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Chowan USO Drive Begins Friday

Huge Amount Is Necessary For Providing Recreational Facilities For Men In Camp

J. H. Conger as Chairman Puts Machinery In Motion

NAMES HELPERS

Desire Is to Raise Adequate Amount In Record Time

Commencing tomorrow (Friday) one of the most intensive national defense drives for money ever conducted in this county will be started and by Monday, it is hoped, will be over. The object is national in its scope, paramount in its importance, and the sum asked for from Chowan is so infinitesimal it is expected the response will be immediate and generous.

The campaign has to do with a newly designated United Service Organization, alphabetically the USO of war defense, inaugurated by President Roosevelt to secure funds throughout the nation to provide recreational facilities for soldiers at the various training camps throughout the country. Every state, county, city, town and cross road hamlet is to be asked to help, and do so quickly, in order that around \$11,000,000 may be raised for the purpose outlined in the United States.

The idea is an excellent one. In the first World War days similar recreational facilities were provided in the various quickly formed embarkation and training camps, but they were operated by numerous organizations such as the Salvation Army, Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Travelers Aid Association, the Catholics, and other bodies. Frequently these diversified interests came into much conflict and there was some criticism.

This time, however, the President and the able national organization behind the movement would unify all these former and still existing bodies into one central unit to be called as above the USO, and to provide fully and generously for the entertainment and recreation and safeguard of the boys from home while away in camp. It goes without saying that such clean, wholesome, off-duty pleasure and amusement and play will, to say the least, keep the camp soldiers away from the usual dives and other seductions that spring up in the boom towns identified always with army camp life.

In this State \$150,000 must be raised, allotted by quotas to the various counties, those commonwealths, naturally, which have camps within their boundaries being given much larger quotas than those without. Chowan is, of course, one of those without camps, and this and because (Continued on Page Seven)

Men Of St. Paul's Asked To Make A Thank Offering

Follow Women In Providing Funds For Diocesan Expenses

Next Sunday morning is Whitsunday, and there will be taken at the 11 o'clock service at St. Paul's Church, the Men's United Thank Offering, in accordance with a resolution of the recent diocesan convention in Elizabeth City. The men of the parish will receive an envelope in which they are asked to make a contribution, and to place the same on the plate next Sunday, or if they cannot get to church, to hand to D. M. Warren, treasurer of the offering.

The Women of the Episcopal Church have for many years been giving such a thank offering, which has been of much assistance in the missionary and other work of the church. Now the men of the diocese of East Carolina have determined to likewise hand in a thank offering, which is to be used in the diocesan work as the bishop shall direct. It is hoped that every male member of St. Paul's will be as generous as possible in this offering, as the needs of the diocese are great.

Vacation Savings Club Now Forming At Bank Of Edenton

As in former years, the Bank of Edenton is again announcing the forming of a vacation savings club. The club includes classes from 25 cents to \$20 per week, conducted upon similar lines as the Christmas Savings Club.

The purpose of the club is for members to make a small payment each week, which matures at just about the time money is needed for vacation purposes.

Warren Presents Interesting Facts At Rotary Meeting

Chowan County Stacks Up Well With Any In State

PRAISES ROWELL

Sees Distinct Advantage In Catering to Tourist Business

Edenton Rotarians were treated to a splendid address at their meeting last Thursday when D. M. Warren presented some facts about Edenton and Chowan County which came as a surprise to practically all present. Mr. Warren, in an effort to secure first hand information delved into government statistics which revealed that in Chowan County more cotton, peanuts and tobacco are raised per acre than in any other county in the State and that crops in practically every case brought higher prices than the State's average. As to corn, he said the county is on a par with Beaufort, famed for its corn crop.

Mr. Warren brought out these facts prior to commenting upon the recent revaluation, about which much criticism has been heard. His purpose was to show that property in Chowan was not valued too high when compared with other counties. Farms are very productive, he said, and of the 1,500 in Chowan County over 1,000 are less than fifty acres. Credit for the productivity of farm (Continued on Page Six)

Most Of Edenton's Stores To Observe Summer Holiday

24 Merchants Agree to Begin Closing Next Wednesday

As in previous recent summers 24 Edenton merchants have signed a collective agreement to observe a half-holiday Wednesday during June, July and August. The half-holidays will start next Wednesday, and the establishments in question will remain closed from 1 o'clock in the afternoon, the last such closing day being August 27.

