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## Presbyterians And Methodists Worship Jointly For Present

### Both Local Congregations Facing Severe Handicap

#### ONE SERVICE

Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., Will Preach Sunday Mornings

Both the Presbyterian and Methodist denominations in Edenton face a serious handicap, which in some measure has been overcome, as the result of which Presbyterians and Methodists will worship jointly in the Methodist Church at least until the Methodist Conference meets in November.

At present the Presbyterian Church is undergoing remodeling and due to war-time conditions, this work is being held up considerably, so that the denomination cannot use the building for worship.

The Methodist Church, on the other hand, has been without a pastor since the resignation of the Rev. W. C. Benson, who entered USO work. Though efforts have been made to secure a successor to Mr. Benson, these efforts have proven of no avail, so that the Methodists have no pastor.

As the result of this situation, the official boards of the two churches, together with the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., pastor of the Presbyterian Church, have agreed for both denominations to worship in the Methodist Church every Sunday morning when the Rev. Mr. Crawford will preach. This arrangement will continue until the Methodist conference convenes in November, when it is expected that the local church will be supplied with a preacher.

Services will be held only on Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour, and while members of each denomination are urged to attend, a special invitation is extended to visitors.

## Mayor Appeals For Clean Town

### Asks For Cooperation In Disposition of Trash On Premises

Following several recent inspection trips about town, Mayor L. H. Haskett has found a number of instances of untidy lots and sidewalks on which paper and trash is causing an unsightly appearance. As the result of his inspection he is making an appeal to citizens to be more careful about the appearance of their premises and to cooperate in making Edenton a cleaner and more attractive town.

Mayor Haskett made the following statement to The Herald Tuesday:

"It has been called to my attention frequently recently that the Town of Edenton is anything but clean and I wish to appeal to the merchants, business establishments and housewives to cooperate in having a more attractive town. First, I urge every one to try to get a container in which to put trash and not use cardboard boxes now being used which are often allowed to remain on the street after trash is collected, even over week-ends, which is by no means attractive.

"I find that some merchants are not putting trash out on time, in which event trash and containers remain on the streets to be scattered about by youngsters and dogs.

"I find that there are still a few people who have not yet cut weeds in vacant lots and in driveways, which I feel sure is just an oversight on their part. If you find you cannot get anyone to cut these weeds, inform J. Edwin Bufflap, Street Commissioner, and he will be glad to have his Department cooperate.

"I feel that the people as a whole understand that the Street Department has a lot to do, due to the increase in population, but if the people of the town will do their part by cooperating, our little town will be a great deal more attractive and much cleaner than it has been recently. I, therefore, ask all to try and do their part in keeping premises clean and attractive, so that we can have a community of which we can all be proud."

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Brinkley Keeter announce the birth of a nine-pound son on September 20, at the Columbia Hospital. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

## Half Way

### Chowan Buys \$208,000 Of \$417,000 Third Bond Quota

According to figures compiled up to Tuesday morning by J. G. Campen, chairman of the Chowan County War Finance Committee, the county has just about reached the half-way mark in the Third War Loan quota. Sales, according to reports turned in, amounted to \$208,000, which lacks exactly \$1,000 of being the half-way mark of the \$417,000 quota.

In submitting the report, Mr. Campen said: "Bond sales have reached the half-way point, and we still have a long way to go yet to reach our quota of \$417,000, so let me beg of every citizen in Chowan County to buy an extra bond before September 30. If we do, then Chowan's quota will be met.

"I believe our quota will be bought because we are going to back up Chowan County's more than 600 boys and girls who are now in the armed forces fighting for the salvation of our country and our homes."

## Masons Will Observe Past Masters Night At Meeting Tonight

### Jewel Will Be Presented Honoring Louis E. Francis

Members of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will observe Past Master's Night in their lodge room tonight (Thursday) when a special effort has been made to have as many past masters as possible present. A feature of the meeting will be the presentation of a past master's jewel to Louis E. Francis, who served as master of the lodge during 1942.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

Past masters of the old lodge still living and, in order of service are: C. H. Wood, D. B. Liles, W. S. Sumner, F. O. Muth, E. W. Spires, H. A. Campen, J. Edwin Bufflap, E. T. Rawlinson, Dr. W. S. Griffin, A. S. Hollowell, W. C. Bunch, J. A. Curran, W. M. Wilkins, C. W. Sawyer, G. A. Helms and L. E. Francis. S. C. Mills is present master and is very anxious to see all of the past masters present.

