

# The Chowan Herald

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### BIBLE THOUGHT FOR WEEK

**THANK GOD FOR A DEARLY BOUGHT LIBERTY.**  
Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.—Gal. 5:1.

### Let's Be Alive On The Fifth

With the Fourth of July celebration scheduled for next Tuesday, it is the usual custom of newspapers to sound a note of warning and urge exercise of caution and care in order to hold down the usual toll of accidents and deaths which turn a holiday planned for pleasure into one of pain, sorrow and regret.

Possibly a more fitting treatise on the matter than the editor of The Herald can write is one sent out by Ronald Hocutt, director of the North Carolina Safety Division. Says Mr. Hocutt:

"This mass slaughter on Independence Day can be stopped by each and everyone of us by using caution and common sense. The things that cause these tragedies are things we can control—haste, selfishness, thoughtlessness and the desire to show off, on the streets and highways.

"I call on the people of North Carolina and the people coming into our State to stop this mid-summer massacre by signing a new Declaration of Independence, independence from annual tribute of many of North Carolinians needlessly sacrificed, independence from the kind of celebration that leaves us the dead, the sightless and the suffering.

"I call on the public to remember that it is not only ironic, but cruel to celebrate the right of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness by bringing about death, disability and tragedy.

"Let's not turn a happy holiday season into a period of wholesale tragedy. Let's be alive on the FIFTH."

### A Fine Meeting, That

So far as getting down to actual business is concerned, the meeting of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday afternoon was one of the most successful meetings held in recent months. Then, too, the presentation of a number of vital matters again emphasized the fact that a Chamber of Commerce is absolutely necessary if Edenton and Chowan County expect to keep pace with their neighbors and make the progress that they should. This is said despite the fact that there are those in town who belittle the Chamber of Commerce, some going so far as to say that the organization serves no other purpose than to provide a salary for the secretary.

It was encouraging, indeed, to see the goodly number present at the meeting and the keen interest taken in the various matters considered. This is a healthy condition and augurs well for an increased number of affiliates when a membership drive is inaugurated in the very near future.

Many opportunities are presenting themselves whether it is admitted or not, and the most successful way to take advantage of them is through an organization such as the Chamber of Commerce which represents every phase of business. With a well-oiled organization and a membership which realizes the importance of a live Chamber of Commerce and is willing to shoulder some of the work and responsibilities, there is no telling what can be accomplished by a group working together for one common goal.

A creditable action taken at the meeting was the decision to withdraw Chowan's request for the location of a new State tuberculosis sanatorium. Naturally, selfishness enters the activities of a chamber of commerce, but it was anything but selfishness which prompted the decision to withdraw and offer to pool any influence with Bertie County to secure the sanatorium at Balgrade farm, near Edenhouse, where a large tract of land is understood to have been offered as a proposed site.

Quite naturally, Chowan folk would like to see the sanatorium located in this county, but whether there is any chance or not, it was the unanimous opinion that with Bertie having an edge in the selection of a site by reason of a free site, both counties will benefit by pooling their efforts.

Chowan would have nothing to lose if the sanatorium is located in Bertie, for not only will it be a short distance to take patients from this county, but the influence of doctors and those in charge would extend into Chowan and naturally result in great benefit.

### They'll Be Good

Edenton's crack high school band will leave Sunday for Ocracoke to take part in the celebration doing honor to Lindsay C. Warren. It is the longest trip to be undertaken by the organization, being away from home until Tuesday night. On the Fourth of July the youngsters will join the Belhaven band in celebrating the holiday.

This much can be said with a degree of certainty: The Edenton band will be a credit to both affairs and those back home may rest assured that the boys and girls, as well as the town, will win for themselves a great deal of admiration.

### Let 'Em Come

Town Council finally took proper action Monday in renting a lot to accommodate cars of those coming here to trade. The parking problem has bobbed up for several years in Council meetings, and thanks to the efforts of Walter Wilkins and Leroy Haskett, provision has been made to park many more cars than heretofore.

The success of the parking lot, however, and the advantages it affords depends upon the use to which it is put by those coming here to trade.

## HEARD AND SEEN

By "BUFF"

The Herald's society editor failed to get an account of a birthday party held Sunday of last week, but just the same Tom Jackson was given a big surprise at his home when a group of friends gathered to celebrate his 50th birthday anniversary. Everyone was having a big time when H. C. Brickle slipped aside with paper and pencil in hand proceeded to write an account of the affair. Brickle is much better at catching shad than he is at writing, and though he makes no pretensions of being a poet, after he was through it sounds to me as if he had written a poem.

