

Safety Week Will Be Observed Week Of Feb. 29-March 5

Mayor John Mitchener Calls Upon All Citizens To Promote Safety During Week

Sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club, Safety Week will be observed in Edenton February 29 through March 5, with Mrs. Tom Hopkins serving as chairman of the Safety Committee.

During the week the fourth graders will make posters on home safety and pupils in the fifth and sixth grades will write essays on home safety. First and second prizes will be awarded in each group. Posters will be displayed in various merchants' windows.

Each afternoon during the week will have two members who will observe bicycle riders. Twenty tickets for refreshments at Mitchener's and Hollowell's will be given to children who best obey bicycle rules. A quiz program will also be broadcast over radio station WCDJ in Edenton each afternoon from 4 to 4:30 o'clock and two tickets to the Taylor Theatre will go to the winners in this contest.

Mayor John Mitchener has issued a proclamation in connection with Safety Week in which he calls upon all residents of Edenton to join in a vigorous and organized effort to promote greater safety for everyone in Edenton. He also urges all public officials and officers to unite in a concerted effort to eliminate existing dangers, impressing drivers of motor vehicles with the necessity of driving carefully and seeing that the objectives of bicycle safety.

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Bread Sale Friday

The bread sale scheduled to be held Friday night of last week by the Edenton Lions Club was postponed at the last minute. The sale is scheduled to be held Friday night of this week, February 26, beginning at 6 o'clock.

Medlin Belch is chairman of the bread sale and requests all who will take part to meet at the J & B Motor Company in time to begin the sale at 6 o'clock.

20 Years Ago

As Found in the Files of The Chowan Herald

About 50 Chowan County farmers gathered at the Parish House as guests of the Edenton Rotary Club when W. Kerr Scott, Commissioner of Agriculture, was the principal speaker. Dr. Ralph McDonald, former gubernatorial candidate, was speaker at a public forum in the school auditorium sponsored by Ed Bond Post of the American Legion.

Judge John W. Darden of Plymouth denied newspaper reports to the effect that he was making an effort to create discord between Plymouth and Edenton. Continued on Page 3—Section 1

Candidate

Walter B. Jones of Farmville on Friday night formally announced his candidacy for the House of Representatives in Congress from the First District of North Carolina. He will oppose Herbert C. Bonner, incumbent, in the Democratic primary election to be held in May.

Mr. Jones, 46, has represented Pitt County in the North Carolina General Assembly for three terms. During the 1959 session he unsuccessfully spearheaded a proposed change in the State Highway Commission, a movement to increase it to 14 members. He also supported the firemen's pension bill and a proposal for increased funds for education. He is a member of the Baptist Church, where he is a member of the board of de-

Honored At ECC



CLINTON O. DAVIS
At East Carolina College, Greenville, Clinton O. Davis of Edenton has been selected "Mr. Representative Student Teacher For 1960."

Buxton White Urges Edenton Men To Support Improvement Project Of Local Woman's Club

Proposed improvement of the Court House Green and a parkway at the foot of Broad Street has caused interest outside of Edenton. A letter on the subject was received by The Herald last week from Buxton White of Elizabeth City, Albemarle Gardener.

Mr. White's letter follows: "Congratulations to Edenton and Chowan County on their recent show of progressive acumen. Your struggle for industrial development to bring bigger payrolls, typical of eastern North Carolina today, is commendable and should pay off."

"However, I wonder whether you fully appreciate your most valuable heritage. There is old colonial history in Edenton than in Williamsburg. Of course, it took Rockefeller to make a shrine of Williamsburg; you might have to do it yourselves, unless you find an angel, such as Mrs. Latham. Dare County, without agriculture or manufacturing, has shown what can be done to capitalize on historic resources (with federal and state aid)."

"In third place, exceeded only by textiles and tobacco, the tourist industry brings \$350 million to North Carolina each year. The tourist's dollar is the cleanest money any community can find. They come to look and spend. No material assets go away suggest recreation and hobby programs including the teaching of how to play checkers and to shoot marbles.

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"As one who has been asked to serve on the local committee, I object to all of such literature and the use of the word 'aging' as separating us apart from the rest of society. Actually we all age from the day of our birth.

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John E. Shackelford Seeks Office Solicitor For Recorder's Court

John E. Shackelford on Monday morning announced that he will be a candidate for solicitor of Chowan Recorder's Court in the May democratic primary election.

