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## Edenton Fine Host To Governor And Assembly

### School Squabble Ended By An Agreeable Compromise

Representative John F. White Agrees to Old Board Serving  
ADDS TWO MORE

T. L. Ward and William B. Shepard Named as New Members

That politics in Chowan County will continue to be serene and that all concerned in the squabble over the county school board as well as the Edenton Board of Trustees are satisfied is the outcome of a visit of about a dozen residents of the county to Raleigh Tuesday. A hearing had been granted the group by the Calendar Committee of the Senate in reference to Representative John White's proposed change in the County Board of Education which was included in the school omnibus bill already passed in the House.

However, even before the hearing materialized, a number of the local delegation conferred with Mr. White, who apparently was in a compromising mood, and after going over the situation pro and con, agreed to compromise and approve the present board, except, however, Mr. White contended that he wanted to place two more men on the county board. This addition was not objected to by those in the delegation, which included the members of the county board, and Mr. White will submit the names of T. L. Ward and William B. Shepard as the two additional members, thus making a seven-member board instead of five as at present.

The compromise was a very pleasant one, both Mr. White and those opposing his proposal, all leaving the conference very much satisfied that the whole matter had been closed and agreeing to forget all about it.

The board as included in the omnibus bill includes Mr. White himself, T. L. Ward and Z. T. Evans. However, Mr. White and those opposing him signed papers to the effect that the bill would be amended in the Senate to include those nominated in the primary with the addition, of course, of Mr. White's selection, T. L. Ward and William B. Shepard. The measure will necessarily be returned to the House for concurrence, where with Mr. White's favoring the move, the amendment will no doubt be accepted and passed along with the entire school law.

Those in the delegation interested primarily in Mr. White's attitude toward polishing the Edenton administrative unit were anxious to know his feelings about the matter, and they, too, came back home very well satisfied with the assurance of Mr. White that he had decided to drop the entire school matter.

Those making the trip Tuesday were D. M. Warren, W. D. Welch, Thomas Cheers, John A. Holmes, J. L. Wiggins, S. E. Morris, L. W. Belch, W. J. Taylor, A. D. Ward and Isaac Byrum.

### E. H. S. 'Spotlight' Is Signally Honored

Edenton High School was again signally honored when last week John A. Holmes, superintendent, received word from Joseph M. Murphy, director of the Columbia Scholastic Press association, that the school paper, "The Spotlight," had been awarded fourth place in a national contest for mimeographed school papers. In the contest there were almost 1000 papers and magazines coming from schools in practically every state in the Union.

Students should be especially complimented upon their attainment especially so when the paper to be judged was one of the first issues by this year's staff, and since which the appearance and news content has been greatly improved.

### Lions Plan To Sponsor Eye Clinic In County

The Edenton Lions club held their weekly meeting Monday night in Hotel Joseph Hewes with a good attendance on hand.

The principal item of business discussed was the proposition of the club sponsoring an eye clinic which will be definitely determined at next week's meeting.

**3 MORE DAYS TO BUY EASTER SEALS**

Every child has the right to develop under clean, wholesome, beautiful conditions. In declaring this right, this Society undertakes to use its influence to the end that children everywhere, through proper legislation, both local and general, and through proper supervision and protection, may grow to manhood and womanhood free from crippling conditions caused by insufficient nourishment, improper food, or unsanitary environment, and free, so far as possible, from danger of accidents, wounding or maiming.

(Article 2 of The Crippled Child's "Bill of Rights.")

### EASTER SEALS GO ON SALE MONDAY

Proceeds Will Be Used to Maintain and Extend Benefits To Crippled Children

W. J. Taylor, county welfare officer, announces that Easter seals will be placed on sale Monday, March 22, in an effort to finance a program of the Chowan County League for Crippled Children. The seals are attractively printed with a small Miss dressed in green, one chubby arm in a brown crutch, but the other hand is free and outstretched toward the golden sunlight of opportunity which signifies "Joyous Life" (this year's seal theme) for this and many such small crippled people.

The seal sells for a penny each, \$1.00 per sheet of 100—not a large sum, but an investment that pays big dividends in building sounder bodies, and brighter minds, as the Chowan County League for Crippled Children continues its work.

