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Sale Of Christmas Seals Begins Friday; Chowan's Quota This Year Is \$350

No General House-to-House Canvass Planned This Year

LETTERS SENT OUT

Contributions Should Be Sent to Mrs. R. C. Holland

Beginning tomorrow (Friday) and continuing until Christmas, an effort will be made to raise \$350 as Chowan County's quota of Christmas Seal sales. The campaign will be conducted by a different method this year in that a general house-to-house canvass will not be made. Only the business district will be canvassed. Mrs. J. A. Moore, Chowan County chairman, is following suggestions of the State organization in making an appeal by letter in the hope that returns will be larger. These letters will be mailed Friday and will contain a quantity of seals and a return envelope for the purpose of returning contributions as well as any stamps not purchased to Mrs. R. C. Holland, treasurer. It is hoped, however, that some contributions will be returned for more than the number of seals enclosed.

In the letter Mrs. Moore emphasizes the fact that the need is great and that in 1940 North Carolina contributed for the cause only 1.9 cents per capita, while Virginia gave 5.4 cents and South Carolina 4.7 cents. By reason of this fact, North Carolina stood fourth from the bottom among 15 southern states.

The Christmas Seal sale was organized 35 years ago, and while other organizations are fighting tuberculosis, the sale of Christmas Seals is the only group organized solely for this purpose. It is interesting to note that since the sale of Christmas Seals was inaugurated, the tuberculosis death rate has dropped 70%. However, tuberculosis still claims 47 deaths out of every 100,000 and among people from 15 to 45 years of age, it is the chief cause of death.

This year's quota is above that asked last year, and despite the fact that many calls are made at this season of the year, it is hoped that everybody will buy some of the seals to the end that the \$350 will be easily raised.

Gates County Case Tried In Chowan Ends In Non-Suit

C. E. Griffin Freed In Connection With Embezzlement

Opening the November term of the Chowan County Superior Court here Monday morning, Judge J. Paul Frizzelle, of Snow Hill, charged the grand jury with the reminder that there was no greater opportunity for service or more important duty as a citizen than serving as a member of the grand jury.

"You are an integral part and branch of the court itself," Judge Frizzelle told them, "and the duty of serving as jurors amounts to a supervision of life. There is honor, dignity and value in such service and the court only wants men who know the qualities of these things."

Frizzelle paid tribute to the fine citizenship in the county, particularly, he said, "in respect to their inclination to obey the law." He told them further that such praise was some- (Continued on Page Eight)

Mitchener's Begins Pot Of Gold Contest

The annual Pot of Gold Christmas contest conducted by Mitchener's Pharmacy during the Christmas season, got underway Wednesday with contestants who purchase five cents worth or more of merchandise getting the chance to participate in the drawing Christmas Eve that will award to five lucky ticket holders five cash prizes of \$25, \$10, \$5, \$5, and \$5.

Starting the second year of the Pot of Gold contest, which created a great deal of interest last year and drew hundreds of out-of-town shoppers here the night before Christmas, the contest will close at 8 o'clock on the night of December 24.

Treasure Hunt Big Success In Spite Of Very Chilly Weather

Unique Idea Ushers In Christmas Buying Season

PRIZES AWARDED

Crowds Travel From Window to Window During Evening

Pronounced a decided success, the Merchants' Association Treasure Hunt Tuesday night filled the streets with Christmas-minded citizens who gazed longingly at the attractively displayed windows of the merchants participating in the contest.

The five cash prize winners who handed in the first five most correct answers to the treasure hunt contest were: First, Miss Jessie Byrum; second, Miss Evelyn Smith; third, Robert Harrell; fourth, Monk Hollowell; fifth, Miss Jessie Mae Jordan. The prizes were \$10, \$6, \$4, \$3 and \$2.

A list of the correct articles of merchandise not sold by the merchant who displayed the article in his show window is as follows:

- Badham's Department Store—Whisk Broom and Table.
- Elliott Company—Pipe.
- Mitchener's Pharmacy—Rolls.
- Preston's—Powder Puffs.
- Cuthrell's Department Store—Belt Buckle.
- Flynn's Grocery—Pabulum.
- Goodwin's Quality Store—Metal Polish.
- A. & P. Tea Company—Baking Cups.
- Quinn Furniture Company—Magazines.
- Western Auto Store—Tin Cup.
- Byrum Hardware Company—Leather Boots.
- Campan's Jewelry—Pipes.
- Floors Electric & Plumbing Co.—Flash Light.
- Iredell Florist—Gold Fish.
- Hughes-Holton Hardware Co.—Tooth Brush.
- Gulf Service Station—Johnson's Wax.
- Burton's Service Station—Quinine Tablets.
- Bridge-Turn Service Station—Paint.
- D. Pender Company—Klim.
- J. R. Griffin—Water Glass.
- J. E. Lassiter—Toy Tub and Board.
- G. M. Byrum—Chestnut Cleaners—Pipe and Tobacco.

