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Defense Begins At Home, Home Agent Tells Club Women

Miss Pauline Smith Is Speaker at Federation Meeting

PRIZES AWARDED

Chowan Club Winner of Prize for Most Work Accomplished

Home Demonstration Clubs of Chowan County held their Federation meeting Wednesday in the auditorium of Chowan High School with Mrs. M. L. Hoffer, vice president, presiding in the absence of the president, Mrs. T. L. Ward, who was called home on account of the death of her father. The meeting was opened by singing "America" followed by the invocation by the Rev. J. T. Byrum. Mr. H. D. Epling, principal of Chowan High School, extended a hearty welcome to all present. Visitors were recognized by the president, after which Mrs. S. E. Morris, acting secretary, called the roll and read minutes of the last meeting. Special music by Mrs. Gordon Blow, Miss Louise Wilson and Miss May Belle Edwards was enjoyed by all.

Interesting reports were given by the clubs, after which Mrs. O. M. Blanchard introduced the speaker, Miss Pauline Smith. Miss Smith stressed the following points: The importance of the food supply in the defense program; That defense begins at home; The club women should help provide sufficient food and feed for home use and assist in every way they can with this work. She encouraged cooperation in the home, and family councils for parents and all children who are old enough to participate; adding that parents should make a special effort to make their homes attractive and pleasant so the young people may enjoy them.

After singing "God Bless America" and repeating "The American's Creed" a delicious luncheon was served by the Chowan Woman's Club members.

The meeting in the afternoon began with singing "We Believe in Our State." Miss Colwell presented attendance certificates for one year to the following club members:

Beech Fork Club—Mrs. G. H. Privott, Mrs. Paul Ober, Mrs. W. H. Saunders, Mrs. M. L. Hoffer.
Byrd Club—Mrs. S. E. Morris.
Center Hill—Mrs. T. E. Chappell.
Chowan Club—Mrs. E. L. Winslow, Mrs. Ernest Privott.
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Local Merchants Begin Drive For Boost In Business

Campaign Will Be In Progress Up Until Christmas

At a meeting of the Edenton Merchants Association Monday night final plans were completed for the big distribution of money prizes to run weekly up to Christmas Day. The awards, made naturally to stimulate trade during the pre-holiday season, will total around \$1,000, and the first prize distribution will be by drawing at 3:30 p. m., next Thursday, on Main Street, probably in the same locality as last year.

An Association advertisement elsewhere makes reference to the details in conjunction with the award campaign, but it bears repetition that everyone making purchases during December in any of the Association stores, and who registers at the place of purchase in order to be eligible, will be given a coupon the duplicate of which, of course, will be included among the many hundreds of others in the weekly drawing.

It is the purpose of the Association to have the drawings every Thursday afternoon up to Christmas day, and the lucky person, who must be present when his name and number are called, stands a chance of walking away with a substantial prize. Last year the same type of campaign was entered in to, but the campaign ran over a three-month period. This year, again the prizes made the campaign very attractive, and the Association is hopeful and confident that pre-holiday business will take a great boost by reason of

Santa Again

Fire Chief R. K. Hall will again play the role of Santa Claus by repairing and painting discarded toys to be given to unfortunate children. Though not properly equipped to do this work, Mr. Hall could not refrain from again aiding in making youngsters happy when he overheard several the other day refer to him as Santa Claus.

Mr. Hall will begin this work next Monday and any who have discarded toys to be worked on should take them to him at the fire station immediately.

Edenton Aces Tie New Bern 6 To 6 In Closing Game

Local Boys Play Their Best Game of Entire Season

A THRILLER

Noah Goodwin Hero of Game; Tom Shepard Defensive Star

Decidedly the underdog so far as comparative scores are concerned and size of the boys, Edenton High School's football team closed its 1940 season last Friday afternoon in a blaze of glory. For while advance dope figured New Bern High would defeat Edenton by from two to four touchdowns, an inspired Edenton team was able to turn in a 6-6 tie to wind up the season with three victories, five defeats and one tie game.

Each member of the Edenton team turned in his best performance of the year, but really Noah Goodwin can rightly be given credit for saving the day. It was Goodwin who in the third quarter snagged a pass thrown by George Alma Byrum from the New Bern 45-yard line and with splendid blocking scampered like a breeze along the side line to score a touchdown and knot the score at 6-6.

