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Christmas Seal Sale Starts In Edenton Next Thursday

Mrs. J. A. Moore, Chairman, Announces List Of Canvassers

ENDS CHRISTMAS

Workers Meet 10 A. M. At Cupola House For Instructions

Once again the national fight against the dreaded disease, tuberculosis, as materially aided by the sale of Christmas Seals, is about to get under way in Edenton under the leadership of Mrs. J. A. Moore and this year's campaign, to start next Thursday, promises to be a lively one. Already Mrs. Moore has named her committee chairmen and workers, with Mrs. R. C. Holland selected as the campaign's treasurer, who will meet at 10 A. M. in the Cupola House, December 2, to receive their final instructions and receive their seals which will be on sale everywhere until Christmas.

Dr. R. L. Carlton, of Winston-Salem, managing director of the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association, under whose guidance this year's campaign is to be carried on in this state, has been in touch with Mrs. Moore, who is one of twenty-five leading Edenton women taking an active interest and part in the conduct of the seal sale. Dr. Carlton has found Mrs. Moore and her associates deeply responsive to the importance of the campaign, the receipts from which carry on a year-round anti-tuberculosis work in this town and county.

As everyone knows the seals are attractive and can be used for letter or other postage use, but not, of course, instead of postage stamps. This year's seal shows a picture of a town erier in his colorful costume, ringing in a message of health and good cheer.

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Many Town Books Sent Out This Week

Committee Busy Getting Information Distributed

More than 1,000 of the official town booklets published last summer have been distributed this week by the special committee composed of Richard D. Dixon, James E. Wood and John A. Holmes. Around 800 copies of the booklet were given out personally to the various backers of the book, the thought being that they will mail them out to friends or others where they will do the most good. Each such book was enclosed in a cover for mailing.

In addition the committee of the local Chamber of Commerce has sent 200 books to all chambers of commerce in the state, and have mailed still more to the various offices of the North Carolina Motor Club where they will be observable by everyone who seeks license registrations.

By Christmas the committee expects to unload an equal quantity of the books through the various travel and trade association bureaus up and down the eastern seaboard, and to place still more otherwise. Continued favorable comment comes in daily from those who have received the brochure.

Many Hear Missionary Speakers At St. Paul's

A large number of interested people were present at St. Paul's Church Monday afternoon when Bishop Shirley H. Nichols, missionary to Japan, Rev. Hector MacD. Thompson, of Ethels, Wyoming, and Miss Mary Louise Pades, of Connecticut, spoke on the missionary phase of the church's program. All three speakers presented interesting accounts of their work which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Cotton Ginning Far Ahead Of Last Year

F. W. Hobbs, special agent for the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, reports that there were 3,004 bales of cotton ginned in Chowan County from the crop of 1937 up to November 14, as compared with 2,822 bales ginned in November, 1936.

Mayor Requests Everybody To Buy Christmas Seals

Small Way to Assist In Stamping Out Tuberculosis

By MAYOR J. H. McMULLAN

In a sense the health of Edenton depends to a great extent on the alertness of its citizens in combating communicable diseases. When a disease such as tuberculosis can not only be cured but also prevented and even eradicated, that disease demands immediate attention. This attention and its consequent financial support must come from the rich and the poor, the young and the old.

Such public spirited citizens who value their own health and the health of their families as well as the entire community, can do their part in helping to rout out this destroying malady by purchasing and using Tuberculosis Christmas Seals. These Seals, as has been the annual custom, will be on sale here next Thursday, December 2.

I urge everyone to help in this worthy movement. The income from these penny seals enables a year-round campaign to be waged against tuberculosis, so that every man, woman and child and every home in Edenton will be safe from this disease.

When it is especially brought to mind that tuberculosis kills more people between the ages of 15 and 40 we should be more anxious than ever to do our part, no matter how small, in the manner proposed. Buy these seals and buy them again and again.

