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## Edenton Boy Scouts To Have Four Patrols

Change Will Take Place At Meeting Friday Night

### PLAN HIKE

Officers For Various Patrols Will Also Be Elected

The Edenton Boy Scout troop which was reorganized recently under the Scoutmastership of John Graham with an enrollment of 16 boys, divided into two patrols, has steadily grown until now it is necessary to form four patrols. This will be done at the weekly Scout meeting Friday night in the Scout Cabin at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Graham urges every boy to be on hand promptly so that the organization may be effected and the various patrol officers elected. It is Mr. Graham's plan to place the present Scouts in each of the four patrols more uniform as to the knowledge of scoutcraft.

At the meeting Friday night plans also will be discussed for a hike on Saturday.

The present Scout roster includes the following boys:

Robert Chesson, Alex White, Emmett Wiggins, Parker Helms, Edward Bass, Ewell Hobbs, Joe P. Rowlett, Roy Spruill, Fred Hoskins, Meredith Jones, Daniel Reeves, George Ward, Theodore Roberts, Frank Muff, Tom Byrum, Muirrell Byrum, Murray Byrum, Carroll Stewart, Edmund Farehand, Charlie Wood, Elbert Copeland, Pete Everett, Junius Davis, Billy Shepard, Tom Elliott, Clyde Spencer, Jack Bond, Billie Coffield, Durwood Harrell, Joe Conger, Bill Whichard, Guy Hollowell and Wendell Copeland.

Interest is also manifest in Scout work among the colored boys of the town, it being expected that a colored troop will be formed in the near future.

## 58 Children Receive Free Lunch At School

Fortunately the soup kitchen at the local school has continued to serve meals to children of relief families and others who are able to buy a mid-day meal at a nominal cost. It was feared last week that this service would have to be discontinued due to the exhaustion of ERA funds to pay for the operation thereof.

On March 1, however, 32 relief children were taken off the roll due to their families being taken off the ERA relief, leaving 58 children who are now eligible to receive a hot meal free of charge while attending school.

## Chowan Tribe Adopts New Set Of By-Laws

A large attendance was present of Monday night at the regular meeting of Chowan Tribe of Red Men, when the new set of by-laws were read for the third and final reading before adoption. Discussion of the new laws was continued until next Monday night, when they will be sent to the Great Council of North Carolina for ratification.

Chowan Tribe has recently taken on new life, adding a large number of new members to the lodge and is now in a better condition, both as to membership and financially, than it has been in many years.

## Sentenced For Being Drunk And Disorderly

Three colored men, Charlie Blount, Edward Rountree and Joe Shannonhouse, were tried before Justice of the Peace W. S. Summerell on Monday charged with being drunk and disorderly.

Blount was fined \$2 and costs, Rountree was taxed \$5 and costs, while Skinner was sentenced to spend 15 days in the county jail.

## UNITED CHARITIES FUND HAS NOW REACHED \$466

The last report of Mrs. A. T. Bush, treasurer of the United Charities, shows that to date the actual amount in cash received during the campaign for funds is \$466.25, the last member signing up being Mrs. H. C. Jackson. Mrs. Bush is anxious that many who have not done so far should do so.

## SENATOR BOB REYNOLDS REQUESTS PICTURES OF OLD CHOWAN LANDMARK

Richard D. Dixon Sends Latest Picture of Old Court House

### VERY SIGNIFICANT

Will Be Enlarged And Hung In Washington Office

The Chowan County Commissioners last week received a request from U. S. Senator Bob Reynolds for a picture of some outstanding building in the County which he intends to have enlarged to adorn the wall of his office in Washington. The Commissioners turned the matter over to R. D. Dixon, Clerk of the Superior Court, who forwarded a picture of the Chowan County Court House. The picture sent was taken by Hamlin during the Joseph Hewes celebration here on April 28, 1932, being an excellent 14x16 reproduction of the old building.

