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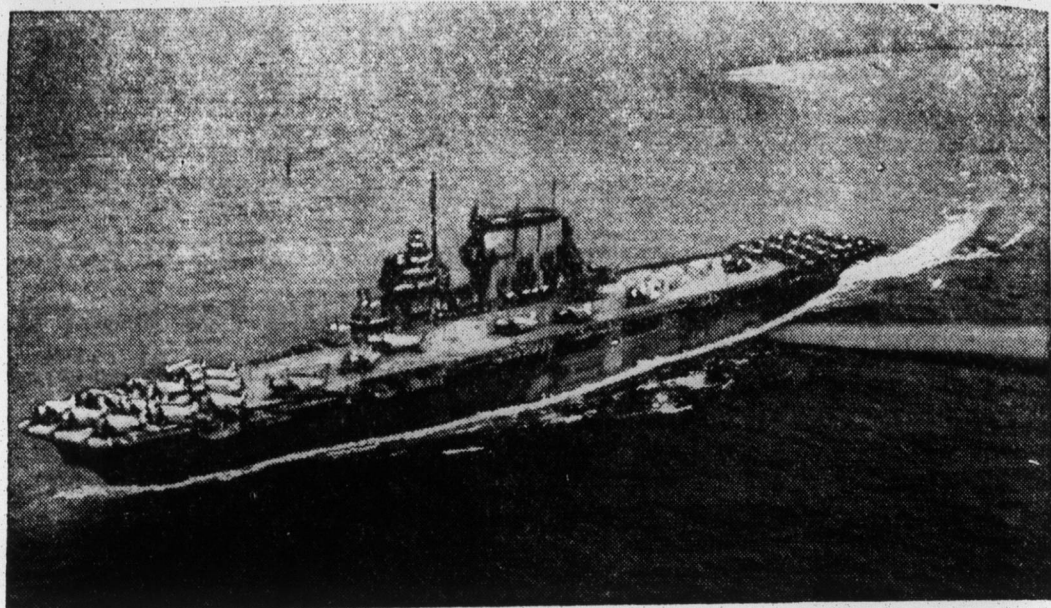
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Official U. S. Navy Photograph

Above is pictured the aircraft carrier Saratoga, oldest in the Navy today, one of two carriers to undergo the atomic bomb tests scheduled to be held at Bikini Atoll in the Marshall Islands in July. The "Sara," seven times announced sunk by the Japanese, has been in 17 major engagements or air strikes, from the early attacks on Guadalcanal to the final blows against the Japanese home islands. She was torpedoed twice, and at two Jima sustained the heaviest Kamikaze attack on a single ship to that date.

EFFORTS CONTINUED TO PUT ALLEY BACK OF PROPERTY ON LOWER BROAD STREET

All of Property Owners Except Two Agree to Pay For Land Necessary; Aim Is to Secure Alleys Back of Entire Edenton Business District

Members of a committee appointed by Mayor Leroy Haskett to investigate the possibility of opening up an alley back of the business houses on the east side of lower Broad Street met Friday night, together with practically all of the property owners concerned, in an effort to make some headway with the project.

Mayor Haskett presided over the meeting and at the outset explained the reasons for having the alley, stating that it would allow loading and unloading back of the buildings rather than on Broad Street, thus relieving traffic congestion on Broad Street. Other reasons were that it would allow better protection in that firemen could fight a fire from the rear as well as in front. The alley, too, would allow better police protection as well as permit the collection of trash from the rear, thus eliminating very unsightly conditions at times on Broad Street.

Mayor Haskett called on J. H. Conger, a member of the committee, who reiterated the Mayor's reasons, but added the fact that it is necessary to put in new sewer and water lines and unless an alley is provided, these lines will necessarily have to be placed under the sidewalk, which means that property owners would be obliged to change the present hook-up from the rear, which in some cases would amount to practically as much expense as the purchase of land for an alley, not saying anything about the inconvenience in making the change.

For the purpose of providing an alley, Mrs. Fred Drane has offered to sell a slice of land back of the busi-

ness houses 12 feet 8 inches wide for \$2,000, with the provision that in the transfer the Town erects a cyclone fence as a protection to her property. It is the cost of this strip of land that the property owners are asked to pay for, which would be used as the alley. Mr. Conger explained that the Town would erect the fence and improve the alley, so that it would be usable for loading and unloading and collection of trash by the town trucks.

