House, jail and the jailer's home.

Byrum Hardware Co. Now Operating Store In Suffolk, Virginia

T. Cameron Byrum, owner and operator of the Byrum Hardware store, has greatly expanded his local business, and has opened up a similar business in Suffolk, Va., having bought out the half-century-old business firm formerly known as Pruden Bros. Hardware Co.

This Suffolk store was opened on Tuesday, with J. Haywood Bunch, of Edenton, as head manager. The same personnel as has heretofore worked for Pruden Bros. in carrying on this expansive business, will continue to work for Byrum, under the management of Bunch.

Bunch plans to move his family to Suffolk, when he can find available living quarters.

The Suffolk store is in an expansive trade drawing area, serving a great deal of the upper part of Northeastern North Carolina and Southeastern Virginia. It will continue to carry the same kind of stock, on a large scale, as of the Edenton store.

The Byrum Hardware Company has served Edenton and the large surrounding community, also nearby counties and towns for more than 25 years. They plan to continue this unparalleled service, on a bigger and fuller scale.

When An Export Became An Import

The incident of an export being an import came about here recently. Lieut. Gordon G. Price, who is stationed in England, and who knew through correspondence with his wife of the safety pin shortage in the U. S. A., and that this shortage would be of critical importance to Mrs. Price, who was soon expecting the stork, found a ten-cent store somewhere in England and hurriedly dispatched by air-mail-special enough safety pins to take care of the situation for some months. The pins arrived ten days ahead of the stork.

Columbia Network To Broadcast Program, "Eyes For Victory"

Lieut. D. H. Patrick, of the Ground Warning Service, from the Norfolk Area has announced that a program of great interest and of a highly educational tempo, concerning the necessity and the value of Observation Posts throughout our territories, will be on the radio, beginning July 8, at 10:45 p. m., over the Columbia Network, and that these programs will continue to be broadcast weekly at the same time and over the same stations.

The name of this highly accelerated program is "Eyes For Victory." This program is devoted entirely to interesting facts concerning the activities of Observation Posts. There will be dramatized stories, messages from pilots from the theatres of war, remote broadcasts from planes in flight, and many other highly interesting features.

Lieut. Patrick highly endorses this program and urges the people everywhere to avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing each and every single series in these weekly radio entertainments.

Edenton Observation Post Is Inspected By Headquarters Group

Personnel from headquarters of First Fighter Command, Ground Observer Section, this week made a thoroughgoing inspection of the Edenton Observation Post, and its records.

Although the Post, during its first week of service, received special commendation from Army headquarters, this week's inspection has been a source of disappointment to the Chief Observer and the inspecting personnel.

It was noted that there have been numerous cases in which the Post has been left vacant. The records show that several periods of duty of considerable importance to the Army have remained entirely unreported. As a result of the inefficiency of our Post, interception problems set up by calls received from various Observation Posts in this district, were not completely successful. These problems run almost daily by the Army, are providing constant experience for ground officers and pilots in working under simulated combat conditions.

It was also remarked upon that the Post looked disorderly and unclean. A lampshade had been broken; the electric clock has been tampered with, and made unfit for use; a cot used in the Scout Cabin for those taking the late watches has been completely destroyed; the grounds have been littered with refuse, and the Post itself shows signs of very thoughtless ill-treatment. The Army wishes to impress on everyone that the Post and equipment are the property of the town, under the special protection of the United States Army, and that trespassing and vandalism will not be tolerated.

The Chief Observer sends this message to all loyal citizens: "If you have volunteered your services for this work, and have not yet been called upon to serve, please understand that it has been due to confusion, involved in the reorganization of the Observers' Corps in the town. We ask that you now get in touch with the Chief Observer, even though you may have already volunteered. Let him know when you will serve. He will immediately assign you to the watch most acceptable to you."

