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## 1944 Automobile License Plates Go On Sale Dec. 1st

At Carolina Motor Club Office on West Eden Street

### LARGE PLATE

## Miss Goldie Layton Asks For Early Purchase Of Licenses

Automobile license plates for 1944 will go on sale Wednesday, December 1, according to Miss Goldie Layton, branch manager of the Carolina Motor Club. Miss Layton's office is now located in the old armory building just off Broad Street on West Eden Street, having moved during the year from the office occupied on East King Street for several years.

One large plate will be issued this year instead of the small tab, as was the case last year, the figures being of orange color on a black background, which is exactly opposite from the last large plate issued in 1942.

Owner to apply for his license plate as early as possible in order to avoid a last-minute rush which is the case every year, and which results in an overworked limited personnel, as well as loss of time and no little disgruntling on the part of the crowds which must stand in line for a long time before being waited on.

Miss Layton also wishes to advise every applicant for a license plate for an automobile, truck or trailer that the 1944 registration card must be furnished. These cards will soon be received from State headquarters.

## Christmas Mail Must Be Sent This Month

## Overseas Greetings Call For First Class Postage Rates

In order to assure delivery of Christmas gifts and greetings by Christmas, postal officials are urgently requesting mailing of these items during the month of November. Extreme pressure on transportation facilities and the manpower shortage created by war-time conditions make this matter very important.

All greeting cards sent to those in the armed forces overseas must be sent in sealed envelopes and postage paid at first-class rate which is three cents for each ounce, or fraction thereof.

The help situation in the Edenton post office is very acute, so that Postmaster C. E. Kramer is urging the cooperation of all patrons in respect to sending Christmas mail.

## Cotton Ginning 370 Bales Over Last Year

Chowan County's cotton ginning continues to lead last year's figure, the latest report submitted by F. W. Hobbs, special agent for the Bureau of the Census, showing that this year's ginning is 370 bales ahead of last year.

Mr. Hobbs reports that 4,234 bales were ginned in the county from the crop of 1943, prior to November 1, as compared with 3,864 bales from the 1942 crop at the same time last year.

## St. Paul's Auxiliary Will Meet Monday

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church will meet next Monday afternoon, November 22, at 4 o'clock, in the Parish House. Mrs. Julien Wood, educational chairman, will present the first lesson on "A Call to Ventures in Christian Living." This is one of the topics suggested for study this fall, and is taken from "For All Life," by William H. Wiser and Charlotte V. Wiser.

Both Auxiliary members and visitors are urged to attend this meeting.

## Edenton Stores Close On Thanksgiving Day

Mrs. Jimmy Gibbs, secretary of the Edenton Merchants Association, has issued the announcement that all of Edenton's stores will be closed all day next Thursday due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

## Shore Patrol

At the request of Lieutenant-Colonel Zebulon C. Hopkins, commander of the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, the commandant of the Fifth Naval District, Naval Operating Base at Norfolk, has sent to Edenton an experienced shore patrol consisting of four men, one of whom is a chief petty officer. The quartet arrived on Tuesday and went on duty immediately.

The request was made by Commander Hopkins, following a conference with Mayor Leroy Haskett, who felt that an experienced patrol was necessary. A splendid spirit of cooperation exists between the Mayor and Colonel Hopkins, and both felt that the new patrol would be more satisfactory.

The shore patrolmen have been specially trained in the work and will be in a position to show no partiality to any who go to extremes. They will not be stationed at the base, but will live in Edenton. The patrol includes Lawrence Pierce, CSP (S), who is on leave of absence from the West Virginia State Police; H. J. Aman, Sp1c (S), a former policeman at Maplewood, N. J.; J. W. Fairchild, Sp2c (S), formerly on the Washington, D. C. police force, and A. L. Cruickshank, Sp3(S), a former policeman in Pennsylvania. This group will be assisted in patrol work by contingents from the local air station.

## 33 Auxiliary Police Graduate Wednesday

## Interesting Exercises In Court House For Occasion

Thirty-three members of the Edenton Auxiliary Police School graduated at fitting ceremonies held in the Court House Wednesday night. The school was organized several months ago by Chief of Police J. R. Tanner, and under his leadership has maintained a great deal of interest, at a number of meetings outside speakers coming in to help with the school.

At Wednesday night's exercises, prayer was offered by the Rev. Lewis F. Schenck, and Mayor Leroy Haskett made a brief address, expressing his appreciation for the efforts and time devoted to the school by Chief Tanner and members of the school. The diplomas were awarded by D. M. Warren.

