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## Warren Stresses Definite Steps To Acquire County's Share Of Tourist Business

"Tourist Business Is Our Business," Says Local Leader

### PROUD HERITAGE

### Urges Sort of Hospitality Which Is Typical Of Old South

Ever mindful of the value and importance of Chowan County's historical possessions, as well as the beauty and attractiveness of the section, D. M. Warren, chairman of the County Commissioners, sees the need of this County to concentrate upon a movement to secure its share of the ever-growing tourist business which will soon be on in full swing. Mr. Warren, too, is one of the town's leaders who is of the opinion that every effort should be put forth to interest home-seekers, new farmers and industry to the end that the County in years to come will be able to continue its rank among neighboring counties which is now enjoyed for the most part due to the foresight of men of a generation ago.

"Every citizen of Chowan County must surely realize what the annual flood of tourists into North Carolina means in economical and social returns," says Mr. Warren. "Therefore, each one should look upon every tourist as a friend, to aid and assist them in every way possible. Give them all a good time. Show them how we people who live in this great country the year round can be as friendly and hospitable as the old South has the reputation of being.

"Learn all the points of local interest and how to reach them. Be a guide to every traveler. Make the tourist business your business, by making the vacation of any one more enjoyable. Keeping in mind the value of the tourist business, let us remember the fable of the horse whose master was too careless to replace a loose shoe. This beautiful country is the horse on whom we are collectively riding to new heights of progress and prosperity, and the tourist trade is the important shoe, about which, if we are careless and inattentive, will delay the rider from attaining the goal.

"It is not merely a commercial objective that we the people of Chowan County would achieve by the successful, conscientious cultivation of the yearly gathering of people from all parts of the country for these visitors will inject new life and spirit and ideas into our daily existence, and should they make their homes here, they will become vital cogs in our social, as well as economic machine.

"Besides being courteous and agreeable—(Continued on Page Five)

## \$3,050 More On Tax Books As Result Of Complaints Monday

### Commissioners Sense a Need of Revaluation Of Property

Meeting as a board of equalization and review Monday, Chowan County's Commissioners by deducting here and adding there, came out of the argument with \$3,050 more property valuation added on the 1938 tax books. Quite a few taxpayers appeared during the meeting to register complaints about their valuation as compared with adjoining property, some of which was out of line and adjustments made.

The increase was the result of improvements made in some instances where the valuation was boosted, the amount of which offset any reductions made.

It was while delving into the tax books to make comparison of valuations that the Commissioners were of one accord that in many cases property was under-taxed and that a valuation of all property is necessary.

After hearing complaints relative to valuations, the Commissioners made a survey of mercantile stocks listed, but in only one instance felt that the value was out of line.

### GRADUATES



**MISS EVELYN JACKSON**  
Miss Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jackson, who on June 6th received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the Woman's College of U. N. C. She was a member of the Adelpian Society, Education Club, Y. W. C. A., Rotary Club and a house vice president. She will teach next year in the Sunbury school.

## Cooking School In Edenton Thursday Friday Next Week

Sponsored By Byrum Hardware Company And Westinghouse

AT 2:30 P. M.

### Miss Louise Reese, Food Economist, Will Be In Charge

Of interest to ladies of Edenton and surrounding territory is the announcement made this week that Byrum Hardware Company will conduct a cooking school in Edenton next week. This school, sponsored by the Byrum Hardware Company and Westinghouse Electric and Mfg. Company, will be conducted Thursday and Friday of next week at Hotel Joseph Hewes at 2:30 o'clock each afternoon.

In charge of the school will be Miss Louise Reese, food economist, who has been conducting schools very successfully all over the country. The school is not primarily an advertising scheme, but a real cooking school during which Miss Reese will cook, demonstrate and instruct for the benefit of all ladies in this immediate section, who are especially invited to attend either or both sessions.

The local hardware concern feels very fortunate in being able to stage the cooking school in Edenton, through the Westinghouse corporation in that the expense involved prohibits staging the school in small towns.

## E. City And Chowan Red Men To Play Soft Ball

Elizabeth City and Edenton Red Men will participate in a soft ball game in the very near future, the Pasquotank Tribe team issuing a challenge to Chowan Tribe early this week. Both tribes have a large membership which includes good players which should result in a hotly contested game. The game will no doubt be played immediately following the regular meeting of the local tribe.

## Red Men Nominate Officers On Monday

Nomination of officers for the next six months term will be the principal order of business at the meeting of Chowan Tribe of Red Men on Monday night. For this important matter every member of the Tribe is urged to be present.

## Governor Hoey Okehs Special Bridge Edition of The Chowan Herald

Following a letter to Governor Clyde R. Hoey expressing the intention of printing a special edition of The Herald in connection with the opening and dedication of the Albemarle Sound bridge on August 25, the Governor this week voiced his pleasure of the idea, writing the following letter to the editor:

"Mr. J. Edwin Bufflap,  
"Editor The Chowan Herald,  
"Edenton, N. C.

