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## Objectives Planned Committees Named At C. Of C. Meeting

### Organization Plans to Strike High in 1941 Program

#### NEW DEPT. STORE Airport, Modern Restaurant, Community Building Also

At its June meeting in the Municipal Building Tuesday night, the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce struck high for accomplishment this year and intends to strive diligently to see that some, anyhow, of the goals set are achieved before January 1942. It was one of the largest attended gatherings of the organization, around 30 members being present, and all entering heartily in the preparation of objectives for which the Chamber intends to stand sponsor.

As usual at these monthly gatherings President J. W. Davis, whose term runs out soon, was in the chair and opened the session to everyone. After listing ten or more objectives to be aimed at this year, special committees to direct and work for each were named, and these will be subject to immediate call by the President and Secretary C. L. McCullers.

Some of the high spot objectives spoken of were:

- A complete and modern department store.
- A municipal swimming pool and playground for children.
- A community building for offices and containing rest rooms for visitors.
- A real and modern restaurant which speakers said the town is greatly in need of.
- The establishment of welcome signs at the town limits.
- Restoration of an annual peanut festival in the fall.
- Secure conventions.
- Better co-operation between civic and municipal organizations.
- An airport.

## Pictures Of State Be Shown Monday

### Chas. H. Jenkins And Lions Club Arrange For Showing

Through the cooperation of Chas. H. Jenkins, newly-appointed member of the Board of Conservation and Development, an opportunity will be given Monday night for citizens to witness a film of North Carolina's beauty, especially featuring the various parks located in the State. At Monday night's Lions Club meeting arrangements were made whereby the film will be shown here and it is expected Mr. Jenkins will be on hand to explain or have explained the pictures as they are filmed. The pictures will be shown in the high school auditorium, beginning at 8 o'clock, and because of their interest and beauty and because there will be no admission charged, it is hoped many will be on hand and as a result become a little better acquainted with their State.

## Mrs. S. A. White Not Delinquent In Taxes

Though the name of Mrs. S. A. White appeared in the delinquent tax list as advertised by Sheriff J. A. Bunch in The Herald, Mrs. White's taxes were paid prior to the first insertion of these names. Sheriff Bunch, as well as The Herald, regrets the error and apologizes for inclusion of Mrs. White's name as a delinquent taxpayer, which may have caused some embarrassment.

## Edenton's Sponsors For Potato Ball

Edenton sponsors have been chosen for the Potato Festival ball to be held in Elizabeth City on Wednesday night, June 15. Those selected are: Misses Frye Pettus, Orphia Cozart, Evelyn Jackson, Evelyn Brown, Margaret Satterfield, Mary Arrington Burton, Anna Wood, Virginia Byrum, Mary White, Betty Wales, Mary Elizabeth Coates, Virginia Moore, Anne Chappell, Doris Jean Leary and Corinne Forehand.

## Stores Erroneously Listed As Closing For Wednesday Holiday

In some way, several stores were included in the list published in The Herald last week which will close on Wednesday afternoon.

Cuthrell's Department Store, S. Hobowsky and Quinn Furniture Company were listed, but will remain open for business as usual.

## Safety Committee Named To Aid In Curbing Accidents

### Mrs. Alice Futrell Announces Appointments For Chowan County

#### FIVE IN GROUP Conservation of Human Resources Aim Highway Division

In line with her newly designated job of aiding the State Highway Division of the Department of Revenue in selecting advisory emergency committees in the various counties, Mrs. Alice E. Futrell, of Hertford, has announced the selection of such a committee of five members in Chowan County. Those so chosen by Mrs. Futrell are Mrs. Emmett Elliott, County Superintendent W. J. Taylor, Court Clerk Richard D. Dixon, J. Edwin Bufflap and Highway Patrol Sergeant George I. Dail.

In explaining the local appointments Mrs. Futrell said the Highway Safety Division, of which Ronald Hocutt, of Raleigh, is director, is sponsoring these emergency committees in every county in the State for the "conservation of human resources throughout North Carolina." Accidents on the highways are on the increase in the State, she said, an average of three or four being killed every day and around twenty others injured. If such mishaps continue at the same rate since the first of the year, 1941 will double such casualties over the year preceding.