Contributions Asked For Stocking Fund

Purpose Is to Make Poor Children Happy on Christmas

Again this year contributions will be received for the Christmas Stocking Fund for the purpose of providing stockings for the poor children of the community. The guiding spirits in this movement to help make all children in the community happy on Christmas Day are Miss Louise Coke and Mrs. O. M. Elliott, who will appreciate any contributions.

The Stocking Fund is non-denominational and no solicitations are made, the two ladies depending entirely upon an appeal made in The Herald for funds. Last year \$110.27 was contributed for this purpose, with which stockings filled with presents, fruit and candy were distributed among 107 children. The stockings are delivered on Christmas Eve.

To prepare and deliver so many stockings is no small undertaking, and those who desire to contribute are asked to do so as soon as possible in order to assist the two ladies in planning their purchases in time.

JOBS AVAILABLE

The Edenton Employment office is now able to furnish employment at the Elizabeth City airport, where there is a demand for laborers. Those interested should contact either the Chowan or Perquimans employment offices.

Ships Will Be Named After Hewes, Hooper And Penn, Says Land

Admiral Informs Congressman Herbert Bonner

VANCE FIRST

State's Signers of the Declaration of Independence Honored

It is interesting to learn that a government Liberty ship will be named in honor of Joseph Hewes, as well as the two other signers of the Declaration of Independence from North Carolina, William Hooper and John Penn. Several Edenton citizens, especially Mrs. Charles P. Wales and Judge Richard D. Dixon, have been very much interested in naming a ship in honor of Joseph Hewes, prominent citizen of Edenton in colonial days, who was virtually the first secretary of the navy and patron of John Paul Jones.

This information was received by Congressman Herbert Bonner last week from Admiral Emory S. Land, chairman of the Maritime Commission. Congressman Bonner had written Admiral Land suggesting the name of Virginia Dare for one of the ships to be launched at Wilmington, N. C., and later wrote an additional letter suggesting the name of Joseph Hewes for one of the ships.

Congressman Bonner's letter from Admiral Land follows: "Thank you for your letter of the 8th, regarding the naming of the first Liberty ship to be launched at Wilmington, N. C.

"Virginia Dare" is an excellent suggestion and has been immediately adopted as the name of the third vessel to be launched at the North Carolina Shipbuilding yard.

"As for the first ship, the name chosen is Zebulon B. Vance, to be launched on December 6th. The second will be the Nathaniel Greene, and then will follow (after Virginia Dare) the three signers of the Declaration of Independence from North Carolina, Joseph Hewes, William Hooper and John Penn.

"Thank you for your interest and cooperation."

\$30,000 Distributed In Christmas Club Checks Next Week

1,000 Members Will Receive Timely Holiday Money

Early next week about \$30,000 will be distributed locally by the Bank of Edenton in the way of Christmas Club savings. This amount will go to approximately 1,000 members and will, no doubt, stimulate Christmas buying. Both the amount to be distributed and the number of members is the largest in the history of the bank, the 1941 club being the largest since this popular form of saving was inaugurated.

The 1942 club will open shortly after the checks have been mailed, and officials of the bank anticipate a larger enrollment than last year.

Missionary To Speak At Baptist Church

Miss Ola Lea, Baptist missionary to China, is now on furlough in this country, and will speak at the Edenton Baptist Church Sunday morning, Nov. 30, at 11 o'clock. Miss Lea has been the representative of this church in China for 14 years. She will have a great message for the people and everyone is most cordially invited to hear her.

On Monday afternoon at 3:30, Miss Lea will address the Woman's Missionary Society, at which time all the women of the community are invited. Tuesday evening at 7:30, Miss Lea will meet the young people of the entire community.

Edenton Boy Scouts Have Successful Hike

The Edenton Boy Scouts staged a rather successful hike Saturday. While the number of boys present was small, the amount of test passing was rather good. Scouts passed cooking, fire-building, use of knife and axe, judging, 14-mile hike, and several other outdoor tests. The group was in charge of Scoutmaster Chas. Overman, with Field Executive Don King assisting.

Comparatively Few Voters Register For Special Election December 9th To Add Ninth Month To Edenton School

Home Town Boys Open New Modern Store In Edenton

Spivey Stores, Inc., Will Be Ready For Business on Saturday

VARIETY STORE

New Store One of Most Attractive In Entire Section

A new store, Spivey Stores, Inc., will open here on Saturday, November 29, in the location formerly occupied by Hughes-Holton Hardware Company; and will be ready to take its place as one of the finest independent stores in this community offering a variety of merchandise ranging in price from five cents to one dollar and up.

