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Continuation Of Edenton Band Is Again Hanging In Balance As Fiscal Year Ends

Source of Director McCuller's Salary Very Uncertain

JOINT MEETING

Town Council Has No Promise of E. & W. Profits

That continuation of the Edenton High School Band again hangs in the balance is evident following a joint meeting of Town Council, the Board of Public Works and the City School Board held Tuesday afternoon in the Municipal Building. At that time Town Council was asked if an appropriation would be included in next year's budget for paying Director C. L. McCuller's salary.

Last year Mr. McCuller received \$1,500, of which amount the Town appropriated \$900 and the city school board \$600. The town's appropriation came from surplus profits of the E. & W. Department.

Under the law, the Town cannot legally appropriate any tax money for anything except town operating expenses, which makes it doubtful if the local library, Boy Scouts and a supplement to a high school coach's salary will realize any help from the town.

Heretofore, the E. & W. Department has been called upon for funds from accumulated profits, but according to Chairman Fred Wood, next year there will be no funds available for Town Council due to several costly improvements which include completion of the installation of town-owned electric meters, improving the power line to Chowan River bridge and adding a larger water line on Granville Street.

With this avenue of funds shut off, the only other method Town Council has of raising money is by taxation and funds so raised may not be used for other than town expenses.

When the Town made the \$900 appropriation last year it was generally understood that it would be for only one year and that the school would be able to take over the band director's salary. However, the school trustees were uncertain how much money they would have until the county unit presented its budget and the city unit could figure its per capita share.

Of course, the school trustees are anxious for the town to make an appropriation, while Town Councilmen generally want to shift the burden to the school.

Without making any headway, it was finally agreed to postpone further consideration of the matter until after Monday when the county school unit will present its budget to the County Commissioners and from which the city unit can figure approximately the amount they are entitled to on the per capita basis.

It was the unanimous opinion at the meeting that the band is a valuable asset to the town and that Mr. McCuller has done a splendid job, but no assurance whatever was forthcoming as to where his salary for next year will come from.

Merchants Called To Meet Tonight By President Campen

Matters of Importance Scheduled For Discussion

AT 8 O'CLOCK

Effort Under Way to Have Many Attend Convention

J. G. Campen, president of the Edenton Merchants Association, has called a special meeting of the entire membership to be held tonight (Thursday) in the Association's office. The meeting will get underway at 8 o'clock and every member has been notified and is expected to be present.

Matters of great importance are scheduled to be discussed, among which will be plans for a large representation at the annual convention of the North Carolina Merchants Association which convenes in Elizabeth City July 8 and 9. Mr. Campen is especially anxious to have a large delegation of Edenton's merchants attend the convention, and already quite a few have expressed the intention to be present for at least part of the convention.

An elaborate program has been arranged for the meeting, which includes plenty of entertainment, various important reports and addresses by O. A. Swaringen, president of the association; Dr. David R. Craig, president of the American Retail Federation; Governor Clyde R. Hoey; Edmund H. Harding, humorist-philosopher of Washington, N. C., and J. M. Broughton, Democratic nominee for Governor.

New Club Presidents



J. EDWIN BUFFLAP



GEDDES POTTER

Above is pictured Geddes Potter, who will be installed Monday night as president of the Edenton Lions Club, and J. Edwin Bufflap, who will be installed next Thursday as president of the Edenton Rotary Club. Potter succeeds Dr. W. S. Griffin, while Bufflap succeeds William (Spec) Jones.

Edenton Rotarians Again Placed In 189th N. C. District

Hertford, Manteo and Elizabeth City Also Affected

William Jones, president of the Edenton Rotary Club, informed members at last Thursday's meeting that the club, together with the Hertford, Elizabeth City and Manteo clubs, had been returned to the 189th Rotary district, effective July 1. For the past few years the four clubs have been part of the 187th district, which aside from the four North Carolina clubs, is composed entirely of Virginia clubs.

Edenton Rotarians, as well as those in the other towns affected, have for some time wanted to be returned to the North Carolina district and following petitions to Rotary International the change was brought about.

While nothing but highest praise can be accorded the Virginia Rotarians in their treatment of the North Carolinians while in their district and in attendance at various Rotary district meetings, the four North Carolina clubs felt that they had previously made many friends and contacts in the 189th district and solely for that reason desired a change.

Hocutt Stresses Sane Observance Of Fourth Of July

Appeals For "Holiday Instead of a Horror Day"

A plea to the people of North Carolina to make the Fourth of July this year a "holiday instead of a horror day" has been made by Ronald Hocutt, Director of the Highway Safety Division.

