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15 Candidates File For City Election As Political Pot Began To Boil Wednesday

McMullan, Haskett and Jones in Race For Mayor

NEW FACES

Dr. L. P. Williams and O. B. Perry Drop Out of Race

With tomorrow (Friday) at midnight being the deadline for candidates to file for the city election on May 6, Edenton's political pot began to boil Wednesday, up until which time only one candidate, Treasurer W. H. Gardner, had filed for re-election with Clerk R. E. Leary.

On Wednesday, however, in a very brief time 15 candidates filed for office, which number included eight of the eleven present office-holders, and candidates now being in the race for every office.

The new Town Council will of necessity include some new faces, as the result of two councilmen not seeking re-election. Branning Perry as councilman-at-large and Dr. L. P. Williams, councilman from the First Ward, will not enter the race. Mr. Perry has served four terms, a period of eight years and usually received the highest vote in elections. In giving up the post, he expressed his appreciation of the loyal support given him in the past, as well as the pleasure in serving with members of the board. The job has demanded much of the time he could have devoted to his personal business and he feels that eight years of service should warrant a release from the responsibilities. Despite being urged to seek re-election, Mr. Perry said definitely Wednesday that he would not run, but many of his friends are urging him to seek a post on the Board of Public Works. He would not commit himself, however, on Wednesday.

Dr. Williams has also been a councilman for eight years from the First Ward, during which time he has been mayor pro tem as well as chairman of the finance committee, one of the most important duties on (Continued on Page Four)

Canvassers Named To Raise Funds

Mrs. John F. White Is Chairman For County This Year

In this issue of The Herald Mrs. John F. White, Chowan County chairman of the Women's Field Army, organized to raise funds for the purpose of combatting cancer, names the list of canvassers who will solicit every home in Edenton, as well as in rural communities for the purpose of securing funds for this worthwhile purpose.

Mrs. White, as chairman, succeeds Mrs. Wood Priott and Miss Rebecca Colwell, who last year waged a successful campaign during which almost \$100 was raised. She has appointed Mrs. J. A. Bunch as secretary, to whom funds will be given.

The new chairman desires to stress the need of funds to fight cancer and is hopeful that Chowan will again this year rally to the appeal for funds and equal, if not surpass, last year's contributions.

Of the money collected, 70 per cent remains in the county for use in relief and precautionary measures, while 30 per cent goes to the national organization for work on a larger scale.

The canvassers and the area in which they will work as named by Mrs. White follow:

West side Broad Street from Queen to Water—Mrs. Rupert Goodwin and Mrs. Hector Lupton.

West side Broad Street from Queen to Hicks—Mrs. D. Stewart and Mrs. Albert Byrum.

East side Broad Street from Queen to Water—Miss Frye Pettus.

East side Broad Street from Queen to Freemason—Mrs. W. M. Wilkins and Mrs. J. Lester Forehand.

East side Granville Street from King to Albemarle—Mrs. R. C. Hollan.

West side Granville Street from Broad to Blount—Mrs. Geo. I. Dail.

Colonial Square and New Street—Mrs. Herbert Leary.

Water Street from Oakum to Broad—Mrs. Leon Leary.

Water Street from Broad to Granville—Mrs. R. E. Leary.

New Commissioner



CARROLL E. WILSON

With endorsements by the thousands, but with no small amount of opposition, Mr. Wilson, Roanoke Rapids newspaper man, was on Friday appointed a member of the State Highway and Public Works Commission for the First Division.

Revival In Progress In Methodist Church Remainder Of Week

Final Service of Meeting Will Be Held Sunday Night

Preaching his first sermon Monday night in the Methodist Church, the Rev. A. C. Thompson, of Ahoskie, is conducting a revival which is gradually gaining interest. Mr. Thompson has been preaching powerful sermons and though the congregation to greet him Monday was not as large as expected, the attendance is increasing and a successful meeting is expected.

Services will be held twice daily during the remainder of this week, except Saturday. The morning services will be held at 9:45 o'clock, while at night the services begin at 7:45 o'clock.

Mr. Thompson will preach his final sermon of the revival on Sunday night meeting because the pastor, the Rev. W. C. Benson, has agreed to preach in the Ahoskie Church.

