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A LIFT FOR TODAY

The Lord hath need of thee.-Matthew The need of the world is the need of

the Lord. Grant us grace to hear Thy call and gladly give our all to Thee.

The Grassroots Rumble

As one reads comment in the press from over the 50 states, there is growing evidence that more and more persons are getting tired of working to save something and then have it taxed away to be spent for all manner of political projects.

We now have two generations of young people who never knew what it was like to earn a dollar and not have to account for it to state or federal officials. Most individuals now need professional help to fill out complex tax forms.

More and more people are getting tired of seeing the cream of their income spent for give-away schemes, domestic and foreign. They want the pleasure of spending, saving or losing some of their own earnings. No wonder the demand is growing for a decrease in government extravagance. The more the taxpayers are assessed, the more the public spenders spend. There is no thought of saving.

People will only get relief by their "NO" votes. Scan the measures and the record of every candidate before voting "YES", as you are voting to spend your own life's earnings.

Rising Prices Still Here

Prices are almost certain to increase before the year is out. The U.S. Labor Department has predicted a 2 per cent rise in food prices this year. Its estimate may well be on the conservative side since deficit spending by the federal government appears to be headed toward record levels. Deficit spending breeds inflation, further depreciation of the dollar and higher prices. One thing that should be made clear is that as prices move up it does not necessarily mean that retailers are reaping higher profits They are merely in the bitter position of being at the end of the line, where the exchange of goods for depreciated dollars makes itself felt most painfully to consumers.

The National Association of Food Chains has issued a statement on the outlook for higher prices: "Consumers are—for the most part—willing to listen and to understand the facts, once they are presented openly. It is essential (therefore) that every effort be made now to inform the public of probable food price trends and the reasons for them."

Questionable Economy

In 1965, when the medicare bill was pending, a witness, Dr. Donovan Ward, former president of the American Medical Association, warned: "When costs get out of line-and, let me assure you, they will—there are three possible courses of action. The first is to reduce the benefits; the second is to increase taxes; the third is to impose government controls on zervices in an attempt to control costs. We know welfare benefits are not likely to be cut back . . . And certainly, constantly increasing taxes are undesirable.

"This leaves the third approach: controlling the provision of services. Use of this authority by government must be expected. Indeed, it cannot be avoided. With the emphasis shifting from quality to cost . . . a deterioration in the quality of care is inescapable." Dr. Ward, writing in Medical World News, describes how his prophesy has been borne out in the present ill-advised attempt to control soaring medicare costs by limiting the choice of drugs doctors might prescribe for medicare patients.

The theory is that a drug coming from a quality-oriented brand name manufacturer is no more reliable than the same drug bearing its generic or scientific name and coming from any source. In reality, nothing could be further from the truth. Therefore, as Dr. Ward states further: "... physicians have an obligation to explain to . . . patients that mandatory generic prescribing would rob the physician of the right to specify medicine and sap the strength of the quality drug industry, which has contributed so much to medical progress over the years."



In getting up the "Yellow Pages" column this week I was again impressed how swiftly time passes. Back 20 years ago I was puffing away on a good cigar given by Haywood Jones. The stork singled out Haywood's nice new home on the Windsor highway and deposited his son Jimmy, and it seems only as yesterday that, due to Jimmy arriving a bit lated than was calculated, Haywood in his nervous expectation, came 'near smoking or chewing up all the cigars he had purchased to pass out. Jimmy, a 6-pound, 8ounce baby then, is now a robust young man in the U. S. Air Force. He is stationed at Dover, Del. Yep. time surely passes swiftly!

The weather continues to be very warm, but the cheerleaders for the Edenton Aces no doubt realize that it will not be so very long before they'll be marching, jumping and yelling at football games. Despite the hot weather, groups of 'em last week gathered on the Court House Green going through practice drills for the coming football season. They, like the Aces, want to be in first class shape for the gridiron wars-and it looks as though they will be. Anyway ,the cheerleaders are an integral part of a football game—they're out the.e cheering if their team is ahead or behind. Quite different from some football fans who could tell a coach what he should have done after a certain play bogs down.

And speaking about the Aces, the choir at the Methodist Church is in about the same category. Coach Marion Kirby has lost eight or nine lettermen from last season's squad, so that he'll have a rebuilding job on his hands. However, he's well pleased with the group of youngsters who are seeking berths on the team and believes he'll have a creditable team in uniform. Not so, however, with the Methodist Choir. There, too, eight or nine members will soon be missing, some leaving Edenton and others going away to school. Unlike Coach Kirby, however, there is no group trying to "make" the choir like the young footballers. So, any member of the Methodist Church, or non-member for that matter, who can sing any at all will be welcome to sit in the choir loft every Sunday morning.

