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Edenton Climbs To Lead In League Race

Campaign To Kill Rats In Chowan County Scheduled To Be Held September 20

Effort Being Sponsored By Chowan County Farm Bureau

NOMINAL COST

Estimated Rats Cause \$100,000 Damage Annually In County

Friday, September 20, is set as execution day for Mr. Rat in Chowan County, announces "Judge" C. W. Overman, county agent. Plans are being made to have people in Chowan County cooperate in poisoning rats on that date. The campaign is being sponsored by the Chowan County Farm Bureau.

Fortified Red Squill, the poison which will be used, is harmless to people and domestic animals, cats and dogs, according to Mr. Overman, but has proven deadly effective on rats in the control campaigns which have been conducted by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service for a number of years. The bait will be prepared in three-pound packages which is sufficient for the average farmer. Complete instructions go with each three-pound package which will cost \$1.00.

In order that the proper amount of bait may be prepared for those desiring same, it is necessary for Mr. Overman's office to know in advance the number of people who wish to participate in the campaign. Rats travel from farm to farm and build to building, therefore it is necessary that as many people cooperate in this rat killing campaign as possible. Those wishing to obtain bait on September 20 should send \$1.00 for each three-pound package to Mr. Overman's office immediately, along with their name and address. The closing date for accepting orders is Saturday, September 14. On September 20 the bait will be distributed at various stations over the county as nearly convenient for everyone as possible. Large farms will possibly need two, three or maybe more packages to properly do the job. The three-pound package is sufficient for the average individual farming unit.

It is estimated that each year in Chowan County rats cost \$100,000 in destruction. In addition to this terrific loss, rats carry many deadly diseases, as well as cause considerable annoyance on the premises.

"Let's make an all-out attempt at wholesale slaughter on these destructive enemies. Send your bait orders in at once," urges Mr. Overman.

Mrs. Wallace Jordan Burned And Cut While Canning Soup Mixture

Mrs. Wallace Jordan was painfully cut and burned Monday at her home near Eason Cross Roads while canning soup mixture. Noticing that water in the canner had boiled down, Mrs. Jordan attempted to add water when the jars burst, scattering glass and boiling liquid over her and about the kitchen.

Mrs. Jordan's burns and cuts were treated by Dr. F. L. Morris of Gatesville, who later removed her to Lake View Hospital in Suffolk, where she is getting along as well as can be expected.

William S. Elliott Building New Plant

William S. Elliott, proprietor of Elliott Cleaners, this week began the erection of a new cleaning and pressing plant on East Queen Street on the N. J. Hollowell lot he recently purchased. The new building was designed by Jack Pruden and will be a one-story modern structure, having a facade and canopy driveway and update in every respect. It is expected to be completed in two months. Mr. Elliott will also add new and co-date equipment, making his establishment one of the best equipped in this section. He will continue to do business in the old building while the new structure is being erected.

SOCIETY MEETS MONDAY

The Missionary Society of the Baptist Church will meet Monday afternoon, September 2, at the church. The meeting will begin at 4 o'clock and all members are urged to attend.

Holiday Monday

Labor Day, next Monday, September 2, will be generally observed as a holiday in Edenton, when practically all stores will be closed for the entire day. Jesse Harrell, president of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association, made this announcement Tuesday of this week.

No plans have been made for a celebration of any sort other than possibly a baseball game at night in the play-off of the Albemarle League.

State Guardsmen Return From Camp

Local Outfit Again Wins High Praise From Officers

Members of the Edenton State Guard company returned home Friday after a week spent at Camp Pendleton, Va., the group being one of 43 other units in camp during the week. While in camp the Guardsmen were trained in instruction and practice on the rifle range, drilled in tactical problems in civic disturbances, as well as other important phases of State Guard activities. While the training was strenuous, a program of recreation was arranged during the week.

The Edenton company was highly praised for its showing in camp and Captain Marvin Wilson, commanding officer of the company, too, was very complimentary of his men for their conduct and adaptability while in training.

Those of the local company attending camp were: Captain Marvin P. Wilson, Lieut. Wilbur S. Privott; Sergeants Emmett Dale, William S. Elliott, William Adams, Hiller F. Byrum, Carlton Goodwin, Clarence Cates, Robert Smith, Ephraim E. Wright, John A. Buck, William Lane; Corporals William C. Bunch, Jr., Thurman T. Harris, Jacob Hobowsky; Privates Lloyd D. Allen, Alvin Britton, Wm. J. Hassell, Maurice Hassell, William Sutton, Roger Haskett, Herman F. White, Jr., George E. Morris, Albert Lassiter, Jr., McKinley Wright, Jesse Williams, Thomas E. Ward, Murray Hollowell, Joe Spruill, H. A. Jordan and Ivey Meadows.

