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Christmas Seal Campaign Gets Under Way Today In Effort To Raise \$300 Quota

List of Capable Canvassers Announced For Drive

COUNTY-WIDE

75 Cents Out of Every \$1.00 Remains For Local Work

With the appointment of a group of capable canvassers, the drive to sell Christmas Seals will get under way in Chowan County today (Thursday). The drive will continue until Christmas, but Mrs. J. A. Moore, who will direct the campaign, is hopeful that the county's quota will be reached before that time. The quota for Chowan County is \$300.

The purpose of the Christmas Seal sale is no doubt well known, but its importance is well worth repeating in the hope of stimulating purchases of these seals.

Almost three and one half million men, women and children have died of tuberculosis in the United States during the last 30 years, many of whom could have been saved by proper treatment and educational programs. This is the very vital part played by funds received through sale of the tiny Christmas Seals. And when it is considered that 75 cents out of every \$1.00 remains in the county for local use, there should be no reason why everybody should not share in the fight against this terrible disease.

President Roosevelt is in hearty accord with the movement and adds the following endorsement:

"As the Christmas season approaches, my mind is drawn to the fact that it is again time for all of us to give our support to the sale of Christmas Seals.

"This is such a well established custom in the United States that it seems hardly necessary again to call the attention of the people to its importance.

"Tuberculosis still menaces the lives of all our citizens and it leads in the cause of death of those between the ages of fifteen and forty-five. The fine work that has been done by the National Tuberculosis Association in the prevention of this dreaded disease merits the continued (Continued On Page Five)

745 View Stamp Collection Monday

Philatelic Exhibit Attracts Much Attention On Visit Here

That the philatelic truck from the United States Postoffice Department, which appeared in Edenton on Monday created considerable interest is reflected in the fact that exactly 745 persons were clocked as they entered the car. Inside interesting displays of stamps were arranged covering the period from 1893 to 1938, as well as a miniature rotary press giving some idea how postage stamps are printed. To each visitor was given a small engraved photograph of the White House.

Ralph A. Davis, in charge of the truck, was very well pleased with the interest shown and was high in his praise of the local postoffice and the hospitality shown his party while here.

The truck left Tuesday morning for its next stop in Williamston.

Mayor Of Hertford Appreciates Help Of Edenton's Firemen

W. N. Darden, mayor of Hertford, this week expressed his appreciation for the services rendered by the Edenton Fire Department last week when a call for help was sent during a menacing fire.

Said Mayor Darden in writing to Mayor J. H. McMullan and Fire Chief R. K. Hall:

"We wish to thank you all for the wonderful cooperation and assistance rendered in sending over your fire truck in the disastrous fire at the home of J. O. Felton. We hope that we may be able to be of service to the Town of Edenton sometime in some way to show further appreciation of your efficient work here with your engine."

POLLING PLACES FOR COTTON VOTE

For the information of cotton growers in Chowan County who desire to vote in the referendum to determine marketing quotas for 1940, the voting places have been announced by County Agent N. K. Rowell's office.

The referendum will be held on Saturday between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. at the following places:

Edenton Township—Court House. Middle Township—Z. W. Evans' Office.

Upper Township—George Hollowell's Store. Yeopim Township—Dick Cofield's Store.

Only persons engaged in the production of cotton in 1939 are eligible to vote in the cotton referendum.

18 Excused From Jury Duty At Next Week's Term Court

Judges In Accord to Eliminate Grand Jurymen

SAVING EFFECTED

Judge Nettles Will Preside, Trading With Judge Nimocks

Eighteen Chowan County citizens no doubt consider themselves lucky because of the fact that they will not be obliged to serve as jurors during the December term of Superior Court which convenes next Monday.

Reason for the excuse of 18 men from the 36 chosen last month for jury duty is due to the elimination of a grand jury for this term of court.

There are no criminal cases on the docket requiring grand jury deliberation and for that reason Clerk of Court Richard D. Dixon urged dispensing with the grand jury which would effect a saving of something like \$250 to the county.

Judge Q. K. Nimocks, who was scheduled to preside at this term of court, but who traded places with Judge Zebulon Vance Nettles, expressed his willingness to dispense with the grand jury and Judge Nettles also is in accord with the idea under the present circumstances. The only duties for the grand jury to perform would be the inspection of county offices, jail, county home and school buses, which at the last term of court were found to be very satisfactory.

