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Registration For Ration Book Four October 26, 27, 28

Five Places Designated In County to Secure New Books

9 A. M. TO 5 P. M.

Registrants Must Present War Ration Book Three

Registration for War Ration Book Four will be held in Chowan County Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 26, 27 and 28, the books being issued at the following places from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Edenton White School.

Edenton Colored School.

Rocky Hook Central School.

St. John's Colored School.

Chowan High School.

As in the previous registration applicants must appear alphabetically, Tuesday being set aside for those whose names begin between A and H, Wednesday, I to N and the remainder on Thursday.

This book will last approximately four years and in order to be issued, it will be necessary to present War Ration Book Three. All residents are urged to go to the nearest school for registration on the days and between the hours specified, since no books will be issued at the local War Price and Rationing Board during the registration or for a period of two weeks or more after the initial registration.

John A. Holmes, superintendent of city schools, has stated that the schools will again cooperate in the registration by closing school at 1 o'clock on the days specified in order that teachers may assist in the work.

PTA Lunch Room Reopens For Year

Food and Funds Still Needed For Operation of Room

Children in the Edenton School on Monday resumed eating meals at the school when the lunch rooms was opened with Miss Sarah Jones as manager. For several years Miss Jones has had charge of the lunch room and to her interest and efficient management is attributed to a large extent the success of the project.

Prior to the opening of the lunch room, the Edenton Parent-Teacher Association sponsored a house-to-house canvass for canned fruits and vegetables to be served. The response was gratifying, although not enough was contributed to take care of about 100 free lunches as has been given heretofore. Members of the P. T. A. are hopeful that enough food will be coming in so that this worthwhile service can again be carried out during the school year.

It was impossible to have the usual summer garden this year, which prevented the storage of quite a bit of food, and this, coupled with the fact that Federal and State aid has been withdrawn, presents a serious problem for the P. T. A. in operating the lunch room. For that reason, emphasis is being placed on donations in both town and county, whether one has children in school or not.

Square Dance In Armory Oct. 28 For Band And Senior Class

Edenton High School's Band is in need of funds, and in order to help meet the situation, a square dance is planned to be held in the Armory Thursday night, October 28, from 9 to 12 o'clock.

Music for the dance will be furnished by Sanders Orchestra of Roanoke Rapids, a combination whose reputation is rapidly gaining favorable recognition throughout the State. The outfit includes several musicians who were first taught by R. L. Marshall, director of the Edenton Band, and who hopes a large crowd will turn out for the affair.

Proceeds from the dance will go to the Band and the Senior Class.

Misunderstanding As To Registrants In Two Classifications

12 Units Necessary In Class II-C and III-C Says Wiggins

There seems to have arisen a misunderstanding as to the requirements in Class II-C and III-C for farm work, says J. L. Wiggins, chairman of the Chowan County Draft Board. "It is generally known," said Mr. Wiggins, "that in order for a registrant to be classified in either of the above classifications he is required to show that he is making his 12 units. If after the farmer or farm laborer has harvested his own crops and has any spare time to work elsewhere either on another farm, in a saw mill, log woods, cotton gin or highway or any other place to earn extra money it is perfectly all right with the Draft Board to do so. In fact, it is the desire and wishes of the Government that a man work all that is possible for him to in order to produce more at this time. All industries are clamoring for more labor."

"The Draft Board wishes to state further that any man who is now farming and is covered by a II-C or III-C classification and who wishes to change his employer or to move to another farm to continue in the same line of work should ask permission from the Draft Board before changing so as to be assured of having sufficient units to continue his farm classification. Otherwise, the registrant might be subject to reclassification into a class available for military service."

New Yorker, Now Converted, Pays For 1919 Railroad Theft

Follower of Father Divine Sends \$20 to J. L. Pettus

J. L. Pettus, trainmaster for the Norfolk Southern Railroad, last week received an unusual letter in which was a money order for \$20 from Isaac Love, now living in New York City.

"I am now a follower of Father Divine and his teachings are that we should right our wrongs by paying all old debts, return or pay for stolen goods, live independently by paying cash for everything we buy and buy nothing on the installment plan," wrote Love. "We are taught to live soberly, righteously and Godly in this present time."

"Enclosed find a money order for \$20 for some things that I took from your company many years ago, in 1919 to be exact. I would not have paid this debt but for Father Divine's teaching, so give all credit or praise to him."

Mr. Pettus is unable to remember the man, but is of the opinion he was employed in the transfer sheds in Norfolk at the time referred to.

Nine Out Of 14 Boys Pass Physical Exam

Of the 14 white men recently sent to Fort Bragg for their final physical examination, nine were accepted. Of this number one, James E. Lee, left Saturday for Raleigh to enter the U. S. Navy. Four others entered the U. S. Marines and will leave Friday. They are Joseph Carroll Griffin, Evere Marvin Boyce, William E. Forehand, Jr., and Steannie C. West.