Rev. Harold W. Gilmer Ill While Vacationing

The Rev. and Mrs. Harold Gilmer are expected to arrive home Friday night or Saturday morning from Ashburnham, Mass., where they have been visiting their son, Harold, Jr. They will be accompanied by their son, whose duties at Cushing Academy will not begin until October 1. While in Massachusetts Mr. Gilmer suffered a severe abdominal attack, which put him in a hospital for three days for X-rays and observation. He is now on a strict diet, but was feeling better on Sunday, when he sent a schedule of services in St. Paul's Church to The Herald.

Visiting Preacher At Evans Church Sunday

The Rev. J. C. Williams, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown, N. J., will preach at the Evans Methodist Church Sunday afternoon, September 1, at 3:30 o'clock. The public is invited to attend. The Rev. and Mrs. Williams are visiting relatives in this section while on vacation.

Bear Grass Trio In Edenton Friday Night

The Bear Grass Trio, popular radio team which broadcasts over WRRF, Washington, N. C., will present a program in the Edenton High School auditorium Friday night, starting at 8 o'clock. The program is sponsored by the Christian Church, and the public is cordially invited.

State Health Officer Gives Timely Advice For School Children

Parents Urged to Prepare Children For New Experience

BY CARL V. REYNOLDS, M. D., North Carolina State Health Officer
Within a few days now—a few weeks at the very longest—an estimated 85,000 children, all around six years of age, will enter school for the first time. For these children, this will mean an entirely new experience—without any precedent. The first day of school life is one of the most important in the entire career of any human being, in that it marks the beginning of a journey that may be subject to many interruptions, for various causes. When we, as adults, anticipate a journey, we undergo a period of preparation, in keeping with the importance of that journey. We provide ourselves with certain necessities, if we are bent on business, and with certain luxuries, if we are going for pleasure and recreation. But these journeys are of little importance, compared with that which lies ahead for the child who is entering school for the first time.

It is highly essential, then, that those responsible for our children's physical, psychological and mental welfare see that they are prepared. This responsibility falls directly upon the shoulders of parents, to whom these little ones must look for protection. They have no means of caring for themselves, but must look to those who brought them into the world, or have assumed the responsibility for their well being.

It has been estimated that about one-third of the children who enter school for the first time have corrective physical defects, which, if neglected, may mean their educational, hence intellectual, undoing. These defects are both hidden and patent. Some are not even known to exist—being impairments of which neither the child nor its parents may be aware without a physical examination by a competent medical doctor, or, in some instances, specialists in the diagnosis and treatment of certain types of physical impairment.

Hence, it is highly important that, before sending your child to school, you should be able to answer "yes" to these questions:

1. Has my child had a complete physical examination by a competent medical doctor?
2. If any physical defects were found, have these been corrected?
3. Has the child undergone a dental examination, and have the defects, if any were found, been corrected?
4. Has the child been immunized against all diseases for which preventive or controllable measures have been discovered?
5. Have you had his vision and hearing tested?

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Legionnaires Selling USO Club Furniture

Auction Sale Will Be Held at Club Saturday Morning

With the closing of the Edenton USO Club, Ed Bond Post of the American Legion has purchased in bulk all of the club's furniture and office equipment, most of which will be sold at public auction. The sale will be held at the USO Club Saturday morning, August 31, at 10:30 o'clock, with Francis Hicks serving as auctioneer.

Among the items to be sold will be some which are still hard to get, such as a refrigerator, electric stove, tables, chairs, desks and many other useful pieces of furniture.

The public is cordially invited to attend the sale and bid on any items offered.

Methodist Group Will Meet Friday Night

The Board of Christian Education, as well as officers and teachers of the Methodist Church School will meet at the church Friday night at 8 o'clock. John A. Holmes is chairman of the Board, and because of several very important matters to be considered, he urges every member to be present.