The agency is state wide, being organized for the purpose of looking after the welfare of crippled children. Its program is one of cooperation with all agencies both public and private, lay and professional, to the end that every crippled child may inherit its birthright. This is beautifully stated in Article X of the Crippled Child's "Bill of Rights" which reads:

"In brief, not only for its own sake, but for the benefit of the Society as a whole, every crippled child has the right to the best body which modern science can help it secure; the best mind that modern education can provide; the best training which modern vocational guidance can give; the best position in life which his physical condition as best it may be, will permit, and the best opportunity for spiritual development which

### One Of Many Echoes Following Big Day

Windsor, N. C. March 12, 1937

Mr. Editor: Permit me to say that your Town Officers and Committees, having in charge the General Assembly Centennial, deserve unlimited credit; and thanks for the perfect day they gave visitors and guests on Thursday, March 11th.

As a former citizen of Edenton, having taught school there in the fall of 1879 and spring of 1880, I was proud of the historic city, and its patriotic citizens.

Renewing the recollections of my former stay there, I went from the bay through to every section of the town. I shall not dwell on Edenton's growth; it speaks for itself.

I simply wish to compliment visitors, guests, General Assembly and home folks on the perfect day we all enjoyed.

It was a law-abiding, intelligent and patriotic gathering.

Permit me, again, to express my thanks and real delight at being with my "old home folks" on that great day.

FRANCIS B. WINSTON.

### MISS MARY PERRY COUNTY WINNER IN ESSAY HONOR

B. & L. Contest Prize Won By Local School Girl

FINE PAPER

Marguerite Etta Evans Of Chowan High Is Second

In the presence of the high school student body and a sprinkling of visitors Miss Marguerite Etta Evans of Chowan High School and Miss Mary Perry of the Edenton High School vied for honors in the Kessler Memorial Building and Loan Essay Contest in the Edenton school auditorium. The two essays by the young ladies represented the best presented in their respective schools, and decided the county winner, who will enter the district contest, the place and date of which has not yet been announced.

Both papers were excellently prepared and delivered and contained convincing argument as to the good accomplished by building and loan associations in way of making home ownership possible.

Miss Perry was unanimously voted the winner of the contest by three judges, Mrs. Lee Sledge, Rev. George Blount and Rev. Frank Cale, thereby receiving first prize of \$10 which was given by the Edenton Building and Loan Association. Miss Evans received a \$5 prize, which is also given by the local association.

The prizes were given to the winners by R. C. Holland, a director of the association, who complimented both contestants for the splendid essays.

Mrs. R. E. Leary presided over the contest and while the judges were reaching a decision, Miss Jennie Ruth McAlilly rendered a delightful piano solo.

The contest was scheduled to have been held tomorrow (Friday) but due to conflicting school activities it was moved up to Tuesday morning.

### General Assembly Pictures On Display In Herald Office

Last week's visit by the Governor and General Assembly came back in great shape today through the receipt by B. Warner Evans of a series of 32 photographic prints of groups and individuals snapped during the celebration. The prints are in large size and about the finest photographs ever taken in this town. Jack White, star photographer for the Dunbar and Daniel Studio, Raleigh, and who does much work of this sort for the Associated Press and metropolitan newspapers, sent the pictures on to Mr. Evans for display and sale.

The photographs, which Mr. Evans has placed on exhibition at The Chowan Herald office, where they may be viewed by prospective purchasers and where orders will be taken as well as by Mr. Evans, show Governor Hoey and about everybody local and State, who figured in the celebration. They will be on view at The Herald office for a week, anyhow, and will be open to observation by anyone who may care to call and see them.

### Clothing Leaders Will Meet Friday

At 10 o'clock Friday morning in the Court House clothing leaders of the various clubs of the county, together with Miss Rebecca Colwell, home agent, will meet with Miss Willie Hunter, extension specialist in clothing, for the purpose of conducting a clothing leaders' school. Miss Hunter will feature seasonal clothing at the school.

All club members may benefit by this school is assured in that each clothing leader will give similar demonstrations in their home club at the first meeting following the school.

### JUNIORS AT MERRY HILL SCHOOL ELECT OFFICERS

The junior class of Merry Hill High School have elected the following to offices as class officers: President, Clara Gump; vice president, Clara Gump; secretary, Samuel Adams; treasurer, Katie N. Phelps.

### CAKE, CREAM AND JOLLITY FLAVOR LEGION BIRTHDAY

Local Post and Auxiliary In Anniversary Celebration

18 YEARS YOUNG

Lively Speeches and Reports Make Occasion Very Interesting

Mrs. than fifty persons got together in Red Men's Hall Tuesday night in services commemorative of the eighteenth anniversary of the American Legion's founding in Paris in the spring of 1919. About half were members of the local Legion post and the others were ladies and young folks identified with the Legion Auxiliary. Commander John A. Holmes presided and the gayly costumed High School band enlivened the proceedings at the outset, and made merry with the ice cream and cake provided at the finish.

