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Jones Takes a Look Tax Listing Increase Eye

The number of individual taxpayers in Chowan County may reach a record high of 9,000 in 1965, according to W. P. Jones, tax supervisor.

As property owners throughout the county started listing their possessions for taxes on January 2, Jones said real estate listings alone may reach 7,000 this year. It is estimated that 2,000 additional people will list

personal property only.

Taking a look at property valuation, Jones said a 10 per cent increase over the current \$23 million could be realistic. He credited this increase to new construction—both industrial and residential—and new sub divisions.

At the present time there are six sub divisions in Chowan County; parcels at least two of them being listed by individual property owners for the first time in 1965. They are Chowan Beach, Arrowhead Beach, Cape Colony, M. G. Brown, Montpelier Acres and Nixon's Beach.

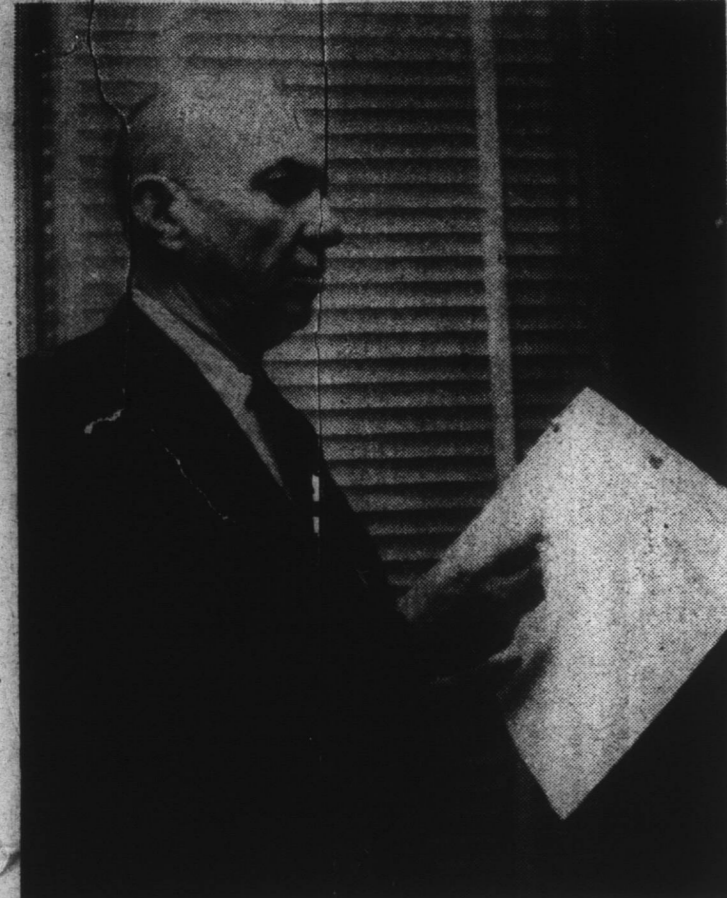
Cape Colony alone is expected to account for from 250 to 300 new listings.

At this time there are 2,483 real estate listings in First Township; 2,767 in the Second Township; 578 in Third Township, and 454 in Fourth Township. This totals 6,282. More than 10 per cent increase in this figure would be needed to exceed the 7,000 individual real estate listing predicted.

Jones, who became tax supervisor in 1953, has been the property valuation in Chowan County increase from \$11 million at that time to the present \$23 million. During this time there has been one revaluation, which Jones believes fairly equalized property values in this county.

This opinion is supported by an official of Southern Appraisers in Greensboro, who is here carrying out a new revaluation. The appraiser said he thought the property in Chowan County has been put on the books at a "fair" figure.

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TAX LISTING BEGINS—W. P. Jones, Chowan County Tax Supervisor, is pictured here with a tax listing form which an estimated 9,000 people will complete in this county for 1965 taxes. Jones has estimated an increase in total listings as well as a 10 per cent boost in total valuation for 1965. Everyone owning property in Chowan County must list it for taxes prior to February 1, or pay a 10 per cent penalty.

Carroll Boyce New Master Of Masons For Edenton Lodge

New officers for Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., were installed at Thursday night's meeting of the lodge. H. A. Campen, oldest past master of Unanimity Lodge, was the installing officer and was assisted by Edwin Bufflap as marshal.