"My dear Mr. Bufflap:

"I am delighted to know that you are preparing to issue a large edition of your splendid newspaper, devoted to the presentation of the many advantages of Eastern Carolina. I think this is very fine, and I am sure that it will be most helpful to your section and to all North Carolina.

"It is most gratifying to have the fine cooperation of the newspapers in the State in connection with the advertising program, and your paper has been doing a very splendid work.

"With best wishes, and sentiments of esteem and regard, I am,

"Yours very truly,

"CLYDE R. HOEY."

## Rotary Inter-City Meeting Tonight At Parish House

Excellent Program Arranged for Entertaining Rotarians

### MARR SPEAKER

### Lost Colony Actors Included Among Several Features

Rotarians from Hertford, Elizabeth City and Manteo will be the guests of the Edenton Rotary Club when an inter-city meeting will be held at the Parish House tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock. A very interesting program has been arranged by the local committee in charge which comprises C. E. Kramer, Dr. W. I. Hart, and William P. Jones.

The principal speaker for the meeting will be Wade Marr, Jr., of Elizabeth City, a recent graduate of Duke University, who already has the reputation of being a splendid speaker.

The visitors will be welcomed by Oscar H. Brown, who was recently elected president of the local Rotary Club, with the response made by I. P. Davis, of the Manteo Club. Following this president of the various clubs will be recognized.

Several features are included on the program which should result in one of the best inter-city programs ever to be presented. One of these will be the appearance of little Sallie Dixon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Minton H. Dixon, former residents of Edenton and now living in Elizabeth City. Miss Dixon is rapidly acquiring a reputation as a singer and has made quite a hit in several home talent shows in Elizabeth City. She has also recently been given an audition at the Norfolk radio broadcasting station.

Another feature will be a black-face skit by Louise and Jean Smith, who on several occasions have won the applause of large audiences at Methodist Church entertainments.

Possibly the high light of the program will be a 20-minute program by members of the Lost Colony cast from Roanoke Island. The nature of this feature was not divulged, but Mr. Kramer was instructed by I. P. Davis to provide a 20-minute portion of the program for the actors.

The program will be interspersed by Rotary songs which will be led by Louis Anderson, of Hertford, with Mrs. W. H. Coffield at the piano.

## Edenton Girls To Play Colerain Team Tonight

Girls' soft ball teams of Colerain and Edenton will play a game of soft ball on the Edenton diamond tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. The Edenton girls, coached by Jim Daniels, have developed into a fast combination and information from Colerain is to the effect that they, too, have a group of good players. The game is the first girls' contest of the season and will no doubt draw many fans.

A collection will be taken during the game.

## Committee Tackles Task Of Financing Bridge Celebration

Cost Distributed Among Counties According to Population

### \$2,000 NEEDED

### Thought Entire Amount Should Come From Governing Bodies

One of the most critical angles of the forthcoming Albemarle bridge celebration was tackled in the Municipal Building Wednesday afternoon when the finance committee met to arrange plans for raising funds to cover part of the expense of the celebration. It was estimated that \$2,000 would be needed to finance the project and after careful deliberation it was decided that the fair way to raise the amount would be to allocate an amount to the seven counties according to population.

Estimates of the cost involved included \$300 for decorations, \$300 for storage and seats, \$200 for postage and stationery, \$800 for publicity and programs and \$400 for incidentals.

Of this amount the various counties' proportionate share to be raised will be as follows: Chowan, \$319; Washington, \$321.75; Tyrrell, \$145.75; Pasquotank, \$544.50; Perquimans, \$293.37; Hyde, \$236.50; Dare, \$143. It was the general consensus of opinion that the various boards of county commissioners and town council pay each county's part, rather than rely upon private solicitation. However, each county was asked to raise the amount the best way it saw fit and report to Chairman West Byrum as early as possible.

It was thought possible that a—(Continued on Page Four)

## WON BUT LOST!

### Election Defeated to Add Extra Month Of School

Though voters in East Edenton, West Edenton and Yeopim Townships on Tuesday voted 290 to 80 in favor of a local tax with which to add another month to the Edenton school, the proposition was overwhelmingly defeated. Due no doubt to the fact that the last day for registration fell on the same day as the primary election, 955 voters registered to be entitled to vote upon the matter. However, only 370 ballots were cast in the election Tuesday.

To carry the election a majority of the registered voters was necessary which would have been 478 votes.

In East Edenton 340 registered and of the 245 votes cast, 106 were for the tax and 39 against.

In West Edenton 471 registered. Of the 211 votes cast 178 were for the tax and 33 against.

In Yeopim 144 registered with only 14 voting, 6 for the tax and 8 against.

## Clem D. Johnston Secured As Principal Speaker At C. Of C. Annual Banquet

### FOOD EXPERT



**MISS LOUISE REESE**  
National known home economist who will conduct a two-day cooking school at Hotel Joseph Hewes next Thursday and Friday. Classes begin each day at 2:30 p. m., to which all ladies of this section are invited.

