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Farm Machinery Rationing Board Is Named For County

Chairman Holland Appoints Geddes Potter And Mack Ward

TWO ALTERNATES

Temporary Program In Effect Until November 1

Announcement of the personnel of the Chowan County Rationing Committee to handle temporary rationing of new farm machinery until November 1, 1942, has been made by R. C. Holland, chairman of the County USDA War Board.

Mr. Holland, who is also chairman of the County AAA Committee, will serve as chairman of the rationing body, and other members named by the County USDA War Board are: G. B. Potter and Mack Ward. Alternate members are: W. H. Hollowell and L. W. Belch.

Responsibility for administering the new farm machinery rationing program was delegated to the Agriculture Department by the OPA, he said. Secretary of Agriculture Wickard named Fred S. Wallace, chief of the AAA and special War Board assistant, to handle the program nationally, and directed State USDA War Boards to be responsible for rationing on State levels. Secretary Wickard also provided for setting up the county rationing committees.

The order setting up the rationing program provided that the chairman of the County AAA Committee should be chairman of the rationing committee, and that two representative farmers should be selected by the County USDA War Board to serve as regular members. Naming of two alternates also was provided in the order.

Chairman Holland said that no member of the committee may act on his own application to purchase new machinery, on application of a member of his immediate family or other near relative, or that of his landlord, tenant, or other business associate.

No member of the rationing committee may be a person engaged in the business of selling new farm machinery and equipment.

Under the program, Chairman Holland said, one classification (Group A), including items which are scarce and which are vitally needed in 1942 agricultural production, may be sold only upon approval of the county rationing committee. Equipment in this class includes: combines, corn pickers, disc harrows, feed grinders, fertilizer spreaders, grain drills, grain elevators, hay balers, line spreaders, manure spreaders, milk coolers, milking machines, pick-up balers, potato diggers, shredders, and tractors, including garden tractors.

A second classification (Group B), includes items somewhat less scarce which may be sold upon certification by the farmer to the dealer that it is required to meet current agricultural needs. This group includes most other types of farm machinery.

The third classification (Group C), includes smaller items which may be sold without restrictions, such as hoes, rakes, forks, scythes, shovels, and all hand-operated and one and two-horse farm machinery and equipment not included in Group A or Group B.

Eligibility requirements for Group A purchases, he added, include inadequacy of present equipment and inability to meet farm production goals by repairing, or by purchasing or renting used machinery, or by custom or exchange work. A purchaser must turn in replaced equipment and agree to rent or let others use the new machinery on specified terms and conditions. The purchaser must present a satisfactory reason if changing from horses or mule power to motor power, or from hand labor to machinery.

Mr. Holland said there are no restrictions on sale or transfer of used farm machinery, equipment or repair parts. Additional information concerning eligibility of application for purchases of new farm equipment may be secured from the county rationing committee. Application may be secured from any implement dealer or at the County AAA Office.

Draft Board Ordered To Reclassify Class 1B

Acting upon orders from Selective Service headquarters, the local Draft Board will reclassify all men in Class 1-B. Just as soon as this work is completed, these men will be called for examination.

Chief Resigns



CHIEF G. A. HELMS
Beginning Saturday morning Chief of Police Helms will assume the duties as chief of the guards at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station.

Again Over Top

Though not having a complete report, J. G. Campen, chairman of the War Savings staff, was able to report Tuesday that Chowan County's September quota of war bonds had already been purchased. The quota for the month is \$15,700, and on Tuesday sales of bonds and stamps passed the \$1,600 mark.

Methodist Zone Meeting Tuesday

Conference Officers on Program at Local Church

The Perquimans-Chowan Zone and educational meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held at the Edenton Methodist Church Tuesday, September 29, beginning at 1 o'clock. Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Foutz, conference officers, will be speakers on the program and will present interesting phases of the woman's work, including the fall mission study and young people's work.

All Edenton members are especially urged to be present in order to entertain the visitors.

Herbert Hollowell One Of Three New Triangle Managers

An error was made last week in both the advertisement and news story announcing change in management of the Triangle Filling Station. The new operators are Heywood M. Phthisic, Clyde Hollowell and Herbert Hollowell, and not Cecil Hollowell as appeared in last week's issue of The Herald.

The error is regretted and this correction is gladly made.

