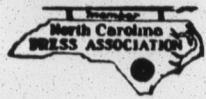


## The Chowan Herald

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THURSDAY, JULY 29, 1943

### BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

SOME STILL IMAGINE GOD AN ABSENTEE FROM HIS UNIVERSE: Am I a God at hand, saith the Lord, and not a God afar off? Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the Lord. Do not I fill heaven and earth? said the Lord. —Jeremiah 23:23-24.

### Wind-Bag Bursts

With encouraging reports coming from all of the battle fronts, the most encouraging and probably the most far-reaching came early this week when news was flashed over the radio that Benito Mussolini had resigned as premier of Italy. Though the resignation was shrouded in secrecy, more or less, news coming from Italy would lead one to believe that the "resignation" meant little less than being kicked out, which is as it should be.

This big bully ruled with an iron hand for 21 years, and during that time rammed his Fascist ideas down the throats of Italians. His demise is, therefore, welcomed by Italians, many of whom celebrated in many Italian cities.

About six years ago, on August 20, 1937, Mussolini told the people of Sicily: "You are at the dawn of the happiest era that your island has had in four thousand years of your history." This interesting statement has probably been forgotten by most of the people of the island. Sicily is rapidly being occupied by the democracies and though Il Duce, at the time of this statement, had a different picture in mind, the joyous reception accorded the Allies by the Sicilians apparently makes Mussolini's prophecy come true.

The passing from the picture of Mussolini should be an object lesson for Hitler and his gang, as well as for the Japanese cut-throats, for they most assuredly face a similar fate in an effort to save their hides.

Mussolini's downfall is considered a bid for peace on the part of Italy, but elimination of the big wind-bag only will not satisfy the Allies. Marshal Pietro Badoglio, Mussolini's successor, though opposed to Fascism, says the war will continue, however. To this the Allies say "Okay with us," and efforts are going forward to blast Italy from the war, if they do not choose to surrender.

The Italian situation is reason for encouragement on the part of the Allies, and for worry on the part of the Axis. It will, no doubt, have the effect of shortening the war, for as the Italians and Sicilians have displayed a weariness for war brought on principally by Hitler, so will the feeling spread in the countries now dominated by Germany. Hitler and Tojo face conditions similar to Mussolini. They, too, will resign, vacillate or resort to any means possible in an effort to save their necks. That time is surely coming and when it does, there will be plenty of rejoicing.

### Senatorial Timber

Though he has made no formal announcement, Charles H. Jenkins let it be known last week that he intends to be a candidate for Senator from the First District in the forthcoming Democratic primary election. Mr. Jenkins has been a friend of The Herald ever since it came into being almost 10 years ago, so that this newspaper, by its association with him, is convinced that he is outstanding Senatorial timber.

Mr. Jenkins is a native of Hertford County, but having conducted a successful business in several towns for a number of years, is well and favorably known throughout the entire District. For many years he has been active in the Democratic party and at present is a member of the State Board of Conservation and Development, a committee member of commercial fisheries and the Committee of Forests and Parks. He has also served as chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee in Bertie County and for many years was chairman of the Bertie County Highway Commission. He is, and has been, vitally interested in the progress of the eastern section of the State, so that it was not surprising to find him an active supporter of the Chowan River bridge, which eliminated a natural barrier to the progress of the section and in reality placed Eastern Carolina back in North Carolina rather than, geographically, being a part of Virginia.

Mr. Jenkins is thoroughly acquainted with the District he seeks to serve. He is progressive, possesses sound business ability, and though it is not yet known at this early date is that he will command a vote placing who the candidates will be for the office, the prediction him among the leaders, if a race develops.

### Revival of Religion

The statements of many servicemen attest to a revival of religion under the impact of war. Men and women, facing possible instant death, get in touch with fundamentals and there is no tendency to minimize or conceal their personal interest in religious matters.

Along this line, it is interesting to note that the American Bible Society has distributed more than two million Bibles and Testaments to members of the armed forces and that it expects to distribute almost as many during the next year, according to Dr. Rome A. Butts, General-Secretary of the Society.

Dr. Butts reports that civilian reading of the Bible has also reached a new peak and suggests that the revival of religion, so apparent among servicemen, is also prevalent at home. It is a good sign and offers the organized churches of the nation a wonderful opportunity.

The people of Chowan County should not fail to buy their quota of war bonds; after all, it's our war.

