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A LIFT FOR TODAY

Stand every morning to thank and praise the Lord, and likewise at even.—I Chron. 23:30.

God is pleased with no music below so much as with the thanksgiving songs of relieved widows and supported orphans; of rejoicing, comforted and thankful persons.—Taylor.

O Lord, who lends me life, lend me a heart replete with thankfulness.

"Growing Pains"

Both Edenton and Chowan County are faced with "growing pains" and as a result Town Councilmen and County Commissioners are scratching their heads in wonder as to where the money will come from to solve the situation.

The County Commissioners are faced with building a new jail as well as a building to house all of the county agencies, not to mention some other necessary items of expense. As it the Commissioners have not enough to worry about the idea of a health center was called to the attention of The Herald by one of Edenton's citizens this week.

To be sure a health center is very necessary. At present the Health Department is cooped up in rooms on the second floor of the Bank of Edenton. These quarters lack a lot of being adequate and satisfactory for the proper discharge of the various duties. Congestion to some extent hampers the work and with some 30 steps to ascend it makes it hazardous for some people who are obliged to visit the office. There are not a few people who are victims of heart ailments making climbing steps dangerous and in one instance a pregnant woman fell on the steps to the health office. Another advantage of a health center would be X-rays, which under the present set-up cannot be handled.

Many counties in North Carolina have health centers which are a distinct credit to the community and affords a better opportunity to carry out an effective health program. With a building program in the county a necessity, it might be a good idea to consider a health center along with the other improvements.

In Edenton there is need for adequate facilities for the Fire Department, a Municipal Building and large enough quarters for the Street Department. Some progress along this line was made Tuesday night when authority was given to employ an architect in order to secure plans and specifications for a Municipal Building. The idea might not result in fruition, but at least a start has been made and nothing gets accomplished without a start.

Edenton and Chowan County are growing and naturally the situation has changed so that what was adequate say 10 or 20 years ago is not adequate now. To be sure it will take money to remedy the situation, but the average taxpayer would rather pay some extra taxes and realize some progress than to pay as little taxes as possible and have nothing done.

Volunteer Firemen

Among the most notable of the unsung heroes and patriots of the State are volunteer firemen. These men are public servants in the finest and highest sense of the words. Were it not for these men, fire insurance rates in the average small town would be so exorbitant as to be prohibitive. The demands upon these volunteers are tremendous and the compensation is negligible. The average pay to each fireman by the town is \$2. Such a sum, within itself, is not ample inducement to make a man leap from a warm bed in the small hours of an icy night to respond to the summons of the screeching fire whistle.

If the fire amounts to anything, \$2 will do little more than have your clothes cleaned. So, something is involved here that transcends money. Just what patriotic impulse it is, we don't know. Perhaps, it is the same essential giving of self for community that has made the nation what it is. In any event the next time you are having a coke, or playing golf, or resting in your home and the fire whistle goes off with it horrendous implications, just give a silent prayer of thanks for the boys who have volunteered their hands to putting out fires.

—RALPH NEWS & OSWALD

Heard & Seen

By Buff

If I'd apply for membership in the Edenton Lions Club this week I'd no doubt be black-balled and rightly so. Last week in a story about the Lions celebrating their charter night in observance of their 20th anniversary I stated that the big meeting would be held in the Lions hall at the corner of Broad and Queen Streets. As a matter of fact the meeting was scheduled to be held in the Masonic Temple and I knew it. Why I said in the story it would be held in the Lions hall is more than I can understand. All I can say, Lions, is that I'm sorry I made the blunder. Maybe this social security age I've reached is having something to do with my memory. Anyway, I didn't see any of the Lions hanging around their hall at about the time of the banquet, and I understand the meeting was one of the best held in a long time.

Despite the abundance of rain we've been having recently, it rained practically all day Wednesday of last week. As I went out of the office I heard one fellow say, "What in the dickens is all this rain good for?" Whereupon another piped in, "It would be mighty good if crops were up and we've had a spell of dry weather." Then James Griffin, who's outdoors much of the time in connection with his soil conservationist duties, said, "I wish somebody would order about 30 days of sunshine." And I second the motion, but as this column is written the weather is 100 per cent O. K.

