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## Prospects Fade For PWA Funds To Build New School

### Little Encouragement Is Given By Representative Lindsay Warren

#### MEET TODAY

### May Apply For Loan From State Literary Fund

Though the proposition for erecting a new school building at Cross Roads to replace the one burned has been postponed from time to time in the hope of securing Federal funds, the prospect is no brighter now than it was at the time the building was destroyed. The County Commissioners are anxious to exhaust all efforts to secure Federal help before placing the entire burden of the cost on the County's taxpayers, and at their meeting on June 15 instructed W. J. Taylor to communicate with Lindsey Warren in an effort to learn what may be expected in the way of financial assistance.

Mr. Taylor subsequently wrote Mr. Warren, presenting to him the school situation in upper Chowan and requesting any information relative to the chances of the county to get part of the PWA allotment.

In response to Mr. Taylor's letter, Mr. Warren wrote as follows:

"I am in receipt of your letter of June 15th about the application of Chowan County for a PWA loan and grant. This application is known as docket No. 1065 which means that the original application was filed after April 8, 1935. You state that it has been amended and is now in the sum of \$80,000. I have just talked with PWA and they inform me that this amended application has not yet been received from Dr. Baity.

"I wish I could give you the slightest encouragement about same, but I note that what you and the school board desire is facts. The Deficiency Appropriation bill carrying the relief item passed the House without any provision for PWA. It passed the Senate carrying a \$250,000,000 provision for PWA, and the bill is now in conference, and we will not know what will be its final outcome until about the end of the week.

"If it should finally carry \$250,000,000 for PWA then the allotment to North Carolina would only be sufficient to take care of certain projects that have been approved for a very long time and certified on to Congress amounting to about \$4,000,000. Only two of these projects are in the first Congressional district. Allotments would have been made for them over a year ago had there been any funds, and this approved list in every state has the priority.

"The Chowan application has not been approved or acted upon, and is in the same category with a total of \$42,000,000 in projects in our State. To take care of all of these projects, should they be approved, would require a total PWA appropriation of several billion dollars, which of course will never happen.

"Before you make any final decision I suggest that you wait two or three weeks. I have certainly actively interested myself in every PWA application from our district that I have been called upon about and would do anything I could to aid you in your present situation, but you can see from this letter that your chances are very slim indeed. If by chance the amount of the North Carolina allocation is increased I will certainly strongly present your case. Many of our projects when first fled lost out on account of the financial statements of counties and towns applying."

Mr. Taylor also had a letter from H. G. Baity, State director for the administration, which presented another angle to the hope of securing aid. He had the following to say:

"A number of our applicants for loans and grants have not been able to qualify financially. It is believed that your application in this respect does not have a favorable status.

"However, following the past three years of PWA construction there has been a substantial increase in the market demand for county and municipal bonds. It is therefore possible that your County Commissioners can negotiate the sale of bonds for the construction of your project to others than the Government, and at an acceptable interest rate.

"If you believe you can finance 55 per cent of the cost of your project from sources other than the PWA, thereby changing your application

### Three Edentonians At Rotary International Meet At Atlantic City

Dr. and Mrs. W. I. Hart, Jr., and John Graham left Edenton Sunday for Atlantic City, N. J., where they will attend the International Rotary Convention which meets this year at "the World's playground." Dr. Hart and Mr. Graham will represent the Edenton club at the convention, which convened on Monday and will continue through Friday.

This 27th annual convention of Rotary International will attract thousands of men representing some 60 countries and virtually every classification of business or profession.

Included on the program were outstanding speakers from different parts of the world as well as individual gatherings of various classifications for the discussion of the particular problems of their own vocations.

The convention will come to a close Friday when the great growth of Rotary in China in the past year or two and the outlook for the next few years will be described by Dr. Chengting Wang of Shanghai. Following him Wilfrid Andrews of London, England, will extend his Rotary Club's invitation to attend the 1937 Rotary Convention which will be held there. The final address will be given by W. W. Emerson, of Winnipeg, Canada, on the topic, "Why I Am A Rotarian."

### Herbert Dale Picked As Candidate For Township Constable

Chowan County's only contest for office which failed to decide the candidate in the June 6 primary was settled on Friday, thus eliminating the necessity for a second primary for the office of constable of the Second Township. Herbert W. Dale was declared the nominee in an executive session of the County Board of Elections.

A tie vote was registered in the Second Township for the position of constable and in accordance with the ruling of the attorney general the Board met to decide the nominee.

