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Two Day Term of Superior Court Features Sentence 18 Years For Axe Killer

Three Civil and Three Criminal Actions Disposed of

FIVE DIVORCES

Judge Frizzelle Presides, Who Asks Judge Dixon to Sit With Him

After an absence of five years, Judge Paul J. Frizzelle, of Snow Hill, made a return visit to Edenton this week to preside at the September Term of Superior Court, starting Monday, and as before made a very favorable impression, but even so he stayed but two days, winding up a small criminal docket on the first day and completing the term on Tuesday after disposing of a few civil actions. Detained an hour and a half on opening day because of delay in passing through construction work at the damaged Williamston fill this side of the Roanoke River, the jurist, however, wasted no time when he did arrive in getting the court proceedings underway.

At the very outset, after greeting court officials and members of the local bar, Judge Frizzelle summoned the newly appointed special Chowan Superior Court Judge, Richard D. Dixon, to sit with him on the bench while he delivered his charge to the grand jury. In this charge he mentioned Mr. Dixon as one "whose worthiness has been befittingly recognized," and prophesied a judicial career for the Edentonian that would compare favorably with that of any of the senior members of the same court.

In charging the grand jury, of which Russell Chappell was foreman, Judge Frizzelle said he had reached the conclusion that Chowan County had a fine citizenship because of the relatively few law violations. Another thing which called for praise of the county was the fact that none of the men called for grand jury duty had asked to be excused. He recalled that this was true on his last appearance in the county. This, he said, was indicative of a high sense of responsibility and duty. He commented upon the number of excuses he is obliged to listen to in his travels about the State, in one instance every juror asking to be excused. He termed such a condition as a disgrace and reflection on a county when average and leading men are so engrossed with their personal affairs that they are not willing to give their services to one of the most important and essential bodies in the land. But for the maintenance of law and order it would be a very short time before these same men would have no business, for they would not be assured of property or of life.

A citizen should feel that he is honored to be called for jury duty, the judge said, as he traced briefly the trial by juries which was adopted from the mother country and has been maintained for more than 150 years.

Judge Frizzelle paid tribute to Solicitor Chester Morris, Sheriff J. A. Bunch, Clerk of Court E. W. Spires and Judge Richard D. Dixon, whose worthiness has been recognized in being elevated to the bench.

He specifically instructed the grand jury relative to making presentments, admonishing them to make no distinction if a friend or an acquaintance was involved in breaking the law. It takes courage, he told them, but members of a grand jury are men of intelligence and character and should see that justice is carried out irrespective of friendly feelings.

The judge was very emphatic regarding reckless and drunken driving, which he termed one of the most serious problems to contend with. Such violators are potential murderers, he said, and a fine is no good. A fine is not commensurate with the seriousness of the crime, he said.

Two Times

Chowan County school children will go to school, beginning on Monday, at different times this year due to the fact that in the county Superintendent W. J. Taylor says the schools will operate by Eastern Standard Time, while in the city unit Superintendent John A. Holmes says Daylight Saving Time will be observed until it is changed.

Farmer's Friend

Though O. C. Davis, retired railway mail clerk, does not live on a farm, he may well be considered a friend of the farmer. Aside from fishing, one of Mr. Davis' favorite pastimes is shooting crows and hawks, which he does with a .22 calibre Hornet rifle.

It will be interesting to know that up to July 1, Mr. Davis has killed 579 crows, which without doubt has resulted in less damage to at least some of the farmer's crops.

Mr. Davis, late in 1940, began to keep a record of the crows he shot, which is as follows:

To January 1, 1941	245
January, 1941	118
February	39
March	29
April	102
May	30
June	16
Total	579

Peanut Officials Meet In Edenton

Arrange For Farmers To Receive Seed For Payment

Chowan County farmers have opportunity to gain greatly by seeding winter legumes. Notice received from the State Office reveals that they will be unable to obtain winter legume seed as a grant-of-aid this year. Chowan farmers who have not reached their 1941 soil-building goal need to carry out 2,147 more units. Each of these units is worth an average of \$7.25 each in earning benefit payments. Arrangements are being made for local dealers to purchase and handle the winter legume seed. Farmers may either buy the seed for cash or they may obtain seed by making assignment of payment for the amount of the seed. A sufficient amount of seed is being purchased and it is hoped that every farmer who needs more units will take advantage of the opportunity.

