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## Town Of Edenton Accepts Temporary Lease Of Naval Air Station Tuesday Night

Permanent Lease Will Follow Screening of Equipment

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Deal Now Pending to Sub-lease Station as a Whole

Town Council at its meeting Tuesday night accepted a temporary lease executed by the Navy Department which gives the Town of Edenton control of the Edenton Naval Air Station. The terms are that a rental of \$1.00 per year will be paid, the lease being on a yearly revocable basis. A permanent lease on the same terms will be arranged later, when the various Navy bureaus will have had time to screen the equipment at the base in order to determine what items are considered short and needed by the Navy.

Recently Mayor Leroy Haskett urged high Navy officials to speed preparation of a lease due to the fact that quite a few applications have been received for various parts of the base and Friday of last week a tentative proposition was received to sub-lease the entire base with the provision that the Town can maintain what facilities it desires for its own use. Being unable to enter into any contract without a lease, Mayor Haskett urged speedy action on the part of Navy officials so that the Town would be in position to proceed with utilization of the base.

Prospects are now that the entire base will be sub-leased to a scientist for biological research pertaining to the breeding of high class cattle and a concern manufacturing pre-fabricated houses. Raymond Umbaugh, a scientist of Argos, Indiana, and his brother, Herschel Umbaugh, were in Edenton Wednesday and Thursday of last week and were very much impressed with the base and stated that they were ready to consider a lease of the base in equipment. They, together with David Hervey, head of a re-fabricated concern, are expected to be in Edenton again Friday and will, no doubt, present a proposition to the Town for use of the base.

It is understood, however, that the Town will reserve for its use the hospital and possibly some other portions of the base.

At Tuesday night's meeting, which was called at 7 o'clock in order to allow members of Town Council to attend the baseball game, the 1946-47 budget was officially adopted, which provides for a tax rate of \$1.50 on the \$100 property valuation. The business was handled with dispatch, so that the meeting adjourned shortly after 8 o'clock.

## Farm Bureau Now Seeking Members

Workers Urged to Solicit For Members In All Parts of County

A membership drive by the Chowan County Farm Bureau is now in progress with workers this week seeking to boost the number of associate members, as well as individual members.

W. A. Harrell, president of the Farm Bureau, on Tuesday morning said that while workers in the drive were rather slow in getting started to canvass prospective new members, he was very much encouraged with early reports of those who started on the work.

Mr. Harrell stated that the membership goal of the Chowan organization is 515 members. The present membership is around 200, so that a great deal of work will be required on the part of workers to meet the county's quota. The county is divided into six teams, so that the entire county will be thoroughly covered unless some of the workers fail to complete their job.

Chairmen in the various communities are as follows: Gliden, D. H. Berryman; Enterprise, Herbert Holmwood; Edenton, O. C. Perry; Center Hill, Joe A. Wiggins; Cross Roads, Dick Leary; Rocky Hook, Carey Evans. These chairmen have a group of assistants and if any interested parties are not contacted, memberships will be gladly taken by the chairmen or officers of the Farm Bureau. The officers aside from W. A. Harrell, president, are J. G. Perry, vice-president; Rodney T. Harrell, secretary-treasurer and the following board of directors: A. C. Griffin, J. C. (Dick) Leary, West W. Byrum and J. B. Webb.

## Ordered Out

Through her attorney, Marvin Wilson, Mrs. W. I. Cozzens has notified the Town of Edenton that as of October 1 she has leased the building occupied by the Police Department on a long term basis, so that Police Headquarters will have to be moved. The building has been rented for several years by the Town and used by the police.

As the result of the notification the police must seek new quarters immediately, and on Tuesday night it was decided by Town Council that the police move back into the Municipal Building, temporarily at least, until other arrangements can be made.

## Residents In North Edenton Up In Arms As Result Of Dust

Temporary Relief Provided After Rounding Up Oil

Residents on Johnson Street have been up in arms the past two weeks as the result of a dust nuisance caused by diverting traffic over the street while work is being done by the State Highway Commission in widening Broad Street and installing curbs and gutters. So much dust is raised that residents are unable to sit on porches, much less allow doors and windows to be open.

J. Edwin Bullap, Street Commissioner, upon initial complaints, ordered two car loads of stone to provide temporary relief, but was informed by telegram that the order could not be filled. In a dilemma to provide some kind of relief about 1,000 gallons of used automobile oil was rounded up and members of the Street Department began, with inadequate equipment, to spread the oil Tuesday afternoon. What area is not treated with the oil available will be sprinkled with water, arrangements having been made with Fire Chief R. K. Hall to use one of the fire engines for the purpose.

