

Noted And Passed

There was a note in our unattended typewriter with reference to new hours for the Clothing Closet. Beginning October 4, the closet will be open from 11 A.M. until 2 P.M.

The Clothing Closet is located on the second floor of the Pate Florist Building in downtown Edenton. It provides a real service to the community.

Star Shines

One of Northeastern North Carolina's foremost leaders has become president of the National Guard Association of the United States. Maj. Gen. Emmett Ingram assumed the post recently in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Old timers along the Public Parade will remember Gen. Ingram as the oil dealer in the Isle of Pasquotank who excelled as Mayor of Elizabeth City. He maintained his interest in military affairs and in April, 1977, was chosen by Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr., to become N.C. Adjutant General.

Gen. Ingram has been one of Tar Heelia's most successful adjutant general's. He has kindled a new spirit of enthusiasm for the National Guard within the ranks as well as in the communities where the units are based. One recent example is a trip of local officials from along the Public Parade who visited the N.C. Military Academy at Ft. Bragg - a trip suggested by Gen. Ingram to better inform the citizens of the guard's mission.

The genial general also used his influence of office, as well as politics, to maintain top priority for the new National Guard Armory on Base Road.

Gov. Hunt said it well when he congratulated Gen. Ingram with these words:

"I am proud of your service and dedication to the National Guard and the truly outstanding record it has achieved under your leadership. On behalf of the people of North Carolina, I congratulate you for the honor that has come to you and which you so well deserve."

Gen. Ingram's star shines well outside Isle of Pasquotank and North Carolina. He's our kind of leader.

Sound Of Tolls

Toll roads in North Carolina? Unthinkable! Hardly!

Marc Basnight of Dare County, the State Board of Transportation member who is both progressive and aggressive, has caused a stir with a suggestion of a toll road in Northeastern North Carolina. In fact, he may have caused a storm.

Toll roads in North Carolina, especially in the northeastern sector, may be a thing whose time has come. Shrinking dollars have caused highway officials to tighten up on priorities, even the shameful few which affected this area of Tar Heelia.

Those on the scene have grown sicker and sicker of "traffic

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Edenton Boy Scouts Celebrate 53rd Anniversary

By A.F. Beeler

I had an opportunity to read a plaque the other evening which started me thinking! It read "Cabin Presented by James A. Woodard, to the Edenton Troop, Boy Scouts of America, dated August 29, 1929." Even though the Scout Hut is younger than most

structures in Edenton, it has become a very well-known landmark. The building has served the community with its Scouting program and many other community projects for 53 years now.

At present it is the home of Scout Troop 164, sponsored by the American Legion Post 40. You

cannot count the number of young people who have crossed its portals seeking fun in scouting, and have become more self-reliant - thereby better citizens. We can be sure that there are many fond memories here. Memories, held by both boys and adults alike, from the many hours they have spent within its walls.

Mr. James A. Woodard, the Edenton businessman, who gave the cabin to the Scouts must have known something when Scouting was still young in America, to have built a place where young men could meet down through the years. A place where they could learn skills that would help them the rest of their lives. I can find very little information about the man who showed such foresight. It is known that he was in the wholesale grocery business with a Mr. Holmes; the town has a street bearing his name; but I can find no more. I am sure that there is much more and hopefully it can be found one day.

"The Scout Hut" stood quiet on its fifty-third anniversary. It is,

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GOOBERS LOOK OVER FESTIVAL — Beth Taylor, Betty Cox, A.B. Harless, Otis Strother and Bill Norvell look over the booklet as they prepare for the Festival this weekend.

Band Competition Highlight Of The Festival

Everyone loves a parade and the Edenton-Chowan Band Parents Association will host one of the largest in North Carolina at the seventh annual Peanut Festival in Edenton on Saturday, October 2, beginning at 10 A.M. Twelve high school bands have committed themselves to march in the parade and compete for honors in the competition later in the day.

Bands from Ahoskie, Bertie, Goldsboro, Havelock, Perquimans, Plymouth, Roanoke, Roanoke Rapids, Washington and Williamston, North Carolina, will be participating, along with a band from Chester, Virginia, Western Branch, from Chesapeake,

Va., and Edenton's own Marching Aces.

Following the parade, numerous activities will take place on the campus of John A. Holmes High School. (A schedule of events is listed for your information.) There is something that is bound to delight everyone, both the young and young at heart. Nostalgia will abound when peanuts are picked from stacks, using an old Benthall peanut picker, something that most of our young folk have never witnessed.

Barbecue plates will be available, as well as other concessions, baked goods, and all kinds of peanuts. Come prepared

to do some of your Christmas shopping or just pamper yourself with some of the art and craft items that will be on sale. Or, if you prefer, you can be entertained by the Virginia Beach Community Ballet, or by the Colonial Cloggers who will provide an exhibition.

