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BOARDS SELECT W. M. PERKINS AS WELFARE CHIEF

Pitt County Man Given Preference For Social Security Berth

TAYLOR REFUSES

County's Share In Program Operation Will Be Around \$16,000

Chowan's new superintendent of welfare in the administration of the social security act after July 1 will be William M. Perkins, a native of Elizabeth City and recently engaged in welfare work in Pitt County with headquarters at Greenville. His salary was fixed at \$1,600 a year.

He was named by the county commissioners in joint session Monday with the Chowan Board of Social Welfare, and was picked from four candidates after numerous other applicants had been blue penciled because they did not meet the qualifications laid down by the state board. The three unsuccessful ones were Mrs. Duncan Winston Wales, as her application was signed, Mrs. J. H. McMullan, both of Edenton, and Miss Elizabeth Deans, formerly of eastern North Carolina but now of Merion, Pa.

To the very last the joint conferees were firm in their desire to continue W. J. Taylor, county school superintendent, in the berth, but Mr. Taylor refused to give up his educational work for the less important position, even at an increased salary. He so wrote in to the meeting, but even this was not viewed as final and he was sent for. In executive session with the two boards he briefly repeated his determination, and left. Perkins was immediately named, the conferees feeling a preference for working with a masculine superintendent.

In open session Perkins was called before the two boards, detailed his previous welfare experience, expressed his belief that such labor must be a matter of headwork as well as heart work, and got the commissioners sitting up when he said that the successful applicant should be more a "no" than a "yes" man, if the interest of the taxpayers was to be conserved as well as that of the beneficiaries, under the proposed act.

At the outset of the session Chairman W. J. Berryman, of the County Welfare Board, read the recent opinion of Attorney General Seawell eliminating Mr. Taylor on the ground of dual office holding, as told of in The Herald last week. Chairman Warren asked that the list of applicants and their formal applications be read. One such which attracted interest was turned in by George W. Lassiter. Mr. Lassiter's letter provoked a friendly smile by its frankness. With no experience as required in welfare work, he, nevertheless, enumerated "I helped elect President Roosevelt and played in the Roosevelt-Garner Boosters Band." The conferees discounted this as not noteworthy in welfare activities and marked Mr. Lassiter off as the first one. A similar application signed jointly by Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Hollowell, was marked off as a dual position.

After the list had been boiled down Mr. Berryman went in to a lengthy explanation of a suggested work table of possible expenses, taking as a tentative figure that 96 indigent over 65 years would be prospective beneficiaries, and 156 minor dependents who would, also, benefit by the act's provisions. Chowan's share in the maintenance of the former of which would aggregate \$4,520.00, and for the latter the county's burden would be \$3,520.36, a total of \$7,040.36.

At first these figures seemed startlingly small in view of the fact it was originally estimated the operation of the act would cost around \$30,000, but subsequent explanation rectified this surprise. In other words the state will bear three-fourths of the expense of old age maintenance and two-thirds of the cost of caring for dependent children. This makes the cost to both county and state for such maintenance \$24,648.48, with an administration cost to the county of \$4,180, or a full total to both of \$28,828.48.

Taking Chowan's maintenance burden of \$7,043.96 and adding to it the administration burden of \$4,180, it is noticed this county's prospective expense will total \$11,223.96, with balance, \$16,599.52, being the share the state will meet of the full aggregate. It should be explained, also, so it was outlined, that these figures are

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Sir Anthony Eden Declines Invitation To Visit Edenton

Sir Anthony Eden, of the British Foreign Office, won't be here nor at the Fort Raleigh show this summer as Mayor Jack McMullan had really believed possible. The mayor shot one of his spiffiest letters of invitation to the great English mediator, extolling the charm and beauty of this town of towns once captained by Sir Anthony's ancestor, and incidentally telling him of the Roanoke Island celebration and the fact President Roosevelt would be there.

