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Gifts Mounting For First '60 Baby Born In Chowan Hospital

Eleven Local Business Concerns Now Offering Gifts For First Newcomer

Eleven local business firms have already notified the Chamber of Commerce that they will honor the first New Year baby to arrive at Chowan Hospital in 1960.

Tom L. Ridgeway, hospital administrator, said the lucky baby will receive presents given by Mitchener's Pharmacy, Peoples Bank & Trust Company, Tots & Teens, Belk-Tyler Company, Holbowell's, Inc., Cuthrell's Department Store, P & Q Super Market, Quinn Furniture Company, Byrum Hardware Company, Ricks Laundry & Dry Cleaners, and Hughes-Parker Hardware Company. The hospital will also present a gift to the baby.

Parents of the new-born child will receive gift certificates which may be exchanged for free merchandise or service given by the sponsoring firms.

"Christmas," therefore, come a week later than usual for the little tot through the courtesy of these business men," Ridgeway stated.

He commended the firms for making this fine gesture. Any other firm wishing to honor 1960's first baby should notify Ridgeway or the Chamber of Commerce.

Property Listing Begins January 2

Beginning Saturday, January 2, property owners in Chowan County may begin to list their property for tax purposes. Property, according to law, must be listed during the month of January. Failure to do so is liable for a penalty of 10% and if not listed the delinquent property lister can be haled into court.

Tax listers urge early listing in order to save time.

CIVIC CALENDAR

Feast of Lights service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sunday afternoon, January 3, at 5 o'clock.

Chowan Hospital, in cooperation with the Edenton Chamber of Commerce will honor the first baby born in the hospital in 1960.

Automobile license plates for 1960 will go on sale at the Carolina Motor Club office on East ... Continued on Page 3

Edenton Basketball Teams Will Begin Conference Play Jan. 5

By BILL GOODWIN
Edenton's Aces and Acelets uncap their 1960 Albemarle Conference basketball schedule when the Ahoeskie Indians invade the local gymnasium Tuesday night, January 5.

The Indians have been rated as one of the best Albemarle Conference teams. The Aces, who will bring a dismal record of one win and three losses into the contest, will have to rely on their abundant scrap. The locals fought Windsor all the way only to lose 42-41, dropped a 87-38 decision to Washington, lost to Elizabeth City 35-29, and then rode to a 54-45 win over Chowan on January Phillips' 30 points. Phillips has led the Aces' scoring with a 117 points-per-game

The conference tournament will be played the week of February 15.

Special Customs Around World To Observe New Year

Church Services and Frantic Parties Typical Ways of Celebration In U. S.

Not everyone celebrates the beginning of the New Year on January 1. But people in all parts of the world have special customs to insure that the New Year will get off to a good start.

Church services and frantic parties, for example, are typical ways of celebrating in the U. S. In many European countries, gifts are exchanged on New Year's day. The custom originated with the Romans, according to World Book Encyclopedia. Back in 747 B. C., reportedly, they presented the king of the Sabines with branches of bay and palm trees consecrated to Strenia, the goddess of strength. The "strenae," or gifts, became more elaborate, in expectation of royal favor, and the emperors came to regard them as deserved tribute.

Augustus Caesar is said to have passed the word along that he had had a vision in which he saw himself receiving gifts from the Senate and the people on January 1.

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Regional Blood Center Asked For 45,000 Pints Blood

The American Red Cross Tide water Regional Blood Center will be expected to collect for the fiscal year beginning July 1, some 45,000 pints of blood to serve civilian and government hospital patients.

Twenty-three Red Cross Chapters and the Norfolk Blood Center in Virginia are asked to provide 38,250 pints of blood, 8 per cent of the quota. For 21 North Carolina chapters the quota is 6,750 pints or 15 per cent.

The bloodmobile will be required to make 347 community visits—263 in Virginia and 84 in North Carolina to secure the quota of 45,000 pints of life saving Red Cross blood for hospital patients. In addition, the staff at the Blood Center in Norfolk will receive donors on 104 days for six hour periods to carry out this extensive Red Cross blood donor program. Hundreds of volunteer workers, scattered over some 32,500 square miles, will be required to make the necessary person-to-person solicitation for prospective first-time and repeat blood donors.

Officers Destroy Brand New Still

Four law enforcement officers on Tuesday about noon swooped down on a brand new still in the Paradise section about a mile from radio station WCDJ. The still apparently had been installed over the holidays and had not been used.

The still, together with 300 gallons of fermenting mash, a doubler and cooler were destroyed. No whiskey was found and no arrests were made.

Officers taking part in the raid were ABC Officer Troy Toppin, Sheriff Earl Goodwin, Deputy Sheriff Bertram Byrum and Patrolman W. F. Miller.

