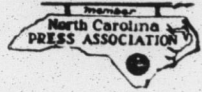


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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT

CALMNESS IN IMMENSITY: Look unto the heavens and see; and behold the clouds which are higher than thou.—Job 22:5.

Not As Big As It Sounds

Town Council on Monday night authorized the issuance of Town of Edenton bonds not to exceed \$370,000 for the purpose of street improvements and also called a special election to vote on the matter on Saturday, July 27. Of course, \$370,000 is a lot of money and the first objection which will no doubt be heard will be that it is too much money to invest in improvements and that taxes will necessarily be increased.

In the first place, authorization of the \$370,000 bond issue does not necessarily mean that that amount will be spent. In fact, it is reasonably certain that it will not. Nor does it mean that all of the proposed work has to be done, or any part of it. It is a legal procedure necessary before bonds can be sold, so that the \$370,000 figure was arrived at from an estimate for doing all of the work, which includes paving practically all of the remaining dirt streets, installing curbs and gutters and improving the storm drainage system, as the result of which unsightly and dangerous ditches would be closed.

If these improvements are made, it will be the greatest forward step Edenton has made in over a quarter of a century when present hard-surfacing was done. According to some people who were here at that time a great howl went up that the town would be ruined and that taxpayers would never be able to pay for it. But who would be willing to return to conditions as they existed at that time? It is reasonable, too, to expect the same attitude to prevail years hence if the improvements are made now at a time when the town is out of debt and taxpayers are better able to pay taxes than they have ever been before.

Besides, the initial cost is not all to be considered, for in the course of time the resultant saving to the Street Department will greatly offset the cost. The Street Department budget is by far the largest item in the town's annual expenditures, and with paved streets and closed ditches, much of the present maintenance expense could be eliminated. Approximately half of the Street Department's time is devoted to grading dirt street, cleaning ditches, placing pipe in ditches where bridges to houses have rotted away, as well as numerous other jobs which will not be necessary if the improvements are made.

Another angle to the proposed improvements is the fact that people living on dirt streets are no little inconvenienced due to dust. They are surely due some consideration, for they are taxpayers just as much as those who live on paved streets. In an effort to provide some relief, calcium chloride was spread on dirt streets the last two years to hold down dust, which is a very costly proposition. To be really effective, two applications a year should be provided, and to cover all of the present dirt streets the amount needed for only one application costs over \$1,000, so that if this procedure is continued it isn't difficult to figure the saving of this item alone over a period of years.

Under present conditions it is necessary to grade streets to make them usable, but after every rain the streets are torn up, so that it is necessary to do the same work over and over again to keep the streets in any kind of condition. This work alone calls for an expensive grading machine and almost all of one man's time.

Of course, to keep abreast of the times costs money, but in this respect Edenton is lagging. For towns about the size of Edenton the average amount of hard surfaced streets is around 80 per

HEARD & SEEN

By "BUFF"

Maybe Edenton has started something in recently using one of the fire engines to spray the crepe myrtle trees which were getting in bad shape due to lice. Cap'n Dick Hall on Tuesday received a letter from E. L. Baker of Greenville, stating that trees in Greenville are similarly affected, and noticing an item in The News and Observer that Edenton used a fire truck to spray the trees, he wants to know what solution was used. Cap'n Dick has answered that soap suds were used, but he hasn't been able to tell the Greenville man where he can get the soap powder.

Masons are in for a good feed next Tuesday when a district meeting will be held at Colerain, at which the Colerain and Harrellsville lodges will be hosts. Grand Master William J. Bundy and Grand Secretary Wilbur Melver will be present, so that Deputy Grand Master Izzy Campen is hoping many Edenton Masons will attend. Barbecue will be served at 6 P. M. Enuf said.

Mrs. Hazel Gibbs informed The Herald just before going to press that stores will abandon the half holiday Wednesday before the Fourth of July. All stores will close for the July 4 holiday, so all we need is a good baseball game.

