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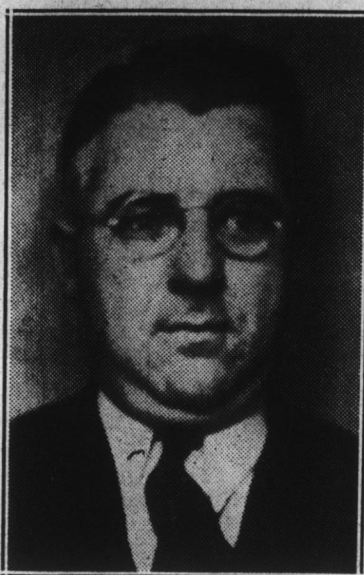
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Town Election Held Next Tuesday

Edenton's Next Mayor -- Which One ?



J. H. McMULLAN



LEROY H. HASKETT



T. WALLACE JONES

In a city election which includes more candidates than have been entered in any election for more than 20 years, the interest centers around the mayoralty contest in which J. H. McMullan, incumbent, Leroy H. Haskett and T. Wallace Jones are candidates. Mr. McMullan is seeking re-election, Mr. Haskett at present represents the Third Ward on the Board of Councilmen and Mr. Jones is a former member of the Board. Because of the three-cornered contest for this office and the fact that there are a total of 22 candidates in the field, a record vote is expected to be polled in the election to be held on Tuesday.

Farmers In Chowan Join In Big Majority For Peanut Control

County's Growers Turn In 635 Votes For and 10 Against Plan

ABOUT 50% VOTE

Program Given Majority In Peanut Growing Sections

Chowan County peanut growers joined with the remainder of the State Saturday in turning in an overwhelming vote in favor of marketing quotas in the special AAA referendum. In North Carolina 91 per cent of the 16,374 farmers who voted cast a ballot in favor of controlled production for the next three peanut crops. There were approximately 35,000 eligible voters in the State, of which only about half voted. Of this number, however, the majority was far in excess of the two-thirds necessary to carry the referendum and thus place the peanut crop in the same category as cotton and tobacco, which are produced in North Carolina under a control program.

Quotas that have already been set up on peanuts under the Agricultural Conservation Program will be used in the new program, thus growers already knew what their quotas would be before casting a ballot.

Only two counties voted against quotas. These were Brunswick, where 28 ballots were cast against control as compared with 24 in favor, and Jones voting one for and two against.

Northampton County cast the largest number of votes, 2,268 for and 368 against, and Pamlico the smallest, the vote there being one for and none against.

In Chowan County about 50 per cent of the growers voted in the referendum. There were 635 votes cast, of which 625 were for control and only 10 against. In the Upper Township, and Yeopim Township there was not a vote registered against the control plan, while in Edenton Township seven voted against it and in the Middle Township three voted negatively.

The vote as recorded by figures submitted to County Agent C. W. Overman follows:

	Yes	No
Edenton Township	219	7
Middle Township	164	3
Upper Township	158	0
Yeopim Township	84	0

*Total 625 10
In the voting throughout the peanut producing area, extending over 14 states in the southern part of the country, only one state, Arkansas, where the voting was light, was a vote recorded unfavorable to the control program.

Bible School At Methodist Church Begins On May 19

Mrs. W. C. Moore Director of School to Last Two Weeks

According to present plans, the daily vacation Bible School will again be operated at the Methodist Church, beginning Monday, May 19. Classes will be arranged for beginners, primary, juniors and intermediates, but this year no children under four years of age will be enrolled.

The school will function for two weeks as in previous years, with Mrs. W. C. Moore as director. She will have as her assistants Mrs. G. A. Hight and the pastor, as well as a corps of capable teachers.

This Vacation Bible School has been running over a period of several years and is one of the most outstanding projects of the community. An increasing number of children attend the school each year, coming from all denominations, and it is felt that a tremendous amount of good has resulted.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Jordan, of Tyner, announce the birth of a daughter, Barbara Anne, on Sunday, April 20. The baby weighed 8 1/2 pounds and is getting on nicely.

Chamber Commerce Planning Interesting Meeting On Tuesday

L. P. Dickie of Atlanta Will Make Principal Address

7:45 O'CLOCK

Carroll Wilson and E. City C. of C. Directors Invited as Guests

President J. W. Davis reports much interest being shown by the members in the Chamber of Commerce dinner to be held at the Hotel Joseph Hewes next Tuesday evening at 7:45 o'clock. L. P. Dickie, of Atlanta, Ga., southeastern division manager of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, and reputed to be an eloquent speaker, will be the principal speaker of the occasion, and should prove an attractive inducement for attendance at the gathering.

In addition to the expected 75 or so from Edenton, the local body has invited the new State Highway Commissioner for the district, Carroll Wilson, newspaper publisher, of Roanoke Rapids, to attend the dinner and his presence is expected. Naturally, he, too, may be called upon to extend his greetings to his old-time friends in the town where he once officiated in a news way, also.

