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## Red Cross Drive Will Begin Monday

### John A. Holmes Consents To Be Candidate For Next Governor Of 189th District

Urged By Members For Several Weeks to Make Run

OUTSTANDING Active in Rotary Affairs Since Chartering of Local Club In 1926

Following persistent urging for several weeks on the part of members of the Edenton Rotary Club as well as prominent Rotarians throughout the 189th Rotary District, John A. Holmes, last week, consented to be a candidate for District governor at the Rotary convention to be held at Pinehurst early in May. Unless other candidates seek the honor, the election will be a triangular race, with James Butler, of Goldsboro, and Carlton Cherry, of Ahoskie, already announced as candidates.

Mr. Holmes is eminently qualified for the governorship, for he is one of the best informed men in Rotary affairs in the District. He is a charter member of the Edenton Rotary Club, which was chartered February 19, 1926. He was the Club's second president and has served on every major committee of the club. He has also taken an active part in District meetings, having attended many of them, and having served as chairman of the Resolutions Committee at the convention held at Greensboro in 1928, and chairman of the Elections Committee at Rocky Mount last year.

He is at present secretary of the Edenton Club, an office he has held for nine years, and for 12 years he has been a member of the board of directors. He has at various times, been referred to by visiting Rotary governors as the most outstanding and efficient secretary in the District.

Members of the Edenton Club, as well as many Rotarians in the District, feel that because of Mr. Holmes' outstanding qualifications and popularity as a Rotarian, he stands an excellent chance of being elected.

Aside from his Rotary activities, Mr. Holmes has been superintendent of Edenton schools for over 20 years, he is a past commander of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion, an outstanding Bible School teacher and has always been found taking part in every civic or religious activity for the betterment of the community.

The Edenton Club is back of Mr. Holmes' candidacy to a man and plans to do everything possible to aid his election.

### Bond Drive At Base March 15th To 21st

Purpose to Secure 100 Per Cent Participation Record

With Lieut.-Col. Chester J. Peters, commanding officer at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, very anxious to be able to boast 100 per cent. purchases of war bonds at the local base, a war bond drive will be in progress from March 15 to 21, during which military and civilian personnel will be solicited to purchase bonds.

During the drive no allotment has been set, but an effort will be made to sell at least one bond to every person connected with the base and, of course, it is hoped that bonds of as large a denomination as possible will be purchased during the drive.

### Training Group 81 At Base In First Parade

Marine Operation Training Group 81 at the local Air Station had its first group parade and inspection on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The affair was very impressive, taking place on a runway, with all six squadrons participating. Music was furnished over a loud-speaking system.

In the reviewing party were Col. Carl S. Day, commanding officer of MOTG, Lieut.-Col. W. E. Sweetser, Jr., and Lieut.-Col. H. C. Lane.

### Rotary Candidate



JOHN A. HOLMES, secretary of the Edenton Rotary Club, who will be a candidate for Governor of the 189th Rotary District at the convention in Pinehurst early in May.

### Housewives Urged Attend Important Meeting Monday

Emergency Price Check Will Be Made Between March 13-18

An emergency price check has been ordered by OPA, which will be conducted in Edenton March 13 to 18, and will include all stores handling food items at retail.

Before the survey, the district office has planned a panel assistant recruitment program and in connection with the check-up a meeting has been called for Monday, March 13, at 3 p. m., in the Court House. All housewives are especially urged to be present at this meeting.

The purpose of the campaign, which is nation-wide, is to hold down ceiling prices and housewives can be an important factor if they attend the meeting.

### County Exceeds Waste Fats Quota In February

Chowan County's housewives cooperated more fully during the month of February relative to the collection of waste fats.

In a check-up made by Miss Rebecca Colwell, chairman of the Women's Salvage Division, 490 pounds of kitchen fats were salvaged. The quota for the month was 372 pounds.

Housewives are urged to continue to save this vital material for war purposes, which may be sold at Goodwin's Quality Store, Pender's, A. & P., and Dixie Service Station.

### MASONS MEET TONIGHT

Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will hold its weekly meeting tonight (Thursday) in the Court House at 8 o'clock. W. J. Daniels, the master, urges all members to be present, and extends a cordial invitation to visiting Masons to attend.

### Good Faith

At a hearing before the Price Panel of the Chowan County War Price and Rationing Board last week, several merchants found out of line on their prices during a recent survey, made voluntary contributions of \$205.52 to the Treasurer of the United States.

Since the purchasers could not be identified, these retailers did this to show their good faith in surrendering illegal gains.

### Colors Be Presented To Local Air Station On Sunday, April 9th

Public Allowed to Enter Base In Connection With Program

### GOVERNOR COMING

Lieut.-Col. C. J. Peters Speaker at Legion Meeting

At a meeting of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion Tuesday night in the Court House, Sunday, April 9, was definitely set as the date for the post to present colors to the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station. Judge Richard D. Dixon reported that he had been informed by Governor J. M. Broughton and R. C. McMillan, national vice commander of the American Legion, that they would be able to attend on that date, which happens to be Easter Sunday, and it is also expected that Congressman Herbert C. Bonner will also be on hand for the occasion. The committee on arrangements, of which John A. Holmes is chairman, was continued by Commander Jesse White, which will proceed in cooperation with Lieut.-Col. Chester J. Peters, commanding officer, in formulating an appropriate program for the celebration.