While the proceedings, naturally, had a semblance of solemnity about them, there was, also, plenty of frivolity and genial fun making. After Mr. Holmes had briefly outlined what the meeting was about and Adjutant Oscar H. Brown had read his regular report, the Commander called the past commanders and past Auxiliary presidents to the front row chairs for brief explanatory addresses. Mrs. M. P. Whichard gave a short history of her organization's work, stating that it started with 32 charter members and still has 26 of those included in its present membership of 78.

Mrs. W. E. Baker, the 1937 president, who also shows her versatility by directing an orchestra in her leisure moments, stated that the membership of the junior auxiliary totaled ten, and that the activities of both branches had so attracted State attention the Auxiliary was in line for one of the official honor cups. C. D. Stewart traced the beginning of the Legion and told of its continuation statistically, mentioning that the local post had received its second impetus in 1919 through reorganization in the office of W. D. Pruden. Others who talked tersely were Postmaster C. E. Kramer, O. H. Brown, Mrs. C. E. Kramer, Mrs. R. E. Leary, Mrs. Jesse White, and a fellow named Buffup who could think of nothing but oyster roasts as an inducement for increased attendance. Mayor E. W. Spire, an invited guest, was, also a speaker.

After the Commander had presented a candied birthday cake, Mrs. Baker turned in a very artistic plaque emblematic of resolutions passed at the national convention last year in Cleveland having to do with the conservation of forest lands. Then there was some "official" wind up singing, at least there was much noisemaking around an imitation tree from no-man's land by a quartette composed of Kramer, Stewart, Duncan and Beany White, which started everybody home quickly.

### Warren Oldham Weds Rocky Mount Girl

Friends in Edenton will be interested to know that Warren Oldham, a former resident, was married on Sunday morning. Mr. Oldham's bride is Miss Garnet Fountain of Rocky Mount, the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride.

Mr. Oldham for six years was employed as linotype operator with the Edenton Daily News, later going to Elizabeth City and then to Rocky Mount, where he is now employed by the Evening Telegram. His bride is a charming and popular member of the younger set of Rocky Mount.

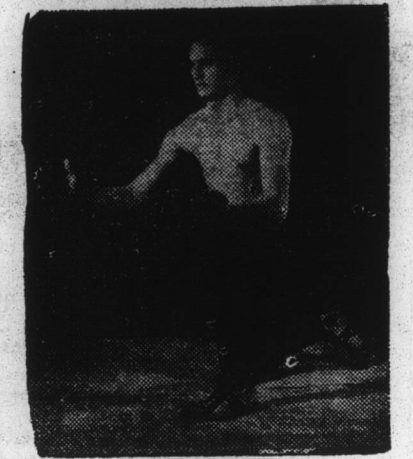
The newlyweds passed through Edenton Sunday night stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Hector Lupton while enroute on a wedding trip to Washington, D. C. Upon their return they will make their home in Rocky Mount.

### NARROW ESCAPE

Gordon Blow and William Jones narrowly escaped serious injuries Monday morning when Mr. Blow's car left the road at the Winfall curve while on their way to Edenton. The car was badly damaged, but fortunately, except for cuts about the head of Mr. Jones, the two men are none the worse for their narrow escape.

### Many Come As Strangers But Leave Staunch Friends

STATE CHAMPION



LLOYD HOBBS "Long John" Hobbs as he was known among his Edenton school mates, holds the North Carolina A. A. U. unlimited wrestling title and will represent his school, Appalachian State Teachers College, in the national A. A. U. tournament to be held in Baltimore.

### HOBBS ELIGIBLE FOR NATIONAL A. A. U. CONTEST

Lloyd Hobbs, Appalachian Wrestler, Wins North Carolina Unlimited Wrestling Title

Friends in this section will be happy to know of the enviable record made by Lloyd Hobbs as a wrestler. Mr. Hobbs, a student at Appalachian State Teachers College at Boone, N. C., is a member of the school's crack wrestling squad and though at present a junior, he has been out for wrestling for three years and in that time has taken part in 25 meets, winning 22 out of that number. He has won 20 straight matches and registered 77 points to his school's credit as against 18 points lost.

Over the week-end March 5-6 Mr. Hobbs won the North Carolina A. A. U. unlimited title which was contested by all the wrestlers in the state. This victory entitles him to a chance to compete in the national A. A. U. tournament to be held in Baltimore.