Pointing out that nine people were killed on North Carolina streets and highways over the Fourth of July week-end last year, Hocutt said: "Each year America chooses the Fourth of July to stage a jamboree of carelessness. This mass slaughter on Independence Day can be stopped if every one of us uses caution and common sense. The things that cause these tragedies are things we can control—haste, selfishness, thoughtlessness, the desire to show off. I call upon the people of North Carolina to join in a new Declaration of Independence—independence from annual tribute of many lives needlessly sacrificed.

"Life is cheap today on the battlefield of Europe, but it is still precious in North Carolina. To all who next week plan holiday trips to the mountains, to the beaches or elsewhere, the Highway Safety Division addresses this safety plea: Put safety first on the Fourth."

J. W. Jarvis Named Red Men Sachem

New Officers Will Be Installed Next Monday Night

At a meeting of Chowan Tribe, No. 12, Improved Order of Red Men held Monday night, officers for the next six-months term were elected. Those chosen were: Prophet, Lloyd C. Bunch; sachem, J. W. Jarvis; senior sagamore, C. H. Barber; junior sagamore, Ernest White.

These new officers will be installed at next Monday night's meeting, with J. Edwin Bufflap, tribal deputy great sachem, presiding. A special request has been made by the new sachem that as many members as possible attend.

Band Begins Series Of Summer Concerts

If weather permits, the Edenton High School Band will on Thursday night begin a series of outdoor concerts on the Court House green. The concert is scheduled to begin at 8 o'clock.

Director C. L. McCuller is also planning to secure bands in neighboring towns to come to Edenton during the summer to assist in the concerts.

TEACHER TAKES NEW POST

Miss Maude Battle, for the past year teacher of home economics in the Creswell High School, has accepted a position in the Robersonville High School. Her work in the Creswell school has been highly satisfactory and it is with regret that her students and the patrons of the school see her leave. Her successor has not yet been selected.

1940 Census Figures Give Chowan County Population 2,312 Over 1930 Census

Chowan's Red Cross Goal For War Relief Is Being Approached

\$394 Turned Over to Mrs. Pruden Up to Wednesday GRAVE NEED

Canvassers Now Calling Upon Citizens For Contributions

With canvassers at work, Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Chowan County Red Cross Chapter chairman, reports that the county's minimum goal is gradually being approached. Though the report of the canvassers is far from complete, Mrs. Pruden on Wednesday morning had a total of \$397.44.

The need for this war relief fund is great, and in view of this fact Mrs. Pruden feels confident Chowan County will not fall short of what is expected of it.

Latest contributors to the fund are: American Legion Auxiliary, \$5.00; Byrds Club, \$5.00; Beech Fork Club, \$2.00; Mrs. Thomas Chears, E. W. Spires, Ernest White, W. D. Pruden, Mrs. Herbert Leary, Mr. and Mrs. Julien Wood, Mrs. J. Alvah Bunch, W. M. Bond, Jr., John W. Graham, Mrs. John Satterfield, Mrs. Junius Davis, Dr. L. P. Williams, Mrs. H. C. Privott, Mrs. J. A. Wiggins, S. W. Taylor, Mrs. Robert Bunch, Mrs. J. H. Wroten, Mrs. W. A. Mills, Mrs. E. W. Mason, Mrs. Lee Spruill, Mrs. T. C. Cross, J. Bunch, Mrs. G. L. Asbell, Willie Bunch, J. H. Haskett, Mr. Keeter, Mr. Cavanaugh, Mrs. Russell Cobb, Mrs. J. H. Dempsey, Mrs. H. F. Crummy, Freda Habit, Skinner White, Mrs. Davis, Blue Bird Grill, Sam Habit, Mr. Chestnut, Josephine Eldridge, John Richard White, Ed Parker, Mr. Snyder, Mrs. T. B. Williford, Miss Estelle Privott, Mrs. A. T. Spivey, Ed Habit, Joe Habit, W. I. Cozzens, Skinner White, Dorothy Holmes, W. D. Holmes, Jr., E. C. Alexander, La Montagne, Mr. Waylow, Mrs. Simpson, Mrs. Meigs, Mrs. J. H. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Harrell, Mrs. E. A. Swain, Rev. E. L. Wells, Hector Lupton, O. M. Elliott, Mrs. C. N. Griffin, Mrs. X. Copeland, Miss Mary Lee Copeland, Mrs. Lillie V. Bond, Mrs. E. R. Mariner, Miss Sallie Jones, Mrs. R. F. Chesshire, Mrs. Lloyd Burton, Mrs. M. S. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bachman, Mrs. Rodney Byrum, Mrs. O. B. Perry.

Preliminary Count Lists 11,569 Inhabitants In County

9,257 IN 1930

Supervisor Lupton Says Figures Subject to Correction

According to the sixteenth census, recently completed, Chowan County's population is 11,569, which shows an increase over the 1930 figure of 2,312, when the county's population was listed at 9,257. The 1940 figure was released this week by Denton W. Lupton, supervisor of the census for this district, in Washington, N. C.