The proposed closing edict has a two-fold purpose, primarily to ease up on the hard working clerks during the hot spell, thus giving them a half-day of rest or recreation at full pay, and because business is slack during the summer months naturally.

The stores which will observe the Wednesday half-holiday will be:

- W. I. Cozzens, Bargain Shoppe, Cuthrell's Department Store, S. Hobowsky, Preston's, Royal Wine Company, Campen's Jewelry Store, Ziegler & Son, Meiggs Co., Chestnut Cleaners, Iredell Florist, Rose's 5 and 10, Quinn Furniture Co., Liles' Store, E. L. White Barber Shop, Mae Jackson, Ward's Shop Shop, Cherry's Grocery, Goodwin's Quality Store, Juna Lassiter, A. S. Hollowell, D. Pender and A. & P. Store.

J. C. Blanchard Pays Glowing Tribute To Edenton Merchant

"Flowers to D. B. Liles" While He Is Still Living

DID GOOD JOB

Success More Than Financial Says Hertford Merchant

Having recently purchased the stock of D. B. Liles, who has retired from business, J. C. Blanchard, prominent Hertford merchant and well-known throughout the Albemarle section, today paid a glowing tribute to Mr. Liles, one of Edenton's oldest merchants.

Mr. Blanchard is staging a closing-out sale of the Liles' stock and reports a splendid business. He is well pleased with the result of his sale thus far and feels sure many more patrons will take advantage of the savings offered before the store is vacated. It was while commenting upon the success of his sale, which was extensively advertised in The Herald, that Mr. Blanchard had this to say about Mr. Liles, which he referred to as "Flowers To Mr. D. B. Liles":

"Having grown up in the mercantile business and having actively played the game all my life, I think I know a good merchant when I see one.

"Hats off to Mr. D. B. Liles, citizen of Edenton—retiring after thirty-seven years of active and successful merchandising in the 5-10-25c field in your good town. I know he was successful. There is plenty of evidence to indicate it, even to the casual observer; more evidence to the inquirer or one associating with Mr. Liles, and noting the high level of his thinking and speaking; more evidence still, to one who notes the general high class of his stock of merchandise, and the quality and wide range of selections he offered to the public at the prices asked. Nothing was too good for his customers—all of whom came to be his friends for the very reason of his interest in (Continued on Page Twelve)

Joint Band Concert Plays Large Crowd On Tuesday Night

Edenton and Plymouth Bands Outdo Themselves

Always an attraction when they perform in public, Edenton's High School bandsters proved more so Tuesday night when they collaborated with the band children from Plymouth in a joint concert on the Court House Green. One of the largest crowds of music enthusiasts ever to turn out for an open air performance was on hand and loudly applauded the players at the conclusion of each number.

Director C. L. McCullers outdid himself on this occasion in making the joint play memorable. The one string of over-head lights was augmented by a triple string of such illuminations, and chairs from the High School library were arranged in facing formation so that one band lot of youngsters sat directly across from the visiting delegation from Plymouth.

Mr. McCullers and L. W. Ziegler, the director of the Plymouth organization, jointly officiated in the rendition of a score or more of numbers, largely of a patriotic nature because of the war clouds overhead, but there were many old-time pieces and others of a classical nature.

Tuesday night's joint rendition was in the nature of a return visit by Plymouth, the local band having similarly performed in the Washington county seat. It is understood that Mr. McCullers has other joint concerts by bands from Hertford and Elizabeth City and Williamston on tap during the summer.

At the conclusion of the concert Tuesday night the two bands and many other friends and relatives were entertained at a picnic supper at the Armory where there was dancing later.

Miss Marcia Kepler Winner In Beauty Contest At Theatre

Named "Miss Chowan" By Three Disinterested Judges

24 IN CONTEST

Miss Kepler Will Represent Chowan In Potato Festival

With 24 of Edenton's young beauties vying for honors in the beauty contest held at the Taylor Theatre Monday night, Miss Marcia Kepler was voted the winner, thus claiming the title of "Miss Chowan." She will subsequently be Chowan County's entry in the Potato Festival to be held in Elizabeth City on June 11, when from entries coming from several counties "Miss Albemarle" will be chosen.