Mr. Hobbs is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiliary T. Hobbs, of Chowan County and was an outstanding athlete while attending Edenton High School. His many friends back home are proud of the record he has made and wish for him greater success in his chosen athletic endeavor.

Richard Rogerson, another Edenton boy at Appalachian, also participated in the A. A. U. contest held in Boone, going to the finals, but losing by a time decision to Ellis of Davidson.

### Anyway, Governor Clyde Hoey Liked It

State of North Carolina Governor's Office Raleigh March 13, 1937.

Mayor E. W. Spire, Edenton, North Carolina. My dear Mayor:

I wish to thank you sincerely for your courteous hospitality upon the occasion of our recent visit to Edenton. The day was most delightful throughout. You had planned everything perfectly and the entire program was executed with such perfection that the day was filled with most delightful entertainment and everyone of us enjoyed every minute of our stay in your splendid city.

I would have you convey to all the people of Edenton my sincere appreciation for the many courtesies extended to me and my entire party, and Mrs. Hoey joins me warmly in expressing her sincere thanks.

Your wonderful dinner was the crowning event of a most happy day, and I would have you know that we shall long remember the marvelous toast which you rendered in such a happy style.

With sentiments of high personal regard, and hoping to have the opportunity of visiting Edenton again, I am

Yours very truly, CLYDE R. HOEY.

Great and Impressive Day In Every Way For Town

GOOD TIME

Bill Passed to Spend Money to Advertise The State

Little in size but huge in spirit Edenton opened its gates to the outside world last Thursday, and great was the onrush to get inside them.

From all the four quarters of North Carolina and its sister state on the north a vast crowd of visitors came here to mingle with Governor Clyde R. Hoey and the General Assembly in a gesture of obeisance to the time, two centuries or more ago, when "Ye Towne on Queen Anne's Creek" actually was the capital of North Carolina.

Numerically an accurate statement of the size of this visitation of obeisance would be difficult, but an estimate never is. There have been crowds in Edenton before, twice when they were even larger than last Thursday, for instance on the occasion of the Hewes monument dedication and when the Chowan bridge was formally opened to traffic, but this last visitation brought easily 1,200 or 1,500 strangers from everywhere, and not a single one of them left as a stranger.

That was the keymark of last Thursday's party — many came as strangers—all left as friends. Edenton is satisfied with that realization.

By this late time everyone quite probably knows what it was all about. About 195 years ago the colonial Grand Assembly met here for the first, and wrote into the statutes of North Carolina early day laws that have endured since. Two years ago the legislature of Virginia honored its first capital, Williamsburg, by holding a one-day session there. Parson C. A. Ashby was attracted by the gesture and single handed set out to have the idea duplicated in this state. Until two months ago, even less, his efforts proved futile. But Representative John F. White agreed to help and introduced a resolution, that went through with a whoop, bringing the governor and law mill here, also, for a one day session of commemoration.

And they came! By special train and bus and private cars, yes, two of them by airplane, they came! And with them came easily a thousand others, which might not be so many in New York or Chicago, but in Edenton, oh my!

And as if Divine Providence or Jupiter or some other astral cause was in hearty sympathy with the idea, just remember what a wonderful day it was, meteorologically and otherwise. The skies were blue and cloudless, the air was balmy and brightly sunshiny,—even May in all its glory could not have been better.

But except to repeat it was a great day in every way, that Edenton's hospitality was unsurpassed, and that everyone had a corking time, let the story start at Raleigh at 8 o'clock last Thursday morning. There a long train of special cars greeted Governor Hoey and his family, his council of state as it is called, a half hundred or so other state officials, and the entire, not a few, but the entire General Assembly, about 400 of them altogether. The Norfolk Southern did itself proud, too, with this special of nine cars and locomotives, Pullman cars at that with a particularly fine one for the Governor, observation platform and all, on the rear.

Through the eastern Carolina tobacco belt, up through the south Albemarle counties, over the long railroad bridge near here, and into the little, exasperatingly unobtrusive little railroad station at the foot of East Queen street, went and came the special. Rolling through one little town after another groups gathered to cheer and wave the solons and their governor on their way, and in the cars the customary Biblical readings and silent prayers that, of course, go along with special trains of this sort, were this time avoided.

An hour before the train got in Sheriff J. A. Bunch, chairman of the committee on town transportation of the guests, had lined up nearly a hundred automobiles, while Mayor E. (Continued on Page Five)