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Highway Officials Present Proposition To Eliminate Problem In North Edenton

Agree to Curbs and Gutters If Storm Drainage Is Provided

PIPE COSTS \$2,000

Present Partial Storm Sewer Considered Too Small

T. J. McKim, engineer for the First Division of the State Highway Commission, and W. S. Winslow, hydrographic engineer, last week met with Mayor Leroy Haskett and Street Commissioner J. Edwin Buflap to present a report regarding the construction of curbs and gutters on U. S. Highway 17 in North Edenton as a solution to a very annoying drainage problem. The report followed a recent survey by the highway engineers.

Mr. McKim stated that the State, he believed, will construct curbs and gutters provided the Town installs adequate storm sewers to carry off the water. It was explained that unless these storm sewers were adequate to carry off the water, there would be no point in providing curbs and gutters. It was also explained that there is very little fall in the area affected and that it would be necessary to remove some of the trees along the highway, for the 24-foot highway would have to be widened to 36 feet.

At present there is a line of storm sewer, but this is too small to carry off the water and would have to be replaced with large pipe. In fact, to provide necessary drainage, it will require about 620 feet of 24-inch pipe and about 620 feet of 18-inch pipe. This pipe will cost in the neighborhood of \$2,000 not counting the cost of putting it in place.

Mayor Haskett assured McKim and Winslow that he would bring up the matter at the next meeting of Town Council and inform them immediately thereafter what action was taken.

North Edenton drainage has been a problem for many years and despite temporary repairs made by the Street Department, residents are greatly handicapped after practically every rain, so that much complaint has been registered from time to time with members of Town Council.

Rain Halts Play In Albemarle League

Fourth of July Contests Postponed Due to Showers

STANDING OF CLUBS

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Windsor	11	4	.733
Hertford	10	7	.588
Colerain	8	6	.571
Elizabeth City	5	7	.417
Edenton	6	9	.400
Camden	4	10	.286

Rain put a damper on all Albemarle League games last week, with double headers and a big Fourth of July schedule postponed because of continuous showers.

With the sun peeping through shower laden clouds, the Colonials attempted to dry the field and get the grounds in playing condition two days last week in a vain attempt to present a ball game. Each time "the rains came."

Officials Have Eye On Drivers Of Taxicabs

Chief of Police George I. Dail reports that there is a growing tendency on the part of a few taxicab drivers to wink at the taxicab regulations, which are now under the jurisdiction of town authorities.

"We are determined to break up the illegal use of taxicabs in Edenton," said Dail, and he will have the wholehearted support of Town Council.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT

Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Court House. Last week's meeting was called off due to the July Fourth holiday, so that W. P. Goodwin, master of the lodge, urges all members to make an effort to attend. There will be work in the third degree.

Old Town Hitching Lot Thing Of Past

Plot Purchased By Edenton Bay Packing Company

Edenton's familiar hitching lot which ever since the memory of old Edentonians has been located on West Water Street, is a thing of the past. The lot was recently purchased by the Edenton Bay Packing Company and will be used by the concern.

J. M. Jones says that on the lot is a small building which many years ago housed the Edenton Post Office. Mr. Jones is willing to give the building to anyone interested in its preservation, but if no interest is shown he plans to tear down the building.

The lot for many years was rented by the Town as a hitching lot for the convenience of farmers coming to town, and Town Councilmen are now making an effort to secure the lot of Mrs. M. G. Brown on East King Street for the same purpose.

J. L. Pettus Escapes Injury In Accident

Crashes Into Ditch to Avoid Collision With Automobile

J. L. Pettus narrowly escaped serious and probably fatal injuries Saturday afternoon when he crashed into a ditch about two miles below Creswell in order to avoid colliding with an automobile heading toward him.

The accident occurred about 3:30 o'clock, but in his struggle to get out of his predicament, he was unable to secure the license number of the car, which continued on its mad rush down the highway.

Crawling out of the water about waist deep, Mr. Pettus flagged a freight train which brought him into Edenton. His car was brought home by a local wrecker and aside from water, little other damage was done.

Rev. D. C. Crawford Plans Leave Edenton

Ministers Express Appreciation of His Work While In Edenton

The Chowan Ministerial Association met Monday morning, at the Presbyterian Church at Edenton, the time of meeting being set at 11 o'clock. The Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., president of the association, presided. A report was given on a recently-held vacation Bible school which was a co-operative effort of a number of Edenton churches. The school was described as successful.