It is felt that the county set up will result in some sort of an effective safety educational program as the counties can serve as more or less of a clearing house between the department and the public in that the local committees will know whether local accidents can be alleviated and will make recommendations accordingly, which will have a general beneficial effect on traffic conditions everywhere.

Chowan's group will be called together in the near future to organize, at which time Director Hocutt will be present and further explain various phases of the program.

## Swimming Courses Begin On Monday

### School Again Sponsored By Chowan Red Cross Chapter

Another Red Cross Swimming School will be held under the sponsorship of Chowan Chapter, which will begin Monday morning. However, this year there will be only one school, the one heretofore held at Holleys Wharf being abandoned. According to Mrs. J. N. Pruden, county chairman, the classes will begin at 10 o'clock when senior life savers and advanced swimmers will meet at the Fish Hatchery. At 2:30 o'clock the class for beginners will gather at Eden House Beach. Mrs. Pruden also announced that this year there will be no free transportation due to the ambulance trucks being in military service, which was the principal reason for abandoning the Holleys Wharf school.

Melvin Layton and Thomas Elliott will again be instructors at the school and all who desire to enroll are requested to be on hand promptly at the appointed hour.

## Rotary Program In Charge John Graham

Rotarians will meet as usual today (Thursday) at the Parish House at 1 o'clock. The program will be in charge of John W. Graham, who promises to present something of interest to every Rotarian. In the absence of the president, who will be at the State press meeting in Charlotte, C. D. Stewart, vice president, will preside.

## Bombing Targets To Be Constructed In Albemarle Sound

### Plans to Be Submitted At Meeting In Elizabeth City June 9

#### 20 FEET SQUARE

### Opportunity Is Given To Object To Proposed Work

Unless objection is too strong and legitimate reasons submitted, four bombing targets will be constructed in Albemarle Sound. The application to construct these targets has been made by the commandant, Fifth Naval District in Norfolk, one target to be located between the Perquimans River and Edenton, one just off from the Pasquotank River, another about midway between Scuppernon and Alligator Rivers in Tyrrell County, and the fourth near Durant Island.

Plans submitted show fixed targets 20 feet square extending to a height of 14.9 feet above mean high water. Four buoys are to be established 200 feet from the center of each target at points due north, south, east and west.

Construction of the targets will be considered at a public hearing to be held in the main auditorium of the Agricultural Building in Elizabeth City at 2 p. m., on June 9, at which time all interested parties are invited to be present and register any objections to the proposed work.

## Draft Board Sends Out Final Batch Of Questionnaires

### Work of Filling Out Papers Will Be Finished This Week

With 260 questionnaires sent out Monday, the Chowan County Draft Board wound up the list of the first selective service registrants and are about ready to embark on the second draft, which will go into effect July 1, under orders of President Roosevelt. Chowan County, in the first draft, had 1,224 registrants, all of whom have received their questionnaires and practically all of which will be filled out by the end of this week. Filling out of questionnaires on time was made possible by the advisory board calling in associate members, who worked like Trojans daily at the high school.

Chowan's quota to July 1, was 25 men, of which number only two were rejected due to physical reasons. The last of this quota left Wednesday of last week and included three white men, Thomas Hodges Davis, of Tyner, William H. Coffield and William Edwin Goodwin, who were inducted into service at Fort Bragg. Coffield has since been transferred to Fort McPherson in Georgia.

## "Tobacco Tags" Appear At School Friday Night

"The Tobacco Tags," popular radio team broadcasting over station WPTF at Raleigh, will appear in person in Edenton tomorrow (Friday) night at the Edenton High School. The entertainment is sponsored by the Belle Bennett Circle of the Methodist Church and it is hoped that a large crowd will turn out.

## Legion Auxiliary Meets On Friday

Members of the Legion Auxiliary are reminded that the monthly meeting of the organization will be held at Hotel Joseph Hewes Friday night at 8 o'clock. Several important matters will be discussed and for that reason every member is especially urged to be present.

Another feature of the meeting will be the report of the nominating committee relative to new officers for the year as well as members of various committees.

## Service Station Under New Management

Change in ownership of Slade's Service Station is announced this week, the station now being owned by G. L. Boyce. The station is just beyond the city limits on the Edenton-Windsor highway.