This was one of the streets included in the recent proposed improvements to be hard-surfaced, but which was defeated in the election.

## Meeting Of Legion Is Again Postponed

Members Urged to Attend Meeting at Base September 17

Members of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion have been notified by Commander W. P. Jones that the meeting scheduled to be held tonight (Thursday) has been postponed until Tuesday night, September 17. The postponement was called on account of the Albemarle League baseball series in which Edenton and Windsor are playing for the league championship.

Every member of the Post, as well as Auxiliary members, are urged to attend the meeting, which will be held at the Enlisted Men's Club at the Edenton Naval Air Station and any not having rides are requested to be at any of the four places at 7:45 o'clock: Leggett & Davis, Mitchener's Pharmacy, the Triangle or Chery's Restaurant.

At this meeting a decision will be reached relative to use of the Enlisted Men's Club as Legion headquarters and refreshments and an interesting program is planned.

## Rev. Allen Brantley At Center Hill Church

The Rev. Allen P. Brantley, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Elizabeth City, will speak at the Center Hill Methodist Church, Tuesday night, September 17, at 8 o'clock. The public is invited. Mr. Brantley is to discuss Christian education.

## RETURNING TO WCUNC

Misses Josie White, Jackie Letcher and Mary Griffin expect to leave Tuesday of next week to resume their studies at WCUNC, Greensboro. Miss Mary MacDonald Holmes, who will also enter the college this year, plans to leave Monday of next week.

## Edenton's School Enrollment Shows Increase First Day

John A. Holmes Still Angling For Two Teachers

Edenton City Schools opened the new school year Monday morning, when appropriate exercises were held in the High School auditorium. The Rev. H. Free Surratt, pastor of the Methodist Church conducted the devotional service and Thomas Cheers, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, addressed brief remarks of welcome to the students and teachers.

According to John A. Holmes, Superintendent of City Schools, 581 pupils enrolled in the Elementary School, which is the same as last year, and 187 enrolled in the High School as compared to 156 last year. Mr. Holmes attributes the increase to the fact that the twelfth grade was added to the High School. While there are at present no figures for the Negro schools, D. F. Walker, Principal for the past 14 years, informed Superintendent Holmes that there was an obvious increase.

In the white schools there are ten teachers on register in the High School and 17 in the Elementary School, with six High School teachers and 23 Elementary in the Negro schools.

Among those teachers listed are: First grade, Misses Fannie Sue Sayers, Emily Smithwick and Mrs. Wilma Swain; Second grade, Misses Ruby Felts and Carrie Lee Jones; Third grade, Miss Myrtle Jenkins and Mrs. W. B. Shepard; Fourth grade, Mrs. Lloyd Griffin and Miss Lena Jones; Fifth grade, Miss Katherine Deans and Mrs. Edmund Schwarze; Sixth grade, Misses Mary Lee Copeland and Betty Fleming; Seventh grade, Mrs. Richard Davis and Ernest Swain, who is also principal of the Elementary School; Eighth grade, Misses Elizabeth Elliott and Marguerite Muth. High School teachers include: Miss Paulina Hassell, principal and teacher of English; Miss Louise Morgan, French and English; Ben Askew, Social Science; Tex Lindsay, Health and Physical Education; Miss Mary Gaskins, Natural Science; Miss Mary Morris, Commercial subjects; Miss Josephine Grant, Vocational Home Economics; Leon L. Lewis, Industrial Arts; Mrs. L. L. Lewis, Piano; Miss Myrtle Waff, Librarian.

Mr. Holmes informed The Herald that while at present there is a need for a teacher of Mathematics and one to teach a combination, including Latin and some Mathematics, he feels confident that despite the difficulties involved, the vacancies will be filled. The register of teachers for the Negro schools will be made available as soon as possible, it was announced.

## MASONS MEET TONIGHT

A meeting of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., is scheduled tonight.

## EDENTON COLONIALS WIN FIRST THREE GAMES FOR CHAMPIONSHIP OF LEAGUE

Winning three of the first four games played with Colerain in the semi-finals, the Edenton Colonials on Thursday night won the right to play for the championship of the Albemarle League. Five games were required to decide the winner in the Hertford-Windsor series, and in Hertford Saturday night the Bertie County team won a thrilling game so that Edenton and Windsor are now engaged in a seven-game series to decide the champions.