On account of conflicts, it was decided to dispense with the August and September meetings, the next meeting being set for October 7 at the Parish House on Gale Street in Edenton at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Mr. Crawford announced that he was not expecting to be present at the meeting in October, as he was planning to leave Edenton some time in September. Words of appreciation for the work done by Mr. Crawford were expressed by the Rev. H. Freo Surratt on behalf of the other ministers. The Rev. John T. Byrum, vice president of the association, is expected to preside at the October meeting.

After a prayer by Mr. Surratt, Mr. Crawford gave his final blessing in form of a prayer for the association and its members. Five members were present at the meeting.

LEGION WILL MEET TUESDAY

A meeting of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion will be held Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the Court House. William P. Jones, commander of the Post, urges all members to attend.

TWO FIRES IN JUNE

Fire Chief R. K. Hall reports that the Fire Department was called out only two times during June. Neither of the fires caused any damage.

Referendum For New Tobacco Marketing Quotas Held Friday

Chowan County Growers Will Vote at Court House

Friday, July 12, Chowan County tobacco growers, together with other growers in the State, will determine whether or not marketing quotas will be continued, for on that day a referendum will be held at which growers can vote for or against a program which will insure fair prices for the next three years. For Chowan County the voting place will be at the Court House, with the polls being open from 7 A. M. until 9 P. M.

If quotas are approved by the tobacco growers, acreage allotments will be continued at a level designed to keep production in proper balance with demand, thus assure a fair return for tobacco marketed. If the referendum is defeated there will be no acreage allotment, so that there is no telling how much tobacco will be raised and, of course, there is the very strong possibility that a glutted market will materially pull down prices, so that a larger crop without quotas will not bring in as much revenue as a smaller crop under the marketing quota program, despite the greater outlay for raising the crop.

It has been pointed out that in 1935 without quotas, tobacco averaged 14 cents per pound, while under quotas in 1945 prices jumped to an average of 43 cents per pound. The Farm Bureau, county agents and leading tobacco growers are very much in favor of the marketing quota, seeing in it a properly balanced relationship between supply and demand and the means of maintaining the economic level of the tobacco farmer, which prior to the marketing quota system was very low.

In event any of the details of the referendum are not clear, any county agent or AAA officer will be glad to furnish any information, all of whom urge tobacco growers to cast a ballot in the referendum and, of course, hope it is a favorable vote.

Colored Man Killed In Boiler Explosion At Edenton Plant

Erie Harrell, White Machinist, Also Injured In Accident

A boiler exploded in the Edenton Building Supplies Company in North Edenton early Wednesday morning, killing William Riddick, colored laborer and injuring Erie Harrell, white machinist.

The loud explosion was heard throughout town and was followed by billowing clouds of smoke coming from the North Edenton section. Fire engines and police cars were dispatched immediately and had the situation under control in a short time.

The body of Riddick, the colored laborer, was found intact with the skin blanched from the heat. He was a former employee of the Edenton Street Department.

Harrell was treated for burns, cuts and bruises, but was permitted to return home.

The building is owned by E. W. Evans and suffered considerable damage, with numerous machines torn up from the blast. Both ends of the boiler were blown out, showing the intensity of the blast.

The explosion occurred at 8:10 A. M., and was over in a matter of seconds.

ANOTHER WAR CASUALTY

J. L. Wiggins, chairman of the Chowan County Draft Board, informed The Herald that another name had been omitted from the list of those who lost their lives in World War II. The name omitted was Elsberry Chappell, white.

LOSE ANOTHER GAME

Edenton's American Legion Junior baseball team lost another game in the series Saturday night in Wilson, where it was forced to take the short end of an 8-3 score with the Raleigh youngsters.

TEARING DOWN OLD HOTEL

Workmen this week began tearing down the old Penelope Barker Hotel on Broad Street, which will be replaced by a modern and up-to-date building by the Belk-Tyler Company.

Revived Edenton Band Thrills Large Crowd July Fourth

Concert In School Auditorium Directed By C. L. McCullers

Edentonians were treated with band music on July Fourth which revived memories of a few years ago when Edenton proudly boasted one of the best high school bands in the State under the leadership of Director C. L. McCullers. Mr. McCullers, now Chamber of Commerce secretary at Kinston, again waved the baton as over 30 of his former pupils as well as other former band members played with as much ability and enthusiasm as when they proudly paraded for many occasions in various parts of the State.