Mr. Lupton says the 1940 figure is the result of a preliminary count of the returns of the census taken April 1, and that they are subject to correction.

The latest figure comes as sort of a pleasant surprise, the general impression having prevailed that the county's population was about 10,000.

"The Lost Colony" Opens Its Fourth Season Saturday

Outstanding Pageant to Be Presented Until September 2

The fourth summer season of Paul Green's magnificent historical drama "The Lost Colony", opening at the huge Waterside Theatre, Roanoke Island, June 29th, will inaugurate the 353rd anniversary celebrations of the founding of the Roanoke Island colonies and the birth of Virginia Dare—first English child born on American soil.

This year's cast of 200 actors, singers and dancers will be composed mostly of natives of Roanoke Island, with a Lost Colony Chorus of thirty from the Westminster Choir College. The entire production is under the direction of Samuel Selden, who has headed the Lost Colony forces for the past three years. He is assisted by a group of directors from the Carolina Playmakers.

"The Lost Colony" will be presented nightly from June 29th through July 7th. Afterwards it will be offered every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings, with the show starting at 8:15 o'clock. With more than a quarter million persons having seen it during the past three years, inquiries indicate that 100,000 will make a pilgrimage to this birthplace of the nation before the 4th season closes September 2nd, 1940.

Visitors to Roanoke Island will find, in addition to "The Lost Colony", countless other historic shrines. Across the sound is Wright Memorial—Birthplace of Aviation. At Fort Raleigh one will find a restoration of a 16th century village in the thatched roof, rough-hewn juniper log tradition of pre-colonial America. Fort Raleigh Museum has a unique collection of Americana, with drawings, maps, Indian relics.

"The Lost Colony" is sponsored by the Roanoke Island Historical Association as a non-commercial venture, with State Senator D. Bradford Fearns as president. Paul Green wrote the drama gratis and solely for presentation on Roanoke Island by the natives as an epic drama at the birthplace of the nation. All gate receipts are used to improve the production and the Roanoke Island site as a memorial to the first American pioneers.

H. A. Campen Succeeds W. D. Holmes On Boy Scout Troop Committee

At last week's Rotary meeting H. A. Campen was appointed as a member of the Boy Scout Troop Committee. Mr. Campen succeeds W. D. Holmes, who had served in this capacity as a Rotary club representative for several years.

Mr. Campen, one of the first Scoutmasters in Edenton, is expected to add materially to the interest and efficiency of the Troop Committee.

Red Men Lead In Soft Ball League

Deadlock Is Broken By Close Game Friday Night

During the week the Red Men climbed into first place in the city soft ball league, after being tied with the Lions. The change came about as the result of a win by the Red Skins over the Lions Friday night in a hard-fought game.

The Masons-Rotarians were shoved further into the cellar when on Monday night few of the players were on hand and the Lions won a one-sided contest. Tuesday night's game between the Red Men and Masons-Rotarians was rained out.

THE STANDING

	W	L	Pct.
Red Men	5	3	.625
Lions	5	4	.565
Masons-Rotarians	2	5	.285

MASONS MEET TONIGHT

The regular communication of Unanimity Lodge A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

Two New Teachers At Edenton School

Grady Love and Laura Love Mayo Fill Two Vacancies

John A. Holmes, superintendent of Edenton schools, on Wednesday announced the selection of two new teachers for the local school, which fills vacancies caused by the resignation of Thompson Greenwood and Mrs. James Speight.

Grady E. Love, who for the past three years taught at Merry Hill, will succeed Mr. Greenwood. He will teach history, Mrs. Ep Debnam taking over French which was taught by Mr. Greenwood. Mr. Love will also act as head basketball coach. He is well-known here, having officiated at many local games.

Miss Laura Love Mayo, of Hockessin, N. C., will teach the commercial course, succeeding Mrs. Speight. Miss Mayo is a recent graduate of Woman's College of the University of North Carolina.

While a successor to David Holton as football coach has narrowed down to two prospects, Mr. Holmes on Wednesday afternoon said no decision had been made.

S. S. Classes Stage Sandwich Supper At Eden House Tonight

Members of the Young Men's Bible Class of the Baptist Church, of which Lloyd Griffin is teacher, and Mrs. C. T. Hollowell's class will stage a joint sandwich supper tonight (Thursday) at Eden House Beach. The affair is scheduled to begin at 7:30 o'clock and all members of both classes are urged to attend.

Band To Play In Belhaven July 4th

C. L. McCuller, director of the Edenton Band, has accepted an invitation for the local band to participate in the Water Festival to be held in Belhaven on the Fourth of July. The band members will go in private cars, which will leave Edenton at 7 o'clock next Thursday morning.