Representatives of eight counties met in Edenton Friday. Mr. Hassell and Mr. Mosely, State Office representatives, discussed with the group methods of administering peanut marketing quotas.

Rotary And Lions Clubs Object To Speeding In Town

Pass Resolution to Register Complaint to Town Council

Speeding in Edenton is claiming the attention of both the Rotary and Lions Clubs, each organization having passed a resolution requesting Town Council to instruct police to make an effort to curb this dangerous practice. Numerous complaints of fast driving, especially on North Broad Street, have been made lately, and each of the clubs appointed committees to appear before Town Council. For the Rotarians, John A. Holmes, Frank Holmes and Charles Wales were asked to go before Town Council, while the Lions turned the matter over to the Safety Committee, composed of L. H. Haskett and A. E. Jenkins.

The resolution passed by the two clubs follows:

"Whereas, there is, and has been much complaint of the fast and dangerous manner in which automobiles are operated over Edenton streets, and specially on Broad Street, such operation being in violation of the law,

"Therefore, be it resolved that the Rotary and Lions Clubs of Edenton respectfully urge the Council to investigate this matter and that a committee from each club be named by the presidents to present same to our Council."

Chowan County Due To Receive \$2,940.42 From Intangible Tax

County's Share \$2,128.58 While Town Gets \$811.85

60% TO LOCAL UNITS

Income In State From Intangibles Gradually Increasing

According to a report of Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell furnished the County Commissioners, Chowan County is due to receive \$2,940.42 as its share of intangible personal property tax collections for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941. The apportionment to Chowan County from the various classifications was \$5,104.91, from which the pro rata administrative expense of \$204.20 was deducted, leaving available for distribution \$4,900.71, of which amount 60 per cent goes to local units and 40 percent to the State.

Of the \$2,940.42 due Chowan, the county will receive \$2,128.58, the town's share being \$811.85.

Net collections in the state for the year were \$1,523,934.72, of which amount \$914,360.83, or 60 per cent, goes to local units and 40 per cent, or \$609,573.89, goes to the State.

Taxes from intangibles have gradually increased during the last four years as the following comparative figures since 1938 show:

1938	\$ 868,448.06
1939	1,002,174.58
1940	1,457,653.88
1941	1,523,934.72

Peanut Growers Ask For Fairer Representation

Confer Tuesday With Under Secretary of Agriculture Hill

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner and a delegation of peanut growers and processors from North Carolina held a conference with the Under Secretary of Agriculture, Honorable Grover B. Hill, Tuesday, regarding the peanut marketing program affecting North Carolina and Virginia.

At the present time the directorship of the North Carolina-Virginia Cooperative Peanut Marketing Association is equally divided with eight members from North Carolina, and (Continued on Page Five)

Edenton Garden Club Objects To New Filling Station

First Meeting of Year Held at Hotel Joseph Hewes Monday

Edenton's Garden Club held its first meeting of the new year Monday afternoon in the Rose Room at Hotel Joseph Hewes, during which keen objection was registered regarding the proposed erection of a filling station on the northeast corner of Broad and Gale Streets. Reason for this objection by the ladies was the contention that a filling station on this corner would detract from the beauty of Broad Street and that undoubtedly if the station were built, it would be the purpose to have some of the trees removed, to which they strenuously objected. The filling station developed into the major discussion of the meeting, and resulted in the appointment of a committee to appear before Town Council Tuesday night in the interest of zoning the town to prevent the establishment of business in residential sections. Though every member of the club was asked to attend the Town Council meeting, the following were named to present the matter: Mrs. Julien Wood, Mrs. C. T. Hollowell, Mrs. R. P. Badham and Mrs. J. W. Davis.

