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OPENS SEPT. 1

Failure Yesterday to Complete Board; Try Again August 26

Coincident with another failure yesterday to select the third member of the ABC supervising board, this time because of a lack of a quorum, the other two supervisors, who dickered Tuesday afternoon and night with a raft of liquor salesmen over the purchase of a large stock, yesterday announced that they had selected Rupert Goodwin as manager of the liquor store to be opened in the White property, at \$125 a month salary, and John Lee Spruill, as store clerk at \$100 a month. Both are young men and popular. Goodwin at present being a salesman in the Byrum Hardware Company, and Spruill identified at the Triangle Filling Station.

The selection of Goodwin and Spruill ends a struggle on the part of many applicants for the two positions. It is understood the successful appointees were considered as outsiders, neither having made formal application for the jobs.

Inability on the part of all three appointing boards to have a quorum present at a joint meeting Wednesday morning leaves Chowan County's Alcoholic Board of Control still incomplete. A joint meeting was called for 10 o'clock to name the third member of the Board when J. B. Webb resigned at the regular Commissioners' meeting the first Monday in August.

Only three members of the Board of Education were present, these being Chairman S. E. Morris, Mrs. George Wood and T. L. Ward. Four were required to constitute a quorum. A full board of the Commissioners were on hand, while Dr. J. A. Powell, Dr. W. I. Hart, D. M. Warren and Mayor J. H. McMullan constituted a quorum from the Board of Health. It was hoped to complete the liquor board membership at the meeting Wednesday, especially since the two members, R. P. Badham and M. F. Bond are reluctant to further shoulder the entire responsibility of operation. In the meantime, however, Messrs. Badham and Bond have worked like Trojans in preliminary arrangements for establishing a store. The northern portion of the E. C. White building located on Broad Street has been leased and is rapidly being remodeled into what is expected to be an attractive and convenient place of business. A partition has been placed about midway of the room, the front part to be used as a sales room, while the rear

Time Cheats Edenton Out Beauty Contest Entrant In Wilson

Strict enforcement of a dead line was responsible for Edenton not being represented in the beauty queen's contest to be held in Wilson in connection with the Tobacco Exposition and Festival there August 19 and 20. Urged by Mayor J. H. McMullan to enter the contest, Miss Mary Elizabeth Cates finally agreed, but by the time her picture was furnished and sent to Wilson, the closing date went into effect.

In response to a letter sent by Mr. McMullan the following reply in part was received from Lester Ross, managing director: "I sincerely regret that it is impossible to enter Miss Cates in the queen's contest at this time. I am sorry to advise that it is impossible for you to confer with me in regards to the appointment of course, you would have to appoint her, if she could be. Our side of the situation is that it was necessary to establish a closing date, which was August 12, and if we made any change to this rule and the date got out, we would be in a very embarrassing position. Other towns who failed to register a contestant, we trust you will explain this to Miss Cates, and in closing want to extend to you, her, and all the people in your community an invitation to be with us on this occasion, even though Miss Cates can not compete in the queen's contest."

Oldest White Man Observes Birthday

John Harrison Spruill, said to be the oldest white resident of Chowan County, celebrated his 88th birthday Sunday. Mr. Spruill was the guest of his son, Harrison Spruill, who had arranged a sumptuous birthday dinner for the occasion at his home on the Hertford-Edenton highway.

The old gentleman appeared to be in better health than he was a year ago and took delight in rehearsing interesting anecdotes which have taken place during his many years of hardships. Specially invited guests to enjoy the birthday dinner were Sheriff J. A. Bunch, Paul Olsen and J. Edwin Bufflap.

Postmaster General Farley In Fayetteville For Postmasters Meet

A large number of the postmasters from over the First District plan to attend the annual postmasters' convention which will be held in Fayetteville August 16-17. C. E. Kramer, Edenton postmaster, is director for the First District and especially urges postmasters and postal employees, regardless of membership in any organization, to attend the convention at which Postmaster-General James A. Farley will be the principal speaker.

LIONS LEADING IN LEAGUE RACE

Rotarians and Red Men Tied Up For Cellar Position

HOW THEY STAND

	W	L	Pct.
Lions	4	1	.800
Masons	2	1	.666
Rotary	1	3	.222
Red Men	1	3	.222

Up to Wednesday the Lions held the lead in Edenton's soft ball league with the Masons in second position and the Red Men and Rotarians tied for the cellar position.

What was the most hotly contested and interesting game of the season was played last Wednesday night when the Masons tripped the Lions 6 to 2. It was a well-played game and resulted in the shortest time consumed by any game during the season, taking less than an hour to play.

