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New Invitation Extended Anthony Eden To Come To Edenton While In America

Speaks to Manufacturers In New York on December 9

MAYOR WRITES

English Statesman Previously Promised to Visit Town

Mayor Jack McMullan, optimist de luxe, was agog Tuesday over the possibility of at last having Anthony Eden, English statesman and former British Foreign Secretary, visit Edenton during his week's stay in this country starting next Friday. The famous Englishman will address the National Association of Manufacturers, the great countrywide anti-Roosevelt organization, in New York on December 9, and plans to put in the following seven days touring Washington Mt. Vernon and Williamsburg.

So, of course, the town executive is hopeful the visitor will come here and lay a wreath on the grave of his famous ancestor, Royal Governor Charles Eden, lying buried today beneath the towering magnolias in Old St. Paul's graveyard.

The Mayor bases his hope on the fact that Eden wrote him a couple of years ago that he would do this very thing if "I ever come to America," and as he is now coming, Mayor McMullan is striking tooth and nail to hold him to this promise.

Long before he was Mayor McMullan a letter went to London to the young lawmaker in the House of Commons, telling of Governor Eden's service here and of his burial place and asking for information regarding his earlier life. Back came a huge sized envelope with a ribboned sealed letter in gold and black saying he didn't know much about his ancestor, but referred McMullan to Burke's Peerage and other genealogical tomes.

Of course this was but a stepping stone for the Mayor for as soon as he became town executive he indited another letter to London, inviting the foreign statesman to visit Edenton and promising to extend to him the keys of the city if he could do so, incidentally saying "Edenton is pleased to make you an honorary citizen."

And to this, too, Eden replied, this time through the English Ambassador to the United States, saying the Foreign Secretary was grateful for the honor conferred upon him and promised that if he ever came to the United States he would make Edenton and his ancestor's grave one of his main objectives.

So, of course, the unrepulsive Mayor, reminding always of the importance such things are to Edenton, has sent the youthful foreigner this letter:

"I am very happy to see in today's Associated Press news the statement that you have accepted an invitation from the National Association of Manufacturers to address them in New York on December 9th.

"You will recall that in previous correspondence you assured me that should you ever visit America that it

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Methodist Pastor Will Be Here Sunday

Rev. and Mrs. Benson Expected to Arrive This Week

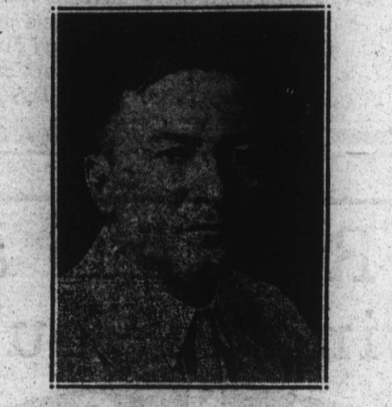
Rev. W. C. Benson, formerly of the 1st Olive district, who has been assigned to succeed the Rev. George W. Blount at the Edenton Methodist Church, will meet his new congregation next Sunday, and will preach his first sermons twice that day.

The new pastor has written to Dr. W. A. Leggett, chairman of the Board of Stewards of the church, that he will move here with his wife this week, and is looking forward with happiness to service with the local church.

Rev. Mr. Benson, a man of some maturity, has a son, he wrote, in Columbia University, New York, and a daughter, a member of the Wallace school faculty. Neither of the children, he said, would be here with him and Mrs. Benson save during the seasonal holidays and through the summer months.

Rev. Mr. Blount took over his new charge in Spring Hope last Sunday.

Almost Through



HERBERT LEARY
When the December term of Chowan Superior Court closes Mr. Leary will have rounded out almost eleven years of service as solicitor for the First District. His position will be filled by Chester Morris, of Currituck County.

A Plea

The sponsors of the Christmas Stocking Fund are again appealing for help in raising a fund to bring Christmas joy to children who, except for this fund, would have very little or nothing to make them happy on Christmas morning.

