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USO Drive Is Badly Lagging; Quota Now Only About 1/3 Raised

Chairman E. W. Spires Continues Drive Until After Christmas

\$438 IN HAND

One-third of Canvassers In Edenton Have not Reported

Although about one-third of the canvassers in Edenton for the USO drive are yet to be heard from, all indications point to failure in meeting the county's quota of \$1,500. Walter Holton, chairman in Edenton for individual contributions, reported Friday night that only \$375 had been reported to him, while another contribution from the industrial or initial gifts committee amounted to only \$63. Mr. Holton's quota is set at \$700, while the initial gifts quota is \$425. The quota for rural white people is \$300 and \$75 from colored rural people.

E. W. Spires, general county chairman, stated that he had no report from the county canvassers up to Friday night, and that in an effort to raise the county's quota, he planned to continue the drive after Christmas.

In commenting upon the apparent failure of the drive, both Spires and Holton expressed the opinion that it is ill-timed, coming at a time when practically everybody is busy with Christmas. They still have hope that the quota will be reached, and are of the opinion that after Christmas the workers will have more time to complete the canvass and that people will be more willing to contribute.

Christmas Seal Sale Returns Reported At Half Way Mark

Approximately \$850 Reported By Mrs. R. C. Holland Friday

According to a report of Mrs. R. C. Holland, treasurer of Chowan County's Christmas Seal sale, about \$850 had been returned to her up to Friday night. This amount is quite a bit less than was in hand at the same time last year, although Mrs. Holland said the report is far from being complete.

Many letters have been sent containing the seals for which the money nor the stamps have been returned, so that it is expected quite a bit more will be coming in. It is the hope of Mrs. Holland and Mrs. J. A. Moore, Christmas Seal chairman, that Chowan County will raise at least \$1,500 through the sale of the seals, but unless there is a decided increase in the returns, this figure will not be realized.

Both ladies are of the opinion that many of the letters have been laid aside and overlooked or forgotten, so that they urge those who have received the seals to return their contribution or unused seals as soon as possible.

"It is not too late to make a contribution," said Mrs. Holland, "and we hope enough will be forthcoming to raise the amount to the \$1,500 goal which was calculated at the outset of the drive."

Elliott and Holton Head Committee For Convention Of Rotary

C. W. Overman, president of the Edenton Rotary Club, at last week's meeting called attention to the meeting of International Rotary which will be held in San Francisco in June. Mr. Overman is hopeful that the Edenton Club will send a delegate and appointed Richard P. Elliott chairman of an On-to-San Francisco committee, with David Holton as vice chairman.

Elliott and Holton will make every effort to secure a local delegate to the convention.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William S. Herring of Scotland Neck, a son, William S. Herring, Jr., at Park View Hospital, Rocky Mount, on Tuesday, November 19. Mrs. Herring is the former Miss Edna Goodwin.



At this time of the year it is appropriate to take time out to express to you, our readers and advertisers, our appreciation for your loyalty and good will. We thank you, and extend our sincere wish for a Merry Christmas.

THE PUBLISHERS

Christmas Radio Program By Good Health Association

30-Minute Show Planned With Top Stars Taking Part

A gala Christmas broadcast featuring eight top Hollywood stars has been scheduled by the Good Health Association, state headquarters in Durham has announced.

The big 30-minute show is now being transcribed in California and recordings will be shipped this week to all North Carolina radio stations for presentation on Christmas day.

King Crosby and Bob Hope head the impressive array of talent appearing on the broadcast. Other participants include Judy Garland, Margaret O'Brien, Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy, Kay Kyser, Johnny Mercer, John Charles Thomas and the Bob Mitchell's Boys Choir.

Good Health officials, in announcing the holiday program, pointed out that it will not be heard over all stations at the same hour, the exact time of airing depending on the individual station's Christmas Day schedule.

The show was arranged by Kay Kyser, Rocky Mount native, who is chairman of the Good Health Association's radio division. It is being prepared gratis by writers who handle the regular radio programs of the participating stars. All stars are donating their services free, as are recording company personnel making the transcriptions.

The broadcast will be similar to the Thanksgiving production presented by the Good Health Association on November 28, being another in the current series offered in conjunction with the health educational publicity campaign. A special New Year's Day show is also planned.

Rotarians Endorse Maynard Fletcher

Candidacy Is Sponsored By Washington Rotary Club

Edenton Rotarians at their meeting last week unanimously endorsed the candidacy of Dr. Maynard Fletcher of Washington, N. C., as a director of Rotary International for Zone 4. Dr. Fletcher has been very active in Rotary affairs and is well known throughout the entire zone. His candidacy is sponsored by the Washington Rotary Club.

