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## Bids Authorized For Cross Roads School

### Commissioners Consent To Plant Costing Not Over \$60,000

#### 13 CLASS ROOMS

### Efforts Made to Change Site of New School Building

Definite steps toward the building of a new school building at Cross Roads materialized Monday afternoon at the joint meeting of the County Commissioners and the County School Board. At this time Frank Benton, architect, submitted plans for a two-story brick building containing 13 standard class rooms, a first aid room, music room, library and reading room, general science laboratory, stock room, a room for the handling of rental books, and a principal's office. Aside from these specifications the building contains an auditorium of 510 seating capacity. The plan also calls for water and sewerage, and steam heat.

At a previous meeting the Commissioners agreed to give favorable consideration to a building and equipment to cost not over \$60,000 and it is estimated the plans as proposed by Mr. Benton can be built within the amount specified.

After the plans were thoroughly gone over a motion was made by W. H. Winborne and seconded by A. D. Ward that the County assume the indebtedness of the Edenton Graded School District and the Chowan High School District as of June 30, 1936, which amount will be \$54,000. The motion also authorized the County School Board to advertise for bids, subject to rejection, for the construction of the Chowan High School building according to plans submitted. The Edenton graded school trustees were also authorized to advertise for bids for improvements and repairs to the Edenton school, with bids also subject to rejection.

The Edenton trustees, however, have as yet presented no plans for improvements to the school, which according to the Commissioners may not exceed \$30,000.

With the County assuming the school district indebtedness and the issuance of bonds to meet the present requirements, the total indebtedness will be \$127,000 which will have to be met on a County-wide tax levy. With this fact facing the Commissioners and taking it for granted that bonds can be sold on an average of 5 per cent, the County school tax rate is estimated to be about 20 cents on the hundred dollars for the next year, providing the property valuation remains at \$6,700,000.

Mr. Benton will prepare specifications and advertise for bids on the new building at Cross Roads. However, the Local Government Commission must pass on the matter and in event they act unfavorably to the plan of financing the proposition will have to be submitted to a popular vote.

An effort will be made by the Board of Education to dispose of the site of the old building and purchase a plot on the other side of the highway on higher ground, which will aid in the sewerage system. It is also agreed by the Board that Frank Benton supervise the construction of the new building, to the end that when completed it will meet all requirements expected by both the Commissioners and the Board of Education.

## E. H. S. Baseball Team Plays E. City Friday

The Edenton High School baseball team will play the first conference game of the season Friday when they tackle the Elizabeth City High School on the latter's diamond. Another conference game will be played on Tuesday when the local boys cross bats with Roanoke Rapids. Expectations point to a championship team this year, a newcomer on the pitching staff, Lester Jordan, last Friday striking out nine men in four innings when the Edenton-Windsor game was halted by rain with Edenton leading at that time 12-0.

### PURCHASE RESIDENCE

Mr. and Mrs. Miles S. Elliott have recently purchased the residence on North Broad Street owned and occupied by Mrs. South White until her death. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott expect to move in the near future.

Anne, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Francis, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is reported as improving after being out of bed for some time.

## 100th Anniversary Rocky Hock Church Observed Sunday

A meeting of widespread interest will be held in the Rocky Hock Baptist Church on Sunday, March 29, when the one hundredth anniversary of the church will be celebrated. This celebration was to have been held in January, but due to the extremely unfavorable weather and the bad condition of the county roads it was postponed.

An elaborate program has been arranged including an all-day session with the ordination of deacons taking place in the afternoon.

Those among others who will take part on the program include Rev. A. A. Butler, of Hertford, Rev. E. L. Wells and W. J. Berryman.

Rev. Frank Cale is pastor of the church.

## Seven-Year-Old Girl Seriously Injured By Heavy Truck

Seven-year-old Elizabeth Twine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Twine, of the Cannon's Ferry section, was critically hurt about 6:30 Tuesday evening when struck by a truck on the Suffolk highway in front of the home of A. D. Rountree. She was taken to Lakeview Hospital, Suffolk, Va., by Dr. T. W. Blanchard, and at noon Wednesday had not regained consciousness.

