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Schools Here Open Sept. 20 Faculty Gets New Teacher

H. J. Cheston Will Replace Miss Pauline Sprinkle

PERSONNEL LISTED Advance Loses Teacher, Colored Schools Open September 23

Though the Edenton white schools will not open until Monday, September 20, Superintendent John A. Holmes is busy these days making plans for opening day, for which everything will be in readiness. Teachers, too, have been employed which aside from Miss Pauline Sprinkle, will include all of last year's teachers.

The vacancy caused by Miss Sprinkle's resignation will be filled by Harvey J. Cheston of Washington, D. C., who will teach mathematics. Mr. Cheston comes highly recommended. He was an honor graduate of Central High School of Washington and later an honor graduate of the University of Maryland. Last year he taught in the Woodward School for Boys in Washington.

High school teachers who have been employed and their subjects follow:

Miss Paulina Hassell, English and Latin.

Mrs. George K. Mack, English and French.

Mrs. J. E. Debnam, English and History.

Oscar Duncan, Science.

David Holton, History, Mathematics and Athletic Coach.

Harvey J. Cheston, Mathematics.

Mrs. James Speight, Commercial.

Charles L. McCullers, Band.

Mrs. Leon Lewis, Music.

Mrs. Helen Blevins, Piano and Glee Club.

Elementary teachers follow:

First Grade—Fannie Sue Sayes and Emily Smithwick.

Second Grade—Ruby Felts and Emma Blanche Warren.

Third Grade—Myrtle Jenkins and Mrs. J. W. Davis.

Fourth Grade—Mary Cody and Lena Jones.

Fifth Grade—Edna Goodwin and Mrs. W. S. Summerell.

Sixth Grade—Mrs. David Holton and Sara MacDonald.

Seventh Grade—Mrs. Lloyd Bunch and C. D. Stewart.

A teacher was lost at the Advance School due to attendance requirements, leaving Ernest A. Swain and Wilma C. Swain serving as teachers in that school. It is hoped, however, that state requirements can be met thus adding another teacher.

Colored schools under the city administrative unit are scheduled to open on Thursday, September 23, teachers having already been employed as follows:

High School—D. F. Walker, principal; Flossie Hines, Annie A. Smith, Richard L. Kingsbury, Alexander Blaine and Roger Douglas, who is a new teacher coming from Hampton, Va.

The elementary teachers are as follows:

Santoria Reeves, Emma Foreman, Dorthy M. Walker, Sarah F. Wilson, Fannie Badham, Butler Holley, Eunice Herritage, Alice Slade, Tamar McClenney, Joanna Holley, Matilda Tillet and Birdie Mae Capehart, who had been teaching at Morehead City.

Teachers in colored schools in outlying districts will be as follows:

St. John's—S. N. Griffith, principal; Laura Luton, Sadie Badham Hawkins and Elizabeth Brown.

Canaan's Temple—Lawrette Coston and Carrie Brown.

Pleasant Grove—Elizabeth Luton.

Ryan's Grove—Mabel Bembury.

Cedar Grove—Sadie Bembury.

Virginia Fork—Vivian Hawkins.

Triangle—Elton Hall.

Rotary Inter-City Meeting Called Off

The regular Rotary luncheon will be held at the Parish House today (Thursday) at 1 o'clock. This meeting was expected to be called off due to a scheduled inter-city meeting to be held Monday night in Elizabeth City. However, the inter-city meeting was cancelled the latter part of the week, so the weekly meeting will be held as usual.

John Holmes, the secretary, has notified all members and in his letter requests Rotarians to give President John Graham his first 100 per cent attendance.

PARENTS GREET NEW SCHOOL PLAN MOST BOOKS FREE

Readers Must Be Rented But Other Basal Texts Loaned

NEW SCHOOL BUS Chowan School to Open Sept. 13; Meeting of Teachers Called

According to the plan adopted by the County Board of Education, known as the B Plan, parents will welcome the saving effected in books this year for children attending school. Superintendent W. J. Taylor announces that this year all basal text books from the first to seventh grades will be loaned free of charge and that under Plan B, supplementary readers will be provided costing from 50 to 70 cents for the year. In the first grade there will be six sets of readers for each child which will be rented on a flat fee of 50 cents, to be collected the first week of school. In the second grade there will be three sets for which the same charge will be made. Three sets will be furnished for the third, fourth and fifth grades at 60 cents, while 70 cents will be the charge made for the three sets in the sixth and seventh grades. One dictionary will also be furnished each of four pupils in the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grades.