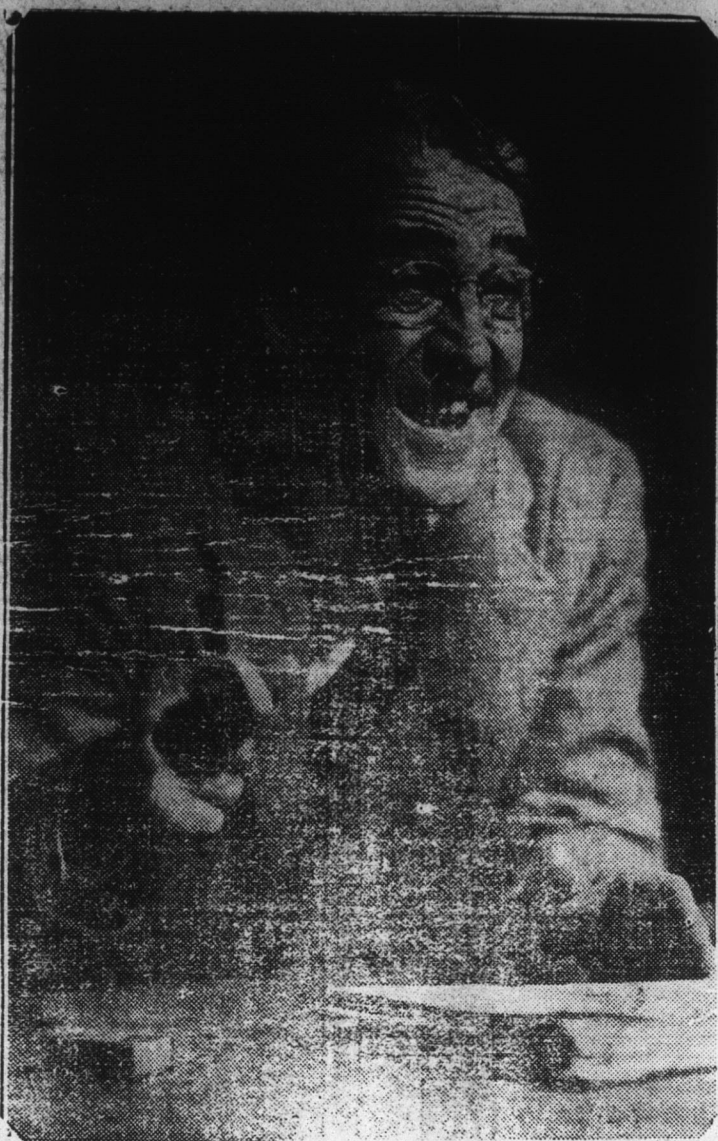
In order to determine who shall serve as jurors next week, attorneys met Monday in the clerk of court's office and drew from a box 18 names from the 36 previously chosen who will be summoned for jury duty. These were: J. C. Hendrix, J. P. Partin, Will A. Harrell, J. T. Layton, I. D. Spivey, George Bunch, J. H. Asbell, Shelton Boyce, J. E. Bunch, O. B. Perry, C. A. Perry, Henry Bunch, Wilbur Modlin, O. M. Blanchard, C. W. Sawyer, Harry Perry, M. F. White and R. F. Elliott.

Those originally chosen, but who will be excused are: C. W. Perry, Thomas J. Hoskins, Sr., Leslie Morgan, A. S. Smith, H. V. Bass, A. H. Copeland, Thomas H. Harris, L. E. Twine, H. W. Layton, Mack Jordan, A. R. Chappell, W. D. Moran, J. F. Harrell, Lloyd E. Bunch, E. R. Eason, James Hassell, E. D. Byrum and H. M. Nixon.

St. Paul's Church Will Elect Vestry Sunday

Next Sunday morning after Morning Prayer, the annual congregational meeting will be held at St. Paul's Church, for the electing of a Vestry, hearing reports of the organizations and such other business as may be brought up. All members are urged to attend. The Vestry also asks that those members who have not yet sent in their pledge cards for 1940 have them in by next Sunday, so that the Vestry may know what support to rely on for 1940.

Reads Christmas Carol Monday Night



DR. FREDERICK H. KOCH, founder and director of the Carolina Playmakers, as "Scrooge" in Charles Dickens immortal ghost story, which he will present in the auditorium of the Edenton High School Monday night, December 11, at 8:30 o'clock.

Law Prevents Two Contributions To Stocking Fund

Proceeds From All Lost Property Must Go to School Fund

The law robbed the stocking fund of a contribution Monday when the County Commissioners read in the statute book that the proceeds from the sale of any confiscated or lost property must be turned over to the school fund.

It so happens that Sheriff J. A. Bunch, as well as the town policemen, have a bicycle whose owners cannot be found. It is supposed that the vehicles had been stolen and abandoned here. It was the officers' idea to sell the bicycles at public auction and turn over the amount received to the stocking fund, but the law steps in and says it cannot be done.

