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C. H. S. Graduation At Rocky Hock Church

Large Number of Interested Friends Gather For Final Exercise

BUTLER SPEAKER Speaks on Importance of Living Balanced Lives

Though handicapped by lack of a school building in which to hold the commencement exercises, the spacious Rocky Hock Baptist Church was crowded Thursday night with relatives and friends to witness the graduation exercises of Chowan High School. Fourteen seniors composed the class, who occupied seats in the front of the church, with seventh grade graduates occupying seats back of the seniors.

Following the processional the invocation was offered by W. J. Berryman, which was followed by a number of delightful selections by the Girls' Glee Club. Superintendent W. J. Taylor then introduced Rev. A. A. Butler, of Hertford, who made the principal address.

"It's always a difficult task to know what to talk about on occasions of this kind," said Mr. Butler, "because there are so many things we could consider with profit."

He directed his remarks not only to the graduates but to the congregation in general, using as a basis of thought the various phases of the social order that must be met by both young and old. He used as his subject, "The Balanced Life," saying there are many unbalanced lives—lives out of line and out of joint. In fact, he said it is a rare thing to find a truly balanced life, commenting on the importance of keeping one's life on an even keel.

"The life we live here is a complicated sort of life," said the speaker. We don't examine it enough to find the complications." He went on to discuss life from five important angles, the parent's, problem, the child's problem, the economic order, political life and religious order.

"The first institution any boy or girl knows about is home-life," said Mr. Butler, "and I never think or speak of home without thinking of dear old Brother Josiah Elliott because of his intrinsic goodness and sweet way of saying home. Parents have a problem difficult to solve and must make an honest effort to solve it, in spite of the fact that plenty of information is available from bachelors and 'ladies not married.' No man has ever been able to measure the influence of the home on the nation or the world.

"The child's problem deals with the relation to father and mother or the responsibility to parents. Though every child has fallen short and not solved the problem satisfactorily, is no reason why they should not think over the problem again and endeavor to meet their responsibility and through cooperation make better homes."

Mr. Butler told his hearers that it was impossible for parents and children to escape the social phase of life, primarily out of the home, and said thinking the social order through would be a blessing to the society of the world.

"I wonder sometimes," he continued, "if our people ever have any serious thought regarding the social order. We are under a particular obligation to the social order of our town. Some think we must just fall in line, go with the tide, asking no questions as to where it will land you in the end. How many are doing real thinking about social order? How many have the courage and manhood or womanhood to speak out when things are going wrong socially? How many will take a stand for the right? How many are willing to suffer the consequences in maintaining their convictions in the social order? Precious few, I venture to say.

"You can't separate the home and social problems from life. There is no way to escape it and you must overcome whatever evil is connected with either. You must become its master and not allow it to rise above you or else it will put its foot on you and become your master.

"The next thing that you cannot escape any less than the home and social order is the economic order, which is thrust in your lap and you must face it. It is a many-sided problem and despite much thinking and talking about it, no human ever lived who thoroughly understood and solved this problem, but to make an honest effort will in some measure make some contribution to the solution."

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Chowan Officials Play Hands Off Of Slot Machines

Sheriff J. A. Bunch and Edenton police officials will play hands off of the slot machines in Chowan County, following an order issued last week to close them down by Sunday midnight. This action on the part of law-enforcing officials was taken on the heels of a restraining order issued by Judge Walter Small at the instance of Arthur Chappell. Mr. Chappell has about \$2,500 invested in the machines and has paid a license to State, County and city, and in view of this fact, and that it would mean an irreparable financial loss to him, he had the restraining order issued.

The order requires the local officers to answer before Judge Small in Elizabeth City on June 5 if they so desire.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS

Attendance Jumps to 90 on Wednesday Morning; Will Be Held For Two Weeks

With attendance increasing each day in the Daily Vacation Bible School being conducted in the Edenton Methodist Church, the school is by far exceeding all expectations. Sixty-five were enrolled on Monday morning, the first day, with attendance jumping to 71 on Tuesday and then to 90 on Wednesday morning. The children appear to be thoroughly enjoying the sessions of the school which include periods for singing, Bible study, learning Bible verses, making posters, handicraft work and recreation.

The school is divided into four groups, the beginners, primary, junior and intermediate departments, each one conducting classes suitable to the age of the children. Teachers who are assisting in the school are Mrs. W. C. Moore, Mrs. Theodore Roberts, Mrs. Franklin Britton, Mrs. Edward Speight, Mrs. G. A. Helms, Mrs. G. E. Cullipher and Rev. George Blount. Miss Mary Elizabeth Cates is acting as pianist, with Miss Nelson Powell directing the recreational activities.