Mrs. W. D. Holmes, Sr., and Miss Dorothy Holmes were thrilled Tuesday when they spoke over the telephone to their son and brother, William Holmes. The latter called from Rome, Italy, where he is now stationed, and while he is getting along fine, he said he wished he could be back in Edenton. He's seen a lot of places, but, he said, he has not seen any he'd rather live in than dear old Edenton.

Two Edenton groups attended two separate conventions during the week—the Lions and American Legion. Being a convention-goer myself, it is needless to ask any of 'em if they had a good time, for I understand that, as at the conventions I attend, the boys from the central and western parts of the State made the eastern boys' rooms their headquarters. And incidentally, Edenton convention-goers could very easily pull a convention to Edenton if hotel facilities were adequate.

It might well remind those desiring typhoid fever, whooping cough and smallpox vaccine and diphtheria toxoid or combined whooping cough and diphtheria to go to the Health Department any Saturday morning from 9 to 12 o'clock noon.

While in Edenton just about 50 per cent of the streets are paved.

Edenton missed a splendid opportunity several years ago to pave all of the present proposed work done when a number of WPA projects were drawn up, but because of the town's proportional share of the cost, which was far below what it will cost today, the idea was abandoned because it meant some increase in the tax rate.

An opportunity will be given for citizens to vote on the bond issue, so that The Herald hopes the election will be carried and at least some of this very necessary work done. If the election fails, it will mean that Edenton will stand still—if standing still does not actually mean going backward.

There will be no new registration for the special election, but any qualified voter who wants to cast a ballot and is not on the registration books will have an opportunity to do so any time between July 6 and 13, both days inclusive.

The Herald is 100 per cent for making the improvements and intends to have something to say about it in more than this issue.

Let's Be Done With Playing Football

That Edenton as a whole is desirous of continued operation of the Naval Air Station is reflected in the determined efforts put forth by a committee from the Chamber of Commerce, which went to Washington and placed the merits of their argument for the base before high ranking Navy Department officials. This group is to be complimented for their interest and sacrifice of time and energy in trying to save the base, and it's about time some definite action is taken one way or another instead of kicking the base around like a football.

After the war ended, the Edenton Naval Air Station was authorized as a permanent base. Later word went out that it was to be closed and following a protest of Congressman Herbert Bonner, the closing order was cancelled. In a few short weeks the information was that the base was to close by August 1, and following the local protests, the promise has been made that a resurvey will be made.

To be sure, Edenton wants the base, but if it is the intended purpose of the Navy to close it, now or within a month or more, why not have a definite statement rather than keep the entire community in a quandary as to just what might happen. Either there is merit to the local committee's argument, or there is some politics being used to change the base from a Navy-owned site to Atlantic City, which is a leased proposition.

Officers Named For Youth Fellowship

Rosa Asbell of Edenton Among Officers Elected

Officers for the Chowan-Perquimans Sub-District of the Methodist Youth Fellowship were elected last Friday night at the Anderson Methodist Church near Hertford. Howard Pitt of Hertford was chosen president, Darwood Lee Barber of Winfall, vice-president; Elizabeth Byram of the Anderson Youth Fellowship, secretary, and Rosa Asbell of Edenton, treasurer. Mrs. J. D. Cranford and Mrs. B. C. Reavis were chosen as counsellors of the group.

A short program was given by the Anderson young people after which the Rev. B. C. Reavis of Hertford gave an interesting and helpful message.

An initiation was given to the group to be held in August, with the Hertford Youth Fellowship.

During the social hour refreshments were served by the Anderson young people.

In spite of the unfavorable weather the attendance at the meeting was 42 including young people, their leaders and visitors.

Galilee Four Will Sing At Colored High School

The Galilee Four, outstanding Gospel singers of Rocky Mount, will present a program of spiritual music at the Edenton colored high school Friday night, June 21, beginning at 8:30 o'clock.