## HEARD and SEEN

By "BUFF"

Here it is another week and the pencil-pusher of this column is still unable to be back in harness. However, it was a grand and glorious feeling to cross the Chowan River Sunday afternoon, after an absence from Edenton of exactly three weeks. It was the longest stretch I've been away from the old town since adopting it as home about 20 years ago, and to say the least, the choppy waters of old Chowan River, the trees, the crops in the fields, the flowers and the chirping of the birds never appeared more beautiful. Then, too, meeting friends, after venturing from home Monday and being greeted with expressions of pleasure at being able to creep along, has made me doubly happy to be back home, though still unable to take up my usual activities.

And speaking of greetings, isn't it strange how differently a person appears to different people? For instance I've been told that I do not look as though I've been penned up in a hospital, that I have not lost any of my color and apparently no weight. Then, there are those who said that I have lost a lot of weight and look as though I were dragged through a knot-hole. Be that as it may, the fact of the matter is I have lost almost 20 pounds (quite a hunk from a skin-flint) so that I tipped the scales Monday at only 129 pounds. However, unlike Parson Ashby, I'm not going to try to reduce, but if eating has anything to do with it, I should soon be adding a few pounds. It would be appropriate to attend a barbecue dinner, oyster roast or fish fry. Anyway, I've been given instructions by the doctor who did the operating, so that if I'm not seen on the street as often as one would suspect for a week or two, it will be because I'm resting at home in order to properly recuperate. The most frequent advice I've received since returning home has been that I had better take it easy in order to prevent a relapse, and this advice, as well as the doctor's, is being heeded. Before getting off the hospital subject, though, I again want to express my thanks and sincere appreciation for the presents, letters and cards received while in the hospital and since returning home. These messages have come from far and near, and while every one was appreciated and helped to cheer a fellow up, a number came from subscribers of The Herald whom I have never met personally, and one even said she would send money for a year's subscription to The Herald for a friend when I return. So that while it is unfortunate to have to be confined in a hospital for a few weeks, it has been the means of bearing out the fact that I have more friends than I thought I had. In Williamston, too, where I spent a few days before returning home, quite a few people displayed an interest in my condition and progress, all of which was greatly appreciated.

Reference to the Chowan River in the above paragraph reminds me of a story read in The Herald while in the hospital. The story was written by Captain J. L. Wiggins and, aside from being interesting reading, proved that he knows his Chowan. Captain Wiggins is also well versed in the matter of trees which grow hereabouts and maybe I can persuade him to furnish a story along the lines of an address I heard him deliver some few years ago.

While it feels good to be back in Edenton, the place doesn't seem exactly the same, for my "young" friend (only 83 years old) Paul Olsson, has gone to Greensboro to live at the Eastern Star and Masonic home. It is some consolation to know that he is at a beautiful place, secures good food and receives proper attention. I'll miss him, for how in the dickens can I keep up with my engagements without him? He has been my "official" reminder ever since I forgot to be on deck for his birthday party. At any rate, just as soon as a fellow can get a new tire and gasoline friend Paul will have a carload of company one Sunday.

Incidentally, I almost traveled west instead of east upon being released from Duke Hospital last week. And all because Miss Addie Mae Cooke, formerly of Gatesville, and having many friends in Edenton, but now editing a newspaper in Murphy, invited me to come to Murphy to recuperate. To make the invitation more tempting, she said they had splendid fishing in a lake among the mountains in Western North Carolina. I might have gone but for the fact that riding in a car flat on my back isn't so pleasant, and then thin tires and only a few gasoline coupons were also something to think about. Besides, I had no fishing tackle along, but what put a crimp in the whole idea was the fact that before getting out of the hospital I was worse than broke, so that I had to hustle home in order to mortgage about everything I've got, except my pipe, to pay the hospital bill. And by the way, the Whichards, former Edentonians, are neighbors of Miss Cooke, who said they were pulling for me.

And speaking about my pipe, the folks at the hospital should express their thanks to me for not a single time did I puff away on it while in the place. Well, I figured that as long as the nurses and others were so good to me, why in the dickens should I get out my old "pal" and run 'em away. But it was a good smoke, my lad, when I lighted up after almost three weeks of "rest."

I read with interest in last week's Herald a number of letters received by the Edenton Peanut Company from Chowan County boys and girls in the service of their country, who had received five-pound bags of shelled peanuts as a token of appreciation from the local concern. These letters were by no means a few, which were received, and The Herald also had some comments. Whether letters were received or not, here's betting a stogie that all who received the present felt just a little surer that their sacrifice is appreciated by the folks back home. There's no telling how much good a person can do by simple gestures which cost little, but will have an uplifting effect on those from our county who are included in every branch of the armed forces. Even a letter, without doubt, will be greatly appreciated, and it costs only three cents. Try it, and write to your relative or some other boy you know in the service.