Those installed were Carroll A. Boyce, master; R. T. Pickler, senior warden; Clarence White, junior warden; R. E. Leary, treasurer, and W. P. Goodwin, secretary.

The new master announced the following appointments, all of whom were also installed:

Philip Robey, senior deacon; Vernon Barrow, junior deacon; Hiram Weeks and Bernard Burroughs, stewards; Willie Spruill, Tyler. L. E. Francis will serve as chaplain and J. Edwin Bufflap as marshal.

Mr. Boyce also announced the following committee appointments:

Oxford Orphanage Committee: John A. Mitchener, George Twiddy and West Byrum.

Education Committee: W. P. Goodwin, Daniel P. Reates, W. W. Adams and J. C. Parks.

Finance and Budget Committee: T. B. Williford, R. P. Baer and L. E. Francis.

Charity Committee and House Committee: Carroll A. Boyce, R. T. Pickler and Clarence White.

Reference Committee: John Lee Spruill, W. A. Harrell and Rodney Byrum.

Flower Committee: Jimmy N. Oglesby.

Tax Office Busy

During Past Month

Tax collections during December, 1964, climbed to \$88,381.92, according to Sheriff Earl Goodwin. This compares with collections of \$77,435.44 during the same period in 1963.

County commissioners commended the sheriff for his activity of collecting taxes.

Current collections were \$86,574.82 towards the 1964 tax levy of \$391,864.63.

Delinquent tax collections amounted to \$1,769.40 for years back to 1954. Pick-ups amounted to \$37.70 for prior years, including \$15.82 in penalties.

Sheriff Goodwin expressed the opinion that January would be another good month for collections as taxpayers move to avoid a penalty imposed as of February 1.

Requested Contribution Is Cut For Final Two Doses Of Vaccine

Plans for the second dose of oral polio vaccine to be given to residents of a nine square area of Northeastern North Carolina on Sunday, January 10, began to take shape today.

Public clinics, mostly in the schools, will be open from noon until 5 P. M., on January 10, to provide the second dose of the vaccine to about 50,000 persons in the nine county area.

In Chowan County clinics will be operated at the Edenton elementary, Chowan High School, White Oak School and St. John's Community Center.

"During the first Stop Polio Sunday on November 15, and in the make-up clinics that followed we gave more than 52,000 doses of the oral vaccine," Dr. T. P. Brinn of Hertford, Chairman of the Stop Polio Committee of the First District Medical Society, reported.

"Because of the generosity of those who visited the clinics on the first Stop Polio Sunday, our committee has voted to cut our requested financial contribution for the final two doses to a minimum of 25 cents," Dr. Brinn announced. A contribution of 50 cents was asked on November 15. "We are most interested in providing vaccine for as many of our people as we can give it to," Dr. Brinn said.

"Dr. Brinn today urged all those people who missed the first dose of the vaccine on November 15, to start with the second dose on January 10. "They can take the second dose on January 10, get the third dose on February 21, and then get the dose that they missed in make-up clinics to be held later in the Spring," he revealed.

The method of receiving the vaccine is simple. A person merely walks into one of the Stop Polio Clinics and is given a sugar cube on which has been placed two drops of the vaccine. He eats the sugar cube and is then immunized against one of the three major types of polio.

Deadline Nearing

For DSA Nominees

Nominations for the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award in Edenton must be submitted by January 15. Edenton Jaycees are currently accepting nominations for this coveted award.

The winner for distinguished service to the community during 1964 will be announced at a DSA banquet January 28 at the Masonic Temple. The event will begin at 7 P. M.

Nomination blanks can be picked up at Hollowell's Drug Store, Mitchener's Pharmacy and Peoples Bank & Trust Company. Anyone in Edenton can submit the name of a deserving person they would like to see recognized for service.

Bill McDonald of Hickory, state Jaycee president, will keynote the DSA banquet.

Jaycee President Pete Dail states that to be eligible, a nominee must be between 21 and 30 years of age. The award, according to Dail, is given for achievement, leadership and service to Edenton and the surrounding area.

1965 License Tags Being Sold Locally

1965 license plates went on sale throughout North Carolina January 1 and in Edenton, the first tag went to Herbert Edward Bass, West Queen Street. His new number is CT-1101.

