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29 Seniors Of Edenton High School Graduate Tuesday

Leon R. Meadows of Greenville Addresses Graduating Class

CLASS DAY MONDAY

58 Advance From Seventh Grade to High School

Twenty-nine seniors of the Edenton High School wrote "finis" to their high school careers Tuesday night when graduation exercises were held for the class of 1936. Thirty students completed their high school studies, but a sense of sorrow prevailed the exercise due to the recent sudden tragic death of Essie Bunch, who was one of the outstanding members of her class and would have received her diploma. Instead, it will be presented to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. King Bunch, as a silent token that she had completed her course and was numbered with the graduates of Edenton High.

The auditorium was crowded with spectators, including members of the incoming freshman class as well as relatives and friends of this class and the graduating class.

The exercises opened with the invocation by Rev. George W. Blount, followed by the senior class singing "Sylvia."

Immediately following this song John A. Holmes, superintendent, introduced Leon R. Meadows, president of East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, who addressed the graduates.

"I consider it a great honor to speak to you graduates," began Mr. Meadows. "In passing through your city on a number of occasions I feel like I should pause and pay tribute to a city hallowed by so much history." He then extended the sympathy of the college to the senior class, the school and city in the loss of Miss Essie Bunch.

"My address is primarily to the senior class," said Mr. Meadows, "and I want to direct your attention to a wise man who lived something like 2500 years ago. I refer to Solomon, who was justified in disseminating wisdom, when he said, 'Destroy not the ancient landmarks.'"

He emphasized the significance of landmarks and based his address on eight landmarks on the plantation where he was reared, alluding to essential characteristics necessary to a successful life as the landmarks by which he was able to determine the boundaries of the plantation.

The first landmark he emphasized was honesty. This trait, he said, was practiced by our forefathers, and he felt that this landmark was being hid by rubbish. "Prominent people have admitted they were dishonest," he said, "and high officials even are dishonest. When people in high places forget the landmark of honesty, what can we expect of people in lower places?"

The next landmark he referred to was education. He said our forefathers soon realized that education was necessary and laid the cornerstone for education. "You will have to cope with the highest minds," he said, "and unless you have taken advantage of your educational facilities you will have to take a back seat." He said all can get an education, there being no excuse because of financial reasons, and added that "where there is a will there is a way."

Hospitality was next touched upon and he deplored the fact that hospitality, like many other things, is being commercialized. "The hospitality of our ancestors has been forgotten," he said, "and we should clear away the rubbish and extend and interchange ideals with those coming in our midst."

"Another landmark our forefathers believed in was thrift," he went on to say. "He gave examples of this trait when as a boy his parents were forced to practice thrift and, he urged the graduates to adopt this all important landmark. In this connection he emphasized the necessity of conservation, referring to the lack of conservation of fish, game, lumber and land in recent years.

Industry was also named as a landmark. "The simple definition of industry is work," he told his hearers. "Our ancestors believed in industry and but for their hard work they would not have survived." "Pride is a fine thing," he said, "and in Edenton much pride is deserved."

Dr. Meadows dwelt on sacrifice as an outstanding landmark, saying our forefathers made sacrifices for what the country, city, school and class

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Perfect Record



DOROTHY ANNE BUFFLAP
Miss Bufflap this week completed her tenth consecutive year of perfect attendance in the Edenton school. She has been present every day of school and hasn't been tardy during the entire ten years. She enters the senior class next fall and during her junior year was on the honor roll each of the eight months of school.

C. H. S. GRADUATION EXERCISES TONIGHT AT ROCKY HOCK

Ballard's Bridge Church Crowded Sunday Night For Baccalaureate Exercises

Graduation exercises for the 1936 class of Chowan High School will be held tonight (Thursday) in the Rocky Hock Baptist Church. This corrects an error appearing in The Herald last week when it was stated the exercises would take place Tuesday night. The program will begin at 8 o'clock.

Rev. A. A. Butler, of Hertford, will make the principal address in a program featured by special music by the Girls' Glee Club. Diplomas will be awarded by Principal P. L. Baumgardner, who will also award the medals, except the Rotary cup, which will be presented to the most outstanding student by John W. Graham. Seventh grade certificates will be presented by Superintendent W. J. Taylor.

The baccalaureate services of the school were held Sunday night, taking place in Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church, when the building was crowded with relatives and friends of the fourteen members of the Senior Class who will graduate.