The little girl who is near-sighted, was hit by a truck loaded with fertilizer and driven by Foy Ward. It is thought the child mistaking the length of the truck, started to cross the road and was hit by the bolts on the wheel. She is probably suffering with a fractured skull, witnesses saying part of the head clung to the bolts.

The accident was unavoidable, and Ward was not held in connection with the accident.

## Fishing Prohibited This Year During Spawning Season

J. G. Perry, Chowan County game warden is in receipt of information from the Department of Conservation and Development that will be of interest to local fishermen. Special attention is called to the fact that the closed season for spawning is April 1 to May 10, both dates inclusive, with no open days for fishing during that time.

Mr. Perry is very desirous that fishermen become acquainted with this year's law inasmuch as last year on certain days fishing was allowed during the spawning period.

## Effort Made To Move Joseph Hewes' Grave

The Herald is indebted to an interested subscriber for the following clipping taken from The Greensboro Daily News, of March 19, which may be of interest to many in this section:

Appointment of a special committee, composed of members of the Association of Descendants of Participants in the Battle of Guilford Courthouse, to make a special effort to arrange for removal of the grave of Joseph Hewes to the national park at Guilford Battleground, Hewes having been one of the North Carolina signers of the Declaration of Independence, was announced yesterday. It is believed that the Hewes grave can be located in Philadelphia.

The association has also pledged to Dan Lacy, executive assistant in the State Historical survey a WPA project full cooperation in the work being performed along that line, with particular reference to the desire of officials of the survey to obtain old manuscripts which should prove helpful in the undertaking.

## CLEMENS MARIONETTES IN HIGH SCHOOL TODAY AT 2:30

Clemens Marionettes, portraying seven acts from Tom Sawyer, will be presented in the school auditorium at 2:30 this afternoon for the benefit of the Athletic Association. This show is said to be very worthwhile and entertaining, and citizens generally are invited to attend.

### MASONS MEET TONIGHT

The regular meeting of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight at 8 o'clock. J. A. Curran, master of the Lodge, urges the presence of all members.

## EDENTON PEOPLE COME TO AID OF FLOOD VICTIMS

### Generous Response to Appeal Made By Mrs. J. N. Pruden

#### \$124.55 TO DATE

### Edenton's Quota of \$200 Expected to Be Raised For Relief

That residents of Chowan County sympathize with the unfortunate flood sufferers and the efforts of the American Red Cross to alleviate suffering and aid in the prevention of the spread of disease is evidenced by the fact that in answer to an appeal for aid, Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Chowan County chairman, has, up to the time The Herald went to press, received unsolicited \$130.55, for this worthy cause.

The devastating floods of the past week in eleven of our states (Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Ohio) carrying destruction and suffering in their wake, made homeless more than 270,000 men, women and children. These victims are now depending upon Red Cross for food, shelter, clothing and medical aid.

As the flood waters recede in some of these areas appalling conditions are revealed. Homes that have been partially or totally destroyed must be restored so that their occupants can return to a normal existence as soon as possible. Until that can be done these people must be the responsibility of Red Cross. The money allocated by the Government will be used for rehabilitation.

An appeal has been sent throughout the country for \$3,000,000.00 for a Relief Fund. The National Red Cross Chairman, Admiral Cary T. Grayson, has wired the Chowan County Chapter asking that the people of Chowan County contribute \$200.00. Another message on Saturday stresses the necessity of redoubling the Chapter's efforts to raise this amount.

It is hoped that the people will respond generously to this urgent need. The Chapter is making the appeal through the churches, press and movies so as not to necessitate a personal canvass. Contributions may be sent to Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Chairman, and acknowledgement will be made through The Chowan Herald.

The contributors to the flood relief appeal up to Wednesday afternoon follows:

- W. M. Wilkins ----- \$ 2.00
- Mrs. O. M. Elliott ----- 5.00
- O. M. Elliott ----- 1.00
- Mrs. J. N. Pruden ----- 2.00
- J. N. Pruden ----- 1.00
- Anonymous ----- 1.00
- Mrs. Ravegl Holland ----- 1.00
- Ravenel Holland ----- 2.00
- Mrs. C. S. Vann ----- 2.00
- Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Ashby ----- 5.00
- 5th Grade Edenton School ----- 1.65
- Mrs. W. S. Summerell ----- 1.00
- Mrs. George Mack ----- 1.00
- George Mack ----- 1.00
- Mrs. Walter White and Mrs. Harless ----- 1.50
- Miss Carrie W. Coke ----- 1.00
- Edenton Baptist Church ----- 50.00
- Anonymous ----- 5.00
- Mr. Sledge ----- 1.00
- Mrs. W. S. Privott ----- 1.00
- Mrs. Ashley ----- .40
- Miss Mary Pruden ----- 2.50
- Miss Margaret Pruden ----- 2.50
- Mrs. Margaret Jones ----- 5.00
- R. E. Leary ----- 1.00
- Miss Mary Cody ----- 2.00
- Miss Marie Reed ----- 1.00
- Mrs. James Boyce ----- 1.00
- Mrs. W. A. Graham ----- 10.00
- Mrs. G. W. Lassiter ----- 1.00
- J. C. Bunch ----- 1.00
- J. Edwin Bufflap ----- 1.00
- Miss Rebecca Colwell ----- 1.00
- W. S. Summerell ----- 1.00
- Mrs. C. P. Wales ----- 1.00
- E. R. Conger ----- 5.00
- Mrs. J. S. Davis ----- 1.00
- Henry Gardner ----- 1.00
- Dr. J. A. Powell ----- 5.00
- Mrs. J. H. McMullan ----- 1.00

In a letter received Wednesday by Mrs. Pruden from Red Cross headquarters it was reported that 82,000 families, representing 367,360 persons were being cared for and that in Pittsburgh alone 50,000 people were being fed.

### SEWING CIRCLE HAS MEETING

Mrs. C. J. Hollowell was hostess to the Sewing Circle at her home near Cross Roads Thursday evening. The attendance was large and a most enjoyable evening was spent. The hostess served delicious refreshments. Mrs. B. W. Evans invited the group to meet with her this week.

## MANY EXPECTED AT METHODISTS' MEETING APRIL 6

### District Christian Education Conference In Local Church

#### BEGINS 10:30 A. M.

### Interesting Speakers to Appear on All Day Program

Considerable interest is manifest in a district-wide Christian Education Conference which will be held in the Edenton Methodist Church on Monday, April 6, to which all pastors, teachers and officers of the church school, young people and their leaders and any others interested in Christian education are invited and really urged to attend.

The meeting will begin promptly at 10:30 A. M., and will be presided over by Rev. B. B. Slaughter, the presiding elder, with the inspirational address of the day made at 12:15 by Rev. W. L. Clegg. Miss Annie Slaughter, a delegate to the Young People's Conference, will also make a short talk on the work of the conference. Others on the program include Mrs. Earl W. Brian, director of young people's work; Mrs. H. M. Wade, director of children's work, and Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, secretary of Christian Education.

At the afternoon session of the Conference group meetings will be held in which workers in the different age group divisions will meet for a study of the problems peculiar to their own work. The presiding elder will bring the closing message of the day and the meeting will close promptly at 3:30 o'clock.

A large attendance from all over the district is expected at this meeting and all who attend are requested to bring a picnic lunch.

## George Dail Promoted On Highway Patrol

Through unofficial channels word has reached Edenton that State Highway Patrolman George Dail, who has been heading out here for the past couple of years, has been promoted to the rank of corporal on the Patrol. So far, however, Dail has received no official word of his promotion. If he accepts the promotion, he would probably be sent to New Bern to succeed an officer there who has been promoted, also, and transferred to Kinston.

## Recorder's Court Has Busy Session Tuesday

Four cases were docketed in Recorder's Court Tuesday morning, the session consuming practically the entire morning.

Robert Jones, of Bertie County, who was arrested some few weeks ago and whose trial had been postponed, was found guilty of transporting liquor and was ordered to pay the cost of court. The charge for driving while under the influence of liquor was not prosessed.

Jim Gaskins, colored, of Bertie County, was found guilty of driving while under the influence of liquor, getting 60 days on the roads or payment of a fine of \$50 and costs. He also was fined \$25 and costs for reckless driving, which fine was included in the \$50, and cost of court for driving with insufficient brakes.

Ray Spencer was found guilty of driving while under the influence of liquor and was fined \$50 and costs, with his driving license revoked for 12 months.