It was also Goodwin, who near the end of the game, outran and pulled down New Bern's Brown, who was heading in a clear field for a touchdown. In this quarter Edenton was threatening to score after Goodwin made three successive first downs on sweeping end runs, carrying the ball to New Bern's 15-yard line. At that point George Alma Byrum picked up five yards on a line break but fumbled and recovered on the next play. On the following play Brown intercepted Byrum's pass and ran 68 yards before he was overtaken by Goodwin, thus preventing another touchdown.

As stated, the entire team played a splendid game, but on the defense little Tom Shepard was easily the most outstanding. Playing guard, this little chap time and again, especially in the first half, tore through the line to break up many plays before they got under way. Rogerson also contributed his share to stave off defeat by kicking better than in any game this season. Ashley and Smithson at ends did a splendid job, while Habit at tackle, gave a splendid account of himself. Gardner at guard gave a fine exhibition and Cates at center turned in his usual consistent game. George Alma Byrum, Forehand and Parks, aside from giving able assistance to Goodwin on his dashes for gains, played a steady game. Ike Byrum, Bass and Edwards were called in and they also played a fine game.

New Bern scored early in the second quarter. At the end of the first quarter they were bidding for a score after carrying the ball to Edenton's 10-yard line. At this point the Edenton line formed a veritable brick wall and in four tries the visitors gained only six yards. From that point Rogerson kicked out to his own 28. Then New Bern began to click and by completing a pass followed by drives by Meadows and Fulcher, Warrenton broke through for a touch down.

The visitors again threatened in the final period, but because of holding they were penalized several times, thus shattering their chances to win against a light but fighting team which was determined to shake off a defeat if at all possible.

It was the last game of the season, and without a doubt the most exciting and best-played, but only a handful of fans was on hand to witness it.

Protect your home from tuberculosis—Buy Christmas Seals.

Where Lights Burn

If in these parlous times man's inhumanity to man has made the people of this little city forget that the season is approaching when carolers chant the old message of peace on earth, good will to men, Edenton merchants are reminding them of it in delightful fashion, for it will soon be that their stores will have their formal Christmas openings.

Already the work of decorating the streets has been completed. Again novel effects have been worked out in the street lighting to add a gayer note to Santa's coming arrival.

From the very moment the first wreath goes up or the first figure of old Kris begins to appear in shop windows, there is a contagion in the very air. Even the most hard-boiled oldster begins to feel a little stirring of excitement around his heart as the gay shop windows and festive decorations bring thoughts of other Christmases when he was very young and the Christmas spirit was so real that he felt he could reach out and touch it.

We are abundantly blessed. Our shops will wear their decorations like a Christmas tree, and will not be disturbed. No hideous hole will be made in plate glass windows by falling bombs. Lights will wink merrily through the frosty nights undimmed by blackouts. When we consider what it would mean to Londoners to have just one of our street lights burning all night, we may appreciate more fully our gay "white way."

May we all look forward to a Merry Christmas!

Contributions Lag For Stocking Fund

Only One Donation Up To Tuesday of This Week

Though money is needed for the Stocking Fund with which to purchase presents, candy, nuts and fruits for unfortunate children in Edenton to be presented on Christmas eve, Miss Louise Coke reports that up to Tuesday of this week only one contribution had been made. This is no small undertaking and involves considerable work on the part of Miss Coke and Mrs. O. M. Elliott, sponsors of the fund, which can be greatly lessened if those in sympathy with the cause will make their contributions at once.

There will be a list of about 100 children who will be remembered if sufficient funds are forthcoming, but it causes a hardship on these ladies to appropriate an amount for each child and do the buying at the last minute. They are doing this work solely for the joy they get out of making little children happy, and will greatly appreciate contributions at once.

Firecrackers Cause Of Fire At Scout Cabin

Fire at the Boy Scout cabin near the Armory last Friday night had the town pretty well excited for a while as it was feared the attractive little structure might be destroyed. The apprehension was needless, however, as the blaze was confined to several army tents stacked on the back porch, which were destroyed before the firemen could reach the scene.