The procedure adopted by the elections board was the writing of the names of each of the two candidates on three pieces of paper, the six slips being placed in a hat with each member of the board drawing a name. It so happened that two of the pieces of paper bore Dale's name and one was a Boyce slip, thereby entitling Mr. Dale to be the Democratic nominee, which is equivalent to election.

Each of the two gentlemen received 166 votes in the June 6 primary.

### Large Crowds Expected At Eden House July 4th

Plans for the Fourth of July at Eden House Beach in Bertie County, include special preparations for catering to the entertainment and convenience of the crowds of people expected to come there for the day from all sections of Bertie and adjoining counties.

A number of picnic parties are expected. Many families will come, bringing all the members, for a day's outing. The bath house, the lunch stands and other features of the beach are in readiness for the day's crowds.

The cool, inviting shade of the great groves at this popular resort spot, the gently sloping beach, the ideal bathing and swimming facilities, and the convenient location of Eden House will attract many visitors for the holiday of the Fourth.

### I. Lee Parker Goes On Largest State Project

I. Lee Parker, supervisor, North Carolina State Employment Service, and Mrs. Parker attended the institute of the North Carolina State Employment Service affiliated with the United States Employment Service, at Chapel Hill last week. Mr. Parker left Monday for North Wilkesboro, Sparta and West Jefferson, where he will be working in connection with procuring labor on the Blue Ridge Parkway, which is the largest government project in operation in the State at the present time.

The regular meeting of Unanimity Lodge will be held tonight at the

## SECOND PRIMARY SPURS INTEREST AMONG WORKERS

### McDonald and Hoey Forces Seeking Graham Vote

#### BANNERS UP

### Windsor Is Headquarters For McDonald Campaign In East

Though there has been a lull in the gubernatorial campaign in this immediate section since the primary election held on June 6, interest has been revived this week which augurs well for a lively campaign from now until the run-off primary to be held on July 4. The McDonald banner, which was blown down several times at the corner of King and Broad Streets has now been stretched across Broad Street from the Citizens Bank, while the Hoey banner still swings across the street at Broad and Queen Streets.

Mayor E. W. Spires, who was actively engaged in working for Mr. Hoey in the first primary, is again hard at work in an effort to swing the Graham vote in Chowan to the Hoey column. McDonald supporters, on the other hand, are hopeful that the largest portion of Graham voters will cast their ballots for Dr. McDonald.

The Winston-Salem candidate is the first to invade eastern territory in the second campaign, having appeared Wednesday night in Elizabeth City, where he spoke in the Pasquotank Court House at 8:30 o'clock. McDonald activities in the extreme eastern part of the State will emanate from Windsor, which town has been chosen as the central McDonald headquarters for 14 counties including Chowan, Bertie, Martin, Dare, Perquimans, Hertford, Camden, Currituck, Gates, Beaufort, Tyrrell, Hyde, Washington and Pasquotank counties. As a further incentive to secure McDonald votes, H. B. Spruill, of Windsor, son of Representative Wayland Spruill, together with Thos. H. Broughton, of Dunn, have set out in organizing what is known as the Young Democrats' League for McDonald, through which they expect to do intensive organization work among young Democrats throughout the State. Mrs. C. J. Sawyer of Windsor is also already at work in the interest of women voters for Mr. McDonald. She is chairman of the Women's McDonald Club for Bertie County.

While the McDonald forces are preparing for a hard fight, the Hoey supporters likewise have become active, working for the present, at least, very quietly and they feel confident that though their candidate was a poor third in June, he will carry the county in the run-off election. Mr. Spires predicts that Chowan, at least, will go for Hoey by a large majority. On the other hand, McDonald admirers are not making any predictions, but are firm in their belief that he will carry the county. Inasmuch as the second primary will be held on July 4th, a national holiday and a day when many are away from home, all voters are urged to apply for absentee ballots in order to register their choice for candidates in the run-off election. These absentee ballots can be secured at the clerk of court's office.

### Hotel Property Sold Monday For \$53,500

The Hinton Hotel (now Hotel Joseph Hewes), together with the furniture and fixtures and the property back of the hotel building were sold at the Court House door Monday at noon. The sale was held to satisfy default of payment according to a deed of trust executed to the Southern Loan and Insurance Company (formerly Southern Trust Co.) by E. V. and W. E. Hinton for the building and a chattel mortgage for the equipment to W. G. Gaither, trustee. The sale was made by R. Clarence Dozier.

Both the building and hotel equipment were bought by the Edenton Hotel Corporation, a recently formed organization at Elizabeth City. The price bid for the building was \$50,000 and \$2,000 for the equipment.