Lions Hear About Progress Of Bridge

Jimmy Munch Principal Speaker at Monday's Meeting

An almost perfect attendance of Lions was present at the Edenton Club's meeting held in Hotel Joseph Hewes Monday night when they listened to an interesting address by Jimmy Munch, office superintendent of Tidewater Construction Company, contractors for the northern side of the Albemarle Sound bridge. Mr. Munch mentioned very interesting statistics regarding the great undertaking, which was enlivened by many questions asked by his hearers.

Barring any mishaps or unfavorable weather, Mr. Munch expressed the belief that the bridge would be completed around July 4th. Of the 3,000 feet of construction on the north side Mr. Munch said 2,800 feet has been completed, while the contractor on the southern side has completed 4,000 feet of a required 9,000 feet contract.

During his remarks Mr. Munch stated that the power line is now being erected for the draw, which by the way, is one of the longest in the country. It is 227 feet long, having a clearance of 140 feet. The draw is also equipped with a gasoline motor to take care of any emergency. Asked as to what he estimated the life of piling used in the bridge construction, Mr. Munch said they should last in the neighborhood of 35 years.

Rev. George Blount Returned To Edenton

Friends will be happy to know that Rev. George W. Blount will remain in Edenton another year, he having been returned to the local Methodist Church by Bishop Paul Kern at the close of the annual conference held in Raleigh last week. Mr. Blount has already served the local church two years during which time satisfactory progress has been made.

Rev. R. E. Walston was also returned as pastor of the Chowan church.

SAVED!



ANCIENT CHOWAN COUNTY COURT HOUSE

FORTUNATELY... A WARNING

The stage was all set Saturday afternoon for a conflagration in Edenton that could have easily destroyed one of Edenton's prized possessions—the Chowan County Court House. The stage setting included an old stove enclosing a roaring fire, a floor frequently oiled to eliminate dust, large wooden pillars and benches which on account of their age would burn similar to lightwood knits if given an opportunity.

A meeting of colored school teachers was in progress and naturally a fire was made in the stove to make the room comfortable enough to meet. The kindling wood was dry and very shortly, as is the case almost every time a fire is made, the sides became red hot. The teachers were much interested in important information which was being discussed, and it was not until smoke was noticed that they were aware the benches were being scorched. Mrs. Maurice Bunch, too, happened to pass through the court room at the time, and noticing the smoke, called Richard Dixon, who immediately searched around for a bucket, then nervously waited for the bucket to fill with water with which he prevented spread of the fire.

The Court House is a public meeting place and many kinds of meetings are held when it is necessary to have fire in the old stove. For the most part these meetings are held at night, which makes it all the more dangerous to use the present heating arrangement. Fortunately the meeting Saturday was held in the afternoon when Custodian Dixon and Mrs. Bunch were on duty. But suppose it had occurred at night when everybody had left the building after a meeting of some kind—ah, we very easily might today be sorrowfully looking upon a heap of ruins that could never, never be replaced, and by it realize just as much and maybe more unfavorable publicity than the town and even the State has favorably received by possession of the old building.

The Court House is too valuable to take the risk of heating by an inadequate old-time stove. It should be equipped with a heating system housed outside of the building, and the County Commissioners know it. The only reason it hasn't been done is the excuse that "we haven't allowed for it in the budget" or else "we don't want to raise our tax levy." Both of these excuses are too flimsy when the historical value and worth to the town is taken into consideration. It is altogether possible that Saturday's scare was only a fair warning that the Court House should be properly heated, and there is no excuse to have a lot of bickering in having this done immediately. Pressure should be brought to bear on the powers that be.

Cooperatives Asking E. H. S. Loses Eastern For Better Prices On Championship Game No. 1 - No. 2 Peanuts To Hamlet High 39-20

Directors Request \$71 Per Ton For No. 1 Peanuts

\$68 FOR NO. 2

Secretary Wallace Expected to Establish New Prices

R. C. Holland and N. K. Rowell on Monday attended a meeting held in Jackson of directors of the North Carolina and Virginia Peanut Cooperatives, the purpose of which was to consider the advisability of requesting Secretary of Agriculture Wallace at Washington, to establish prices on Virginia type No. 1 and No. 2 peanuts. Prices had been established on No. 3 shelling stock.