Neither Mr. Brickle nor Mr. Jackson know that I got hold of the piece, but here 'tis:

Fifty years ago today  
Old Tom let out a yell,  
And since that blessed day  
He's raised a lot of hell.  
He's cussed and smoked and drunk his liquor  
And raised a lot of stink,  
He'd cram his belly full of beer  
He'd smell just like a mink.  
He's crammed and crammed and stuffed and stuffed  
'Til now it sticks out front,  
His wife can't even hug his neck  
Nor give him one good grunt.  
He's got no lap to hold the girls  
They have no place to sit,  
So all that he can do these days  
Is chew his stump and spit.  
But even then Tom's all right,  
He does whatever he can for his neighbors and fellow-man.

Of all his faults the one that's worse  
Is the one that he should shun wide.  
It's keeping company with Swanner, Brickle, Sid and Frank  
And Bughop on the side.  
Now after telling all his faults  
Let's hope he'll be healthy and thrifty  
And live a long and happy life  
At least another fifty.

And may his better half be blessed  
With the best the world can give  
And after all these stormy years  
May she just begin to live.

Beanie White thinks that the age of chivalry has vanished. The other day the bench in front of Mitchener's drug store was completely filled and apparently he was tired. Taking off his hat and stooping over he said, "Don't any of you fellows have any respect for a bald head?" Naturally, the remark brought on some comment about bald heads, but Beanie said he has at least one consolation and that is that he will never be gray-headed—the hair is coming out before it has time to change color.

With all the joking and threats made on account of a certain "red" sweat shirt on the soft ball diamond, maybe it's proper to discuss the well-dressed man who plays soft ball. For this honor Izzy Campen no doubt wins the palm, as he plays all diked out in white bloomers, a neat hat and one of them sissy-looking black bow ties. Shucks, if that's the proper outfit, give me the old sweat shirt. At any rate Izzy has recovered from his limping spell, which reminds me that hardly any of the old "has beens" have suffered from soreness this year. Take for instance, Roy Leary. Last year he found it necessary to lift one of his legs with his hands in order to change gears when running the bases or chasing after a ball. This year Roy is as spry as many of them much younger and except for miffing a fly once in a while, he's playing a bang-up game. (Give me credit for a week's building and loan dues, Roy).

"That was a good article you had in the paper last week about folks keeping their chickens penned up," said one lady the other day, "but why in the dickens didn't you go a little further and request dog owners to keep their devilish dogs shut up at night?" The lady was raving and said dogs prowl about her home at night doing as much or even more damage than chickens. Well, she's right, and something should be done about it, but the police are the proper ones to whom complaint should be made. And while speaking about nuisances, how about the bloomin' cats that keep a fellow awake at a time when sleeping goes mighty good? And talking about sleeping, one lady says why in the devil do folks wait until everybody else is asleep before they pull a party and wake up the neighborhood?

Preacher Benson has his whole family with him now, and then some. You see, Miss Frances teaches school and is home for the summer, and while the Bensons were in New York last week Walter C., Jr., came down to Edenton with his parents, and because his wife is visiting her parents away up in Canada, there was nothing left to do but bring the family Angoro cat along down to Edenton. Anyway, cat or no cat, the preacher is all smiles as the result of having his family together again.

Jimmy Earnhardt was the center of attraction Wednesday afternoon. It looked like he was sliding along the streets on the seat of his pants, but upon close examination it was learned that he was riding in something that looked like a cross between a scooter, a motorcycle and an automobile. Anyway, it moved along under its own power and it isn't too large for a fellow to pick up and carry for a while if he gets tired of riding.

The Methodist Church needs an oil can added to its equipment. One of the benches on Sunday morning took a sudden notion to squeak with hardly any more reason than a person breathing. It might be embarrassing to some of the fa—I mean plump ladies who happen to sit on the seat sometime. At any rate several people vacated the bench last Sunday. It might be a good idea to make all those who like to sleep in church use the bench for at the rate it was carrying on last Sunday a fellow would have to be a pretty sound sleeper to take a nooze.