The remaining four, whose names have not been released, will enter the Army, and are scheduled to leave October 28.

TRAINING FOR PILOT

Aviation Cadet Cullen Swindell has finished his course at Maxwell Field, Alabama, and has been transferred to the Lafayette School of Aeronautics at Lafayette, La., to continue training as a pilot.

RETURNS TO FORT MACON

Private First Class Cecil Hollowell left Wednesday for Fort Macon after spending a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hollowell.

CHOWAN COUNTY'S CAMPAIGN UNDER WAY TO RAISE QUOTA OF \$5,000 IN WAR FUND FOR 17 WAR RELIEF AGENCIES

Following a "pep" meeting in the form of a barbecue dinner in the Parish House Tuesday night, Chowan County's War Fund campaign began Wednesday morning, when a group of canvassers began the task of collecting \$6,000 as the county's quota in the national undertaking to raise \$125,000,000 for support of the Tar-lung USO—the home away from home for our fighting men; comforts for the "barbed-wire legion" of prisoners of war; food for starving Greece; medical supplies for gallant Russia; aid for the scorched earth of stricken China; assistance for hundreds of thousands of homeless refugees.

Tuesday night's meeting was for the purpose of securing final instructions in the drive and impress upon the workers the seriousness and importance of Chowan raising its quota. General Chairman J. H. Conger presided over the meeting and after all had partaken of a delicious plate of barbecue, presented a number of pertinent questions relative to the drive, the answers for which were read by James E. Wood.

John A. Holmes was called upon for a few remarks, during which he

emphasized the need for the fund in providing at least some relief for war victims and explained the method of distribution to various agencies which number 17, together with the local Boy Scouts.

D. M. Warren was also called upon to speak and very feelingly said that over 600 Chowan County boys and girls are now in the service of their country making all kinds of sacrifices and enduring untold hardships. "This group comprises the cream of our citizenship," he said, "and Chowan County cannot afford and will not fail to measure up to what is expected of it." Mr. Warren made a fitting comparison with a football game, comparing our boys and girls in service with the cheering section yelling for their team to "hold that line." He said he imagined he could hear our boys and girls calling back to "hold the line on the home front while we do our dead level best to bring back victory."

George C. Cunney, Jr., Navy auditor, who has charge of contributions at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, reported that he already had \$1,200 toward the quota and felt very

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W. L. Clegg Preaches At Methodist Church Next Sunday Night

Fourth Quarterly Conference Will Be Held After Service

W. L. Clegg, superintendent of the Elizabeth City District, will preach at the Methodist Church next Sunday night at 8 o'clock in the first evening service in the church since the resignation of the Rev. W. C. Benson as pastor early in August. Immediately after the service, the fourth quarterly conference will be held. This will be a very important meeting, and every church official is especially urged to be present. Reports of the various church organizations should be prepared in order to complete the year's work.

The usual service will be held at the morning hour when Presbyterians and Methodists will worship jointly with the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., pastor of the Presbyterian Church, preaching.

The Board of Stewards of the Methodist Church met in the office of John A. Holmes Wednesday night, at which time church activities for the year were reviewed and plans made for closing the conference year.

Two Farm Bureau Meetings Tuesday

Speakers Discuss Topics Of Vital Importance To Farmers

Two Farm Bureau meetings were held in Chowan County Tuesday, Negro farmers meeting at Warren Grove School at 2:30 o'clock and white farmers meeting at Chowan High School at 5 o'clock.

At both meetings F. Flake Shaw spoke on "The Importance of Farm Organizations In Our Agricultural Program," and Shields Alexander, of Scotland Neck, discussed the peanut situation in 1944.

Featuring each meeting was a delightful meal served, efforts inaugurated to add to the Farm Bureau memberships.

USO Dance Tonight In Edenton Armory

Tonight (Thursday) from 9 to 11:30 o'clock, another USO dance will be held in the Edenton Armory, music for which will be furnished by the Weeksville Naval Base Orchestra. Hostesses will be on hand and refreshments will be for sale.

Two weeks ago a similar dance was held in the Armory which was said to have been one of the most pleasant affairs ever held.

Father F. J. McCourt Resigns As Infantile Paralysis Chairman

J. Edwin Bufflap Elected Successor at Annual Meeting

Though a small crowd responded to the call of Father F. J. McCourt to attend the annual meeting of the Chowan Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis on Friday night, a quorum was present and business was transacted. Father McCourt presided and after stating the purpose of the meeting, said it would be impossible for him to again serve as chairman, a position he has held since the chapter was organized several years ago. Despite his remarks, a motion was made to re-elect all officers, but before presenting the motion, Chairman McCourt emphatically declared that while he was greatly interested in the work of the chapter, his church duties have multiplied to such an extent that it was absolutely impossible to devote as much time to the work of the chapter as it required.

