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## Town Of Edenton Forced To Put Brakes On Petitions Requesting New Sidewalks

### Unable to Consider Any More New Sidewalks During Fiscal Year

#### GRANT LAST TWO

### Board of Public Works Releases \$5,000 to Do Work

With two petitions on file for sidewalk paving, Town Council met in special session Tuesday night with the Board of Public Works in order to adopt a policy as to this sort of work for the remainder of the fiscal year. Already this year cement sidewalks have been laid on every street in the cotton mill village, on the north side of East Queen Street from the school property to Oakum Street, on the north side of East Gale Street from Broad to Oakum Street, and on the east side of Oakum Street from Church Street to the colored school.

At the last meeting of Town Council two more petitions were presented asking for sidewalks on the west side of Oakum Street from Church to Freemason, and on the south side of Freemason from Oakum to Broad Street. The other petition asked for a sidewalk on the north side of West Eden Street from the Citizens Bank Building to Granville Street.

Because of the amount of paving already done, this phase of the Town's budget is already in the red, so that before any consideration can be given to the two latest petitions it is necessary to make provisions for the funds with which to do this work. For that reason, the joint Board of Public Works would transfer enough of their surplus funds to comply with the petitions now on file.

The two Board's discussed the matter after which the Board of Public Works went into executive session and agreed to transfer \$5,000 from their funds to be used by Town Council. This amount will just about take care of the two requests and the deficit already prevailing, so that Town Council will be obliged to put the brakes on any further sidewalk paving during the remainder of the present fiscal year.

Under the State Finance Act, the Town is required to pay half of any street and sidewalk paving when the property owners representing the majority of the frontage in any given area sign a petition requesting the work to be done and agreeing to pay the other half of the cost involved. However, carrying on of this work is dependent upon the Town being able to furnish funds necessary. The only source of money at present is to tap the E. & W. funds or sell bonds, which would require a special election, so that with the \$5,000 coming from the Board of Public Works, the Councilmen have no other alternative than to file any subsequent sidewalk petitions with no assurance whatever that anything can be done at least until the next fiscal year, which begins July 1.

## NEW AUTOMOBILE TAG ONE-TENTH AS LARGE BUT TWICE AS HARD TO SECURE

### North Carolina Motor Vehicle Department Urging Motorists to Start Buying Tags First Day They Go on Sale, December 1

Although Tar Heel Auto owners will get only one tiny slip of precious metal for an auto tag—instead of the formidable two large tags of previous years—they will go to twice as much trouble and spend three times as much time in getting them. And they'll cost just as much.

Consequently, it is anticipated that tens of thousands of last-minute applicants may be carless as well as carless January 1st, according to the C. Motor Vehicle Department, which is rather frantically trying to warn motorists to start buying their tags on December 1, first day of sales.

In the first place, no 1943 tabs will be issued until the motorist has turned in his 1942 registration card. If the motorist has lost his 1942 card, there is only one way to get it replaced—via the Motor Vehicle office in Raleigh. Branch offices of the Carolina Motor Club, which is handling sales in about 60 cities, are forbidden to issue replacements for lost 1942 cards. This is the first year

## Skip Holiday

Teachers and school children will this year be deprived of a holiday on Thanksgiving, if they are decided to continue school Thursday and Friday of next week. This action was taken for two reasons, first because of the traveling situation which would prevent teachers from going to their homes to spend the holiday, and secondly, because of the nine-month term this year. Any holidays observed will have to be made up and for that reason, it was decided to abandon the holidays which will be that much sooner school will close this summer.

## Aces Face Tough Opponent Friday

### Washington H. S. Will Play on Local Grid-iron at 3 O'clock

Edenton High School's football team will face what is expected to be its toughest opponent of the season Friday afternoon on the local grid-iron when the Aces meet the Washington High School outfit. The game is scheduled to begin at 3 o'clock.

Though Coach Roy Watson's boys were far from royal when they played Hertford on Wednesday of last week, which was due principally because of injuries, the squad, barring any accidents during this week's practice sessions, will be in good shape to put up a stiff game. The Edenton County team defeated Elizabeth City 35-7, which is somewhat of a measuring stick to determine the strength of the Washington outfit.

However, members of the Edenton team and fans as well remember that last year the pre-game dope was up set when Washington was predicted to win by an overwhelming score, and the Aces turned the tables, and won a 7-6 decision.

The two schools have met six times on the gridiron to date and of these games Edenton has won four and Washington two.

The first game in 1928 was won by the Beaufort County boys 19-0 and the next game in 1931 also went to Washington 39-11. Since then, however, Edenton has been the winner, taking a 19-12 decision in 1936, a 6-0 game in 1937, 13 to 7 in 1938, and last year's 7-6 victory.

Unless injuries develop during practice, the Edenton squad is expected to be in the pink of condition and a hard-fought game is in prospect.