35 Colored Boys Leave For Army Exam Sept. 29

Thirty-five colored boys will leave Edenton next Tuesday morning for Fort Bragg, where they will receive their final physical examinations before being inducted into the Army. They will leave by bus from the local Armory at 7 o'clock Tuesday morning. Those who pass the examination will be granted the usual 14-day furlough before going on active duty.

The list includes: Linwood Elliott, Whit Stallings, Mathew Franklin Lowther, Robinson Bennett, Horace Melvin Nixon, George Allen Spruill, Thomas Milton Rawls, Roosevelt Dillard, Waddell Jordan, David Lee Felton, Harry Lee West, Earl Lowther, Andrew Wilson, George Nelson Elliott, Sherman Valentine, Willie Earl Jones, James Edward Cooper, George Washington Coffield, Willie Lee Elliott, Ross Edward Privott, George William Gilliam, Timatthews Askew, John Henry Turner, Alvin O. Gilliam, John Lee Ferebee, Charlie Frank Jordan, Elijah Carter, Moses Mebane, Oscar Fleming, George Privott, Richard McPherson, James Spellman, William McKinley Dawson, John Albert Wynn, and William Dunbar Roulhac, who volunteered.

RETURN FROM HOSPITAL

Friends will be glad to know that J. H. Haskett, who has been very ill in General Hospital, Norfolk, Va., has returned to his home, and is showing some improvement.

Over 20,000 Surgical Dressings Made By Red Cross Workers

Failure to Get Material Results In Herculean Task For Ladies

THREE QUOTAS

Appeal Made For Still More Workers to Help

Miss Corinne Forehand, instructor for making Red Cross surgical dressings, reported on Tuesday that about 20,000 dressings have been made and that 10,000 more must be made during the remainder of September. The 30,000 dressings were actually Chowan Chapter's August quota, but due to late arrival of material, the work could not be started until this month. The September quota is 9,000 dressings 4x4 inches and 7,200 dressings 4x8 inches. For October, the quota is 9,000 dressings 4x4 inches.

Because of failure of material to arrive on time, the Chapter faces a Herculean task, and an urgent appeal is made for new workers. About 130 women have enrolled in these classes, but only about 80 of this number have been active.

The schedule of working hours are as follows: Tuesday morning, 10 to 12 o'clock; Wednesday afternoon, 3 to 5 o'clock; Thursday night, 8 to 10 o'clock; Sunday afternoon, 3 to 5 o'clock. Regulations require every worker to have her head completely covered and her hands must be washed after she enters the work room.

The first Sunday meeting was announced in all the churches and the first Sunday afternoon the largest crowd was on hand, while last Sunday only 17 workers reported for duty.

The work is being done in the Parish House, where Miss Forehand is instructor. Mrs. W. H. Coffield is chairman, and Mrs. M. A. Hughes has been added to serve as co-chairman with Mrs. Lela M. White. Mrs. J. L. Pettus has been added as a supervisor.

Anyone desiring to help in making these dressings should contact any of the above ladies or report during working hours at the Parish House.

Cork Oaks At Avoca Attract Attention Of Soil Conservationist

Belief Expressed Trees Can Be Successfully Grown Here

Henry Hopp, soil conservationist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, has written to the Chamber of Commerce for information regarding two old cork oak trees on the Avoca plantation near Merry Hill owned by Mrs. L. B. Evans.

Mr. Hopp said a few weeks ago he visited the plantation and examined the trees, the species of which is a native of the Mediterranean region and is the commercial source of cork, a product which is considered a strategic raw material now cut off from this country.

The cork tree is very rare in the United States, says Mr. Hopp, there being only one other specimen, so far as he knows, in the entire State of North Carolina, although there are additional specimens throughout most of the Southern States.

Judging from the wide range and favorable growth of these cork oaks, Mr. Hopp is inclined to believe this tree can be successfully grown in this county, and for that reason is anxious to learn more about the tree, farmer (trailer) tire and tube; oaks at Avoca.

The Industrial Committee of the Chamber of Commerce informed Mr. Hopp that Mrs. L. B. Evans owns the property, which is all the information available at this time.

Great Sachem Invited By Chowan Tribe

Chowan Tribe of Red Men, at Monday night's meeting, extended an invitation to A. C. Cutter, of Washington, N. C., Great Sachem of North Carolina Red Men, to visit the local tribe on Monday night, October 5. It is expected that Mr. Cutter will accept the invitation and bring along with him several prominent Red Men. Members of the tribe will be notified and refreshments will be served for the occasion.