Mrs. W. H. Coffield, who was vice chairman last year, also tendered her resignation prior to the meeting due to practically all of her time being devoted to supervising the making of surgical dressings for the Chowan Red Cross Chapter.

Following consideration of filling the two vacancies, J. Edwin Bufflap was nominated to succeed Father McCourt as chairman for the new year. The former reluctantly agreed to serve when elected, stating that he, too, is burdened with many duties and would rather see another elected to the chairmanship. The election, however, was not changed. Mrs. O. M. Elliott was subsequently elected vice chairman to succeed Mrs. Coffield, while W. H. Gardner was re-elected treasurer and J. G. Campen, secretary.

In relinquishing the chairmanship, Father McCourt stated that a few cases of county aid for infantile paralysis victims are under observation and that at the present time the chapter's bank balance is \$641.56.

The new chairman plans to call a meeting in the near future to determine what sort of method is to be pursued in celebrating President Roosevelt's birthday, which is the principal means of raising funds for the local chapter.

Surgical Dressings Lagging Due Lack Of Enough Workers

Mrs. W. H. Coffield Appeals, Again For Volunteers

"We on the home front must not lag or let down on our duties," said Mrs. W. H. Coffield, chairman of the Red Cross surgical dressings project Tuesday, in again appealing for more volunteers to help with this work. Production for the month is falling behind due to lack of enough workers, and Mrs. Coffield urgently appeals to the people of the town and county to rally to this phase of home front war work, which is so important at this particular time.

Mrs. Coffield also directs her appeal to wives of service men now in Edenton in that their aid will greatly boost production, if they volunteer.

Only recently the September quota was shipped for emergency distribution on land and sea, but the October quota is shaping up slowly. The call for surgical dressings will continue for a long time, says Mrs. Coffield, so that workers are as necessary as ever before. Mrs. Coffield and her associates will welcome any who will volunteer in this important work, which is carried on at the Parish House.

Portion Of Edenton's Streets Resurfaced

Early this week work was begun in resurfacing Broad Street from Queen to the County Dock, Water Street and a portion of King street. This work will be completed this week and aside from being attractive will help to preserve the hard surface, which on these particular streets was in bad shape.

Housing Situation In Edenton More Acute Than Ever

Arrival of Service Men's Wives Taxing Town For Quarters

CANVASS MADE

Nearby Towns Also Being Searched For Spare Rooms

With the recent arrival of several hundred service men's wives in Edenton and the existing shortage of facilities, the housing situation has become very acute. Despite a survey made Saturday and renewed efforts to locate rooms, conditions have been eased only slightly. From the survey it was found that only 30 rooms were available, and Mrs. Hazel Gibbs, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association, and Abe Martin, director of the USO Club, are at their wits' end to solve the situation.

Telephones are kept busy in an effort to locate sleeping and living quarters and efforts have also been made to find rooms in nearby towns in the emergency. Several have been located in Windsor and in Washington County.

So acute is the situation that a suggestion has been made that cots be placed in the local Armory, where a woman's dormitory could be set up to help meet the emergency. The situation has also renewed regret that Edenton's proposed housing project has apparently gone by the Board at a time when it could have been of great value.

Any person willing to rent a room or group of rooms will confer a great favor by contacting either Mrs. Gibbs or the USO Club.

Sale Of Christmas Seals Begins Nov. 22

Dr. Julian Miller of Charlotte Chairman For State

Dr. Julian S. Miller, editor of the Charlotte Observer, was chosen as the State chairman of the 1943 Christmas Seal Sale Campaign by the executive committee of this organization. This is the second year that North Carolina has had a State chairman. Mrs. J. Melville Broughton served last year in this capacity and was the first State chairman.

Monday, November 22, is the opening date of this campaign and it will last through Christmas Day. The sale of Christmas Seals for the support of local and state tuberculosis program will not be included in the United War Fund campaign.

Eleven million dollars has been set for the national goal. North Carolina has set \$150,000 as its part of the nation's goal. Last year \$9,000,000 was raised in the nation and \$123,411 in this State. The per capita for North Carolina in 1943 was 3.4 cents. The national per capita for 1942 was 7 cents. Ninety-five cents out of every dollar raised in this campaign is kept in the State for tuberculosis control. Five cents is given to the National Tuberculosis Association for its services to the State and local organizations.

War Bonds Prizes In Red Men's Drive To Boost Membership

War Bonds have been offered as prizes by both the Great Council or the United States and the Great Council of North Carolina to Red Men tribes in a membership drive which will continue until near the end of the year. According to the program, it will be possible for any tribe to win three war bonds and any member of a tribe a similar number. Aside from these prizes, Charles Wallace of Gastonia, Great Sachem in North Carolina, will offer cash prizes to members securing the largest number of new members.

Chowan Tribe, which boasts several members who heretofore have made enviable records for securing new members, is taking part in the drive and hopes to add a goodly number of new and re-instated members.