Dallas Blount, colored, of Creswell, faced a charge of assault with a knife upon Louise Harris. He was found guilty of simple assault and under the circumstances Judge Pruden felt lenient and ordered him to pay half of the court costs and the doctor's bill.

### SURPRISE PROGRAM TODAY AT ROTARY MLUB MEETING

C. E. Kramer, as chairman of the community service committee, will have charge of the program at the weekly luncheon of the Edenton Rotary Club in the Parish House today. Mr. Kramer would not divulge his program, saying a big surprise was in store for the Rotarians who attend.

### CHICKEN SALAD, PIES, CAKES ON SALE THURSDAY, APRIL 9

The Sophia Lanneau Circle of the Edenton Baptist Church will have a sale of chicken salad, pies and cakes on next Thursday morning, April 9, at the Quinn Furniture Company store.

## Huge Crowds Attend Edenton Style Revue

### MABEL KRAFT WINS B. & L. FIRST PRIZE

#### Represented Chowan County At The District Contest Held At Tarboro On Tuesday

Mabel Kraft, Chowan High School student, on Friday morning won the right to represent Chowan County in Tarboro Tuesday in the annual Kessler Memorial Building and Loan essay contest for district honors. Miss Kraft, representing Chowan, and Miss Rebecca Hollowell, representing the Edenton school, competed for County honors after their papers were adjudged the best in their respective schools. As a reward for their efforts, Miss Kraft won \$10, and Miss Hollowell \$5, which had been appropriated by the Edenton Building and Loan Association for the two best papers written.

The young ladies had excellent papers and very ably delivered them, both of which had to do with the advantages to be gained, by individuals and a community, through affiliation with a building and loan association. Due to the burning of the Chowan High School, which materially interfered with writing essays, Miss Kraft was the only entrant from that school, while in Edenton 37 students prepared papers in the contest, in which Miss Hollowell took first honors, with Frances Dail and Wendell Copeland receiving honorable mention.

Miss Kraft and Miss Hollowell delivered their essays in the Edenton school auditorium Friday morning before the entire school and a number of visitors, and immediately thereafter three judges, Rev. Frank Cale, of Center Hill, Rev. George Blount and Charles Burr, voted Miss Kraft the winner. The prize money was presented by R. E. Leary, secretary of the sponsoring association.

Mrs. R. E. Leary, County chairman of the essay contest, had charge of the program and expressed her pleasure at the interest shown this year and the excellent papers that were prepared. In connection with the program Miss Arlene Jackson rendered a piano solo, and Bill Cozart sang a number, "I'm Putting All My Eggs In One Basket."

Miss Kraft, however, was eliminated in the contest for district honors held in Tarboro Tuesday night, when a Nash County girl, Juanita Etheridge, was awarded first prize.

## \$169.92 Realized By Tuberculosis Seal Sale In Edenton

Due to the great amount of sickness and disagreeable weather, the final report of the sale of tuberculosis seals in Edenton which was concluded before Christmas has just been made. Mrs. R. C. Holland, treasurer of the drive, reports that a total of \$169.92 was realized as the result of the sale, which is regarded as very commendable inasmuch as the drive was handicapped by a late start, and was retarded by bad weather.

Especially are those in charge of the drive appreciative of the splendid work among the colored people, which was done by the following people:

Rev. E. S. Parker, Mrs. Julia Hines, Mrs. C. C. Cox, Mrs. Fannie Badham, Rev. S. N. Griffith, Rev. Trotter, J. W. McClenny, James Blount, Mrs. Pearl Gussom, Mrs. Sadie Saylor, Miss Tama McClenny, Virgil Lewis, Mrs. E. A. V. Herriage, Mrs. M. L. Griffith, Mrs. Ethel Blount, Mrs. F. L. Hines, Mrs. Zenobia Edney, Mrs. Mahala Edney, Mrs. Hilda Bemby, Miss Emma Foman, Miss Sarah Austin, Miss Paxton, Miss Lynette Greene, Miss Inez Greene, and Charles Greene.

## Triangular Debate Postponed For Week

The Triangular Debate, which was to have been held Friday night, has been postponed and will take place instead on Friday night, April 3rd. On that night Edenton's affirmative team, Margaret Spires and Sarah Elizabeth White, will debate in Edenton with the Hertford negative team.