## Only One Bid For New Eden Street Sidewalk

While in session Tuesday night, Town Council considered further the construction of a sidewalk on the north side of Eden Street, the Street Commissioner reporting having received only one bid for doing this work, which was submitted by C. B. Mooney. The price submitted provided for only the sidewalk and necessary excavating but did not include removal of any trees.

An offer had been made by a private citizen to remove the trees for the wood, but after consideration, the Street Department was ordered to remove the trees necessary to construct the sidewalk.

## Change Made In Library Schedule

For the benefit of school boys and girls, the afternoon hours for the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library will change from 4 to 6 o'clock to from 3 to 5 o'clock. This will give them a chance to come by the Library on their way home from school. The other hours remain the same as follows:

Every week morning—10 to 12 o'clock.

Every afternoon (including Sunday)—3 to 5 o'clock.

Four evenings—Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday—7:30 to 9 o'clock.

## Henry Gardner One Of 1,600 V-12 Students

Among the 1,600 enlisted students who are training at Duke University in the Navy College Training Program, V-12, is William Henry Gardner, Jr. The Duke Navy Program lists nearly 1,000 Navy trainees, 600 from the Marine Corps and a number from the Coast Guard. Young Gardner is a member of the Navy group.

## Renewal Of A Gas Ration Necessary Sept. 22 To Oct. 22

### Applications Available At All Local Filling Stations

### INSTRUCTIONS

### Forms Required to Be Filled Out and Mailed To Ration Board

According to information from the Chowan War Price and Ration Board, renewal of basic "A" gasoline rations is to take place during September 22 and October 22. Applications for renewal may be obtained from local filling stations. After completing the form it is to be mailed to the War Price and Ration Board, together with:

(1) The present tire inspection record for the vehicle for which application is made. The tire inspection record must show that at least one inspection has been made and approval given.

(2) The back cover of the present "A" or "D" ration book showing the signature and address on the lines provided.

If the application is approved, the Board will mail a new ration book and tire inspection record to the name and address shown on the form. Applicants are urged to complete the form before returning it to the Board, for if it is not filled out correctly, it will not be approved.

It is further emphasized that applications are not to be taken to the office to be filled out, because the Rationing Board personnel will not be able to assist anyone. The applications must be properly filled out and mailed.

## E. H. S. Opens Grid Season On Friday

### Aces Will Oppose Columbia High on Edenton Field, 4 P. M.

Edenton's High School football team will open the 1943 gridiron season Friday when they are scheduled to oppose the Columbia High School on the local field, the game being slated to begin at 4 o'clock. This opening game will be of more than ordinary interest due to the fact that Grady Love, who has assisted in coaching former Edenton teams, is now serving in a similar capacity for Friday's rivals.

The strength of the Tyrrell County aggregation is not known, but Coach Rockefeller Venters will put on the field a very light and inexperienced squad. He has only four veterans, Sammy Ross, Frank White, Carroll Griffin and Robert Oliver, around whom to develop a team. However, the boys have been taken through strenuous practices, so that they are expected to give a good account of themselves in the opening game.

Coach Venters has had a squad of nineteen players at work since September 10th, but he is unable to say who will start the game Friday afternoon.

The center will probably be picked from West Byrum and Dick Hollowell. The guards will come from Burton Jones, Jimmie Cates, Haywood Harrell and Jack Habit. The tackles will be picked from Frank White, Robert Oliver, George Habt and Fred Bunch. The ends will most likely be Scott Harrell and Clarence Leary. The backfield candidates are Sammy Ross, Carroll Griffin, John Cleary, Ralph Ward and R. G. Henderson. Other candidates who may see action Friday afternoon are Billy Skinner, George Norris and Tommie Johnson.

On Friday, October 1st, the Tarboro High School will play in Edenton, and on Friday, October 8th, the Aces will make their first trip out of town when they play Ahsokie, in Ahsokie.

## Ceiling Price Lists Appearing In Herald

Last week The Herald, without recompense of any kind, agreed to publish the community price list for the benefit of its readers. For convenience of shoppers partial lists will appear weekly, so that readers can save and use for reference.

The Chowan County War Price and Rationing Board says it is the patriotic duty of everyone to help prevent inflation by not paying over ceiling prices.

