

Chowan County Commissioners Slice Eleven Points Off Tax Rate, Bringing It Down To \$1.02 For Next Fiscal Year

Increase In Valuation Principal Reason For Drop In Rate

LONG SESSION

Improvements Scheduled at Colored High School

Chowan County Commissioners, meeting Thursday of last week instead of Monday, were obliged to wrestle most of the day with figures, but felt at the close of the day that they were adequately compensated for their labor when the figures as boiled down showed that a slice of 11 points could be taken off the county tax rate for the present fiscal year. The rate last year was \$1.13 per hundred dollar property valuation, while the new rate for the ensuing year will be \$1.02. The rate was figured at \$1.01 on Thursday, but later an error was discovered in the school expense account which made it necessary to add another point.

While county expenses are calculated to run about the same as last year, the decrease in the rate is attributed principally to the increased property valuation as the result of recent revaluation in the county, when the property valuation was boosted about \$700,000. The county's valuation was boosted from \$6,827,803 to about seven and a half million dollars.

The expenditures anticipated during the year by the Commissioners are as follows: Schools, \$20,454; General County, health and charity, \$25,700; bonds and interest, \$50,093.67; social security, \$6,977.50. To raise these amounts the tax levy will be as follows:

Schools	.20
Bonds and Interest	.66
General County	.07
Social Security	.09
Total	\$1.02

As compared with last year's rate, bonds dropped from .76 to .66, while schools also dropped two points, from .22 to .20. Social security remained the same, while there was an increase of one point for general county purposes.

Practically the entire morning was consumed with the school budget when a trick in figures puzzled the Commissioners which was finally left for A. T. Allen, who will audit the books, to untangle. Both the county and Edenton administrative unit kept within their budgets and despite the fact that fines, forfeitures and poll taxes are distributed according to the number of students in each (Continued on Page Five)

12 Chowan Young Men Leave July 23 For Military Duty

Group Makes 38 Men Chowan Has Furnished in Draft

Twelve Chowan County young white men will leave Edenton next Wednesday, July 23, to be inducted into military service at Fort Bragg. At Fort Bragg this group of selectees will be given their final physical examination and if it is passed satisfactorily, they will then be sent to various camps for training. The young men comprising this group are:

Jack Pruden, Edenton; John Linwood Bass, Edenton, Route 1; William Kenneth Hendren, Tyner, Route 2; Benjamin F. Evans, Edenton; Willis Hosié Bond, Edenton, Route 3; Harry V. Lassiter, Edenton; Leland Glenn Ward, Tyner; Wilbur F. Wheeler, Edenton; Graham P. Bass, Edenton; Charlie Perry Hughes, Edenton; Johnnie Paul Bunch, Edenton; John Augustus Moore, Jr., Edenton.

With the induction of this group of men Chowan County will have furnished 38 young men for military service in the first draft. Of this number 20 were white and 18 colored.

REVIVAL AT EVANS CHURCH
Revival services are being held at Evans Methodist Church this week. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Stanford, is being assisted by the Rev. Mr. Cranford, of Winfall. The public is cordially invited to attend.

ROY L. McMILLAN, STATE COMMANDER OF AMERICAN LEGION, DRAWING CARD FOR MEETING IN EDENTON ON TUESDAY NIGHT

Officers For Ed Bond Post and Auxiliary Will Be Installed

OTHERS INVITED

R. D. Dixons Plan Reception at Hotel After Meeting

While the boys of Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia are fighting heroically right now to overthrow the world dominance desires of the German hordes, and the young men of the United States are in training preparatory to what seems a certain entrance into the same warfare, the middle-aged veterans of the Albarie who survived the other great war of 1917-1918, will gather at the Court House next Tuesday night in a get-together and installation meeting, and will meet up with for the first time since his election and for (Continued on Page Five)

Geddes Potter Sub Chairman For New Orleans Lions Booth

State Will Be Advertised at International Convention

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Canvass Reveals Very Little Literature On Hand

Geddes Potter, immediate past president of the Edenton Lions Club, has been appointed sub-chairman of the Lions State Council which has engaged a booth at the International Lions Convention to be held at New Orleans for the purpose of advertising the State of North Carolina. The convention will be in session from Monday, July 21, to Friday, July 25, and will attract Lions from all parts of the world.