Next Meeting Of Edw. Bond Post At Enlisted Men's Club

Meeting Postponed Until September 12 Due To Ball Games

William P. Jones, commander of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion, has notified members that the next meeting of the Post will be held Thursday night, September 12. This action was taken due to baseball conflicting with so many meetings. The Post has applied for use of the Enlisted Men's Club at the Edenton Naval Air Station, and in order to give all members an opportunity to see the club, arrangements have been made to hold the September 12 meeting there. The Legion Auxiliary is also invited to attend this meeting.

In order to arrange for any who have no way of transportation, Jimmy Gibbs, Joseph Swanner, J. C. Parks and Lester A. Jones have been appointed to see to it that nobody misses the meeting due to not having a ride. This group will meet any Legionnaires or Auxiliary members at the Police Station, Cherry's Restaurant or the Triangle by 7:30 o'clock.

Commander Jones also urges members to secure application forms as soon as possible for GI terminal furlough pay that might be due.

Officers of Ed Bond Post for the year 1946-47 are:

- Commander—William P. Jones.
- Vice Commanders—John Graham, Edward Wozelka and Willis McClenney.
- Adjutant—Walter Holton.
- Finance Officer—Philip S. McMullan.
- Service Officer—Jesse Harrell; Mrs. Willis McClenney, Assistant.
- Guardianship Officer—W. Carey Bunch.
- Sgt.-at-Arms—Luther Keeter.
- Chaplain—Paul Holoman.
- Historian—Carl Keeter.
- Athletic Officer—Raymond Everett.
- Child Welfare Officer—Mrs. Frank Elliott.
- Americanism Officer—J. L. Chestnutt.
- National Defense Officer—J. H. Conger.
- Graves Registration Officer—H. B. Willford.
- Boys' State Officer—G. B. Potter.
- Boy Scout Officer—James Bond.
- Membership Chairman—Bob Pratt.
- Publicity Officer—William S. Elliott; Irving Leigh and Bill Cozart, Assistants.
- Oratorical Contest Officer—Edmund Schwarze.
- Chairman, Sons of Legion—J. W. White.

Revival Scheduled At Ballard's Bridge

Rev. Frank Morris of Richmond Will Be Preacher

The Rev. John T. Byrum announces a series of revival services to begin at Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church Monday afternoon, September 2. The Rev. Frank Morris of Richmond, Va., will do the preaching and W. Jim Daniels of Edenton will lead the singing.

"Mr. Morris is an excellent speaker," says Mr. Byrum, "and Mr. Daniels needs no commendation to a Chowan County audience. He is a splendid song leader and he and Mr. Morris make a good team for a revival meeting."

Services will be held each afternoon through the week at 3 o'clock. The public is invited to attend all of the services.

Salisbury Preacher At Presbyterian Church On Sunday Morning

The Rev. Mr. McGinnis of Salisbury, N. C., will preach at the Presbyterian Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The pulpit committee of the church thinks very favorably of Mr. McGinnis and may want to extend a call if the congregation is favorable after hearing him, to succeed the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., who has resigned.

Every member of the congregation, as well as others, are invited to hear Mr. McGinnis. There will be no night service.

Win Eight Straight Games To Travel From Fifth Place To Top In Stubborn Fight

Time Short

According to the local Health Department, there are still some pre-school children who have not been vaccinated for smallpox, whooping cough and diphtheria. This is necessary before children enter school and the advice is given that it should be done before school opens so that children are not held back.

School opens September 9, so that little more time remains for parents to attend to this important matter.

There are 41 pre-school children who have not completed immunization. As in previous years, beginners must be six years of age by October 1, and all beginners should enroll during the first 30 days.

Widespread Dearth Of School Teachers Affects Local Units

Both Units Still Have Incomplete Faculties, For Opening

With the Edenton schools scheduled to open Monday, September 9, Superintendent John A. Holmes this week lacked two teachers, though he expects to have these vacancies filled in time for school opening.

Teachers are needed for mathematics and a combination teacher in the high school.

In the county unit Superintendent W. J. Taylor this week lacked three teachers in filling the faculty. These include one in the high school and third and seventh grade teachers. Mr. Taylor, too, is still angling for teachers and hopes to have a full faculty when school opens.

Edenton and Chowan County are not alone in a teacher shortage, for a survey by Executive Secretary Ethel Perkins of the N. C. Education Association reveals the fact that 114 school units with 14,605 positions for principals and teachers reported 1,237 vacancies still unfilled on August 27.