## Thursday, June 30, Set As Definite Date For Annual Meeting

### IN DEMAND

### Whirlwind Campaign Is Planned to Secure Members

J. H. McMullan, secretary of the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce, announced early this week that Thursday, June 30, has been definitely set as the date for holding the annual banquet, which will be held at Hotel Joseph Hewes. Several weeks ago it was decided by the executive committee to again have a banquet with the date depending on when a speaker could be secured.

Mr. McMullan, as well as other officers of the organization, were very much pleased to learn that Clem D. Johnston, of Roanoke, Virginia, accepted the invitation to be the speaker. Mr. Johnston is in great demand as a speaker and prior to coming here spoke at the annual dinner meeting of the Miami Chamber of Commerce on June 15. On June 16, 17 and 18 he has engagements in Washington, D. C., and on June 23 he will address a convention in Chicago. Members of the Chamber of Commerce are very fortunate in securing Mr. Johnston, who has an unusual number of speaking engagements during the entire month of June.

"I am in receipt of your letter of June 8 inviting me to address the annual dinner meeting of your Chamber of Commerce," wrote Mr. Johnston. "I don't know just when I will get time to make a living for myself, but if June 30 will suit you I will be glad to be with you." Mr. McMullan immediately informed Mr. Johnston that the date is acceptable and plans are going forward for the banquet on that date.

The committee in charge of details is composed of Geddes Potter, chairman, Hector Lupton, W. P. Jones, George Capehart and W. R. Horton. J. W. Davis, chairman of the membership committee, plans to stage a whirlwind membership campaign shortly before the annual banquet during which he hopes to secure renewals from every present member as well as new ones. "There never was a time when an active chamber of commerce was as essential as at present," says Mr. Davis, "and I hope all business people and all interested in the welfare of the town and county will show no hesitancy in signing up when approached by the canvassers."

Not a long drawn-out membership campaign will be conducted, it being Mr. Davis' purpose to enlist a large committee each of whom will have a few names by which method the territory can soon be canvassed and results reported promptly.

## West Byrum New President Of Lions

### New Officers Elected at Meeting of Club Monday Night

New officers for the Lions Club of Edenton were elected at the meeting held Monday night. These new officers will be installed the first Monday night in July when Mack M. Jernigan, of Dunn, district governor, has been asked to speak at what will be observed as ladies' night. The Club is entering upon its second year of existence in Edenton and a perusal of accomplishments in that brief time reflects an interested and hard-working group of civic-minded men.

West Byrum was elected as president to succeed William Privott, who acted very creditably during the strenuous stages of organization and succeeded in putting the Club on a firmer basis.

Other officers elected were:  
First Vice President—Dr. W. S. Griffin.  
Second Vice President—J. A. Curran.  
Third Vice President—West Leary.  
Lion Tamer—John Mitchener.  
Troll Twister—Leroy Haskett.  
Directors—Oscar Duncan and Geo. Hoskins.

## Lengthy Meeting Of Town Council On Tuesday Night

### Colored Delegation Request Paving of Dirt Streets

### SPIRES RESIGNS

### Board Set Up to Decide Uses to Which Armory May Be Put

Meeting in monthly session Tuesday night, Town Council held the most lengthy meeting under the present administration, adjournment taking place about 10:30 o'clock, after several important matters were discussed.

First to claim the attention of the Councilmen was a delegation of colored residents with Dr. J. C. Hines as spokesman, who requested the paving of Oakum Street as well as other streets in the colored section. The speaker informed the Council that agitation has been aroused among the members of his race to have more tidy premises and that movements sponsored by colored organizations should result in creditable neighborhoods. It was pointed out that Oakum Street is one of the most traveled streets in the city and if paved would stimulate a desire to keep houses more attractive due to the elimination of dust and mud. Mayor J. H. McMullan advised the delegation that the paving of the streets in question had the favorable opinion of the board, but that the matter of finance hindered the work thus far. The Street Commissioner was instructed to investigate the cost involved and the possibility of securing a WPA project to pave the most necessary streets. Council was also informed that a committee of three from each colored church has been appointed whose duty it will be to properly maintain the colored cemetery which has been neglected.

D. M. Warren appeared before the Board emphasizing the cost to Chowan County in staging the forthcoming bridge celebration. It was Mr. Warren's idea that the county and city go on a 50-50 basis in paying the county's proportionate amount which was agreed to. Mr. Warren also voiced concern at the fact that there is considerable property in town now on the tax books. This has occurred, he believes, by transferring property to various books, and it was his opinion that there should be a re-survey to the end that taxes are collected on all property.

E. W. Spires tendered his resignation as joint custodian of the Edenton Armory, expressing the opinion that the town's custodian should be a—(Please Turn to Page Four)