To date the Aces have won only two of seven games played, these two victories being over Williamston and Manteo. They were defeated by Tarboro, Henderson, Scotland Neck, Elizabeth City and Hertford.

## Captain L. E. Griffin Names Officers For Home Guard Unit

### All, However, Are Acting Only In Temporary Capacity

Captain Lloyd E. Griffin, commanding officer of the Chowan County unit of the North Carolina State Guard, this week announced one commissioned and all non-commissioned officers of the outfit. However, these officers are only temporary and permanent appointment will depend upon their ability and aptitude in the various stations. These officers, therefore, are only in an acting capacity and will be subject to change as their fitness develops.

J. Frank White, Jr. was appointed a commissioned officer with the rank of second lieutenant. The other commissioned officer, who will rank as first lieutenant, is expected to be named within a few days.

The acting non-commissioned officers are as follows: C. W. Overman, first sergeant; Marvin Wilson and Leslie Morgan, platoon sergeants; Frank Hughes, mess sergeant; Ralph Parish, supply sergeant; Earl Harrell, sergeant, company clerk; Hector Lupton, Edward Wozelka, Rodney Hyrum, sergeants; squad leaders: J. E. Wood, Richard Hollowell, Jimmy Purkin and Raymond Mansfield, corporals; assistant squad leaders: Grady Love and Dee Skiles, night guides.

These officers will meet every Monday night at 8:15 at the Armory for about an hour to receive instructions prior to the regular meeting each Tuesday night of the entire company.

Captain Griffin went to Washington, N. C., Tuesday night, where he attended a meeting of all company commanders of the Second Battalion. At this meeting a schedule of activities of the units was discussed.

Mr. Griffin went to Raleigh Wednesday, taking with him measurements of uniforms for his men, which are expected within a week or 10 days.

## Key Civilian Defense Workers Tipped Off As To Meat Rationing

### J. E. Hull of State Council at Meeting Monday Afternoon

Thirty key men and women of the Chowan County Civilian Defense Council met Monday afternoon in the office of Chairman E. W. Spires when J. E. Hull, of the State Council of National Defense, spoke on the subject of "Sharing the Meat Program." Mr. Hull's remarks had to do primarily with the cooperation of citizens preparatory to the rationing of meat which is expected to go into effect within the next 90 days.

At the meeting a block service was organized with Miss Rebecca Colwell elected chief for the county and Mrs. John F. White leader of the Edenton Zone. The purpose of this organization is to acquaint the public with the necessity of various moves on the part of the government in connection with the war effort as well as to enlist the cooperation of the citizenry as a whole.

A Citizens Service Corps was also organized with G. W. Johnson elected as chairman. The purpose of this organization is to coordinate various groupings in the Civilian Defense Council, such as salvage, bond sales, recreation and like activities except the various phases of protective service. With this organization functioning the whole civilian defense set up will be streamlined and will prevent overlapping and conflicting duties.

## Four Hours Window Service At Postoffice On Thanksgiving Day

Though there will be no mail, either city or rural, delivered from the Edenton post office next Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, Postmaster C. E. Kramer has announced that window service will be provided four hours. These hours will be from 8 to 9 o'clock in the morning, 11 to 1 and 5 to 6. All mail will be dispatched as usual, however, and incoming mail will be placed in the post office boxes.

## Air Warning Service Contact Officers At Cross Roads Nov. 25

### Very Important Meeting For Observers and Volunteers

Contact Officers from the Regional Headquarters of the Air Warning Service will hold a meeting at the Community House at Small's Cross Roads, Wednesday, November 25, at 8 p. m.

The purpose of this meeting is to give Civilian Defense instructions, as they relate to Air Warning and Air Raid protection service.

The officers will show a picture of the Civilian Defense set-up in action and explain the details of how every patriotic citizen can do his or her part to help win this war.

All Chief Observers and volunteers in the Air Warning Service are urged to attend this very important meeting. Also, the public is cordially invited to attend this demonstration of their first line of Civilian Defense.

"Now is the time to help defend your country. It will please Hitler if you fail to do so," says C. E. Kramer, district director of the Air Warning Service.

## Annual Rally Of Baptists In Local Church Monday

### Training Unions of Chowan Associations Will Meet

The Baptist Training Unions of the Chowan Association will assemble at the Edenton Baptist Church on Monday night, November 23, at 7:30 o'clock for the annual rally.

Plans are being made for an executive committee meeting at 7:30 for the purpose of attending to matters of business and for laying plans for the next year and setting goals of attainment. This is to be followed at 8 o'clock by a general meeting of all Training Union members, leaders, officers, pastors, the Association Moderator, and all others interested in the Training work.

