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## Edenton Half Holiday Changed To Wednesday

### Infantile Paralysis Victim In Edenton

#### Two Year Old Colored Girl Stricken With Disease Friday

#### NOTICES POSTED

#### Board of Health Forbids Children at Public Gatherings

Many Chowan residents were stricken with terror last week-end when a case of infantile paralysis was reported in Edenton by Dr. J. A. Powell, health officer. The victim is the two-year-old daughter of Cora Stallings, colored, on West Gale Street. The child had been ill several days prior to Saturday, when Dr. Powell pronounced the disease infantile paralysis.

The Board of Health took immediate precautionary steps to prevent the spread of the disease, and issued the following notice at a special meeting:

"Due to the prevalence of infantile paralysis over the State, the Chowan County Board of Health had a call meeting Friday evening, June 28, and passed an order forbidding the attendance of all children under 16 years of age at theatres, Sunday School, church services or any other public gatherings."

The health officials have also prohibited the use of anything other than sanitary drinking cups in public places.

The notices were posted about the city and parents in general are cooperating, there having been no classes in the children's department of the Sunday Schools last Sunday. The information spread rapidly over the city and parents are taking as many precautions as possible.

Although there was right much excitement over the case developed here, there is no cause for alarm, Dr. Powell saying the general health conditions are excellent and that there are no symptoms of any more cases of the disease.

Practically all meetings have been cancelled where young people usually assemble, which will be observed until there is an improvement in the situation.

At present the disease has invaded 54 counties in the State, a total of 274 cases having been reported to the State Board of Health up to Tuesday. United States Public Health Service workers have been sent into various parts of the State experimenting with a vaccine preventive.

In the meantime, health authorities urge parents to keep their children at home as much as possible, and to prevent them from mingling with other children, isolation being one of the best methods to prevent the spread of the disease.

#### Good Program At Bertie Sunday Sing

The Bertie Fifth Sunday Singing, which was organized three years ago last February, was held at Cape Fear's Church last Sunday afternoon with one of the best sessions they have had.

Register of Deeds L. S. Mizelle, of Windsor, is the efficient president, and Judge F. D. Winston has been sponsor, having missed but about two meetings since it began.

The program Sunday consisted of quartets from Merry Hill, Colerain, Green's Cross and Windsor, with selections by a number of other singers, including George Lassiter of Edenton, and Miss Cora Felton Bass, of Colerain, a recent graduate of Chowan College.

Judge Winston made a short talk, mentioning the beginning of the church 200 years ago.

#### Dog Taxes Now Due; Must Be Inoculated

Dog owners within the corporate limits of Edenton are reminded that dog licenses are now due and payable at the Collector's office. Before a license can be secured, however, the owner of a dog must present a certificate showing that the animal has been inoculated to prevent rabies. This is now a State law and the local health department will be obliged to issue dog licenses which will be

### MASONIC PICNIC BEEN CALLED OFF

#### Action Taken Due to Infantile Paralysis Situation

Due to the infantile paralysis situation in Eastern North Carolina, the annual Masonic picnic which was to have been held on July 25th at Eden House Beach, has been called off. Officials of the picnic association made this decision early this week and A. O. Kiff, of Ahsokie, the president, has notified all member lodges to that effect.

It was hoped that the picnic this year would be a banner affair due to the fact that tolls have been removed from the Chowan River bridge and interest in the annual outing had spread over a wider area. Each year huge crowds attend the picnic, the proceeds of which are given to the Oxford Orphanage. It is expected that the lodges who take part in the picnic will in some way raise a fund to take the place of the annual offering. Plans had been made this year to conduct the affair on a very economical basis, but inasmuch that many children attend, it was thought advisable to call off the picnic.

### Holiday Schedule To Be Published In Papers Of State

Mayor E. W. Spires has received from the Wilson Chamber of Commerce a request for information regarding the observance of a half holiday in Edenton. It is the purpose of the Wilson Commerce body, for the convenience of traveling salesmen, to publish in the State papers a list of towns in which the stores observe a half holiday each week.

Mr. Spires has sent the desired information, stating that the Edenton business houses will observe the half holiday on Wednesday during July and August.

### Shell Station Under New Management

Announcement has just been made of the re-opening of the Shell filling station on North Broad Street opposite the Boy Scout cabin which until a few weeks ago was operated by Tom Goodman. The new operators will be Jack Satterfield and Paul Spencer, two members of the championship Edenton football team. The two young men plan to be ready for business on Thursday.

The filling station will be known as Paul and Jack's Service Station and will specialize in greasing, washing, and polishing cars. They will handle a full line of Shell products.

The two young men have a host of friends and solicit the patronage of all automobile owners.

### Herald Will Present Special Feature For Rural Readers

Beginning with our issue of July 18th we will offer our rural readers an outstanding monthly agricultural feature to be known as "The State Farmer Section" of The Chowan Herald.