The affair will be of especial interest in that Lieut.-Col. Peters will, on that day, allow the public to enter the base to witness the presentation, and while there will necessarily be certain restrictions inside the base, it is practically assured that he will allow systematic tours through the (Continued on Page Five)

### Students To Write Essays About T. B.

Mrs. J. A. Moore Inaugurates Educational Program

Being convinced that education is one of the principal means of combating tuberculosis, Mrs. J. A. Moore has arranged for a contest to be held in the schools of the county, during which students will write essays on the subject.

Writing of these regulars will count on the students' regular work, and it is believed the idea will go no little way in acquainting the youngsters with means of preventing and even curing the disease. Prizes will be awarded in the various grades.

Mrs. Moore points out that tuberculosis is infectious, preventable and curable and that Chowan County stands high in percentage of tuberculosis victims. According to figures for 1942, the national rate was 43.1 per 100,000. The State's average was 49 per 100,000, while Chowan County's rate was 61, above both the State and national percentage.

### PAT EBERHART CHECKER CHAMPION IN TOURNAMENT CONDUCTED AT USO CLUB

Thirty-two Civilians and Service Men Participate In Outstanding Affair Staged By Committee Appointed By VSO Group

One of the most interesting and enjoyable affairs ever to be held in the local USO Club took place last week when 32 civilians and service men battled for honors in a checker tournament. The room was full of silent spectators as the various games progressed, and at the close Pat Eberhart, a guard at the base, won in the first game over Abe Levy, a Marine. In the semi-final game Eberhart won over B. W. Evans, while Levy defeated D. B. Liles, Edenton star player.

The consolation winner was Francis Blow, who won over George Folk. In the semi-final Folk won over Hank Howard and Marine Blow defeated Charles Gibson.

The tournament was arranged by a committee from the VSO, including

### Base Price Peanuts Boosted To \$160 Per Ton For Crop In 1944

Bonner Urges Price to Be Accepted In Good Spirit

### FORMER PRICE \$150

Allowance Made For Premiums and Discounts

As the result of a recent hearing held in Washington, the War Food Administration on Monday announced that peanuts produced in 1944 will be supported at base prices to farmers of \$160 per ton for Spanish, Virginia and Valencia types and \$145 per ton for runner types. Action of the War Food Administration was sent to The Herald by Congressman Herbert Bonner.

These base prices are for peanuts having a sound mature kernel content of 65 per cent in the case of Virginia, Valencia and runner types, and 70 per cent in the case of Spanish types. Premiums and discounts will be established for other qualities.

"Although this is not all we are entitled to," stated Congressman Bonner in his telegram, "I suggest it be accepted in good spirit and I hope a bumper crop of peanuts will be produced, as they are vitally needed in the war effort."

While local growers appreciate the increase in price, there is still a contention that growers in the Carolina-Virginia belt should be allowed higher payment to offset the cost involved in bagging the crop, while in other sections the crop is handled in bulk.

### Housing Project Making Headway

Trenches For Foundations Dug; Much Material on Site

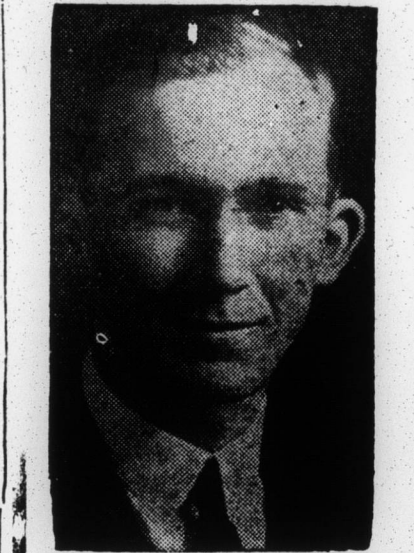
Noticeable progress has been made on Edenton's Federal housing project on the plot recently sold by S. M. Morris along the Suffolk Highway and back of the homes of L. S. Byrum, West Leary, Maurice L. Bunch and M. L. Flynn.

Though weather conditions have interfered to some extent, trenches have been dug for laying the foundation for practically all of the homes in the project, which includes 35 modern and attractive houses. Timber and other materials are also on the site and with favorable weather conditions it is expected to complete the project in about three months.

The work is in charge of Thomas Jordan, who is also constructing an attractive home on Granville Street between the homes of John Mitchener and Mrs. M. F. Bond, Jr. He expects this house to be completed in short order and is figuring on occupying it by April 1.