Despite the fact that Fielding Tanner has been spending his vacation in Edenton (speckled perch usually follow him around), I'm told that fishing has been on the fritz for the past few weeks, so that after Frieno Tanner returns to his home in Georgia, maybe I'll be

## JUST HUMANS

By OENE GARR



Oppo truly

able to get up with some of 'em. You see, a fellow has to be strong enough to yank in the things if they are biting, and if they are not biting—well, a fellow has to be strong enough to say what he thinks about 'em. I'm not quite strong enough to do either at present. In fact, I'm away behind with my fishing, which is also true of my Victory gardening, for about all I can see since my absence, during which there was plenty of rain, is a splendid crop of grass. Well, maybe there'll be a shortage of hay this season.

News Flash—I missed a barbecue chicken feed Tuesday night, which is news. The Legionnaires staged a barbecue chicken supper at the power house prior to an address by Gregg Cherry, candidate for Governor, and I was especially invited. As close to the affair as I got was The Herald office, and while I stood outside and watched the crowd gathering, I felt unequal to the "task" of doing away with a portion of the "eats" and standing around chewing the rag. To keep away from the place was worse than taking a dose of medicine, but I just had to do it. I needed the barbecue chicken to help get back my weight, maybe, but on the other hand I might have had to take more medicine had I joined the crowd. At any rate, I'll dare 'em to have another one when I'm back in condition.

While recuperating I've spent some of the time reading again the letters and cards received while in the hospital. I had just about forgotten a letter received from Gus Moore. Of course, it was a very pleasant letter telling me that I was missed and wishing for me a speedy recovery. But near the end, it made me homesick, for, said Gus, "I'm getting ready to put on my collar and tie to go up the creek fishing." I'm going to introduce an ordinance prohibiting anyone fishing up the creek in "full dress" uniform. I haven't seen Gus since I'm back, but if he caught any fish, darned if I'm not going to try the same stunt.

### Numerous Drunks At Magistrate's Court

Magistrate's Court was held on Monday night, with the following cases coming up before Judge F. W. Hobbs:

Billy Greene, drunk, \$13.00.  
Sol Mabin (col.) drunk, \$13.00.  
Winston Parker, drunk, \$13.65.  
William Benbridge, drunk, \$13.80.  
Sam R. Bailey, drunk, \$13.65.  
Luke White, (col.), drunk, \$13.15.  
Everette Savage, (col.), drunk, \$14.30.  
M. D. Mosely, drunk, \$13.15.  
Edward Thomas Rankin, engaging an affray, \$12.50.  
Dallas Gilliam, assault on wife, Odell Gilliam, who withdrew warrant, and paid cost, \$7.35.  
Beatrice Coleman, no driver's license. Not guilty.

### 4-H Club Camp Held At Camp Kiwanian

Members of the 4-H Clubs in the County will have an outing at Camp Kiwanian, in Bertie County, beginning Friday, August 6.

It has been arranged by Charlie W. Overman, county agent, and Miss Rebecca Colwell, home demonstration agent, to take ten 4-H boys and girls on the camp for a 4-day period. When these return, ten more 4-H members will go to the camp for four days.

These campers will be divided according to age and they will be well taken care of at Camp Kiwanian, by chaperones and those in charge.

### JAMES M. BOND TRANSFERRED

Pvt. James M. Bond, son of Mrs. M. F. Bond, has been transferred from Jefferson Barracks, Mo., to Camp Crowder, Mo. Private Bond is training at Camp Crowder in the U. S. Army Electrical School.

### OPA Establishes New Food Prices

The Office of Price Administration has established community prices on various grades, sizes, etc., of foods for this area, and wishes to inform the public of this new order. More and more foods will be added to the list in the future.

Each food dealer located in this community has been furnished with a copy of the new community flat price list, and all consumers should check prices very carefully when purchasing the items included.

### W. S. SUMMERELL HEARS

TUESDAY MORNING CASES

Presiding at Magistrate's Court on Tuesday morning, W. S. Summerell heard the following cases:

Louise Gaskin, (col.), failure to take venereal treatment, \$11.25.  
Thomas Edward Francis, drunk and disorderly, \$26.40.  
Mrs. Bessie Etheridge, affray, \$6.15.  
Mrs. Mattie L. Gay, affray, \$8.25.  
The case of William C. English, of Roanoke, Va., was turned over to military authorities for prosecution. English was charged with being drunk.

### BIBLE CLASS TO MEET

The Young Woman's Bible Class of the Edenton Baptist Church will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening, August 3rd, at 8 o'clock, at the church. Miss Bernice Williams, president of the class, urges all members to attend. She says that a successful class must have the cooperation of all members at all times.