But it all did no good, even if it was fine publicity. Jack got a fine long official envelope with a coronation stamp attached Tuesday in which the Anthony words typed above his signature said so sadly—

"Dear Mr. Mayor—
"I have to thank you for your letter of the 31st May in which you very kindly invited me to visit Edenton this summer. I much appreciate this invitation, but regret that as I shall not be visiting America on the occasion of the celebrations on Roanoke Island, I cannot accept your kind invitation.

"Yours very truly,
"ANTHONY EDEN."

The coronation stamp on the envelope is about the first one to hit town and something worth looking at, anyhow.

Red Men Invited To Attend "Open House"

Chowan County Red Men have been invited to attend "open house" Friday night at the new Red Men building in Elizabeth City, which will be dedicated tonight (Thursday). Elizabeth City Red Men have planned for an overflow crowd tonight which will include members of Pasquotank Tribe, members of the Degree of Pocahontas and a goodly number of great chiefs.

It was for fear of not being able to accommodate the large crowd expected that local Red Men have been urged to attend "open house" Friday instead of the dedication ceremonies tonight.

54 PROFICIENT IN SWIM CLASS

Unusual Interest Shown In Annual Water Activities

Chowan's annual one week opportunity for its young folks to perfect themselves in swimming and life saving under the sponsorship of the American Red Cross, came to a close last Saturday afternoon with an outstanding record of proficiency awarded to more than 50 per cent of those who took the tests. Mrs. J. N. Pruden, the local chapter chairman, who arranged for the lessons and instruction, expressed herself yesterday as gratified with the showing made by the one hundred or so in the classes.

The final score awarded by Melvin Layton, instructor, showed that 54 had proved themselves eligible, and had been passed satisfactorily. This total included the chief eligibility award to Emmett Wiggins, only one to make the try in the senior class, and who was given ranking in both the life saving and swimming classes. Twelve took the life saving tests in the junior class, and all passed. Of the 13 juniors in the swimming class 12 were passed, and of the 74 beginners who strove hard to make the grade at Edenhous Beach 23 were considered safe to be trusted on their own hereafter.

The seniors, juniors and life saving instructions were given by Layton, with Wiggins assisting, at the Fish Hatchery bridge, and both trainers expressed themselves as surprised and pleased with the showing made by every one. Naturally, it was said, the reason for the lower scores made by the little ones as beginners was through failure to overcome the childish fear experienced when told to strike out. However, everybody did fine, Layton said, and an even better showing is expected next year.

The twelve to pass in the junior life saving class were: Tom Shepard, Melvin Griffin, Carrol Stewart, Kenneth Dixon, George Alma Byrum, James Hansell, Jim McMullan, Chapel Hill, Meredith Jones, Dick Badham, Sam Cates, Gray Byrum, Edward Habit.

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WILLIAM MORRIS ROLLS OFF BOAT DROWNS IN BAY

Cotton Mill Foreman Is Victim of Sad Mishap Last Saturday

CROWD WATCHES

Body Found Sunday After Long Search By Volunteers

Edenton was much excited and saddened Saturday afternoon when word got quickly about that William Morris, 38, day foreman at the Edenton Cotton Mill and one of the most popular of the residents of that section of the town, had rolled off the deck of a small motor skiff and had been drowned in the bay harbor about a quarter of a mile out from the court house green. His father-in-law, Jim Twiddy, who was with him at the time and who was endeavoring to scull the boat ashore, frantically made the catastrophe known and within an incredibly short time the water front was well crowded, while a half dozen or so other motor boat parties began searching and dragging the bay for the body which was not located, however, until the following morning.

Morris, who was married and had one young daughter, went off for a boat jaunt with Twiddy early in the afternoon. The latter took over the operation of the boat while his son-in-law lay on the stern and was apparently snoozing when the mishap occurred. The afternoon was somewhat chilly for June. A stiff breeze from the south whipped up the bay into a small fury, and made the sea quite choppy to say the least. About ten minutes before the accident the motor in the boat stalled for lack of fuel. Twiddy couldn't get it going again and took the one oar in the boat and tried to scull or otherwise propel the little vessel toward the shore.