In the absence Monday of Sheriff Bunch, Officer R. L. Pratt presented the matter to the Commissioners, who were willing to boosting the stocking fund, but refused to go counter to the law.

Captain Dick Hall Helps Santa Claus

Veteran Fire Chief Will Again Repair Discarded Toys

Though somewhat handicapped by his recent illness, R. K. Hall will again this year repair discarded toys to be given to needy children in the community. Mr. Hall will do this work at the fire station and any who desire to contribute any toys are requested to take them to him there.

The toys when completed will be turned over to the Stocking Fund to be distributed on Christmas eve. Mr. Hall requests the toys to be brought to him as soon as possible for lack of strength prohibits him from the less strenuous work than in former years.

Capt. Pat Bell First Again To Buy Seals

Captain P. H. Bell upheld his reputation in cooperating with the purchase of Christmas Seals. The tender of the Chowan River bridge came to town as soon as he was aware that the seals had arrived and again purchased the first seals sold in Edenton, a sheet of 100 of them. With more of his kind there would be no trouble at all in reaching the county's goal of \$300.

Sydney J. White Dies Suddenly At Home Early Friday

Large Number Attend Funeral Held Sunday Afternoon

Coming as a distinct shock to Chowan County residents Friday morning was news which spread rapidly that Sydney Johnston White had died suddenly at his home in the Paradise section. Mr. White, although not in the best of health for the past year or so, had been attending to his affairs as usual and on Thursday enjoyed a hearty Thanksgiving meal. During the night he was awakened by an attack of indigestion and after being relieved went off to sleep. His death was discovered when he failed to respond when called for breakfast.

He was 77 years of age, and aside from being one of the county's largest landowners, was a very successful financier. He was highly respected throughout the county, and though blunt and outspoken in his manner (Continued on Page Five)

Dance In Armory Christmas Night

Music By Dutch McMullan and His Duke Ambassadors

What is expected to add greatly to the holiday pleasures in Edenton will be a dance which will be held in the Edenton Armory on Christmas night. The affair is sponsored by the Edenton Rotary Club and Athletic Association, and will be directed by William (Spec) Jones.

Music for the dance will be furnished by Dutch McMullan and his Duke Ambassadors, an organization consisting of 13 pieces, coming directly from Duke University. Dancing will begin at 10 o'clock Christmas night and continue until 2 o'clock.

The building will be steam-heated and with the reputation of being Albenmarle's finest dance floor, the affair will undoubtedly attract many dance enthusiasts from the surrounding territory.

City Auto Tags Now Ready For Owners

Chief of Police G. A. Helms desires it to be known that city automobile tags are now on sale and urges owners to secure the same and display them on their cars as soon as possible.

Don't Fail To Hear Dr. Koch Read Dickens' Christmas Carol On Monday Night

MAYOR ENDORSES CHRISTMAS SEALS

The approach of the holiday season once again brings the simple, direct appeal of Christmas Seals to the citizens of Edenton.

To protect homes from the tragedy caused by the dread ravages of tuberculosis is the never-ending objective of the Christmas Seal campaign. In the final analysis, ours is a community of homes and what could be more vital than the unceasing vigilance and protection of these homes?

As Mayor of Edenton, it gives me great pleasure and a sense of fulfilling official duty to endorse wholeheartedly the purchase of Christmas Seals as a method of raising funds for the fight against tuberculosis. As Mayor and as a private citizen I hope that all our citizens will buy as many seals as possible and that every greeting card and gift package going forth from our community will carry this decoration, attesting that Edenton is doing its part in a great drive.

J. H. McMULLAN, Mayor.

Interest Increasing In Merchants' Plan To Stimulate Trade

Many Gather on Broad Street For Awarding Of Prizes

LASTS 3 MONTHS

Revised List of Merchants Cooperating In Campaign

Interest in the distribution of cash prizes by Edenton merchants is gradually increasing, many gathering on Broad Street last Wednesday to see who would share in distribution of \$50 in cash. Mrs. Thad Martin was awarded the \$25 prize, Mrs. Fuller Taylor \$15 and Richard Harrell \$10. The second award was made yesterday (Wednesday) at about the same time The Herald went to press.

Many merchants report that their customers are requesting the coupons with their purchases, which makes them eligible to participate in the awards, and it is the general belief that the drive to increase business will be very successful.