The booth will be nine feet square and will be located in the convention auditorium, where will be on display souvenir literature as well as municipal and commercial material from every section of the State to be handed out to visitors. The booth will be in charge of Arthur M. Strauss, a member of the Winston-Salem Lions Club, who subsequently appointed Mr. Potter sub-chairman.

Mr. Potter was on Saturday informed of his appointment and immediately set to work collecting all available literature pertaining to Edenton and the Albarie, which was on Monday shipped to Mr. Strauss. Mr. Potter was very much enthused over the idea of securing literature and information regarding Edenton to be placed in the booth, which he thought would result in much publicity for the town, but was somewhat disappointed because of the lack of available material. In his shipment were included about half a dozen of the town booklets, the supply of which has just about been exhausted, a batch of the historical pamphlets recently purchased by the Bank of Edenton and a number of cards and folders furnished by Hotel Joseph Hewes.

38 4-H Club Boys And Girls Enroll For Summer Camp

Up to Monday afternoon, 38 boys and girls, members of the County 4-H Clubs, had enrolled to attend the 4-H Camp to be held at Jamestown, Va. The time limit to enroll has been extended to Saturday, July 19, and any boy or girl interested in going to camp should see either Miss Rebecca Colwell or C. W. Overman at once.

The group will leave Edenton on Monday, July 21, at 9 a. m., and return Saturday, July 26.

Missing

Chowan County's draft board has reported the disappearance of three registrants, to whom questionnaires have been sent and returned. The three are colored youths and are Ivan Griffin, who gave his address as Edenton, Route 2; James McNeill, Edenton, Route 2, and James Edward White, Edenton, Route 1. The draft board will appreciate learning the whereabouts of these three men so that the questionnaires can be sent, and unless they are located, their names will be turned over to the United States District Attorney as delinquents, after which they will be treated accordingly.

Edward Smithwick Descendants Visitors In Edenton Sunday

An interested group of Edenton visitors Sunday included Mrs. M. P. Cooper, Mrs. F. E. Richfelt and Mrs. J. L. Minor, of Jackson, Miss., and Mrs. W. I. Allison, of Fort Worth, Texas. They are descendants of Edward Smithwick, who gave the land upon which to build the first Episcopal Church in North Carolina on the Hayes Farm in 1701.

It was the first time any of the four ladies had visited in Edenton and they came especially to become more fully acquainted with the life of their ancestor. They attended services at St. Paul's Church and enjoyed references read in the old vestry minute books as well as other information about the church.

Miss Emily Russell Wins Honors In State Junior Memory Test

Miss Emily Russell, who represented the Edenton Baptist Church at the State Training Union Assembly at Ridgecrest July 5-11, returned home Friday. Miss Russell won State place in the junior memory work contest, attaining a perfect score with 29 contestants. The young lady is very enthusiastic about the meeting, the mountains and, of course, her success. Adding to her joy was an inspirational telegram received from her B. Y. P. U. leader, John M. Elliott, as she went on the stage. She was chaperoned by the Rev. and Mrs. Millard R. Brown, of Windsor.

EXTENT OF MATTRESS AND COMFORTER PROJECT SURPRISE TO COMMISSIONERS

125 Bales of Cotton Consumed, 11,880 Yards of Ticking and 7,510 Yards of Percalé—Savings Amounts to Almost \$13,000

Chowan's so-called "Mattress Project", being operated by the State Agricultural Extension Service and conducted here under the supervision of Home Demonstration Agent Rebecca Colwell and County Agent C. W. Overman has been so successful from the start that it has been unable to keep up with the demand for mattresses and comforters. At the present moment there are 312 mattresses yet to be made and 26 comforters. The same compilation shows that so far 876 mattresses have been made and 725 comforters, and that both yet to be made and already turned out have cost but \$1,338.20, whereas had they been bought in a retail store the purchasers would have had to pay \$14,118 for the same articles, which is one phase of the New Deal, anyhow, which has proven beneficial.