A third sale in connection with the hotel property was held by J. N. Pruden due to default in payment according to a deed of trust by the Hinton to W. G. Gaither. This sale included the property back of the hotel and taking in the large garage building. It was sold to the First and Citizens Bank of Elizabeth City for the sum of \$1500.

## Chowan County Democrats Plan Rally On Court House Green Saturday Night

### Edenton - Perrytown Tied For First Place

### Bertie-Chowan League Now In Full Swing; Schedule Calls For Three Games a Week; Local Ball Park Being Repaired

Playing the first scheduled game last Wednesday afternoon, the newly-formed Bertie-Chowan League is now well under way, with three games having been played up to Wednesday of this week. The circuit is composed of Edenton, Windsor, Perrytown and Lewiston, all four clubs appearing to be very evenly matched.

The rules of the league, of which W. P. King, of Windsor, was elected president, calls for the use of only local talent, with the restriction that no player may be used who has played in organized baseball within the past six months, and further that no man may play who has not lived in his team's county since January 1.

The gate receipts will be retained by the club on whose diamond the games are played.

The season will be divided into two halves, each of 30 days or 12 games, and in case of a tie for leadership of one or the other half, the two top teams will play a series of three games to decide the winner. The schedule calls for three games a week.

The managers for the teams in the circuit are as follows: Edenton, Graham Byrum; Perrytown, Jim Brown; Windsor, Fred Dunstan, Jr., and Lewiston, T. N. Peele.

Manager Byrum is very much pleased with the showing of the Edenton team and feels confident his boys will be strong contenders for the championship. Included in the local lineup are Lester Jordan, Edward Wozelka and Ernest Ambrose, pitchers; Vernon Spruill, catcher; Carroll Goodwin, first base; John Byrum, second base; Tom Hoskins, third base; William Cayton, shortstop; Trot Leary, left field; Clyde Cates, center field, and Calvin Sexton, right field. The team has greatly improved since playing together for a few games and baseball fans will be afforded an opportunity to witness

some interesting games throughout the season.

The fence around the ball park which was blown down by the storm during the winter has been repaired and a new grandstand will be erected within the next few days.

Up to Wednesday Edenton and Perrytown was tied for first place, each team having won two games and lost one. Lewiston was in third place with Windsor occupying the cellar position.

Edenton lost the opening game last Wednesday on the home diamond, when Lewiston carried off the long end of a 5-3 score, having come from behind to win the game by a thrilling ninth inning rally. The locals, however, evened the count on Friday at Windsor when they easily won by a 10-6 score. They added their second victory on Sunday afternoon on the local park defeating Perrytown for the first time 6 to 2.

The team was scheduled to play in Windsor Wednesday afternoon as The Herald went to press, and will cross bats with Lewiston on the local diamond this afternoon. A return game is scheduled on Sunday with Perrytown, to be played on the Bertie team's diamond.

Manager Graham Byrum has also announced that his team will play in Elizabeth City on the afternoon of July 4th, in connection with the Independence Day celebration sponsored by the American Legion. Elizabeth City has a strong club and a hotly contested game is in prospect. Many local baseball fans are expected to accompany the team for this affair.

The standing of the clubs in the Bertie-Chowan League up to Wednesday of this week follows:

	W	L	Pct.
Edenton	2	1	.666
Perrytown	2	1	.666
Lewiston	1	2	.333
Windsor	0	3	.000

### Progress Made On Edenton's New Well

Progress is being made in the digging of the new well on the fair ground property. On Tuesday workmen had drilled to a depth of 225 feet, which was somewhat retarded due to being forced to drill through a rock. It is expected to be necessary to drill to a depth of 300 feet in order to get the kind of water desired.

The tank and other material is expected to arrive in Edenton within the next few days.

Upon completion of this well the one now in use will be repaired and regraded.

### John Horne Put To Death In Prison's Lethal Gas Chamber

The final scene in the John Horne murder trial was enacted Friday in State Prison, Raleigh, when he was executed in the lethal gas chamber for the murder of his wife, Nellie Horne, on August 14, 1935, as she was at her work in the Edenton Cotton Mills.

Horne, clad only in a pair of shorts, and not blindfolded was extremely calm to the end, his only statement to Warden H. H. Honeycutt being that he held no malice to anyone, that it was his own fault he was there.

The condemned man apparently went through little suffering, going off into a sleep shortly after the gas was released. His body was claimed by his mother, Mrs. Annie Horne, of Bennettsville, S. C., where burial took place.