## Commissioners Get Slant On Requests For Year's Budget

### School Needs Require Larger Appropriation For Next Year

#### HEALTH SAME

### Budget, However, Will Be Taken Up at July Meeting

Chowan County Commissioners on Monday were able to complete the business confronting them without calling an afternoon meeting. Little of importance was presented, with the major portion of the time going to advance consideration of budgets which were put into the hopper.

Of course the county budget will not be considered until the July meeting, but with requests presented in advance, it will afford the commissioners an opportunity to get a general idea of what will be required.

Both the county and city school budgets were presented, both of which are above last year's request. The county board is asking for \$11,574.89 as against \$11,016.14 last year, but most likely this will be pared some due to adjustment of insurance on several pieces of property up for sale. The county budget includes \$4,714 for current expenses, \$3,400 for capital outlay and \$3,460.89 for debt service.

The Edenton unit's budget is a great deal above last year, when it was \$7,627. This year the budget calls for \$9,729 for current expense, which is based on a per capita basis on what the county unit requires. Capital outlay calls for \$3,100 and \$15,000 for debt service, or a total of \$27,829.

Last year there was no debt service, but additions and improvements at the colored school are necessary, which will require \$15,000 as the sponsors' share of a WPA project to add classrooms, provide a lunch room, install toilets and heating and lighting. The figures also provide for installation of a fence around the Edenton school grounds.

Of course, all of the items will be thoroughly gone into at the July meeting and reduced if there is a possible chance.

Dr. J. S. Chamblee, health officer, presented his budget which calls for the same amount as last year, \$1,728.24. The commissioners agreed to continue the health program.

The commissioners also voted to pay \$14,514.98 in bonds due July 1, which completes the payment of bonds for the year. During the year \$29,000 was paid on bonds which will be the same amount required to be paid next year. The county's bonded indebtedness now is \$425,000, which includes road and bridge bonds and Edenton and Chowan school bonds.

## Past Masters To Be Honored By Masons June 12

### Program Includes Presentation of Jewel to C. W. Sawyer

Thursday night of next week will be observed as Past Masters' night by Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M. At that time a program will be arranged by A. S. Hollowell, which will be featured by presentation of a past master's jewel to C. W. Sawyer as an appreciation for his services as master during the year 1940. Past masters will also be asked to serve for the meeting in the various stations of the lodge.

Past Masters of the lodge still living are E. R. Conger, C. H. Wood, D. B. Liles, W. S. Summerell, F. O. Muth, E. W. Spires, H. A. Campen, J. Edwin Bufflap, E. T. Rawlinson, W. S. Griffin, A. S. Hollowell, W. C. Bunch, J. A. Curran, W. M. Wilkins, J. R. Byrum and C. W. Sawyer.

Because of a number of other activities in town tonight (Thursday) G. A. Helms, master of the lodge, has called off the regular meeting.

## Paul Harrell Richmond University Graduate

Paul Julian Harrell of Edenton, is included in the 199 University of Richmond students who are candidates for degrees at commencement exercises on June 10. Young Harrell will be awarded the Bachelor of Arts degree.

## Rejected Registrants Given Opportunity To Improve Health

Youths of Chowan County who are rejected by the local Selective Service Board due to physical defects and other physically sub-par youths will be given an opportunity to improve their physical condition while receiving experience for jobs in vital defense industries in the National Youth Administration's new center at Durham, which will be opened on June 16.

The Durham camp will be the first of its type in the United States for the rehabilitation of men rejected by Selective Service Boards for physical reasons.

Applications for enrollment in the Durham camp are being accepted through the local NYA office.

## Severe Penalty If Draft Registrants Disregard Rules

### Five Years Imprisonment and \$10,000 Fine May Be Imposed

#### STRICT RULES

### Second Registration to Get Under Way on July 1st

Warning to all youths who have reached their 21st birthday since last October 16, or who have not previously registered for military service under the Selective Service Act that they must respond to notices issued to them by local boards or become liable to severe penalties has been issued by General J. Van B. Metts, State director of selective service.

The State director pointed out that Section 11 of the Selective training and service act of 1940 provides that any registrant who fails to conform to the law or regulations shall be liable to punishment by imprisonment for not more than five years or a fine of not more than \$10,000, or by fine and imprisonment.