But little has been explained of this service for low income families, yet some of the figures supplied by Miss Colwell to the County Commissioners last Thursday are startling in extreme. Naturally, the large savings in cost to those making and

Draft Board Gives Serial Numbers To New Registrants

County Furnishes 53 Young Men Recently Turned 21

LOTTERY

Order to Enter Service Will Be Decided In Washington

Chowan County's Draft Board has completed assignment of serial numbers to the 53 young men who became 21 years of age from October 17, 1940, to July 1, 1941, and who registered in the second selective service draft on July 1. Cards of these registrants were shuffled in a box and drawn out to determine the serial number of each.

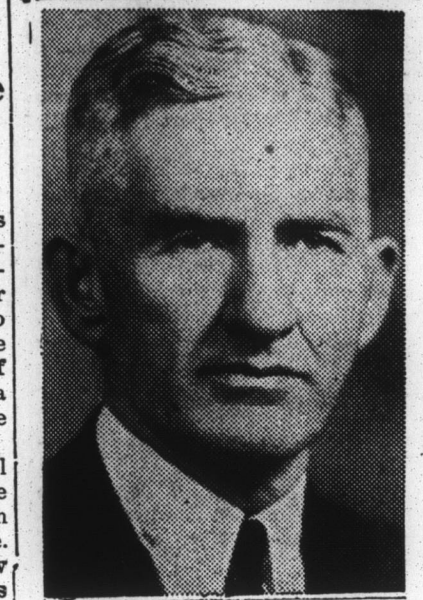
As in the first draft, a national lottery in Washington will determine the order number of the young men to be inducted into military service. The full list of Chowan's new registrants and the serial numbers follow:

- S-1 Johnnie Henderson Horton.
- S-2 Lee Roy Phelps.
- S-3 James Thomas Brabble.
- S-4 Willis Critten Hurdle.
- S-5 Earl Sutton Pierce.
- S-6 James Edward Hare.
- S-7 Robert Enoch Ward.
- S-8 Caley Jasper Rountree.
- S-9 Lloyd Edmund Overton.
- S-10 Stanley Ervin Spruill.
- S-11 Wendell Hope Copeland.
- S-12 Troy Elvin Toppin.
- S-13 Carlton Lee Littlejohn.
- S-14 Embery William Perry.
- S-15 Johnny Christopher Treadwell.
- S-16 Walter Vance Wright.
- S-17 Linwood Roscoe Bunch.
- S-18 Rodney Lester Bunch.
- S-19 Charles Manuel Asbell.
- S-20 Robert Lee Rick.
- S-21 Joe Edward Cornelious.
- S-22 Henry Drew.
- S-23 Thomas Gilliam.
- S-24 McKinley Franklin Wright.
- S-25 Golden Aero Frinks.
- S-26 George Allen Spruill.
- S-27 Anderson Darwin Ward, Jr.
- S-28 Harry Lester Jordan.
- S-29 Ernest Nixon.
- S-30 Brady Lee Granby.
- S-31 Milton Donaldson Welch.
- S-32 John Ervin Copeland.
- S-33 Edward Exsom Eyervett.
- S-34 John Hudgins Bond.
- S-35 Anthony Cleophy Coston.
- S-36 Joseph Beasley.
- S-37 Marion Lee Coston.
- S-38 James Edward Byrum.
- S-39 Hiller Fahey Byrum.
- S-40 Lester Joseph Copeland.
- S-41 Army Riddick.
- S-42 James Reuben Blanchard.
- S-43 Edmund Conger Forehand.
- S-44 Clifton Odell Eason.
- S-45 Richard Edgar Jackson.
- S-46 Herman Lee Jernigan.
- S-47 Joseph Eugene Perry.
- S-48 James Lee Wilson.
- S-49 Thomas Edison Reid.
- S-50 Carroll Dewey Chappell.
- S-51 George Alfred Roberts.
- S-52 John Ralph Brabble.
- S-53 William Thomas Owens.

The latter three were registered outside of the county, but gave Chowan as their home and were therefore classified here.

Whirlwind Drive Friday To Raise Quota For Purchase Mercy Plane For England

State Commander



R. L. (ROY) McMILLAN

In his only scheduled visit to the Albemarle section this year State Commander McMILLAN will install officers of Ed Bond Post in the Court House next Tuesday night. Legionnaires from every Post in the Albemarle have been invited to meet their popular commander on this occasion.

