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Lights Are Authorized For Hicks Field

Chowan County Red Cross Fund Raising Drive Will Begin Monday Next Week

Chairman J. Clarence Leary Announces That Machinery Is Ready

QUOTA \$2,500

Intention Is to Complete Drive By Saturday, March 9

J. Clarence Leary, chairman of Chowan County's Red Cross Fund Raising Campaign, announced early this week that the drive will begin tomorrow (Friday) and he expressed the hope that it can be completed by Saturday, March 9.

Last week Mr. Leary completed his organization in Edenton when chairmen were appointed for the initial gifts committee, industrial committee, business district and residential section. At the same time he named chairmen for the rural sections both among white and colored citizens.

A meeting was held in the Municipal Building Thursday night, when plans for the drive were completed.

The county organization was effected Monday night when a meeting was held at the Community House at Cross Roads. Present at the meeting were Hugh T. Green, assistant field director of Red Cross, and Miss Janet Cox, district supervisor, both of whom emphasized the importance of the drive and assisted in organization.

Various chairmen have already chosen their canvassers, so that everything will be in readiness for the opening of the drive next week. The quota for Chowan County is \$2,500, a little over a third of last year when it was \$6,700, so that Chairman Leary and his chairmen feel that there should be little trouble in sending Chowan over the top in short order.

Of course, Mr. Leary will be very anxious to learn how the drive is progressing and for that reason urges the canvassers to make their rounds as soon as possible and to report their contributions without any more delay than necessary.

Meeting Of Legion Auxiliary On Friday

Mrs. J. Paul Holoman, president of the Legion Auxiliary, calls attention of members that a meeting of the organization will be held Friday night at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. L. S. Byrum.

All members, both new and old, are especially urged to attend.

FIDELIS CLASS WILL MEET

The Fidelis Class of the Edenton Baptist Church will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock with Mrs. Gladys-teen Pait. All members are urged to attend.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN EDENTON MARCH 6, 7 AND 8

Edenton, Columbia, Creswell, Roper, Plymouth, Windsor and Chowan Teams Already Entered; Thrilling Games In Prospect

Coach Tex Lindsay this week stated that the annual basketball tournament will be held in the Edenton armory on March 6, 7 and 8. Coach Lindsay recalls that last year's tournament was a great success, affording several very exciting games with the Edenton boys winning the finals from a strong Windsor team and the Edenton girls losing in the finals to a very good Creswell team. Coach Lindsay also recalls that one forward on the Creswell girls' team scored 22 of the 24 points tallied against Edenton in the final game.

Coach Lindsay says this year's tournament again promises to be a very good one, with some fast and furious competition from both boys' and girls' teams. The teams entered for the tournament are Columbia, Creswell, Roper, Plymouth, Windsor, Chowan and Edenton. One other team from this section will also be entered if it can be obtained in time. This will give a total of 16 games counting both boys and girls.

Eight games will be played, starting Wednesday, March 6, at 2 P. M. and lasting until about 11 o'clock.

Expired!

Two years ago The Bank of Edenton, in appreciation of Chowan County boys in the armed forces, sent The Herald to all for whom addresses could be secured. The paper has been sent regularly during the two years, and many reports having received it fairly regular, and that it was very much enjoyed.

The two years' subscription, however, will expire tomorrow, March 1, so that what names remain on the service list as of March, 1946, will necessarily have to be dropped, unless the boys or friends renew the subscriptions.

The final batch of subscriptions for service men will expire August 1, so that these, too, will be dropped unless renewed.

Health Department Asking Cooperation Local Housewives

Purpose Is to Help In Eradicating Venereal Diseases

The local Health Department is appealing for the cooperation of housewives in eradicating venereal diseases in Edenton and Chowan County. In this respect health officials say cooperation is shown if these questions can be answered:

1. Do you have a health certificate on your maid, cook or servant signed and dated six months or less from the Health Department?

2. Can you be sure about her health conditions otherwise?

The examination consists of the following diseases: Syphilis, gonorrhea and tuberculosis, the hours for these examinations being Friday from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. and Saturdays from 9 A. M. to noon.

Executive Meeting Of Chowan PTA March 5

The Parent-Teacher Association of Chowan High School plans to hold an executive meeting Tuesday night, March 5, at which all officers and members of the committees are especially urged to be present. The meeting will be held in the High School Library at 7:30 o'clock.

