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Neighborhood Committee Members Play Major Role In Victory Garden Program

More Food Now Needed From Gardens to Help Win War

PATRIOTIC DUTY Plans Should Be Made Now and Seed Bought February 9 to 14

Ninety-eight neighborhood committee members in Chowan County will play the major role in making Victory Garden Week, February 9-14, a success. The year 1942 is designated as Victory Garden Year, a victory garden being one in which a sufficient quantity of vegetables is grown to properly feed the family. Normally, this requires one-tenth of an acre for each member of the family with 10 or more different vegetables grown.

The Victory Garden program which is part of the regular agricultural program, consists of a plan for:

1. Producing the food for the family and feed for the livestock.
2. Cropping system and fertilizer practices that will maintain the soil in a highly productive condition.
3. Production of cash crops combined with sound livestock, dairy and poultry activities in such degree as will supply the cash needed by the family.

The need for Victory Gardens is as follows:

1. In 1941 there were 119 approved gardens grown by farm families in Chowan County, while the county has approximately 1,300 farm families.
2. Only about half the food needs for rural families in Chowan County was produced on the farms in 1939.
3. Food prices are rising rapidly. Less canning containers are available and war demands for food are increasing.
4. Every serving of food produced at home saves money for our armed forces.
5. The strength of our nation is determined by the strength of our people. More than one-third of the young men being drafted into military service are turned down because of poor health, approximately 80 per cent of which is caused by lack of a balanced diet.

So that the purpose of Victory Gardens is to develop stronger and healthier bodies, save money for the producer and supply our armed forces with plenty of good food.

February 9-14 has been designated as Victory Garden Week in Chowan, during which plans should be made to grow a Victory Garden and seed bought for the various vegetables to be grown. The patriotic duty of every farm family demands participation in the Victory Garden program, the slogan of those in charge of the movement being: "Grow your food in a Victory Garden, save your money and buy Defense Bonds."

T. C. Cross Omitted As Junk Dealer In Scrap Iron Week Publicity

It is with a great deal of regret that in all the publicity given to Scrap Iron Week in The Herald last week, the name of a dealer in junk was omitted. This dealer is T. C. Cross, who for a number of years has handled junk of all kinds and will gladly cooperate in buying scrap iron during the drive for metal which ends tomorrow (Friday).

Mr. Cross' name was not purposely omitted, but was overlooked by all who had any part in writing the advertisements and publicity articles.

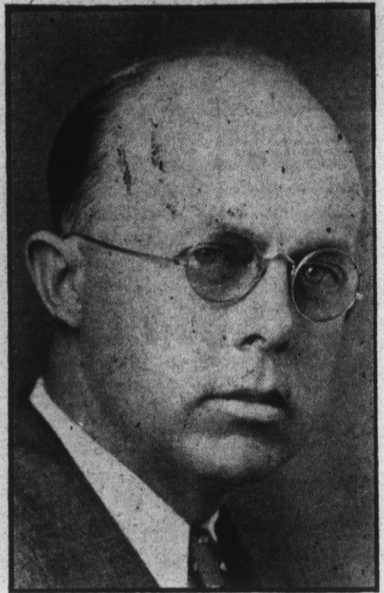
Time Short

Stamps Must Be Placed On Automobiles By February 1

Only two days remain in which to buy a Federal Use Tax Stamp by owners or operators of automobiles, trucks, motorcycles using the public highways. These stamps must be affixed to vehicles not later than February 1, and failure to do so makes such owner or operator liable to the penalty provided by law.

Stamps can be purchased at the Edenton Post Office or at the local office of the Carolina Motor Club, opposite Hotel Joseph Hewes. The cost is \$2.00 for the five-month period ending June 30, 1942, and auto owners are urged to attend to this matter at once.

Seeking Re-election



MERRILL EVANS
Announcement was made this week by Mr. Evans that he will seek re-election as Senator for the First Senatorial District.

Lions Win Plaque At District Meeting

Local Club Had Largest Number Traveling Farthest

Edenton's Lions Club was signally honored at the mid-year convention of District 31-C which was held at Wilson Sunday and Monday, when the club was awarded the attendance plaque for the club of less than 35 members having the most members present traveling the farthest distance.