BANK CLOSED NEW YEAR'S

The Peoples Bank & Trust Company and the Consumer Credit Branch will be closed all day Friday, January 1, in observance of New Year's Day. Important banking business should, therefore, be transacted accordingly.

Enjoying Christmas Party



One of the most delightful holiday events in Edenton was a Christmas party held by the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary for employees, doctors and their families in the nurses' home on December 18. Pictured above, left to right, are Tom Ridgeway, hospital administrator; Miss Betty Perry, operating room technician; Mrs. Lula Deaton and Miss Cleo Williams, nurses' aids.—(Photo by James P. Ricks, Jr.)

Rocky Hock Citizens Organize To Purchase School Property

Monday night of last week a group of 37 Rocky Hock citizens met at the old Rocky Hock School building to consider the purchase of the abandoned school property.

It was voted to name the building the Rocky Hock Community Center, with emphasis placed on participation by other communities. It was unanimously agreed that the building is to be used for Home Demonstration Club activities, development of a future fire station, Boy Scouts, a baseball field, church and other activities.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Thurman W. Allred, pastor of the Rocky Hock Baptist Church. Sherlon Layton was in charge of the meeting, and called for the election of officers.

The following officers were elected: President, Billy Leary; secretary and treasurer, Lois Ashley; members of the board of directors, Earl Smith, Murray Tynch, T. S. Leary, O. C. Long, Jr., and Mrs. Eddie Nixon. The officers were elected to serve temporarily. After the election Mr. Leary presided over the meeting, and it was voted to raise money by donations to purchase the school property. The board of directors was authorized to proceed with purchasing the property.

Three Rocky Hock citizens placed the highest bid of \$2,000 on the property at a sale held at the Court House door Monday, December 14. Since that time the bid has been raised, so that the property will again be sold at the Court House door on Monday morning, January 4, at 11 o'clock. The starting bid will be \$2,150.

Red Men Plan To Install New Officers; Holiday Decoration

Chowan Tribe of Red Men will meet Monday night, January 4, at 7:30 o'clock. At this meeting new officers will be installed, so that Clyde Hollowell, retiring sachem, urges a large attendance.

EASTERN STAR MEETING

Edenton Chapter No. 302, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet Monday night, January 4, at 8 o'clock in the Masonic Temple. Mrs. T. J. Wood, worthy matron, urges every member to attend the first meeting of the new year.

UNC Post Graduate Courses Begin In Edenton January 13

Announcement was made last week that the first University of North Carolina medical post graduate courses of the new year will be held in Edenton, Rocky Mount and Roanoke Rapids.

The weekly lectures will get under way in Edenton on Wednesday, January 13. The lectures will continue in Edenton for the next six weeks with the exception of the week of February 7.

Beginning Thursday, January 14, the lectures will alternate between Rocky Mount and Roanoke Rapids with the first being at Rocky Mount. No lectures will be held during the week of February 7 due to a conflict with the Watts Hospital Symposium in Durham.

The courses are sponsored by the UNC School of Medicine and the UNC Extension Division. The Edenton course is co-sponsored by the First District Medical Society.

Masonic Officers Will Be Installed Thursday, Jan. 7

McKay Washington to Succeed Ernest Ward As Master of Unanimity Lodge No. 7

New officers for 1960 for Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be installed at a meeting of the lodge Thursday night, January 7.

The elective officers to be installed will be McKay Washington, worshipful master; Dr. A. F. Downum, senior warden; J. C. Parks, junior warden; R. E. Leary, treasurer, and W. C. Bunch, Jr., secretary.

M. Washington has announced the following appointments, who will be installed at the same time: J. A. Bunch, senior deacon; Thomas Byrum, junior deacon; Rodney Harrell, Jr., senior steward; Albert Lassiter, Jr., junior steward; J. Edwin Bufflap, marshal; Richard W. King, chaplain; and LaDel Parker, Tyler.

William Adams will be the installing officer, and Ernest Ward, Jr., retiring master, requests a large attendance for the occasion.

Bill George Listed On All Star Pro Football Teams

Chosen to Play In Pro Bowl Game Played In Los Angeles on January 17

Edenton friends will be delighted to know that Bill George, brother of N. J. George and part owner of the George Chevrolet Company, was listed among the football players on All-Star teams announced last week.

Mr. George was chosen on the NEA All-Pro first team which is voted by the players themselves. He also was named on the first team of the Western Division of the National Football League. Due to this selection, he will play in the Pro Bowl game in Los Angeles on January 17. The game will be televised over NBC.

The Associated Press All-Pro team also included Bill George. Bill plays the defensive middle guard position with the Chicago Bears and is the defensive captain of the team.

County Council Meets On Jan. 6

The Home Demonstration County Council will meet Wednesday, January 6, at 2:30 P. M. at the Advance Community Building, with Mrs. C. W. Overman, president, presiding.

A number of items of business will be discussed in regard to the 25th District of Home Demonstration Clubs' Spring Federation meeting to be held in Edenton April 12.

