

Stage Is Now Set For Battle To Get Votes In Democratic Primary Election Saturday

Bonner-Jones Contest Leading In Interest; Four Contests on Tap For County Offices

With friends working feverishly to win votes for candidates, the stage is set for the Democratic primary election which will be held Saturday. Due to what appears to be keen competition, a record vote is anticipated if favorable weather prevails.

Though a Democratic candidate for Governor will be elected and managers for each are angling for votes, the most heated contest locally appears to be for the district's representative in Congress. In this race Herbert C. Bonner, incumbent, is being opposed by Walter B. Jones of Farmville. Both candidates are putting on a very spirited campaign to win votes and both have a large following, many of whom are going all out in an effort to elect their favorite candidate.

Workers are also busy in this area for the candidates for Governor, who are John Larkins, Terry Sanford, Malcolm Seawell and I. Beverly Lake. Each candidate has a local manager who is whipping it up for his respective candidate and with the vote split up four ways, the general impression is that a second primary election will be necessary to determine the Democratic candidate in the general election.

The race for the state's No. 2 post, Lieutenant-Governor, is also claiming a great deal of interest locally. There are three candidates for this office, David McConnell of Charlotte, Elvid Philpot of Lexington and C. V. Henkel of Turnersburg. All three have a considerable following and one, Mr. McConnell, who visited Edenton and Chowan County earlier in the campaign.

OFFICES CLOSED MONDAY
County and town offices will be closed all day next Monday, May 30. The closing is due to the observance of Memorial Day, a national holiday.

20 Years Ago

As Found in the Files of The Chowan Herald

East Carolina's All-Star High School Band, composed of more than 150 musicians from 14 different committees, presented a band concert under floodlights in the new town stadium, called "Conger Athletic Field."

The home economics department at Edenton High School had an enrollment of 89 students, who completed a total of 170 home projects.

Lions and Rotarians called off their regular meetings to join with band directors here for the All-Star band concert, mayors and school superintendents at a dinner served in the Edenton armory.

Free classes in home economics were offered at Edenton High School for out-of-school youth during the first and second weeks of June.

Legion Auxiliary Will Observe Poppy Day Saturday, May 28th

Mrs. Paul Holoman, president of the American Legion Auxiliary, announces that 1960 Poppy Day will be observed in Edenton Saturday, May 28.

Mrs. J. L. Chestnut is Poppy Day chairman for the organization, who points out that the annual observance is held to honor the more than half million Americans who died, and the nearly one million Americans who were wounded in both World Wars and the Korean conflict.

Memorial poppies, which are made by disabled veterans from this country's past three wars, will be worn both as a memorial to our war dead, and as a tribute to the disabled, says Mrs. Chestnut.

Saving Steps At Post Office



Tucked away for many years at the Edenton Post Office was a small table, now used to a distinct advantage. As the result of an idea by William Sexton, pictured above, rollers were put on the table legs and now the table carries a large quantity of mail which heretofore necessitated many steps of the Post Office employees in sorting and depositing mail.

Band Director Bray Has Withdrawn His Recent Resignation

Decides to Continue His Work at High School For Ensuing Year

Derwood Bray has withdrawn his resignation as director of the John A. Holmes High School Band and he will continue his work in the Edenton schools during the ensuing year.

An account of his resignation appeared in The Chowan Herald on May 12. In that article he stated, "My resignation stems from the fact that I believe the additional year of physical education in the tenth grade will seriously downgrade the music program. . . I have no intention of remaining to see the band become the mediocre, substandard organization that it

Bonner Speaker At Rotary Meeting

Edenton Rotarians will meet this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Edenton Restaurant. The program will be in charge of Gilliam Wood, who has secured Congressman Herbert Bonner, also a Rotarian, as the principal speaker.

President Jimmy Earnhardt requests every member of the club to be present.

BANK CLOSED MAY 30

The Peoples Bank & Trust Company, as well as the Consumer Credit Branch, will be closed all day Monday, May 30, in observance of national Memorial Day. Important banking business should, therefore, be transacted accordingly.

More Publicity

Another good slice of publicity for Edenton turned up this week when attractive postcards went on sale carrying a picture of a tea party scene made some time back in the Charlton house. The scene is a duplicate of a picture recently appearing in Dodge News Magazine, which was arranged by Mrs. W. J. P. Earnhardt.

Trio Of Edentonians Elected As Ocean Highway Directors

New Ferry Ship Expected to Help Boost Capacity to 2,470 Automobiles Daily

At a recent meeting of the Ocean Hiway Association held at Jekyll Island, Georgia, the same slate of officers for the 1960-61 season were elected with C. O. Thompson as president. The association is the nation's oldest continuously operating highway association, which functions, as a non-profit organization devoted to improvement and promotion of Ocean Hiway routes along the Atlantic seaboard between New York and Florida.

Nolan C. Chandler, general manager of the Chesapeake Bay Ferry District operations, told the association that in June the seventh and newest ship of the fleet of automobile and passenger transports, the "M. V. Virginia Beach", would enter service on the run across the bay between Little Creek and Kiptopeke Beach. This addition will accelerate greatly ferry service schedule on the water link of the Ocean Hiway route and increase automobile carrying capacity to 2,470 automobiles daily. "It means that delays and waiting at the terminals will be a thing of the past" said Mr. Chandler.