The club tentatively set October for the staging of a flower show, with Mrs. W. I. Hart and Mrs. A. G. Byrum being appointed a committee to plan for the affair. Mrs. C. T. Hollowell was appointed (Continued on Page Five)

Many Vexing Problems Again Hold Town Councilmen In Session Past Midnight; Budget Juggled But Tax Rate Held at 95c

Two At Once

September Superior Court affairs operated for a moment or two in two branches here on Tuesday. While Judge Frizzelle sat in the main court room listening to a civil action, newly appointed Judge Richard D. Dixon sat in the clerk's office and granted a restraining order in a land controversy in Tyrrell County, the plaintiff being W. J. Cohoon and the defendant C. F. Jones. Bond was furnished and the case will come up formally for trial before Judge Dixon in Columbia on September 29.

Commissioners Turn Thumbs Down On \$100 For Peanut Festival

Guy Hobbs and Ralph Parrish, members of the Finance Committee of the Edenton Peanut Festival, appeared before the County Commissioners Monday in an effort to secure an appropriation of \$100 to help defray the expenses of the celebration scheduled for Friday, October 17. While the Commissioners thought well of the festival idea, they realized that they had little margin in the general fund, and because there was no source in the budget from which the amount could come from, they declined to make the appropriation asked.

Two Edenton Young Men Called For Duty In Naval Reserve

Louis George Wilkins And Charles Wales Leave Next Week

Two Edenton young men, graduates of the University of North Carolina, have received orders to report for naval reserve training, the two being Louis George Wilkins and Charles P. Wales, Jr. Mr. Wilkins has been ordered to report to Northwestern University at Chicago, on September 16, while Mr. Wales is to report on September 18 at Prairie State, New York City. Another Edenton young man, Frank Holmes, is also scheduled to enter naval reserve training, but has not yet been notified when and where to report.

Chowan Likely To Have An Exhibit At N. C. State Fair

Miss Colwell and C. W. Overman Very Much Interested

Unless plans miscarry, Chowan County will have a creditable display at the State Fair in Raleigh. This was revealed Monday when County Agent C. W. Overman and Home Demonstration Agent Miss Rebecca Colwell appeared before the County Commissioners requesting an appropriation of about \$200 to arrange the exhibit.

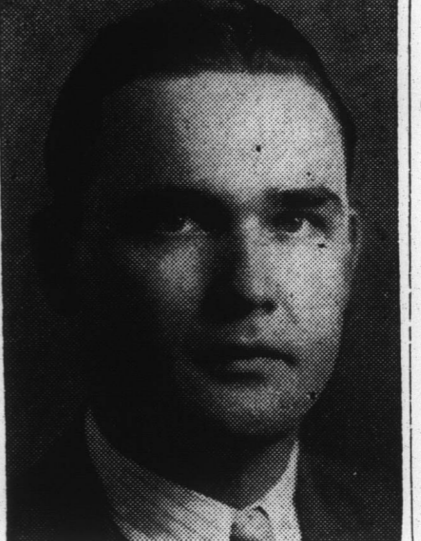
Mr. Overman, while in Dare County, supervised a display for that county which resulted in a great deal (Continued on Page Eight)

Mayor And Mrs. Dick Reynolds May Attend Local Peanut Festival

According to a letter received by C. L. McCullers, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, it is very likely that Richard J. Reynolds, Mayor of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. Reynolds will attend the Edenton Peanut Festival on October 17.

Mayor and Mrs. Reynolds left Tuesday morning for California, where they will remain for two weeks, but Mayor Reynolds assured Mr. McCullers that if at all possible, and he thought it would be, they really wanted to come down to Edenton for the celebration.

Reappointed



At a joint meeting of the Chowan County Commissioners, Board of Health and County Board of Education held on Monday, Mr. Lupton was re-appointed as a member of the Chowan County ABC Board. The appointment is for three years.

Edenton Band In Receipt Of Three Invitations To Play

Local Outfit Will Again Play In Suffolk Peanut Festival

Edenton's High School Band has just received three invitations to play for out-of-town affairs, all of which have been accepted. The local organization has been asked to play at High School Day at Chapel Hill on September 20, when the feature attraction will be a football game between the University of North Carolina and Lenior-Rhyne College.

The band has also been invited to play for the home-coming day at Duke University on October 4, when the Blue Devils will meet the University of Tennessee Volunteers.

On October 31, the band will also play in the National Peanut Festival which will be held in Suffolk, Va., and where, last year, the local outfit walked off with first prize for being the best band participating.

