

ot have to comment upon the ng to Eden- will i a program uncon fortable chairs used by jury-inther devel- men. This week Court Clerk Rich-, musical and ard D. Dixon, following authoriza-community." tion by the County Commissioners, rge cities are ordered 13 new chairs, 12 for the the great ora- jury box and one for the presiding rst time it will judge. Previously grand juries in in Edenton. It their report recommended more comrformance of this fortable chairs for the Court House e chorus and the and likewise the matter was several During these per-times discussed by the Commissionrus has sung be- ers, and each time the cost of the persons in Eastern chairs resulted in postponement of

the order.

To Collect Taxes **Special School Tax** Given \$50 Per Month

Plans Being Studied to Put School on Accredited List

**Speakers** 

assist the Lions and Rotarians in

Dr. F. H. Garriss, health officer,

spoke on child welfare, being intro-

duced by Mrs. James Wood, welfare

It was also reported that the asso-

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Stokely, Friday morning, a daughter, Ruth Jackson Stokely.

ciation now has 90 paid members.

for the dental clinic.

chairman.

P. T. A. Seeking To

**Call An Election For** 

Robert L. Pratt, one of Edenton's ight policemen, was attacked and painfully cut about the head Saturday night by Bruce Hines, colored farm hand. The Negro, upon com-plaint, was arrested by Pratt for being drunk and disorderly and while being escorted to jail the Negro asked Pratt, who was holding on to his overalls, for permission to pick up a cigarette which he no doubt intentionally dropped. Pratt consented,

Apprehended

enteritis and colitis, which fact is attributed largely to the activities and instructions given by Miss Ruby Lentz, public health nurse. Sue also to this phase of public health work is a major portion of credit given to the fact that during 1939 the infant death rate dropped to 80.9 per thousand as compared with 137 per thousand in 1938.

Dr. F. H. Garriss, health officer, appears well pleased with the 1939 report and in connection with the work desires to call special attention to an act passed by the General Assembly on April 3, 1939, to further

forts to secure a large men. some of the members Each chair will cost \$16, making a



it was decided to stage a supper at Ernest Lee's fill-on on Tuesday night, Janu-The affair is the result of

few were in attendance and remony is scheduled to take at next Monday night's meet-

### ist Group Vill Meet Monday

an's Missionary Society odist Church will meet ernoon, January 15th, at at the home of Mrs. T. very important business be discussed at this met-

At this month's meeting of the aduate of the West- Commissioners, however, it was College, Princeton, N. chout 2000 the County had saved member of the famous about \$250 by eliminating a grand member of the famous ir of 1934. He is a and due to this saving, the Commis-of Mrs. Wood Privott. Rotary and Lions Clubs more comfortable chairs for jury-

and the masterpiece ex-, total outlay of \$208. The chairs e opinion that every per- will be of swivel type, thus allowing enton and surrounding ter- more freedom on the part of jury-ould avail himself of the men to change their position when on ty to hear the masterpiece.' duty for long periods.

Elimination of the grand jury was recommended by Richard D. Dixon because only one case was docketed requiring grand jury action. Some protests were made by several attorneys, but Judge Nettles approved the disposed of by the defendant submitting to a charge of lesser degree. ed will undoubtedly add to the at tractiveness of the old building.

## londay night's Red Men Christmas Saving Club Will Close January 15 and if the Commissioners agreed to graph and a radio.

recontest recently closed affair is the result of e contest recently closed aside captained by J as group. The pig will officials, the Club will close on Janu-is group. The pig will affair is the result of e side captained by J and if the commissioners agreed to pay a percentage on back taxes which he collected it would have the appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why, if the is group. The pig will officials, the Club will close on Janu-the side captained by J and if the commissioners agreed to pay a percentage on back taxes which he collected it would have the appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why, if the is group. The pig will appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why, if the is group. The pig will appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why, if the is group. The pig will appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why, if the is group. The pig will appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why, if the is group. The pig will appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why, if the is group. The pig will appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why, if the is group. The pig will appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why if the is group. The pig will be appearance of paying him for not do-ing what he is paid to do. Then the guestion was also asked why if the is group to pay the pay t by the losing captain, ary 15, after which time no more on a percentage basis, he could not treasury of the club is in good con-to begin promptly at 6:30 already availing themselves of this rangement. ery popular plan of saving for the

holidays exceeds slightly the 1939 s necessary to postpone the holidays exceeds slightly the 1939 ion of officers for the Tribe membership, which was the largest day night. Due to the weath- since the plan was inaugurated by the local bank.

Ladies' Night

Ladies Night will be observed by the Edenton Rotary Club on Thursday night, Jenuary 18, at which Rotary Annes and teach-ers will be guess of the Rotar-

As a special in meeting will be the Edmund Harding, Ion, N. C., who is As a presence of Washing-

# SALARY TOO LOW **Commissioners** Balk at **Paying Commission On Back Taxes**

For First Six Months

**Of the Year** 

**Expense** Account

Following a recent meeting of the County Commissioners with Sheriff sioners at their meeting last Wedmonth as an expense account for the first six months in 1940 to help in collecting taxes.