This is a community work, and has been done for the children for nearly twenty years through voluntary contributions, and the sponsors feel sure that friends will be as generous this year as they have been in the past. Through means of this fund, in 1937 the children in 49 families—122 children in all—awoke on Christmas morning to find that Santa Claus had not forgotten them as they had been told he would, but had left them toys, presents and all kinds of good things.

Please make contributions as early as possible, as it is impossible to do any planning or buying until there are sufficient funds to work with. Send contributions to Mrs. O. M. Elliott, Miss Sarah H. Jones, or Miss Louise D. Coke, and be sure to send them early.

New Auto License Plates Go On Sale Locally Dec. 1st

Arrangements Made to Handle Rush For 1939 Tags

NEW HIGH MARK

New Plates Must Be Displayed After Midnight Dec. 31

Motor vehicle owners who reside in Edenton or who receive their mail through the Edenton postoffice, should contact the local office of the Carolina Motor Club if they have not received the white 1939 license application card from Raleigh covering their automobile, trucks or trailers, according to Mrs. Leon G. Leary, manager of the club.

R. R. McLaughlin, director of motor vehicles, has authorized the postoffice to turn over to the Carolina Motor Club all license application cards that could not be delivered. These cards are filed alphabetically at the Carolina Motor Club office at 116 E. King Street, where those who have not received cards for their vehicles are invited to call and see if their name appears among these cards.

The 1939 plates will go on sale December 1, Manager Leary said, and arrangements have been completed for handling the rush quickly and efficiently. To date 3,851 have been sold at the local office compared with 3,867 for the entire year of 1937.

The total sale for the entire State stands at 591,648, and indications are that the total will fall just shy of 600,000. The sale to date for the State has already established a new

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Edenton Preparing For Christmas As Big Holiday Nears

Business Section Will Be Illuminated Friday Night

NEW SCHEME

Merchants Already Receiving Shipments of Holiday Wares

Christmas is in this month and Edenton is knowing it. With \$14,500 of Christmas Fund money sent out by the Bank of Edenton today, and with the official strikingly beautiful town illuminations up this week and to be lighted Friday night, the annual gay and festive Festival of Childhood, chronicling the birth of the world's most important Baby—yes, Christmas is coming and coming with a rush.

Edenton and its merchants will have a reason to be genuinely proud of its lighting pageantry this year. Thanks to the Town Council and the E. — W. Department, Broad Street through the business section will be able to claim a lot of Christmas beauty distinction. In a sense, differing as it has from other years, the cross street illuminations will be one of the south's finest small city jobs. If not the best, then among the best, and as you travel Broad Street from the Post Office south you will know the pattern has been planned well.

For as you gaze from one vantage point to another up or down Broad Street, you will seem to be standing beneath a canopy of flickering color. The Main Street will have a red, white and green roof on it of shimmering globes. Strikingly beautiful it will be and we'll stand by that.

And the storekeepers are already at work planning to add to this beauty. Stocks, unparalleled in their elegance, are arriving daily for display in artistic treatment in shop windows and on shop counters and shelves. A bit of snow here, waning autumn there, dolls and doll houses, fairyland for the children, Christmas bells, some of them chiming, everywhere the parade of attractive merchandise.

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Episcopalians Elect Vestrymen Monday

A congregational meeting of St. Paul's Church will be held Monday night at 8 o'clock. At this time a vestry will be elected, reports from all of the organizations heard and other business attended to.

The Candle of Health

The Lady Barrister who demanded payment of a pound of flesh in the Merchant of Venice, also remarked in one of her more pleasant moods—"How far that little candle throws its beams." Her theme could well apply to the 1938 Christmas Seal, just now being offered generally for sale in Chowan and the nation, and could be augmented with "So shines this little symbol for a healthier world."

The pleasant custom of lighting a candle in the window on Christmas Eve has come down through the ages and the mother with her two children on this year's Seal links that seasonal ritual with the ideal of family and home. And more so with the phrase beneath—"Protect your home from tuberculosis."

Study the Seal carefully and you will see the suggestion of earlier days as the three characters upon it are costumed in the formal style of the Victorian era, the period when Home was really idealized and holiday customs meant much to old and young alike. But the health situation in those days was in a sorry state, which it is well for us to know when we buy our supply of Seals this year, for we are living today in an age when modern methods and intelligent cooperation have completely revolutionized health conditions in the United States.

