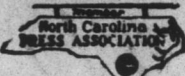


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## A LIFT FOR TODAY

\* In the Lord put I my trust: how say ye to my soul, Flee as a bird to your mountain?—Psalms 11:1. IT IS EASY to have faith when "God's in his heaven, all's right with the world," but our faith in his love and righteousness must transcend all threats of evil and disaster.

We thank Thee, O Lord, that Thou who keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep, and is our strength and salvation.

## Who'll Start?

Meeting in Cincinnati recently, the National Health Forum labeled mental health as "the nation's number one health problem."

Dr. Fillmore H. Sanford, Associate Director of the Joint Commission on Mental Illness and Health, said that, "It may be useful to conceive of mental health as a social movement as vast and as significant as the Renaissance or the Industrial Revolution." Dr. Harrell D. Laswell professor of Law and Science at Yale University, said, "We may not be crazier than ever, but it is crazier than ever to tolerate craziness."

Dr. David B. Allman, president-elect of The American Medical Association, said, "Treating the mentally ill and improving mental health is not the job of specialists alone."

In summary, The National Health Forum concluded that action must be community centered and involve local professional and lay leadership.

A movement was started in this health district some months ago for the establishment of a health clinic, but little progress until quite recently has been made. In fact no progress whatever has been made in Chowan County. The four counties are, of course, required to raise one-third of the cost with the other two-thirds coming from state and federal funds. Up to last week Pasquotank led in raising a fund with \$1,120. Camden followed with \$450 and Perquimans with \$400. Chowan has made no contribution and what is more discouraging is the fact that nobody appears interested enough in sponsoring a drive to raise Chowan's part of the fund.

There can be little argument but that many mentally ill people could have been prevented with proper care and treatment at the outset. The state now pays \$12,000,000 annually for the care of 11,000 inmates in insane institutions. Chowan County itself is represented among this number, so that any agency which can help prevent mental illness is surely worthy of serious consideration.

Will not some individual or organization in Edenton sponsor a drive to raise funds for Chowan County in what to date has been an uphill fight to get started? Now that the other counties have begun raising funds, why should Chowan alone hold back?

## Duty To Vote

Citizens of Edenton will again on Tuesday, May 7 have the opportunity to select officials who will administer the town's government for two more years. With contests for all offices except three, there should, of course, be considerable interest in the election and a goodly number of ballots cast.

It is not only an opportunity and privilege to have a say-so as to who shall fill the various town offices. It is even more, for it should be the sacred duty of every voter to consider all of the candidates for the various offices and then cast his or her ballots for those whom are considered best fitted and qualified to discharge the duties of the office they seek.

The Herald hopes this will be a clean election. There are no particular issues involved in connection with any of the offices to be filled, but rather a group of neighbors and friends who are, or at least should be, primarily interested in being of service to their town and willing to spend time, effort and even money if need be for the progress and welfare of the town as a whole.

As to the officials, their duties and responsibilities should not be minimized. There will be new problems and responsibility as well as new opportunities to be considered, which should command serious consideration on the part of those who are placed in office.

Attention is called to the fact that a voter's name must appear on the town's registration books in order to vote. The final day to reg-

# Heard & Seen

By Buff

Branning Perry sort of took advantage of me Wednesday morning. Dropping in the office he had a bill in his hand and forking it over, he said, "Do you want me to vote for you?" Well what else could I do but pay up? Hope all my other creditors don't adopt the same scheme.

Edward Wells was in sort of an instructive mood the other day when I was in the bank to pay a little money on a note. "Do you know the deviation of the word 'mortgage'?" he asked. Of course, I didn't and he proceeded to explain. "It comes from two Latin words," he said, "'Mort' and 'Gage'. 'Mort' means 'dead' and 'gage' means 'to hold'." Well all I can say is that the guy who made up the language knew what he was talking about for a mortgage surely is a "dead hold".

Here's one who enjoyed the Edenton Woman's Club play "Gramercy Ghost" in the school auditorium Thursday night. It was a lot of fun and the cast did very well. However, I was told that Kit Forehand played the leading role and she didn't even put in an appearance. Mrs. Forehand was one of the prompters and now I understand why some of the actors so often looked to the side of the stage.