During last week's meeting President C. W. Overman appointed Ernest Swain, George Twiddy and J. Edwin Buffum on the Rotary Magazine Committee.

Anniversary

The Rev. Harold W. Gilmer, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of his ordination to the Diaconate on Saturday, December 28. Mr. Gilmer was ordained in Christ Episcopal Church, Meadville, Penna., by the Rt. Rev. John C. Ward, Bishop of Erie, now retired.

Lions Club Enjoys Christmas Party

Barber Shop Quartet Is Feature of Affair on Thursday Night

Members of the Edenton Lions Club and their wives enjoyed the annual Christmas party which was held in their hall Thursday night. The room was appropriately decorated for the occasion and with a Christmas tree, a spirit of Christmas prevailed. A very interesting program was arranged, which included presentation of presents to the ladies by Santa Claus, portrayed by John Mitchell.

A feature of the program was a barber shop quartet composed of Earl Harrell, Edmund Schwarze, J. Clarence Leary and Oscar Duncan. A barber shop scene was arranged with Lloyd Burton taking the part of the customer and Oscar Duncan the barber. A group of songs were rendered during the time Mr. Burton was being shaved, with Mrs. M. A. Hughes accompanying the quartet on the piano.

President Wallace Griffin turned the meeting over to R. C. Holland who served as toastmaster for the evening. The affair was arranged by a committee including W. W. Pyrum, Goddess Potter, R. C. Holland, Dr. Martin Wisely, Kenneth Flowers, Oscar Duncan, J. A. Carran, J. Clarence Leary, W. E. Malone and Edmund Schwarze.

Electric Worker Hurt In 45-Foot Fall From Pole

Murray Vick, employee of the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation, suffered a fractured shoulder and hip and internal injuries Tuesday of last week when he fell from a pole on which he was working in the Bear Swamp section.

A farm house fire, near the lines of the AEM, burned out the wires of the lines serving the area and Mr. Vick had reported to service the lines and restore power to the customers. While climbing the pole, which was charred from the fire, he lost his footing and fell a distance of 45 feet. He was taken to the Albemarle Hospital for treatment.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO BUY CHRISTMAS SEATS! HELP IN THE FIGHT TO ERADICATE TUBERCULOSIS

Service At Midnight In St. Paul's Church On Christmas Eve

Other Church Services Announced By Rev. Harold Gilmer

Services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church have been announced by the rector, the Rev. Harold W. Gilmer, as follows:

Tuesday, December 24, Christmas eve, 11:30 P. M., midnight Eucharist, plain celebration. The Young People's Choir will sing carols and Christmas hymns.

Wednesday, December 25, Christmas, Feast of the Nativity, 11 A. M., the Holy Eucharist, Choral celebration.

Friday, December 27, Feast of St. John the Evangelist, 11 A. M., office of morning prayer; 4 P. M., Mrs. Julien Wood entertains the Woman's Auxiliary and friends.

Saturday, December 28, Holy Innocents, 11 A. M., the Holy Communion; 3 P. M., Church School party.

Sunday, December 29, First Sunday after Christmas, 8 A. M., the Holy Communion; 9:30 A. M., Church School; 11 A. M., Office of Morning Prayer with sermon; 7:30 P. M., Young People's Service League.

Plans Are Completed For Christmas Dance

Holiday Affair Expected Attract Large Crowd

Plans are complete for the Christmas dance on Thursday night, December 26, which is sponsored by Ed. G. Bond Post of the American Legion. Music for the dance will be provided by Roy Cole and his University of North Carolina Orchestra, with George Demas featured as the vocalist.

The armory will be attractively decorated and with dance enthusiasts knowing the calibre of music presented by Mr. Cole, the affair promises to attract a large crowd from Edenton and adjoining territory in what is expected to be one of the most successful dances held recently. Tickets in advance of the dance are on sale and table reservations are in charge of Mrs. Frank Elliott.

Colored Births Far In Lead During November

Colored births in Chowan County far outstripped white births during the month of November, according to the vital statistics report of the local Health Department.

During the month there were 25 colored births reported, compared with seven white. The report showed there were four colored deaths and three white deaths during the month.

Carl Ober Winner 4-H Corn Contest In Chowan County Sponsored By Local Lions

Parking Space

With the permission of W. W. Massey, manager of the Belk-Tyler store in Elizabeth City, a portion of the former Penelope Barker Hotel lot on Broad Street has been cleared by the Edenton Street Department in order to provide some added parking space over the holidays.

Mr. Massey informed Mayor Leroy Haskett that it will be perfectly agreeable to use the space for parking until building the proposed new Belk-Tyler store is begun.

The space cleared is free for parking, so that it is hoped it will be used by those people coming to Edenton who cannot find suitable parking elsewhere.