All high school books can be rented as heretofore, said Mr. Taylor, but provision can be made to buy books if desired by applying to him. His office at present is filled with all sorts of books, both free and rented which will be ready for distribution when school opens. Chowan High School's supply will be sent to that school for distribution while the other smaller schools in the unit will be served from the superintendent's office.

Schools in the county administrative unit will open on Monday, September 13, but prior to the opening day, Saturday, September 11, Mr. Taylor has called for a teachers meeting to be held at Chowan High School at 10 a. m., when definite instructions will be given relative to school opening.

New bus routes have also been arranged due to one added to the fleet of school busses. These, however, will not be made public until the Board of Education investigates and approves the contemplated routes in order to make a check-up as to

Quantity Of Liquor Now In ABC Store

Chowan County's ABC liquor store is rapidly nearing completion and unless something unforeseen occurs will open for business on Wednesday, September 1. A large quantity of liquor has been received and is now stored in the stock room ready to be labeled and placed on the shelves.

Following instructions of R. P. Badham, chairman of the board, and M. F. Bond, his associate, who have been handling the affairs pending the appointment of a third member, who will be named today, the rear window and door have been reinforced with steel bars, put in with expansion bolts, as a precaution against robbery as well as reducing the rate on burglary insurance.

Rupert Goodwin, manager, and John Lee Spruill, clerk, began their duties Saturday and are hopeful that all will be in readiness when they are ordered to open for business.

President, Governor And Town Folk All Speak Highly Of City Booklet

Anyway, He Got The Book!

The Herald made a splendid selection when Mrs. George C. Wood was asked to present President Roosevelt with a specially prepared copy of Edenton's booklet at the Fort Raleigh celebration last week. There were some cynical-minded ones who predicted that she would scarcely get close enough to see Mr. Roosevelt, much less present him with the book.

However, Mrs. Wood said she would present it to him, and she did. Despite the crowd that was held back, she overcame all obstacles and forged through the lines, and succeeded in handing the book to Mr. Roosevelt and had a brief chat with him.

"It is for me—my name is on it," said the President and appeared very grateful for the compliment.

In her remarks Mrs. Wood said, "I expect you're too busy to read it, but please give it to Mrs. Roosevelt. I know she will read the book and perhaps at some future time will come to our beautiful town." "Oh my," replied Mr. Roosevelt, "Do you think I'm not that good?"

Anyway, The Herald is thankful to Mrs. Wood for her efforts and determination to place the booklet in Mr. Roosevelt's hands, in the course of which she received quite a thrill, and exhibited, if nothing else, an unprecedented source of resourcefulness.

PEMBROKE CREEK TO BE SNAGGED GARDEN CONTEST STARTS SEPT. 25

Warren Secures Promise Work Will Be Started Soon Demonstration Clubs Soon Enter Into Fall And Winter Rivalry

Congressman Lindsay Warren has written Mayor Jack McMullan that he has at last succeeded in diverting \$1,000 from the federal appropriation for Edenton Bay maintenance toward the removal of obstructions in Pembroke creek and to deepen the channel of that waterway up to the fish hatchery.

The Mayor wrote the Congressman last month saying the creek had many unnecessary snags that interfered with boating and fishing and he asked that something be done to relieve the situation. The other day he got a letter from Warren enclosing copy of a communication from Lieutenant Colonel John H. Carruth, of the U. S. Corps of Engineers, at Norfolk, in which the statement was made that he would transfer the \$1,000 from the \$15,000 harbor maintenance fund, and would have the district snag boat put on the job as soon as it gets repaired.