## China Will Share In United War Fund Drive Next Month

### Chairman J. H. Conger's Workers Organized to Solicit Contributions

### QUOTA \$6,000

### Goal Expected to Be Reached In Less Than Two Weeks

Eight cents out of every dollar contributed to the National War Fund this fall will go to the United China Relief, one of the seventeen agencies of the Fund, it is announced by J. H. Conger, chairman of the Chowan County United War Fund Campaign.

In making this announcement, Mr. Conger said: "The profound respect of Americans for United China Relief is best expressed by Captain Ted Lawson, one of the men who had a part in the bombing of Tokyo last year. In his book, 'Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo,' Captain Lawson wrote, 'Near the edge of the settlement the stretcher bearers stopped. They carried us into the patio of a clean-looking little building—some China Relief posters stuck on the surrounding walls. We felt better after the Chinese nurses washed us with hot water. The man in charge of the dressing station came in that night. I was glad. I felt so low about so many things. I told him I had passed up the collection for China Relief more times than I had contributed. I told him I was so sorry I could cry.'

For six years China's gallant stand against our foe has cost her millions of wandering refugees, starved and homeless orphans, "Shanghai'd" workmen, and many sick and crippled. Among United China Relief's services for these people are the medical aid centers, self-help projects and rehabilitation work.

Chairman Conger reported splendid progress in the organization of the local Drive, during which Chowan County is asked to raise \$6,000. He has already received some contributions, though the campaign will not be conducted until next month. Mr. Conger expects to do the job quickly and is hopeful that the goal will be reached in less than two weeks.

## Housewives Asked Help Fight Inflation

### Five-Point Pledge Cards Will Be Distributed To Be Signed

Edenton housewives will be offered the opportunity to volunteer militant action in the war effort when they pledge themselves to support their government on five points designed to hasten victory. In signing the pledges, which will be distributed by school children, consumers will align themselves squarely behind their wartime government on the following counts:

1. To combat inflation by refusing knowingly to buy anything above ceiling prices.

2. To help eliminate black markets by refusing to buy rationed foods without the proper use of ration stamps or to patronize any dealer who charges above ceiling prices.

3. To help punish violators by agreeing to assist in bringing them to the attention of the proper authorities.

4. To help keep America financially stable by a pledge to do everything possible to enlist others in maintaining this program.

5. To work for a safe America by pledging hard and earnest work for victory.

It is the hope that every housewife in the community will join the mobilization against inflation and sign and return the pledge card.

The Home Front Pledge Campaign was presented at both the Rotary and Lions Club meetings last week, J. G. Campen and J. Edwin Bufflap speaking at the Rotary meeting, and L. H. Haskett and West Byrum explaining the purpose of the program to the Lions. Miss Rebecca Colwell, home agent, is also explaining the pledge at the various meetings in the county.

### TRAINING AS NURSE

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bass accompanied their daughter, Miss Madeline Bass, to Norfolk, Va., last week, where the young lady entered General Hospital to begin training as a nurse.

## Step Nearer

### Majority of Town Councilmen Favor Zoning Ordinance

Meeting in special session Tuesday night, Town Council advanced another step toward adopting a zoning ordinance for Edenton. The meeting was called for the purpose of classifying provisions of the proposed zoning law, which was done by J. L. Pettus, Geddes Potter and Guy Hobbs, members of the Zoning Commission appointed by Town Council in September, 1941.

The proposal has been hanging fire since that time, and on Tuesday night four Councilmen and Mayor L. H. Haskett were more favorably impressed than ever with the zoning idea. The proposed ordinance was studied and many phases discussed, after which it was decided to present the matter at the next regular meeting of Town Council on October 12, for final disposition. If adopted, and indications are that it will be, the ordinance will be published and after 20 days from the time of publication, it will become a law.

## Lack Of Shells Puts Crimp In Hunting As Season Opens

### Shooting of Squirrel and Deer Allowed On October 1

Sportsmen are not so enthusiastic at this particular time as they have been in former years, for with the squirrel and deer season opening October 1, many hunters face the prospect of very little hunting due to lack of shells. In fact, if shells are not already in hand, sportsmen have no chance whatever of receiving any, at least until the squirrel and deer season is over, for only about three per cent of the normal supply will be available for civilian use.

This small amount has been reserved for use by law enforcement agencies, operators of defense plants, special guards and farmers and ranchers.

A program has been adopted under which approximately 100 million shot gun shells, 12 million center fire rifle cartridges and 100 million .22 calibre rim fire cartridges will be available for distribution to civilians. Under this program, dealers' stock may be sold upon presentation of a certificate or an approved Form PD-860.