The choppy waves got the boat rocking pretty badly, eye witnesses say, and it was in the midst of this that Morris, presumably still slumbering, was jostled off into the water. Naturally to tumble out of sleep into deep water may have been too sudden a change for Morris. Anyhow, Twiddy, who did what he could to rescue his companion with the oar, says he appeared to sink rapidly and in a moment or two had disappeared.

Saturday afternoon strollers along Water street saw what had happened and noticed Twiddy frantically waving, and spread the tale rapidly. Within ten minutes several hundred residents gathered and a number of other boats shot out with rescue parties. Of course it was too late to do any rescuing so dragging the waters about the spot where Morris had gone over was resorted to all the afternoon and well into the night, but without avail. Sunday morning Benny Mizelle and Jesse Spruill resumed the hunt and about 8:30 o'clock located the body and brought it ashore. Death was announced as accidental and Monday afternoon funeral services were held from the Morris home with interment later at Beaver Hill.

Pall bearers were: J. E. Basnight, Andrew Hawkins, George Harris, Lawrence Cayton, T. F. Twiddy and Arthur Edwards.

June 30 Is Deadline For Inoculating Dogs

June 30 is the deadline for all dogs to be inoculated. Any dog owners failing to abide by this law will be subject to additional cost and arrest.

W. C. Moore, inspector for the First Township, says there are still many more dogs to be treated and urges owners to have this work done immediately in order to avoid any embarrassment and unpleasantness.

A New Chowan Herald Service

Beginning with this issue, The Chowan Herald offers to its readers and advertisers a Question and Answer column on Social Security.

Through the column, The Herald will answer inquiries from its readers on the Social Security law. All workers, employers, housewives, others—are invited to use this service. It is not a legal service. It is an informational service. Answers will be authoritative. The Social Security Board, through Mr. George N. Adams, Manager of the Board's office in the Post Office Building at Rocky Mount, N. C., has consented, as a special service to The Herald and its readers, to answer all questions on the Social Security law submitted to this paper.

Make your questions brief and to the point. Because of space limitations The Herald must condense questions and answers. Questions will be answered as quickly as possible in the order received. Address your inquiries to The Herald. In keeping with the Social Security Board policy names will not be published.

RED MEN SEIZE FIRST PLACE IN SOFT BALL RACE

Flee to Roof to Avoid Jungle Beasts In the Cellar

MASONS BETWEEN

Lions and Masons Cross Bats Next on Friday Night

HOW THEY STAND	W	L	Pct.
Red Men	3	2	.600
Masons	2	2	.500
Lions	2	3	.400

Standing in Edenton's soft ball league underwent several changes during the week with the Red Men Club occupying first place, the Masons in second position, and the Lions bringing up the rear. The standing was shuffled about due to the Lions setting back the Masons Friday night, which evened the count, each team in the circuit winning two games and losing the same number. However, after Tuesday night's game, the Red Men team easily trounced the Lions, putting the Red Skins in the lead and sending the Lions to the cellar.

On Friday night before a slim crowd due to threatening weather the Masons held a commanding lead over the Lions until the fifth inning when the fraternity boys blew up and allowed the Lions to cross the plate for seven runs, walking away with a 12 to 9 victory. Aside from a poor inning on the field for each of the teams the game was filled with brilliant playing by members of both clubs, Roy Leary showing up especially well for the Masons, while West Leary and Lyn Byrum performed well for the Lions.