The local group reports a splendid meeting which was highlighted by addresses by V. J. Ashbaugh, of Durham, chairman of the State blind committee, and H. L. Loreman, Jr., of Salisbury, Md., director of Lions International.

Norman Trueblood, of Hertford, district governor, reported that five new clubs have been added and that memberships and finances are in splendid condition.

Those in the Edenton group were: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. William Privott, the Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Benson, Miss Margaret Harrell, Dr. Wallace Griffin, West Leary and Kenneth Floars.

Over Nine Million Fish Hatched In 1941 At Hatchery

Major Portion Released In Local Waters, Says Supt. W. C. Bunch

It will no doubt be of interest to Herald readers to know that during the year 1941 the number of fish hatched at the local United States Fish Hatchery totaled 9,060,749, which were distributed mostly in North Carolina waters as far west as Oxford. This figure was released by W. C. Bunch, superintendent of the hatchery, who is now preparing his annual report.

Of the fish hatched 44,549, including yellow perch, black bass, bream and crappie were distributed locally for sport fishing, while 8,795,000, including shad, white and yellow perch and rock were turned into the Albemarle Sound. The remainder of the fish hatched were distributed elsewhere throughout the State.

The work in connection with hatching and distributing this large number of fish was done under the supervision of Superintendent Bunch, who has three assistants, J. H. Asbell, W. B. Sanborn and Durwood Travis.

Bank Of Edenton Needing More Room

The Bank of Edenton this week is adding or rather making room at the back of the bank for a storage room. Customers visiting the bank have been wondering what all the knocking and hammering has been about.

Celebration In Honor President's Birthday Will Be Held Tonight

Both Round and Square Dancing In Edenton Armory 8 TO 2 O'CLOCK

Taylor Theatre's March Of Dimes Very Encouraging

Chowan County will celebrate President Franklin D. Roosevelt's birthday tonight (Thursday) in the local Armory when both square and round dancing will be enjoyed in an effort to help swell funds with which to continue the fight against infantile paralysis, a cause dear to the heart of the Chief Executive.

William Privott, as chairman of Chowan County's birthday celebration, has arranged both forms of dancing in order to attract those who like either one or both, and it is hoped that many will go to the Armory tonight in order to make the celebration a success that a creditable amount of money may be raised to help fight infantile paralysis.

One half of the money raised by the birthday ball, as well as half of the proceeds from the March of Dimes will remain in Chowan County, where it will be used by the local chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. The remainder of the funds is used by the National Foundation to carry on its work in research, education and epidemics.

At the Taylor Theatre the March of Dimes has been in progress since last Thursday and ended Wednesday night of this week. Manager Jimmy Earnhardt is delighted with the response made by patrons during the shows and while the exact amount was not known when The Herald went to press, Mr. Earnhardt said he expected that the contributions will reach in the neighborhood of \$100, which is a splendid contribution to the cause.

The celebration tonight will begin at 8 o'clock, when square dancing will start the evening's entertainment and continue until 10 o'clock. Music for the square dance will be furnished by the Gurganus Brothers String Band, who are no strangers to local square dance enthusiasts.

Round dancing will begin at 10 o'clock and continue until 2 o'clock, with music furnished by the Edenton High School Orchestra under the direction of C. L. McCullers.

Mr. Privott, in planning the celebration, decided not to engage an expensive orchestra for the occasion, feeling that most of the money taken in would have to go to paying for the music. Instead he engaged local outfits which means that more money will go toward the purpose of staging the celebration and he hopes, of course, that many will turn out for a pleasant evening of entertainment and at the same time contribute to a very worthy cause.

A nominal charge will be made for dancers as well as spectators.

IN WINDSOR HOSPITAL
Miss Helen Goodwin was taken to the Windsor Hospital Tuesday night following an acute attack of appendicitis. She underwent an operation shortly after arrival and on Wednesday was reported resting easy.

EDENTON BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION RE-ELECTS OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

Best Report Submitted In History of Association; 360 Stockholders Own Total of 5,438 Shares; Steady and Healthy Growth

At the annual meeting of the Edenton Building and Loan Association held in the Court House Monday night, all officers and directors were re-elected for the new year, which are as follows: F. W. Hobbs, president; R. E. Leary, secretary; M. F. Bond, Albert Byrum, L. C. Burton, F. W. Hobbs, R. C. Holland, Fred P. Wood, T. C. Byrum, J. Clarence Leary and R. P. Badham, directors.