In cooperation with the series of meetings, other churches have called off their services, there being no other prayer meetings held Wednesday night and no other preaching services Sunday night.

Leaders School Held Today At Cross Roads

Today (Thursday) at 2:30 o'clock, a demonstration club leaders' school will be held at the Community Building at Cross Roads. The principal speaker will be Miss Sallie Brooks, assistant extension nutritionist, who will speak on "Process Cottage Cheese." All club food leaders are especially urged to attend this meeting.

Two Rotarians At District Conference

C. L. McCullers and C. W. Overman left early Thursday morning for Greensboro, where they will represent the Edenton Rotary Club at the 139th District Rotary Conference. McCullers will be the incoming president of the Edenton club and Overman was last week elected a director in a run-off of a tie vote between himself, Dr. W. I. Hart and Charles P. Wales.

Marvin Wilson Named Second Ward Registrar

Marvin Wilson, local attorney, was this week named registrar for the Second Ward in the city election to be held May 6. Mr. Wilson succeeds Mrs. Willie White, who found it impossible to serve due to the illness of her father. Any voters in the Second Ward who desire to vote in the election and who have moved from another Ward or whose names are not on the books, should see Mr. Wilson and register.

Henry House Gets Football Coaching Job At Rocky Mount

Former Edentonian Notified Tuesday of Appointment

NOW AT U. N. C.

As Edenton Coach Developed State Champions In 1934

His many friends in Edenton will be interested to learn that Henry House, former Edenton High School football coach, on Tuesday was elected by the Rocky Mount School Board as football and baseball coach at Rocky Mount High School. Mr. House is well remembered in Edenton, for soon after his arrival here as coach he displayed his ability as a coach. It was in 1934, when with 11 sturdy youngsters as regulars and only two or three substitutes, the Edenton football team won the State Class B championship. During that season he developed such a smooth-working combination that 236 points were scored against opponents and no team came nearer than the 30-yard line in scoring threats.

The following year Mr. House went to Fort Defiance, Va., where he has been coach at Augusta Military Academy until this year when he resigned to resume studies in physical education at the University of North Carolina.

House, a native of Weldon, replaces Emery Adkins as coach at Rocky Mount. Mr. Adkins has been named assistant athletic director at the University of Delaware.

R. M. Wilson, superintendent of Rocky Mount schools, in announcing the appointment said that House had been selected out of a field of more than 20 applicants for the position.

"The board is happy to announce the appointment of House," Wilson said, "and feels sure that Central is getting a capable man."

House won three football letters at Carolina where he was a fullback. He won his first letter in 1928, finishing his grid career at Chapel Hill with the team of 1930.

Adkins was high in his praise of his successor. "Henry House is a good coach," he commented. "Everything I have ever heard about him has been complimentary and he has been very popular wherever he has worked."

April 30 Last Day File Mattress Applications

According to Miss Rebecca Colwell, Chowan County home demonstration agent, work on making mattresses will be resumed right away. She also desires it to be known that no more applications will be taken for mattresses after April 30.

Jar Week Results In Many Jars For Vegetable Canning

However, Supply Is Still Far Short of What Will Be Needed

Despite the fact that there has been a splendid response so far this week in both the Edenton white and colored schools, in the observance of Jar Week, Mrs. W. D. Pruden, president of the Parent-Teachers Association, which organization is sponsoring the event, says there still remains a great need for many more jars.

In both schools a large number of jars have been brought in which will be used for canning vegetables grown in a garden for future use in the school lunch room, but it is estimated that not nearly enough jars are now on hand.