Dr. David P. Meggs of Elizabeth City will do a demonstration on artificial respiration. All County Council members are urged to attend this important meeting.

P. O. CLOSED FRIDAY

Edenton's Post Office will observe New Year's day on Friday as a holiday. During the day the windows will be closed and there will be no delivery of mail in Edenton or on the rural routes.

1960 Auto License Plates Will Go On Sale January 2nd

Guy Williams New Red Men Sachem

Group of New Officers to Be Installed Monday Night

Chowan Tribe No. 12, Improved Order of Red Men, elected officers at its meeting held Monday night. In the election Guy Williams was chosen as sachem of the tribe to succeed Clyde Hollowell.

Other officers elected were: Prophet, Clyde Hollowell; senior sagamore, Alton Shaw; junior sagamore, Bill Harris; collector of wampum, Jack Barrow; keeper of wampum, William Barrow; chief of records, J. Edwin Bufflap; keeper of wigwag, Oscar Peoples.

These officers, together with those appointed by the new sachem, will be installed at the meeting of the tribe next Monday night, January 4, at 7:30 o'clock.

Caswell Edmondson, tribal deputy great sachem, will be the installing officer.

Feast Of Lights Service Sunday

The traditional Feast of Lights service will be conducted at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sunday, January 3, at 5 o'clock.

Evening prayer will be conducted by several members of the congregation and Young Churchmen with the Church School vested choir also participating. Harry H. Smith, Jr., will be at the organ.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on the Epiphany, January 6, at 10:30 A. M.

Band Parents Meet Jan. 6

A meeting of the Edenton Band Parents Association will be held in the band room of the John A. Holmes High School Wednesday night, January 6, at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Kathleen Skiles, president of the association, is very anxious to have as many members as possible attend this, the first meeting of the new year.

CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR'S

Chowan County offices, as well as the Town of Edenton office, will be closed all day Friday, January 1, in observance of New Year's day.

Deadline For New Growers Cotton Allotment February 15

The closing date for accepting applications for new growers cotton allotment is February 15, 1960.

"If you would like to make application for a new growers cotton allotment for 1960," says H. O. West, ASC office manager, "you must (1) depend largely on income from this farm for your livelihood; (2) live on the farm in 1960; (3) have available labor with which to operate the farm, and (4) not own or operate any other farm with a cotton allotment already established for 1960.

"If these requirements are met and you are interested, contact the ASC office before February 15, 1960, and file your request.

FS-1 Certificate of Insurance Must Be Presented Before License Will Be Issued

Mrs. Goldie L. Niblett, branch manager of the Carolina Motor Club in Edenton, states that the 1960 automobile license plates will go on sale Saturday, January 2.

Again this year, the insurance declaration on the reverse side of the 1960 renewal card must be signed by owner before a registered owner can renew his license.

The sale of license plates, on the presentation of the certificate of title, or 1959 registration card is not permitted. Only the 1960 renewal card is used in purchasing the 1960 license.

A current FS-1 certificate of insurance must be presented with all new registrations of used and new vehicles. A \$1.00 driver education fee will be collected on each license issued for \$10 or more.

On the first section of the renewal card, the applicant must indicate in what county the vehicle is subject to property tax.

Effective January 1, the maximum weight for which a farm truck plate may be issued at the farm truck rate is 12,000 pounds. The 1960 renewal cards are being sent out showing the 1959 licensed weights. Farm truck renewal cards showing weights in excess of 12,000 pounds can be reduced if this is sufficient for the owner's needs. If not, private license for the weight required must be purchased.

Mrs. Niblett urges all motor vehicle owners to purchase their license early in order to avoid the rush.

Office hours are from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., except Saturdays when the office closes at 12 noon. No plates will be issued except during the time indicated above.

20 Years Ago

As Found in the Files of The Chowan Herald

Mr. and Mrs. Saelton Rojerson became the parents of a daughter, Imogene, the first baby born in the Albemarle in 1940.

Two colored boys were bound over for the April term of Superior Court, charged with entering the Hobowsky store and stealing almost \$100 worth of ladies' wearing apparel.

It was reported that liquor sales at the Chowan ABC store were far below the 1938 figure. Plans were announced to present Handel's "The Messiah" in the high school auditorium the latter part of January.

Deadline For New Growers Cotton Allotment February 15

"Protect your cotton allotment. Plant it or release it!" "If you do not plan to plant your cotton allotment, you should release it to the ASC County Committee to prevent your allotment and history from being reduced for failure to plant.

"Release of cotton allotment will be accepted from now until April 5, 1960, in the county office. To retain your allotment history indefinitely, you must plant some cotton once every three years and release the acreage you do not intend to plant.

"If you are interested in obtaining cotton acreage on loan for one year only, you must file (Continued on Page 8)