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## P. J. Warner Killed Instantly Saturday In Auto-Truck Crash

Ford Car and Ice Truck Crash at Triangle Service Station

DRIVER HELD

## Morgan Butler, 14, Also Critically Injured In Wreck

P. J. Warner was instantly killed about 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon just opposite the Triangle Filling Station as the result of a collision of a Ford touring car he was driving and an Edenton Ice Company truck driven by Gilbert Hollowell. Warner, with two grandchildren as his companions, was traveling out of town toward Elizabeth City with a quantity of cat fish which he proposed to sell, while Hollowell was heading toward town. Warner's death was the result of a crushed skull which from appearances was caused by the truck body as it mowed down the side of the touring car. He was thrown from his car as it was jammed into an oak tree along the street.

Warner was 57 years of age, being a card grinder at the Edenton Cotton Mill when the mill was working. He also devoted part of his time to raising chickens and vegetables just outside of Edenton, on the farm of W. B. Small.

Morgan Hudson, 14, was critically injured in the crash. He sustained a fractured skull, broken leg and several fractures. He was taken to Dr. J. A. Powell's office and later taken to the Windsor Hospital, where it was said at the time that he had a 50-50 chance to recover. He was still alive Wednesday. The boy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hudson.

Ray Hudson, a cousin of the boy, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hudson, was thrown through the top of the car by the impact, but fortunately was only cut and bruised about the face.

Hollowell and James Jordan, a colored boy in the truck at the time of the accident, were not injured.

The truck driver was put under \$2,000 bond for his appearance before a coroner's jury which viewed the body Saturday afternoon and held a hearing Monday afternoon. Evidence was submitted by State

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## Nine Objectives Of Chamber Commerce Listed By Secretary

Opportunity to Make Edenton Attractive Trade Center

With the annual meeting and banquet of the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce definitely set for some time this month, Secretary J. H. McMullan has outlined nine immediate Chamber of Commerce objectives, which by careful examination should warrant membership by every civic-minded person in the county.

1—Completion of Edenton to Albemarle Sound bridge road.

2—Full cooperation with counties on South side of the Sound celebrating bridge opening. And promotion of cordial relations with the people on the South side of the bridge.

3—Promotion of PWA projects for erection of necessary County schools and particularly for erection of High School and Playgrounds on Fair Ground property.

4—Insistence upon completion of the two county road projects approved and now pending.

5—Erection of proper road signs and Neon sign atop the water tank as a beacon to Edenton for travelers over Albemarle Sound and Chowan River bridges.

6—Now in communication with three large industries relative to locating here. Same to be followed up vigorously so that when the recession is over we may be in position to acquire them.

7—Follow up proposition to have the Warner Bros. movie "John Paul Jones" filmed here.

8—Publication of Industrial and Historic literature and its general dissemination.

9—Organization of the merchants for the purpose of making Edenton an attractive trade center in

## EAT? SURE!

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce held Tuesday afternoon in the Municipal Building, it was definitely decided to hold a banquet in connection with the annual meeting. The date of the banquet was not set, which will depend largely upon an open date of a speaker who will be secured for the occasion, arrangements for which will be left in the hands of the program committee to be appointed by President J. H. Conger. However, it was the general opinion of those present that the affair should be held some time in June.

President Conger will also appoint a nominating committee to name new officers who will also be elected at the meeting, as well as another committee to solicit new and renewal of memberships in the organization.

At the meeting Tuesday Secretary J. H. McMullan briefly rehearsed what has been done during the past year and acquainted members of the executive committee with several constructive movements which are now on foot, a few of which were good leads to the location here of several industries.

## \$1,000 More Liquor Profits Turned Over To Chowan County

Present Rate Should Reduce Tax Rate About One-seventh

OUT OF DEBT

Sales During Month of May In Local Store Total \$6,600

R. P. Badham, chairman of the Chowan County ABC Board on Wednesday wrote a check for \$1,000, which will be turned over to the County Commissioners at their meeting Monday. This is the third check of like amount to be turned over to the county since profits from the sale of liquor three months ago have liquidated all indebtedness in connection with opening the store and paying for the present stock of liquors.