O. C. Davis, a railway mail clerk, is now retired by Uncle Sam and the high heels abouts will catch the devil. You see, most of the time he has been home while he was working. Mr. Davis spent fishing. Now that he has

## Lions Again Trip Red Men Outfit

### League Leaders Lose 10 To 1 In Loose Game Monday Night

#### HOW THEY STAND

	W	L	Pct.
Red Men	8	2	.800
Lions	5	4	.555

Each team in the city softball league has won a game since Friday night except the Masons and Rotary combination, which team though playing in low score games came out on the short end.

On Monday night in the poorest played game of the season the Lions handed the Red Men their second defeat of the year, the score being 10 to 1.

On Tuesday night, the Red Men playing like an altogether different team and not all regular players in their positions, downed the Masons-Rotarians 2 to 0.

It took an extra inning Friday night to decide the winner in the game between the Lions and Masons-Rotarians. The game was hotly contested throughout and in the seventh inning the score was deadlocked 3 to 3. In the eighth inning, however, the Lions, aided by a wild throw shoved across the winning run.

Tonight two games are scheduled when teams from Williamston and Hertford will play a picked team of Edenton players.

### MERRY HILL

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Foxwell and children, Estelle and Marian, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Baker.

Mrs. W. J. Smith, Mrs. Cecil Newbern, Pearl and Besse Newbern, of Williamston, visited relatives here on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. M. Smithwick, Louise Smithwick and Mrs. Celia Phelps were guests of Mrs. Shade Britt, at Mt. Gould on Tuesday.

Mrs. T. E. Bowen spent Sunday in Harrellsville with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Winborne.

Rev. W. H. Hollowell and daughter, Esther Wake, of Republican, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Buttern on Sunday.

J. A. Williams, who is working in Elizabeth City, was at home for the week-end.

Mrs. Celia Phelps visited her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred White, in Harrellsville, Sunday.

Mrs. Vernon Harden and daughter, Dorothy, were guests of Mrs. Harden's mother, Mrs. Pattie Williford, Sunday. Mrs. Williford returned home with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Simpkins and Miss Grizelle Wilson, of Norfolk, Va., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Keeter. They were accompanied back to Norfolk by Mrs. Sue Wilson, who has been visiting Mrs. Keeter.

Misses Sue Margaret Keeter and Mildred Outlaw, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Keeter, at Buckroe Beach, Va., returned to their respective homes here Saturday.

Grady Love, who is working in Elizabeth City, spent the week-end here with his brother, Jimmy Love.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Phelps and children, of Scotland Neck, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Keeter on Sunday.

Mrs. D. A. Byrd, of Ahoakie, spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pruden.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright Williford and daughter were guests of Mrs. Williford's parents in Edenton Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Smith, Mrs. S. A. Adams and Mrs. Celia Phelps were shoppers in Edenton Monday morning.

Mrs. Virgie Baker and children, Frances and Jerry, are visiting in Williamston.

E. S. Askew, of Oriental, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Capehart a few days recently.

Mrs. Grover Myers, of Portsmouth, no work to do, and Preacher Wells working only on Sunday, it will be hard to catch up with either of them without a boat. Anyway, I'm going with them one of these days and get next to their fishing holes.

The bloomin' telephone wasn't worth a cent Wednesday. I tried all day to contact Mrs. C. L. McCullers who has organized a Girl Scout troop in Edenton, and has a full group of girls ready for action. She promised to give me the names of the girls and other particulars, but it's all the telephone's fault because I couldn't get 'em. Anyway, I understand there is a job already lined up for the Girl Scouts and it would be a splendid idea. You see, Richard Dixon and yours truly have been and will, during the summer, catch the dickens meeting tourists and those going to and from the Roanoke Island pageant and showing 'em around. Well, Mayor Jack McMullan says the girls have agreed to serve as guides, and all diked out in uniforms, it is rather an unique stunt. Here's seconding the Mayor's notion.

Va., visited her mother, Mrs. S. J. Britt, at Mt. Gould, during the week-end.

Miss Evelyn Hoggard, of Windsor, was the guest of Miss Lida Williford Sunday afternoon.

Jesse Williford, of South Norfolk, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Williford on Sunday.

### CRESWELL

Bobbie and Johnny Sheets, who were students at Gerard College, during the school term, are spending the summer holidays with their mother, Mrs. J. M. Phelps.

Miss H. B. Crowdock, Jr., underwent a tonsilectomy at Creswell Hospital the past week.