It was thought that the picture of the Court House would be the most appropriate for the purpose, being very significant in view of the fact the building has occupied in connection with men of affairs in Washington. It was in this Court House that Samuel Johnston was one time clerk of court, who later became Governor and a United States Senator. James Iredell also practiced law in the old building before being appointed Supreme Court Justice.

Joseph Hewes, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, served on the committee to build the Court House and later became one of the County judges before becoming a member of the Continental Congress in Philadelphia.

These as well as other prominent figures are intimately associated with the old Chowan County Court House and citizens of Edenton may well be proud of the fact that a picture of the old building will soon repose in the United States Senator's office.

## Legionnaires Discuss Possibilities Of a Hut

The monthly meeting of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion was held Tuesday night, and although attendance was somewhat light a very interesting meeting was held. W. W. Byrum, post commander, presided at the meeting.

Aside from routine business the most outstanding thing discussed was the possibility of erecting a hut for the Legion and Auxiliary. After quite a discussion, the matter was placed in the hands of the building committee with instructions to formulate ways and means to have a hut erected and report back to the post at the next meeting.

As an evidence that the hut is greatly desired, a poll was taken of the members present at the meeting which disclosed that a total of \$311 would have been subscribed to the expense. Members of the post feel confident that, with the assistance of the Auxiliary, a building of their own will be realized.

## High School Students Issue The Spotlight

The Spotlight, a semi-monthly publication of the Edenton High School, made its first appearance last week. The paper, six pages, bound in a deep orange cover, contains timely school news and a number of advertisements. The paper is well gotten up and reflects credit on those who have undertaken the venture. The paper is a product of the school's mimeograph machine.

Members of the staff are: Editor-in-chief, Worth Spencer; business editor, Eleanor Small; associate business editor, Kathryn Holmes; circulation manager, Edmund Forehand; society editor, Marjorie Powell; sports editor, William Harrell; literary editor, Saintie White; joke editors, Billie Gregory and Charlie Wood; art editors, Clyde Cates and John Briggs.

## LOCAL DEALER RECEIVES CARLOAD OLDSMOBILES

The Charles H. Jenkins Motor Company this week received a carload of new Oldsmobiles. This shipment includes one 4-door 5 passenger sedan, one 4-door touring sedan and one 5-passenger coupe. One car of the shipment has already been sold and the inspection of the public is being

## CHOWAN NEGRO KILLED INSTANTLY ON ROAD IN PERQUIMANS COUNTY

Said to Be Walking On Concrete at Time of Accident

### BAD BRAKES

Robert Bragg Held In Perquimans County Jail

Struck by an automobile driven by Robert Bragg, colored, of Winfall, Charlotte Dillard, colored, of Chowan County, was instantly killed on Sunday night, while walking on the highway between Winfall and Belvidere, about two miles from Winfall.

Robert Bragg, who was arrested by Sheriff J. E. Winslow following the accident, and who was placed in jail in default of a two hundred dollar bond to await a hearing on next Tuesday, stated that the accident was unavoidable. He stated that he saw the man, who was walking in the same direction in which he was driving, on the right-hand side of the road. He was meeting another car and was unable to avoid the pedestrian, who was said to have been walking on the concrete, about 5 feet from the edge.

Dr. T. A. Cox, Perquimans County Coroner, who viewed the body shortly after the accident, said that death was instantaneous. The man's body was badly mangled, his back and one leg being broken and the back of his head crushed.

The car which Bragg was driving had no brakes other than an emergency brake, according to Sheriff Winslow.

## Hewes Descandtne Views Monument

A very distinguished visitor was in Edenton Tuesday in the person of Clarence B. Hewes. Mr. Hewes is a descendant of Josiah Hewes, who was a brother of Joseph Hewes, signer of the Declaration of Independence. He is a member of the American Embassy at Berlin and is now on leave of absence. He came to Edenton especially to see the monument erected in honor of his kinsman, it being his first visit to the city.