It was the unanimous opinion of the meeting that prices should be established for other grades of peanuts and Mr. Wallace has been urged to establish prices on No. 1 grade at \$71 per ton and \$68 per ton for No. 2 grade.

According to Messrs. Holland and Rowell, this should be encouraging news to growers who produce runner peanuts in Northampton, Bertie, Hertford, Gates, Perquimans and Chowan Counties, as these counties grow a large proportion of this kind of peanuts, which were not demanding a fair price based on value under the present diversion program.

According to reliable sources it is expected that Secretary Wallace will approve the establishment of prices on No. 1 and No. 2 peanuts in accordance with the request of the two cooperatives.

E. H. S. Loses Eastern Championship Game To Hamlet High 39-20

Opponents Overcome an Early 13-Point Lead Of Local Team

TIED AT HALF

Morale Hampered By Removal From Game Of Fred Hoskins

With high hopes of coming out with Reidsville for State Class B football honors, Coach David Holton's Edenton High School team was defeated in Wake Forest last Thursday afternoon by the score of 39 to 20. The local lads caused many thrills for a large number of loyal fans who accompanied them by taking an early lead of 13 points, but only to be tied at the half time and completely outplayed during the second half. Edenton's spirit was materially checked shortly after their second touchdown when Fred Hoskins, one of the mainstays in the line, was badly cut about the face and was forced to leave the game. There were many of Edenton's fans who expressed the belief that had Hoskins not been injured the result very likely would have been different.

It was Edenton's first defeat of the season, having won every game of a six-game schedule and defeating Apex in the semi-final game for the eastern championship. The Aces entered the game as favorites to win, but at half-time hopes had dwindled that Hamlet would be conquered. The Hamlet team slightly outweighed the Edenton boys, but added to this handicap was a boy named Barber (Continued on Page Five)

Enrollment In Annual Red Cross Drive Nearing Goal

Holton Thankful

Though regretful that his boys went down in defeat at the hands of Hamlet at Wake Forest last Thursday, Coach David Holton is very proud, and justly so, of the enviable record hung up by his Edenton High School football team this season. Mr. Holton at the beginning of the season entertained little hope of even winning the majority of games on the schedule and on this account was as much surprised as the boys themselves as well as fans to have an opportunity to play for the eastern championship.

In commenting about the success of the season Mr. Holton wants publicly to thank all who in any way contributed to the season's success and is happy to report that as the final curtain is drawn the treasury is \$65 to the good despite the fact that a downpour knocked into a cocked hat profits expected to materialize by the Apex-Edenton game here. Especially does Mr. Holton express his thanks to those who were so willing to provide sleeping quarters for the Apex boys for their overnight stay in Edenton.

Elizabeth City is anxious to play a post-season game with Edenton, but Mr. Holton stated that Edenton defeated Elizabeth City in their annual clash this year and that there was nothing to gain by another game, which means that Edenton's warriors have dried their uniforms and hung them away until the call for practice for next year's team.

Many Friends Attend Burial Mrs. Wozelka

Requiem Mass at St. Anne's Catholic Church

St. Anne's Catholic Church on Friday morning was unable to accommodate the host of friends who had assembled to witness the last rites over the body of Mrs. Josephine Mary Wozelka, widow of the late J. M. Wozelka. The very solemn and impressive requiem mass was conducted at 10:30 o'clock by Rev. Father Edward W. Gross, which ceremony was made even more impressive by the assistance of two small altar boys, great grandchildren of the deceased, Richard and John Tuttle, Jr., and special music. Two beautiful solos were sung, "Face to Face," by Mrs. A. R. Nicholson, of Norfolk, Va., and "Ave Marie," by Miss Emily Mann, of Elizabeth City. Both singers were accompanied on the organ by Mrs. W. H. Coffield.