In a slugfest Thursday night and what was perhaps the most uninteresting game of the year, the Lions walked off with a 21 to 15 score. The game was featured by long drives, a live ball having been used.

The scheduled game between the Masons and Rotarians was called off on account of a donkey baseball game.

On Tuesday night a double-header was played. The Lions added another win to their string of victories by turning back the Rotarians 18 to 14. The second game resulted in the Red Men's first victory, catching the Masons off form and piling up a 18 to 3 score.

Wednesday afternoon the Red Men and Masons were scheduled to play a rained-out game, but as The Herald went to press it appeared that the game would again be postponed on account of rain.

Tonight the Rotary and Red Men teams are scheduled to play and on Friday night the Lions and Masons.

Richard D. Dixon To Return Home Today

Friends will be delighted to know that Richard D. Dixon will return from St. Vincent Hospital today (Thursday). He was the victim of an acute attack of appendicitis last Tuesday and was rushed to the Norfolk Hospital, where he was immediately operated upon.

The operation was successful and Mr. Dixon has made splendid progress which enables him to return much sooner than many of his friends expected.

Mrs. Dixon went to Norfolk to accompany her husband home.

TOUR CARAVAN OF NOTABLES TO BE HERE OCTOBER 18

Eighty Editors, Travel Agents and Advertising Chiefs In Party

FROM ALL OVER

State Chaperoning Trip Through Eastern Carolina

Manteo and Fort Raleigh may be planning for one great national celebrity, The President, on August 18, but if Edenton has its eyes open two months later to a day it will have a chance to see 80 or more celebrities, too. They are coming on a lively bus tour of the State, being chaperoned by the State Conservation and Development Board, and they will be here from all over the east, south and middle west, and everyone of them will be a person of high importance.

Actually the tourists, in North Carolina at the time as the guests of the State, will be big town editors, travel counsellors and travel bureau agents, the latter representing the leading organizations in the United States. Their visit will be one of introduction to the beauties, historic spots and lively industries of the State, and it goes without saying it can be developed into a visit of magnitude at every stop.

The tour will start at Asheville on Monday, October 11, will take in trips from there in and about the Great Smokies, and then on day by day through first the southern and middle sections of the State, afterwards swinging into the Albemarle and landing here for half an hour or more in the afternoon of October 18, with a night stop following in Elizabeth City. The next night Manteo will be visited and the party will be able to see where the Paul Green "Lost Colony" pageant has been playing this summer.

The official brochure outlining the tour says "with a stop in Edenton, which was the first permanent settlement in North Carolina," and "we must not tell you of all of the interesting historic points in Edenton—there is so much description we might tire you but you will never tire of a visit to Edenton."

The touring party will travel in several large buses, and there will be an accompanying band, and at every stop short talks by town executives and much handshaking by welcoming committees. Mayor McMullan and the Chamber of Commerce are anxious the stop here should be made one of telling ultimate value to the town, and hope a large crowd will turn out to make the stay of the visiting delegation an interesting one.

Just off hand some of the important visitors who will be here on October 18, are:

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Martin, The Martin Travel Bureau, New York City; Allen S. Jackson, Utica Travel Bureau, Utica, N. Y.; Miss Anne Egan, Anne Egan Travel Service, Pittsburg, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crump, Crump Travel Service, Providence, R. I.; Clarence Colpitts, Colpitts Tourist Company, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. I. M. Adler, I. M. Adler, Inc., New Haven, Conn.; George E. Gillespie, Osmond Laurens, Inc., Philadelphia, Pa.; Eli Aylsworth, Aylsworth Travel Service, Inc., Providence, R. I.; Mr. and Mrs. Karl Weidel, Jr., Karl Weidel Travel Service, Trenton, N. J.; William Ackerman, Editor, Ackerman's Sportsman's Guide, East Cleveland, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Latus, Travel Editor, Pittsburg Post-Gazette, Pittsburg, Pa.; Myron Glaser, Manager, Resort and Travel Department, The Washington Herald, The Washington Times, Washington D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. William A. White, Sunday Editor, Pittsburg Press, Pittsburg, Pa.; Hayman E. Miller, Resort Department, Daily Eagle, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Timons, Executive Manager, Tidewater Automobile Association, Norfolk, Va.; W. K. S. Hershey, Secretary, White Rose Motor Club, York, Pa.; Miss Beatrice Winslow, Touring Counsellor, Blair County Motor Club, Altoona, Pa.; Miss Martha Lyon, Louisville Automobile Club, Louisville, Ky.; L. E. Phifer, Oklahoma Motor Club, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Miss Vera Loebrich and Miss Helen Nokes, John-town Motor Club, Johnstown, Pa.; Mrs. Marble Weaver, Travel Counsellor, Bluefield Automobile Club, Bluefield, W. Va.; Ernest B. Bearnarth, Manager, Travel Department, Auto-