Colonel Carruth's letter to the Congressman was as follows: "Reference is made to your letter of July 9, 1937, and my reply thereto of July 12, 1937, relative to removal of obstructions from Pembroke (Continued on Page Eight)

Miss Rebecca Colwell, Chowan home demonstration agent, announces a fall and winter garden contest, in which she urges all club members to participate. "Some homes have good gardens," says Miss Colwell, "but there are too many farm homes that have only collards or turnip greens growing during the fall and winter months. Each farm home should have a year-round garden with a variety of vegetables."

The only change that has been made in the rules for the fall and winter garden contest this year is that each entrant will be required to fill out a questionnaire at the close of the contest instead of writing a story. The story has been one of the chief worries of the Chowan County women who entered the contest and since this has been omitted there should be a large enrollment. The record books and questionnaires will not be hard to fill in and this contest should be of interest to the entire family, as well as being beneficial to the health of the family."

The contest conducted by the Extension Service at State College, is sponsored by the County Council in (Continued on Page Eight)

Governor Says Town of Which All N. C. Is Justly Proud

EDITORS, ALSO Appropriate to Broadcast Says Frank Smethurst

High praise for Edenton's official town booklet, off the Chowan Herald presses last week, ranging from much commendation for its artistic make up, dignified simplicity of expression, pictorial attractiveness and excellent printing engraving, to its prospective usefulness as a historic and industrial text book, with one enthusiastic suggestion that its contents should be broadcast in connection with the new state program of advertising, keeps coming in daily from local citizens and from different sections of the state.

Of course if the town wished to be bombastic instead of calm about it all it could state that even the President of the United States, who was presented with a specially bound and embossed copy, went into ecstasies about it, and that Governor Hoyer, similarly honored with another special copy, was equally charmed with it. But in both instances such bombast might be taking advantage of presidential and gubernatorial comment, but it is hoped and expected that some slight expression of enthusiasm may come from the President later.

As for the Governor, he went over the booklet carefully, referred happily to much in it of which he was cognizant, declared that it was evidence anew of a small North Carolina town's ability to do a real job when it set out to do so, which he hoped would be the mission of other state communities.

The Governor, also, dropped the comment that the booklet was in direct line with the state's present campaign of advertising its varied resources and was a worth while piece of mission work in this connection.

Upon his return to Raleigh and prior to his departure for a vacation tour of the western states Governor Hoyer took it upon himself to send the editor of The Herald this written additional comment, which is very gratifying:

"Congratulations upon the Edenton booklet, a copy of which I received at Manteo and which I have read with interest and pleasure. This is a fine presentation of a town of which the whole of North Carolina is justly proud."

Everyone who has had the booklet, and it will go out soon in substantial quantities to all trade and tourist centers of the eastern seaboard, have spoken more than kindly of the competence shown by Edenton in writing, editing, printing and publishing a book of this sort without outside publication help. To those who have been so flattering Edenton would say "Thanks, but it was all but an item in the day's work and could be repeated any time as easily as it was initiated."

Perhaps the most enthusiastic of the volunteered comments came this week in the shape of a letter from Frank Smethurst, the managing editor of and who has been editor pro tem of the New and Observer, Raleigh, during the absence of Jonathan Daniels. Modest always in his praise but ever commendatory to an extreme when a piece of writing hits his fancy, Mr. Smethurst turned loose in great shape in a communication Monday addressed to the editor of the Herald, as follows:

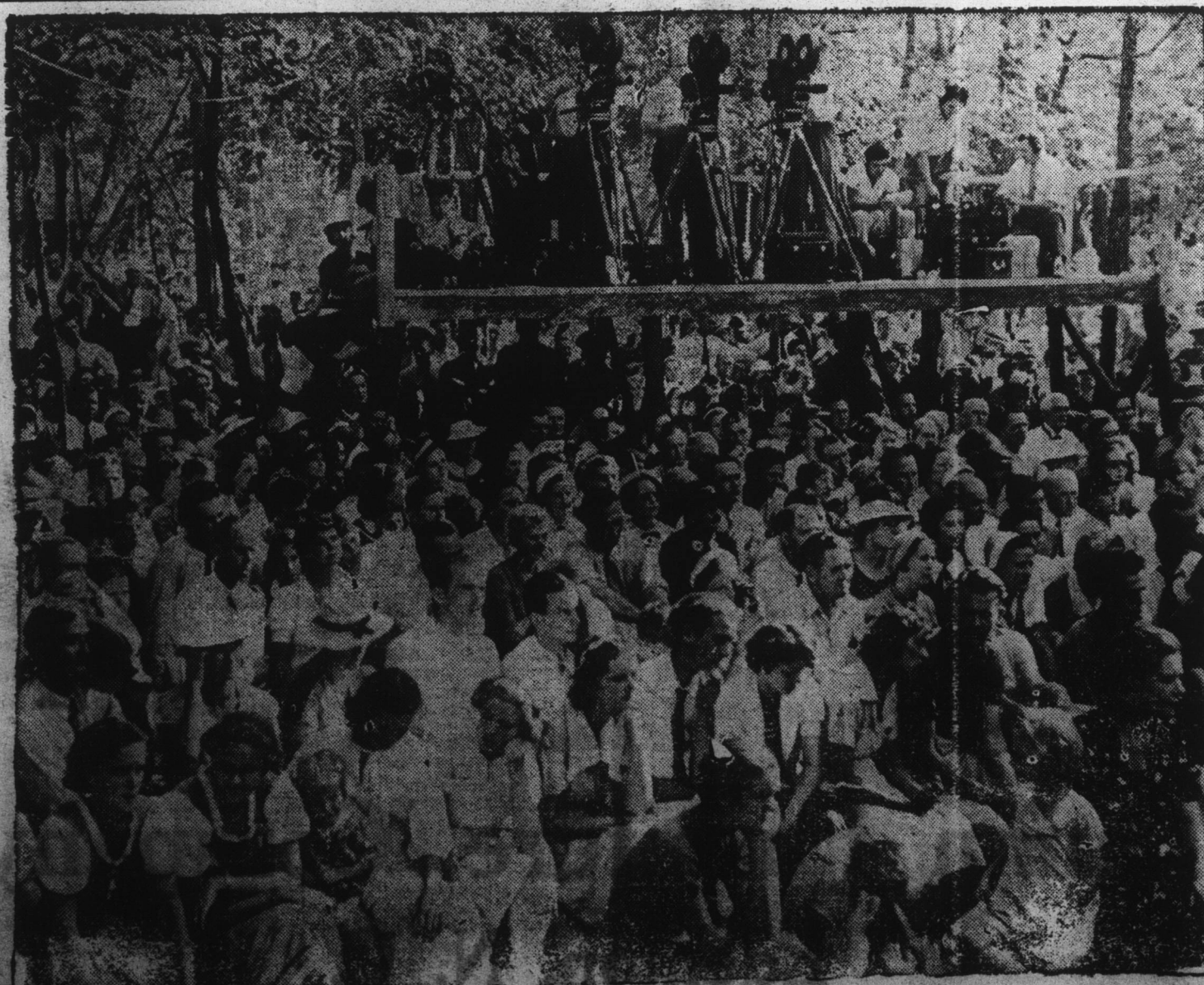
"I thank you for the copies of the booklet 'Edenton' which you sent me. It is an excellent piece of work and completely in harmony with the new aspiration of the State to tell the world what it has to offer to permanent dwellers as well as to occasional visitors."

"That 'group of civic-minded business men' sponsoring its publication could hardly have invested so much money to a better purpose. Those of us who like to think that we know something about our State, its past and present, are frequently shamed by the realization that, in many respects, we only think we know."

"My old friend, Dr. N. Y. Guley at Wake Forest, used to admonish his law classes in this fashion: 'Young men, the finest thing in the world is to know where the law is. The next best is to know where the law is.'"

"I dare say some devoted Edentonians (Continued on Page Eight)

EDENTON ON PARADE



Evidence that Edenton joined the rest of the State in its eagerness to see and do honor to the President of the United States at Fort Raleigh last week, is shown by the excellent group photograph above printed through the courtesy of the Winston-Salem Sentinel. Give a steady glance and see how many Edentonians you can pick out, and right down in front of the President, too, while he was making his afternoon address!