### Though County's Quota Is \$7,800, W. J. Berryman Is Seeking To Reach \$10,000

Convention Speaker



REV. CHARLES B. HOWARD, professor of Bible at Campbell College, who will speak Saturday afternoon, March 25, at a session of the Regional Baptist Training Union Convention to be held in Windsor March 24-25.

### Regional Baptist Training Convention Be Held In Windsor

Interesting Program Is Being Arranged For March 24-25

One of the feature addresses of the Eastern Regional Training Union Convention at Cashie Baptist Church in Windsor, March 24-25 will be brought by the Rev. Charles B. Howard professor of Bible at Campbell College. The Rev. Mr. Howard is one of the most popular speakers and evangelists in Eastern North Carolina, being very much in demand for conventions assemblies and evangelistic meetings. No doubt a capacity crowd will hear him speak during the Saturday afternoon session on the subject, "Thy Will Be Done In Our Personal Life." For the past few years he has filled several engagements in the Chowan and West Chowan Associations and his many friends will be glad of this opportunity to hear him again.

The two-day convention will be carried out in four sessions: Friday afternoon session at 3:15 o'clock; a banquet at 6 o'clock; Friday night session at 7:30; Saturday morning session at 9 o'clock; Saturday afternoon session at 1:30 o'clock. The program for each session has been planned with the idea of equally balancing the sessions so that a strong program might be expected for each session. Delegates from the various churches of the two Associations are urged to come prepared to attend each session and carry back to the individual church the good from the convention.

The program consists of inspirational addresses, talks, instrumental (Continued on Page Six)

### Thankful

Mrs. Millard F. Bond, Jr., on Monday, received an interesting letter from Captain Charles Jennette, of Raleigh, a prisoner of war, nephew of her husband the late M. F. Bond, Jr., and son of Louise Bond, formerly of Edenton.

Captain Jennette was taken prisoner in Italy and was later transferred to Germany, and in his letter said: "Those of us here will never be able to repay the Red Cross for what they have done for us."

Mrs. Bond released this information in the hope that it will have some effect upon local Red Cross War Fund contributions, which will get under way next Monday.

Group of Workers Now Ready For Complete Canvass

### BIG JOB AHEAD

Goal Is Broken Down According to Various Townships

With a complete corps of canvassers ready to begin work, plans are in readiness to start Chowan County's Red Cross War Fund drive next Monday. While the quota of \$7,800 appears large, W. J. Berryman, chairman of the drive, feels optimistic as to the outcome so that he and his co-workers have set a goal beyond that figure, anticipating that the county will contribute \$10,000 during the drive.

Mr. Berryman, in his hope for a \$10,000 contribution, has broken down the amount to be raised according to population, as follows:

First Township, white, 35.75 per cent or \$3,575. Corporations, 15.75 per cent or \$1,575.

Second Township, white, 17.60 per cent or \$1,760. Corporations, .85 per cent or \$85.

Third Township, white, 12.75 per cent or \$1,275.

Fourth Township, white, 7.30 per cent or \$730.

First Township, colored, 6.75 per cent or \$675.

Second Township, colored, 1.25 per cent or \$125.

Third Township, colored, .50 per cent or \$50.

Fourth Township, colored, 1.50 per cent or \$150.

These figures, of course, do not take into account contributions at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, where a substantial amount is expected to be collected.

This year the Red Cross faces the biggest job in its history, therefore, there should be more and larger contributions than in former years. Those in charge of the drive proudly refer to previous drives, when Chowan never failed to meet its quota, and it is confidently expected that this year's drive will be no exception.

Everyone is, therefore, urged to consider a contribution and make it as large as possible.

### Jurymen Drawn For Superior Court

April Term Will Include Trial of Negro For Murder

Chowan County Commissioners, at their meeting Monday, drew the names of 36 men who will be summoned to serve as jurors at the next term of Chowan Superior Court, which will be held the week of April 3. Judge Leo Carr, of Burlington, will be the presiding judge for the term, which will include a charge of murder lodged against Percy Lawrence, colored, who is charged with the knife slaying of George Allen Spruill, also colored.

Those drawn for jury duty are: Clarence Lupton, H. V. Bass, C. N. Keeter, E. A. Bunch, Earl G. Harrell, W. W. Bunch, Thos. J. Jackson, L. H. Lane, Earl Goodwin, C. T. Griffin, Roy E. Lane, L. R. Sutton, Thomas B. Wood, C. B. Mooney, Jr., Walter Umphlett, H. W. Layton, T. E. Parker, J. H. Conger, D. M. Carter, W. R. Eason, B. W. Evans, Henry Smith, J. V. Lane, W. S. Bass, C. P. Harrell, C. W. Jordan, Lloyd Parrish, H. C. Brinkley, Alma Harrell, W. M. Wilkins, W. A. Harrell, S. W. White, R. C. Nixon, Herbert E. Hollowell, N. J. Goodwin, H. I. Ward.

### ROTARIANS MEET TODAY

Edenton's Rotary luncheon will be held today (Thursday) at 1 o'clock, in the Parish House. President Dick Hines urges a 100 per cent attendance at the meeting.