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## Edenton Peanut Festival Friday

### Town Sponsors NYA Work Shop

### Town Council Appropriates \$600 To Provide Building Current And Heat For Year

Project Definitely Assured Monday By NYA Official

READY TO MOVE

Efforts Now Directed at Renting a Suitable Building

Town Councilmen, at their monthly meeting Tuesday night, unanimously agreed to sponsor a NYA wood-working and ship carpentry work shop, which will employ approximately 50 young men between the ages of 17 and 25 years. The shop will be moved from the Manteo area, where it has been in operation for several years.

That the shop was definitely assured for Edenton was revealed Monday when R. E. McGlaughan, work projects officer, conferred with a number of members of the Chamber of Commerce and accompanied Secretary G. L. McCullers, John W. Graham, W. S. Privott and J. Edwin Bufflap about town to inspect possible headquarters for the shop.

At Town Council's meeting Mr. Graham presented the matter, which to secure the project means that the town must provide a building, lights, water and heat. Mr. Graham was not in position to say what building could be secured for the purpose, but expressed his opinion that one could be rented and put into proper shape at an outlay to the town of not more than \$600 a year, which would include repairs as well as the necessary expense of heat, water and light.

The payroll of the boys and the instructors will not be less than \$1,500 per month, with the likelihood that it will increase to \$1,800 and possibly the addition of other projects which would boost the payroll still higher.

It is a certainty that a national defense ship-building training project will be added which carries an A-1 rating and would develop a much needed group of workers.

Mr. Graham explained in detail the proposition, after which the Councilmen very readily agreed to provide the necessary requirements to have the shop moved here. Mr. McGlaughan, on Monday, said he was ordered to move the shop at once, so that a location must be secured as soon as possible. It is expected that the Chamber of Commerce committee will be able to make arrangements for a building before the end of this week.

The 50 young men, who will be employed locally and from nearby towns, will work in two shifts under capable instructors. They will include boys who have finished school but have no particular work to do, training them in some useful trade.

It was explained that in the shop many things can be made for counties or municipalities or any tax-supported agencies, such as desks, tables, benches and the like, the only provision being that the organization furnish the material.

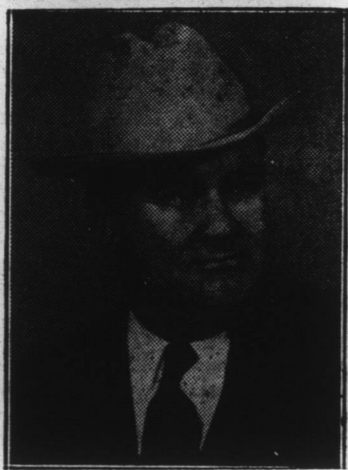
### School Grounds Will Be Enclosed Six Foot Wire Fence Erected for Safety of Children

By the latter part of this week a new six foot wire fence will surround the Edenton High School grounds, which is being erected to protect the school and school property as well as to keep the school children safe within the property bounds during recess.

The fence will include five gates that will be kept locked at night.

Superintendent John A. Holmes expressed himself as being well pleased with the work and said that the construction of the fence will be an added safety measure in protecting the lives of the school children, as well as keeping out prowlers at night who damage school property.

### Festival Speaker



GROVER B. HILL

Scheduled to make the principal address at Edenton's Peanut Festival Friday is Grover B. Hill, assistant secretary of agriculture. Mr. Hill will speak from the speakers' stand on the Court House Green.

### State DAR Regent Favors Restoration Of Tea Party House

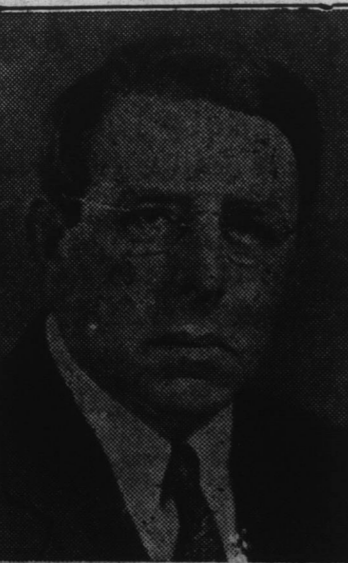
Mrs. Joseph Silversteen Visitor In Edenton Last Week

A further step toward the possible final restoration of the old Tea Party dwelling of Elizabeth King occurred last week when Mrs. Joseph S. Silversteen, State regent for the D.A.R., of Brevard, visited with friends at Hotel Joseph Hewes. Mrs. Silversteen has interested her organization in the restoration here and came to Edenton to look over what is left of the old house in the way of usable timbers. What she found pleased her she said, and she returned home on Saturday determined, she declared, to bring the matter up at the next D. A. R. meeting. In her view there is nothing more historically important in Edenton than the Tea Party House, and its restoration, she said, will be a great thing for the town and for the thousands of visitors who come here every year.

### MASONS CALL OFF MEETING

Master G. A. Helms has called off the regular meeting of Unanimity Lodge tonight (Thursday) due to preparations being made for the Peanut Festival tomorrow, and the Peanut Jamboree to be held tonight.