Mr. Shackelford is the newest Edenton attorney and was recently appointed tax attorney for Chowan County by the County Commissioners.

William Privott is at present serving as solicitor, having been appointed to the position by the County Commissioners when Weldon Hollowell, serving as solicitor, was appointed judge of Recorder's Court to succeed the late Judge Marvin Wilson.

BAND PARENTS MEET
Edenton's Band Parents Association will meet Wednesday afternoon, March 2, at 1 o'clock at the Edenton Restaurant. Mrs. Wesley Chesson, president, asks every member to make a special effort to attend the meeting.

Walter Jones Opposes Herbert Bonner In Representative Race

Congress Seeking More Money For Sewage Projects

Blatnik Bill Asks Appropriations Increased From 50 Million To 90 Million Dollars

In Senator Everett Jordan's column elsewhere in The Herald this week he reports on a bill on municipal sewage disposal projects going to the White House.

Edenton was among the first to file a request for federal aid, but due to the initial delay in deciding on a site for the sewage disposal plant, Edenton lost out on a substantial appropriation.

Edenton is among 46 towns for proposed sewage disposal projects estimated to cost 33.5 million dollars. The Blatnik Bill would increase federal aid for these projects from 50 million dollars to 90 million dollars.

Senator Jordan says that if President Eisenhower vetoes the bill, he is hopeful that enough votes can be mustered in Congress to override his veto.

Senator Jordan's column appears on page four, section two.

Local Criticism Registered In Regard To Literature On Aging; Fuller Writes To Gov. Hodges

Literature published by the federal and state governments, as well as social agencies, is criticized as tending to place all people who have retired or are over 60 years of age separate and apart from the rest of society.

Such pamphlets and other publications, by implication, indicate that such a group are of no further use to society and to help such groups pass the time away suggest recreation and hobby programs including the teaching of how to play checkers and to shoot marbles.

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County Council Meets March 2nd

Chowan County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs will meet on Wednesday afternoon, March 2, at 2:30 o'clock at the Rocky Hook School. Final plans for the 25th Federate District meeting to be held in Edenton, April 12, will be made. Plans will also be made for the observance of National Home Demonstration Club Week.

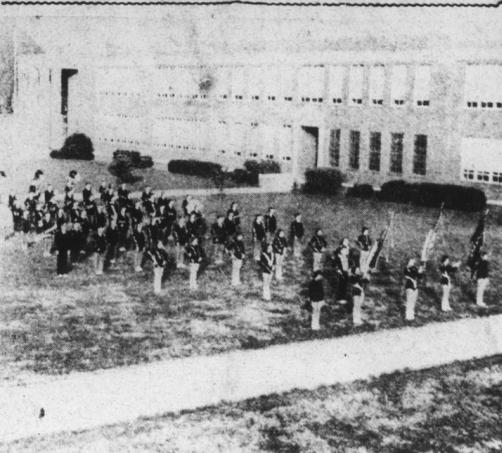
Mrs. Bert Tyson, field consultant for the northeastern section, American Cancer Society, has been invited to be the speaker. All County Council members are urged to be present for this meeting.

WOMAN'S CLUB WILL MEET NEXT WEDNESDAY

Edenton Woman's Club will meet Wednesday afternoon, March 2, at 1 o'clock at the Edenton Restaurant. Mrs. Wesley Chesson, president, asks every member to make a special effort to attend the meeting.

Mr. Jones is well known in Edenton. He is married to the former Miss Doris Long, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Long of Edenton, and is the father of two children. He has officiated at many of the Edenton football games and is at present connected with the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, being in charge of assignment of officials for athletic games played in the northeastern section of the state.

Edenton Band Going To Washington



The John A. Holmes High School Band has received and accepted an invitation to participate in the 24th annual AAA Safety Patrol Parade to be held in Washington, D. C., in May. The parade is scheduled for Saturday, May 14. The band will leave Edenton early Friday morning the 13th and return Sunday night the 15th, spending three days and two nights in Washington. A full schedule of visits to museums and government buildings and shrines is being prepared for the band students. Letters have been received from Senators Erwin and Jordan and Congressman Herbert Bonner, expressing their interest in the trip, and their desire to meet with the band when it goes to Washington. The Safety Patrol Parade, which is sponsored by the American Automobile Association, is the largest event of its kind to be held annually in Washington. This is its 24th year and it has participants from most of the 50 states and Canada and Mexico. The parade takes over five hours to complete and has over 30,000 marchers, including 70 to 80 bands. The event is entirely non-commercial, only floats and units prepared and sponsored by safety organizations are permitted.—(J. P. Ricks, Jr. Photo).