At the present rate of \$1,000 per month the annual income to the county would net \$12,000, and with \$92,000 in taxes collectible by the Sheriff, this represents a little over one-seventh of the amount of income and should result in cutting the county tax rate next year in the neighborhood of 15 per cent.

It is rather significant that but for the fact that the county owes bonds for roads and schools, there would need be no tax levy for general purposes.

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## J. S. Lassiter Fined \$200 For Bootlegging

James S. Lassiter, sentence of whom for bootlegging was reserved until Friday by Judge J. N. Pruden, was given three months each on two charges in Recorder's Court. The sentence, however, due to the physical condition of the defendant, was reduced to a fine of \$200 and a year under probation. An appeal was noted and bond set at \$300.

David Smith, of the Cowpen Neck section, was found not guilty of an assault charge upon Mrs. Beulah Smith.

## Cotton Mill Team Trims Greenville 7-6

The Edenton Cotton Mill baseball team on Sunday afternoon defeated the Greenville All-Stars on the Mill diamond by a score of 7 to 6. The game was a thriller from start to finish, keeping spectators in doubt as to who would win until the ninth inning.

Tarboro will be the attraction on the Mill diamond next Sunday afternoon.

FIREMEN MEET TONIGHT

Fire Chief R. K. Hall desires to call to the attention of all Edenton firemen that the regular monthly meeting of the fire department will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at the fire station. Firemen will be paid for fires attended and everyone is urged to be present.

## Poppy Day Saturday Most Successful In History Of Auxiliary

\$72.67 Amount Collected By Committee and Canvassers

A SELL-OUT

Mrs. Stewart Very Appreciative of Spirit Of Cooperation

Members of the Auxiliary of Ed Bond Post are very jubilant over the result of Poppy Day sales Saturday, which was the most successful in the history of the Auxiliary. The entire quota of 1,000 poppies were sold which netted \$72.67. The success of the sale goes to Mrs. C. D. Stewart and her corps of able assistants which included Mrs. M. P. Whichard, Mrs. W. E. Baker, Mrs. Jesse White, Mrs. Dan Carter, Mrs. West Byrum, Mrs. Lloyd Griffin and Miss Virginia Byrum.

This group was stationed at strategic locations about town where they could easily supervise the sale by a group of energetic youngsters who accepted every person they saw not wearing one of the popular lapel flowers.

This group of youngsters included Margaret Griffin, Mary Griffin, Martha Conger, Alma Hicks, Marie Hoffer, Doris Brown, Carolyn Oglesby, Sara Miller, Ruth White, Josie White, Charlotte Bunch, Joyce Moore, Betsy Shepard, Helen Carter, Mary Macdonald Holmes, Ruth Byrum, Pauline Moore, Catherine Reaves, Julia Habit, Marie Goodwin, Lester Stewart, Clarence Leary, Lloyd Griffin, West Byrum, Jr., Millard Ward, John Albert Holmes and Jeanette Habit.

A quantity of the poppies were taken to Hertford, where they found ready sale to Perquimans County people, who contributed \$8.43 for the flowers.

Mrs. Stewart, chairman of the Poppy Day committee of the Auxiliary this year, is very appreciative of cooperation shown in the sale and especially commented upon the willingness of so many colored people to purchase poppies and share in this method of helping to show appreciation for the services rendered by ex-service men during the World War and in a small way contribute to their support and dependent families of relatives.

## New Schedule For Collection Of Trash Apparently Popular

Splendid Cooperation Is Shown During First Week of Change

CLEANER TOWN

Very Few Ignore Time For Putting Trash On Streets

Residents of Edenton appear to be very favorable to the new schedule inaugurated last week in the collection of trash by the street department. Town employees report general satisfaction with the new arrangement and also report only a few people who have disregarded the schedule and placed garbage along the street after truck passing time.

The schedule of hours for collection of trash will be adhered to as closely as possible and there will be no retracing of the route to collect garbage put out by those who ignore the new schedule, copy of which has been distributed to every house in Edenton as well as published in The Herald before going into effect.

By the new arrangement and any reasonable amount of cooperation the street department will be able to give better service and be better able to maintain a neater and cleaner town, which is the ultimate aim of the street commissioner and town employees.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT

Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will have a regular communication tonight at 8 o'clock. The last two meetings were called off, hence every member of the fraternity is urged to be present tonight.

