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## Noah Levy Ward Takes Own Life Wednesday Morning By Firing Bullet Into Temple

### Rash Act Committed About 7 O'clock In Kitchen

### FUNERAL TODAY Deceased One of County's Most Substantial Citizens

Within a week's time a second Edenton citizen ended his life by a similar method when on Wednesday morning Noah Levy Ward put a .22 calibre rifle to his head and fired into his temple, falling dead instantly. Mr. Ward, 66 years of age, was one of Chowan County's largest and most successful farmers, also operating a cotton gin near his home just outside of Edenton's city limits.

Adding to the severe shock of his untimely death is the fact that he was apparently in good health and on recent visits to his children appeared to be even more jovial than usual.

No reason was made known for his act other than that when he got up about 7 o'clock and was preparing to make a fire in the kitchen he spoke sharply to his wife, who left the room and immediately heard a shot fired. Upon her return she was horrified to see her husband lying on the floor bleeding profusely about the head.

Mr. Ward was one of the county's most substantial citizens, owning considerable farming land and was also part owner of the Citizens Bank building. He was a native of Chowan County, being born near Center Hill and had lived and prospered in the county all of his life.

Surviving are his wife, two sons, Zelle and Mack, of Edenton, and five daughters, Miss Glenn Ward, a teacher in the Winston-Salem schools; Mrs. A. W. Edwards and Mrs. Henry Stokes, of Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. L. Flynn and Mrs. Augustus Harrell, of Edenton. A brother, M. N. Ward, of Arnold, Md., and two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Bunch, of Rich Square, and Mrs. Hattie Nixon, of Norfolk, Va., also survive.

Funeral services will be held this (Thursday) afternoon with interment taking place at Center Hill.

## Edenton Fans Well Pleased With New Tar Heel Manager

### Frank Holmes Received First Training With Edenton Aces

His many friends in Edenton were delighted last week to learn that Frank Holmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Holmes, has been selected as manager of the University of North Carolina football team for the 1939 season. He had served as assistant manager of the Tar Heels last year and while his ambition was to become manager, the announcement came as a very pleasant surprise to him. He did an excellent job as assistant manager and has won the admiration of many of the teachers and students.

Mr. Holmes received his first training at managing a football team when a student at Edenton High School. He acted in this capacity for several years and was manager in 1934 when the Edenton Aces went through a very hard schedule without being defeated or even being scored upon and wound up the season by defeating Reidsville at Chapel Hill for the State Class B championship.

It was a very strenuous season, and by his efficient discharge of the varied duties as manager made it possible for Coach Henry House to dismiss from his mind all of the details of the management of the team and devote all of his time to coaching members of the team.

The Tar Heels have a large following in Edenton, but due to a local boy being their manager, interest in the success of the team this coming season will be more pronounced. Mr. Holmes has been sent many congratulatory messages by his friends and former school mates.

### MASONS MEET TONIGHT

Masons will hold their regular communication tonight at 8 o'clock. All members of the fraternity are urged to be present.

## Pictures Continue To Boost Edenton As Peanut Center

### Peanut Frolic Shots Appear In 110 Newspapers Out of State

### CHECK MADE

### Clippings Continue to Drift In Says Bill Sharpe

Edenton is continuing to receive notice as a peanut center as result of pictures made here last fall.

Distributed by the Advertising Division of the Department of Conservation and Development, pictures of Edenton's "peanut frolic" have appeared in 110 newspapers outside the State of North Carolina, according to a check made by Bill Sharpe, of the Advertising Division.

Among the far-flung cities covered by the publicity have been these: Plainfield, N. J.; Portland, Me.; Norfolk, Va.; Troy, N. Y.; Schenectady, N. Y.; Lancaster, Pa.; Des Moines, Iowa; Washington, D. C.; Houston, Texas; Ithaca, N. Y.; Gloversville, N. Y.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; St. Paul, Minn.; Keokuk, Iowa; St. Joseph, Mich.; Gadsden, Ala.; Atlanta, Ga.; Detroit, Mich.; Flint, Mich.; Middletown, Pa.; Park City, Utah, as well as many others.

Clippings of the peanut pictures are still drifting in, Sharpe says, all of them identifying Edenton as a peanut center.

## Great Day!

"It's a great day in Charlotte," wired Hector Lupton, co-publisher of The Herald, who is representing this newspaper at the unique meeting of the General Assembly in Charlotte on Wednesday. The telegram arrived just as The Herald was going to press, listing together with Mr. and Mrs. Lupton as Chowan representatives Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hollowell, Miss Ruby Lentz, R. C. Holland and, of course, Mr. and Mrs. John F. White.

## Winners In Movie Quiz Contest Made Known On Monday

### Successful Contestants Will Be Read From Taylor Stage

### MUCH INTEREST List of Winners Now In Vault of Bank of Edenton

Of interest to many movie fans is the information that winners in the recent quarter of a million dollar movie quiz contest will be announced on the Taylor Theatre stage Monday night.