Up to Tuesday night Edenton had a decided advantage, having won all of the first three games played. The fourth game, weather permitting, was being played in Windsor Wednesday afternoon while The Herald was being printed. If Windsor wins the game, the next two are scheduled to be played in Edenton tonight (Thursday) and Friday night, and if the seventh game is necessary, it will be played in Windsor Sunday afternoon.

Record-breaking crowds have been attending all of the series games, as has been the case since lights were installed on Hicks Field.

The first game of the final series was played in Windsor Sunday afternoon when the Colonials won 6-3. Jim Thorne was on the mound for Edenton and was opposed by Schultz, who was replaced by Andrews. Edenton scored two runs in the first frame when Trot Leary sent the ball over the school building far out in right field. Edwards singled and scored on Fulghum's single for the other run. In the third, Leary's bat again figured in the scoring of three runs. Harry Lassiter walked and Ben Askew bunted, both runners being safe. Joe Wheeler was also safe on a neat bunt, filling the bases. Leary then doubled, cleaning the bases. The

## High School Football Team Opens Season With Greenville High

Aces Will Tackle Pitt County Boys Friday, September 20

Tex Lindsay, coach of the Edenton High School football team, announced his week that the gridiron season will open Friday, September 20, when the Aces will go to Greenville to tackle the strong Pitt County outfit. Though a bigger school, Coach Lindsay predicts that the Edenton team will make a good showing and is hopeful that the first game will result in a victory.

Coach Lindsay has had a large number of boys out for practice despite the recent bad weather and is very much encouraged with the showing made.

Stanisl Davenport and Russell Wheeler are working hard and showing promise of playing a good game at end.

Jack Habit, a hard worker, along with Curtis Pressley, Bobby Byrum and Andrew Whitson are shaping up into a fair looking backfield. There will be no first backfield! Dick Hollowell, Jimmy Cates, Maurice Hassell and Fred Keeter will be alternating and running from their respective positions as soon as they are familiar with the formation and plays.

At Habit and Pete Manning are at the guard posts which will be shared a lot by Charles Lassiter and Ralph Ward.

Several of the boys have been out regularly and are showing signs of developing into first rate football players.

"By the time we get to Greenville," said Coach Lindsay, "we are expecting to have a part of our polished form—but more time will be needed to complete that to any degree of satisfaction."

Following is the schedule for the year which is complete except for a game pending with Williamston on Nov. 8th:

- Sept. 20—Greenville there.
- Sept. 27—Columbia here.
- Oct. 4—Hertford there.
- Oct. 11—Windsor here.
- Oct. 18—Scotland Neck there.
- Oct. 25—Franklin, Va. here.
- Nov. 1—Plymouth here.
- Nov. 8—Williamston here.
- Nov. 15—Ahoskie here.
- Nov. 22—E. City there.

## Retired Minister At Center Hill Sunday

The Rev. M. L. Chappell, retired Methodist Minister of the Chappell Hill section, will be guest speaker at the Center Hill Methodist Church Sunday morning at the regular church service. The public is invited to attend.

## September Superior Court Results In One Of Shortest Sessions

N C State Library

## White Cane Sale

Sponsored by the Edenton Lions Club, a white cane sale will be conducted in Edenton Saturday. John Mitchener, chairman of the Sight and Conservation Committee of the Lions Club, will be in charge of the sale and has arranged to have members of the Girl Scouts sell the white canes.

Funds received during the sale will be used in the club's blind work. A blind worker is now in the county assisting in the readjustment of several blind cases.

## Leona Flood, Noted Violinist, Scheduled In Edenton Sept. 20

Artist Hailed as Outstanding Feminine Star In World

Talented, youthful Leona Flood, concert violinist, will make her debut to the Albemarle vicinity when she appears in a special performance at the Edenton High School auditorium Friday evening, September 20, under the sponsorship of the local Rotary Club.

The Rotary Club, in presenting Miss Flood, is bringing to Edenton the finest in cultural entertainment.

An accomplished singer as well as a violinist, the youthful virtuoso was hailed as the outstanding feminine star on a world wide tour that began in Sweden and carried her to the music centers of the old world. Acclaimed in Paris, London, Stockholm, Rome, Bucharest and other European capitals at the early age of sixteen, when most teen age youngsters were actively engaged in play, Miss Flood received rave notices from music masters the world over.

When the rumblings of war clouded the European situation, Miss Flood and her entourage returned home amidst the plaudits of the international music circles. Her last triumphant appearance before returning to America was in Sydney, Australia.

Many of Edenton's music-conscious youngsters, who also have received praise for musical feats, will be interested in knowing that Miss Flood is the proud possessor of a Stradivarius, one of the finest pieces of craftsmanship in violins.