Edenton High School Football Team Opens 1942 Season Friday

Aces Play First Game In Williamston Under Lights

HOME GAME OCT. 9

Coach Watson Has Only Five Lettermen In Lineup

When the Edenton Aces open the 1942 season in Williamston Friday night of this week at 8 o'clock, it will be a new and untried team that Coaches Watson and Love will throw against the boys in the Martin County capital.

Only five lettermen remain in school and it is certain that at least six men will be starting their first game for the Aces. Hoskins Bass, big, rugged tackle, will be the only hold over from the starting line of 1941. George Alma Byrum, veteran backfield star for the past three seasons, will be in the starting line up again. Rodney Rogerson, 200-pound fullback, will be available again. Jack Moore, who made his letter last year as an utility man, saw service in the line and also in the backfield. It is not certain where he will play this season, but it is certain that he will be in there fighting. Albert Holmes, who played wingback last season, is the other letterman who is again trying for a position on the team.

Missing from the line will be six regulars from the 1941 team: Sam Cates, who played center for three seasons is gone. Both guards, Henry Gardner and Tom Shepard, have entered college. Gardner has entered N. C. State College and Tom Shepard will matriculate at Marion Institute this week. Ed Habit, giant tackle, is employed at the Marine Air Station. Lester Ashley, end for the past three seasons, is now in the U. S. Army, and Robert Harrell, the other end, is employed at Elliott's store. Jasper Hassell, who alternated at end and in the backfield, is now at Oak Ridge Institute.

Monk Hollowell, speedy sophomore backfield star, who carried the brunt of the running attack last year, is now engaged in defense work at Norfolk.

Several promising candidates have come up from the Little Aces. Those who are showing up best at this time are: Sam Ross and Carroll Griffin in the backfield, Robert Oliver, Tom Cross and Murray Hudson in the line, and Marvin Alexander at end.

Several boys have reported for football for the first time. Edward Goodwin, big, husky senior, is showing the same aggressiveness that carried him to the top of the batting order on the baseball team. Howard Spruill, basketball forward for the past two seasons, is making his first try for football. He promises to develop into a real ball-hawking end. Frank White is another big boy who is making his first try at football. He is a leading candidate for a guard position.

Several transfer students are showing up well. Gordon Fasting from (Continued on Page Five)

Brown's Mill Stops Retail Lumber Sales

Due to government regulations and restrictions, the M. G. Brown Lumber Company, after next Wednesday, will be obliged to discontinue local retail lumber sales. The concern for many years has furnished practically all of the local lumber needs, which now is being demanded by the Government for defense projects.

The management appreciates the patronage which the mill has enjoyed, and will reopen the retail lumber department when the pressure is released by the Government for lumber.

Draft Board Receives Two Calls In October

Chowan County's Draft Board has received two calls to furnish men for the U. S. Army during the month of October. One of these calls is for 25 white men on October 15, and the other is for 15 colored men on October 19.

Masons Change Hour Of Weekly Meeting

Beginning tonight (Thursday) Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will meet at 8 o'clock, instead of 8:30, as has been the case during the summer. All members are urged to attend and a special invitation is extended to visiting Masons to be present.

Look 'Em Over

It is announced by the Local War Price and Rationing Board that no sugar certificates, whether issued for home canning, industrial, institutional or commercial purposes, will be negotiable after 60 days from date of issuance.

The local Board still has no authority permitting the issuance of sugar certificates to replace ration stamps that have been allowed to lapse by the dealers. Dealers are required to turn in stamps within 10 days after the expiration of each stamp received.

Annual Meeting Of Infantile Paralysis Chapter Sept. 29th

Father F. J. McCourt, Chairman, Urges Full Attendance

Father F. J. McCourt, in conformity to the manual for National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis Chapters, has called the annual meeting of the Chowan Chapter next Tuesday night in the Court House, at 8 o'clock. Business of importance will be transacted and for that reason Father McCourt is very anxious to have a large attendance.

The chairman last week attended the regional conference held at Greenville, where chapter officials were instructed for expending funds for relief of infantile paralysis victims as well as other important matters in connection with the work.

Negroes Lead Birth Rate For August

Race Also Records More Deaths During Last Month

According to a statistical report by the Health Department for Chowan County for the month of August, Negroes led in both births and deaths. During the month there were 12 white births compared with 16 colored births, while four white deaths were recorded as compared with nine colored deaths.