All of the property owners except two agreed to pay for the land abutting their property at a price of \$8.33 per foot, which would practically raise the \$2,000, if all would join in the movement. It was stated that the cost to each property owner could be paid over a period of years. One property owner was not present due to pending negotiations in progress for the sale of the property and one other flatly refused to pay for any land to be used as an alley.

The Board of Public Works is especially anxious to secure the alley because of the necessity to lay new sewer lines, and at the same time it is believed that if it materialized it will be an incentive for merchants on both sides of Broad Street between King and Queen Streets to follow suit, which would be one of the greatest moves to ease the crowded traffic conditions in that particular block.

With all of the property owners on lower Broad Street, except two, expressing a willingness to pay for their proportionate part of the alleyway, efforts are being continued to secure the land and proceed with the property, though at the meeting no definite action was taken.

Father And Son Banquet Tonight For Local Cub Pack

Boys Must Be Accompanied at Meeting By Father

Cubmaster D. C. Crawford, Jr., announces that Cub Pack No. 159 will have a father and son banquet tonight (Thursday) at the Episcopal Parish House. Each Cub must bring his father with him. An interesting program has been planned and an important business meeting of Cub parents will be held after the banquet.

Lieut.-Comdr. Graham Now On Inactive List

Lieut.-Comdr. John W. Graham was among a group to be released to inactive duty at the U. S. Naval Personnel Separation Center at Washington, D. C., Friday of last week.

Lieut.-Comdr. and Mrs. Graham now in Edenton with Mr. Graham's mother, Mrs. W. A. Graham.

W. M. U. Meeting At Macedonia Church

The Women's Missionary Union Associational meeting will be held at Macedonia Baptist Church Tuesday, April 2. The meeting will begin at 10 A. M., to which the public is cordially invited.

50 Boys Enrolled In Swimming Class At Naval Air Station

Group Under Supervision of Benjamin F. Askew

Interest in the Red Cross Swimming course being conducted at the Edenton Naval Air Station pool has mounted so that now 50 boys are enrolled and are taking lessons daily. The class is under the supervision of Benjamin F. Askew, who is assisted by George Willoughby and W. C. Bunch, Jr., all of whom qualified as instructors at the recent Red Cross Water Safety Course.

Transportation is provided by the local Red Cross Chapter for boys going to the base, arrangements being made for a truck to leave the school at 3:45 each afternoon and returning about two hours later. The boys are displaying a great deal of interest in the course which will continue for two weeks.

JOHN HOLMES IMPROVING
John A. Holmes, superintendent of Edenton schools, who has been very sick for several weeks, is now gradually improving. Mr. Holmes for the last few days has been able to do some of his work at home, but on Wednesday felt strong enough to be out doors for a while. Though losing considerable weight, he is developing an appetite and his family and friends hope he is now on the way to complete recovery.

Judge Henry Grady Will Be Speaker At Meeting Of Legion

Group Will Also Discuss Securing Hut For Members

Ed Bond Post of the American Legion will have its monthly meeting next Tuesday night in the Court House at 8 o'clock, when Judge Henry L. Stevens, who is scheduled to preside over the term of Chowan Superior Court, will be the principal speaker.

Judge Stevens is a past national commander of the American Legion, so that all members of the Post, as well as others, are invited to attend the meeting.

Another very important feature of the meeting will be further consideration of acquiring a hut by the local post, which, too, should attract many of the members.

Charlotte Bunch Elected President District Students

Popular Edenton Girl Wins Honor at Kinston Meeting

On Friday Mrs. Fred Hoskins brought back to Edenton a triumphant delegation from the seventh annual meeting of the Eastern District of the North Carolina State Student Council Congress. And well might they be triumphant, for in their midst was their own student body president, Charlotte Bunch, the new president of the Eastern District.

This was the third year that delegates from Edenton had attended a district meeting, and the first year they have entered a candidate for any office.

The delegation went to Kinston with the plan of the Student Council (Continued on Page Six)

Bible Study Class At Methodist Church

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will hold a Bible study class, using the textbook "The Divine Fatherhood" as a guide. This study will be given at the church on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week at 7:30 o'clock. Leaders for Thursday evening will be Mrs. David Browning and Mrs. J. G. Small, while Friday evening's leaders will be Mrs. Eleanor Buckley and Miss Beatrice Wilder.

The public is invited, and all members are urged to attend.