Of especial interest is the fact that the president, Malvern R. Spivey, the vice-president, Orestes E. Spivey, and the secretary-treasurer, H. Spurgeon Boyce, are all Chowan County men who have kept up their contacts in the county despite the fact that their business has taken them away from the county during the past few years.

Malvern Spivey was associated here in 1928 with the Spivey-Spruill Corporation, a dry goods store. He married an Edenton girl, Miss Sarah Privott.

The new manager of the store here, W. E. Malone, who is also a stockholder in Spivey Stores, Inc., has moved here with his wife and four-year-old son. Mr. Malone has had a wide experience in managing variety stores, being associated with Rose's 5 and 10 for a period of 13 years.

Local citizens have watched with much interest the developments as they have taken place in the Spivey Store. First of all, the old front was completely removed and a new store front, one of the most modern and outstanding in town, was installed. The interior was completely rebuilt, and the new fixtures are streamlined and convenient, with the entire store being arranged to make shopping easy and pleasant. The store will employ only local help.

124 Given Tests In Tuberculosis Clinic

68 White and 56 Colored Report For Examination

The Tuberculosis Clinic held here last week by the Bertie-Chowan District Health Department, in cooperation with the State Health Department, reports a very successful clinic with a total of 124 persons tested, of which 68 were white and 56 colored. Of those tested, there were 57 white negatives, 50 Negro negatives, three white positive active cases and three Negro positive active cases. The number of positive healed cases tested were eight white and three Negro.

Dr. J. S. Chamblee, health officer, in speaking of the clinic, paid particular tribute to the cooperation obtained here from the local medical profession. "Many of the patients," he said, "were sent by local doctors."

The response to the clinic was also especially good, Dr. Chamblee stated. Dr. W. H. Roper, of the State Extension Service from the North Carolina State Sanatorium, was in charge of the clinic.

Lions Meet Friday Night At Cross Roads In Joint Meeting

Edenton's Lions Club did not hold its regular meeting Monday night, but will instead join in a joint Lions meeting Friday night at the Community Building at Cross Roads when the Edenton, Hertford and Elizabeth City clubs will hold a zone meeting. The meeting will begin at 7 o'clock, with Norman Trueblood of Hertford, district governor, in charge. Edenton's club expects to be well represented, practically every member planning to attend.

Over Half County Red Cross Roll Call Quota Raised By Workers

Report Still Far From Complete, Says Mrs. J. N. Pruden

\$458 NOW IN HAND

Local Drive Will Come To an End Next Monday

On Tuesday, with reports still far from complete, Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the Chowan Chapter of the Red Cross, reported that \$458.97 had been turned in from the annual Red Cross roll call. Mrs. Pruden has had very few reports from the rural sections of the county as well as from the schools, and while the quota this year is \$800, she feels very optimistic over the prospect of raising that amount.

The drive will continue until next Monday, at which time all canvassers are expected to have their reports turned in.

Those who have joined the Red Cross since last week's edition of The Herald follow:

Mary Arrington Burton, Canvasser—E. C. Alexander, H. R. Leary, Floors Electric & Plumbing Co., Mrs. H. C. Privott, Mrs. J. A. Bunch, W. D. Pruden, Dr. L. P. Williams, Mrs. H. E. Baker, Mildred Ward, J. A. Bunch, Gurnie Hobbs, R. C. Holland (2), Mrs. Claude Jones, Mrs. H. B. Chappell. Contributors—Goldie Layton, Mrs. E. W. Bond.

Mrs. L. G. Plant, Canvasser—G. H. Harding, Mrs. G. H. Harding, John Beatty, Thomas Elliott, Mrs. John Beatty, L. G. Plant, Mrs. L. G. Plant, Julius Heller (5), Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Garriss.

Mrs. N. K. Rowell, Canvasser—Mrs. N. K. Rowell, Mrs. J. P. Partin, Mary Berryman, Mrs. W. J. Berryman, Rev. W. C. Benson, Mrs. John M. Harrell.

Mrs. R. N. Hines, Canvasser—Mrs. R. N. Hines, Mrs. R. F. Tuttle, Mrs. J. M. Vail, Mrs. A. T. Bush, Mrs. J. A. Mitchener, Mrs. Lee Moore, Mrs. M. M. Perry, Mrs. O. C. Byrum, Mrs. W. T. Satterfeid, Mrs. Ralph Parrish.

Mildred Owens, Canvasser—P. T. Owens, Mrs. Ellen Byrum, Sarah Ellen Goodwin, Mrs. Roy Spry, Tillie Muth, Mrs. J. Frank White, Sr., Mrs. T. C. Byrum, Mrs. R. F. Elliott, R. B. Smith, Mrs. D. M. Reeves, Mrs. O. B. Perry, R. H. Bachman.