The young ladies made a splendid appearance on the Taylor stage attired in lovely evening gowns and sponsored by various business concerns. The contest was held between the two shows and attracted a large crowd to witness the young ladies.

Those who took part were Frances Overton, sponsored by D. Pender Grocery Co., Lena Habit sponsored by Cuthrell Department Store, Nancy Wood sponsored by S. Hobowsky, Chrystal Gregory sponsored by W. J. Yates Sinclair Service Station, Nancy Chestnut sponsored by W. I. Cozzens, Jean Smith sponsored by Western Associate Store, Anne Chappell sponsored by Badham's, Janie Mitchener sponsored by Preston's, Caroline McMullan sponsored by Elliott Co., Margaret Upton sponsored by Ed Habit, Fontaine Pettus sponsored by Bridge-Turn Service Station, Norma Perry sponsored by Byrd's Hardware Co., Marcia Kepler sponsored by Chowan Motor Co., Virginia Moore sponsored by Iredell Florist, Doris Hudson sponsored by Broad Street Puro Service Station, Fanny Upton sponsored by Edenton Motors, Margaret Bunch sponsored by Hotel Joseph Hewes, Sally Dixon sponsored by Cherry's Grocery, Corinne Forehand sponsored by Dixie Service Station, Mary Ayres sponsored by Chestnut Cleaners, Frances Collins sponsored by Jenkins Motor Co., Faye Parker sponsored by Triangle Service Station, Lavelle Ward sponsored by Campen's, and Elizabeth Moran sponsored by the Bargain Shoppe.

The contest was very attractive with flowers for decoration furnished by Mrs. Mattie Davis of the Iredell Florist Shop. The judges were from out of town and included B. H. Brown, J. W. McCleese and L. B. Bullock.

Amusements On Tap At Hicks Field All Of Next Week

Edenton Lions Sponsor Event to Raise Extra Funds

Need for help for the blind continues to grow annually in Chowan County and this year, as in other years past, the Edenton Lions Club is sponsoring once again a carnival or amusement company, the proceeds from which will go toward the support of the sightless. The fun-making devices will go in action on the Hicks Field tract adjoining the stadium all next week from Monday on into Saturday night.

The carnival this year will be run by the Crescent Amusement Company which has held the option in other years and which is understood to operate free and clear of all gambling concessions, and in a clean and wholesome way. The deserved criticism of last year because of catch and go gambling trickeries, cannot, therefore, be directed at the coming concessionaries, and the performances, all out-doors, will be safe for the entire family.

The show will feature what are called modern riding devices, such as a merry-go-round, a small ferris wheel, and a chair-o-plane, the latter calculated to give the most excitable a thrill of a lifetime. Of course, if you want to tote home a kewpie doll (Continued on Page Twelve)

Edenton Rotarians Agree Assume Sole Sponsorship Of Local Boy Scout Troop

Baptist Orchestra Plays At Sladesville On Next Sunday

Members of the Baptist Sunday School Orchestra will on Sunday attend an all-day home-coming service at Sladesville in Hyde County, where a new Baptist Church will be dedicated. The orchestra was invited to render music for the occasion and will play at the various services of the day.

Aside from members of the orchestra, a number of other Edenton people are expected to attend the celebration.

The orchestra is directed by W. Jim Daniels and includes Miss Margaret Harrell, pianist; George Alma Byrum, Shelton Moore, trumpets; Kenneth Floars, saxophone; J. L. Chestnutt and Pauline Moore, violins, and Oscar Duncan, bass.

Observance Poppy Day In Edenton Very Successful

Quota of 1,000 Poppies Disposed of Early In Afternoon

\$75.88 COLLECTED

Mrs. Edna White Very Appreciative For Response

Poppy Day in Edenton, which was observed on Saturday, was again a success, the quota of 1,000 poppies being disposed of by about three o'clock. Returns from the sale of the memorial flowers netted \$75.88, which was an increase of about \$10 over last year's amount.

