

New Roof Being Put On Chowan's Old Court House

Shingles Have Been on Building Since Erection In 1767

IN GOOD SHAPE

Idea Is Advanced to Sell Old Shingles as Souvenirs

Workmen on Monday began removing the roof from Chowan's ancient Court House, which will be replaced by Mohawk asbestos shingles of the type used in the restoration work in Williamsburg. The work is being done by Martin & Company of Richmond, Va., at a cost of about \$1,500.

For several years the idea of putting a new roof on the building has been discussed by the County Commissioners and just recently an estimate of costly repairs spurred a committee into action which resulted in a contract for the new roof. This committee was composed of D. M. Warren, A. C. Boyce and Richard D. Dixon.

The old shingles being removed from underneath the tin roof were placed there when the building was erected in 1767, and many are in splendid state of preservation. They range from 22 to 24 inches in length. They served as an adequate covering until 1835, when according to records in Mr. Dixon's office, a copper roof was placed over the shingles by a crew of men sent from New York at a cost of \$1,650. This copper roof lasted until about 30 years ago when it was torn off and replaced by the present tin roof.

The new roof will add considerably to the appearance of the building which has recently been improved both inside and out. Even the old Masonic lodge room on the second floor is taking on a new appearance. New officers' steps have been built, the safe and the George Washington chair have been inserted in the wall of the lodge, Venetian blinds have been put in place and an entire set of new furniture and new floor covering has been purchased.

Because of the age of the shingles and their connection with one of Edenton's most prized historical buildings, it has been suggested that the best of the shingles should be salvaged and sold as souvenirs. The idea as suggested by Richard Dixon calls for burning into the wood just a few words of identification and that some organization such as the Edenton Band or Boy Scouts sell the souvenirs to the many tourists who visit here annually. Several of the shingles will also, no doubt, be placed in the local museum properly marked.

The new roof is expected to be completed in two or three weeks.

Norfolk Red Men Visit Local Tribe

Members of Chowan Tribe of Red Men were agreeably surprised Monday night when about a dozen Norfolk Red Men paid the local tribe a visit. Most of the visitors were from Massoit Tribe and included tribal officers, several past Great Sachems of Virginia and the present Great Chief of Records and Great Junior Sagamore.

Though the local lodge room was very hot, a splendid time was enjoyed by the visitors, after which they were taken to the Triangle for refreshments.

FIREMEN MEET TONIGHT

Members of the Edenton Fire Department are urged to attend a meeting at the fire station tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. This is the regular July meeting, which was called off July 4 on account of the holiday.

ATTEND EXPOSITION

Cherry Briggs, nephew of Mrs. W. J. Daniels, and Miss Bobby Matthews, daughter of Lieutenant Francis Matthews of the United States Navy, attended the California Golden Gate Exposition Monday. They had been visiting Miss Zena Maris of Smith River, Calif. Miss Matthews resides in Berkeley, Calif.

BIRTH AND DEATH

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Jones, of Norfolk, Va., at Leigh Memorial Hospital, on Friday, July 19, a son. The baby lived only a short time. Mrs. Jones will be remembered as Miss Margarita Ward, of Center Hill.

Recruits Wanted

Fire Chief R. K. Hall has issued a call for four recruits for the Fire Department to serve while the local Ambulance Company is expected to be in camp early in August.

Four firemen will be affected when the National Guard goes into training, and while he hopes there will be no need for men to take their place, still he wants to be prepared in event the men are needed. Applicants should see Mr. Hall at once.

Lions Losing Grip On Soft Ball Lead

Leaders Drop Two Contests During Past Week

Losing two games during the week materially reduced the Edenton Lions Club lead in the soft ball league, the leaders dropping a game each to the Red Men and Masons-Rotarians. The Red Men are now in striking distance of the lead, only half a game separating the two clubs.

In a very interesting game Friday night the Red Men won from the Lions in one of the best played games of the season. The two teams were tied at the last inning, when taking advantage of two errors and two timely hits, the Red Men scored four runs to win the game.

On Monday night the Masons-Rotarians took advantage of a slow start by the Lions and won their fourth game of the season by a score of 11 to 7. Tuesday night's game was rained out. August 16 is the last scheduled game, but to date there are eight rained-out games to be played.