The State Farmer Section will be written and edited by specialists in the field of agricultural journalism, who have had many years of experience. It will be of news-magazine character, and will cover every phase of agriculture as it is practiced in this area.

It will be distinctive in that its articles will deal chiefly with current happenings, and it will avoid the long technical phraseology which makes such dreary reading.

The State Farmer Section is predicted on the belief that Carolina farmers today are business men, and that they know pretty well how to produce their crops. However, there will be timely helpful articles pertaining to production problems affecting local crops.

In addition, The State Farmer Section will present the news of all farm commodities—what is happening to them in the markets; what competitive areas are doing, and what is going on in other sections of the Carolina.

It will work closely with county agents and the state extension service, and will report the activities of

### NOBLES SELECTED AS INSPECTOR

#### Will Have Charge of Vaccinating Chowan County Dogs

The Chowan County Commissioners at their meeting Monday morning made arrangements to carry out the State law regarding the compulsory vaccination of all dogs against rabies.

A. A. Nobles, veterinarian of Perquimans County, was appointed rabies inspector for this county with J. P. Roberson being named as assistant inspector. The town of Edenton already had an ordinance requiring all dogs to be vaccinated which is now being enforced. Mr. Roberson had been doing this work for the town for a number of years.

Under the State law it shall be the duty of the owner of every dog to have the animal vaccinated annually by a rabies inspector, and it shall be the further duty of dog owners to properly restrain same and to assist the rabies inspector in administering the vaccine.

According to the law, when the rabies inspector has carried out the provisions of the act in a county it shall be the duty of the sheriff with the assistance of the rabies inspector to make a thorough canvass of the county and frequently thereafter to determine if there are any dogs that are not wearing the metal tag showing that they were vaccinated. If such dogs are found the sheriff shall notify the owner to have same vaccinated and produce the certificate provided for within three days. If the owner shall fail to do this he shall be prosecuted. If the owner of a dog not wearing a tag cannot be found it shall be the duty of said officer to destroy such dog.

The rabies inspector will collect from the owner of each dog vaccinated 50 cents for each dog, the same to be credited on the dog tax when the certificate of vaccination is presented to the sheriff or tax collector.

Any person found guilty of violating any of the provisions of the act will be subjected to a fine of not less than \$10 or more than \$50 or to imprisonment of not less than 10 days or more than 30 days in the discretion of the court.

Mr. Nobles was also named rabies inspector for Perquimans County, where many dogs have already been treated, and he and Mr. Roberson will start vaccinating Chowan dogs as soon as the vaccine arrives.

#### WEEDS BEING CUT

City employees on Monday began cutting weeds on vacant lots in town where owners failed to comply with the city ordinance which requires property owners to keep weeds cut. The owners of the property will be charged for this work.

### Will Go Into Effect Wednesday, July 10

#### DR. HART NAMES COMMITTEEMEN

#### New Rotary President Goes Into Office Next Thursday; Meeting Called Off July 4th

The usual Rotary Club luncheon on Thursday will be called off this week due to the Fourth of July holiday. The meeting will be held as usual next Thursday, however, when Dr. W. I. Hart, Jr., the newly elected Rotary president, will take charge.

The board of directors during Dr. Hart's term will be John Graham, J. N. Pruden, C. H. Wood, C. E. Kramer, M. F. Bond, Jr., Fred P. Wood, and himself.

The new president has named the following committees, who will be asked to prepare interesting programs during the year:

Aims and Objects—C. H. Wood, chairman; C. A. Ashby, M. F. Bond, Jr., C. E. Kramer, E. W. Spires, Jno. Graham, J. A. Holmes, W. I. Hart.

Club Service—C. A. Ashby, chairman; L. E. Griffin, E. W. Spires, C. E. Kramer.

Vocational Service—M. F. Bond, Jr., chairman; D. M. Warren, J. H. Holmes, J. A. Moore.

Community Service—C. E. Kramer, chairman; J. N. Pruden, L. C. Burton, Jno. Graham.

International Service—E. W. Spires, chairman; Isaac Hobowsky, Jno. A. Holmes, J. Edwin Buflap.

Classifications—F. P. Wood, chairman; Jno. A. Holmes, M. W. Jackson, D. M. Warren.

Fellowship Attendance—Jesse White, chairman; W. D. Holmes, C. H. Wood, J. L. Wiggins.

Public Information—J. Edwin Buflap, chairman; J. L. Wiggins, F. P. Wood, L. C. Burton.

Boys' Work—Jno. Graham, chairman; Earl Goodwin, Jesse White, N. K. Rowell, C. E. Kramer.

Crippled Children—O. H. Brown, chairman; C. A. Ashby, M. F. Bond, Jr., Earl Goodwin.

Rural Urban Acquaintances—N. K. Rowell, chairman; M. W. Jackson, J. G. Small, O. H. Brown.