Rev. J. T. Byrum preached the baccalaureate sermon, taking for his subject "Pressing Toward the Goal." In beginning his sermon Mr. Byrum quoted the Class motto, "Pick out your peak and climb," asking what that peak was, and stating that it was of great concern to him, and he hoped it would be to the graduates. "A great deal depends upon the goal for which you strive," said the speaker, "wrong ideals and aims will lead to wrong destinations."

Quoting Isaiah 45:22, Mr. Byrum warned that there is no climbing to the heights without eternal salvation through the atoning merits of His shed blood upon Calvary's cross, adding that "there is no building a safe structure without a safe foundation and there is no foundation for a safe life apart from Jesus Christ. Many individuals have tried to build a life structure without Jesus and have completely failed. Your first need in building a life is regeneration. Without that, failure is sure, you have no hope of success."

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Married Woman Among Graduates At Edenton School

Friends and relatives were greatly surprised on Wednesday morning when Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Carden announced the marriage of their daughter, Elsie Lee, to Joe Cullen Williford, of Merry Hill. The wedding took place in Suffolk, Va., on December 21, 1935.

The bride was a member of the 1936 graduating class of Edenton High School and received her diploma only the night before her marriage was announced.

POPPY DAY WILL BE OBSERVED ON SATURDAY HERE

Auxiliary Receives Quota of 1,000 Poppies To Be Sold

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Spires Urges Citizens to Wear Memorial Flower

Saturday, May 23 was designated as Poppy Day in a proclamation issued by Mayor E. W. Spires. The proclamation urged all citizens to observe the day by wearing memorial poppies in honor of the World War dead. It stated:

"When the United States was plunged into the World War in 1917, the City of Edenton and Chowan County responded to the nation's call in a spirit of exalted patriotism. The citizens offered their efforts and their means in the nation's defense, serving and sacrificing in the national cause. The entire County holds in proud memory its part in the great national effort which brought victorious peace in 1918.

"Many of the County's young men were called into the armed services and some of them were called upon to sacrifice their lives in that service, dying with thousands of other brave young Americans upon the battle fields of France. There, over their graves, a little flower sprang up and bloomed, nature's tribute to the heroic dead. It was the poppy, and their comrades ask Americans to wear a poppy in their memory, one day of each year. On Saturday, May 23, the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary will distribute these memorial poppies in our city.

"Therefore, I, E. W. Spires, Mayor of the City of Edenton, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 23, to be Poppy Day in the City of Edenton, and I urge all citizens to observe the day by wearing the memorial poppy in order that the inspiring memory of those who made the highest patriotic sacrifice during the war may be recalled to every mind."

The local Auxiliary's quota of poppies will be 1,000, and it is expected that this supply will be sold with ease. Mrs. D. M. Reeves, chairman of the Pappy Committee, has appointed the following committee who will assist a group of young ladies to sell the poppies and will be placed in several parts of the city in order to make a thorough canvass: Mrs. Jesse White, Mrs. R. E. Leary, Mrs. Shelton Moore, Mrs. L. S. Byrum, Mrs. D. M. Carter, Mrs. Jordan Yates, Mrs. Edna White, and Mrs. T. L. Ward, of Ryland.

Dr. Robt. Bradshaw At Local Church Sunday

Rev. Robert Bradshaw, of Durham, executive secretary of Board of Christian Education of the Methodist Church, will speak at the Methodist Church Sunday evening at the regular church service. Rev. Mr. Bradshaw is the son of the late Dr. Michael Bradshaw, presiding elder of the North Carolina Conference, and is an excellent speaker. He will bring a timely and interesting message.

Arthur Chappell Still In Albemarle Hospital

Though his condition is somewhat improved, Arthur Chappell is still confined to the Albemarle Hospital, in Elizabeth City, following an automobile accident early last Thursday morning.

Mr. Chappell, accompanied by Raymond Everett, was returning from Norfolk, Va., where Mr. Chappell had gone to secure a cook for his newly equipped restaurant, and as they came upon the curve at Woodville struck a section of road covered by hail, throwing the car off the highway and sending Mr. Chappell through a window of the car. He was seriously cut about the neck, narrowly escaping the jugular vein. His recovery was doubtful at first, but friends will be glad to learn that he is showing continual improvement.