## Chowan Voters Show Very Little Interest In Primary Election

Herbert Leary Working Hard and Confident Of Nomination

VOTE 7 A. M. TO 7 P. M.

White - Berryman and Graham-Privott Vote Likely Be Close

With many political rallies being held in adjoining counties, some of which bring out right much heated discussions and personal remarks about this or that candidate for office, Chowan County serenely heads toward the primary election Saturday, and for but what is read in the newspapers, a placard here and there and occasional visits of candidates for the district solicitorship, one would scarcely know an election is so near at hand. Except for an occasional query as to the possibility of this or that candidate and with very few predictions being advanced, Chowan voters apparently are taking very little interest in the coming primary.

Of course considerable effort has been put forth by Herbert Leary, who is opposing C. Everett Thompson, of Elizabeth City, for the judgeship, and has no doubt worked harder to secure votes than any other candidate who will be voted upon on June 4. Mr. Leary is well-known all over his district and he has endeavored to meet or make contact with every voter. Despite claims of newspapers, which are favorable to Judge Thompson, that he will easily defeat Mr. Leary, the latter has the assurance of the majority of voters he has seen that they will support him, and after completely covering the entire area he feels very optimistic as to the outcome and believes his friends will honor him with the promotion he feels that he deserves.

From general conversation the race for solicitor in Chowan appears to be a toss-up. John McMullan, Sam Blount and Chester Morris apparently will considerably split up the vote, with J. C. Meekins, of Columbia, no doubt trailing in the race, though Mr. Meekins, in his visits to the county, was assured many votes.

The race for county representative in the General Assembly between John F. White and W. J. Berryman

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## Members Of D. R. Well Pleased With Visit To Edenton

Express Delight at Each Place Taken During Brief Stay

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Voice Appreciation of Hospitality Shown While Here

With showers being the general order of the day recently, the weather man smiled upon Edenton last Friday, thus providing a pleasant day for the visit of members of the Daughters of the Revolution who completed their national convention. The one-day visit was a signal honor for Edenton in that it is the custom of the organization to give up the last day of their annual meeting to a visit to the town which offers most of a historical nature.

Sixty-one ladies from all parts of the country were in the group, arriving in a large bus and making their headquarters in the home of Mrs. W. A. Graham. The program as arranged was carried out with great precision resulting in the distinguished visitors leaving for Raleigh less than five minutes behind schedule.

Everyone of the visitors apparently enjoyed the visit, many of them expressing much surprise at the amount of history within the borders of the town, for which residents should be especially proud.

Beverly Hall was the first stop on their tour of the city, where they were shown around by Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Dixon, and was reason for much favorable comment. The

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## KICKED OUT!

By order of Mayor J. H. McMullan and Chief of Police G. A. Helms, town council chamber and police headquarters hereafter will be no place to try justice of the peace cases. The two officials were emphatic in their assertion Tuesday that the Municipal Building may not be used for this purpose any longer, leaving the impression that the Court House or some other place be used for trial of defendants for minor infractions of the law.

Mr. McMullan stated that he conferred with several of the town councilmen, who supported his action. He emphasized the fact that a recent important Chamber of Commerce meeting was forced to be called off due to a group of Negroes occupying the council chamber waiting to be tried in the police station.

The situation was somewhat aggravated Tuesday morning when some very unsavory testimony was taken in the police station where a lady is employed and where public business is transacted, resulting in the order being given by Mr. McMullan that officers hereafter refrain from using the building for trial of cases.

## Weather Man Puts Crimp In Opening Soft Ball League

Three Scheduled Games Rained Out Last Week

NO GAME YET

Tuesday Night's Game Called Off On Account Cold Weather

Edenton's soft ball league is again this year having its troubles in getting started. Last year the season was backward in getting under way due to the purchasing and experimenting with flood lights. This summer, however, the flood lights are in place and on higher poles and a brand new diamond invites play to begin. However, up until Wednesday night the weather man showed his displeasure causing all three games scheduled for last week to be rained out, and making it almost necessary Tuesday of this week, had they played, for the Masons and Rotarians to wear overcoats while cavorting on the soft ball diamond. The game was called off due to cold weather.