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TOWN GUIDES ARE PROPOSED IN WPA PROJECT REQUEST

Influx Tourists Makes Need of Paramount Importance

TRAINING SCHOOL

State Director Asked to Get Federal Endorsement to Idea

Backing up a rather general renewed sentiment in town as to the much needed propriety of having some sort of official guide or guides on duty in Edenton to show visitors historic points of interest and to explain the traditions associated with them, application has been made to the WPA for federal assistance in the matter. So far it has taken the nature of a formal WPA project request to the state director at Raleigh, and it is naturally hoped something tangible will result.

It has been proposed to the WPA, which has handled situations of similar import elsewhere in the nation, that prospective guides be put through a schooling for the work, that they show themselves by examination eminently qualified to discuss the history of this section, and that they be required to be on duty at all hours. This would mean that those who may apply for the work would first have to be well tested out by local antiquaries, and, perhaps, follow the same procedure as in Washington, Mt. Vernon, Monticello, Richmond and other places—memorize a sort of lecture talk for each spot visited.

However, the matter now rests in the double fact that the need is great and the WPA has been urged to join in making the situation one of lively reality. Of late there has been a great influx of tourists here, especially over the week-ends, and all show a decided interest in the town points of importance. It was estimated that at least fifty travelers from different sections, not alone in North Carolina but from other states as well, were here last Sunday and sought admission to the Cupola House, the Court House and St. Paul's Church.

The need for some one to meet the situation officially was forcibly brought before Mayor McMullan on Sunday morning. The Mayor and some friends were chatting in the Municipal Building and were interrupted by half a dozen motor car parties, one from Illinois, another from Ohio, who were admiring the old Cupola House and wanted to see in it. Unfortunately it was in the morning hours and the place was not open. The Mayor had to explain (Continued on Page Eight)

U. D. C. Day Saturday At Manteo Pageant

Three Edenton girls are to play their part as pages at next Saturday's participation of the Daughters of the Confederacy in the 350th anniversary celebration at Fort Raleigh, on this summer on Roanoke Island. The local belles will be Miss Virginia Byrum, Miss Betty Wales and Miss Pearl Wichard. In addition to them Edenton will have another former resident as an additional participant, Rev. Dr. Robert B. Drane, who for more than a half century was rector here at Old St. Paul's.

Saturday has been formally designated as U. D. C. Day, and a very enlightening program has been worked out by Mrs. John H. Anderson, the president of the State organization. Dr. Drane will deliver the invocation, and Mrs. Anderson will make an address of welcome. Other speakers from this State, Virginia and Kentucky will, also, take part, and in the late afternoon there will be a tea at the Buchanan Cottage, Nags Head, while in the evening a special performance of "The Lost Colony" pageant will be given. Many from here are expected to be in attendance.

Wendell Copeland Is West Point Alternate

Relatives and friends in Edenton were glad to learn the latter part of the week that Wendell Copeland, son of Mrs. X. E. Copeland, has been named by Representative Lindsey Warren as first alternate for appointment to a vacancy at West Point. There are two vacancies at Annapolis and one at West Point.

Officials In Conference Here Over Fish Hatchery

Monthly Meeting Council Postponed

The regular monthly meeting of Town Council which was to have been held Tuesday night was postponed. Reason for postponement of the meeting was due to a large percentage of councilmen being at the beach. Considerable important business awaits the next meeting of the Town Fathers, which will be called by Mayor J. H. McMullan when a quorum can be rounded up.

Gates Girls Defeat Edenton Monday In Soft Ball Game 11-1

After two former attempts which had been rained out, the Edenton and Gates girls' soft ball teams on Monday night managed to select a clear night to cross bats in which the local girls fell prey to the strong Gates outfit 11 to 1. The Edenton girls, though having a well-balanced and smart set of players, apparently lacked confidence which reason was advanced by many fans as partly the cause for their downfall. However, the Gates girls had a group of first-class ball players and by their playing reflected considerable more experience in the game. The Gates County girls have played quite a few games thus far this season and have come out the winners in practically all of their games.

It was Edenton's second game, the girls now having a percentage of .500, having won earlier in the season from the Gatesville outfit. A large crowd attended the game which apparently was very much enjoyed.