Thomas H. Shepard Gets Navy Discharge

Thomas H. Shepard, Radioman 2/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Shepard, was among 52 North Carolina men who were honorably discharged at the U. S. Naval Separation Center at Charleston, S. C., on Saturday, March 23.

Young Shepard entered the service July 24, 1943, and of the 32 months in service was overseas for 20 months. He was awarded one battle star and was entitled to wear the Asiatic-Pacific, Victory and American Theater ribbons.

Chowan Exceeds Its Quota In Red Cross Fund Raising Drive

Chairman J. Clarence Leary Reports \$3,000 Collected

STILL INCOMPLETE

Chairman Complimented Upon Success By Regional Director

Though not all reports have been made in the Red Cross Fund Raising Campaign, J. Clarence Leary, county chairman, on Tuesday reported that the county had gone beyond its quota of \$2,500. Up to Tuesday afternoon Mr. Leary reported contributions of approximately \$3,000, which was reason for great relief on his part due to the discouraging returns early in the drive.

Mr. Leary, as well as his co-workers, are delighted with the ultimate success of the drive and desire to express their appreciation to all who in any way contributed either of their time or money.

Mr. Leary was also complimented for Chowan County's success again this year, the following letter being received from Francis P. Simerville, regional director:

"We have been most interested in the efficient handling of the 1946 Fund Campaign in your chapter. The success of your chapter in reaching and exceeding the goal so early is a tribute to splendid leadership, sound planning, good organization and enthusiastic campaigning.

"We share the pride of your community in the service you have so generously given. This service will have a stimulating effect upon the chapter for a long period of time.

"Please extend our heartfelt congratulations to all those who participated in this campaign effort."

Baptist Training Union Convention In E. City April 26-27

121 Churches Included In Eastern Region Meeting

The Baptist Training Union annual convention of the Eastern Region will be held April 26-27 in Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church, Elizabeth City. The region comprises both the 'Chowan' and West Chowan Associations, embracing 121 churches.

For the convention Dr. R. E. Wall will be host pastor. L. H. Sawyer, host director and John M. Elliott of Edenton regional director.

The convention will compose four sessions starting Friday afternoon with a banquet between the afternoon and night meetings. Two more sessions will be held Saturday morning and afternoon.

The program as arranged calls for addresses, talks, skits, demonstrations, conferences, vocal and instrumental music.

Individual Unions of each church's training union are urged to appoint two or more official delegates, and all members of training unions, training union workers, pastors and others interested are urged to attend. The convention will be conducted on the Harvard plan.

Vaccination Of Dogs Week Of April 8th

Dr. L. A. Deese, veterinarian and rabies inspector for Chowan County, will begin vaccination of dogs against rabies on Monday, April 8. This work will be done each day during the week, the complete schedule to be announced in next week's Herald.

All dogs must be vaccinated before April 13, and Dr. Deese hopes dog owners will take their animals to the nearest place on the days scheduled.

Third Degree Tonight At Masonic Meeting

At tonight's (Thursday) meeting of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., the third degree will be conferred upon a candidate, W. P. Goodwin, master of the lodge, requests all members to attend and extends a cordial invitation to visiting Masons to be present to witness the degree.

Binghamton Recruits Now In Edenton Making Bids For Regular Positions On Team

Term Superior Court Scheduled Be Held In Edenton Next Week

Criminal Docket Is Expected to Consume Most of Term

GRADY JUDGE

Negro Faces Charge of Murdering Colored Woman

Judge Henry L. Stevens of Warsaw is scheduled to preside over the spring term of Chowan Superior Court, which will convene Monday morning, April 1. Among the eight criminal cases docketed is one charge of murder, Willie Edward Dillard being accused of murdering Lula Valentine, both colored.

Another interesting case will be that of Daniel and Fred Muse, white, who are charged with breaking into the Charles H. Jenkins Motor Company building on Water street and carrying off a safe and its contents in a series of robberies in several counties.

It is expected that the criminal docket will consume most of the term, so that very few of the civil cases are expected to be tried.

Triangular Debaters Chosen For Edenton

Annual Affair Likely to Be Held on Friday, April 19

Miss Paulina Hassell, in charge of training Edenton debaters for the annual Triangular Debate was notified Monday that the date for the debate will be between April 15 and 20, depending upon the selection agreeable with Elizabeth City, Washington and Edenton. Miss Hassell hasn't had any suggestion from the other schools but is rather of the opinion that it will be on April 19.

Edenton's debaters will be Marian Harrell and Laura Skinner for the affirmative and Harold Webb and Marian Alexander, negative.