At 1:00 P.M. the band competition will begin at Hicks Field. Competing in Division AA will be bands from Roanoke Rapids, Williamston, and Plymouth. All other bands will compete in Division A. The Marching Aces from John A. Holmes High School will be participating, however, they will not compete for prizes.

Follow your favorite band to the Peanut Festival. The Edenton-Chowan Band Parent Association promises you a lot of fun and excitement and you can provide a great deal of motivation for your favorite young musician as he or she participates in marching competition. Your support can mean the difference in a grand performance and a mediocre one. Be at the Peanut Festival with bells on to cheer your band on to win top honors.

Cap off Sturday's activities by attending the dance most appropriate for your age group. The teenagers will be dancing to the music by Tranze at the old National Guard Armory. The annual Peanut Festival Dance for adults (the young at heart) will be held at the new National Guard Armory on Base Road. Music will be provided by Jack Revels. Tickets are on sale by band parents. Call Anne or Jim Alston for table reservations.

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Town Council Votes To Join County's Computer System

The Town Council of Edenton met in a special called meeting on Wednesday, September 22 at 5:30 P.M. There were four items to be decided upon, action was taken on three of the items.

The first was whether to join the Chowan County computer system or to buy a system of their own.

The council decided to join the County's system.

The next item discussed was an electrical rate increase. The rate increase being necessitated by VEPCO's rate increase to their wholesale customers. Edenton being a member of the municipal

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The Peanut Festival

Friday - Saturday - Sunday
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Friday, October 1, 1982

8:00 P.M. Edenton Aces vs. Perquimans County High School Pirates at John A. Holmes High School

Saturday, October 2, 1982

10:00 A.M. Peanut Festival Parade (starting at Water Street and ending at Hicks Field)

11:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Activities on the John A. Holmes High School Campus: White Elephant Sale; Crafts; Clogging Demonstration; Games; Art Show & Sale; Peanut Pickin' Exhibition

11:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Bake Sale - Peanut Cooking & Sale on Holmes High School Campus

11:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M. Barbecue Dinner Plates — \$2.50 (May be purchased and/or picked up at Boy Scout Hut on the Holmes High School Campus)

11:30 A.M. - 12:15 P.M. Virginia Beach Community Ballet — John A. Holmes Auditorium

1:00 P.M. Band Competition — Hicks Field (Admission: Adults — \$2.00 . . . Students — \$1.00)

3:00 P.M. Drawing of Raffle Tickets (Hicks Field)

4:00 P.M. Presentation of Band Competition Trophies Presented by Fisher Nut Company

8:00 P.M. - 12:00 Midnight Peanut Festival Student Dance — Old National Guard Armory Admission: \$3.00 per person; Music by Tranze (formerly Avalanche)

9:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M. Peanut Festival Dance — Tickets on Sale in Advance or at the Door — \$15.00 per couple, Set-ups and Party Pick-ups; Music furnished by Jack Revels — New National Guard Armory

Sunday, October 3, 1982

2:00 P.M. Concert in the Park — Colonial Park, John A. Holmes High School Band; Gospel Music; Albemarle Pops Orchestra

2:00 P.M. Sailboat Regatta — Cruising Division — Edenton Bay

3:30 P.M. Sailboat Regatta — Day Sailors — Edenton Bay

5:00 P.M. Ceremony awarding Trophies for Sailboat Regatta at Edenton Marina

Sponsor: Edenton-Chowan Band Parents Association

Holmes High School Band Wins Honors In Competition

The John A. Holmes High School Marching Aces competed in the 10th Annual Virginia Commonwealth University - State Fair of Virginia Marching Band Competition Tuesday and came away with several first place honors.

The Marching Aces, competing in the 1-A Division along with eight other bands from North Carolina and Virginia, placed first in the overall competition and also garnered first place in the drum line, rifle line and flag line. The drum majors finished in second

place, missing first by a mere one point. This was their fifth appearance in this competition.

According to band director Otis Strother, "It was a long day (we were gone for 21 hours), but it was an outstanding day. It was our band's best effort in a big competition to this point."

The Marching Aces will have another opportunity to show their skills this Saturday when they host Edenton's Seventh Annual Peanut Festival. The band will participate in the parade and also perform at the band competition.



MARCHING ACES RECEIVE FIRST PLACE HONORS — The John A. Holmes High School Marching Aces recently competed in the 10th Annual Virginia Commonwealth University - State Fair of Virginia Marching Band Competition and came away with first place in overall competition, drum line, flag line and rifle line. They placed second in drum majors competition. Don't miss the Marching Aces this Saturday when they host Edenton's Seventh Annual Peanut Festival.



ANNIVERSARY PASSED—The Scout Hut, presented by James A. Woodard to the Edenton Troop of Boy Scouts of America in 1929, quietly celebrated its 53rd anniversary August 29th.