PARSON'S PEN IS WELL RECOGNIZED

Missive Lands Him In "Best Letters of 1937"

Edenton won a nice bit of publicity in the current issue of "The Rotarian," official organ of Rotary International, when it printed a letter written by Rev. C. Aylette Ashby, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The letter appeared under the caption "The Best Letters of 1937," and for the benefit of readers who do not read the Rotary magazine is reprinted as follows:

"Music is therapeutic diverting, pleasure giving; long since, I have been taught it supplies a vague emotion which is plastic to the dogmatic mold, and so it may administer to man in many ways.

"Plato states that at first all laws were set to music, Aristotle that they were sung to keep in remembrance. Confucius collected and edited the songs of his people, believing they were the best allies of law, forming men's mind in a law-abiding mold. The list could be multiplied. Famous men of the Jews "found out musical tunes."

"The radio is in nearly every home. Famous men are not seeing to what comes over the air. For his fleet, Raleigh "provided music in good variety." We get the variety, much of it far from good.

"I use my radio seldom, and on investigating have found many others of like kind. This silence of what might be a most helpful instrument is due to objection to cheap jazz and the eternal, slick, trained voice of the announcers, who use much of the time in commending the wares of the firm sponsoring the programs, and too often indulge in childish, petty, would-be fun. For those paying much for programs it would be revealing to learn that the overmuch talk of these announcers creates a prejudice against the wares they tout. All using radios have suffered from the herd of asinines.

"A few companies put on dignified programs, with little talk from the announcer, and what a delight that is; but soon comes, "Good evening, folks! How is everybody tonight?"—and the fool starts out. "Rotary could render a real service by using its influence to make the radio a better conveyance. It would thereby serve every community."

Enlargement of Plant Expected to Begin In Thirty Days

TO SPEND \$25,000

Large Outdoor Rearing Pools For Shad and Game Fish

Outside enlargement of the federal fish hatchery on Pembroke Creek as proposed by state and government authorities last year has reached the point where work will be started at once and completed in time for an increased shad hatch next spring. This announcement was made on Tuesday as a result of a visit to Edenton of J. D. Chalk, state commissioner of game and inland fisheries, of Raleigh; G. C. Leach, chief of the fish culture division, U. S. Bureau of Fisheries, Washington, D. C., and Lee A. Wallace, WPA director.

The trio of visitors conferred here during their stay with W. S. Vincent, superintendent of the hatchery, went over the field thoroughly, and afterward explained the nature of the proposed work which Mr. Chalk said would be begun within 30 days. It will provide for a dyke built from the highway to the hatchery and outside the rearing pools adjacent to and augment such pools already at the hatchery. Through their use the fish specialists expect the output of the hatchery, especially as it has to do with shad propagation, will be greatly increased, and that a step forward will have been taken in the "Save the Shad" program in this section.

It was last year when announcement was first made by the state board of conservation and development's shad committee, that \$25,000 would be expended by the government in furthering the fishing situation hereabouts, and that this amount would be spent enlarging the hatchery output of shad fry. Shad fishermen have been inclined to doubt the ultimate work, basing their fear on the theory outside pools as proposed for rearing would not meet the deficiency of shad.

However, the specialists feel differently about it and so expressed themselves Tuesday. Mr. Chalk said the present plan called for the construction of two large outdoor ponds or pools, similar to the ones now in operation, for rearing propagated shad fry to a size sufficient to occasion the belief the fish can take care of themselves when thrown back into river and sound waters.

There will, also, be built a number of smaller pools for warmer water species of game fish, and wells will be sunk to provide water nearer the temperature the young fish may require than can be secured at present from adjacent creek waters, which has been reckoned too warm. "The capacity of the hatchery will be greatly increased," said Mr. Chalk on Tuesday, "and it is hoped to have the work fully completed by early spring to accommodate an increased hatch in 1938."

As at present and since the hatchery first started shad fry are propagated and have been turned loose when not more than an inch in length. Once overboard such fish have quickly fallen prey to other fish it is thought, and have never been able in recent years to reach a growth where they can take care of themselves. By the new pools the small fry will be kept in jail, so to speak, until they can swish and skurl away from any attacking marauding piscatorial enemies. At least that's the theory of the pools.

Mayor Attending Highway Meeting

That Edenton will continue as a member of the Ocean Highway Association is practically assured by reason of the fact that Mayor J. H. McMullan left Edenton Wednesday and will, together with a delegation from Elizabeth City, attend the annual meeting of the Ocean Highway Association at Salisbury, Md.

Membership in the Association entails an expenditure of only \$18 and Mr. McMullan, as well as members of Town Council, felt that at the present time, more than ever, Edenton cannot afford not to be represented in the Association. Mr. McMullan expects to return Friday night.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT
The weekly meeting of the Masonic lodge will be held tonight at 8 o'clock.