The trouble was caused by a number of rascal pranksters who tried to toss lighted firecrackers into the cabin during a session of the Scouts. The firecrackers missed their intended mark, but did land among the tents, and the consequent result was obvious.

Cotton Ginning In County Mounting

More Than Third More Ginned to Date Than Last Year

More than three times as much cotton has been ginned in Chowan County prior to November 14, than at the same time last year. This information is revealed by the census report of F. W. Hobbs, special agent for the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

According to Mr. Hobbs, 2,857 bales of cotton were ginned in the county from the crop of 1940 prior to November 14, as compared with 765 bales from the 1939 crop.

Thanksgiving Holiday For Local Rotarians

Edenton Rotarians will not meet Thursday as usual due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Due to the inter-city meeting at Robersonville last Thursday night, the local club has missed two regular meetings. However, regular meetings will be resumed next Thursday at 1 o'clock.

Two Edenton Men At Press Meeting

Hector Lupton and J. Edwin Buf-flap will leave early Saturday morning for Durham, where they will attend a meeting of the executive committee of the North Carolina Press Association. The meeting will begin at 10:30 a. m., after which the group will be guests of Henry Dwire at a luncheon and the Duke-Pitt football game.

Bank of Edenton Closed All Day Thanksgiving

Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, the Bank of Edenton will be closed all day to observe the holiday. Patrons of the institution are urged to note the holiday and arrange their banking affairs accordingly.

A Day Earlier

This copy of your Chowan Herald reaches you one day early this week. This is because of the observance of Thanksgiving Day on Thursday which will be a holiday for Herald employees.

By going to press a day earlier, it was necessary, of course, to omit some of our rural correspondence which is usually turned into type on Tuesday. Other local news stories also had to be left out this week due to interruption of our regular schedule. We're sorry, but printers like a day off occasionally, too.

Red Cross Roll Call Is Still Incomplete As End Approaches

Campaign Is Scheduled To Close Thanksgiving Day

HOPE FOR GOAL

Chowan Chapter 33rd on State List Last Year

With enrollment figures growing daily but still very incomplete, the annual Red Cross Membership Drive which has been under way now for ten days and which is officially supposed to close on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, to make ready for the Christmas Tuberculosis Seals campaign which starts then, has brought encouraging results, but has not yet come up to expectations. Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Chowan chapter chairman, is hopeful, however, that last minute efforts will show a quickened interest and bring the campaign's quota of \$500 for the county.

Interesting statistics submitted by Mrs. Pruden show the percentage of chapter memberships in North Carolina to be over 5 percent of the population in Chapter territory. A greater number of the State chapters are centered about cities and towns, however, whereas in this section the chapter runs throughout Chowan county. Last year's figures in this regard, while encouraging, show that Chowan Chapter percentage was but 3.47, or thirty-third on the list of State chapters. This year it is being intensively planned to drive this percentage above the four percent mark, even up to five percent, if possible.

Because of the many outlying sections and the large number of canvassers at work, naturally the reports coming in to Mrs. Pruden are slow in arriving, but next week the Chairman hopes to make a more detailed report.

Mrs. Pruden was greatly encouraged by the splendid contribution from the Edenton colored school, which turned in \$35.37.

Colored School

R. D. Russell, 9-A Grade, 8-B Grade, 11-A Grade, 5-A Grade, Mrs. B. A. Halsey, Miss Annie C. Porter, 1-A Grade, Mrs. A. R. Slade, 2-A Grade, Mrs. M. M. Tillett, 2-B Grade, 1-B Grade, Miss T. R. McClenny, 11-A Grade, A. Blaine, 10-A Grade, B. C. Newsome, W. R. Slade, 4th Grade B, Sixth Grade, D. F. Walker, Mrs. S. F. Wilson, B. F. Holley, Miss E. E. Foreman, Miss B. M. Capehart, Miss F. L. Hines, Mrs. F. B. Badham, Third Grade, Mrs. Dorothy Walker, 5-B Grade, Miss Elizabeth Strain, Mrs. E. D. Heritage, 3-B Grade, 8-A Grade, 9-B Grade, 7-A Grade, Mrs. S. L. Reeves, 4-A Grade.