Business at Edenton Office Supply, where Mrs. Goldie L. Niblett is branch manager for the N. C. Department of Motor Vehicles, was brisk but not rushed Saturday. However, things are expected to pick up this week.

License tags are \$11 for passenger cars. If you live in Edenton, you must also purchase a town tag for \$1.00. The town tag is on sale in the Municipal Building across from Edenton Office Supply.

State tags will be sold from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., Monday through Friday, and from 9 A. M. to 12 noon on Saturdays. The law requires that the new tags

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NEW LICENSE PLATES ON SALE—Kermit Layton here displays the first 1965 North Carolina automobile license plate sold in Edenton on January 2. Owners of motor vehicles from a wide area come here each year to purchase their new tags which must be displayed by February 15. It is estimated that 2,225,000 application cards were mailed recently by the Department of Motor Vehicles to vehicle owners.

Money Guaranteed For New Edenton Library

Request For \$20,000 Is Given Approval By Commissioners

Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library is virtually assured of a new home.

The final local financial hurdle was cleared Monday when Chowan County commissioners agreed to put up \$20,000 of the construction cost. This, with \$15,000 guaranteed by the Town Council, is sufficient to seek a \$30,000 federal grant for the \$65,000 project.

Action on the library boards' request was a highlight of the regularly monthly commissioners' session. Some of the commissioners were concerned about the wisdom of approving the project without the money in the bank. They acted swiftly, however, once Chairman W. E. Bond assured them the funds would be forthcoming.

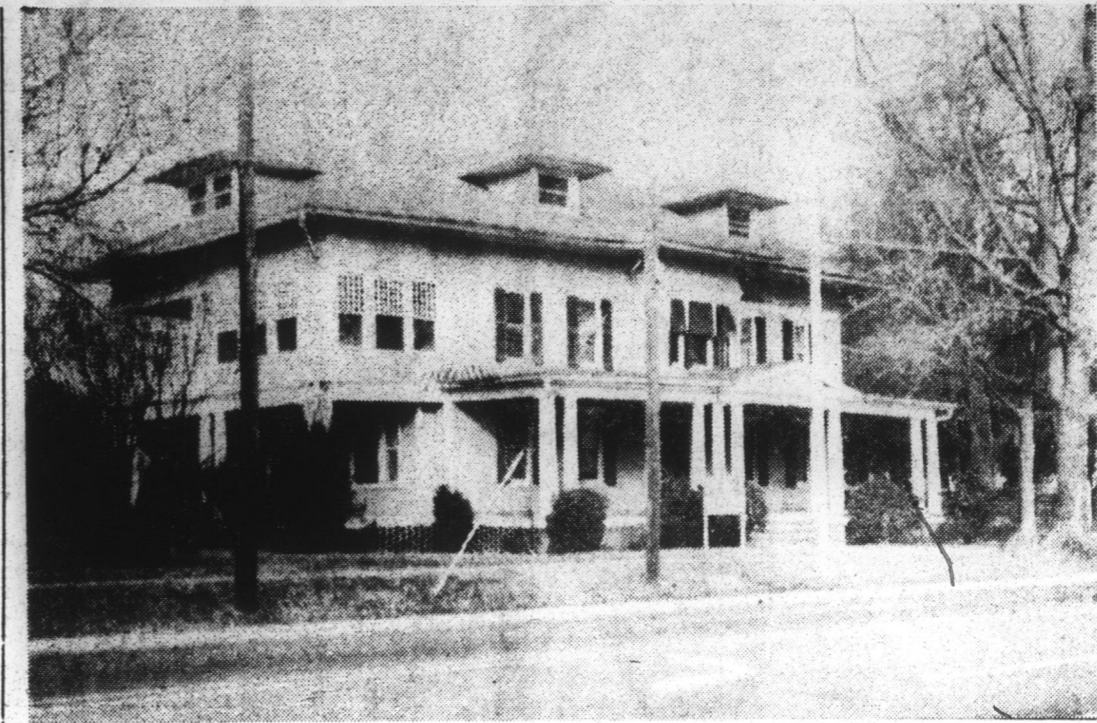
Tom Shepard, chairman of the library trustees, again appeared before the commissioners to renew the request for funds which would assure the new structure becoming a reality. He was backed up by delegations representing the DAR, Friends of the Library and the Women's Club. The commissioners had already received notice that the Edenton Chamber of Commerce directors had gone on record urging them to approve the request.