Somebody's slipping. What's happened to the rock muddle feeds which were so popular some time back? Why I haven't even heard Bill Shepard raving about rock muddle in a long time.

With the bloomin' style of ladies' dresses changing so often, it looks as though some changes will be necessary in our churches. Some dresses are now sticking out so far that I saw several of 'em having a hard time getting in between pews to sit down.

Two fellows the other night were commenting about the amount of gray hair they had when one said, "Well I don't have as much gray hair as you have." But the argument ended rather abruptly when the other replied, "Surely not, for I have a dickens of a lot more hair to have gray than you do."

Here's one who attended the Jaycee meeting Friday night, and for a time I thought I was at a political meeting. I spied six other candidates, Tom Byrum, James Bond, Luther Parks, Jimmy Ricks, George Alma Byrum and Walter Wilkins. But where in the dickens can a fellow go these days without running up with some of the candidates?

Attention is called to a letter to the editor appearing in this issue of The Herald. It was written by Mrs. J. F. Perry and here's one who feels about the matter as she does. Somebody deliberately and wantonly stole some azaleas from a grave in the cemetery and otherwise messed up the graves. Mrs. Perry says she hopes her letter will hurt someone's conscience. But if I can figure it out some people do not even have a conscience.

Lieut. Atherton is doing his best to round up a baseball team to compete in the Albemarle League, and here's hoping he succeeds. Time was when it was necessary to go to the ball park 30 minutes or more before game time in order to get a seat. What's more enjoyable on a summer night (for those above courting age, of course) than to go out to Hicks Field and enjoy a game of baseball? Prospects appear bright for a fair team, so here's hoping Lieut. Atherton has the backing of players to play and fans to attend the games.

Why sure, I'm asking for your vote!

ister will be Saturday, May 4, at sunset. An important phase of the election is that "one shot" voting has been outlawed, which means that a ballot must be cast for every vacancy to be filled. For instance two Councilmen-at-Large are to be elected and for a vote to count a voter must mark two of the candidates. Likewise for the Board of Public Works, there are eight candidates and for a vote to count a voter must mark an X beside five of the candidates, otherwise the ballot for this office will be thrown out and no candidate given credit for a vote.

Some of the candidates have pretty thoroughly canvassed voters, so that it should be generally known who the candidates are and what office they seek. There should be no need to use unethical methods in an effort to get votes. A candidate's ability and qualifications should be the deciding factor in casting a ballot.

The important thing, however, is to vote which will be from 6:30 A. M., to 6:30 P. M., on Tuesday, May 7.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## STRANGE FACES AT PEA RIDGE

Strange businesses, like people, are visiting the Pea Ridge section. Since it has been said that the Marine Air Base at Edenton is permanent, they ask many questions, such as, How deep is the water of the Albemarle Sound within a hundred yards from the bank? How deep is the sand on a farm? How is water and is it brackish or is it good to drink? How would people feel toward industries? How near is the ocean, say from the bridge? What is the price of land per acre beside the highway or how much would lots sell for on the sound shore? Would people be interested in selling lots if industries would come to the community? And do you think labor could be gotten if a good industry would locate here if enough land can be secured?

Of course, all the questions can be easily answered and for the most of them quite satisfactorily, for who is he or she who wouldn't be glad to have an industry whether it be a cement block concern, pickling plant, packing house, shirt factory, meat packing house or what have you?

It isn't known what kind of industry might come, but surely it should be welcomed not only by Washington County but by all the nearby counties.

The interest seems to be on the fact that if land can be bought for an industry and homes.

Pea Ridge is a part of Skimmersville Township, but Pea Ridge proper is divided from the rest of the township by a swamp and its soil is mostly Norfolk sand. The crops on Pea Ridge are quite different in their growth, for instance peaches, figs, apples, grapes of all kinds, dewberries as well as quality peanuts, watermelons and cantaloupes also corn has yielded more than 100 bushels per acre and last year cotton on one farm gave about two bales per acre, all grown successfully and many of these crops cannot be grown elsewhere in this county nor any county adjoining Washington County. There is no better drinking water to be found anywhere. It can be put in the washing machine or make the golden ice tea

without stain. It is said that this water is so clear and good that it has been successfully used in the manufacture of liquors and wines.