A small admission will be charged and seats will be reserved for white people.

CELEBRATES 86th BIRTHDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chappell were delightful hosts at their home Friday night when they served a steak dinner in honor of Paul Olsson, who observed his 86th birthday. Those enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chappell, E. T. Rawlinson, William O. Elliott, Arthur Hollowell and J. Edwin Bufflap.

Mr. Olsson is one of the most popular inmates of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home at Greensboro and returned there Monday morning.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell S. Benton of Belvidere announce the birth of a daughter, Bonnie Beth, on Friday, May 31. Mrs. Benton is the former Miss Lessie Mae Chappell.

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In memory of my mother, Mrs. Roxie Nixon, who died June 10, 1941: June is here again, and to me this month is sad.

For that's when God took mother away and I hated to see her go so bad. Five years she has been gone, but it seems like fifty to me. Because all I have of her now is just a memory.

Oh so sad the farewell, it hurt me more than I could tell. But God looked down from Heaven above and comforted me with His wonderful love.

How she did suffer in this world is more than tongue can tell. But I know she's up there now and has bid suffering farewell. When I think of days gone by, I wonder why she had to die. And leave me in this world to roam. For there's no place now that seems like home.

My mother was so kind and good, She always did the things she should. To help others in every way. She trusted in God every day. I love to go back to the old home. For that's where my thoughts so often roam.

But it will never seem like home no more. Since God called mother to the other shore. Oh I miss her more each day I miss her in every way. And with God's help I will prepare. To meet her some day up there. It is true as it has been said. You never miss your mother until she is dead. Sisters can be kind, brothers can be good. But they can never do like your mother would. Memories of my mother are so sweet to me. And I know they will always be.

—Written by her daughter, Bessie Mae Nixon, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Offices Set Up For Sale Surplus Items

The first of this week saw the establishment of seven sub-regional offices of War Assets Administration to operate in North and South Carolina under the jurisdiction of J. K. Wilson, regional director of WAA's Charlotte office. Field directors who were in charge of the offices reported at their respective posts Monday and started organization of the new program. Sub-regional offices are located at the Navy Yard, Charleston, S. C., Fort Jackson, Columbia, S. C., Moncks Corner, S. C., the Quartermasters Depot and the WAA Disposal Center at Charlotte, N. C., Fort Bragg, N. C. and Camp Butler, N. C.

The purpose of these sub-regional offices is to conduct continuous site sales of government-owned surplus property of all types. Starting dates for the first sale will be announced shortly, as soon as the various organizations are completed. Newspaper advertising and catalogs issued at the site will keep priority claimants, including veterans of World War II, and the public fully informed of sale dates at the various sites, as well as commodities to be offered.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Friends will be glad to know that Mrs. Joe Basnight has returned from Tayloe Hospital, Washington, N. C., where she underwent an operation. Mrs. Basnight is very much improved and desires to thank her friends for their kindness and beautiful flowers sent during her illness.

LOCAL WOMAN THROWS AWAY TEN PAIRS OF SHOES

One local woman said she bought every kind of shoe available to keep her feet from aching, but without success. So she threw them all away. Then a friend recommended PED-EX, after massaging her feet several times with PED-EX the soreness, pain and swelling left. Now she is able to wear regular shoes without having to take them off every time she sits down.

PED-EX is made from essential oils designed for foot sufferers. It is greaseless and stainless. It gives quick relief to sunburn, bruises, diaper rash and tired, aching, burning or itching feet. PED-EX is sold by all drug stores here in Chowan County in professional size only.

Methodist Speaker

Bishop Charles C. Sealeman, former president of Southern Methodist University and resident bishop of the Dallas Area of The Methodist Church, will be heard on The Methodist Hour on Sunday June 23rd. He will speak on "The Supremacy of Personality", and will be heard over WPTF at Raleigh at 8:30 A. M. (EST).

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