The Red Men on Tuesday trounced the Lions by the score of 22 to 11. The Red Men had the strongest team of the season on the field including Melvin Layton, Jimmy Parlin, Johnny Asbell, Asa Griffin, Sheriff Bunch, Fielding Tanner, Wilbur Smith, Jimmy Crummy, Frank Hughes, Jesse Harrell and Gilbert Hollowell, while at the same time the Lions failed to play their usual calibre of ball. West Byrum thrilled the fans by several beautiful catches in right field for the Lions, while Kid Jones caught his first fly of the season which brought considerable applause.

The next game will be played Friday night at 8 o'clock when the Masons and Lions cross bats. The two teams are evenly matched and coupled with a slight change in the lineup Manager Jim Daniels feels certain his Masonic team will get revenge for the defeat last Friday at the hands of Skipper Graham Byrum and his roaring Lions.

Minstrel At Chowan School On July 1-2

The Dixie Blackbird Minstrel, under the auspices of the Chowan Woman's Club, will be presented at the Chowan High School at 8 o'clock on the nights of Thursday and Friday, July 1 and 2. The entertainment is one of the most unique minstrel arrangements of the day, the snappy jokes, catchy songs and clever costumes giving show-goers the maximum in hearty, wholesome laughter.

In connection with the show there will also be a juvenile minstrel featuring 20 youngsters, which will be followed by the adult minstrel.

A white spot is added when a "Now and Then" sketch is presented contrasting the old fashioned and modern girls. A screamingly funny Negro divorce scene also adds to the fun of the program.

The climax of the minstrel is reached when a hilarious and spell-binding Negro sermon is preached followed by a Negro wedding.

NEGRO STIRS UP THINGS SUNDAY

Man Hunt Develops For Lonnie Hucks After He Shoots Sister-in-Law and Beats Wife

Considerable excitement prevailed in Edenton Sunday afternoon when reports rapidly spread that Lonnie Hucks, colored, had killed his sister-in-law, Rosa Hurdle, and attempted to kill his wife. An investigation, however, revealed that the Hurdle woman was not dead, but had been shot in the thigh. According to witnesses Hicks had an automatic revolver and when the gun jammed he turned on his wife, beating her over the head with the butt of the gun. Neither of the two injured women are in serious condition.

The excitement resulted in a large crowd gathering at the scene on Granville Street, near Freemason Street, and Hucks shortly after the shooting made his exit to the swamp near Beaver Hill Cemetery. When last seen he was attempting to release the jammed gun and reports had it that he had a box of bullets.

The police quickly called in a posse who continued the man-hunt the remainder of the afternoon, men with shot guns and pistols surrounding the swamp. When no sign had been seen of the desperado and still confident he had not left the swamp, Chief of Police Helms summoned Dan Cannady, of Elizabeth City, who brought over his two bloodhounds. The dogs tracked Hucks to the small stream running through the swamp, where they lost the trail. The subsequent supposition was that the Negro had drowned in the creek when a small piece of paper bearing a grocery order was seen floating. The creek was dragged, but no trace of the man was found, and the search was given up about dark.

During Monday various reports were current that Hucks was seen in town and that further threats had been made.

However, about 7:30 Tuesday morning Hucks appeared at police headquarters and gave himself up to the police. In speaking to Chief Helms he said he remained in the swamp and on Sunday saw a number of the men who were waiting to fill him with lead and also at one time that officers and the dogs were within 25 feet of him. He was placed in jail Tuesday morning and will be given a preliminary hearing Friday in Recorder's Court.

BOOTLEG POISON KILLS NEGRESS

Heavy Bail Follows For Two Accused of Selling Stuff

Heavy bail in the amount of \$2,000 each was exacted by Court Clerk R. D. Dixon on Tuesday afternoon to secure the release from jail of Oscar B. Bunch, known as "Bug Hop," and Johnny Bell Smithwick, held on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the sudden death Monday of Annie Coston, negress, on North Granville street. County Physician M. P. Whiard examined the woman and declared she had died from drinking poisoned bootleg liquor.