STANDING OF CLUBS

	W	L	Pct.
Lions	9	6	.600
Red Men	8	6	.571
Masons-Rotarians	4	9	.307

Another Card Of Wrestling - Boxing To Be Held Aug. 2

Small Crowd Attends Interesting Affair Last Week

Despite the fact that a very small crowd was on hand last Thursday night at the baseball park to witness the boxing and wrestling matches staged by Chowan Tribe of Red Men, another show is being arranged for Friday night, August 2. Though the program has not yet been completed, Raleigh Hollowell, who is making arrangements, said that Eddie Pope, whose performance last week was much to the liking of fans, will tackle Roughhouse Tuggle of Atlanta. These two were scheduled to meet last week, but a change was made in order to allow Pope an opportunity to wrestle Eddie Blake, light heavyweight champion of Virginia.

Pope denies that he ran out on Roughhouse Tuggle last week as was rumored, but that a mistake was made in the contract. Though Tuggle is the heavier of the two men, Pope is taking on Tuggle by request and is very anxious to enter the fray to prove that he did not run out last week. The match will be the best out of three falls with a 90-minute time limit. The match should be filled with action and following last week's show a much larger crowd is expected to attend. Tickets will be on sale late this week at both Leggett & Davis and Mitchener's drug stores.

Last Thursday Pope won over Eddie Blake of Hopewell, in a match which thrilled the fans on hand, while Roughhouse Tuggle won a decision over Joe Kirkland of Baltimore. Another action-filled event was the boxing match between Spencer Adams of Colerain and Jack Thomas of Norfolk. The two boys were evenly matched and the bout resulted in a draw.

In the preliminaries, Monk Hollowell won a decision over Richard Mizelle in three rounds of boxing, and Hambone Griffin won a decision over Harry Lee Sprull.

The event, though much enjoyed by the fans, resulted in a financial loss to the Red Men.

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.

Chowan Tobacco Growers Joined In Big Quota Majority

Almost Unanimous In Favor of Three-Year Program

100 VOTES

E. Y. Floyd Urges Production of More Food Crops

Though only an even hundred of the 185 tobacco growers in Chowan County eligible to vote in Saturday's referendum to decide tobacco control measures cast a ballot, the county joined with the remainder of the flue-cured tobacco belt in overwhelmingly favoring control on a three-year basis. Chowan County was almost unanimous, only one vote being cast for no control and four votes going in favor of a one-year quota.

In the State growers cast a vote almost 90 per cent in favor of the three-year quota, the measure requiring only two-thirds majority to become effective.

AAA officials were well pleased with the result of the vote and considered it not only as a vote of confidence for the Triple-A program, but as a move to avert a decline in prices in the face of an unprecedented tobacco surplus and collapse of foreign trade as a result of war conditions.

Individual acreage allotments will be made each of the years of 1941, 1942 and 1943, and all poundage produced within the acreage will be sold without penalty. Tobacco sold from acreage in excess of allotments will pay a marketing penalty of 10 cents a pound.

By extending control to cover production in 1941, 1942 and 1943, tobacco growers accepted government assurance that the price for 1940 tobacco will be stabilized in spite of surpluses and war effects.

J. B. Hutson, assistant AAA administrator, assured the growers throughout the belt that under three-year control the government will make the necessary purchases of surplus tobacco to keep Fall prices at the 14.9 average received last year.

North Carolina's current crop is estimated at 458,540,000 pounds, which would yield a gross income of (Continued on Page Five)

Interest Is Aroused In Improvement Of Rural Mail Boxes

Chowan Patrons Already Making Improvements

Though rural mail box improvement week will not be observed until the week of August 1, it is gratifying to note that many patrons of the rural service have already started to improve their mail boxes. This encourages the belief that a fine spirit of cooperation will be extended by the box-holders in Chowan County.

It is the desire of the Post Office Department that every patron make some effort to improve his or her mail box. Many things can be done to improve the boxes that are inadequate or not properly erected. The rural carriers are prepared to advise what to do to make a creditable improvement on your box.

The patrons of the rural service are provided with the same postal facilities as the city patron living within a block of the Post Office. Therefore, it is believed that they will welcome the opportunity to express their appreciation for this service by giving 100 per cent cooperation in this effort to improve the boxes on their respective rural routes.

The Chowan Woman's Club, headed by Mrs. E. L. Winslow, has made splendid strides along the line of civic improvements in this county, and Postmaster Kramer is pleased to have the cooperation of this splendid organization. Miss Rebecca Colwell, home demonstration agent, too, is lending her influence by bringing the matter to the attention of the clubs under her jurisdiction.