Mrs. Edna White, Poppy Day chairman of the Legion Auxiliary, which organization had charge of the sale, is very appreciative for the splendid response and desires to thank all who bought a poppy as well as those who so willingly gave of their time and effort to make this event a success.

Members of the Auxiliary were in charge of the sale, but were ably assisted by a corps of girls, some of whom were children of members and others who were not. Prizes were awarded to youngsters in each group, the prize for children of members going to Josie White, who collected the most money.

In the group of non-member children, Joyce Moore for the third consecutive year took top honors for the largest sale while Ruth Goodwin took second prize.

Dr. Vaughan Appointed County NYA Physician

Dr. Roland Vaughan has been appointed NYA examining physician for Chowan County, the appointment being announced this week by Miss Lula Millard, NYA health supervisor. While in Edenton Miss Millard was a visitor at the office of Miss Adelaide Tuttle, NYA Area Supervisor.

Business Good At Liles' Close-Out Sale

Business has been splendid at the closing-out sale of the D. B. Liles' store, the stock of which was purchased by J. C. Blanchard & Company of Hertford, and offered at considerable reductions. Mr. Blanchard is very well pleased with the business done thus far during the sale, which will continue through Saturday, June 7.

Bank Of Edenton Closed Tomorrow

Tomorrow (Friday) being national Memorial Day, the Bank of Edenton will be closed all day in order to observe the holiday. Patrons are, therefore, urged to transact their banking affairs accordingly.

Reorganization of Troop Committee Will Take Place

REPAIRS NEEDED

Outfit May Now Be Considered Officially Registered

At last week's Rotary Club meeting, the Rotarians unanimously agreed to become sponsors of the Edenton Boy Scout troop. This action followed a letter from Travis Thompson, Scout executive in Norfolk, in an effort to get the local troop officially registered and on a working basis. Up until last Thursday the troop was sponsored jointly by the Rotarians, Lions and Legionnaires.

Mr. Thompson, in writing to William Privott, chairman of the troop committee, said there have been unsatisfactory experiences heretofore in all cases where there were dual sponsorships and for that reason he suggested one organization become sponsor of the troop if registration of the troop is desired. Members of the other organizations may, of course, be members of the troop committee, but the troop will be sponsored by the Rotary Club.

In his letter Thompson informed Privott that a fine man with much experience in Scouting and Scout leadership has been secured and will be added to the staff of Tidewater Council in June for the specific purpose of assisting volunteer Scouts in the Albemarle district in the further promotion of Scouting.

Mr. Privott informed Thompson that the Rotary Club had assumed full sponsorship of Troop 156, and Thompson incidentally forwarded the application to New York, where it will undoubtedly be accepted.

The Rotary Club will be notified when the application is accepted, shortly after which formal presentation of the charter at a meeting of the Rotary Club will be arranged. In the meantime, according to Thompson, the local troop should consider itself as registered, with the boys enjoying all of the privileges of Scouting.

Under the new set-up a reorganization of the troop committee will take place. At present there are nine members, including William Privott, chairman; Hector Lupton, secretary-treasurer; T. C. Byrum, West Byrum, H. A. Campen, J. Clar (Continued on Page Seven)

Bible School At Baptist Church Begins Monday

Classes For Study Will Be In Progress For Ten Days

On Monday morning a daily vacation Bible school will begin in the Edenton Baptist Church, to which all boys and girls, not only of the Baptist denomination, but all others who can be invited to attend. Classes will be arranged for all groups except beginnings, with capable teachers in charge. A course in Bible study has been arranged for grown-ups which will be very helpful.

The school will continue for 10 days and a pleasant and profitable time is assured for all who attend.

Large Crowd Enjoys St. Paul's Picnic

Members of St. Paul's Sunday School enjoyed the annual picnic held Monday afternoon at Eden House Beach, where a large number of children, together with a sprinkling of parents, went on the outing. Swimming and games were enjoyed by the group, which worked up a splendid appetite for a basket picnic lunch which was provided.

The picnic was in charge of Ernest A. Swain, superintendent of the Sunday School.