Myrtle Waff, Canvasser—Mrs. O. C. Davis. Contributors: Mrs. J. Louis Harrell, Mrs. W. R. West, Aurelia Layden, Myrtle Waff.

Mrs. Roy Leary, Canvasser—Mrs. R. E. Leary, Mrs. W. D. Pruden, Mrs. E. T. Rawlinson, Mrs. J. M. Jones, Mrs. B. W. Hathaway, George P. Byrum, Mrs. J. H. McMullan.

Mrs. Gordon Blow, Canvasser—Mrs. Chas. Hollowell, Sutton and Barrow.

Mrs. W. O. Elliott, Jr., and Mrs. R. H. Vaughan, Canvassers—Miss Carrie Coke, Mrs. Herbert Leary, Mrs. J. H. Holmes, Mrs. B. F. Francis, Mrs. Roland Vaughan, Mrs. Allison Campen, Mrs. J. A. Woodard.

Edenton Colored School, D. F. Walker, Canvasser—\$34.63.

Jessie McMullan, Canvasser—E. R. Conger, Mrs. Elton Forehand, Mrs. O. M. Elliott, Mrs. C. S. Vann, Mrs. R. C. Holland, Mrs. Thomas Chears.

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Bids Opened Today To Widen Route 17

Contract to Be Awarded Friday If Bid Is Not Too High

Bids for the widening of U. S. 17, from Edenton to the Perquimans County line, a distance of three and five-sixths miles, will be opened on November 27. Information submitted to The Herald on Wednesday by Carroll L. Wilson, commissioner for the First Division, was to the effect that if the low bid is not too high, the State Highway and Public Works Commission will probably let the contract for this widening on November 28.

Only 188 Names Placed On Books Up to Last Saturday Night

CLOSE SATURDAY

Only Those Registered May Take Part In Election

With the special election to vote upon the proposition to add an extra month of school in the Edenton City administrative unit to be held on December 9, little interest is being taken if registration for the election reflects the attitude of voters.

Next Saturday, November 29, at sunset, the registration books will close, and any voter who has not registered by that time will not be allowed to vote in the election one way or the other. The books were opened on November 15.

That little interest is being taken in the election is plainly apparent by the fact that up to last Saturday night only 188 had registered, when the voting strength is about 1,200. Of this number 87 registered in the East Edenton Precinct, 82 in West Edenton Precinct, and 19 in the Yeopim Precinct.

Voters are warned that to vote they must register, irrespective of whether their names are on the books for regular elections or not. A new registration was ordered, and only those whose names are listed will be given a ballot. For the information of voters, the registration books close next Saturday night at sunset. Those voters living in the East Edenton Precinct can register with Mrs. C. T. Hollowell, while Mrs. P. S. McMullan will register voters in West Edenton Precinct, and Mrs. J. L. Hassell in Yeopim Precinct.

The purpose of the election is to determine whether there shall be levied in the said territory a tax of not exceeding 15 cents on the \$100 valuation of real and personal property to supplement the funds from the State and county allotments in order to cover the expenses of an extra month of school, or a 9-month term.

The 9-month term is one of the major projects of the Edenton Parent-Teacher Association, which organization secured enough signers to a petition asking the Board of Trustees to request the County Commissioners to call the election. Many voters are very much in favor of the 9-month term, but there has also been heard some opposition, which hinges principally upon the added taxation.

Those in favor of the extra month base their reason on the fact that by an extra month the schools will be operated on a higher standard and thus be of great benefit to students, while at the same time properly equipping those who enter college.

In order to win the election and add an extra month of school, a majority of the registered voters must cast their ballots in favor of the increased tax rate.

Demonstration Club Meeting At Chowan High School Dec. 3

F. H. Jeter, Extension Editor Will Be Principal Speaker

The Chowan County Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs will meet in Chowan High School auditorium on Wednesday morning, December 3, at 10:30 o'clock. All club members, as well as non-members, are urged to attend this meeting, with a special invitation extended to the men of the county to be present.

The feature of this meeting will be an address by F. H. Jeter, Extension editor of State College, Raleigh. Mr. Jeter, aside from being well informed on all agricultural matters, is an interesting speaker and will be well worth hearing by a large audience.

The recreational program will be in charge of County Agent C. W. Overman, with special music being furnished by two 4-H Club girls, Dorothy Berryman and Sallie Sue Hollowell.

Each club will furnish a three-minute report of work accomplished during the year, and awards of merit, perfect attendance certificates and club prizes will be presented.

The Chowan Club will serve lunch at a nominal charge.