The regular meeting of the PTA will be held the following Tuesday night, March 12, at 7:30 in the school auditorium.

Chowan Motor Company Announced

This week that they will have on display in their show room, on East King Street, Saturday, March 2, the new 1946 DeSoto and Plymouth automobiles. The cars will be on display in the dealers' show rooms throughout the United States at the same time.

The new cars embody more improvements than found in most previous yearly model changes. The new improvements are manifest in both appearance and engineering advancements.

Particular attention has been given to safety features, which have been engineered into the basic design of the car.

Officials of the Chowan Motor Company are very proud of the new DeSoto and Plymouth and cordially invite everybody to come to their show room to see the new models.

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Edenton's Parent-Teacher Association will meet Tuesday afternoon of next week at 3:15 o'clock in the High School Library. John A. Holmes, superintendent of schools, will be the speaker, so that a large attendance is urged.

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The Young Woman's Bible Class of the Edenton Baptist Sunday School will meet Tuesday night at the church. The meeting will begin at 7:30 and Mrs. M. M. Perry, the president, urges all members to be present.



WAR VICTIMS—Millions of garments, large quantities of food and many medical supplies are provided by the Red Cross for destitute civilians ravaged by war.

LITTLE INTEREST REFLECTED IN POLICE QUESTIONNAIRE ABOUT LOCAL PROBLEMS

Only 115 Out of 450 Return Card to Police Department; Sentiment Opposed to Stop Lights; U Turns Also Apparently Unpopular

That there is comparatively little interest among people in Edenton whether or not stop lights are installed at several intersections, as well as other police problems is reflected in the fact that of 450 self-addressed postcards distributed by police among people they thought would be interested, only 115 had been returned up to Tuesday of this week. The police had 500 postcards printed for the purpose of taking a poll and besides last week's Herald carried the same questions which could have been mailed to the Police Department.

From the cards sent in, there is an overwhelming majority opposed to stop lights as the following figures reveal: Stop lights at King and Broad Streets, 14 voted yes and 98 no. Stop light at Queen and Broad Streets, 44 yes and 67 no. Stop light at Church and Broad Streets, 37 yes and 72 no.

Votes for one hour parking in the business section was close, 62 votes being cast for the one hour parking and 51 against.

As to U turns, 50 votes were cast for U turns at King and Broad Streets

and 59 against. There was a wider difference of opinion relative to U turns at Eden and Broad Streets, 35 voting in favor of the U turn and 74 opposed.

Voting tended to favor arresting visitors for speeding, 82 votes being cast yes and 27 no.

Voting tends to show that the police are not enforcing the law too rigidly, for only 28 votes were cast stating yes, while 77 voted negatively.

The 60-second double parking rule in the business section apparently is giving general satisfaction for 71 votes approved the regulation while 34 voted against it.

Returned cards also contained quite a few other suggestions, some of which follow:

Parking should be allowed on one side of Oakum Street only. Several of these suggestions were registered. Stop light at corner of Oakum and Church Street. Several cards also had this notation.

Stop light at Granville and Queen Streets.

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New Plymouth And DeSoto Cars Will Be On Display Saturday

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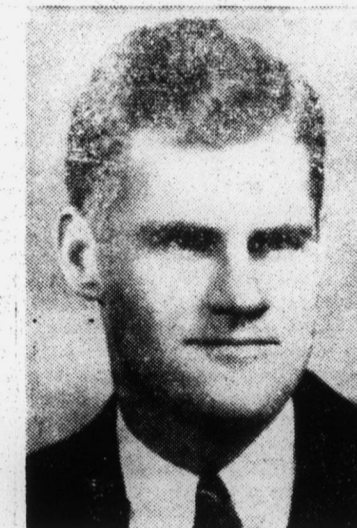
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Board Public Works Given Green Light By Councilmen At Special Meeting Monday

Red Cross Instructor



Lee Jackson Green, special field representative for First Aid, Water Safety and Accident Prevention Service of the Red Cross, is now conducting a 30-hour course at the splendid swimming pool at the Edenton Naval Air Station. The course began Monday and is scheduled to continue until March 8.

Home Service Office Of Red Cross Now Open Only Half Day

Fewer Men In Service Reason For Shorter Hours

Miss Elizabeth Moore, Home Service Chairman of the Chowan County Red Cross Chapter, announced this week that the home service office will be open each morning from 10 to 1 o'clock instead of all day as heretofore.