Wednesday night the Red Men and Rotarians were scheduled to play the opening game of the season while on Friday the Lions and Masons are scheduled to meet.

Next Tuesday the Masons play the Red Men and on Wednesday the Red Men and Lions cross bats.

## Sale Of Bankrupt Stock On Friday

Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock stock and goods of every kind and character of the S. Ganderson & Sons store in Edenton will be sold to the highest bidder under bankrupt proceedings. The sale will be conducted by W. A. Worth, trustee, of Elizabeth City, the terms of sale calling for a deposit of 10 per cent by the purchaser and being subject to confirmation by the court.

The stock of goods and fixtures is valued at \$5,540.48.

## LEGION AUXILIARY TO MEET WITH MRS. THOMAS WOOD

The regular meeting of the Auxiliary to Ed Bond Post of the American Legion will be held on Friday evening, at 8 o'clock, with Mrs. Thomas Wood, at her home on the corner of North Broad and Freemason Streets. The president, Mrs. W. B. Shepard, urges a full attendance as matters of much importance will be discussed.

ROTARY MEETS TODAY

The regular luncheon of the Rotary Club will be held in the Parish House today at 1 o'clock. The meeting last Thursday was called off due to the Edenton Band fish fry which was attended by the Rotarians. All members are urged to attend today's meeting.

## Finishing Touches Put To Program For Bridge Celebration

Chairman John W. Darden In Edenton to Go Over Plans

COST \$2,000

Parade of Floats and Bands Will Start at Edenton

John W. Darden, of Plymouth, was in Edenton Wednesday conferring with committeemen relative to final arrangements for the program celebrating the completion and opening of the Albemarle Sound bridge which has been set for Thursday, August 25.

Spurred on by C. W. Tatem, of Columbia, chairman of the organization for staging the celebration, various committees are now functioning and unless something unforeseen materializes, a celebration will be staged the like of which has never been approached in the entire section.

Mr. Darden is chairman of the program committee, which has about been completed and will run something like this:

10 a. m.—Parade.

10:15—Presentation of bridge to the public by Frank Dunlap, chairman of the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

10:25—Receiving bridge by C. W. Tatem.

10:35—Cutting ribbon by seven girls, four representing counties on the south side of the Sound, and three from the northern counties. Each group will travel from its respective side of the sound, meeting at the draw to perform the ceremony.

10:40—Parade review from the draw to the south side, where it will pass the speaker platform.

11:30—Celebration turned over to Congressman Lindsey Warren on speakers' platform.

11:40—Presentation of Governor

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## Edenton Defeats Blands On Sunday Afternoon 7 To 2

Strong Craddock Team Attraction Next Sunday at Hicks Field

Edenton's baseball entry in the Virginia-Carolina League won its second consecutive game Sunday afternoon when Blands was defeated 7 to 4 on the local diamond. The game was very interesting and well-played, but due to threatening weather the number of fans was far under the previous Sunday's game when the locals won for the first time this season.

Snooks Burnham, who has demonstrated to Edenton fans that he can deliver the goods when given proper support, was in good form. He sent eight visiting batters to the bench by way of the strike-out route, and continued to boost his assist record by throwing six out at first base. He did his part at the bat, too, being credited with two doubles. The Edenton batters had their batting eye on the ball, everyone on the team getting a hit except Forehand, Wozelka and Smith. Vernon Spruill connected safely three times and Tom Hoskins was credited with a pair of hits. The latter has boosted stock in the local team having only recently joined the club after playing in the Coastal Plain League.

Blands, who earlier in the season wallowed Edenton, drew blood in the first inning, tallying one run, but in their half Edenton's batters took to the liking of Dixon's curves, who was replaced on the mound by Butler. Edenton scored two runs in this inning, counting again by a run in the fourth and two in each of the eighth and ninth innings. The locals remained in the lead throughout the entire nine innings.

The strong Craddock aggregation will be the attraction at Hicks Field next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Edenton was defeated in their former meeting, but with a greatly improved lineup and with more confidence since winning the last two games, a battle royal should be in prospect.