Following the service in the church interment was made in Beaver Hill Cemetery, where Father Gross delivered a brief but tender sermon, the excellence of which was very generally commented upon by many who were present.

Mrs. Wozelka passed away peacefully at her home on West Queen Street at 6:15 o'clock last Wednesday evening. She had been in feeble health for the past several years, but not until Saturday preceding her death, when she developed a temperature, was there any uneasiness about her condition. She was 84 years of age, having been born in Vienna, Austria, August 15, 1853. (Continued on Page Seven)

Weekly Publishers Meet In Edenton

Weekly newspaper editors and publishers from nine eastern towns met in Edenton Saturday night when dinner was served at Hotel Joseph Hewes. Towns represented in the meeting were Enfield, Ahoskie, Jackson, Windsor, Gatesville, Edenton, Hertford, Elizabeth City and Williamston.

The group meets the second Saturday night in each month, with the next meeting scheduled to be held in Williamston.

LICENSED TO WED

A marriage license was issued on November 13 by Mrs. Maurice Bunch to Emmett Parker Jones, of South Norfolk, Va., and Marguerite Ward, of Tyner.

Incomplete Returns Assure Reaching Goal Of \$350

\$311.93 TURNED IN

Those Who Will Enroll Should Do So Immediately

Incomplete returns from canvassers preliminary to the wind up of the annual Red Cross Roll Call drive today, indicate that once again Chowan and Edenton have responded earnestly in their desire to be identified with the service of an organization such as this. Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the local chapter, reported last night that while the full amount of the quota had not been turned over to her as yet, she is confident that belated returns will show that this section has gone "Over the top" as it always has.

Mrs. Pruden feels, too, that some may have missed an opportunity to enroll this year through failure on the part of the canvassers to contact everyone. If this be true, Mrs. Pruden states that the roll call books will be kept open for some time yet and everyone may have a chance of signing up, a chance which she hopes will be taken advantage of.

"The roll call this year has been a responsive one in our county," said Mrs. Pruden, "and I am much pleased with the activity displayed by the canvassers and by the interest shown by everyone. But we offer once more the privilege of enriching your spiritual lives by joining up with us. There may be many who have failed or neglected to do this. We want them to give special consideration to the value of the Red Cross as an institution by thinking what it means and has meant through all the years. It has ever given a lasting service to humanity, and those who identify themselves with it cannot doubt but that an investment in such an enterprise will yield big dividends for the promotion of a higher and safer civilization for all of us. The Red Cross wishes all the grateful joys of a happy Thanksgiving." (Continued on Page Eight)

Governor Puts E. W. Spires On Committee

Latter Plans Pick Associates From Various Organizations

In line with similar appointments in other counties and as part of an important state-wide movement, Governor Hoey notified Edward W. Spires yesterday that he had selected the former mayor as chairman of the Governor's Hospitality Committee for Chowan County. The state executive was quite effusive in his letter of notification bestowing this signal honor upon Mr. Spires, and the latter responded at once by saying he would accept.

The selection of Mr. Spires is but the forerunner of a possible long list of committeemen, to be picked in the town and county, to work with the former mayor in putting the hospitality idea across during the coming year. These committeemen will quite likely be named after Mr. Spires has conferred with the various town and county official and civic organizations and will probably be ready for an announcement next week.

In writing the former town executive Governor Hoey said he hoped Mr. Spires would welcome this opportunity to be of service to his state. The purpose of the general hospitality committee in all the counties, he said, was to develop a thorough-going spirit of fraternity and friendship toward visitors so they will leave with definite impressions of good will, which will be reflected in his or her contacts when they get back home, by which North Carolina will benefit as "a friendly state." The whole thing is part of the state advertising campaign, the Governor said.

In accepting the position Mr. Spires said he did so with pleasure, that he would confer at once with the leaders of the county regarding committee selections, and assured the state executive "you may depend upon the citizenry of Chowan to lend every possible cooperation in this far reaching and most laudable undertaking."