Among those present at the exercises were wives and friends of the graduates, members of the State Guard, American Legion, the Legion Auxiliary and Civilian Defense officials.

Edward Scheidt, who will speak at the quarterly FBI Conference today, was present at the meeting and made the principal address for the occasion.

Those receiving diplomas were: Ephraim Alexander, C. E. Byrum, Lonnie Bunch, Haywood Bunch, H. B. Bass, Richard Baer, Clyde C. Cobb, Harry Crummy, Josiah Elliott, W. A. Elliott, Earl Goodwin, John L. Goodwin, Dave Holton, Melvin Hudson, C. T. Harris, E. E. Harris, L. M. Johnson, W. P. Jones, Woodrow Lawrence, S. C. Mills, W. E. Malone, Gibson Mitchell, W. H. Parker, Alphonso Spivey, Raymond Williams, J. W. White, Paul M. Wallace, T. B. Williford, Julian E. Ward, Wash Wright, W. J. Yates, E. L. White, Ralph Hawkins.

## Oil Stoves Required Be 18 In. From Woodwork

As the result of several recent fires being caused by oil stoves, Fire Chief R. K. Hall desires to call attention of all who use oil stoves that, according to law, an oil stove must be at least 18 inches from woodwork, unless a shield of asbestos or metal is provided.

Mr. Hall urges users of oil stoves to comply with this requirement in the interest of helping to prevent dangerous and destructive fires.

## Survey Made Relative To Price Compliance

As a result of a recent community price survey conducted by the Chowan County War Price and Ration Board, the following were found to be highest in percentage of compliance: G. A. Hollowell, Arthur Byrum, J. E. Peele, C. P. Harrell, W. G. Perry, J. F. Harrell, R. L. Williams, E. E. Harrell, C. T. Dixon, A. S. Hollowell, G. M. Byrum, W. H. Parrish and B. G. Davenport.

## CHOWAN COUNTY EXCEEDS UNITED WAR FUND QUOTA BY \$2,000 AS CONTRIBUTIONS TRICKLE IN TO BOOST AMOUNT TO \$8,000

## General Chairman J. H. Conger Overjoyed at Success of Campaign; Thanks All Who Took Part at Meeting Held Monday Evening

With contributions still trickling in, Chowan County's United War Fund drive, up to Wednesday morning, amounted to \$7,979.21, which is about \$2,000 above the quota of \$6,000. The drive officially started Wednesday October 21, and the quota was reached Monday, November 1, or in a few days shorter time than the two weeks in which it was hoped to wind up the campaign at the outset. Since then, however, contributions have been coming in, which have sent the fund far in excess of the most optimistic predictions when the quota was announced and machinery for its realization put into motion.

General Chairman J. H. Conger, on Monday evening called a meeting of his executive committee and chairman, at which time the treasurer, Mrs. W. I. Hart, submitted her financial report. Mr. Conger called the meeting principally for two reasons, one being to publicly express his sincere appreciation to the workers, as well as to all those who contributed so generously in making the drive

such an outstanding success. Then, the fact that the county over-subscribed its quota gave rise to an idea that possibly only the actual quota should be sent to the United War Fund and what remained over to be kept to apply on another drive which may be called. However, the idea was discussed by members of the executive committee, and it was unanimously agreed that the contributions were made for that particular purpose and that the money should therefore go for the specific purpose for which it was collected.

Prior to the drive it was agreed to add the Boy Scout contribution to the quota, which was estimated at \$650, or 13 percent of the amount asked for. Accordingly, 13 percent of the gross contributions will go to the Boy Scouts, which gives them a little over \$1,000. The remainder, of course, after expenses have been deducted, will go to the United War Fund.

When the campaign was being over- (Continued on Page Six)

## Over 2,000 School Children Members Junior Red Cross

## Mrs. Philip McMullan Reports on Drive Just Ended

Mrs. Philip McMullan, Junior Red Cross chairman, reports that over 2,320 school children have become members of the organization, and that contributions from both white and colored schools amounted to approximately \$150.

Mrs. McMullan's report shows that \$61.68 was contributed in the Edenton school, \$43.41 in Chowan High School, \$29.13 in the Edenton colored school, \$5.84 in Rocky Hook Central School, \$4.24 at White Oak, \$1.05 at Center Hill, \$1.00 at Hudson's Grove, 50 cents at Britt's School, \$1.00 at Green Hall, and \$1.00 at Warren's Grove.