Roberta Anthony, another negress and companion of the dead woman, who had suffered similarly but not fatally, from the same drinking, told the police later that she had bought but a half pint of the bootleg liquor at the Bunch filling station on the Yeopim road, and that she and Annie had hardly consumed it before the latter dropped over unconscious and soon after died. As for herself she became quickly unconscious, also, but revived Monday night and was locked up.

It was to Chief Helms and Patrolman Pratt the woman told of her purchase, identifying Smithwick as the man who sold the liquor. Warrants were immediately sworn out for the two men and an effort was made to catch them at the Bunch place. Instead, the officers found the filling station barricaded against their approach, they said, and had to crash their way in. They found Bunch and confiscated 29 receptacles which, they said, had but recently contained illicit liquor.

Returning Bunch to the county jail the police went out again and had Smithwick in custody soon afterward, also.

Officers said yesterday that undoubtedly the purchased liquor had been poisoned through contamination with an unclean tin receptacle in which it had been kept.

A preliminary hearing in Recorder's Court is set for Friday morning.

HINES REPORTS 400 HANDLED AT COLORED CLINIC

New Apparatus Proves Itself In Search For T. B. Germs

ANOTHER CLINIC

Follow Up Work Will Be Continued Among Those Affected

Dr. J. C. Hines, who recently conducted a tuberculosis clinic among colored people in Chowan County, this week received a report from N. C. Sanatorium of the 37 he X-rayed during the clinic. Of this number there were two far advanced cases, one moderately advanced case, eight childhood cases requiring treatment, two cases to enter the sanatorium at once and two cases requiring further observation and subsequent X-ray as suspicious cases.

Dr. Hines reports that during the clinic 400 received the tubercular test and of this number there were 70 positive reactors, or a percentage of 17.2. The percentage of cases of tuberculosis found from the X-ray was 28.4-7. Follow-up work will continue among those affected, said Dr. Hines, and it is his expectation that another clinic will be held toward fall.

All those who were examined and showed positive reactions will be notified by Dr. Hines, and those not receiving a report may take it for granted that there was a negative reaction.

Dr. Hines was well pleased with the large number who took the test during the clinic, but regrets that many more didn't avail themselves of the opportunity for he emphasizes the fact that to successfully combat the terrible disease it is necessary to take steps before it has reached advanced stages. "It is too late to do very much when a person realizes he or she has tuberculosis," he says. "An examination will detect presence of the germs and before the disease makes any material headway is when some steps can be taken to retard progress of the disease." For this reason he hopes that when the next clinic is held a much larger number will take the tubercular test, as well as X-rayed where positive reactors occur.

N. K. Rowell Retires As President Edenton Rotary Club Today

The usual Rotary luncheon will be held at 1 o'clock today in the Parish House, which by the way, will be the last meeting under N. K. Rowell's administration. Mr. Rowell last week told those present that a 100 per cent attendance at the meeting would be the source of a happy exit from office. Carroll Kramer will have charge of the program.

At next week's meeting new officers for the year will be installed with John W. Graham acting as president of the club.

Last week the Rotarians had more or less of a round table discussion of Chowan County's request for road building.

Lions Club Sponsoring 'Rosa,' Musical Comedy

Miss Frances Perry, of Atlanta, Ga., has arrived in Edenton and is already at work perfecting a cast and conducting practices for the smashing three-act musical comedy "Rosa" which is sponsored by the Edenton Lions Club. The play will be presented in the Edenton High School auditorium Thursday and Friday nights, July 1 and 2, the curtain scheduled to rise promptly at 8:15 o'clock.

The cast of characters will consist of local talent and Miss Perry is very optimistic that a first class entertainment will be presented.

The Lions at their meeting Monday devoted practically all of their time to discussion of the entertainment which is sponsored for the purpose of raising money to conduct eye clinics in the county. The cast will include a large number of local people, including small children, and large audiences are expected.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT

The regular meeting of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the Court House. W. M. Wilkins, master of the Lodge, urges a large attendance and promises that the meeting will not last long.