Miss Perkins also reported that in the 114 units reporting, 711 positions have been filled with teachers holding sub-standard certificates.

Describing the teacher shortage as the most serious in his memory, Dr. Henry Highsmith of the State Department of Public Instruction warned that the education of thousands of North Carolina children will suffer permanently unless the condition is soon corrected.

Lieut. Lucy Whiteley Home From Overseas

Lieut. Lucy Osborne Whiteley, Army Nurse Corps, arrived in New York Friday morning from Italy and spent Saturday night here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Osborne.

Lieut. Whiteley, who has been in service a year, nine months of which were spent in Italy, has reported at Fort Bragg for her discharge.

Town And County Offices Close Monday

Town and county offices will be closed all day Monday in observance of Labor Day, so that any important business should be transacted accordingly.

Street Department employees will also be given a holiday, so that there will be no collection of trash or garbage, except the usual holiday rounds in the business section.

Because of the holiday, the County Commissioners will meet next Tuesday morning instead of Monday, the usual meeting time.

Bank Of Edenton Will Be Closed On Monday

Next Monday, September 2, being Labor Day, the Bank of Edenton will be closed all day. Patrons are urged to transact their banking affairs accordingly.

Colonials Win Thriller From Elizabeth City Tuesday Night

UP-HILL FIGHT

Series For Championship Will Get Under Way Sunday

STANDING OF CLUBS (Including Tuesday's Games)

	W	L	Pct.
Edenton	30	18	.625
Windsor	27	17	.614
Hertford	28	20	.583
Colerain	22	23	.489
Elizabeth City	19	25	.432
Camden	11	34	.244

Winning their eighth straight game Tuesday night by defeating a stubborn Elizabeth City aggregation 8-7, the Edenton Colonials are now leading the Albemarle League, the first time during the entire season. The top rung was reached after a determined fight began while in fifth place, which position was held for quite a while. The Colonials, including Tuesday's games, are leading the Windsor Rebels by 11 points, while the Hertford Indians, now in third place, trail Windsor 31 points. For the greater part of the season Hertford and Windsor monopolized the league's No. 1 spot.

During the remainder of this week as many rained out games as possible will be played, with the regular season scheduled to close Saturday. On Sunday the Shaughnessy play-offs will begin, during which the first and fourth place teams and the second and third place teams will play a five-game series. The two winners of this series will play a seven-game series for the league championship.

In an up-hill fight Tuesday night the Colonials came out on top of an 8-7 score, three runs being made in the last frame to win a very exciting though rather loosely played game.

Elizabeth City scored a run in the second inning when Harris hit to center field. In attempting to catch the drive, Skipper John Byrum twisted his ankle and Harris went to second. Byrum was carried from the field. Roy Allen then doubled, scoring Harris.

The Colonials knotted the score in their half of the second. Joe Fulghum walked and Harry Lassiter was safe on an error of his bunt. Both runners were advanced on Jim Thorne's bunt, and Fulghum scored on an error of Snooky Hollowell's bunt.

The Senators went in the lead by scoring another run in the fourth. Allen and Fearing singled, the former scored from third when Jim Edwards' peg to catch Fearing off second went wild.

In the fifth inning the Colonials again knotted the score 2-2. Claude Griffin walked and Johnny Hagood was safe on an error of his bunt. After Joe Wheeler fanned and Trot Leary flied out to third, Jim Edwards singled, scoring Griffin. Fulghum fanned to end the inning.

The Colonials went into the lead in the seventh when three runs were scored as the result of errors. Hagood walked and went to second on a passed ball. Wheeler was safe on a bunt when the throw failed to catch Hagood at third. Hagood scored on a bad throw of Leary's grounder. Edwards lifted a high fly to left field, scoring Wheeler. Fulghum grounded out and Lassiter was safe on an error. Leary scoring on the play. Thorne flied out to end the inning.

With the Colonials leading 5 to 2 in the eighth, the Senators again went in the lead by scoring five runs, making the score 7-5. Jim Thorne, on the mound for Edenton, was touched for four hits in this inning and was replaced by Lester Jordan after two men were out. Black singled and Caddy beat out an infield hit. Harris walked, filling the bases. Big Roy walked, filling the bases. (Continued on Page Six)

Center Hill Revival Begins September 22

Revival services at the Center Hill Methodist Church are scheduled to be held the fourth week in September. The preacher for the series of meetings will be the Rev. B. C. Wood of Aulander.