Manager Jimmy Earnhardt will celebrate this occasion by announcing the names of all national prize winners from the \$50,000 first prize, \$25,000 second prize, \$10,000 prize winners, \$5,000 prize winners down to the ten \$1,000 successful contestants. In addition, if there are any local prize winners, they will also be announced. Should winners be present in the theatre, certified checks issued by the Chemical Bank and Trust Company of New York, will be presented to them on this occasion.

The list of winners is already in Edenton, being sent sealed to the Bank of Edenton early this week. There they will remain until shortly before 9 o'clock next Monday night when the sealed envelope will be turned over to Mr. Earnhardt to be read from the theatre stage.

This method is being used all over the country so that no cities or communities will have any advantage of first learning the contest winners which created a great amount of interest while in progress. There will be 5,404 lucky contestants, who will receive a total of \$250,000.

Judges in the contest were: Mrs. Ogden Reid, Dr. James E. West, Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, Hon. Bruce Barton and Hendrick Willem van Loon. In the selection of the winning letters, the entries were considered without signatures and identified by a key number. In that way even the judges did not know the names of the successful contestants until after they made their selections.

The motion picture industry is proud of the success of this contest and the manner in which it was judged. Although a tremendous task, because of the large number of entries, each answer was carefully checked by a staff of experts, and through process of elimination the letters were graded and then considered by the judges.

## E. H. S. Teams Drop Games To Tarboro

Both boys' and girls' basketball teams of Edenton High School completed their regular schedule Tuesday night when both groups dropped games to the Tarboro High School. The boys were easily outplayed by the Edgecombe County boys, the score being 27 to 17. The girls, however, put up a hard fight and lost the game by only two points, the score standing 13 to 11.

On Friday night the boys added their third victory of the season when they tripped the Merry Hill quintet by a score of 19 to 5. The visiting girls, aided by the outstanding playing of Betty Coward, who scored 14 points, easily came out of the fray with a 16 to 9 score.

The two local teams will now take part in the tournament to be held in Elizabeth City.

## Terrific Storm Strikes Near Windsor Tuesday Night Leaving Three Dead And Much Property Damage And Suffering

### Former Citizen Regrets Virginia Dare Stone Taken From State

That recent newspaper stories regarding the Virginia Dare stone has aroused some interest is evident by many local conversations regarding it and at least one letter coming from a resident of Rocky Mount, who formerly lived here.

Mrs. Ruth S. Williams has written to Richard D. Dixon, informing him that in discussing the stone with a group of friends some of them expressed wonder and regret that the stone should have gotten out of North Carolina.

"Even if there is doubt in the minds of those of you in Chowan County," says Mrs. Williams, "it seems to me you could have kept the stone as an interesting bit of evidence that Virginia Dare actually did live in Eastern North Carolina, or there would not have been even the tradition to inspire some one to attempt to carve a counterfeit record on stone."

### 40 Lunches Served Daily In Edenton School Lunch Room

### Operated Through PTA, WPA and Welfare Department

### MENUS

### Feeding of Other Children at School Can Be Arranged

Forty free lunches are now being served daily in the lunch room recently opened at the Edenton High School which is being operated with the cooperation of the Edenton Parent-Teacher Association, WPA and Chowan County Welfare Department. All free lunches have been applied for, but enough facilities are available to feed more children and for that reason if anybody desires to feed a child he can make arrangements by calling on Mrs. Earl Goodwin, chairman of the Finance Committee. The lunches are served in the basement of the new auditorium and the project appears very popular and is expected to reflect improvement in the progress made in studies by children heretofore undernourished.

An idea of the sort of lunches served can be learned by the menus arranged for the following week, which are as follows:

Thursday, February 23—Vegetable soup, buttered whole wheat bread, plain and chocolate milk, ice cream.

Friday, February 24—Baked Lima beans, Congealed cabbage and pineapple salad, hot biscuits, plain and chocolate milk.

Monday, February 27—Spaghetti dinner, corn bread, plain and chocolate milk, ice cream.

Tuesday, February 28—Vegetable soup, crackers, plain and chocolate milk, ice cream.

Wednesday, March 1—Meat loaf, cole slaw, whole wheat muffins, plain and chocolate milk, ice cream.

Thursday, March 2—Bean soup, carrot and cabbage slaw, corn bread, plain and chocolate milk, ice cream.

## Edenton Lions Told About Rehabilitation At Meeting Monday

One of the most interesting meetings in recent months was held by the Lions Club Monday night when W. D. Wood, State rehabilitation officer, made the principal address. Mr. Wood graphically told of the work among crippled children in the State, explaining operations and aid furnished. Adding to the interest of his talk were pictures of a number of children showing the great improvement after the rehabilitation forces had been at work.

The annual Ladies' Night banquet was also discussed, but a definite date was not set, awaiting word from a prominent speaker for the occasion.