Several merchants were included in last week's list of those cooperating in the event, who later decided not to take part, and the names of Liles' 5-10-25c Store and Bridge-Turn Filling Station were omitted in the front page story announcing the plan. For that reason The Herald again publishes the list of merchants who are cooperating and who will gladly give coupons for purchases in their store. They are as follows:

- Quinn Furniture Company.
 - Campens', Jewelers.
 - Cuthrell's Department Store.
 - Byrum Hardware Company.
 - Badham Brothers Company.
 - Elliott and Company.
 - J. H. Holmes and Company.
 - Cherry's Grocery.
 - C. E. Byrum Meat Market.
 - Preston's.
 - T. W. Jones Hardware Company.
 - Western Auto Associate Store.
 - Mitchener's Pharmacy.
 - Burton's Service Station.
 - Chowan Motor Company.
 - Triangle Service Station.
 - Edenton Ice Company.
 - Goodwin's Quality Grocery.
 - Gulf Service Station.
 - Rose 5-10-25c Store.
 - S. Hobovsky.
 - The Friendly Market.
 - G. M. Byrum Grocery.
 - Floars Electric and Plumbing Co.
 - J. H. Conger, Texaco Distributor.
 - Sam Habit.
 - W. J. Yates Service Station.
 - Liles' 5-10-25c Store.
 - Bridge-Turn Filling Station.
- The campaign will continue through December, January and February, with a substantial grand prize to be awarded at the close.

Event Is Sponsored By Local Parent-Teacher Association

AT 8:30 O'CLOCK

All Who Attend Help In Worthy Work of Lunch Room

"Here, boy, get down that terrifying cut of Professor Koch—the one that frightens little children—while I rub some grease paint on my typewriter, for Mr. Scrooge will pay Edenton a visit next Monday night."

That's correct. Another Christmas season has come, the streets are decorated with colored yule trees and light, people are thinking of presents and mistletoe, and it's appropriate that Dr. Koch should come and bring the message in the story "A Christmas Carol," written long ago by Charles Dickens.

The Parent-Teacher Association will sponsor the Koch appearance and reading in the school auditorium next Monday night. It will be a treat for everyone and an important necessity for the Association, and the auditorium should be crowded. Everyone must come early to get a seat, too, it has been announced, for it is expected the auditorium will be filled to capacity.

Professor Frederick H. Koch has been playing the part of old Ebenezer Scrooge, the celebrated sour puss, for 35 years. It has not affected his personality at all, because he counterbalances the bitterness of Scrooge with the cheeriness of Tiny Tim, the crippled child, whose shout "God Bless Us Every One" has ever been famous as a greeting at Christmas-time.

Dr. Koch takes all the parts in "A Christmas Carol." At one moment he is the cringing clerk afraid to ask for a day off on Christmas—the next moment he is the cheery nephew who won't let his warm Christmas spirit be upset—then Koch is an eerie ghost with quavery voice and scary mein—he acts the parts of several others too, and is best of all in the role of mean old Scrooge, the penny-pinching, hard-hearted, fun-hating, (Continued On Page Four)

NYA Area Workers Plan Year's Work

Spirited Meeting Held Tuesday In Hotel Joseph Hewes

Procedure for the ensuing year in furthering the cause of the National Youth Administration was discussed Tuesday at an area meeting in the Hotel Joseph Hewes. Fifteen workers in the cause were in attendance and entered heartily in the discussion which followed a lively address by P. S. Randolph, State director of the Finance Division, of Raleigh, and similar talks by District Supervisor R. Hugh Evans, of Kinston, and the eastern district consultant, Mrs. Glennes D. Weeks.

Discussions of the problems confronting them in the various counties were engaged in, too, by the County Supervisors, Miss Adelaide Tuttle, of Edenton, who has Chowan, Washington, Tyrrell, Martin and Bertie counties under her charge, and Mrs. J. G. Fearing, Mrs. Eva F. Maddy, Mrs. Jeannette Phelps, Mrs. Helen Daniels and Mrs. Gladys Carawan.

Jack Adams, Loraine Miller, Pauline Edwards and Elsie Minton, secretaries to the various supervisors, and Mrs. Ray Ashburn, also engaged in the talks.

Dixon Attending Historical Meetings

Richard D. Dixon will be in Raleigh today and Friday attending meetings of the N. C. Literary and Historical Association, of which he is vice president, and the recently organized N. C. Society of Preservation of Antiquities, of which he is a director. At the same time there will be meetings of the N. C. Art Society and Folk Lore Society, in which Mr. Dixon is also interested.

Mr. Dixon is especially interested in the restoration of the Edenton Tea Party House and will so voice his sentiments to his fellow members. He is accompanied by Mrs. Dixon.