The execution was uneventful except for the fact that a newspaper man from Durham fainted as Horne was waiting for the gas to be turned into the death chamber.

Four Edenton people, Alvin Bennett, Graham Byrum, Hector Lupton and J. Edwin Buflap, attended the execution, besides about half a dozen newspaper reporters.

### Gift of Hospitality

Stay is a charming word in a friend's vocabulary.—A Bronson Alcott.

### Will Listen In On Roosevelt's Acceptance Speech

#### QUOTA IS \$355

### Entire County Canvassed to Raise Fund For Campaign

A goodly number of Chowan Democrats gathered in the Court House Saturday afternoon at the call of B. W. Evans, chairman of the county executive committee, to formulate plans for a local Roosevelt Nominators rally Saturday night and the raising of the county's quota toward national Democratic funds. Mr. Evans told the gathering that it was the purpose in Chowan to hold a rally on the Court House green prior to the acceptance speech of Franklin D. Roosevelt in Philadelphia, when provisions will have been made to tune in on the speech.

Chowan's quota in the national Democratic fund is \$355 and Mr. Evans expressed the sincere hope that this amount would be raised. In an effort to reach this goal a county-wide canvass was arranged whereby practically every voter will be given an opportunity to share in the raising of the fund. Mr. Evans expressed the hope that many would contribute small amounts rather than a few loyal Democrats making substantial donations. The name of each person who contributes will be registered on a roster and sent to State headquarters, from where it will in turn be sent to national Democratic headquarters. Donations from \$1 up are solicited.

To raise the \$355 Mr. Evans named each chairman and vice chairman of the various precincts as a canvassing committee, giving them authority to arrange the canvass in their particular section as well as appointing their helpers in the work.

In order to check up on the success of the canvass, a check-up meeting has been called of the precinct chairmen Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the Court House. The fund has been pro-rated, the Wardville, Yeopim, Center Hill and Rocky Hock precincts being asked to raise \$33 each, while East Edenton precinct has been asked to raise \$132 and West Edenton \$99. If these quotas are not reached by the time a check-up is made, a last minute whirlwind drive will be made to keep the county on the honor roll. Mr. Evans told his workers that in view of the greatly improved conditions under the present administration he saw no reason why at least 1000 Chowan Democrats should not gladly contribute to the fund.

All money collected in the drive is to be turned over to George Hoskins, who was appointed treasurer. He in turn will send it to State headquarters and from there it will be forwarded to the national headquarters.

It is planned to have a brief entertainment prior to the listening in party of Mr. Roosevelt's speech of acceptance and to arrange for this feature the following committee was appointed: E. W. Spires, T. W. Jones, R. D. Dixon, K. N. Floors, M. F. Bond, Jr., Jim Hassell and C. W. Swanner.

All Democrats of the county are invited and urged to attend the rally Saturday night on the Court House green, which will get under way about 8 o'clock and will last until 9 o'clock when Mr. Roosevelt's speech will be broadcast. An entertaining program will be arranged prior to the speech for the amusement of those attending, while the whole affair is planned to stimulate interest in the national presidential campaign.

### Cale K. Burgess Will Address Union Meet On Sunday, July 5th

Hon. Cale K. Burgess, of Raleigh, and leader of the United Dry Forces, will address a union service of the churches of Edenton Sunday night, July 5, at 8 o'clock. This meeting will be held in the Edenton Methodist Church and Rev. George W. Blount, pastor of the church, in announcing the meeting said all denominations are represented in the United Dry Forces, making the union service quite appropriate.

Mr. Burgess has a very pleasing personality and is a vigorous speaker, which fact is expected to draw a large congregation when he speaks here. Everybody is cordially invited to hear him.

### John A. Holmes Will Remain In Edenton

Though John A. Holmes, at the request of a number of friends, went to Raleigh last week in connection with his application for the superintendency of Raleigh Schools, he is still back at his post as head of the Edenton Administrative Unit.

The position in Raleigh was given to Claude F. Gaddy, assistant executive secretary of the State School Commission, who will replace P. S. Daniel, who resigned at the request of the school board.

While Mr. Holmes would have accepted the position, he was not very optimistic in expecting to be appointed before going to Raleigh. He told a Herald reporter before leaving that he was of the opinion that Mr. Gaddy would be selected and paid high tribute to the Raleigh man in that he was a well informed and thoroughly competent school man.

While hosts of friends in Edenton would rejoice in Mr. Holmes having bettered himself financially, they likewise are happy in the fact that he will remain in the city as head of city schools as well as continue his activities in many other capacities.