The concert was an idea of Mr. McCullers who, together with Mrs. McCullers, had a hankering to have more or less of a reunion with their former young pupils and friends. Members of the band had been practicing for some time in anticipation of the proposed concert, so that when Mr. McCullers arrived Wednesday night to lead a rehearsal he was very agreeably surprised with the way the boys and girls played after so long a time of inactivity.

The concert, planned as a Fourth of July feature on the Court House Green, was presented in the school auditorium due to inclement weather and attracted a large number of interested people who were loud in their praise for the splendid program and the way the members performed.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. McCullers entertained them Wednesday night and on Thursday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. McCullers entertained their young friends at a weiner roast.

Albemarle League Plans An All-Star Game On July 18th

Rosters of Clubs Decided to Be Frozen as of August 15

Officials of the Albemarle League held a special meeting here Friday night in the Edenton Supply Company office to formulate plans for an all-star game to be played July 18 at Hertford's Memorial Field at night.

The league was divided into two camps with Windsor, Colerain and Edenton representing the Southern interests and Elizabeth City, Hertford and Camden appearing on behalf of the upper Albemarle or northern cause.

Star players from each team will perform, with pitchers allowed a maximum of three innings. Hertford's Moe Bauer and Edenton's Garland Little will probably tangle in the first three innings of the all-star spectacle.

In the interest of fair play, and so that no "ringers" could be tossed into the Shaughnessy playoffs to be played in the latter part of August, the directors voted to put a freeze on all players in the league August 15.

A resolution calling for all chief umpires to be appointed by the league president was voted into by-laws. This was done to avoid controversy when "home town" umpires officiate.

A tentative schedule for the remainder of the season was presented and approved by the directors who adjourned immediately thereafter.

Attending the meeting were Gene Freeman, acting Colerain director; Graham Byrum, Edenton director; A. W. Hefren, Hertford director; Fred Dunstan, Jr., Windsor director; W. J. Daniels, league president, and Walter Holton, league secretary.

Edenton Police Arrest 83 Persons In Month

During June Edenton police arrested 83 persons, all of whom were found guilty. According to Chief of Police George I. Dail's report, those arrested were 56 white males, two white females, 23 colored males and two colored females.

As usual, drunks led the list with 29, followed by 24 for parking and traffic violations and 19 for speeding. Fines amounted to \$578, costs \$759.30 and officers' fees turned over to the clerk, \$192.15.

Fifty-one calls were answered during the month, 30 street lights reported out, 35 warnings issued and 10 courtesies rendered.

Faced With Small Amount Of Business, Town Council Has Brief Session Tuesday

New Rotary Officers To Be Installed Today

C. W. Overman Will Be Successor to Marvin Wilson

At today's (Thursday) meeting of the Edenton Rotary Club, C. W. Overman is scheduled to be installed as president, succeeding Marvin Wilson. Richard Elliott at the same time will become the club's vice president succeeding John A. Holmes.

Officers of the club were elected in May but installation is always postponed until the first of July, the beginning of the Rotary fiscal year. The meeting last week was called off due to the Fourth of July holiday, so that every Rotarian is urged to attend today.

Red Men Planning For Visit On July 26

About 50 Virginia Red Men Expected In Delegation

Members of the Chowan Tribe of Red Men are expecting a delegation from Massasoit Tribe, No. 77, of Norfolk to pay a fraternal visit Friday night, July 26. The visitation was originally planned for Friday night of this week, but was postponed.

About 50 Red Men are expected to compose the delegation, so that an effort will be made to secure the Armory for the occasion due to the crowded quarters of the local tribe. R. E. Hollowell and J. Edwin Buflap were appointed as a committee to arrange for the meeting. Prominent Red Men of Virginia will be among the visitors, so that a special meeting will be called for the occasion in order to allow time to hear some of the visitors speak.

Life Saving Rig Is Now Ready For Use

Boat Delivered and Other Equipment Also On Hand

For the first time in the history of the town, Edenton is now equipped with life saving equipment for use in any emergency in the water. A sturdy skiff has just been received and will be placed on a trailer so that it can be rushed hurriedly to any place an accident occurs.

The boat will be propelled with an outboard motor and with it is a set of dragging hooks and an inhalator for use when needed.