Up to the middle of the last century, or even later, people did not even know that tuberculosis was contagious. It was many years after Dr. Koch's separation of the germ that causes the disease before we all learned the way infection spreads. It used to be that any one who had consumption was considered doomed to death—he was kept indoors and watched over resignedly by his sorrowing family. When others broke down they never realized they had been infected by the coughing victim—they believed tuberculosis was inherited.

The treatment then by the best physicians was exercise, an ocean voyage, plus many expensive prescriptions, say like Antiphrine. But today rest becomes recognized as all important along with established modern sanatorium treatments. We have advanced still further through the tuberculin test and X-ray and are able to detect the malady in its early stages when cure may be effected.

We are privileged indeed to be living in this healthier world. The death rate from tuberculosis, for years the leading cause of death, has been cut more than two-thirds since the turn of the century. Each year finds the public better informed on the need for this prevention. Yet tuberculosis still takes more lives than any other sickness, between the ages of 15 and 45. Until that important group has been protected the educational work of the Christmas Seal must be continued.

The little candle on the 1938 Christmas Seal throws its beams far out into the world. To those who are ill with tuberculosis it offers hope, encouragement. To others it stands as the beacon of happy, healthful homes—homes free from tuberculosis.

Buy your share and save a life!

Red Cross Roll Call Drive Lacks About \$50 Of County Goal

Only Few More Scattered Reports Not Yet In Hand

\$358.90 TO DATE

Mrs. Pruden Is Hopeful Quota of \$400 Will Be Reached

Continued reports by canvassers, made public today by Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the local chapter, indicate that \$358.90 has been secured in the annual Red Cross roll call membership drive. With only a few more canvassers to be heard from, Mrs. Pruden believes that unless some unexpected contributions are made, Chowan will this year fail to go over the top in reaching the \$400 goal. Mrs. Pruden is hopeful that the quota will be reached, however, and in commenting on the drive says it is not that citizens are less interested in the Red Cross, but that many feel the pinch of the scarcity of money. She will not send her report in to headquarters for several days in the hope that friends of the cause will add to their contribution so that Chowan may again be listed among the counties which have raised their quota.

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Federation Meeting Held Friday Night

As announced in The Herald last week, the fall meeting of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs will be held Friday night in the Edenton High School auditorium. The meeting will begin at 7.30 o'clock and it is hoped that not only club members attend, but also those who are interested in the work done by the women of the county.

An interesting meeting is in prospect, presided over by Mrs. S. F. Small, president, which includes an illustrated lecture on kitchen planning by Miss Naomi Shank, home economist for the Virginia Power and Electric Company, awarding of prizes in the kitchen contest and naming of winners in the Ball and Kerr canning contests. Perfect attendance certificates will also be awarded to the women who have not missed a club meeting between November, 1937, and November, 1938.

Rev. R. E. Walston, pastor of the Center Hill Methodist Church, will offer the invocation, and Miss Sally Dixon will add to the program by singing several solos.

\$14,500 Distributed Today By Bank Of Edenton To 500 Christmas Club Members

PASSED ON



J. C. "DICK" LEARY
Succumbing finally last week to attacks of angina pectoris, Mr. Leary was laid to rest Tuesday in Beaver Hill Cemetery. Photo arrived just a little too late for last week's issue.

Campaign To Sell Christmas Seals Gets Under Way

Canvassers Meet With Mrs. Holland Today At 10 A. M.

SEAL ARTISTIC

Mrs. Moore Outlines Reasons For Need of Cooperation

Canvassers selected to handle this year's Christmas Seal drive will preface their start today by gathering in the Cupola House at 10 o'clock this morning to confer with Mrs. J. A. Moore, the chairman, and her chief aide, Mrs. R. C. Holland. At that time they will be given their bundles of Seals to dispose of, will receive final instructions as to the sale, and will begin a campaign that will continue unceasingly until Christmas.