The school will be of two weeks duration, coming to a close on Friday, June 5, when it is planned to hold commencement exercises, giving parents and friends an opportunity to see what, in part at least, has been accomplished by the school.

MR. ASHBY WINS A PRIZE IN ADVANCE

Plans Made For St. Paul's Sunday School Picnic; Interesting Contests Scheduled

Plans are being made for the picnic of St. Paul's Sunday School, and it is expected that it will be held at an early date. It will be under the management of Rev. C. A. Ashby. A full program will be provided and will include running races, jumping, ball throwing, endurance contests on one foot, backward races, lady finger eating contest, shoe race, peg-rooting contest, tug o' war and other games. Prizes will be given for the fattest and the thinnest scholar present, the prettiest girl, the handsomest boy and the thinnest preacher.

All attending will bring their lunch which will be put together and served. Small children will be carefully looked after, larger ones in proportion. Every member and all teachers are urged to attend.

POPPY DAY WAS GREAT SUCCESS

Mrs. D. M. Reeves, Chairman, Reports All Poppies Sold, Netting Over \$76; Record Day

Poppy Day in Edenton last Saturday was a complete success when the Ed Bond Post American Legion Auxiliary disposed of their quota of one thousand of the little red memorial flowers. Mrs. D. M. Reeves, chairman of the Poppy committee, reports that a little over \$76 was collected through the sale and says that this year's number of poppies and the amount collected far exceeds what has been done in previous years.

Mrs. Reeves desires to thank all who bought poppies and especially all those, including the children, who worked so faithfully in selling the flowers.

EDENTON STORES CLOSE HALF DAY DURING SUMMER

Half Holiday Will Begin on Wednesday, June 3rd

THREE MONTHS

Clerks Welcome Opportunity For Restful Recreation

Practically all the stores in Edenton will close their places of business at 1 o'clock during the months of June, July and August, with the half holiday going into effect next Wednesday. This action on the part of merchants, taken this week, will be welcome news to clerks and other employees, who will be able to enjoy the half holiday during the hot weather in various forms of recreation.

Patrons are urged to note the half-holiday and arrange their shopping accordingly.

Those cooperating in observing the half holiday are as follows:

Edenton Feed & Fuel, Goodwin's Quality Store, J. A. Curran, Grocer, Pender's, C. E. Byrum Meat Market, Bass & Layton, G. M. Byrum, J. C. Dail, A. & P. Tea Company, Preston's, J. H. Holmes Company, D. B. Liles 5c, 10c & 25c Store, S. Hobowick, W. D. Holmes, W. I. Cozzens, The Ladies Shop, Rose's 5, 10 & 25c Store, S. Ganderson and Sons, Bayview Barber Shop, S. C. Mills, Ward's Barber Shop, Julian E. Ward's Shoe Shop, Brown Bros., Campen's, and the Town Office.

Yeopim Voting Place At Jordan's Store

R. P. Badham, chairman of the Chowan County Board of Elections, has announced that the voting place for Yeopim Township has been changed for the election on Saturday, June 6. The new voting place for this township will be at W. E. Jordan's store. All voters are urged to note the change.

LIBRARY HOURS

Patrons of the Shepard-Pruden Library are reminded of the change to summer hours, which are now in effect. The Library will be open from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m. every day, and from 8 to 10 o'clock each Monday and Friday nights.

PROSPECTS LOOM FOR BASEBALL THIS SUMMER

Baseball Fans In Bertie Anxious to Form League

FOUR CLUBS

Towns Would Use Only Home Boys on Their Lineups

Prospects now loom for summer baseball in Edenton following information from Windsor that it is the desire of fans in that town to organize a strictly local talent club in Windsor, Perrytown and Lewiston, in the hope that Edenton can be included in a four-club circuit.

Word from Windsor is to the effect that the four towns could each produce clubs of comparative equal strength, using all local players with possibly the exception of hiring a pitcher. The Bertie County fans are of the opinion that the four-club league would be able to furnish keen rivalry and that a good brand of baseball could be enjoyed by baseball fans throughout the summer.

Baseball enthusiasts in Windsor are very anxious to form the four-club league and have delegated W. Jim Daniels to investigate sentiment in Edenton as to whether fans would be interested in forming the league. Anyone having a desire to see the league organized is requested to communicate with Mr. Daniels at once so that he can report at a meeting to be held in Windsor regarding the matter.