A new sport has developed in Edenton if one takes a glance along the waterfront at almost any time these days. Large numbers of people gather there with an old fish head or piece of meat as bait in an effort to attract crabs-and they have been attracting 'em, too. Clyde Slade, one of The Herald's crew, for instance, went out after work one evening last week and gath, ered in 112 crabs. And from what I understand, most of 'em are eaten. As a boy when going on excursions to Tolchester Beach, across Chesapeake Bay from Baltimore, we derived a lot of pleasure crabbing, but now the bloomin' things get a fellow's nerves while fishing and the crabs beat the fish to the bait.

If the births at Chowan Hospital is any indication, girls some years hence might find it a little difficult to find a "feller." Of the seven births last week at the hos-

Missing among us these days is Leroy Haskett, who is now confined in General Hospital in Norfolk. Friend Haskett went there last week for observation in connection with a neck ailment, but the doctors kept him there. Then Mrs. Bill Goodwin is also a hospital patient. Here's hoping both of 'em will soon be out and patched up as good as new.

Wednesday afternoon of hext week the Methodist Church will stage a picnic at Surf Side Park at Cape Colony. The affair is planned for the entire congregation and will be featured by a fish fry. There will be no charge for the meal, so that every member of the congregation is invited to attend and bring along a big ap-

After Wednesday of this week the Bufflap household will be sort of down in the dumps. For two weeks now the son of the Missus, his wife and darling daughter have been visitors and it has been one happy family. Of course, the parents of the little granddaughter were very welcome, coming all the way from London, but what can be more precious than the love and admiration of a two-year-old little girl? We, of course, like all grandparents, think our grandchildren are just the best and most precious things in the world. Our folks left Wednesday for their trip over the briny deep to their home in London, but their visit and the joy of being around a sweet little girl will long be remembered.

Two Edenton Boy Scouts-Mike Ervin and Jimmy Lambeth-have been signally honored. They have been selected to atend the national conference of the Order of th Arrow at Lincoln, Neb. It's a settled fact that the boys will have a wonderful time out west, and here's hoping the trip will make 'em even better Boy

The Magazine College 1967 Football states that Coach Clarence Stasavich at East Carolina College is very optimistic over the return of 22 lettemen from last year's rugged football squad. He says Dwight Flanagan, a former Edenton Ace, will likely be among the newcomers to start, with Dwight as safetyman. Here's hoping Dwight will be as outstanding at East Carolina as he was when playing for the Edenton

\$12 Welfare Money Buys \$92 Worth Of Food Stamps

Twelve dollars in cash and \$92 worth of food? That's what a family of 15 received last month with Chowan County Welfare Department putting up the

Mrs. J. H. McMullan, welfare director, told Chowan County commissioners Monday the food stamp program here is of great assistance to many families.

She said the father of a large family was hospitalized. No food was in the home and there was no money to pur-

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drills.

In summary, the chief reported: Twenty-eight coded alarms in Edenton and 29 in the county; 37 silent alarms in town and 21 in the county.

A break-down of the alarms include: Residential, 41; non-residential, 20; woods and grass, 28; auto or truck, 18; false alarms, three; rescue calls, three; mutual aid, one and cat in tree, one.

An average of 17 firemen answered each coded alarm out of town for the year. In Edenton, the average number of firemen responding was 18.

The paid men in the department worked a total of 4,236 hours each during the reported period.

The Hublic Parade

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the condition of various athletic funds, said John A. Holmes is in the best shape of any school with which he has been connected.

Individual schools this year will be asked to find the money to cover athletes. If they can't? Well, the school board has agreed to help bail them out.

Skeletons are not rare around athletic programs. At least one bone of this one is getting a good dusting.

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tain two jobs as the accountant's work has more than doubled over the past few

After considerable discussion, commissioners voted to continue the Civil Defense through this fiscal year and to make the county accountant's position a full-time job.

Jim Blake, community planner with the Albemarle Area Planning Commission, told the board Edenton and Chowan -County in the structure will serve a much larger region in the 10-county area. Chowan has some of the best land in the region, primarily along the waterways, he said in his presentation.

He said Chowan has a good location for a new state park and the transportation study shows a definite need for additional highways in the area.