### Governor Coming



GOVERNOR J. M. BROUGHTON

Governor and Mrs. Broughton were among the first to accept an invitation to attend Edenton's first Peanut Festival. The Governor will crown the queen of the festival as well as introduce Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Grover B. Hill.

### Official Program Edenton Peanut Festival October 16 and 17, 1941

Thursday, October 16

- 5:00 P. M. Registration of Princesses from all counties.
- 7:00 P. M. Banquet in honor of Princesses and Escorts. Hotel Joseph Hewes.
- 9:00 P. M. Goober Jamboree (Square Dance) on Broad Street. Music by the Bertie Broadcasting String Band.

Friday, October 17

- 10:00 A. M. Concert by Massed Bands on Court House Green.
- 11:00 A. M. Beauty Contest at Taylor Theatre to select Queen of Festival.
- 11:30 A. M. Address by Honorable Grover B. Hill, Assistant Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture. On Court House Green.
- 12:30 P. M. Buffet Luncheon for Invited Guests and the Bands.
- 2:00 P. M. Floral Parade.
- 3:00 P. M. Annual Football Game. Elizabeth City High School vs. Edenton High School.
- 3:45 P. M. Coronation Queen of Festival and presentation of the Harding Trophy (between halves at football game) by Governor J. Melville Broughton.
- 5 to 6 P. M. Boating Trips on Albemarle Sound.
- 8:00 P. M. Fireworks Display at Athletic Field.
- 10:00 P. M. Festival Ball at Armory (Music by Barney Rapp and His New Englanders).
- 11:00 P. M. Grand March at Festival Ball in honor of Queen and her Court of Honor.

### 'Battle Of Albemarle' Agents For So-called Friday Drawing Card Civil Service Schools For Peanut Festival Operating In County

Interest Mounts in Football Game Between Edenton - E. City

PLENTY COLOR

Yellow Jackets Have Won 10 of 13 Games Played

Whether or not a peanut festival is in progress Friday afternoon will no doubt be of little concern to a large number of Edenton football fans, as well as probably an equal number from Elizabeth City, for at 3 o'clock two ancient high school football rivals, Edenton and Elizabeth City, will meet in the Albemarle's football classic of the year. As ever, interest in this game is at fever heat, and followers of both teams predict victory and a hard-fought game.

Stock in Edenton's chances of victory has been boosted considerably since the first of the season, following the showing made thus far by Coach W. E. Bowman and his limited crew of players. To date Columbia and Williamston have been victims of Bowman's boys, both teams being handed the short end of a 12-0 score. Then last Friday when the dope pointed to a defeat at the hands of the highly touted Tarboro outfit, the Aces, entering the game decidedly the under dogs, the two teams played to a 6-6 tie.

Edenton's hopes for a victory lie in the fact that the Yellow Jackets from Pasquotank have lost a group of last year's veterans which undoubtedly has weakened the team. Edenton, likewise lost a number of regular players, who have been replaced by younger and less experienced boys. Coach Bowman has, however, developed a well-functioning machine, which should provide plenty of trouble for the visitors. One of the weak points which worries Coach Bowman is lack of reserve material.

The Edenton squad, as well as the coach, believe Friday's game is just about the toughest on the schedule, and the boys have gone through stiff practice sessions in preparation for the game.

The two schools have been arch rivals since 1926, during which time

Several Persons Relieved of Money on Promise of Jobs

CHARGE \$75

Warning Embodied In Regulations of Merit System

Information has reached The Herald that representatives of so-called civil-service correspondence schools have been operating in Chowan County and have succeeded in relieving several people of as high as \$75 upon the promise that farm youths would receive the courses offered which would enable them to pass government civil-service examinations and that the boys would be guaranteed positions as the result of taking the course.

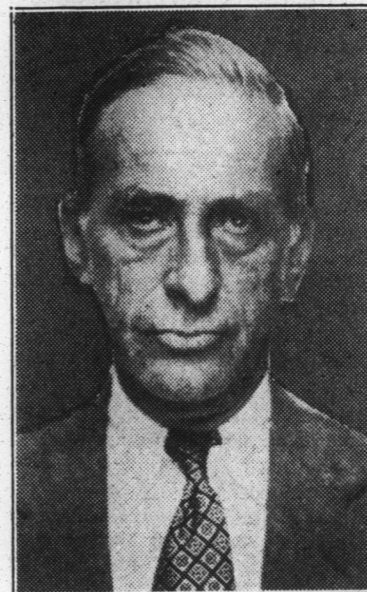
Several misinformed persons have fallen victims to the offer as presented, but the matter in one instance, was reported to Postmaster C. E. Kramer, who says the United States Civil Service Commission has no connection whatever with such courses. In fact, under the merit system, the Civil Service Commission warns against just such operations as have been going on recently in this county.