Chowan County schools have enrolled 100 per cent in every room and all money contributed by the pupils becomes part of the Junior Red Cross service fund in the County chapter, and will be used for local service projects soon to be undertaken. Already, there is a sewing project in the local high school, where girls will make bedside kits, gift boxes and other useful items.

In visiting schools throughout the County, Mrs. McMullan presented various phases of Junior Red Cross activities and its opportunity for service, and she was well pleased with the enthusiastic cooperation in all cases. Prior to the membership drive in the schools, Mrs. McMullan sponsored a pageant on Junior Red Cross work which was staged by pupils in Mrs. Lloyd Griffin's room.

## Edenton H. S. Meets Ahoskie On Friday

## Game Earlier In Season Resulted In Scoreless Deadlock

What is calculated to be a battle royal will take place on Hicks Field Friday afternoon, when Edenton High School will again meet the Ahoskie aggregation. The two outfits met earlier in the season when they played to a 0-0 deadlock in Ahoskie, and when they meet Friday each team will go the limit to leave the field the winner.

Both teams are evenly matched, so that a good game is in prospect, and it is hoped more fans will be on hand than has been the case at recent games.

Friday's game will begin at 3 o'clock, instead of 3:30.

## Service Wives' Club Will Meet Monday

A meeting of the Service Wives Club will be held in the Rose Room at Hotel Joseph Hewes Monday evening at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

## Formal Opening Of New Horse - Mule Exchange Saturday

## T. Wallace Jones and Frank J. Ward Are Proprietors

Edenton now has a new enterprise, the concern being the Chowan Horse and Mule Exchange, located in the old knitting mill on West Hicks Street, until recently occupied by Edenton Motors, local Ford agency. The proprietors of the new concern are T. Wallace Jones and Frank J. Ward.

The building was recently bought at public auction by Mr. Jones and has been remodeled into what is a first-class and modern horse and mule exchange, having a spacious pasture.

The formal opening of the exchange will be held Saturday, November 20, when a group of splendid work horses and Tennessee mules will be offered for sale.

The public is cordially invited to visit the new horse and mule exchange, whether interested in the purchase of horses or mules or not. Both proprietors are experienced horse and mule men and are interested in serving and satisfying everyone in need of work horses or mules.

## Drainage Of Bear Swamp Progressing

## Government's Portion Is Expected To Be Done Within Six Weeks

Howard M. Ellis, extension agriculture engineer, spent two days last week with County Agent C. W. Overman, during which time farm drainage work was considered. Plans are now in the making for a proper farm drainage which will empty into the Bear Swamp drainage system.

According to Mr. Overman, the Bear Swamp drainage work is making good progress. The portion of the drainage system obligated to be cut by the Federal Government is well under way and the contractors expect to finish same within the next month or six weeks.

Drainage commissioners are in the process of working out arrangements for cutting their portion of the drainage system.

## Another USO Dance Scheduled Tonight

Tonight (Thursday) the monthly dance of the USO will be held at the Edenton Armory, the affair being scheduled to begin at 9 o'clock, and continue until 11:30 o'clock. Music for the dance will be furnished by the Weeksville Naval Air Station Orchestra.

These affairs have been growing in popularity and tonight's dance is expected to attract a large number of the service men and women.

## Disappointed

Though damage was estimated at only about \$100, due to a fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie White, on Oakum Street, late Monday afternoon, no little inconvenience resulted. Mrs. White feeds in the neighborhood of 75 boarders who are located at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station and it so happened that the evening meal was being prepared when an oil stove caught fire, causing all of the food to be ruined, and necessitating the boarders securing their supper elsewhere.

Added to the loss, is the extreme difficulty Mrs. White is experiencing in securing another oil stove in order to continue furnishing meals to her large number of boarders. She has been unable to secure a stove in Edenton or any nearby town, being obliged to make-shift with a second-hand stove, which is inadequate to meet her needs.

## Large Congregation Greeted New Pastor At Methodist Church

## Service Will Be Held at 11 O'clock Next Sunday Morning

Preaching his initial sermon to an Edenton congregation, the Rev. Fred Surratt, new pastor of the Methodist Church, on Sunday night was greeted by a large crowd which included those from other denominations. Mr. Surratt expressed delight at being able to serve the local church, while at the same time he has been maintained as pastor of the Windsor Church, with his time equally divided between the two churches.

During the services, the Rev. Lewis Schenck, rector of St. Paul's Church, asked permission to make a few remarks in the course of which he emphasized the importance of unity during these hectic days as well as the necessity to willingly endure inconveniences or even hardships as the result of the nation being in the grip of war.