Pea Ridge has good roads and the main outlet going northeast passes through it. This outlet serves at least the following counties: Hyde, Tyrrell, Beaufort, Washington. This highway 32, which has its origin in Virginia and passes through Suffolk, Edenton, Pea Ridge, Roper, Plymouth, Washington. In Pea Ridge, no doubt, the coming garden spot of all adjoining counties on account of its sound shore, its crops and fast improvement of its homes, all joins highway 64, which begins at the Atlantic Ocean in Dare County, the playground of Eastern Carolina, at Manteo, Nags Head, and now all the way to Cape Hatteras and crosses the United States to the Pacific Ocean.

Pea Ridge with its unique situation lying on both sides of highway 37, which is really a road funnel, stands to gain in importance of home sites, industry and recreation without all the noises and taxes of the city life. It just simply would be a home away from home where boating, fishing, swimming and quietness where one could relax, yet have all access to nearby cities and towns.

It is quite probable that more and more people will investigate so good a situation as exists.

E. O. ARNOLD.

## VANDALS—PURE AND SIMPLE

"The thief cometh not, but to steal, and to kill, and to destroy." —John 10:10.

When anyone stoops so low as to go to the cemetery and steal flowers off the graves it makes one wonder just what some people are anyway. I have one son dead and one daughter living, so I decided to get two azaleas and put them together in a large container with matching ribbon and put them at the grave of my son for Easter. Then give them to my daughter for her yard (thus serving a two-fold purpose). But to my surprise when I went to the cemetery to water them some thief had stolen them. I understand this has hap-

pened to others, but like everything else we can't quite understand its effects until it really happens to us.

If the person or persons who went to Beaver Hill Cemetery and stole my azaleas will get their Bible (if they don't have one) I'll gladly give them one and read John 10:10 they will find the words of our Lord when He said, "The thief cometh not, but to steal, and to kill and to destroy," they will surely see just what they have done, and hope they realize that in God's sight stealing, killing and destroying are all the works of a thief, and will be willing to ask God to forgive them, for it's Him (not me) they will have to look to. I am praying for them and hope they will see what they have done, realizing that they haven't only gained two beautiful azaleas to set out in God's soil, but also gained a great sin which they will have to repent of and ask forgiveness for. It's not the value of the plants that hurts me so, it's the thought of that person who has been so mean as to go to a cemetery to steal and kill and destroy. I surely hope those azaleas live

just as a reminder to the one who stole them that they may learn before they have to be taken to a cemetery that they can't steal, kill and destroy, and live a happy Christian life.

MRS. J. F. PERRY

# State Regent Guest Local DAR Chapter

## New Officers For En-suing Year Will Be Installed

Edenton Tea Party Chapter of the DAR will hold a luncheon meeting in the Iredell house Friday afternoon, May 3, at 1 o'clock. Mrs. Ray Cagle of Asheville, State Regent, will be a guest at the meeting and will speak. Another feature of the meeting will be the installation of new officers for the coming year, so that Mrs. R. P. Badham, regent, urges all members to make a special effort to be present.

# Lions Rehearsals Begin On May 7

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Edenton Marine Base to direct the show. Lt. Bowers is proving himself as capable a director as he is a vocalist," stated DuLaney, in paying tribute to the excellent cooperation being received from personnel at the base.

A rehearsal will be held at the Elementary School auditorium on Wednesday night, May 8, and it will be necessary for the acts to be present so they can be scheduled for their appearance. The show personnel will welcome any talent from the Marine Base, the surrounding area, or Edentonians. DuLaney stated that the show tickets had been on sale only two days and already several hundred tickets had been sold or committed.

"If you have some talent and want to gain experience, as well as help the blind, be sure to meet Lt. Jim Bowers and the staff of the show next Wednesday night, at 7:30 o'clock, May 8," says Mr. DuLaney.



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# NOTICE TO VOTERS OF THE SECOND WARD!

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election as a Councilman to represent the Second Ward in the Municipal Election Tuesday, May 7, 1957.

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YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

Graham Byrum

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