Edenton would be able to place a creditable team on the field due to the fact that a large majority of the high school team would be available. These boys have played an excellent brand of baseball during the school's baseball season and would not be handicapped in training to get in shape. It is the opinion of many fans that with a little coaching the high school team with possibly a few additions, would result in as strong a team as represented the town at various times when players were hired.

If the league is organized it would offer welcome amusement for baseball fans during the summer, especially now that merchants will close half a holiday during June, July and August.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT

The regular meeting of Unanimity Lodge of Masons will be held tonight at 8 o'clock.

Court House Crowded To Hear Sandy Graham

Candidate For Governor Addresses Chowan Voters Wednesday Afternoon; Many Ladies Present at Meeting

The Chowan Court House was crowded Wednesday afternoon, when at 4 o'clock Sandy Graham, candidate for Governor, spoke to the voters in the interest of his candidacy. Of particular interest was the large number of ladies in the audience.

Mr. Graham was introduced by J. N. Pruden, following which the candidate spoke briefly and to the point regarding the issues in the campaign. "The people are interested in politics," said Mr. Graham, "and this year there is an exceptionally large crop of candidates. However, I am not running on the weakness of any of my opponents. It is immaterial to me where they come from or how they cut their hair or what clothes they wear."

At the outset he said voters are not caring so much for a beautiful piece of oratory, but want to understand the real issues involved. He explained how that in 15 years the cost of State government had jumped from \$8,000,000 to \$65,000,000, which must be paid for by money coming from somewhere. He also recalled the trying days of 1933 when schools were threatened to be closed due to the State's financial condition and after all else had failed the sales tax was resorted to. He said, however, that the sales tax was enacted on the promise that it was only an emergency measure and that the promise should be carried out. He gave his opinion that at least the tax on meals and the necessities of life could and should be removed immediately. In fact, he said, this item was among the several he had for calling a special session of the General Assembly.

In this connection he scored Hoey's political tight-wire walking political stunt by favoring the same thing now. "Where was Hoey when an effort was made to call a special session?" asked Graham, "and now that it is too late to call a special session, he comes around urging repeal of the tax on life's necessities."

He criticized Dr. Ralph McDonald's platform also, saying he also would like to tax wealth, but wanted to know where it could be found. He commented on the high corporate tax which in North Carolina is higher than any other state, save possibly Oregon. He favored a just tax on all wealth, but opposed taxes out of proportion that would drive industry out of the State and have results similar to New England states.

"Be ye not misled by promises," Mr. Graham told his hearers, "study the situation before you and do your own thinking. The real issue in this campaign is not, after all, the removal of a sales tax, but whether the citizens themselves will rule." He referred to the "machine," which he said, whether his hearers knew it or not, is still seeking to direct the affairs of the State from Shelby, and by a few influential politicians, rather than to let the people rule. It was on this basis that he asked the voters for their support, knowing that in him they would have a Governor that would be interested and work for the welfare of the masses.

Mr. Graham left shortly after his address for Elizabeth City, where he was scheduled to speak Wednesday night.

Interest In Election Reaches Fever Heat

RESIGNS



MRS. J. B. SPILMAN
Mrs. Spilman, former Chowan County resident, who recently resigned as assistant treasurer of E. C. T. C., Greenville, where she was loved and admired by all.

FORMER CHOWAN WOMAN RESIGNS POST AT COLLEGE

Mrs. J. B. Spilman Leaves E. C. T. C. To Enter Insurance Business In Greenville

Friends in Chowan County will be interested to learn that Mrs. J. B. Spilman has severed a 15-year connection with the East Carolina Teachers College at Greenville, N. C., and has accepted a position with a Greenville insurance firm.

Mrs. Spilman will be remembered as the former Johnetta Webb, a daughter of the late Mrs. C. A. Haste by her first husband, John T. Webb. She was married to J. B. Spilman of Greenville in 1917, her husband dying in December, 1935, after acting as treasurer of the college for 23 years. Before her marriage Mrs. Spilman was a teacher for 10 years and at one time taught a class of 150 college girls at a Baptist church.

The college officials and student body regret the leaving of Mrs. Spilman, she having held the love and affection of the entire college organization, as well as all who have come in contact with her. She took an active part in civic affairs and while vice-chairman of the Pitt County Democratic Executive Committee she attracted attention of Democratic officials everywhere in that from an almost negligible woman's vote of 500 it was boosted to approximately a third of the total vote cast in the 1932 election. She was defeated by a narrow margin for the State Senate two years ago and will attend the National Democratic Convention in St. Louis this year.