Prior to the election Mr. Hobbs and Mr. Leary were elected temporary chairman and secretary, respectively and upon roll call of stock, it was found that 3,072 shares were represented. A quorum constituted 2,719 shares.

The meeting was brief with quite a few shareholders present and proxies were presented for many who could not attend. President Hobbs, in a brief summary of the annual statement, expressed pleasure at being able to report that the statement was the most satisfying and best in the history of the Association. He

Leary Withdraws As Candidate For Seat In Congress

Announced Candidacy During Spring of Last Year GIVES REASON

States That He will Seek Re-election as State Senator

Herbert Leary, who during the spring of last year, announced that he would become a candidate for representative in Congress from the First Congressional District, this week announced that he had withdrawn his candidacy and instead will be a candidate for re-election as State Senator.

Changes of a momentous nature which have developed since his spring announcement were given as Mr. Leary's reason for withdrawing from the Congressional race and in a statement released Tuesday he had this to say:

"Since announcing for Congress during the Spring of last year, changes of a momentous nature have occurred and after serious reflection I have decided to withdraw from the Congressional race and become a candidate for the State Senate in the coming June Primary, and in making this announcement I direct special attention to my efforts in behalf of Education and Agriculture during my first term in the Senate, having sponsored as author or co-author every bill introduced in the Senate for the improvement of Agriculture and the press of the State, in a review and summary of legislation passed by the General Assembly of 1941, declared: 'Legislation given name of friend of Education,' and 'Agriculture gets biggest victory' and if re-nominated and re-elected, I pledge continued support of all Educational and Agricultural Legislation, as well as all other legislation of a beneficial nature affecting the citizenship of the First Senatorial District and State and Nation, and I will support with all my energies an "all-out" legislative program for an aggressive prosecution of the present war and will in every way possible render the best services of which I am capable."

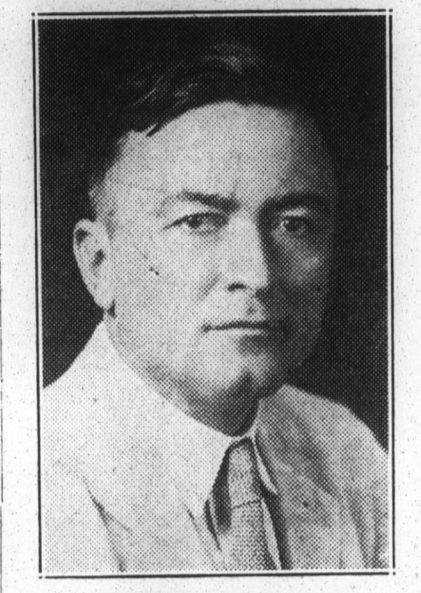
Edenton Group Attends Meeting of Legion and Auxiliary At Goldsboro

Five Edentonians attended the American Legion Post and Auxiliary Officers' Conference held Sunday and Monday in Goldsboro, when a review was presented of various activities of the organizations, as well as plans for the future. Highlights of the meeting were addresses by Mrs. Mack W. Murrell, national president of the Auxiliary, of Scituate, Mass., for the Auxiliary, and Bruce Stubblefield, national field secretary of the Legion, of Washington, D. C., and National Vice Commander of the Legion of Lewisburg, W. V.

Those in the Edenton group were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Chestnut, John A. Holmes, R. L. Pratt and C. E. Kramer.

Recorder Court Jury Finds J. C. Nixon Guilty Saturday In County School Squabble

Withdraws



HERBERT LEARY
Announcement was made Tuesday by Mr. Leary that he had withdrawn from the Congressional race, after having announced his candidacy during the spring of last year. He will seek re-election in the June primary to a seat in the State Senate.

Instructors' Course In Nursing Feb. 2-13

Eugene G. Speer Will Be Teacher of 30-Hour Course

Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the Chowan Chapter of the American Red Cross, has been notified that Eugene G. Speer will be in Edenton February 2 to 13, for the purpose of conducting an instructors' nursing course. The course will include 30 hours of training, three hours each day, running from Monday to Friday of each week.

The course will begin Monday night, February 2, at 7:30 o'clock, in the library at the school building, and all who have signified their intention of taking this very important course of study are urged to be present at the first session.