Mrs. Wallace Griffin, Canvasser—Dr. W. S. Griffin, Mrs. E. J. Griffin, Mrs. B. F. Britton, Mrs. C. T. Doughtie, Chowan Motor Co., C. E. Kramer, Eva R. Kramer.

Mrs. Lee Moore, Canvasser—Mrs. A. T. Bush, Mrs. J. A. Mitchner, Mrs. Earl Goodwin, Mrs. Lee Moore. Mrs. Elton Forehand, Canvasser—R. G. White, Mrs. R. G. White, S. W. Taylor, Mrs. S. W. Taylor. Mrs. John Beatty, Canvasser—G. H. Harding, Mrs. G. H. Harding, Mrs. John Beatty, Miss Myrtle Jenkins, Miss Ruby Felts, Wm. M. Perkins, Miss Emma Blanche Warren, Mrs. J. E. Debnam, Dr. P. W. Tedder, H. J. Cheston, Mrs. Myra Brinkley, Miss Margaret Brown, Harvey W. Thomas, Geo. P. Folk, Mrs. Geo. P. Folk, John Beatty.

Miss Kathryn Shump, Canvasser—Mrs. J. C. Dail, Mrs. G. R. Lassiter, Graham Byrum. Mrs. E. W. Spires, Canvasser—Mrs. M. G. Jones, T. W. Jones, Mrs. Nathan Dail, Miss Estelle Privott, Mrs. Pattie Rea, J. R. Griffin, E. W. (Continued on Page Six)

Christmas Seal Sale Will Begin On December 3rd

Appeal Is Made For Generous Purchasing of Seals

FUND EXHAUSTED

Despite Lack of Funds, Milk Has Been Furnished

The annual sale of Christmas Seals for the cure and prevention of tuberculosis will begin in Edenton on Tuesday, December 3.

The death rate from tuberculosis is still appalling. In North Carolina 51 people in each 100,000 died from this terrible disease last year. Thousands more have it or have a tendency toward it.

However, over a 25-year period, there has been a consistent and gradual decline in the death rate from this disease. In 1914, 138.2 persons in each 100,000 died, while last year's figures show a decline of more than 60 percent.

Scientists and doctors have shown that tuberculosis, although contagious, is also preventable and curable, but before it can be brought under control it is necessary to teach the mass of people to take advantage of preventive measures, and it is also necessary to provide facilities for early diagnosis and treatment.

The funds for these control measures have to be raised to a large extent by the sale of Christmas Seals.

Last year Chowan County gave less than two cents per person. Some people gave generously, while a large number of people, probably unaware of the great need, gave nothing. A report of the amount collected and the way it was spent has already been published in The Chowan Herald. The treasurer, stated in that report that all the money was gone.

Milk for needy persons could not be discontinued, so the local organization is beginning the year in debt, which is all the more reason why there should be no lagging in buying seals.

Those in charge of the Christmas Seal sale urge everybody to give the matter thoughtful consideration and contribute as generously as possible to the cause.

Tuberculosis can be stamped out—will you help?

Bonner Seeking Non-Rigid Air Base On Carolina Coast

Matter Discussed With Navy Department Officials

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner on Saturday visited the Navy Department, Bureau of Aeronautics, having a conference with Admiral Arthur B. Cooke and Captain C. E. Rosendahl, regarding the location of a non-rigid air base on the North Carolina Coast between the Virginia Line and Cape Hatteras.

Captain Rosendahl advised Mr. Bonner that he would visit this area during the latter part of this week and make a thorough inspection of all sections. Mr. Bonner gave Captain Rosendahl a memorandum of various cities that had been in touch with the Congressman's office offering locations.

The Navy Department has such a base at Lakehurst, New Jersey, and it deems it necessary to have an additional base on the South-Atlantic Coast. After a careful study the area in question seems to be the most logical.

Postmasters Of First District Give Watch To Lindsay Warren

Edenton of course, is included in the 53 First District towns whose postmasters will present Comptroller General Lindsay C. Warren with a gold wrist watch on Thanksgiving Day. The former Congressman is expected to spend Thanksgiving at his Washington, N. C. home and it is there the presentation will be made as "a token of appreciation for many courtesies" Mr. Warren has extended the donors.