Richard S. Holland of Norfolk, chairman of the advertising committee of the Chesapeake Bay Ferry Commission and a member.

Chowan's Savings Bonds Sales Now 45.7% Of Quota

Sales in April Total \$6,372.10; For Year Thus Far Sales Total \$51,469.05

Richard S. Atkinson, Jr., volunteer savings bond chairman for Chowan County, reports that bond sales in the county during April amounted to \$6,372.10.

This brings Chowan's sales to \$51,469.05 for the year, or 45.7 percent of the county's 1960 quota which is \$112,420.

The combined sales of Series E and Series H Savings Bonds in North Carolina during April showed an increase of one percent over April of 1959.

Sales for the month of April amounted to \$3,669,836 bringing the year's total sales to \$17,353,085, which is nearly four percent ahead of the first four months of last year.

During the first four months 34 percent of North Carolina's annual quota of \$51,000,000 has been realized.

The Series H Bond showed a thirty-eight per cent increase during April, while the Series E Bond was off two per cent. For the year, the Series E Bond is five per cent ahead while the H Bond is five per cent behind last year's sales record.

Woman's Club Activities For Past Year Very Outstanding

By JACQUELINE RICKS
Reviewing the year's activities of the Edenton Woman's Club it was a "monumental" year.

Not only concerning the project to move the confederate monument as part of a beautification plan, but also the many activities in which the club participated.

The club again sponsored the annual Halloween party with about 1,500 children attending the event. The Art Show and Flower Show held in April were both successful.

At Christmas the club held an outdoor decorating contest for private homes with cash awards as prizes. The residence of Frank Twiddy won first place. Prior to Christmas the first book fair was held by the club and nearly 1,000 pounds of fruit cakes were sold for the holidays. The cancer drive for Chowan County was conducted by the

Leading Students In 1960 Graduating Class



JAMES EDWIN BYRUM, JR.
The two top students in the 1960 graduating class at John A. Holmes High School are James Edwin Byrum, Jr., valedictorian, and Patricia Waff, salutatorian.



PATRICIA WAFF

Coach Bill Billings Turns Down Offer To Go To Goldsboro

Makes Decision to Remain In Edenton Following Series of Conferences

Negotiations have been going on for several weeks between Goldsboro High School officials and Bill Billings, popular coach at John A. Holmes High School, in an effort to move Billings to the coaching post at Goldsboro.

However, not only students but Edenton people in general will be delighted to learn that Coach Billings has definitely turned down the Goldsboro offer and will remain in Edenton.

So far had the negotiations developed that Billings at one stage informed Superintendent John A. Holmes that he had de-

cid to tender his resignation. In fact Billings had already about decided on a house to rent at Goldsboro and was making preliminary plans to move his family to Goldsboro.

Billings, however, was frank in his discussions with Superintendent Holmes and Principal Hiram Mayo, telling them that he was not in the least dissatisfied with his present position in Edenton and that it was not a scheme to secure a higher salary. He did, however, let it be known that he had an ambition to coach in a higher conference and that Goldsboro was a member of the AAAA Conference which includes schools in the larger cities of the state, although Goldsboro has been more or less the doormat of the conference.

Henry Quinn New President Of Band Parents Association

The annual banquet for members of John A. Holmes High School Band and their parents was held Friday evening at the American Legion Building. Awards were presented and new officers, majorities and color guards were announced for next year.

The following officers for the Band Parents Association were announced: President, Henry Q. Quinn; vice presidents for senior high school, Mr. and Mrs. Thurston Stallings; vice presidents for junior high school, Mr. and Mrs. William Sexton; treasurer, Herbert Hollowell; secretary, Mrs. Floyd Cale; chairman of Finance Committee, Kenneth Floars; chairman of transportation, Milton Bunch; chairman of Publicity Committee, Mrs. Kermit Layton; chairman of Majorities Committee, Mrs. John N. Bunch; chairman of Social Committee, Mrs. Noah Goodwin, Jr.

New officers for the band are: Secretary, Judy Elliott; treasurer, Priscilla Bunch; Publicity, Bob Powell; Library Officer, Vern Goodwin; Equipment Officer, Mac Privott; Personnel Officer, Jimmy Ashley and Captain, Bud Skiles.

Letters were awarded to the following band members. Fifth year letters to Bud Skiles, Judy Elliott and Jimmy Ashley; fourth year letters to Priscilla Bunch, Ellen Basnight, Gloria Floars; chairman of transportation, Milton Bunch; chairman of Publicity Committee, Mrs. Kermit Layton; chairman of Majorities Committee, Mrs. John N. Bunch; chairman of Social Committee, Mrs. Noah Goodwin, Jr.

JAYCEES MEET TONIGHT

Edenton's Junior Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock at the Edenton Restaurant. President James Perry requests every member to be present.