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The meeting will be held as usual at 1 o'clock in the Parish House with fathers of the boys also guests of the club.

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Services will be held each night throughout the week at 8 o'clock and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Heart Sunday Will Be Observed In Edenton On Sunday, Feb. 28

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The local canvass will be one of more than 10,000 being conducted by more than 1,500,000 volunteers at approximately the same time from coast to coast, according to William Bond, Jr., Heart Sunday chairman.

In this area, the Heart Sunday collection will begin at 1 P. M., and continue through 4 P. M. Each volunteer will call at the homes of his immediate neighbors, presenting an official Heart Fund contribution envelope for the donor's convenience. After bills, coins or check have been inserted, the envelope may be sealed before being returned to the volunteer.

Volunteers will leave special mail-in envelopes for families that are away from home during the collection hours, the Heart Sunday chairman said. The envelopes are pre-addressed to Heart Fund headquarters. Continued on Page 8—Section 1

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Mr. Shackelford states that the fund raising campaign will enter around personal contact with a house-to-house canvass planned.

March 13 has been selected as the date for Red Cross Sunday, when clergymen will be asked to make reference to the Red Cross campaign in their weekly services.

Guardsmen Make Splendid Showing In Mustering Test

Men Report Within 25 Minutes and Guarding Important Places 10 Minutes Later

Edenton's National Guard unit did a bang-up job Thursday night of last week in connection with Operation Hornets Nest. Some delay was experienced in sounding the alarm, but about 8 o'clock 12 blasts alerted the local National Guardsmen who immediately went into action.

Within 25 minutes 82 men reported at the armory and only 10 minutes were required for the men to be dispatched to guard vital communication points and power facilities. They speeded to the Chowan River bridge, Albemarle Sound bridge, Pembroke Creek bridge, the Edenton electric and water plant, the telephone office, with some remaining at the armory. Shortly before 10 o'clock the Guardsmen were recalled to the armory.

Major Cecil Fry and Captain C. W. Swanner were very complimentary for the manner in which the Guardsmen responded and carried out the operation, especially coming at a time when a storm was in progress. A number of members of the Edenton unit live out of the county, but they reported to other stations when they heard the alarm.

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Need Is Pointed Out For New Buildings To House Libraries

Group Plans to Organize "The Friends Of Library" as Feature of Library Week

A committee representative of the town and county has been formed to celebrate National Library Week during the week of April 3 to 9.

A program is being developed which will include a prominent speaker, Robert Lee Humber of Greenville, N. C., individual and panel discussions each day during the week over radio station WCDJ; participation in essay contest by students of the various schools; and other activities to focus attention on the importance of books and the libraries to the entire community.

At the meeting of the committee there was discussed the question of a continuing program throughout the year which will feature the increased use of books and the needs of the libraries. Two possibilities of this continuing program were discussed and agreed upon, as follows:

First, the organization of a group to be known as "The Friends of Library" as follows:

Griffin Speaker At Lions Club Meeting

Lloyd Griffin of Edenton and Raleigh, spoke to the Edenton Lions at their regular Monday evening meeting on February 22. Mr. Griffin is executive vice president and secretary of North Carolina Citizens Association, Inc. He was introduced by West Leary.

Mr. Griffin drew on a vast knowledge of the history of North Carolina to recount the settlement of the State during colonial times. He recalled that

Members Of Edenton Band Awarded High Ratings In Contest

The drum major and majorette corps of the John A. Holmes High School Band, who attended the State solo and ensemble contest at Duke University Saturday, both brought back to Edenton high ratings in the event.

The majorette ensemble, Carol Phipps, Barbara Layton, Judy Elliott, Dianne Goodwin, Carolyn Twiddy, Mary Anne Overton, Karen Hollowell and Priscilla Bunch was awarded a rating of Excellent.

The band's drum major, Vern Goodwin, won the highest rating given, that of Superior. His performance was commented on as being one of the most perfect during the entire day of events.

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