At present Miss Flood lives with her mother in a New York penthouse overlooking the Hudson River. Marvin Wilson and Jim Wood, co-chairmen of the affair urge all interested persons to purchase advance tickets at any one of the local drug stores so that they may be assured of securing advantageous seating accommodations.

## Lions Will Entertain Edenton Ball Club

President Griffin Calls For Reports of Various Committees

Members of the Edenton team of the Albemarle League will be guests of the Lions Club at the regular meeting next Monday night, this decision being made at this week's meeting.

President Wallace Griffin during the meeting called for reports from the various committees and very interesting reports of progress were submitted by the following chairmen: Civic Improvements—Walter Holton.

Publicity—Kenneth Floars. Education—Nathan Dail. Safety—Jesse Harrell. Community Betterment—Leroy Haskett. Attendance—Linwood Worrell. Constitution and By-laws—Ralph Parrish. Finance—R. C. Holland. Membership—W. E. Malone. Program—A. P. Harrell. Convention—Hector Lupton. Boys and Girls—J. Clarence Leary. Citizenship and Patriotism—Earl Harrell. Health and Welfare—West Byrum. Sight and Conservation—John Mitchener. Lions Education—Oscar Duncan.

## Judge Frizzelle Winds Up Business In Day And a Half

10 DIVORCES

Only One Civil Case Disposed of And 10 Criminal Cases Tried

Chowan County's September term of Superior Court adjourned at noon Tuesday, marking up one of the shortest court terms on record. With Judge J. Paul Frizzelle of Snow Hill presiding 10 criminal cases were disposed of, one civil action settled and 10 divorces granted during the day and a half session.

Members of the Grand Jury are J. R. Byrum, Luther Bunch, J. S. Bunch, Erwin R. Saunders, Lloyd Overton, Julius S. Hardison, Leroy Boyce, C. A. Perry, W. G. Forehand, J. R. Bass, R. A. Mansfield, W. C. Brabble, Clarence Bunch, E. M. Howell, J. E. Peele, Preston Dail, M. C. Bateman and W. R. Eason. J. R. Byrum was named foreman. Only two drawn for jury duty were excused, being J. M. Jones and W. C. Hollowell.

In his charge to the grand jury Judge Frizzelle said he had conducted court here several times and that he did not recall trying many serious cases. He said he entertained a high opinion of the county's citizens' respect to the Court and obedience to the laws, and that he could not say anything more complimentary. He stressed the fact, however, that crime in general is now rapidly increasing in some cases and that the upsurge of crime was most brutal and fiendish, referring to several shocking cases now on trial in this State.

Judge Frizzelle stressed the importance of the grand jury, saying that passing upon presentments and bills of indictments were by no means the most important duty of the body, and that by properly carrying out of the various duties, there was never better and greater opportunity to serve the county and bring lasting benefits to its people.

Because of the nature of the grand jury, Judge Frizzelle said that conditions in the remotest section of the county should be known and that any violators of the law should be brought to justice. He took occasion to refer to school buses in the state as vehicles which should have been abandoned years ago. He said he understood conditions relative to replacements, and that he had no criticism provided the buses are kept in safe condition.

Rehearsing the usual duties of the grand jury, the Judge emphasized the duty of grand jury members to maintain secrecy not only during the term of court relative to presentments or complaints, but it is their duty to keep secret at all times what goes on in the grand jury room, so that there should be no fear to furnish or discuss information brought before the body.

The most important case tried was that of Tom Ambrose, who was charged with breaking and entering the home of Mrs. Flossie Twiddy with intent to commit rape. The defendant pleaded guilty to breaking and entering but with non-burglary intent. The State accepted the plea and he was sentenced to two years on the roads.

Freeman Anthony was found not guilty of being drunk and disorderly and with violation of probation.

George Franklin, who was charged with fraud, was remanded to Recorder's Court for compliance with a judgment in said court.

In the case of Henry Louis Miller, charged with driving a vehicle under the influence of intoxicating liquor, the State took a nol pros with leave due to all witnesses, who were stationed at the Edenton Naval Air Station, being transferred.

S. F. Linton was found not guilty on a charge of violating the speed law.

Frank Gaskins was found guilty on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon and was sentenced to two years on the roads.

William Cooper was found guilty of breaking and entering with intent to commit larceny. He was given 12 months to run concurrently with a sentence imposed in Recorder's Court on May 10 and to terminate with the expiration of aforesaid sentence.

Whit Cherry plead guilty to charges of breaking and entering, larceny and possession of burglary (Continued on Page Five)