There will be special music, inspirational talks, and a general rally of the training forces in the Chowan Association. This rally is an annual affair and is called at this particular date to link up with a South-wide movement now in progress for the purpose of laying special plans for the training program in our Baptist churches of the South for this unusual era through which the world is going now.

The public is invited to attend this rally and enjoy its inspirational and educational benefits.

## Ewell Hobbs Named Forestry Specialist

### Succeeds W. J. Barker Who Recently Resigned Post

Friends will be delighted to learn that Ewell Hobbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Hobbs, has been appointed forestry specialist of the State Extension Service. He succeeds W. J. Barker, who recently resigned to accept a position as extension forester in South Carolina.

Young Hobbs was graduated from Edenton High School in the class of 1937, and was a member of the 1942 graduating class at State College. Last summer he was located in Montana to gain experience as a forest ranger and while in the western state traveled throughout the entire western part of the country.

## Red Men Tribe Starts Attendance Contest

In order to stimulate interest in the weekly meetings, Chowan Tribe of Red Men is staging an attendance contest to run until January 11. Erie Haste and Herbert Baker were appointed Monday night as captains of two teams, and with the membership divided between them a lively contest is anticipated. At the conclusion of the contest, the losing side will entertain the winners.

## Band Director R. L. Martin Terms Local Instruments Decidedly Poorest In State

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### Plans to Raise Funds To Rebuild Out-of-Date Pieces

#### COST ABOUT \$1,000

### Series of Concerts Being Scheduled to Begin December 1

R. L. Martin, director of the Edenton High School Band, this week made the statement that the local band equipment is decidedly the poorest in the State, some of the instruments being made by manufacturers who have been out of business 40 years.

However, Mr. Martin says, even though the instruments are out of date, he will make do with them as long as they are in good condition. He has planned to have the instruments put into proper condition. To do this will cost about \$1,000 and it is his purpose to have the band raise as much of this amount as possible.

The band will stage a series of concerts in the High School auditorium with the first one scheduled to be held on the night of December 1, at which a silver offering will be asked.

"This is your band," says Mr. Martin, "it is made up of your boys and girls. They are proud of it, and you are proud of it. Citizens have stood by it in the past and I feel sure they will stand by it in the future.

"When your boys and girls are out with the band, you may rest assured they are not spending their time in idleness, which is termed 'the devil's work shop.' One has said, 'Teach a boy to blow a horn and he will never blow a safe.' We have the children who want to blow a horn, but we do not have the horn. If a carpenter should apply for work with the type of tools used 50 years ago, he would face failure on every hand. Give us necessary tools with which to work and we will do the job.

"Cooperate with us, attend these concerts, donate what you feel your band is worth to you and to the Town of Edenton, and we will do our best to make you proud of us."

## Chowan Asked For 75 More Men In December

Chowan County's Draft Board has received two calls for December, which are for 75 men, 45 white and 30 colored. The white call is scheduled for December 2, and the colored call for December 19.

Those who will be sent for examination in these two calls had not been selected this week.

### BANK CLOSED THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving Day will be observed as a holiday on Thursday of next week, November 26, by the Bank of Edenton. The bank will be closed all day so that patrons having important business to transact should govern themselves accordingly.

## Stores Close

Information from the Merchants Association is to the effect that practically all stores in Edenton will close all day Thursday of next week in observance of Thanksgiving.

Drug stores, restaurants and filling stations, however, will remain open during the day.

## Red Cross Workers Use Up All Gauze

### Project Closed Wednesday Until New Shipment Arrives

Because the supply of gauze has become exhausted, the surgical dressing room of the Red Cross was on Wednesday closed until another shipment of this material arrives.

This work will be resumed, however, upon arrival of the gauze, at which time Mrs. W. H. Coffield, surgical dressings chairman, will notify all supervisors and workers by telephone.

### MASONS MEET TONIGHT

Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will hold the regular communication tonight at 8 o'clock. The master urges all members to attend.

## CONSUMER REGISTRATION FOR KEROSENE AND FUEL OIL SET FOR SATURDAY, NOV. 21

### War Price and Ration Board Emphasizes Importance of Registering In Order to Be Assured What Is Necessary For Use

Saturday, November 21, has been set as the date for holding consumer registration for applicants using fuel oil, Diesel oil or kerosene for domestic cooking, domestic lighting and agricultural uses, and the importance of registering at either the Rocky Hock school or at the Rocky Hock school or at Chowan High, whichever may be most convenient.

When registering it will be necessary for applicants to be able to furnish the name and serial number of any equipment using fuel oil or kerosene.

In Edenton, the Chowan High School and Rocky Hock Central School.

All families living in the Edenton school districts should register in Edenton, while those living in the Rocky Hock section and up-county should register at either the Rocky Hock school or at Chowan High, whichever may be most convenient. When registering it will be necessary for applicants to be able to furnish the name and serial number of any equipment using fuel oil or kerosene.