Mr. Schenck was associated with Mr. Surratt in Windsor and was high in his praise of the new pastor, saying that the local congregation was fortunate in securing the services of such a splendid leader, who will also be an asset to Edenton.

According to the arrangements, Mr. Surratt will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the Edenton church, when his subject will be "Steps In Following Jesus." Church school will convene at 9:45 o'clock, and the Youth Fellowship meeting will be held at 6:30 o'clock. There will be no night preaching service. Mr. Surratt being scheduled to preach at that hour in the Windsor church.

## Quarterly Meeting Of FBI In Edenton Today

## Edward Scheidt Will Be In Charge Of Officers' Conference

This (Thursday) afternoon, the quarterly FBI Police Conference will be held in the USO Club, when police officials, sheriffs and deputy sheriffs from Albemarle counties are expected to attend. The conference is scheduled to begin promptly at 2 o'clock, according to Chief of Police J. R. Tanner.

Counties expected to send representatives are Martin, Bertie, Washington, Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Gates, Camden, Hyde and Dare.

The principal speaker for the occasion will be Edward Scheidt, of Charlotte, in charge of FBI in North and South Carolina. Mr. Scheidt is an able speaker and well versed in police activities, so that a goodly number of officials is expected to be on hand. Chief Tanner has extended a special invitation to Mayor Leroy Haskett and Town Councilmen to be present.

## Quarterly Inspection Begins December 1

Beginning Wednesday, December 1, Building Inspector R. K. Hall plans to begin his quarterly inspection in the business section of Edenton. In anticipation of this inspection, Mr. Hall urges merchants and business people to clean up about their premises prior to his inspection visit.

## Improvement Seen In Pulpwood Picture For Two Months

## Production, However, Is Far Behind Output In 1942

### MORE NEEDED

## Slump During First Six Months Must Be Overcome

Some improvement in the pulpwood supply picture for 1943 is apparent in reports from pulp and paper mills for July and August. August deliveries were slightly more than seasonal over July, but still substantially below the 1942 and 1941 figures, A. B. Hansen, Deputy Director of the WPB Pulp and Paper Division, advised the Newspaper Pulpwood Committee this week.

It is too early yet to predict whether this trend will hold and gain momentum, Mr. Hansen said, but it is encouraging as a response to the current newspaper-industry victory pulpwood campaign created to induce farmers and small woodland owners to engage in cutting pulpwood.

The most noticeable upswing is in the South, but encouraging trends were indicated in other sections of the pulpwood producing areas which include the Northeast, Appalachian and Lake States, and the Northwest regions.

"These facts should not lead to any kind of optimism," Mr. Hansen said. "At best they represent merely a change in trend in pulpwood production which was steadily downward for the first six months of this year. The July and August reversal might be compared to the conquests of Tunisia and Sicily. We've still got a whole war to win."

Mr. Hansen called attention to a report that more than 1000 communities in the 27 pulpwood producing states have organized local pulpwood committees and that in some towns business and professional men actually have gone into the woods and cut pulpwood in their spare time.

Despite the favorable reports in pulpwood receipts and inventories for July and August, Mr. Hansen warned that production must be stepped up consistently during the remainder of 1943 if the slump during the first six months is to be overcome.

He also stated that receipts of pulpwood at U. S. pulp mills showed a slight upswing in July, which trend continued in August. As a result, some mills were able to replenish partially depleted inventories. "Pulpwood production is still running far behind 1942, however," he concluded.

## Work On Surgical Dressings Forced Stop Temporarily

## Failure of Gauze Shipment To Arrive Holds Up Work

Due to the failure of receiving a shipment of gauze, Mrs. W. H. Coffield, chairman of the Red Cross surgical dressings, has announced that the workrooms will be closed until further notice. However, Mrs. Coffield is hopeful that the material will soon arrive and work continued on this important work.

During the year 172,200 bandages, pads and dressings have been made and shipped from the local workrooms, according to Mrs. Coffield. The quotas are expected to be doubled when future shipments arrive and Mrs. Coffield will notify all workers by telephone and postcards, when the work will be resumed.

## Officers' Wives Club Planned In Edenton

There will be a meeting of officers' wives at the USO Club Monday morning, November 22, at 10 o'clock. The purpose of this meeting is to organize an Officers' Wives Club in Edenton and to provide for them during the day.

All officers' wives are cordially invited to attend and take part in this meeting.

### MASONS MEET TONIGHT

Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will hold its regular meeting tonight at 8 o'clock. Visiting Masons are invited to attend the meeting.