### Some Houses Literally Carried Away During Storm

### DESOLATE SIGHT

### Wind Loses Intensity as It Does Some Damage In Chowan County

Striking suddenly a few miles on this side of Windsor Tuesday night about 7 o'clock a fierce storm of tornado proportions played havoc and left in its wake an undetermined amount of damage and suffering. It was the most disastrous calamity ever to strike this section, in the course of which approximately 20 houses were either carried away entirely or demolished to such an extent that they are unfit for use. Many telephone poles as well as lines were blown down and huge trees completely uprooted or twisted off as if offering no more resistance than a match in the hands of a strong man.

As a result of this storm there were three dead Wednesday morning, these being Chief of Police John W. Brown, of Colerain, Robert Lawrence, who was 94 years old, and Mrs. Geo. Lawrence, 66. Mr. Brown was killed when he ran into a Norfolk Southern bus as the latter was forced to stop suddenly on account of a tree lying across the highway. He was driving behind the bus and, unable to stop in time, crashed into the rear of the big bus, killing himself instantly. Mr. Lawrence was fatally injured when hit by falling timbers and died shortly after entering the Windsor Hospital. Mrs. Lawrence died in the hospital about 6 o'clock Wednesday morning as the result of injuries.

At the hospital, physicians worked like Trojans as the place was overcrowded with victims of the storm. About 25 were taken to the hospital, where temporary accommodations were arranged, while crowds assembled outside as the unfortunate persons were brought in.

A call was sent out to State Highway patrolmen and in a comparatively short time about 20 patrolmen were on the scene helping to direct traffic and in various other ways assisting. The center of the storm appeared to be along the highway, and at the time, due to darkness, it could not be estimated how much damage was done beyond the highway. Mayor J. A. Pritchett, of Windsor, in the emergency, organized groups of searching parties, who as far as possible searched in the neighborhood to ascertain damage done and try to

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## Dime Society Will Celebrate Sixtieth Anniversary Feb. 28

### Mrs. R. Cheshire Only Remaining Charter Member

Quite an unique meeting will be held on Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Holmes when the Dime Society of the Edenton Baptist Church will celebrate its 60th anniversary. This organization, the oldest in the local church, was organized in 1879 with only 16 members and now has an enrollment of 68. It is also one of the most active groups, supporting the church in numerous ways. Of the charter members of the Society there is only one now living and still a member, she being Mrs. R. F. Cheshire.

At the present time Mrs. L. D. Bond is president; Mrs. A. S. Smith, vice president; Mrs. W. D. Holmes, treasurer; Mrs. Cleo Gardner, historian, and Mrs. C. T. Doughtie, secretary. Mrs. Doughtie succeeds Mrs. E. S. Norman, who had served as secretary of the Society for 22 years. Since the Society was organized the anniversary meetings were always held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Bush, but since the death of Mr. Bush the place of these meetings has been transferred to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Holmes.

A good program has been arranged for the meeting Tuesday night and every member is urged to attend and carry as many dimes as the organization is years old.

## February Grading Of Meat Markets Made By Garriss

### Three Stores Deadlocked For First Place During Month

Dr. F. H. Garriss, health officer for the Bertie-Chowan District, has just released meat market gradings in Edenton for February, which reveals the fact that local stores are gradually complying with necessary requirements. In the standing the G. M. Byrum Meat Market, Lassiter Meat Market and C. E. Byrum Meat Market are tied for high honors, each being credited with a mark of 95.5%.

The ratings as released by Dr. Garriss follow:  
G. M. Byrum Meat Market.....95.5%  
Lassiter Meat Market.....95.5%  
C. E. Byrum Meat Market.....95.5%  
A. & P. Grocery.....95.0%  
Goodwin's Grocery.....94.5%  
Pender's.....93.5%  
G. L. Boyce Grocery.....93.0%  
White's Market & Grocery.....84.0%  
Friendly Market.....83.5%

## Band Will Play At Tulip Festival

### Local Organization Accepts Invitation to Play April 14

Edenton High School Band will again participate in the tulip festival to be held in Washington, N. C., an invitation having been accepted by Director C. L. McCullers. The festival will be held on April 14, the local organization being among nine other bands to play including the National Guard and college bands.

It will be remembered that last year the Edenton aggregation carried off first honors, and according to Mr. McCullers, the festival this year will be even greater than last year. The only thing worrying him, he says, is transportation facilities to Washington and return and that he will need assistance for this phase of the trip.

## FISH MARKET

(Courtesy of G. W. Moger & Co., Division of Chesapeake Packing Co., Baltimore, Md.)  
Roe Shad sold, per lb. ....33c  
Buck Shad sold, per lb. ....18c  
Roe Jacks sold, per lb. ....09c  
Rock sold, per lb. ....18c  
Prospects look good.

## RETURNS TO HOSPITAL

J. Paul Holoman returned Monday to Veterans Hospital at Kecoughton, Va., for an operation and further treatment.