The following will be found in a book published by the United States Civil Service Commission regarding Federal employment under the merit system:

"Persons interested in examinations should be on their guard against the misrepresentations of certain so-called 'civil-service schools' which claim to give training for civil-service examinations. It is wise to investigate their claims before enrolling for courses. None of them has any connection whatever with the Civil Service Commission or with any other branch of the Government. The Commission has no agents who solicit applications for civil-service positions, or who sell 'civil-service' courses. It does not recommend any school. No school is given advance information about the need for civil-service employees or the need to announce examinations. None is given information about examination questions or any other information which

### With Favorable Weather Celebration Promises To Be Very Much Of Success

25 Years Service



THOMAS CHEARS

On Monday, September 28, Mr. Cheers rounded out a quarter of a century as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Edenton Graded School, 20 years of which has been in the capacity of chairman.

### Edenton Garden Club Postpones Its Fall Flower Show

Committee Decides Rain Is Necessary Before Staging Affair

The Garden Club annual fall Flower Show, scheduled for early October, will be postponed until late October or early November, it was learned Monday at the monthly meeting of the club at the Hotel Joseph Hewes.

The committee reporting, Mrs. W. I. Hart and Mrs. Albert G. Byrum, told the members that a survey of Edenton gardens had been made and that it would be impossible to stage a flower show until after a rain.

A large delegation from the local club is expected to attend the State Garden Club School in Rocky Mount on October 27-28. The invitation from Mrs. F. M. Dunstan, of Windsor, asking the entire attendance of the club at a meeting at her home is also expected to draw a large number.

A committee consisting of Mrs. J. W. White, Mrs. J. Clarence Leary and Mrs. J. A. Moore was appointed to gather and send garden seed to Great Britain.

Mrs. Chas. T. Hollowell, who was in charge of the program, made a short talk on the culture of chrysanthemums.

A letter from the State Garden

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### Popular Visitor



CARROLL L. WILSON

Highway Commissioner Wilson will be one of the Peanut Festival's distinguished guests Friday when he will introduce Governor J. M. Broughton to the festival throng on the Court House Green.

Speaking, Parade, Football Game, Fireworks And Dance Some of Days Features

MANY EXPECTED

Everything In Readiness as Committees Submit Final Report To General Chairman Spire Tuesday Night

Unless Mr. Weather Man decides otherwise, the stage is all set for Edenton's first annual Peanut Festival Friday, which, at this writing, promises to be a more successful affair than was at first anticipated. With the various committees putting the finishing touches to their work, there appears to be no stone left unturned in the interest of staging a celebration which will be of interest and credit to the town. At a final check-up meeting Tuesday afternoon of committee chairmen with General Chairman E. W. Spire, everything appeared to be in readiness and only awaiting the arrival of Friday and the crowds of visitors expected to be on hand.

The celebration is expected to attract many visitors, and especially encouraging to Chairman Spire is the fact that practically every invitation sent out to prominent people has been accepted. Among the visitors will be Grover B. Hill, assistant secretary of agriculture, who will make the principal address; Governor and Mrs. J. M. Broughton, Mayor and Mrs. Richard Reynolds, of Winston-Salem; State Highway Commissioner Carroll L. Wilson, and many other prominent people throughout North Carolina.

The day will be a holiday in Edenton. All county and city employees will take the day off to enjoy the day's program, both white and colored schools will be closed and practically all business houses will also be closed.

The festival will actually get underway today (Thursday), when at 5 o'clock this afternoon princesses from the various counties will register at Hotel Joseph Hewes, and where at 7 o'clock, a banquet will be held in honor of them and their escorts.

At 9 o'clock tonight a square dance, termed a Goober Jamboree, will be held on Broad Street in front of the Municipal Building. The music for this affair will be furnished by the Bertie Broadcasting String Band, and is expected to attract a large crowd who will catch the spirit of the festival.

To begin the day of the festival a band concert will be given on the Court House Green at 10 o'clock Friday morning with all visiting bands taking part. One hour later the queen of the festival will be selected at the Taylor Theatre, where the young lady will be chosen by out-of-town judges.

The next event will take place on the Court House Green, where a speakers' stand will be arranged on a large trailer. Here Chairman E. W. Spire will act as temporary chairman, and will ask the entire assembly to sing "God Bless America," accompanied by the bands, and call on the Rev. Frank Cale to offer the invocation. Mr. Spire will then introduce R. C. Holland, who will act as master of ceremonies. Mr. Holland will call on J. W. Davis, president of the Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the Peanut Festival, for a few remarks and Mayor J. H. McMullan, who will deliver a brief address of welcome. Following the Mayor's remarks, Mr. Holland will recognize distinguished visitors, after which he will present Highway Commissioner Carroll L. Wilson, who in turn will introduce Governor J. M. Broughton. Governor Broughton, after a few remarks, will introduce Mr. Hill, the principal speaker of the day.

At the conclusion of the speaking, the assembly will be asked to sing "Star Spangled Banner" accompanied by the bands and led by County Agent C. W. Overman.

At 12:30 a buffet luncheon will be served by the Chowan Women's Club on the town lot at the corner of Broad and Water Streets. Five hundred plates will be prepared for in-

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