Rural Carrier Jim Daniels reported to Mr. Kramer Tuesday that at least one mail box on his route has been so improved that it will compare favorably with any mail box in the State.

Wade Marr Drafted Director Of Greater Albemarle Group

Accepts Post at Called Meeting of Directors Monday Night

DUES NOW \$2.00

Says Members Must First Be "Sold" On Albemarle

At a meeting of directors of the Greater Albemarle Association held Monday night in Elizabeth City, Wade Marr was appointed as executive director of the association with the powers of secretary. He succeeds the late W. O. Saunders, who met his untimely death several months ago. The meeting was held following a banquet at Virginia Dare Hotel and was presided over by the president, P. D. Midgett, of Englehard.

Mr. Marr was virtually drafted into the position and accepted only until January 1 of next year. He will serve only as part time secretary and consented to do this only after it was agreed by the chapters in the various counties to wage a membership drive and to be responsible for the collection of dues. He has other duties which he cannot neglect and made it clear that he was not seeking the job, but because of the vigorous persuasion on the part of the directors and his interest in the Albemarle, which he said is the best section of the State, he agreed to use his efforts and influence to bring about the aims and objects of the association. He made it clear, however, that it would be necessary to have the full cooperation of the various chapters if the desired results are to be realized. He limited his term of office to January 1, at which time he said it should be apparent if enough members sign up in the Albemarle's eleven counties to make the association a potent factor in the development of the region.

"The Albemarle has more opportunities than any other section of the State for development," said Mr. Marr, "but has the least organized and effective method to sell the region." Carrying out this thought, he emphasized the fact that if the association (Continued On Page Five)

Holland Presides Today At Wenona Field Day Program

Principal Address Will Be Made By Dr. Frank Graham

Many rural men and women from this section are expected to attend the 15th annual Farmers' Field Day at Blackland Test Farm at Wenona in Beaufort County today (Thursday). The principal speaker for the affair will be Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the University of North Carolina.

This annual event is sponsored by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture cooperating with the Agricultural Experiment Station and the United States Department of Agriculture and features diversification of the farm and agricultural research. J. L. Rea, Jr., assistant director in charge of the station at Wenona, has handled most of the arrangements for the event.

R. C. Holland, President of the Peanut Stabilization Cooperative, will be chairman for the day. He will be introduced by F. E. Miller, director of the test farms division, State Department of Agriculture.

Dr. Graham will be introduced by Commissioner of Agriculture Scott.

A ladies' program will be presented in the afternoon under the supervision of Mrs. Frances Darden, Washington County home agent, with Miss Pauline Gordon, State College specialist in Home Management and House Furnishings, and Mrs. Effie Vines Gordon, Nash County home agent, as speakers.

Features of the Field Day will also include exhibits on tobacco judging, egg grading, livestock, agronomy and farm machinery. Tours of the experimental place will be conducted under the supervision of J. L. Rea, Jr., assistant director in charge of the farm.

Music and contests will be among the entertainment features.

Get Your License!

State combination hunting and fishing licenses for the year 1940-1941 have arrived in Chowan County and are now on sale, according to Game Warden J. G. Perry. The new licenses go into effect August 1 and must be displayed after that date.

The combination license, for use in hunting or fishing in counties other than Chowan by Chowan residents, cost \$3.10 and Mr. Perry urges compliance with the law in this respect.

W. B. Gaylord New Sanitary Inspector

Succeeds K. L. Jones And P. O. Brigham, Former Inspectors

W. B. Gaylord, of Williamston, has been appointed by the State Board of Health as sanitary inspector for the Bertie-Chowan Health District. Mr. Gaylord succeeds K. L. Jones, former inspector, and P. O. Bringham, who had been acting in a temporary capacity.

Mr. Gaylord has been connected with the State organization for about three years, having worked in Columbus and Union counties before coming to Edenton.

Loading Of Melons Started On Tuesday At County Dock

12 Boats Now In Edenton Harbor To Carry Off Crop

Though 12 boats are in the Edenton harbor, some having arrived almost two weeks ago, loading of watermelons began only on Tuesday. The crop, due to a late spring, is about two weeks later than usual this year, and while some growers report a short crop, the greater portion claim a good yield.

Favorable weather conditions have resulted in melons of good size and the taste is also up to the reputation of Chowan County melons.