Mrs. Spilman is a speaker of rare ability and her services are in great demand for addresses on educational and civic topics.

DOGS MUST BE INOCULATED OR SHOT, SAY POLICE

Officials Start Drive Monday After Two Mad Dogs Were Killed During Week

Edenton police officials will inaugurate a drive Monday to the end that all dogs within the city limits are either inoculated against rabies or killed. This work will have to be done by June 15 and unless dog are treated owners can expect to have them shot. For the convenience of dog owners J. P. Roberson, County rabies inspector, will be located at the town lot, corner of Water and Broad Streets, each day for administering this treatment.

G. A. Helms chief of police, has this week killed two mad dogs and stated to The Herald Wednesday that the law will be strictly enforced, and to save any embarrassment he urges all dog owners to have their animals treated at once.

After June 15, Mr. Roberson says, a check-up of all dog owners will be made and those who refuse to obey the law will be prosecuted and haled into court. "Friends or no friends," says Mr. Roberson, "they will be arrested and tried to see whether the law can be enforced or not."

Hoped to Poll a 2,000 Vote In Chowan On June 6th

THREE CONTESTS

Supporters For Governor Organize In Effort to Win Votes

Though there are only three contests for office in the primary election on Saturday, June 6, for some reason more than usual interest is evidenced by the fact that at the close of the registration books on Saturday an increased number of voters had registered. It is the hope of the Democratic organization that a vote of 2000 will be mustered together when the polls close on election day and precinct workers will be utilizing their efforts to this end.

The three contests in Chowan are for the County's representative in the House of Representatives, members of the Board of Education and constable in the Second Township.

The representative office is contested by John F. White and W. J. Berryman, both men having a large following. Political-minded citizens look for an extremely close vote for this office.

There are six candidates for the five members composing the County Board of Education, Z. T. Evans joining the five old members of the Board for re-election.

In the Second Township Herbert W. Dale and J. I. Boyce will fight it out for township constable. Both men are very popular in their communities and a close vote is expected.

Candidates who have no opposition are J. A. Bunch for sheriff, George C. Hoskins for treasurer, Maurice L. Bunch for register of deeds, J. N. Pruden for judge of Recorder's Court, William Privott for prosecutor, the County commissioners including D. M. Warren, J. A. Webb, A. D. Ward, A. C. Boyce and W. H. Winborne.

The State ticket includes the following candidates:

For United States Senator—William H. Griffin, Josiah W. Bailey, Richard T. Fountain and David L. Strain.

For Governor—John Albert McRae, Clyde R. Hoey, Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, Sandy Graham.

For Lieutenant Governor—Paul Grady, Wilkins P. Horton and George McNeill.

For Secretary of State—Stacey W. Wade, Thad Eure, M. R. (Mike) Dunnagan.

For Auditor—Willard L. Dowell, Charles W. Miller, Geo. Ross Pou, and Baxter Durham.

For Treasurer—Helen Robertson Wohl and Charles M. Johnson.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction—Clyde A. Erwin, A. B. Alderman and Gilbert Craig.

For Commissioner of Agriculture—W. Kerr Scott, William A. Graham.

For State Senator from the First District there are five candidates, of whom two will be elected. Those in this race include: W. I. Halstead, of South Mills; Jerry J. Hughes, of Elizabeth City; Miss Ethel Parker, of Gatesville; Merrill Evans, of Ahoskie; and W. T. Brown, of Hertford.

For Chowan's representative in the State House of Representatives the candidates are John F. White and W. J. Berryman.

The six candidates for members of the County Board of Education, of which five will be elected, are: Z. T. Evans, Mrs. George C. Wood, Mrs. E. L. Winslow, L. W. Belch, Isaac Byrum and S. E. Morris.

The two candidates for constable of the Second Township are Herbert W. Dale, of Cross Roads, and J. I. Boyce, of Center Hill.

Due to the interest in the election many absentee ballots are expected to be voted. The law is very strict on this method of voting, the voters being required to sign the ballot and have it sworn to before mailing. The law also provides for a list of absentee voters to be posted at the various voting precincts.

That interest in the gubernatorial race is reaching fever heat is evident by the fact that meetings of both Graham and McDonald supporters were held Tuesday night. Friends of both candidates, as well as Hoey supporters, will utilize plenty of energy from now until the primary election in the hope that Chowan will be carried by their respective candidate. Workers will contact voters throughout the county and no doubt a number of home-stretch political speeches can be expected by voters.