SERVICE AT HOLY INNOCENTS' CHURCH, MERRY HILL, SUNDAY

Rev. William Latta will have morning prayer at Holy Innocents' Church, Merry Hill, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. This service was to have been held on Fifth Sunday, but was changed to Fourth Sunday because of a service to be held in the church at Bath on the Fifth Sunday.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT M. E. CHURCH MAY 25

School Will Remain In Session For Two Weeks Period

NAME FACULTY

Courses Arranged For Four Groups of School Children

A Daily Vacation Bible School will begin at the Methodist Church on Monday, May 25, at nine o'clock. The school will continue for two weeks. There will be classes for beginners, age four and five years; primaries, age six, seven and eight; for juniors, age nine, ten and eleven years, and for intermediates, age twelve, thirteen, and fourteen years. Courses adapted for these ages are to be taught.

The daily schedule of the school will include a brief opening devotional exercise, the class room work, concluded with the recreation period. Attractive certificates will be awarded to the pupils who are present each day for the two weeks.

The faculty for this school is as follows:

Beginners Department, Mrs. W. C. Moore and Mrs. Theodore Roberts.

Primary Department, Miss Katherine Barrow and Mrs. Franklin Britton.

Junior Department, Mrs. G. A. Helms and Mrs. G. E. Cullipher.

Intermediate Department, Rev. George W. Blount.

The Daily Vacation Bible School is now so well established throughout our country that it is no longer considered an addition to the Church School, but a regular part of the Sunday School work. It is an effort to supplement the very brief period of Bible study that the child or youth gets at the regular Sunday morning Sunday School hour. The importance of this addition will be seen when it is known that the Daily Vacation Bible School of two weeks term two hours each morning is equivalent to one half of the year's time for the regular Sunday School during the entire year.

This school will begin at nine o'clock and will dismiss at eleven o'clock. Parents are earnestly urged to send their children.

Highway Commission Distributes New Map

North Carolina's latest official road map, a work of art as well as helpfulness, reached Edenton this week through State Highway Commissioner Julien Wood. It is called "North Carolina Highways," and besides being beautifully illustrated with colored scenes depicting the high spots in State beauty, it charts the primary roads of a 58,000 mile system in the State. On the front cover is a picture of the State capital in Raleigh. The advance copies of the folder map brought here by Mr. Wood will be part of an edition of 100,000 to be generally distributed where they will do the most good.

Commencement At Merry Hill Begins On Sunday Night

Commencement exercises at Merry Hill High School will begin Sunday night when the baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. J. A. McIver, of Greenville, N. C.

Due to so much time lost during the year, the class day and graduation exercises will be combined, taking place next Thursday night, when Hon. A. O. Dickens, of Wilson, N. C., will address the graduates. Medals and diplomas will be presented at the same time.

Chowan High Article Left Out This Week

Due to the crowded condition of The Herald this week, it was necessary to hold out one of the series of articles regarding the progress made by Chowan High School. This article, written by Marguerite Etta Evans, will appear next week.

ATTEND ROTARY MEETING

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kramer, Mr. and Mrs. N. K. Rowell left Monday for Winston-Salem, where they attended the tenth annual conference of the 57th District of Rotary International.

MASONS TO MEET

The Masons will meet tonight at 8 o'clock.

Democrats Select Evans Chairman Of County Group

County Chairman



BENJAMIN WARNER EVANS
Mr. Evans was unanimously elected chairman of the Chowan County Democratic Executive Committee at the County Convention held Saturday afternoon. He replaces Carroll E. Kramer, who is unable to serve.

EDENTON HIGHS LOSE STATE TITLE TO BURLINGTON

Aces Lose Pitchers' Duel Between Lester Jordan and Kendall Moran By Score of 2 to 0

For the second time within the year an Edenton team within grasp of a State championship fell short of State honors when last Thursday the baseball team of Edenton High School was defeated in Chapel Hill by the Burlington team, 2 to 0. A similar experience occurred during the fall when the football team won the eastern championship and lost the State title to Mt. Airy.

The game last week resulted in a pitchers' duel between Lester Jordan, star performer for Edenton, and Kendall Moran, Burlington's best bet. Jordan yielded seven hits, while the Edenton sluggers were able to gather only five bingles.

Edenton lost one chance to score when David Boyce connected safely for a home run, but was called out for skipping a base. At various times the Aces had winning runs on the bases, but were unable to come across with the necessary bingle to score. Twelve Aces went out via the strike-out route, several times when a hit would have meant runs.

The local team had a very successful season, so far as games won is concerned, having come out on the long end of the score in 13 out of 15 games played, losing once to Roanoke Rapids and the game with Burlington for the State championship.

METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE MEET AT E. CITY MONDAY

The Young People's Union of the Elizabeth City District of the Methodist Church will meet at City Road Church, Elizabeth City, on Monday evening at eight o'clock. Rev. Robert Bradshaw will be the guest speaker. Young people of Edenton are urged to be present.

PLAY AT GUM POND FRIDAY

"A Wild Flower of the Hills" will be presented at Gum Pond School on Friday night at 8 o'clock. The cast has been carefully selected and an excellent entertainment is assured all who attend.

As a special feature string music will be rendered during the play and between the acts. Refreshments will also be on sale.

Slot Machines Taboo In County Midnight Sunday, May 24th

In connection with the movement throughout the State to get rid of slot machines as a form of gambling; the ministers of Edenton recently held a meeting to determine what could be done about the matter, which resulted in law-enforcement officers notifying slot machine operators in Edenton and Chowan County that slot machines will have to be closed down after Sunday night.

Operators have been advised that the machines are illegal and to operate them will be reason for indictment.

Mrs. Emmett N. Elliott Elected to Serve as Vice Chairman

BACK ROOSEVELT

22 Delegates Elected to Represent County at State Convention

B. Warner Evans on Saturday afternoon was unanimously elected chairman of the Chowan County Democratic Executive Committee when the County Convention was held in the Court House. Approximately 35 were present, including various precinct chairman, delegates and interested spectators.

The Convention was called to order by Carroll E. Kramer, immediately following which the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The next business to be transacted was the election of a County chairman. Mr. Kramer told the convention that he would not be able to serve any longer in this capacity due to the regulations of the Post Office Department. He, however, pledged his cooperation and support, saying it had been a great pleasure to serve as chairman for four years. He instructed the chairmen of the precincts not to consider him in their recommendation for a chairman, and urged them to name a man who would be able to properly attend to the duties of the office to the end that a record vote could be polled at the coming election.

The precinct chairmen then retired and brought in the following recommendations: Chairman, B. W. Evans; vice chairman, Mrs. E. N. Elliott; secretary, Richard D. Dixon. All three were subsequently unanimously elected.

A motion was made and passed that the convention go on record as thanking Mr. Kramer for his loyal and efficient services as Chairman. Similar action and a rising vote of thanks was tendered Richard Dixon, who has efficiently served as secretary of the committee for 12 years.

J. L. Wiggins also paid tribute to the precinct committeemen, who he said are often overlooked in their interest and effort in getting out the vote.

A committee composed of T. W. Jones, J. L. Wiggins and John W. Graham was appointed to draw up resolutions of respect for R. E. Cochrane, E. C. Welch, W. S. Privott and C. A. Boyce, who died since the convention last met.

Chairman Evans appointed T. W. Jones, John F. White, T. L. Ward, W. H. Pearce and R. A. Beasley as a nominating committee to recommend delegates to the State Convention which will meet in Raleigh Friday, June 12, in the city auditorium. Those nominated were:

T. L. Ward, E. N. Elliott, T. A. Berryman, J. J. Byrum, W. H. Pearce, Mark Bunch, J. C. Haste, W. E. Bunch, Mrs. George Wood, Frank Ward, W. J. Jordan, R. A. Beasley, J. R. Wheeler, Rufus Stokely, C. T. Griffin, Mrs. J. W. Davis, Julien Wood, W. T. Satterfield, W. B. Shepard, J. F. White, Mrs. W. D. Pruden, John W. Graham.

The convention decided to name 22 delegates with half a vote each, rather than 11 delegates and 11 alternates. By unanimous vote of the convention, the delegates were authorized and directed to cast all votes for the nomination of Franklin D. Roosevelt and John Garner as President and Vice President. However, due to the variance of opinion in regard to State politics, the delegates were instructed regarding the State ticket.

Mr. Evans was very appreciative of the honor bestowed upon him in being named chairman and pledged his best efforts to the welfare of the Democratic party in Chowan County, and in the pursuit of which he urged the cooperation and help of all in any way connected with the organization.

Fiddlers' Convention At Taylor Friday

As a special feature at the Taylor Theatre Friday night, Manager Jimmy Earnhardt has arranged to stage an old time fiddlers' convention. The contest, which will get under way at 8:45 o'clock, will no doubt draw contestants from all over this section, and a good program is assured. As was the case in the amateur programs, a prize of \$10 will be awarded to the winning group.

The winners will be decided by a number of judges placed at different parts of the theatre.