The query for debate this year is "Resolved that compulsory military training should be given to every boy between the ages of 18 and 24."

Important Meeting Of PTA Tuesday

Edenton's Parent-Teacher Association will meet Tuesday afternoon in the school library at 3:20 o'clock. This will be a very important meeting in that officers for the year are scheduled to be elected.

The speaker for the occasion will be Irving Leigh, Suffolk Herald representative, who will speak on the subject of "Delinquency." Mr. Leigh has worked with Boy Scouts and for 3½ years was a photographer and combat reporter.

Mrs. Ernest Swain Elected President Of Local NCEA Group

Mrs. Ernest Swain was elected president of the local unit of the North Carolina Educational Association at a meeting held last week, succeeding Miss Betty Fleming. Miss Louise Morgan was elected vice-president and Miss Mary Lee Copeland was chosen secretary and treasurer.

MRS. FLYNN IN HOSPITAL
Mrs. M. L. Flynn is a patient in the Lake View Hospital, Suffolk, where she underwent an operation for appendicitis Thursday night. Early this week she was reported as making satisfactory progress.

ILL WITH PNEUMONIA
Johnny Thigpen, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thigpen, is gradually recovering from an attack of pneumonia. Young Thigpen was seriously ill the latter part of the week, but is now making satisfactory progress.

About 50 Candidates Will Display Wares During Training

IDEAL WEATHER

First Home Game Sunday, April 7, With Raleigh Club

On Saturday recruits for the Binghamton baseball team began arriving in Edenton and immediately a workout was held in the afternoon on Hicks Field. The group is headed by Bill McCorry, business manager, and Garland Braxton, manager. The first group of players, coaches, trainers and sports writers totaled 38, who are making their headquarters at Hotel Joseph Hewes during the 30-day spring training period.

The group has been greeted with favorable weather thus far, so that considerable progress is being made in whipping the players into shape. Practice sessions are held daily from 10:30 A. M. to 2:30 P. M., the group taking out only enough time to eat lunch, which is served on the field.

Mr. McCorry is now planning a schedule of games, the first being next Sunday, when the Binghamton boys will go to Norfolk to play the Norfolk Tars. The first Edenton game scheduled is for Sunday, April 7, when they meet the Raleigh team on the Edenton diamond.

Almost 50 recruits are scheduled to try out for berths on the Binghamton club, some of whom are the following:

Catchers
James Barbary, who played with Phil Rizzuto and other big league players in the service.

Tony Chernetsky, caught semi-pro ball in Luzerne, Pa., in 1940-41 and in the service caught for Smyrne Army Air Corps in Tennessee.

Maurice Cunningham, played quite a bit of ball in service. There is a possibility that he may be optioned out to Quincy, Augusta or Norfolk.

Alex Danickson, a promising receiver and good batter.

Verne Hoschett, caught for non-commissioned officers' physical training, Hobbs Army Air Field in New Mexico. In May he caught 65 games and was leading batter.

Pitchers
Paul F. Dair, played on the 131st Infantry team at Sioux St. Marie, Michigan and played in England.

Ray Fancell, in 1941 pitched for Orlando and Miami Florida. While in service he pitched for Curtis Bay and Camp Bradford in Norfolk.

Johnny Howard, former Findlay College pitcher who played in New State League, New Hampshire and Vermont prior to the war. As a

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Red Men Plan Fish Fry On April 2nd

Chowan Tribe of Red Men will have a fish fry Tuesday night, April 2nd, the affair scheduled to be held at Ernest Lee's filling station on the Windsor highway at 7:30 o'clock. Wives of the members are invited to attend, so that a goodly number is expected to be on hand.

The committee appointed to make the necessary arrangements includes W. R. Israel, Frank Hughes, A. S. Hollowell and R. B. Hollowell.

Contracting Firm Formed In Edenton

J. F. Trogdon and Ernest Kehayes Owners Of New Concern

Another new Edenton enterprise has just been formed, which will be known as the Albemarle Construction Company, members of which are J. F. Trogdon and Ernest Kehayes. The concern will do general contracting work, with Mr. Trogdon in charge.

Mr. Trogdon supervised building of the houses in the two Edenton housing projects and prior to coming to Edenton supervised building of 50 houses in Wilmington. He is a native of Asheboro and has had 34 years experience in the contracting business.

The new concern expects to maintain an office in the Citizens Bank building as soon as one is available.