And carrying out the spirit of Chamber of Commerce good will between communities, the Edenton organization will have as its special guests on the occasion the board of directors of the Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce. On the whole the evening promises to be an enjoyable one, especially to those victors in the municipal election earlier that day.

Edenton Firemen Aid In Saving Home Of Henry Goodwin

Edenton's fire department, about 3 o'clock Tuesday morning, was called to the farm of Henry Goodwin in the Greenhall section when a fire threatened to destroy his home. Fire broke out in the smoke house and before it was put under control by the firemen, all of Mr. Goodwin's smoked meat was ruined, as well as a large quantity of pickled fish and four or five cords of stove wood.

The origin of the fire could not be learned.

Quota Doubled

Though all canvassers have not reported, Mrs. John F. White, in charge of the campaign to raise funds to combat cancer, reported Wednesday that \$103 had been turned in. This amount over doubles the county's quota, which was \$50, and is gratifying to Mrs. White. A complete report and names of contributors will appear in The Herald next week.

ROBERT LEE HUMBER GRADUATION SPEAKER AT EDENTON HIGH SCHOOL

Commencement Exercises Will Begin Sunday, May 11

One of the most interesting series of Commencement exercises held in recent years has been planned by Superintendent John A. Holmes for the high school graduation of the Class of 1941, at which 41 seniors will receive diplomas. On the last day, Friday, May 16, Robert Lee Humber, world traveler and financier, of Greenville, a very forceful speaker whose services as such have been in much demand in this State, will deliver the commencement address in the main auditorium, and the parchments of final completion will be presented to the graduates.

Actually the exercises will run daily from Sunday, May 11, when the Rev. A. L. Thompson, of Ahoskie, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the evening service, and as usual, the various town churches will call off their services so their members can attend in the school auditorium.

On Tuesday of that week scholars in the grammar grades will hold their annual entertainment when promotion of those in the top rank into high school will be announced, by Charles D. Stewart.

On the following day there will be an interesting musical recital, both instrumental and vocal, by Mrs. Leon Lewis' class of young folks, and on Thursday the regular Class Day festivities will be held at the school.

But Friday night's graduation will, naturally, be the high spot of the week, and it is expected a large crowd of relatives and other town-folks will be on hand to hear Mr. Humber. The latter has appeared at numerous State functions, is a warm devotee of peace, and is the author of an enlightening theory having to do with a confederacy of the world.

Schools Collect Almost 2,000 Jars During Jar Week

Colored Children Lead White In Number Collected

Members of the Parent-Teachers' Association are very well pleased with the result of the observance of Jar Week last week when 1,885 jars were turned in at the two Edenton schools. This is by far less jars than will be needed, but that number will go a long way in canning vegetables expected from the garden project for use in the lunch rooms.

The colored school led in the number of jars collected, the youngsters bringing 998 to school. The grade bringing the greatest number was the 6-A grade, which turned in a total of 229.

In the white school 887 jars were received, the largest number being secured by the seventh grade taught by Mrs. Lloyd Bunch.

Rural Mail Box Improvement Week May 5 To May 10

Patrons Urged to Give Attention to Condition And Appearance

Postmaster C. E. Kramer announces that the Post Office Department has designated the week beginning May 5 as the week to improve rural mail boxes.

It is the desire of the Post Office Department that all patrons of the Rural Service provide entirely suitable mail boxes and to erect them in such a manner that they will be accessible to the carrier and present a neat appearance. It is of particular importance that the boxes be kept in such condition as to protect the mail, that the names of the patrons and number be inscribed on them and that the boxes and their supports be kept painted. Old type boxes that are not in serviceable condition should be replaced with the new approved type of box. Boxes, regardless of type, should be given attention and such improvements made as may be needed.

The excellent results recently accomplished, by the Chowan Home Demonstration Clubs through a mail box improvement contest, sponsored by Miss Rebecca Colwell, home demonstration agent, should be a great source of encouragement to all rural patrons to give full cooperation during Mail Box Improvement Week.

While the efforts of these clubs have produced some attractive boxes as will be found anywhere in the Rural Delivery Service, there is still room for great improvement to the boxes of patrons who were not in this contest.

During the week of May 12, a complete inspection of rural routes will be made, at which time the patrons of the routes will be notified if their boxes are not in proper condition. These notices will indicate what should be done to place boxes in proper condition.

Last P. T. A. Meeting Of Year Next Tuesday

Next Tuesday, May 6, the regular meeting of the Edenton Parent-Teachers' Association will be held in the High School library at 3:30 o'clock. This will be the last meeting of the year and because of this fact a full attendance is urged. Important matters are scheduled to be discussed.

CHOWAN TRIO BROADCAST

The Chowan Faculty Trio composed of Mrs. Gordon Blow, Miss Louise Wilson and Miss May Belle Edwards, broadcast from Suffolk, Va., Thursday afternoon. Misses Marian Flake and Eunice Hobbs accompanied the trio to Suffolk.