The equipment was authorized about a year ago when the need was emphasized after a series of drownings.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goodwin Entertain At Family Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goodwin were delighted hosts last week when for the first time in over four years they entertained all of their children and grandchildren at their home. For the occasion Mr. Goodwin barbecued a pig, which, together with many other good things to eat, provided a bounteous dinner.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin and their families present for the affair were: Caleb Goodwin, Wallace Goodwin, Earl Goodwin, Mrs. Mack Warden of Bridgeport, Conn., Carrol Cason Goodwin, David Goodwin and Miss Mary Goodwin.

METHODIST CONFERENCE IN EDENTON CHURCH JULY 17

The Rev. J. H. Miller, district superintendent of the Elizabeth City District, will attend the mid-week service at the Methodist Church Wednesday night, July 17, at 8 o'clock. At that time the third quarterly conference of the local church will be held.

Drainage Petition From North Edenton Is Adopted

STATE INVOLVED

Two Taxicab Drivers up For Violations of Regulations

Town Council held one of the briefest meetings in months Tuesday night when business coming before it was attended to in time to adjourn before 10 o'clock. The most important matter to come before the Board was the adoption of a petition signed by practically all of the residents on Broad Street in North Edenton requesting the North Carolina Highway and Public Works Commission to provide adequate drainage and consenting to the removal of any trees necessary which will interfere with such drainage and widening of the street from 24 to 36 feet. This petition was adopted by Town Council and was signed by the following:

William A. Sexton, Jr., Clyde S. Adams, Lee V. Spruill, Howard L. Spruill, O. P. Overman, Paul Wallace, G. C. Swain, Mrs. J. E. Swain, W. A. Menden, George T. White, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crumney, Mrs. P. J. Warner, Mrs. Ralph Hawkins, Mrs. B. F. Britton, Clyde Hollowell, Mrs. Emma W. Perkins, H. W. Layton, T. A. Goodman, Mary Morris, Mrs. C. J. Wiggins, O. L. Brown, C. W. Hayman, C. H. Craddock, L. H. Craddock, H. T. Layton, John Lee Spruill, Mrs. W. A. Mills, George Shaw, Willie H. Bunch, W. S. Sutton, T. C. Cross, Mrs. Jessie Eason, William Adams, Robert Perry, L. W. Stallings and Miss Bernice Williams.

Under the provisions of the petition the State will construct curbs and gutters and catch basins, while the Town will be required to replace a present 15-inch pipe line with an 18-inch line, as well as add 24-inch pipe to carry off water.

J. N. Pruden was authorized to sell at public auction a small lot on East School Street. The lot is owned by a party in New York, who turned over the deed to the town and county rather than pay the accumulated back taxes.

A. S. Hollowell and W. J. Daniels appeared before the Board requesting permission for Chowan Tribe of Red Men to sponsor a carnival the latter part of September. This request was granted.

Backing up the police in their effort to curb violations of taxicab regulations, the license of M. W. Hughes was suspended based upon a charge of speeding. S. J. Moore, Jr., was placed on six months' probation on a charge of driving a female passenger on the front seat when the rear seat was unoccupied.

During the meeting seven taxicab drivers' licenses were renewed. These were Harry Crumney, Linuel McKinley Vaughan, Willie Payton Daniels, S. R. Cobb, Madison Phillips, Burley Winfield and S. J. Moore, Jr.

Clerk R. E. Leary reported that he was notified by the Edenton Bay Packing Company that the concern had purchased the piece of ground used for many years as a hitching lot, so that arrangements were made with Mrs. M. G. Brown to use her lot on East King Street as a hitching lot.

W. M. Wilkins, chairman of the Finance Committee, was out of town, so that a special meeting will be held within a few days to consider the budget for the year 1946-47.

METHODIST SERVICES

Services will be held in the Methodist Church Sunday night at 8 o'clock, when the pastor, the Rev. H. F. Surratt, will preach on the subject, "The Revitalized Church." Church School will be held at 9:45 A. M., and the Youth Fellowship meeting at 7 P. M.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MEETS

The Youth Fellowship of the Evans Methodist Church met Monday afternoon with Belle White. Following the meeting the young people visited Holley's Wharf beach. There were 16 young people present for the meeting.

NEW AGENT ON JOB

Robert S. Marsh, new assistant county agent, is now on the job, the first part of last week being principally with acquainting himself with office affairs and visits to 4-H clubs, one feature being working out a schedule of classes, physical training, vesper services and supervised recreation with the Chowan and Perquimans agents.