This change in schedule has come about, says Miss Moore, due to fewer men in the armed forces and the gradual falling off of service needed since the termination of the war.

Miss Moore's office is at her home on West King Street and though it will be open only on certain hours, she says emergency services will be attended to at any time.

Missionary Group Will Hold Week Of Prayer

The Missionary Society of the Edenton Baptist Church will meet at the church each afternoon next week at 3:30 o'clock. Monday afternoon will be the regular monthly meeting.

Beginning Tuesday through Friday the Week of Prayer for Home Missions will be observed.

Every one is invited to attend these meetings.

FORMER CHOWAN FAMILY PRACTICALLY WIPED OUT AS RESULT OF AUTO WRECK

Six Members of Percy McCleney Family Killed When Car Crashes Into Truck Parked on Highway; Offering at Rocky Hock Church Sunday

As the result of a terrible automobile wreck, a former Chowan County family was practically wiped out early Wednesday morning of last week. In the wreck, which occurred ten miles south of Oxford, Percy McCleney, 42; his wife, Mrs. Lillie Hill McCleney, 43; their twin son and daughter, Percy, Jr., and Elizabeth, 17; Franklin, 2, and J. L. McCleney, 14, are dead. Five of the party were killed almost instantly, while the latter died in the Granville Hospital at Oxford Wednesday night.

Two other sons, James Edward, 11, and Willie Lee, 9, escaped death but were seriously injured and are now in the Granville Hospital. James Edward has both arms and both legs broken, while Willie Lee has one arm and one leg broken. Both are reported to be gradually improving.

Cost of \$7,000 to Come From Water and Electric Earnings

ASSET TO TOWN

Equipment Expected Be Ready In Time For Football Season

Edenton's Board of Public Works on Monday night was authorized to install lights on Hicks Field, the approximate cost of installation being around \$7,000, which amount will come from electric and water earnings. The action was taken at a joint meeting of Town Council and the Board of Public Works, called especially to consider the matter.

Quite a little discussion preceded passing of the motion by Town Council authorizing the expenditure, during which the principal thought considered was if it was advisable to spend \$7,000 for the lights entirely from water and electric earnings rather than resort to some other means to raise the money.

The general impression prevailed that the lights would be a distinct asset to the town and would go a long way in providing recreation for citizens at night, which is and has been very much lacking in Edenton for many years.

J. H. Conger, chairman of the Board of Public Works, was spokesman for his group, stating that a committee from the Chamber of Commerce appeared before his Board requesting the lights to be installed so that night baseball could be played. Mr. Conger stated that while members of his Board were in sympathy with lighting the field, the matter of financing the project presented a problem, and they doubted the wisdom of using E. & W. funds entirely. However, he said, authority to use the money for the purpose rested with Town Council and that his Board would act accordingly.

Aside from the cost of installation, Mr. Conger estimated that for the time the lights would be used during the summer and fall, the current would cost in the neighborhood of \$1,700 a year.

Tex Lindsay, in charge of Edenton's recreation program and high school coach, ventured the opinion that with lights installed, revenue from baseball and football games, as well as other activities at night would climb to such an extent that after allowing for athletic needs, enough would most likely be left to make any necessary repairs to the athletic field and possibly pay for the electricity used.

The lighting equipment will be ordered at once and while the project will be pushed along as much as possible, the opinion was expressed that the lights will not be ready until fall, in time for the football season.

Before adjourning, Town Council also agreed to add an extra 40-gallon water tank in the field house to take care of the needs of the Binghamton baseball team when it trains in Edenton this spring.

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The accident occurred when the McCleney car ploughed into the rear of a truck-trailer which stalled on the highway. According to the driver of the truck, Eary M. Williams of High Point, flares were placed along the highway, and he was in the truck cab when the collision occurred.

The McCleney family was on their way to attend the funeral of Mrs. McCleney's uncle, Arch Hill, in Randolph County, who was killed the previous Monday by a falling tree. According to Patrolman C. M. Byrd, Mr. McCleney apparently was driving and his wife, baby and daughter were on the front seat and were instantly killed. The other four children were on the back seat, two of whom were thrown forward, one being killed instantly while the other died later in hospital.

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