Listing Of Property For Taxes Begins Wednesday, Jan. 1

List Takers Arrange Schedules In Various Townships

Attention is called this week by P. S. McMullan, County Tax Supervisor, that tax listing in Chowan County will begin Wednesday of next week, January 1 and must be completed during the month of January.

All property owners are required to list for the year 1947 all real estate, personal property, etc. which is owned on the first day of January. All male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 years are also required to list their polls during the month.

The law requires listing to be made during January, penalties being imposed upon any who fail to comply, so that Mr. McMullan, as well as the list takers urge tax payers to attend to this important matter as soon as possible.

The county's list takers are as follows: First Township, Mrs. P. S. McMullan; Second Township, Paul Ober; Third Township, T. A. Berryman; Fourth Township, C. W. Parker. Each one has arranged a schedule for listing taxes which will be seen elsewhere in this issue of The Herald.

Farm owners and tenants are required to furnish the following information: Acreage for each crop harvested during the year 1946; number of horses, mules, cows, sows, ewes and hens on farm in January, 1947; number of people living on farm in January, 1947, and number of threshing machines, combines, peanut pickers, farm tractors and farm trucks.

Only females and non-residents of a township and persons physically unable to attend and file their lists can appoint agents to list property.

General Two Day Holiday Will Be Observed Locally

Business Will Be at a Standstill December 25 and 26

Generally, a two-day holiday will be observed in Edenton over Christmas, practically every business concerning planning to be closed all day Christmas and the following day, December 25 and 26. The two-day closing also affects Town and County offices, as well as the Bank of Edenton.

Citizens of Edenton are urged, therefore, to take note of the two holidays and adjust their shopping and business affairs accordingly.

Members of the Street Department will also be given a two-day holiday.

MRS. JULIEN WOOD WILL READ POEMS DECEMBER 27

Mrs. Julien Wood will read a group of her religious poems to the members of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Parish and their friends, at her home on Friday, December 27, at 4 o'clock.

Chowan Boy Produces 104.4 Bushels of Corn Per Acre

27 BOYS ENTERED

Herbert Ray Lane and Louis Monds In Second And Third Place

Of the 27 4-H Club boys who entered the corn contest which was sponsored by the Edenton Lions Club, 23 followed through on their projects and the yield was actually checked by C. W. Overman and Robert Marsh, county agent and assistant.

Carl Ober, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ober of Route 1, was declared the winner, having made 104.4 bushels of corn per acre. Herbert Ray Lane, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lane of Ryland, won second place, making 95.9 bushels per acre. Louis Monds, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Monds of the Center Hill Community, was third with 84.5 bushels per acre.

Four boys who were in the contest and whose yields were not measured followed through in the contest, but their corn was damaged so badly by water that they either turned hogs in the field or pulled the corn early in the season before it was measured.

Herbert Ray Lane's exhibit of 10 ears of corn won first prize of \$5.00 at the annual 4-H Club Achievement Day which was held on November 2nd.

All the club members who participated in the contest planted Funk's G-717 hybrid corn which is an approved variety for Chowan County. The boys did exceptionally well with their corn projects this year, considering the adverse weather conditions and also the fact that the average corn yield in Chowan County is not more than 30 bushels per acre.

The 23 club boys whose yield was checked made 1574.0 bushels on 23.0 acres, which gives an average of 68.4 bushels per acre.

The county agents and entire Chowan County Agricultural Extension staff congratulate the 4-H Club members on their corn yields, and appreciate the fine sponsorship and cooperation that the Edenton Lions Club gave in making this contest a success.

Edenton Employment Office Handles Many Applications For Jobs

Mrs. Corie White Reports 155 Placed In November

According to Mrs. Corie B. White, manager of the local North Carolina Employment Service, her office during November handled 744 reception contacts, of which number 497 were veterans. Of the applicants 197 were referred to jobs and 155 were placed.

Mrs. White states that employees have been very cooperative in trying to create openings for veterans. On the job training under the GI Bill of Rights is still holding up well in this area, according to Mrs. White. Five placements were made during November and a few applications are still pending.

Students Recognition Day At Methodist Church Next Sunday

Preaching services will be held in the Methodist Church Sunday morning, December 29, at 11 o'clock, which will be observed as Students' Recognition Day. The Rev. H. F. Surratt, pastor, plans to have a number of college students who are home for the Christmas holidays take part in the service.

Church School will be held at 9:45 Sunday morning, and the Youth Fellowship meeting at 6:30 Sunday night.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holmes, on Thursday, December 19, at General Hospital, Norfolk, a daughter, Emily Insley Holmes. Mother and daughter are doing very nicely.