About 40 have signed up to take the course.

Volunteers Needed For Civilian Defense

Mrs. Grace Dobson Volunteers Services as Registrar

The Chowan County Defense Council has announced the opening of a Volunteer Registration Office, and Mrs. Grace S. Dobson, secretary of the Merchants Association, has volunteered to act as registrar.

Registration cards have been printed listing the various types of occupation and those who wish to volunteer their services for either part or whole time are requested to call at Mrs. Dobson's office in the Citizens Bank Building and register at once.

"Although we have over 200 men and women who are now actively cooperating on the various committees," said County Chairman E. W. Spires, "still more may be needed and all who can give either a part, or all of their time in this patriotic endeavor, are urged to register with Mrs. Dobson at the earliest possible moment."

This record will afford the heads of each organization a good idea as to how many, and what talent they have, that can be called on in an emergency.

Ginning Of Cotton In Chowan Leading 1941 By 738 Bales

Cotton ginning in Chowan maintains its lead over last year, according to F. W. Hobbs, special agent for the Bureau of the Census, who reports that 3,897 bales of cotton were ginned in the county from the crop of 1941 prior to January 16. This amount compares with 3,159 bales ginned from the 1940 crop at the same time last year.

Trial Lasting All Day Attracts Many Interested Spectators

FINED \$10 Defendant Enters an Appeal to Superior Court

Creating considerable interest in Recorder's Court Saturday, in a trial lasting all day, J. C. Nixon of the Rocky Hook section, was found guilty of sending his children to a school other than the one to which they were assigned by the County Board of Education, and was fined \$10 and costs by Judge John W. Graham, after a six-man jury deliberated approximately two hours. Mr. Nixon, however, noted an appeal to Superior Court, his bond being set at \$50.

Acting as attorney for the school board, W. D. Pruden called only one witness to the stand, W. J. Taylor, superintendent of the county schools, who testified that Nixon had been notified before the beginning of school that his children had been assigned to the Rocky Hook school and that after Nixon sent his children to the Cross Roads school and continued to do so, that Nixon had received several letters explaining that his children could not be allowed to receive instruction there since they had been assigned to the Rocky Hook school. Mr. Taylor also brought out that the Rocky Hook school had recently been completed with all modern conveniences, that the teachers are competent and that, moreover, the Rocky Hook school is about two miles closer to the Nixon home than the school at Cross Roads.

Nixon's attorneys, L. E. Griffin, former secretary of the State School Commission, and J. Henry LeRoy, of Elizabeth City, presented no testimony of the defendant or of any witnesses for the defendant.

In cross examination, however, the defense attempted to prove that since the Nixon children were present in the Cross Roads school house they were attending school.

Prosecuting Attorney Pruden, however, brought out this question: if the Nixon children were attending school, was the school janitor also attending school since he was also present in the same sense the Nixon children were?

After all evidence of the State had been presented, Nixon's attorneys, Griffin and LeRoy, made a motion for dismissal of the case which was denied by Judge Graham.

The jury which returned a verdict of guilty was: W. H. Hollowell, Henry Jordan, Lloyd Overton, H. C. Brinkley, H. H. Lane and George Goodwin.

New Industry Now In Making For Edenton

A new industry is in the offing in Edenton with the old Norfolk and Carolina Boatline warehouse and wharf on Dock Street being rebuilt for a fish curing and packing plant. The plant, which will probably be named the Edenton Bay Packing Co., will specialize in curing and packing herring, as well as dealing with other sea foods.

Gosh, Another Tax

Pleasure Boat Owners Must Pay Federal Use Tax

Gosh, Another Tax. C. H. Robertson, collector of internal revenue, on Monday released the following information relative to a federal use tax on pleasure boats which will affect many in this area. The statement follows:

"A Federal Use Tax is imposed on pleasure boats propelled by machinery, sail or both, effective on and after February 1, 1942. The tax varies with the overall length of the boat beginning with \$5.00 per annum for boats sixteen feet in overall length to a maximum of \$200 for a boat over 200 feet in length. Tax attaches when boat is first used. Tax does not apply to boats used by the United States, a State, or a political subdivision thereof.

"Payment of the tax will be evidenced by stamps which may be procured from the Collector of Internal Revenue, Greensboro, N. C. Application Form 732 can be obtained from the Collector on request."