Chowan Schools Receive \$2,160 For NYA Student Work

Allocation of \$315,631 to carry on the student work program of the National Youth Administration during 1941-42 is announced by State NYA Administrator John A. Lang. A total of 171 high school units in every county in North Carolina will benefit by appropriations from the fund for student work as a part of the NYA program.

A total of \$2,160 has been allotted the public schools of Chowan County, according to Mr. Lang. Funds allocated will be used in carrying on the NYA student work program in local schools during the coming term.

The county unit was allocated \$810, while the Edenton city schools were given \$1,350.

Bertie County schools received \$1,530, Gates \$1,350, Hyde \$2,520, Pasquotank \$900, Perquimans \$1,530, Tyrrell \$1,530, Washington \$2,070.

11 Chowan White Men Called For Fort Bragg

Eleven more white men from Chowan County will be inducted into military service, according to orders received Wednesday by the Chowan County Draft Board. These men will report to Fort Bragg on October 6, but just who they will be has not been decided at this writing.

Ladies Object to Filling Station and Removal Of Trees

ADOPT BUDGET

Commission Appointed To Make Study of Zoning Town

Edenton's Town Council, faced with many vexing problems, was again at its regular meeting Tuesday night, held in session until almost 1 o'clock. Several delegations were on hand and because the budget was to be finally adopted, several requests were made to reconsider appropriations as set up at the previous meeting, all of which consumed considerable time, but were thrashed out as the weary-eyed city fathers left for their homes at the wee sma' hours.

First to be heard at the meeting was a delegation from the Garden Club, who objected strenuously to the erection of a filling station at the corner of Broad and Gale Streets, especially protesting to the removal of trees along the streets. Those who spoke were Mrs. R. P. Badham, Mrs. C. T. Hollowell, Mrs. Julien Wood and Mrs. Leland Plant, who emphasized the beauty of the trees and what they mean in actual worth to the attractiveness of the town. The ladies also urged Council to do what it could in way of zoning the town in order to prevent business expanding to the residential sections.

J. N. Pruden, attorney for C. R. Satterfield, who owns the property, presented court opinions tending to show that the Town could not stop the erection of the filling station and that the lease was contingent upon the removal of sufficient trees to allow proper ingress and egress.

When taken up for consideration, a motion was made and passed to appoint a zoning commission, who will be required to study the zoning of the Town from every angle, and then present its findings to Town Council, who after a public hearing, will take action one way or the other. Those appointed on the commission are J. L. Pettus, chairman, C. E. Kramer, L. S. Byrum, Geddes Potter, Guy Hobbs and John Graham. The ladies objected to the filling station but were primarily interested in preventing removal of trees and urged working together to see that the Town's trees are saved.

G. H. Harding, together with a group of others, asked Council to reconsider an appropriation of \$300 for advertising material, and when this matter was considered, it was decided to put the amount back in the budget for the purpose.

The Rev. C. A. Ashby spoke on behalf of the Rotary and Lions Clubs urging the Council to take emphatic action relative to speeding. Both Clubs passed resolutions in this regard and the police were instructed to make an effort to curb the practice, even if arrests are necessary.

Ralph Parrish, Hector Lupton and Guy Hobbs, members of the finance committee of the Peanut Festival, asked for an appropriation of \$200 or \$300 toward the expense of staging the celebration on October 17. After seriously considering the proposition, it was decided to allow \$200 toward the expense.

John A. Holmes asked for the restoration of \$150 which was sliced from the band appropriation at the last meeting, and when assured that the school board paid \$900, it was decided to match the amount, so that \$900 was included in the budget instead of \$750.

Representative J. G. Campen complained that peddlers were selling merchandise in Edenton without securing licenses, which he argued is unfair to local merchants. Some of these have paid licenses and upon information that merchandise is being sold without securing a license, the Chief of Police will require the purchase of one.

In the absence of D. M. Warren, as (Continued on Page Five)

Library Hours

Beginning next Monday, September 15, the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library will observe the winter schedule of hours. The hours which will go into effect at that time follow:
Every week day from 2:00 to 5:00 p. m.
Monday and Friday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 o'clock.
Every Sunday from 3 to 5 p. m.