On the same night the Edenton negative debaters, Mary Elizabeth Cates and Junius Davis, will debate with the Elizabeth City affirmative team in Elizabeth City.

### TENTH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Five students in the Tenth Grade made the honor roll for the past month, as follows: Dorothy Buflap, Dorothy Saunders, Frances Dail, Katherine Perry and William White.

## Latest Creations In Local Stores Displayed In Theatre

#### MANY MODELS

## Merchandise Compares Favorably With Out-Of-Town Stores

That just as good looking and well-made wearing apparel may be purchased from Edenton merchants as in out-of-town stores was apparent Monday night when a spring fashion revue was staged by local merchants in the Taylor Theatre. A large group of models displayed the latest creations to be found in Edenton shops much to the pleasure of a large audience, the theatre being packed by interested spectators. The clothing was cleverly demonstrated by a group of young ladies, young men and children, the latter group especially appealing to the large number present.

The revue was put on in cooperation with the Taylor Theatre and was in charge of Manager Jimmy Earnhardt, who in beginning the show, said that the merchants were fortunate to have such beautiful women and children, and handsome men to display their merchandise. He said the purpose of the revue was to put before the public a display of the latest spring styles and fashions to be found in Edenton stores, and in concluding his remarks advised his audience that it always pays to trade at home.

The style show was presented between the showing of the picture programs and was the cause of much favorable comment.

J. H. Holmes Company's display was first on the program and included modeling of Shirley Temple dresses and Peter Pan suits by the following youngsters: Anne Harless, Betty Byrum, Sam Holmes, Faye Dail, Lillian Leary, Judy Jones, Johnny Goodwin, Margaret Anne Mansfield, Calvin Mills, Lucy Virginia Parker, Teddy Lupton, Ruth Goodwin and Richard Elliott. For ladies' ready-to-wear, the following ladies appeared: Sara Burton, Myrtle Parks, Mrs. Jimmy Earnhart, Helen Goodwin, Sara Lee Hobbs, Mrs. Jesse White, Lillie Wood, and Margaret Hollowell.

Badham's featured ladies' ready-to-wear and children's clothing and included the following: Jimmy Earnhardt, Jr., Charlotte Bunch, Mary Privott, Anne Chappell, Myrtle Spruill, Mrs. James Speight, Mrs. Charlie Griffin, Margaret Dail, Mildred Satterfeld, Jessie Byrum, and Anna Wood.

Modeling men's and boys' clothing for S. Ganderson & Sons were: John Martin Harrell, Kermit Layton, Reuben Miller, Jimmy Earnhardt, Worth Spencer and Bill Cozart.

S. Hobowsky's models for ladies' ready-to-wear included Margaret Swanner, Brownie Cox, Agnes Elliott, Fannie Hobowsky, Mary Perry, Mrs. Dora Hobowsky, and Jennie Ruth McAlilly.

Those displaying W. I. Cozzens' line of ladies' ready-to-wear were: Ethelyn Everett, Maude Miller, Foye Cozart, Esther Mae Hollowell, and Evelyn Spruill.

The display for Preston's was the last of the fashion show and included the following as models: Maryland Parks, Evelyn Brown, Mrs. George Hoskins, Mrs. W. I. Hart, Jr., Saintie White, Arlene Jackson, Margie Riley, Mrs. E. T. Rawlinson, Mrs. Heywood Ziegler, Mrs. Ruth Byrum, Mary Elizabeth Cates, Betty Bloxton, Lena Smith, Nelson Powell, Mrs. Hector Lupton, Willie Love Morgan and Lena Jones.

## Eight Offenders Face Justices Of The Peace

Justices of the Peace W. S. Summerell and F. W. Hobbs each disposed of three cases coming before them Monday afternoon, all being for minor offenses.

Lonnie Burke and Willis Howell, both colored, were found guilty of engaging in an affray on the streets and were taxed with court costs.

William Greene, white, was fined \$5 and costs for being drunk and disorderly and resisting arrest.

Bruce Rice was taxed with court costs for being drunk on the streets.

Abe Jackson, colored, for being drunk and disorderly, drew a fine of \$5 and costs, while Redell Willis, colored, received the same sentence on a similar charge.

Tom Bateman and Noah Bateman, white, were taxed with court costs, for engaging in an affray on the streets.