Shepard again told the commissioners that it would be desirable to have a 3,500-square-foot building for future growth of the library. The estimated cost of land, building and furnishings has been set at \$65,000.

The board members were told that Chowan County now qualifies for a 46 per cent federal grant which would amount to nearly \$30,000. They had asked and received approval from the Town Council for \$15,000.

The council had stated they would guarantee this amount if the county would pay \$20,000.

Shepard called this "a golden opportunity" and urged the



LIBRARY SEEKS NEW LOCATION—Shown above is the current home of Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library on the corner of Broad and Church Streets. Efforts are underway to secure \$35,000 in local funds to go with a matching federal grant to provide a new home for the library. Library officials have asked the Town of Edenton for \$15,000 and the County Commissioners for \$20,000 to insure Chowan County adequate library facilities.

Long Is Chairman Of School Board

O. C. Long, Jr., has been elected chairman of the Chowan County Board of Education as the board reorganized under requirements of a new state statute.

Dr. A. F. Downum was elected vice chairman.

Long succeeds G. P. Potter, who did not seek re-election.

Other members of the five-man board include N. J. George, Frank Williams and Eugene Jordan.

The board this year, as the result of local legislation in the General Assembly, was changed from six to five members.

The law states that the board takes office January 1 each term. Also, the three candidates polling the most number of votes are elected for four years and the next two are elected for two years.

Long, Downum and Jordan were top in the general election and will serve for four years. Williams and George were elected for two years.

Superintendent C. C. Walters is, of course, secretary to the board.

Sessions Scheduled By Little Theater

An informal reading session by members of the Edenton Little Theater will be held at 8 P. M. Tuesday, January 12, at the Parish House at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

At the same time the group will discuss a special program for January 29.

The general meeting of Little Theater will be held at 8 o'clock tonight (Thursday) at the Parish House. All members are encouraged to attend.

At the meeting, Mrs. Lucy Fairfax Vaughn, drama teacher at the College of the Albemarle, will give a talk on principles of oral interpretation.

All members unable to attend the general meeting are urged to attend the one on January 12 when the reading of favorite prose selections and poems will take place. Members desiring to read should bring certain selections to the meeting with them.

CIVIC CALENDAR

Edenton Little Theater will hold a general meeting tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at the Parish House. Another informal gathering will be held Tuesday night, January 12 at the Parish House at 8 o'clock for the purpose of reading favorite prose selections and poetry.

March of Dimes campaign is now in progress with a goal of \$2,500.

The Auxiliary of Ed Bond Post No. 40 of the American Legion will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock.

Tober To Return Yankee Dog Is Fond Of Chowan

BY TOBER

All good stories should give the reader a general idea of the entire mess in the first paragraph. So, let me tell you that this is going to be a Dog-gone story about hunting, among other things.

Well, you may think it a bit odd that it appears on page one. It is, however, not just an ordinary sports story. (If I played football for the Aces no explanation would be necessary).

Now that byline might throw you. It is not a pen name. It's all mine. There's lots more to it but I shorten it in print for the convenience of my public.

For you see, I am a dog.

Wait a minute, before you chuck the paper with your nose all out of joint, do me the courtesy of hearing me out.

I am not just an ordinary dog. I am a writer. I write for national publications under the pen name of my master, Corey Ford.

Although I do all this work, all I get for my services is good, loving care, and a lot of vaca-

tions. He gets all the checks.

Yes, I am a dog. As a matter of fact, I am a Yankee dog. I am six years old, weigh about 80 pounds, completely dry and without burrs, and am an English Setter.

I also have a big head. As a matter of fact, one not so tactful Edentonian once told me I might have some Saint Bernard blood in my strain. But it ain't so. I am all setter.

Impersonator Ford raised me from a pup. He also let my mother write for him, although she didn't become as famous as I.

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JUST A YANKEE DOG—Tober, a Yankee dog who likes Southern quail, takes a break in hunting at Hayes Plantation to get some fond words from his owner. Corey Ford, left, and George Twiddy of Edenton. Ford, associate editor of Field & Stream magazine, was working on a story here last week and spent two days hunting quail in Chowan County. Twiddy was among local people in the Edenton Chamber of Commerce who beat the bushes with the Hanover, New Hampshire, writer and author.

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