During the month there was no white death under one year, while one colored child under one year died. There were no deaths among either race under one month.

Christmas Gifts For Boys In Foreign Duty Must Be Mailed Early

Important Instructions Must Be Complied With

"It's time to start Christmas shopping for friends and relatives serving abroad in the Navy and Marine Corps," is the advice given by the Public Relations Office of the Sixth Naval District. Christmas parcels and cards should be mailed during the month of October—November may be too late.

Carelessness in choosing gifts or in sending them, and failure to mail early enough, may mean that the recipient will have little or no Christmas cheer from home.

The earlier packages are mailed, the better the chances that they will arrive before Christmas. Packages should be labeled "Christmas parcels".

Here are some of the suggestions of Navy and Postal officials: Articles should be easily portable and useful in any climate. In the recommended category are toilet kits, watches, notebooks, pipes, wallets, pens, or pencils, photographs, etc. Electrical apparatus is of doubtful value. No perishable matter should be included.

Food, including cakes, cookies, fruits, etc., should be particularly avoided, as the necessary delay in handling mail under war conditions often causes such gifts to arrive in bad condition. Stale or mashed cakes, cookies reduced to crumbs, and spoiled fruit do not make a merry Christmas for boys overseas. Besides, our Navy is the best fed and (Continued on Page Five)

Chief Of Police G. A. Helms Resigns To Go Work At Air Station

Will Succeed Raymond White as Chief of Guards

CHIEF 12 YEARS

Special Meeting of Town Council Called Wednesday Night

G. A. Helms has tendered his resignation as Edenton's chief of police and will on Saturday morning assume the chieftancy of the guards at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station. Mr. Helms will succeed Raymond White, former Edentonian but now of Washington, D. C., who has served in that capacity since guards were put on duty on the site of the base. Mr. White resigned Tuesday and will sever his connection with the project Friday night.

Because of Mr. Helms' decision to work at the base, a special meeting of Town Council was held at 9 o'clock Wednesday night, at which he asked for a leave of absence. Due to The Herald being printed late Wednesday afternoon the outcome of this meeting could not be carried in this issue. However, before the meeting was held there was some doubt as to all of the Councilmen agreeing to granting a leave of absence. The salary at the base is substantially more than \$165 per month, which is now paid the chief of police, and it may be possible that Town Council entertained an outright resignation if a chance was made at this time when it is no easy matter to secure policemen.

With the office of Chief of Police vacant, there was considerable speculation Tuesday and Wednesday as to who would succeed Chief Helms. R. L. Pratt is the oldest member on the force and has had considerable local experience. It is no secret that he would appreciate promotion to chief, and a number of his friends were calling on the various Councilmen Wednesday, asking that they use their influence in supporting Mr. Pratt for the promotion. There are three other patrolmen now on the force, Joe Bunch, R. D. Harrell and Harry Snell, the two latter having been only recently added.

Chief Helms has been a member of the police force for 15 years, having been employed on December 27, 1927. He served as patrolman until March, 1930, since which time he has served as chief of the department.

Benson's Radio Outfit Goes To Uncle Sam

Last week the Rev. W. C. Benson, one of Edenton's licensed amateur radio operators, turned over his radio outfit, lock, stock and barrel, to Uncle Sam for use in connection with the present war. The set was most modernly equipped and was calculated, after a thorough inspection, to be of valuable service to the Army.

Mr. Benson is director of local radio in the Chowan County Civilian Defense Council and for a long time has been an amateur radio fan. The transmitter and all equipment was carefully packed and shipped to its new destination.

St. Paul's Sunday School At New Hour

Officers of St. Paul's Sunday School met with Misses Mary and Elizabeth Moore Monday night, when the fall program was discussed, and indications pointing to one of the most successful schools in many years. At the meeting it was decided to change the Sunday School hour from 10 o'clock to 9:45 Sunday morning, and parents are urged to arrange to have their children on time so that there will be as little interruption to the service as possible.

Superintendent E. A. Swain is very well pleased with recent attendance and interest in the school and looks forward to a successful year. W. E. Malone was elected secretary and treasurer of the Sunday School.

Parson Ashby Leaves Edenton For Florida

Having recently resigned as rector of St. Paul's Church and his resignation having been accepted, the Rev. C. A. Ashby left Edenton Friday of last week for Florida, where he will make his future home. His furniture was moved by truck and he was accompanied to Florida by his son, Clarence Ashby, and Mrs. Ashby.