If you see Charlie Overman parading around wearing a dress, you might blame me. Occasionally Charlie sends in articles for publication and lately I've placed a by-line under the heading, "By C. W. Overman, County Home Agent." As a matter of fact Miss Maidred Morris is the home agent in Chowan and Charlie is the county agent. Anyway, Charlie is about tired of being put in the feminine class and he don't want to resort to wearing dresses. Maybe to penalize me, he sent down an article long enough almost to fill a book.

Quite frequently advertisers are furnished prepared mats for advertising and in some cases the line appears, "Liberal Credit Terms." But last week one of our advertisers glanced over the advertisement and gave specific instructions to delete that line. "Too liberal credit terms," he said, "is why I'm almost not in business today."

Monday night must have been "Initiation Night" in Edenton. A group of members were initiated into the Monogram Club at the Edenton Junior-Senior High School, and Chowan Tribe of Red Men initiated four palefaces. Doc Hardin might not have known about the Monogram Club initiation, but he surely knew the Red Men were initiating somebody above his office. Anyway, if what I hear about the Monogram antics is true, I'll take the Red Men initiation.

Some of the Town Councilmen sort of lost out Tuesday night. The Councilmen were held in session until near the midnight hour and, of course, a little snack was in order. As is his custom, Mayor Kehayes invited the "boys" to go to his cafe to eat a bite. But the Mayor is a strict observer of Lent and naturally some things are not on his menu during the Lenten season. "Where's the liverwurst?" asked John Mitchener. "I'm not eating meat during Lent," said Ernest, "and you'll have to eat what I eat." John still looked around in the cabinet and then replied, "Well, it looks like you'd have some consideration for your friends." John had to settle on cheese—and he admitted that it was very good. In fact, anything almost would have tasted good after that long session in the Municipal Building.

Attendance at all the churches on Sunday is apparently picking up considerably of late. Maybe some of the folks are getting in practice for the usual journey to church on Easter Sunday.

What is considered music at its best will be presented in the Elementary School auditorium Wednesday night of next week when the Men's Glee Club of the University of North Carolina will sing. The concert is sponsored by a group of Edenton organizations and it is hoped the auditorium will be filled to capacity. Some members of the sponsoring organizations might as well go, for they have tickets which must be paid for if they attend or not. Anyway, here's hoping a large crowd will turn out, so that the club will want to return to Edenton again.

Go to your door Friday night if you hear somebody knocking or ringing. It will, no doubt, be an Edenton Jaycee trying to sell you some light bulbs. The Jaycees are selling the bulbs to help raise money and whatever they make will go for a good purpose.

Colonial Stores, Inc. Planning Expansion

Program Calls for Expenditure of \$11,000,000 During 1957

Colonial Stores Incorporated plans to spend approximately \$11,000,000 during 1957 for equipment and inventories, as part of Colonial's development program, Russell B. Stearns, Chairman, and Joseph Seitz, president, told stockholders in the company's annual report released March 1.

Commenting on the company's activities during 1956, Messrs. Stearns and Seitz reported that: 45 new Colonial supermarkets were opened during 1956; 17 existing supermarkets were remodeled last year; and 28 small-volume stores were closed.

Colonial plans to open between 40 and 50 new supermarkets this year, the annual report pointed out. This is approximately the same number of stores opened during 1956, and is part of Colonial's long-range store development program.

As previously released in a preliminary annual report, sales of \$423,040,272, for the fiscal year ended December 29, 1956, constituted a new high for the company and represented an increase of 11.3 per cent over the \$380,009,045 recorded in 1955. Net earnings totaled \$5,625,217, contrasted with \$5,458,896 in 1955.

Layman's Revival At Ballard's Bridge

Weldon Hollowell Will Be Speaker For Meetings

The Rev. Lamar Sentell, pastor of Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church, has announced that a layman's revival will be held in the church Friday and Saturday nights, March 15 and 16, beginning at 7:30 o'clock and also at the regular church services Sunday.

Weldon Hollowell will be the layman speaker for the services and special music will be presented by the church choir, as well as the men's chorus of the church.

Members of the congregation have made preparation for the meetings and it is expected many will attend all of the services.