According to the program, farmers and ranchers may purchase 100 .22 calibre rim fire cartridges, 40 center fire cartridges and 25 shotgun shells during any calendar quarter by executing the proper forms.

Between September 30 and November 16, all persons, except those who have received or ordered the farmers' and ranchers' special quotas, may purchase 50 .22 calibre rim fire cartridges, 20 center fire rifle cartridges and 25 shotgun shells by use of a proper certificate. The rub comes, however, that though the necessary certificates have been filled out, it is problematical when local stores can secure shells for sale.

Reports are to the effect that game is plentiful, but because of the shell situation, it is very likely many will be obliged to forego the sport of hunting.

## Draft Board Office Will Close Afternoons

J. L. Wiggins, chairman of the Chowan County Draft Board, has announced that the office will be closed to the public at 2 o'clock every afternoon for the remainder of the month of September. This is necessary in order for the office personnel to take an inventory of their files, which is being done on a nation-wide basis.

Mr. Wiggins also desires to emphasize the fact that every young man is still required to register with the Draft Board on the day he becomes 18 years of age.

## Methodists Observe Rally Day Sunday

Rally Day will be observed in the Methodist Sunday School next Sunday morning, at which time all departments of the school will meet in the church auditorium for a special program.

Teachers and members of the various classes have been urged to contact all members, as well as former members, in an effort to have a large attendance.

## Work Unit Leader For Drainage Project Located In Edenton

### R. C. Jordan Has Headquarters In Citizens Bank Building

### AIDS FARMERS

### Assistance Available to Develop Balanced Agriculture

Upon a comparatively recent date there was organized by the farmers of this area a Soil Conservation District. This district includes all of Chowan and Perquimans Counties, with the exception of town and village lots and lands owned by or under the jurisdiction of the United States. It covers an area of more than 282,000 acres. Control of the work and activities of this newly-formed agency is vested in a board of supervisors, members of which are as follows: A. T. Lane of Perquimans County, chairman; T. C. Byrum of Chowan County, secretary; E. M. Perry and John T. Lane of Perquimans County, and E. N. Elliott of Chowan County. Farmers of Chowan County who wish to avail themselves of the services and benefits of the Albemarle District may contact any of the above supervisors, C. W. Overman, county agent, or R. C. Jordan of Edenton, who is serving as work unit leader for Chowan County. Mr. Jordan's office is located in the Citizens Bank Building on Broad Street.

Through the Albemarle District farmers are offered assistance in providing for a well-rounded and coordinated program for the conservation of their soil, its fertility and resources and for the control of any erosion that may be found in these two counties. The real problem in the district lies in obtaining a more balanced and more permanent agriculture. This involves land use adjustment, drainage, the use of better soil building and soil conservation rotations that will add organic matter to the soil, the use of other soil-conserving practices, the production of feed, and the increase in production of livestock and livestock products. The development of more and better pastures in connection with livestock production will be an important item in the solution of the problem. Some changes in cultural practices may be recommended.

For farmers desiring assistance, individual farm plans will be developed. (Continued on Page Five)

## Edenton Schools On Short Schedule

### Plan Adopted to Aid In Harvesting Cotton And Peanuts

In order to assist in harvesting the Chowan County cotton and peanut crops, Edenton's schools on Tuesday began a short schedule which provides for the convening of classes at 8:35 o'clock, and dismissal for the day at 1 o'clock. This schedule was adopted in order that students may assist in picking cotton, as well as in the harvesting of peanuts, the plan being adopted due to the shortage of farm labor.

This schedule, according to Superintendent John A. Holmes, will remain in effect about three weeks, when it is hoped that the major portion of the two crops will be housed.

## Group Of White Men Sent To Fort Bragg

Chowan County sent six white boys to Fort Bragg Monday morning, where they underwent final physical examination upon which depends their induction into the U. S. Army.

The group included Frank M. Elliott, Billy Brunson, Joe Lyn Harrell, Warner Henry Bass, Murray J. Small and W. J. Rothlin. Lawrence Cayton, who was scheduled to leave with the group, is now serving a road sentence and will be sent to Fort Bragg immediately after his release by State authorities.

Alfred Leroy Cooper, colored, on Thursday returned to Fort Bragg to enter the Army after the usual furlough following his acceptance into the Army.

John Weston Elliott, colored, left Saturday after a furlough to enter active service in the Marine Corps at Jacksonville, N. C.