"Most of the cases of delinquency so far reported," State Director Metts said, "have been found to be due to ignorance or carelessness on the part of registrants." He pointed out that heretofore it has been the policy of the Selective Service System to be lenient in cases where it is apparent there has been no willful intent to avoid service. "But the investigation of such cases is taking up much valuable time of local boards and of Department of Justice agents, when these agencies should be devoting their time to the more urgent work of national defense," General Metts said, and then added: "Registrants had better not count on an indefinite continuance of this policy of leniency."

In an effort to correct this situation and to avoid the possibility of prosecution for delinquency, registrants were reminded by General Metts that they must complete and return their questionnaires within the time stated on the first page, they must report to examining physicians at the time and place stated in the notice and they must report for delivery to the induction station when notified to do so. General Metts warned that failure to respond to any of these legal notices will subject the registrant to possible prosecution in the Federal Court.

The second registration to be held July 1st will be conducted by local draft boards.

## Lions Preparing To Install New Officers

### Quartet Presented Buttons For Perfect Attendance

At Monday night's Lions Club meeting a special committee was named to arrange for a program in connection with the installation of officers, which meeting will be observed as ladies' night. This committee is composed of Kenneth Floars, John Mitchener, Oscar Duncan and J. Frank White, Jr.

An interesting feature of the meeting Monday night was the presentation by William Privott of 100% attendance buttons to Oscar Duncan, Kenneth Floars, Leroy Haskett and John Mitchener. This quartet of Lions had perfect attendance during the year and were presented their buttons with very appropriate remarks by Mr. Privott.

## 'Over The Top' Went USO Drive Here By Substantial Margin

### Chowan's Quota Exceeded In Three-day Drive

#### CONGRER PLEASSED

### Sum Raised Already Sent to Headquarters In New York

Chowan County's three-day United Service Organization drive ended in record-breaking style on Monday when the county's quota was exceeded and mailed at once to national headquarters in New York. A sum in excess of the quota is still in Treasurer W. H. Gardner's hands, and still more is expected from incomplete reports turned in by the campaign canvassers and from collections which will be taken in the county and town churches next Sunday.

It is not usual that a drive such as this is rushed through to completion so quickly, and Chairman Joseph H. Conger has expressed himself as much pleased with the result. Mr. Conger is confident that the Chowan quota will be exceeded by \$50 when completed, and, maybe, by twice that sum. While no further direct canvassing for funds will be engaged in at this moment all donations that can be made by those not yet approached or from any other source will be appreciated at any time by Mr. Conger and Mr. Gardner.

Naturally the largest share of the collections came from Mrs. J. W. Davis and her large corps of women workers, but moneys turned in by Ralph E. Parrish and J. Edwin Bufflap, who made the men's canvass, ran a close second.

Tuesday night President Roosevelt made an earnest appeal for support of this worthy cause over the radio, and the nationwide USO drive, anticipated five days ahead hereabouts, was started with a goal of nearly \$11,000,000 sought for recreational facilities for soldiers at various training camps.

## Officers Re-elected For Legion Post

### Band Will Be Sent to Convention Held In Durham

Legionnaires, meeting in monthly session Tuesday night, elected new officers for the year which resulted in practically all present officers being re-elected. John A. Holmes will again be post commander, for the third term, though accepting very reluctantly and only after assurance that he will receive full cooperation of post members. Thomas J. Wood was also re-elected as adjutant and finance officer.

Members of the post, which organization sponsored the USO drive for funds, were well pleased with the result of the campaign.

At the meeting the Legion Convention to be held in Durham June 22-23 was discussed. By reason of the First District's record in membership enrollment, the district will lead the convention parade and because of that fact funds will be raised to transport the Edenton band for the occasion. This committee appointed to secure the amount needed is composed of West Byrum, Richard Dixon and J. H. Conger.

## Red Men Nominate Officers Next Monday

With refreshments on hand, a large number of Red Men were present at Monday night's Red Men meeting. Plans were discussed for putting a soft ball team on the field and at the conclusion of the meeting, Ernest White and Russell Cobb served sandwiches and drinks.

At the meeting next Monday night nominations will be made for new officers for the tribe for the last six months of the year, and all members are urged to be present.

## Jail Report Again Low During Month Of May

May again proved to be a light month so far as Jailer Shelton Moore is concerned. During the month, according to Mr. Moore's monthly report, there were only 35 persons placed in jail. The cost involved was \$69.40, which included jail and turn-key fees.