CIVIC CALENDAR

A Democratic primary election will be held Saturday, May 28, when polls will be open from 6:30 A. M. to 6:30 P. M. Chowan Cooperative Produce Exchange will open at Valhalla Monday, June 30, at 1 P. M. Legion Auxiliary will observe Poppy Day in Edenton Saturday, May 28. Chowanoke Council No. 34, Degree of Pocahontas, will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock.

Commencement At Holmes High School Begins Friday Night

Graduation Speaker



DR. ROBERT L. HOLT
With graduation exercises scheduled to be held at John A. Holmes High School Monday night, May 30, Dr. Robert L. Holt, registrar of East Carolina College, will make the graduation address.

Dr. Robert Holt, ECC Registrar, Will Deliver the Graduation Address

50 IN CLASS

Class Night Friday, May 27 and Commencement Sermon Sunday, May 29

Commencement exercises at John A. Holmes High School will begin Friday night, May 27, when Class Night exercises will be held in the auditorium of the school. The Commencement sermon will be delivered Sunday night, May 29, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium and graduation exercises will be held Monday night, May 30, at 8 o'clock.

Class Night will feature a skit with Ida Smyer acting as narrator. The history of the class will be read by Betty Privott and Betsy Ross will read the last will, testament and prophecy. LaDell Parker, Jr., will serve in the capacity of giftorian.

At these exercises the Arion award will be presented by T. B. Williford, president of the Edenton Lions Club. The Business and Professional Women's Club award will be presented by Mrs. Lala Smith. Dr. A. F. Downum will present the bus drivers' awards. Mrs. J. L. Pettus will present the DAR Citizenship Award and Mrs. Betsy Chesson, Jr., will present the Edenton Woman's Club award. The Rotary Cup will be presented by W. J. P. Earnhardt, president of the Rotary Club. Dr. Louis Ferguson will present the student nursing scholarship. The student nursing scholarship will be presented by Mrs. L. A. Patterson, president of the Chowan

James Griffin New President Of Lions

Club Officers Elected At Meeting Held Monday Night

James H. Griffin, Soil Conservationist for Chowan County, was elected president of the Edenton Lions Club for the year 1960-61 year beginning in June. Griffin succeeds T. B. Williford.

Other officers elected were: John Mittoner, first vice president; Herbert Hollowell, second vice president; A. F. Downum, third vice president; Claude Griffin, Lion tamer; and A. B. Harless, Jr., tail twister.

Oscar Duncan and Bruce Jones, Sr., were elected to the board of directors for two year terms, replacing L. F. Ferguson and Haywood Bunch. Nick George was elected to fill the unexpired one year term of A. F. Downum.

W. J. Taylor was re-elected secretary and treasurer by acclamation, continuing the office he has held since the Lions Club was chartered in Edenton. J. C. Leary was re-elected song leader.

Edenton Democrats Elected To Serve On Various Committees

At the First District Democratic Convention held in Raleigh last Thursday, A. B. Harless of Edenton was re-elected to a third term on the State Democratic Executive Committee.

P. S. McMullan and E. W. Spire were elected to serve on the District Congressional Committee and W. S. Privott to the Judicial Committee.

John Graham and George A. Byrum were elected to the Societorial Committee and Mrs. Josie Ruth Carr to the State Senatorial Committee.

Chowan Cooperative Produce Exchange Will Open May 30

Announcement was made this week that the Chowan Cooperative Produce Exchange will open for the 1960 season Monday afternoon, May 30, at 1 o'clock. The exchange is located at Valhalla on N. C. Route 32, about six miles north of Edenton.

Crops offered for sale during the season will include squash, snapbeans, cucumbers, corn, cabbage, cantaloupes, peppers, watermelons and other vegetables grown in the county and this area. All will be sold by the auction system.

S. Francis Hicks will again serve in the capacity of manager and auctioneer, with Willis Bond as assistant manager and R. H. Copeland as office manager in charge of the office. Officers of the exchange are:

License Examiner Begins New Hours

Mac M. James, local automobile license examiner, announced Monday of this week that the summer schedule of hours for license examining will go into effect Wednesday, June 1.

On and after June 1, Mr. James will be in his office at the Edenton Police Station from 8 A. M., until 5 P. M. This schedule will be in effect until September 1, when the hours will return to 8:30 A. M., until 5:30 P. M.

Getting Out Vote

With a Democratic primary election scheduled to be held Saturday, May 28, Edenton Jaycees again will lend their efforts to get out the vote.

James Perry, president of the Jaycees, says local members will busy themselves on election day to get voters to the polls. "We are not so much concerned how voters cast their ballots," said Perry, "but we think every eligible citizen should vote in this important election."

W. A. Harrell, president; E. L. Pearce, vice president, and C. M. Evans, secretary and treasurer. The directors include W. A. Harrell, E. L. Pearce, C. M. Evans, L. C. Bunch, Lindsay Ray Bunch, J. F. Ward and T. C. Bunch.

Last year the total volume of sales at the exchange increased over the previous year and it is reported that acreage this year is about the same as last year. Crops are expected to run about a week later than last year due to weather conditions, but officials anticipate business to be as good or better than in 1959. Auction sales will be held for non-members as in the past, and all types of baskets and containers will be handled by the exchange for members and the public at competitive prices.