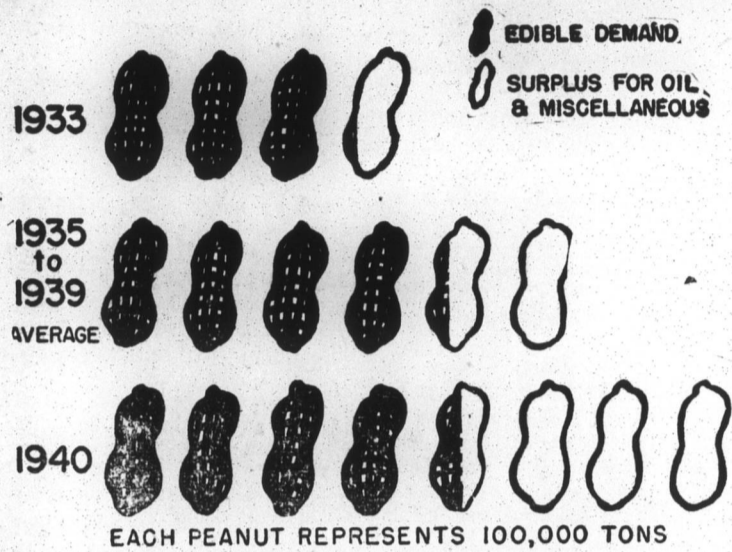
In each school a prize will be awarded to the grade which brings in the greatest number of jars and parents are asked to cooperate by giving to the children any jars which will not be needed about the house.

Masonic Meeting Called Off Tonight

Because of the revival meeting in progress at the Methodist Church this week, the weekly meeting of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., has been called off tonight (Thursday). The meeting was abandoned by G. A. Helms, master of the lodge, in order to allow members to attend the church services.

First Peanut Referendum In History On Saturday Presents Opportunity To 35,000 State Farmers To Cast Ballot

WHY PEANUT REFERENDUM IS CALLED



One reason for the peanut marketing quota referendum, in which 35,000 North Carolina growers are eligible to vote Saturday, is illustrated by the above chart. E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer of N. C. State College, explains the chart as follows: In 1933 the edible trade took 312,740 tons of the 409,810 tons produced, leaving about 97,000 tons surplus for oil and miscellaneous. In 1940, 825,817 tons of peanuts were produced, and the edible demand was for 450,000 tons, leaving 375,817 tons for oil and miscellaneous. Marketing quotas are designed to put production more nearly in line with the demand of the cleaners and shellers, and thereby stabilize prices.

Dr. Leon Meadows Speaker At Finals For Chowan High

Rev. W. C. Benson Will Preach Baccalaureate Sermon

W. J. Taylor, superintendent of county schools, this week announced that commencement exercises at Chowan High School will begin Sunday evening, May 11. On that night at 8 o'clock, the baccalaureate sermon will be preached in the school auditorium by the Rev. W. C. Benson, pastor of the Edenton Methodist Church.

Class night exercises will be held on Monday night, when the usual program will be presented.

Graduating exercises will be held on Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium, when, aside from receiving their diplomas, the seniors, as well as the packed house expected will have an opportunity to hear an address by Dr. Leon R. Meadows, president of East Carolina Teachers College.

Boat Found In Sound Adds To Belief That Young Man Drowned

Ernest Sykes Negotiated Trip in Rough Water Sunday

Fears that Ernest Sykes, 22-year-old Harrellsville man, was drowned in Albemarle Sound Sunday night were strengthened late Wednesday afternoon when his boat was found at Scotch Hall in Bertie County.

Young Sykes, in an outboard motor skiff, went to Mackeys from Shoak Creek in Bertie County, Sunday, leaving Mackeys in the afternoon about 6 o'clock, intending to cross over to Edenton to be met by friends.

The water was rough and a strong wind was blowing, which gave rise to fears that he was drowned when he failed to show up.

A Coast Guard boat and plane, as well as Deputy Fish Commissioner Cage Hayman, searched since Monday but no trace was found.

On Wednesday, however, Harry Ward, captain of a tug boat, noticed an anchored boat while on his way to Edenton, and after arriving at Edenton returned to the scene to discover that it was Sykes' boat. The body has not been found, but the area in which the boat was found is being dragged.

ROTARY MEETS TODAY

Charles P. Wales will be in charge of the program at the Rotary meeting in the Parish House today. All members are especially urged to attend.

Agricultural Workers To Form Group In County

Government Agencies Scheduled to Meet Friday Night

Miss Rebecca Colwell, Chowan County demonstration agent, announces a meeting of interest which will be held in the county agent's office in the basement of the Post Office building Friday night at 8 o'clock. At that time white and colored extension workers and home economics and agricultural teachers, as well as FSA supervisors, farm bureau president, chairman of the AAA committee, president of the County Council of home demonstration clubs, farm credit administration representatives and the chairman of the county commissioners will meet.

Representatives from the State office will be present to assist with organization of a county agricultural workers council, which will meet regularly to discuss, plan and coordinate agricultural activities on a county-wide basis.