Boat shipments will undoubtedly pass last year's number when a small crop was raised, but will hardly reach the 1932 mark when 56 boats left the Edenton harbor. This drop in boat loadings is no doubt responsible to many watermelons being handled by trucks.

Adelaide Tuttle Will Attend NYA Meeting To Be Held In Kinston

Miss Adelaide Tuttle, NYA district supervisor, will attend a three-day meeting in Kinston starting July 29. The conference has been arranged so that problems which have been faced during the past year can be discussed and suggestions considered.

Miss Tuttle's office has been moved from her home to the Nejam building where she can be seen between the hours of 8:30 and 4:30. Tyrrell County has been removed from Miss Tuttle's district and has been turned over to Mrs. R. B. Dunning, of Williamston, and instead Miss Tuttle will have charge of Perquimans County, formerly under Mrs. Mary Fearing.

Rotary Governor To Visit Edenton Club Thursday, August 22

W. Carter Darrow, of Tarboro, governor of the 189th Rotary District, of which Edenton is a part, has released his schedule for official visits to the clubs in his district. According to his itinerary, he will visit the Edenton Rotary Club Thursday, August 22. The visit coincides with the regular meeting and aside from speaking to the club as a whole he will discuss Rotary activities with the aims and objects committee prior to the meeting.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Myers, of Enfield, announce the birth of a son, Simon, on Saturday, July 20th. Mrs. Myers is the former Miss Fannie Hobowsky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Hobowsky, of Edenton.

Two Edenton Boys Are Selected For Try At Annapolis

Billy Shepard Named as Principal By Representative Warren

EXAMS NEXT APRIL

Durwood Harrell Chosen as First Alternate For Honor

Representative Lindsay Warren on Monday announced the appointment of William Blount Shepard, Jr., of Edenton, as principal and Durwood Evans Harrell, of Edenton, as first alternate to Annapolis. The examination will be held next April and the successful candidate will enter in June.

Shepard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Shepard, and Harrell is the son of T. L. Harrell. Both are graduates of Edenton High School, where they were outstanding athletes. Last year they attended Porter Military Academy and were members of the football team there.

Representative Warren also announced the appointment to West Point of Burns DuBose Simpson of Greenville, as principal; and Robert Earl James, Jr., of Bethel, as first alternate, and Leslie Edwards Babcock, Jr., of Greenville, as second alternate. The examination will be held in March and the successful candidate will enter in July.

J. A. Moore Speaker At Rotary Meeting

New President Names Chairman of Various Committees

At today's Rotary meeting the program will be in charge of J. A. Moore. The meeting will be presided over by C. D. Stewart, vice president, due to the fact that Secretary John A. Holmes and President J. Edwin Buflap will be at Atlantic Beach attending the Rotary Assembly of the 189th district.

At last week's meeting, organization for the year was effected when the new president named the various committee chairmen, and presented information regarding the respective duties of each. The various committee chairmen are:

Club Service, C. E. Kramer. Vocational Service, J. G. Campen. Community Service, Wood Privott. International Service, Charles D. Stewart.

Program, C. L. McCullers. Classification, John Graham. Fellowship and Attendance, C. H. Wood.

Rotary Information, John A. Holmes.

Boys' Work, Jesse White. Rural-Urban, N. K. Rowell. Crippled Children, Wm. Perkins. Student Loan, Dave Holton.

The aims and objects committee is composed of the president, C. E. Kramer, J. G. Campen, C. D. Stewart and Wood Privott.

Retiring President William Jones has been appointed sergeant-at-arms, a position long filled by the late W. D. Holmes, and will have as his assistant Charles P. Wales, Jr.

C. D. Stewart is vice president; John A. Holmes, secretary and treasurer, while the new directors are Earl Goodwin, C. L. McCullers, J. G. Campen, John Graham and William Jones.

At last week's meeting the Rotarians were treated to a splendid address by Dr. Charlis Lancaster of Windsor, who spoke upon one of his hobbies—astronomy. During his remarks he told of the relative size and distance of various heavenly bodies as compared to the earth as well as other data which claimed the undivided attention of his hearers.

Red Cross Refugee Fund Now \$565.91

Contributions continue to trickle in for the Red Cross European refugee fund, which has now mounted to \$565.91. The quota for the county was \$500.

Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Chowan County chapter chairman, reported two more contributions to the fund this week, these being Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kramer and the Enterprise Home Demonstration Club.