Dance At Marine Base Proves Very Successful

"The Navy's Kay Kaiser Kollege of Musical Knowledge Kut-Ups," was definitely a highlight of unusual entertainment, at the U. S. Naval Marine Corps dance, on Friday evening, which was held at the Air Base, with the GSO girls as hostesses.

This dance was one of the many which are scheduled to be held from time to time, under the direction and approval of Chaplain H. E. Chace, who is connected with the local Air Base.

Friday night's dance was splendidly attended, with dozens of invited guests, who expressed great delight and praise for the evening's affair, and particularly the peppy, all-star floor show, which was without a dull moment, and chocked full of wholesome, hearty entertainment. This very clever novelty show was made up entirely of the local talent in the U. S. Naval Medical Corps, who sponsored it.

Music of a very peppy dance tempo was furnished by Dillard Dixon's Swing Band.

'Work Or Fight' Law Will Be Enforced By Order of Board

Loafing, idling and Chowan is going to be curbed with a vengeance, and from now on those loafers and unemployed people who have time on their hands for frequenting pool rooms, wine parlors and other loafing joints, are going to be definitely investigated and hauled into court and made to give an account of themselves. This news comes from Chief J. R. Tanner, who has instructed his officers to make thorough investigations, and to find out why these unemployed people are not employed at this present crisis, when there is a greater demand for laborers than there has ever been in all past history.

This check up and survey of labor and laborers is being done in cooperation and in connection with the proclamation recently issued by our Governor, who issued a warning by radio and press, saying that he would support the mayors, sheriffs and every public official in their efforts to curb loafing and to put people to work.

Farmers from nearby farms, and labor officials at the local Air Base, have contacted Chief Tanner and asked his help in locating laborers who are needed at once to help relieve the manpower shortage. Chief Tanner has pledged them his help 100 per cent.

From now on it's work or fight. This statement is backed up by the local Draft Board. The teeth of the law grind sharp, when once set in motion.

Important Meeting Of Air Warning Observers

On Thursday night, July 8, at 8:00 o'clock, all observers, and any others who will volunteer for duty at the local post, are urgently requested to meet at the Court House for a business and important instructional meeting.

"This meeting should not be overlooked," states Chief Observer Crawford, because matters of real importance and interest will be explained by representatives from the Norfolk Headquarters of the U. S. Army."

Presbyterian Bible School Exercises To Be Held Friday Night

The public is most cordially invited to attend the Bible school commencement, which will be held on Friday night, July 9, at the Presbyterian Church.

Exhibits of the work done by the students during a most successful two weeks' session, will be shown, and a program of real interest will be given by the students.

Oscar Duncan Heads Edenton Lions Club

The Edenton Lions Club installation program and dinner on Monday evening was definitely a highlight of entertainment in the history of the club.

As master of ceremonies, J. Clarence Leary, the retiring president, scored a big hit. This was followed by a masterful speech by Tom Payne, District Governor of the Lions Club. Payne spoke briefly, and complimentary, giving a great deal of high praise to Dr. J. A. Mitchener for his unselfishness in making it possible for the local club to be able to have such a comfortable, attractive home in his building.

Another highlight speaker for the evening was Dr. Ralph C. Deal, professor of the Foreign Language Department at E. C. T. C., Greenville. Dr. Deal spoke with a refreshing degree of seriousness as well as on the side of wit and wisdom, taking as his subject, "I Am A Grouch."

Ladies' Night was also observed by the Lions on Monday night, making the occasion definitely outstanding in many ways.

A splendid program was put on at the club to start things off. This entertainment was in charge of Sid Campen, Jimmy Partin and Kenneth Floors. Mrs. C. B. Mooney, as pianist, furnished a program of lively music, which was greatly enjoyed.

John Mitchener gave a very interesting report on the State Convention held at Winston-Salem recently and to which Mitchener was a delegate.

Oscar Duncan was installed as the new president of the club, and was given the pin and gavel by the retiring president, J. Clarence Leary.