FIREMEN CALLED OUT

Edenton firemen were called out about 6 o'clock Monday night when an automatic washing machine caught fire in a house trailer on East First Street. The trailer is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mullins. Damage was confined to about \$25 to the washing machine, but the trailer was not damaged.

'Sale-For-Export' Program Expected Move Much Cotton

National Group Will Meet In Arkansas May 2-3

Government "sale-for-export" programs are expected to move approximately seven million bales of cotton from Cotton Belt warehouses to foreign markets during the year ending August 15, and at least four and one-half million additional bales during the ensuing twelve months.

Meeting the increased demands upon cotton warehousemen caused by these movements, coupled with the receiving, handling and storing of the 1957 cotton crop, will receive the concentrated attention of the members of National Cotton Compress & Cotton Warehouse Association in their 20th annual meeting to be held May 2-3 in New Orleans, Alfred Bessell, Jr., president of the association, has announced.

More than 500 persons from all sections of the Cotton Belt are expected to attend the two-day session at Hotel Roosevelt. Association member from Edenton expected to attend the convention is J. Clarence Leary of the Edenton Bonded Warehouse.

The social calendar, in addition to the annual reception and dinner-dance, includes a ladies' luncheon at the venerable Orleans Club and a breakfast for the ladies at the famous Brennan's Patio Royale.

Rev. E. W. Downum Dies At Beaufort

The Rev. Edgar Wilson Downum, 72, father of Dr. A. F. Downum, died at his home in Beaufort Saturday morning. He was a retired Methodist minister and made his home in Beaufort since his retirement several years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Sadie F. Downum; three sons, E. W. Downum of Beaufort, Dr. A. F. Downum of Edenton and E. R. Downum of Orlando, Fla.; one daughter, Mrs. M. W. Deberry of Murfreesboro, 10 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Beaufort and burial was in Oceanview Cemetery at Beaufort.

CATHOLIC LENTEN SERVICES

Special Lenten services at St. Ann's Catholic Church are announced as follows:

Daily mass at 6:30 A. M., during the week. The Sunday schedule remains the same; masses at 8 A. M., and 11 A. M.

Sermon and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday evenings at 8 o'clock.

Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays at 8 P. M.

Layman's Revival At Warwick Church

Visiting Layman From Central Part of State Will Be Speaker

The Rev. Lee A. Phillips announces that there will be a layman's revival at the Warwick Baptist Church beginning Friday night, March 15. There will be services on Friday and Saturday nights and

also at the regular hours on Sunday.

The visiting speaker will be a layman from the central part of the state. He will speak at each of these services. The evening services will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

The laymen of the church will sing in the choir and will also bring special music. They will also conduct a program of visitation.

The Men's Brotherhood of Warwick Church is sponsoring this revival. The public is urged to attend and hear the messages that will be brought by this layman.

County Council Will Meet March 20th

A special program on home-grown flower arrangements by Mrs. M. L. Flynn, local florist, will highlight the March 20 meeting of the Chowan Home Demonstration County Council at the Chowan Community Building at 2:30 P. M. Mrs. H. T. Hollowell of Tyner, Council president, will preside at the business session.

All Home Demonstration Club members and visitors are invited to attend.

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Although more than 70,000 Americans were cured of cancer last year, the tragic truth is that at least 70,000 others—who might have been saved—lost their lives because their cancers had spread and "colonized" in other parts of their bodies before proper treatment could be started.

That's why we keep reminding you that, since most early cancers can be cured, your best "insurance" is:

- FIRST: To have a thorough health check-up every year no matter how well you may feel (twice a year for women over 35)
- SECOND: To learn the 7 danger signals that may mean cancer, and go straight to your doctor at the first sign of any one of them—(1) Any sore that does not heal (2) A lump or thickening, in the breast or elsewhere (3) Unusual bleeding or discharge (4) Any change in a wart or mole (5) Persistent indigestion or difficulty in swallowing (6) Persistent hoarseness or cough (7) Any change in normal bowel habits.

For more lifesaving facts about cancer, phone the American Cancer Society office nearest you, or address your letter to "Cancer"—in care of your local Post Office.

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