Some question arose as to the special school tax for this district legal and moral right of the Com- sometime this spring. John A. action and the case in question was missioners to pay the Sheriff a cer. Holmes talked briefly on the special tain percentage of delinquent taxes | tax. collected, when it was originally the taxes he collected.

> At the meeting Wednesday the bringing out the fact that the Sher. the elementary grades' library as near the Habit store. iff is paid a salary to collect taxes well as dictionaries, prints, a phono-!

The discussion had the effect of \$427.02, and with expenditures bringing out th efact that the Sher- amounting to \$282.02, a balance reiff's salary isn't large mough for mains of \$145. A larger electric him to go to the extra expense of lunchroom kitchen. calling on delinquent taxpayers all The organization also argeed to over the county, and while the majority of the Commissioners agreed that the \$200 monthly salary isn't for the dental clinic. sufficent, the matter was disposed of by allowing the \$50 monthly expense account for the first six months of this year.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT Born to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Perry, Jr., of the Cannons Ferry section, on Saturday, January 6, a son. The youngster has been named Johnny Vaughan, in honor of Dr. Roland Vaughan, who officiated.

NAME COMMITTEE **Miss Hattie Parrott and** Dr. F. H. Garriss

and when the Negro arose he suddenly began slashing the officer with a knife.

close the wounds and but for the timely appearance of John and Hugh requires diphtheria immunization of Waff more serious consequences children, effective March 17, 1939, might have developed. John Waff and a physical examination before isnoticed the two tusseling and at once

With the lunchroom project com- went to the officer's aid, striking at became effective April 3, 1939. J. A. Bunch relative to delinquent pleted, the Edenton Parent-Teacher the mad colored man, who at once poll and personal property taxes for Association at Tuesday night's ran between the Sam Habit store January 1, 1940, follows: as far back as 1933, the Commis- meeting launched a movement to and the old Moore house to effect a place the elementary department of successful get-away. Despite a thornesday passed a motion by which the the school on the accredited list and ough combing of the town for a

Sheriff will be allowed \$50 per named C. D. Stewart, Mrs. Earl possible hiding place, the Negro has Goodwin, J. H. McMullan and W. D. not yet been apprehended. Pruden as a committee to study

So keen was the knife used by the plans looking to a possible vote on a Negro, who is a young man of scarcely more than 125 pounds, that the officer was not aware that he was cut as he was attempting to ef-

fectively use his black jack. Pratt Miss Hattie Parrott, of the State might have halted the fighting mad J. H. Holmes Now Sole The chairs are expected to arrive purpose to pay him 50% of the 1933, Department of Public Instruction, man by using a gun, but due to the in about two weeks and when install- to 1936 taxes and 25% of the 1937 pointed out to the 75 persons present crowd which had gathered he was and 1938 poll and personal property the need of standardizing the elemen- unwilling to shoot for fear some intary school. She explained that nocent bystander would be injured. around 500 books will be needed for, The affair occurred on Broad Street

> Pratt, discovering that he was cut, immediately went to the Powell Clinic to be treated, but is now able

#### MASONS MEET TONIGHT

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The regular communication Unanimity Lodge will be held night (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

**Off The Air** 

Radio fans may wonder why they could not get Edenton on their radios the past two Wednesdays. The answer is simple, for the Edenton broadcast was abandoned the last Wednesday in December.

Lack of advertising, which like a newspaper, is necessary to keep a radio station in operation, was the reason for the suspension. During the several weeks the Edenton studio was in operation local talent made up the programs, some of which re-ceived very favorable comment.

the prevention of syphilis in unborn children in North Carolina by requiring blood test examinations of Fifteen stitches were necessary to prospective mothers. This act was one of three passed, one of which and a physical examination before issuance of a license to marry which

The act which became effective

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**Owner of Old Depart**ment Store

Withdrawal on Friday of J. M. Vail from the J. H. Holmes Company partnership results in J. H. Holmes becoming sole owner of the concern. Mr. Vail sold his interest to Mr. Holmes Friday, and plans to devote his time to looking after his Broad Street property.

Mr. Vail had since 1907 been a partner in the J. H. Holmes Company which was composed of Mr. Holmes, Mr. Vail and Oscar Elliott. He had traveled practically most of the time in surrounding territory in the interest of the wholesale department of the concern. Before the partnership, Mr. Vail was associated with Vail and Lewis, which company preceded the Holmes Company.

A few months ago the partnersh was broken up when Oscar Ellio withdrew and is now operating the Elliott Company adjoining the Holmes' store.

### ATTEND FUNERAL HERE

J. E. Seay, R. K. Spry, Miss Jean Spry, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brite, Joe Green, Mrs. Barton Hague, W. E. Kirby, Stanley Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. Morris, all of Norfolk, Va., were in Edenton Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Seay.

cating that total receipts totaled