Geddes Potter At Red Cross Convention

Geddes Potter left Edenton Monday for Washington, D. C., where he will represent the Chowan County Chapter of the American Red Cross at the national Red Cross Convention. Mr. Potter is chairman of military and civilian relief for the local chapter and will be among 5,000 delegates at the convention.

The convention began Monday and will continue in session through today (Thursday). Among a long list of prominent speakers were President Roosevelt, who delivered the opening address; Viscount Halifax, Great Britain's ambassador to the United States; Robert H. Jackson, attorney-general of the United States; General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff of the United States Army, and Paul V. McNutt, Administrator of the Federal Security Agency.

WILLIAM PRIVOTT NEW BUS STATION MANAGER

With the new Norfolk Southern bus station almost ready for occupancy, William Privott was this week appointed as manager of the station, succeeding S. C. Mills, who has served in that capacity ever since a bus schedule was inaugurated through Edenton.

Mr. Privott went to Norfolk Tuesday for several days in order to confer with bus company officials relative to his new duties, but before leaving made no statement as to whom he would place in the station.

PAUL HARRELL PREACHES IN RICHMOND SUNDAY

Paul Harrell, Edenton student at the University of Richmond, is among 51 of the divinity students who will occupy the pulpits of churches in Richmond at next Sunday night services. Mr. Harrell will preach in the First Baptist Church.

Two-thirds Vote Necessary to Adopt Marketing Quotas

VOTING PLACES

Each Owner, Tenant And Sharecropper May Vote

Thirty-five thousand North Carolina farmers are eligible to vote Saturday, April 26, in the first peanut referendum in history. If two-thirds of the growers voting throughout the peanut belt in the nation approve this plan, marketing quotas will be in effect on the next three crops of peanuts, including the 1941 crop.

E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer of N. C. State College, says that all producers who shared in the proceeds of the 1940 peanut crop which was picked and threshed by mechanical means are eligible to cast their votes in community polling places which will be set up and staffed by farmer-committeemen of the AAA.

Voting places in Chowan County, as announced by County Agent C. W. Overman, will be as follows:

Edenton Township—County Court House.

Middle Township—Z. W. Evans' Office.

Upper Township—G. A. Hollowell's Store.

Yeopim Township—R. E. Coffield's Store.

In order to acquaint peanut growers with the peanut referendum and urge them to vote on Saturday, educational meetings were held Saturday afternoon at the Court House, Monday night at Oak Grove School, Tuesday night at Briggs' Store and Wednesday night at Hollowell & Evans' Store. Aside from these meetings any information about the referendum, or other facts concerning the peanut program may be had at the county agent's office or from county AAA committeemen.

Each owner, tenant, and sharecropper (Continued on Page Five)

Wales Resigns As Local Scoutmaster

Acting Since First of Year, Resignation Effective at Once

Charles P. Wales, Jr., who has been scoutmaster of the local Boy Scout troop since the first of the year, resigned on Wednesday, the resignation to take effect immediately. This regrettable news leaves the Scouts once again without a leader, but it is, of course, presumed that efforts will be made at once to secure a successor to Wales, whose appointment when Wade Leary quit to join the army was provocative of much favorable comment.

The retiring Scoutmaster said the organization had been meeting weekly since he took hold, but that difficulty experienced in getting cooperation from Tidewater Council, in whose jurisdiction the local troop is located, made continuation for him too trying and exasperating, and he resigned because of this.

He stated, however, that if proper recognition on the part of the Tidewater Council is secured and if he is wanted, he will serve as Scoutmaster or do anything possible for the benefit of the boys, in whom he is greatly interested. However, he felt that it was of little use to continue as Scoutmaster and meet with a group of boys, who officially were not Boy Scouts by reason of the fact that they were not registered as such in the Tidewater Council.

It is understood, however, that matters have been ironed out and that very shortly the Edenton troop will be properly identified with the Tidewater Council.

Campen Speaker At County Council Meet

A meeting of the County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs will be held in the Court House Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Mrs. M. L. Hoffer is president of the group and makes an earnest appeal for all club officers especially to be on hand.

The principal speaker for the occasion will be J. G. Campen, Chowan County's representative in the General Assembly.