Mayor John A. Mitchener, Jr., chairman of the commission, said the study done by Blake and his staff is a model for others to follow. He again requested that Chowan continue to participate in future studies.

Commissioners later reversed an earlier opinion and voted to continue participation for the next two years at a cost of approximately \$1,500.

Jack Parker, area livestock specialist, was given office space in Hotel Joseph

Rhea Adams and Ernest Kehayes were appointed as county members on the Advisory Committee of the Albemarle Area Alcoholic Center in Elizabeth City. Marion Swindell of Hertford, a part-

ner in Williford Funeral Home here, and other funeral home directors in Edenton apeared to inform commissioners that after September 30 they would no longer answer ambulance calls.

Swindell, spokesman for the group, said new laws have place an additional burden on the funeral homes and is forcing them out of the ambulance business. However, he was quick to say they would work with the Rescue Squad or any other group the commissioners designate to handle ambulance calls in the future.

Chairman Bond said it would be discussed at a future meeting.

The board voted to install a conveyor in the clerk of court's office to another office on the second floor. Cost of the conveyor is \$710.

A request from Sheriff Earl Goodwin for the county to participate with Edenton in sponsoring a Crime Prevention display at Chowan County Fair was tabled.

Commissioners Dallas Jethro, Jr., and C. M. Evans were appointed to a committee to work with the Town on a program of building inspections. This has been recommended by the joint Edenton-

Chowan planning boards.
In addition to Chairman Bond, Jethro and Evans, other commissioners attending were J. Clarence Leary and C. J. Hollowell.

Individuals, like successful generals, have to be bold enough to take some chances, if they wish to become suc-

chase the needed provisions.

A general assistance grant of \$12 was given the family and with the money they were able to buy food stamps valued at \$92.

Mrs. McMullan said while this is an isolated case, there are many other instances where families who otherwise might be without food are being assisted by the program.

In July, 78 were certified to participate in the program. Seventy-three actually purchased the stamps. They paid \$2,572 and received stamps valued at \$4,526.

The welfare director said the number of families certified for participation drops greatly during the summer months as farm employment and wages increase. Meanwhile in Raleigh, changes were announced in the food stamp program

Conference Slated

Edenton has been chosen as one of 10 locations for a Drive-In Conference for teachers of seventh and eight grade mathematics.

Such conferences begin Monday in Burlington and New Bern with the Edenton program set for next Friday. On the same day a conference will be held in Kannapolis.

Supt. Bill Britt said the local conference will be held in the auditorium at John A. Holmes High School. It will begin at 9:30 A. M., and end at 4 P. M.

In addition to the four locations previously mentioned, conferences will be held in Boone, Fayetteville, Franklin, Wilmington, Marion and Rocky Mount.

Sponsored by the State Department of Public Instruction, this group of meetings is a part of a continuing effort to increase the effectiveness of instruction in the updated mathematicss program, Supt. Britt said.

The conferences are designed to reinforce the teacher's background in, and understanding of mathematical concepts inherent in the new program; to offer suggestions in developing teaching techniques; and to suggest ways of supplementing the basal texts to meet the needs of all students.

that will help many families take advantage of the aid who have not been able to do so in the past.

Welfare Commissioner Clifton M. Craig explained that many families with very low incomes and those who buy their food on credit have difficulty, in the first month, getting together the amount of cash they must have to purchase food stamps. "To help these families get started in the program," said Craig, "beginning September 1 new families will be required to pay only half of their normal purchase requirement during the first month they participate in the program." He added that any family who had not been participating for two months or more prior to September 1 would be treated as new family if they wish to re-apply after that date.

The second major change is a reduction in the purchase requirement for families in the lowest income category. Until now these families have had to pay an average of \$2 per person per month for their food stamp allotment. For families with almost no income it has been impossible to raise even this small amount. "Effective September 1," said Craig, "the cash requirement for these families will be reduced to an average of 50 cents per person."

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County in loose-leaf registration of voter books. Also, under the proposal, strongly supported by Town Administrator W. B. Gardner, town voting precincts would be aligned with the county (east and west) but candidates would still file from respective wards.

Councilman Quinn called for better cleaning of municipal parking lots. He called them a disgrace.

Mayor John A. Mitchener, Jr., said littering in the parking lots is a real

W. J. P. Earnhardt, Jr., town attorney, said the State Supreme Court ruling on municipal funds for use on airports in no way affects Edenton.

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