Mrs. Emmett Elliott has been assigned, as before, to handle the campaign in the county outside of Edenton, and Mrs. J. W. Davis has consented to serve as chairman in charge of the Edenton schools, both white and colored.

Most of the other canvassers selected—a full list of those so chosen, follows at the end of this article—have done heroic service in the same capacity during other years and are considered by Mrs. Moore as her "Old Guard."

Last year's drive brought in \$228.45 from the sale of Seals in Chowan, of which three-fourths remained in this county for tubercular work locally. Of this amount \$168 was spent for milk alone.

Anyway you look at it postal employees have a special interest in this year Christmas Seals, as each sheet of one hundred contains the picture of a member of their profession, Einar Holboeli, the Danish postal clerk who invented the idea of selling an extra stamp to raise funds for anti-tuberculosis work.

The little seal this year is especially artistic, showing a mother and her two children lighting a Christmas candle in the window. In color and design the seal is highly regarded as art work. It was designed by Lloyd Coe, of New York and differs from other years in that the four corner sheet stamps are different. Portraits of pioneers in tuberculosis history appear, such as Laenee, the Frenchman, who invented the stethoscope in 1810, Koch, of Germany, who discovered the germ of tuberculosis in 1862, Trudeau, who established modern sanatorium treatment in 1885, and Holboeli, who introduced the seal idea.

A full list of those canvassers and which will be added to when the town and county drive is thoroughly under way, has been given out by Mrs. Holland, who has that phase of the campaign in command.

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Sizeable Amount Will Be Used For Many Purposes

LARGEST YET

Started In 1921, Popular Savings Plan Grows Yearly

There will be some new furs in Chowan this Christmas. There will be plenty of playthings for the little ones pop out of Santa's bag Christmas morning. Even Dad may find it possible to get his car license before the first of the year, maybe a whole new car for it. And Bill or Mary away at college will find their allowances awaiting them, maybe increased.

And all because of the gladsome tidings that came out of the Bank of Edenton this week, and which reached fulfillment in distribution today.

The bank's Christmas Fund, made up this year of around 509 members got paid off. This means checks have been sent out to all the members and for that largest aggregate in the history of the fund, \$14,500.

And \$14,500 in a little county whose total population is not that much, is a lot of money to come right now. It beats any AAA check for under-sowing corn or for stabilizing peanut prices. This is your own money handed back to you by a bank that's added to it monthly and quarterly with interest payments, and now hands the whole sum back to you and merely says "Try it again and don't be foolish."

Banks are supposed to take deposits and by careful loaning and management make them bring in heavy interests. But those who know the Bank of Edenton know that in the case of its Christmas fund members it has been less actuated by this idea than by making the club an encourager for thrift and saving.

The bank won't say as much, perhaps, but if you use your head you will realize that the small sums you have left with the fund guardians at the bank each week, would hardly find a borrower in the sums a bank of this one's importance is accustomed to loaning to. So the two or a little more percent you get today on your savings you can count as a gift from the bank, a payment acknowledgement of its gratitude for 500 sensible, worthwhile friends who know what's what and act accordingly.

Today's fund payment is the largest since the fund got a start in 1921, seventeen years ago. Each year the fund has grown steadily in members and in resources, and next year bids fair to be even greater.

Be the first in line when the 1939 fund starts. Otherwise the poor ye have with you always.

Plans Are Completed For Fall Festival To Be Held Next Week

Officially Opens With a Parade on Monday Afternoon

BALL FRIDAY

Beauty Queen Will Be Crowned Saturday Night

Plans are gradually being whipped into shape for the fall festival to be held all of next week which is being sponsored by the Edenton Fire Department and the local Ambulance Company. The affair which will be held in the Armory will officially get under way at 4:30 Monday afternoon when a parade will be held starting at the fire station and marching to the Armory. The parade will be headed by the Edenton High School band and will include the firemen and the fire fighting apparatus, the Ambulance Company and their equipment as well as merchants being asked to join.

In the Armory many booths will be erected for the entertainment of those who attend. The Broadway Brevitars, a musical comedy, boasting a bevy of beautiful girls, has been se-

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