### STATEMENT Dixie Fire Insurance Company of America

GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	
Condition December 31, 1942, As Shown By Statement Filed.	
Amount of Capital paid in cash	\$ 1,000,000.00
Amount Ledger Assets, Dec. 31, previous year, \$2,247,969.19;	
Increase paid up Capital, Total,	2,247,969.19
Income — From Policyholders, \$358,416.52; Miscellaneous, \$993,341.21; Total,	457,757.73
Disbursements—To Policyholders, 140,151.34; Miscellaneous, \$219,101.23; Total,	359,252.57
Fire Premiums—Written or renewed during year, \$1,605,676.43; In Force, 2,693,210.28	
All Other Premiums—Written or renewed during year, \$955,052.78; In Force, 975,803.00	
ASSETS	
Value of Real Estate	\$ 306,389.10
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	5,980.00
Value of Bonds and Stocks	1,581,055.79
Cash in Company's Office	13,748.19
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks not on interest	376,622.08
Agent's balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1942	230,857.01
Agent's balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1942	10,689.00
Deduct Ceded Reinsurance Balances Payable	-180,849.49
Bills receivable, taken for fire risks	821.23
Interest and Rents due and accrued	7,748.55
All other Assets, as detailed in statement	1,404.09
Total	\$2,354,465.55
Less Assets not admitted	104,190.12
Total admitted Assets	\$2,250,275.43
LIABILITIES	
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	\$ 38,052.16
Unearned premiums	340,413.29
Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, due or accrued	800.00
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued	23,175.00
Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued	2,000.00
All other liabilities, as detailed in statement	4,377.91
Total amount of all liabilities except Capital	\$ 408,818.36
Capital actually paid up in cash	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities	841,457.07
Surplus as regards Policyholders	\$ 1,841,457.07
Total Liabilities	\$ 2,250,275.43

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1942  
Fire Risks written \$22,878,409. ; Premiums received, \$ 250,061.  
All Other Risks written 7,927,865. ; Premiums received, 154,373.  
Losses incurred—Fire 132,097. ; Paid 136,240.  
Losses incurred—All other 79,887. ; Paid 76,486.  
President: Paul B. Sommers Secretary: Leo E. Kietzman  
Treasurer: Wm. M. Grove

Home Office: 125 S. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.  
Attorney for service: Insurance Commissioner, Raleigh, N. C.

(SEAL) STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,

Raleigh, May 20, 1943.

I, William P. Hodges, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Dixie Fire Insurance Company, of Greensboro, N. C., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company, on the 31st day of December, 1942. Witness my hand and official seal, the day and year above written.

WILLIAM P. HODGES, Insurance Commissioner.

## Edenton City School Opening Set For September 8

At a meeting of the Edenton City School Board, on Monday night, Miss Helen Lindsley of Williamston, was officially elected to head the Home Economics Department of the Edenton City School for the coming year. Miss Lindsley succeeds Miss Josephine Grant, who so successfully headed the same department the past four years.

Miss Dorothy Thompson, of Mocksville, was also officially elected at the meeting, to teach Public School Music in the Edenton City School.

This is a semi-new department in the city school. Miss Thompson will organize this program to co-ordinate with the regular State schedule of music to be taught in the public schools, and Edenton feels fortunate in adding this course to the State course of public school curriculum.

The Edenton City School will open on September 8, following Labor Day. At present, Superintendent John A. Holmes is in touch with prospective teachers to fill two vacancies. When this matter is taken care of, the entire faculty will have been secured for the coming school year.

### Too Late To Classify

FOR SALE—30 LARGE WHITE Leghorn Hens, 1 year old. \$1.75 each. David Holton. 1tpc.

FOR SALE—ONE 1941 FOUR-DOOR Special Buick. Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Hertford, N. C. 1tc.

FOR SALE—ONE 1942 FIVE-PASSENGER Pontiac. Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Hertford, N. C. 1tc.

FOR SALE—ONE 1941 FIVE-PASSENGER Pontiac. Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Hertford, N. C. 1tc.

FOR SALE—ONE 1941 HUDSON five-passenger coupe. Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Hertford, N. C. 1tc.

FOR SALE—ONE 1941 CHEVROLET five-passenger coupe. Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Hertford, N. C. 1tc.

FOR SALE—ONE 1941 FOUR-DOOR Chrysler New Yorker. Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Hertford, N. C. 1tc.

FOR SALE—ONE 1942 FOUR-DOOR Chevrolet. Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Hertford, N. C. 1tc.

FOR SALE—ONE 1942 TWO-DOOR Ford. Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Hertford, N. C. 1tc.

FOR SALE—ONE 1941 CHEVROLET half-ton pick-up truck. Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Hertford, N. C. 1tc.

WANTED TO BUY—STEAMER trunk. Good condition. Call 135-W, or notify Herald office.