Committee for Special Projects—L. E. Griffin, chairman; D. M. Warren, J. A. Moore, Jno. A. Holmes.

Student Loan—J. N. Pruden, chairman, F. P. Wood.

### Methodist Bishop In District July 10-15

Bishop Paul Kern of the Methodist Church will be in the Elizabeth City District July 10-15. It was hoped to have the Bishop appear in the local Methodist Church, but former plans were necessarily changed and he will not be in Edenton on this visit in the district. He will however, appear in Hertford on Friday, July 12, at 8 P. M., when a number of local Methodists will attend.

Following is the itinerary of Bishop Kern, which makes it possible for all people in the district to hear him.

July 10—North Gates at 11 A. M. and Ahsokie at 8 P. M.

July 11—Amity at 11 A. M. and Belhaven at 8 P. M.

July 12—Creswell at 11 A. M., when the church will be dedicated, and Hertford at 8 P. M.

July 13—Wanchese at 11 A. M. and Manteo at 8 P. M.

On Sunday, July 14, he will preach at Pilmor Memorial and dedicate the church, appearing at Elizabeth City at 8 P. M.

July 15—12 to 1:30 P. M., luncheon at the First Methodist Church, Elizabeth City. Address to pastor and stewards of the district by the Bishop.

Rev. W. F. Walters of the local church is hoping to have Bishop Kern appear in Edenton during the fall.

### Life Saving Course Has Been Postponed

The Red Cross life saving course to have been given here soon has been called off due to the spread of infantile paralysis, it has been announced by Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the local chapter. The course, which was to have been conducted by Charles Wales, Jr., who at present is receiving instructions at Hanover, Mass., is sponsored by the Edenton Red Cross, and will be started at

### Change Necessary Due to Routing of Supply Trucks

#### ALL AGREE

### First Petition Circulated Called For Closing On Thursday

Since The Herald went to press last Wednesday the half holiday in Edenton during July and August has been changed from Thursday afternoon to Wednesday afternoon. The change in day became necessary when it was learned that due to the holiday being observed in most towns on Wednesday, trucks bringing in merchandise were routed for Thursday afternoon, and it would be necessary for some local stores to remain open to receive their supply of goods. In former years when clerks were given a mid-week holiday the stores were closed Thursday, this year being the first time that Wednesday was selected.

Practically all the stores signed a petition last week to close Thursday afternoon, but after the complications arose it resulted in deciding on another day or giving up the idea altogether. A number of those vitally interested in the closing movement again canvassed those who had signed to close Thursday, explaining the circumstances and all readily agreed to cooperate and observe the half holiday during July and August on Wednesday afternoon.

The closing schedule will go into effect next Wednesday, July 10, when the stores will close at 1:00 o'clock, and remain closed until Thursday morning. Due to the Fourth of July holiday, on Thursday, the Wednesday closing plan was not started this week.

Clerks in the various stores and merchants as well are looking forward with pleasure to the interruption of work for half a day during the hot weather when they can attend a baseball game, go fishing, picnicing or resting as they desire.

Customers of the various stores are urged to remember the half holiday every Wednesday and to arrange their shopping accordingly.

The firms cooperating in the closing movement are:

Liles' 5-10-25c Store, Rose's 5-10-25c Store, The Community Store, Goodwin's Quality Store, S. Ganderon & Sons, W. I. Cozzens, E. L. White, S. C. Mills, Preston's, J. H. Holmes Co., W. D. Holmes, L. F. Ziegler & Son, Badham Bros. Co., Pender's, A. & P. Store, S. Hobowsky, Floors Electric and Plumbing Co., The Chowan Herald, G. M. Byrum, J. C. Dail, W. J. Harris, Habit Bros., C. E. Byrum, Broad Street Fish Market, Oglesby Bros., D. M. Reeves, J. E. Lassiter, Anne's Beauty Salon, Quinn Furniture Co., Mae Jackson, Beautician, E. J. Ward Barber Shop, Campen's Jewelry Store, Julian Ward's Shoe Shop, Town of Edenton office, P. A. Reeves Barber Shop, Edenton Feed & Fuel Co., and Brown Bros.

### W. H. Gardner On Bankers' Committee

W. H. Gardner, assistant cashier of the Bank of Edenton, was named on the executive committee at the 20th annual meeting of Group One of the North Carolina Bankers Association held at Bayview last week. D. E. Evans of the Bank of Manteo, was elected chairman of the group for the ensuing year.

Mr. Gardner was unable to attend the meeting last week.

### John Graham Calls Off Scout Meetings

Due to the infantile paralysis situation, John W. Graham, scoutmaster of the Edenton Boy Scout troop, has cancelled all meetings until further notice.

### MAURICE BUNCH WILL BE OPERATED UPON FRIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice L. Bunch left Tuesday for Norfolk, Va., where Mr. Bunch underwent another examination at St. Vincent's Hospital. Mr. Bunch just recently recovered from a serious illness and was held over in