Political Pot Nears Boiling Point, 22 Candidates Seek 11 Offices At Hands Voters

Too Bad

Hope for the establishment of the national defense blimp base near Edenton faded Wednesday afternoon by an announcement over the Elizabeth City radio that the Pasquotank metropolis had been selected and that the base, entailing a \$5,000,000 expenditure of federal funds and the employment of 500 or so men, would be located 5 or 6 miles south of the Coast Guard station there.

Edenton had offered the government a site between the two sound bridges near town.

Bargain Shoppe Is Edenton's Newest Business Concern

Mrs. P. W. Tedder and Mrs. Jimmy Gibbs to Operate Store

Edenton's newest enterprise, the Bargain Shoppe, will be open for business on Saturday. The new concern is located in the building next to the telephone office on King Street and will be operated by Mrs. P. W. Tedder and Mrs. Jimmy Gibbs. The building, for a number of years occupied by The Chowan Herald, is being renovated and when completed will present an attractive site for the new business.

The owners last week returned from New York, where a complete line of merchandise was purchased including latest clothing for ladies, men and infants.

An invitation is extended to the general public to visit the store and inspect the merchandise in stock, a few of the bargains being listed in an advertisement in this issue of The Herald.

Auction Market Soon To Reopen

Francis Hicks Named Manager and Auctioneer

Plans have been completed for early re-opening of the Chowan Produce Auction Market, located at Valhalla. The first crop to be handled will be May peas, which are expected to be harvested May 15 or shortly thereafter.

Francis Hicks has been appointed manager and auctioneer of the market. He is well and favorably known among farmers and buyers alike, and looks forward to a successful season.

A large quantity of produce was sold last season at the market, which resulted in satisfaction to farmers as well as buyers, and a greater volume of business is expected this year.

Band Leaves Today For Gallopade Parade

Edenton's band will leave this (Thursday) morning for Rocky Mount, where it will participate in the annual Gallopade celebration. The local youngsters made a big hit in last year's parade and with new uniforms, they are again expected to claim much attention over the route of the parade.

The Edenton band is the only one east of Tarboro to participate in this year's celebration.

Meeting Of Scouts Called For Friday

Following a visit to Norfolk last week when conflicting matters were ironed out with the Tidewater Council, a meeting of the Edenton Boy Scouts will be held Friday night in the Scout Cabin at 7:30 o'clock. All Boy Scouts and members of the troop committee are urged to be present.

Interest Centers About Contest For Mayor Of Town

EXPECT BIG VOTE

Seven Candidates Out For Board of Public Works

What only a few days prior to the deadline on Friday for candidates to file for office appeared to be a city election of very little interest developed into what will no doubt be one of the most lively elections to be held in recent years. At the close of the filing period a total of 22 candidates had filed for the 11 offices to be filled by the voters on next Tuesday. It is the largest crop of candidates for at least 20 years, topping by one the number who sought office in 1933, when 21 candidates were in the field. In that year there were also seven candidates for the Board of Public Works, which is the same number running in the coming election.

Because of the large number of candidates, a record vote is anticipated, which is expected to surpass the vote in 1939 when 498 votes were cast. In 1937 the vote was 217, while in 1935, when there was no opposition at all, only 92 votes were cast.

With the time expired for candidates to file on Friday night, the political picture has undergone a change since The Herald appeared last week. There has been no change, however, in the mayoralty contest, in which Mayor J. H. McMullan seeks re-election and is opposed by Leroy H. Haskett and T. Wallace Jones. Mr. McMullan has served as Mayor since 1937, when he was unopposed after a lapse of 30 years when he served in that capacity. Mr. Haskett has for the past two years been councilman from the Third Ward, while Mr. Jones is a former member of the board. Interest in this contest appears to be the spark-plug of the election, although interesting contests have developed for councilmen-at-large and for the Board of Public Works.

There are seven candidates for the Board of Public Works, four having filed after The Herald was printed last week and before closing time for filing. These are A. S. Hollowell, George W. Leary, Ernest L. White and O. B. Perry. Mr. Perry, at present a councilman-at-large, decided not to seek re-election, but later at the insistence of friends and at the last minutes filed for the Board of Public Works. These four, together with J. H. Conger, Dr. W. S. Griffin and W. W. Byrum, the latter two in-

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Lions Club Endorses Trueblood For Office Of District Governor

Plans Discussed For Zone Meeting In Edenton

Edenton Lions at their meeting Monday night endorsed Norman N. Trueblood of Hertford as a candidate for governor of district 31-C. Mr. Trueblood has been very active in Lions affairs since the Hertford club was sponsored by the Edenton Club and the vote was unanimous for his endorsement.

The club also decided to abandon its meeting on May 26, and instead attend a charter night celebration of the Hertford club on May 23, which will be a ladies' night affair.

Plans were also discussed regarding the quarterly zone meeting of the Edenton, Elizabeth City, Hertford and Plymouth clubs, which will be held in Edenton on May 12.

During the meeting the Rev. W. C. Benson urged members to acquaint him with any youth interested in NYA employment so that proper contact could be made to be put to work.

Francis Hicks was elected a new member at Monday night's meeting.