While in Berlin Mr. Hewes was sent a copy of the New York Times which carried the story regarding the unveiling of the Hewes monument, and was the first information he had that the monument was erected. He was a guest of Richard D. Dixon, Clerk of the Superior Court, who accompanied him on a visit to the various historical spots in the community.

The Hewes monument is especially significant in that it is the only monument erected in the United States in honor of a signer of the Declaration of Independence the funds for which were appropriated by Congress.

## Commissioners Meet In Monthly Session

The Chowan County Commissioners met in monthly session Monday with a full board present.

The usual orders were passed for help in support and current bills were ordered paid.

W. S. Privott was re-appointed as tax supervisor for 1935 at a salary of \$300 per year, and salaries or list takers fixed as follows: \$100 for First Township; \$60 for Second Township; \$50 for Third Township and \$50 for Fourth Township.

The Commissioners will recommend to the State Highway Commission to take over and maintain the road from Hurdle's school house to the Gliden road, as well as the road leading from H. A. Robbs' gate to the Paradise road.

Four names were added to the list for help in support, and after receiving the reports of the treasurer, home demonstration agent, sheriff and health officer the meeting adjourned.

## COLORED MAN SHAKEN UP WHEN STRUCK BY TRUCK

George William Gilliam, colored, narrowly escaped serious injury Saturday afternoon when he was unavoidably struck on Broad Street by a small truck of the Edenton Feed & Fuel Company, driven by Worth Layden. Gilliam was only slightly bruised and went about his business after he was attended by a physician.

## Rotary Has Big Night At Inter-City Meeting

Boys Look Good Says Henry House

Aspirants for berths on the Edenton High School football team next fall are now undergoing two weeks of strenuous spring training under Coach Henry House. The first work was started Monday afternoon and will continue each afternoon for two weeks in an endeavor to better equip the boys with the finer points of the game.

Prospects are very bright for a very successful football team next year in view of the fact that practically the same members of the past season's championship team will be on hand as well as a good supply of reserve players.

Coach House, while commenting on the first few days of spring training, said the boys looked very good.

## Sculptor Would Design Betsy Dowdy Memorial

Mayor E. W. Spires this week received a letter from J. A. Meliodon, a sculptor in Philadelphia, who is very anxious to have erected in Edenton a monument paying homage to the memory of Betsy Dowdy. He desires to make and submit sketches at a very reasonable cost, suggesting in his letter to Mr. Spires a monument mounted with a bronze figure on horseback.

## Grandfather's Tales of North Carolina History

Recalled by Col. Richard Benbury Creevey, when in 1775 she bravely mounted her pretty black pony at the home of her father on the "banks" opposite Knott's Island to journey to the home of General William Skinner along the Yeopim River in Perquimans. It was at the time Dummore threatened to take Great Bridge and in order to defeat Dummore it was thought the services of General Skinner and his militia would be needed. She reached General Skinner's hospitable home and after telling of the situation and receiving his promise of assistance she journeyed back to her home, when upon her arrival it was learned that the British troops were defeated, sought refuge on their ships and left for parts unknown.

Mr. Spires has written to Mr. Meliodon, sending him clippings of newspapers and referring him to Senator Dudley Bagley of Currituck.

Mr. Weymouth, a very interesting speaker, in a short address traced the organization and progress of the Rotary movement, bringing out the fact that its spread over the entire globe was caused by Rotarians being desirous for other communities to enjoy and reap the benefits of Rotary, there being no paid organizers employed as in many other organizations. Early in the Rotary movement, Mr. Weymouth explained clubs were formed only in cities of 100,000 or more, later in towns of 5,000, but that now no town is too small to have a good live club. He said the first convention of Rotary was held in 1910 and at the 1911 convention a speaker during an address remarked that "He profits most who serves the best," since which time this has been the slogan of Rotary.

## Visitors From Canada View Historical Spots

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Linney, of Bracebridge, Ontario, Canada, were in Edenton Tuesday afternoon visiting some of the historical points of interest. They are on a six weeks holiday in the South and drove over from Rocky Mount especially to secure first hand historical information.