Chamber Commerce Now Interested In Compiling Directory

Canvass For Information Will Get Under Way at Once

WHITE - COLORED

Every Citizen Urged to Answer Simple Questions Listed

That Edenton will have a city directory seems almost a certainty. C. L. McCullers, secretary of the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce has already put into motion preliminary plans to compile the directory and will in a day or two begin a canvass of the town to secure the necessary information.

Already cards have been printed on which statistics will be listed and includes the name of the person canvassed, whether married or single, street and house number, how long a resident here, place of employment, type of work, wife's first name, the names and ages of children, as well as names, relationship and place of employment of other persons living in the house canvassed.

This canvass will be made among both the white and colored races and the information is calculated to be of considerable value to the Chamber of Commerce.

Every citizen in Edenton is asked to cooperate in giving all the information desired to the end that the directory will be complete and accurate.

Millard F. Bond Elected President Of ABC Association

Annual Meeting Held At Wrightsville Beach

Chowan County was signally honored on Saturday when Millard F. Bond was unanimously elected president of the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Boards Association. Mr. Bond's selection was made at the annual convention of the Association held at Wrightsville Beach. He succeeds R. S. Corbitt of Maclefield.

Mr. Bond has been very active in affairs of the ABC boards and has served as secretary-treasurer of the Chowan County ABC Board since it was established in 1937.

Chowan's full board attended the convention including, besides Mr. Bond, Chairman R. P. Badham and Hector Lupton.

Chowan County Asked To Raise \$100 For Purpose

NEED GREAT

Lions and Rotary Clubs Send Out Canvassing Committees

At a meeting Monday night of Chowan County's Old North State Fund's Campaign Committee, held at the home of Judge and Mrs. Richard D. Dixon, plans were effected to conduct a whirlwind canvass in an effort to raise the county's quota of \$100 in one day. The day designated to reach this goal is tomorrow (Friday) when every business and professional man in Edenton will be solicited for a contribution.

To conduct this canvass the committee called into service the Lions and Rotary Clubs, and President Ralph Parrish of the Lions Club and C. L. McCullers, president of the Rotary Club, have appointed a committee from their respective groups to make the canvass.

The purpose of the Old North State Fund is to raise \$75,000 with which to purchase and deliver an ambulance airplane as a gift to the people of England from citizens of North Carolina. The campaign to raise this amount was officially started throughout the State last Friday, so that Richard Dixon, chairman for Chowan County, is very anxious for Chowan to raise its quota at once and send it to headquarters.

The plight of England at the present moment makes it essential that everything possible be done to bring relief to the civilian population and armed forces quickly and it is stated by members of the executive committee of the Fund that British officials have urgently requested that all possible haste be made in the presentation of the mercy ship by North Carolinians, who are the first to be asked to make such a gift on behalf of a commonwealth.

"In starting the campaign to present a mercy ship to the people of England, we feel certain of the full support of the rank and file of citizens of the Old North State," declared Judge F. O. Bowman, State chairman of the Fund, "and it seems evident that each county in the State will do its part towards making the gift a speedy reality. We have an excellent organization in each of the 100 counties of North Carolina, headed by prominent business and civic leaders who are putting forth every effort to promptly reach the quotas assigned their re- (Continued on Page Five)

Group Appointed To Plan Changes At Court House

County Commissioners, However, Jealous of Responsibility

Comment has of late been going the rounds that Chowan's ancient Court House, especially the panel room on the second floor, is to be restored, and efforts along this line were discussed by the County Commissioners at their meeting held on Thursday. At that time a suggested committee was appointed by the Commissioners to make recommendations as to improvements, but this committee will have no authority to undertake any changes without the approval of the County governing body.

Chairman D. M. Warren, speaking on behalf of the Commissioners, said that such a committee could make recommendations or suggestions and have charge of the work, but that the authority to proceed must first come from the Commissioners. The County Commissioners, he said, are charged with the care of the Court House, and that they would not relinquish their right and responsibility to any group.

The committee, as appointed on Thursday, is composed of Judge Richard D. Dixon, Mrs. S. M. McMullan, Mrs. W. D. Pruden, Mrs. R. P. Badham, Mrs. C. P. Wales, Mrs. G. H. Harding, Mrs. Geddes Potter, Mrs. George C. Wood, Mrs. E. N. Elliott, Mrs. J. N. Pruden and D. M. Warren, Jr.