Mrs. Thomas Hopkins, of Columbia, was the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Norman, Monday.

R. L. Alexander spent the week-end in Wadesboro.

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Phelps attended the Kiwanis Festival dance in Ahoakie Friday evening. Ben Bernie's orchestra furnished music.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Tucker and daughter, Ruth, will go to Raleigh Saturday. Mr. Tucker will be one of the 60 Discussion Leaders to attend the State Conference of Young Tar Heel Farmers.

Mrs. L. M. Phelps, who spent the past week here, returned to her home in Raleigh Friday. She was accompanied by Mrs. J. W. Starr and Miss Virginia Phelps, who were enroute to the New York World's Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baker Davenport were visitors in Elizabeth City on Sunday.

Will Ed Alexander underwent a tonsilectomy at Creswell Hospital on Monday morning.

Miss Louise Burroughs, who has been the guest of Miss Ada Virginia Hopkins the past two weeks, left Sunday evening for Robersonville. She was accompanied by Miss Hopkins and they will visit friends and relatives there.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Brock returned Wednesday from a week's stay at Stoneville.

Miss Mildred White is spending a few days in Norfolk, Va.

Ronnie Pritchett underwent a tonsilectomy at Columbia Hospital the past week.

Miss Matilda Alexander returned Friday from a two weeks' trip through the mountains of North Carolina and Tennessee.

Tom Norman, of Washington, D. C., was speaking to friends on the streets of Creswell Saturday.

William J. Schwindt, of Philadelphia, Pa., is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Phelps.

### BEARD GROWS 57 YEARS

Montesano, Wash. — When J. E. Calder arrived in Seattle from Minnesota on April 20, 1882, he had 25 cents in his pocket. It was either eat or shave. He ate. Now mayor of this town, he declares he hasn't missed a meal since and he hasn't shaved once. His beard measures 15 inches.

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## Chamber of Commerce Agree To Help Bertie

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any local financial assistance or any concessions of the Chamber of Commerce.

It was reported that the Norfolk Southern Bus Corporation realized inadequacy of present facilities and that officials were concerned in erecting a modern station here. With an up-to-date station, toilet facilities, one of the town's bugaboos for convenience of visitors, would be solved, it was also pointed out.

At the conclusion of this discussion, the committee went on record as favoring urging Town Council to use every possible effort to induce the bus company to lease the town lot at the corner of Broad and Water Streets as a site for a new station. Norfolk Southern officials have made investigations of possible sites and it was reported that they were favorably inclined to accept the town lot if it is leased at a reasonable figure. They are expected to return to Edenton again this week to go more fully into details relative to a new station.

The Chamber of Commerce year ends on June 30 and on this account the annual banquet and the selection of officers was brought up for consideration. A nominating committee was subsequently appointed by Mr. Conger, composed of O. B. Perry, Fred Wood and William Privott. These three were directed to present their recommendations at the annual banquet meeting.

Friday, July 14, was selected as the date for the annual banquet, prior to which a membership drive will be inaugurated. John Graham, J. Edwin Bufflap and P. T. Owens were appointed to make arrangements for the banquet, including securing a speaker for the occasion.

### Life in the U. S. A.

Grasshoppers invading New Mexico are being opposed by the National Guard. This raises the grasshoppers' march to the dignity of an incident.—Toronto Star.

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## STATE THEATRE

HERTFORD, N. C.

Friday, June 30—  
MATINEE 3 P. M.  
**Warner Baxter**  
**Lynn Bari**  
**Return of Cisco Kid**  
COMEDY ACT

Saturday, July 1—  
SHOW OPENS 1 P. M.  
**BUICK JONES**  
**CALIFORNIA FRONTIER**  
Also  
**DICK TRACY RETURNS No. 5**  
COMEDY ACT

Monday, July 3—  
MATINEE 3 P. M.  
**THE LADY FROM KENTUCKY**  
Also  
ACT NEWS

Tuesday, July 4—  
MATINEE 3 P. M.  
**Ritz Brothers**  
**Anita Louise**  
in  
**"The Gorilla"**  
COMEDY ACT

Wednesday, July 5—  
MATINEE 3 P. M.  
**SAVING PRIVATE RYAN**  
Also  
COMEDY ACT

Thursday - Friday, July 6-7—  
MATINEE 3 P. M.  
**HARRY'S RIDE**  
COMEDY NEWS