Mr. Linney is an old newspaper man and expects to write several articles about Edenton and its historical significance, which will most likely appear in Northern newspapers. He is prominently identified with the Masonic lodge in Canada and was particularly interested in the records and relics of Unanimity Lodge.

## J. A. Crawford Again N. S. Night Operator

J. A. Crawford, formerly of Edenton, has returned to resume his duties as night operator at the Norfolk-Southern Railroad station, being transferred here from Chocowinity, N. C. He went back to his old job on Sunday night. Mr. Crawford replaces William Trueblood, who has been transferred to Hertford.

Mrs. Crawford and little son, who are now at Chocowinity, will come to Edenton as soon as Mr. Crawford can arrange to secure a house.

## W. L. COMER INJURED WHILE INSTALLING RAILROAD SIGNAL

W. L. Comer is nursing an injured hand this week as the result of an injury which occurred last week while working in Plymouth. A quantity of hot sealing compound accidentally splashed on his right hand while installing a railroad signal. Mr. Comer continued working, but the wound became infected, thus preventing him from attending to his duties.

COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY The monthly meeting of Town Council will be held Tuesday night in the Municipal Building at 7:30 o'clock.

## Five Clubs Represented In Parish House Tuesday Night

### GOOD MUSIC

Jack Weymouth Makes Principal Address to Rotarians

What probably was the most successful Rotary meetings ever held in Edenton occurred Tuesday night in the Parish House when an inter-city meeting was held with Hertford, Elizabeth City, Greenville and Washington sending representatives. Approximately 100 were present. Prior to assembling around the tables each one present was tagged with a sign giving his name and the club from which he came. Acquaintances were renewed and a spirit of fellowship prevailed.

C. H. Wood, president of the Edenton Club, opened the meeting with a few well-chosen words, welcoming the Rotarians to Edenton and turned the meeting over to Edmund Harding, group leader for the district, who is a member of the Washington club.

The entire gathering was asked to sing "America" after which Rev. C. A. Ashby was called upon for the invocation. A number of Rotary songs were sung by the crowd of Rotarians which were led by Bill Lee of the Greenville club with David Bell at the piano.

During the evening the presidents of the clubs represented were asked to give a brief resume of the activities of their respective clubs and their members asked to stand. C. H. Wood spoke in behalf of the Edenton Club, Graham Bell for Elizabeth City, W. H. Oakley, Jr. for Hertford, Bill Lee for Greenville, and John Robbins for Washington. Elizabeth City outnumbered the other clubs in attendance, there being 26 present. Edenton was next with 23, Washington 16, Hertford 11, and Greenville 4.

As an added feature Bill Lee picked a quartet at random, which to the surprise of all, rendered a number of songs in first class order.

The principal speaker for the occasion was Jack Weymouth, a past district governor of Rotary from Virginia, who was asked by Ed Harding to sound the death knell for Virginia losing the Elizabeth City, Hertford and Edenton clubs now since the toll has been removed from the Chowan River Bridge.

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The speaker dwelt upon the fact that in a Rotary meeting members gather on a common ground, every man having many things in common, and that every Rotarian earns his preferment. In closing, Mr. Weymouth complimented the ladies for the splendid meal served and the service rendered by the members of Floars Orchestra, who delightfully interspersed the program with a number of the latest song hits. He likewise expressed pleasure at such a successful inter-city meeting, saying such affairs are invaluable in developing a more friendly feeling among the neighboring towns.

Much favorable comment was heard about the splendid meal served by the ladies and the music by Floars Orchestra during which Dick Harrell sang several numbers.

### NO RECORDER'S COURT

No session of Recorder's Court was held this week, there being only one case on the docket, that being an assault with a deadly weapon charge. The case will be tried Saturday morning, being postponed until L. E. Griffin is in town, he representing the defendant.

Mutt Welsh is charged with hitting Joe Walker in the head with a brick. Both are colored.