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Absentee Soldier Vote Be Discussed At Meeting Monday

13 Boards of Elections Scheduled to Meet In Edenton

HEAVY TASK

All Members of Chowan County Board Are Reappointed

Re-appointment of the Chowan County Board of Electors was announced late last week and includes Lloyd C. Burton, Philip McMullan and George W. Leary.

Closely following selection of the county boards in the State, a series of meetings were called by William T. Joyner, chairman of the State Board of Elections, to be held in various sections of the State, one of which will be held in Edenton on Monday, March 27. This meeting will be held in the Court House at 1 o'clock, and is scheduled to take in 13 counties, including the boards of Northampton, Martin, Bertie, Hertford, Washington, Chowan, Gates, Pasquotank, Camden, Currituck, Tyrrell, Dare and Perquimans. Similar meetings will be held in Greenville, Clinton, Raleigh, Asheville and Statesville.

The principal purpose of these meetings has to do with absentee registration and voting in the forthcoming election.

According to Chairman Joyner, any North Carolina soldier who possesses voting qualifications may register and vote absentee in the primaries of 1944. Mr. Joyner also frankly admits that if many soldiers exercise the privilege, it will throw a real burden of work on the County Boards of Elections and particularly on the chairmen, though he characterizes this work as a direct service to soldiers and hopes the various boards will be anxious to assume it as a contribution to soldier service.

At the scheduled meetings details of the absentee voting will be thoroughly discussed and common problems considered in order that everything possible may be done to eliminate uncertainty and confusion. The State chairman and Raymond C. Maxwell, executive secretary, have been instructed by the State Board to attend each of the scheduled meetings in order to help in this work.

County Board of Election chairmen, being government officials, will be entitled to special gasoline allowance for a necessary automobile trip to attend the meeting in their district, and application should be made to local rationing boards.

Program Complete For BTU Convention

Annual Regional Meeting In Windsor Friday and Saturday

Those attending the annual Regional Baptist Training Union Convention at the Cashie Baptist Church in Windsor Friday and Saturday, March 24-25, will be glad to hear State Secretary, W. Wilbur Hutchins, of Raleigh, speak during the Saturday morning session on the subject "Thy Will Be Done In Our Church Training Program." Mr. Hutchins is the new State Training Union Secretary, and he has a very interesting background of preparation, experience and service. Because of his wide experience in the church training work, he is well qualified to discuss the subject and many training union workers will be glad to hear him. Besides this outstanding address the Saturday morning program will include a symposium of five talks by training union members and workers from various churches in the region. These talks will deal with God's will in some of our every-day problems. Another helpful feature of this session will be the Methods Conferences conducted by outstanding Training Union Workers and dealing with each age group. These conferences will present much needed information and inspiration and all training union members, workers, and pastors will be anxious to attend the conference for their particular age group. Numbers of vocal and instrumental music will intersperse the talks and conferences. A skit

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Officer Joseph Bunch Bags Robber Early Wednesday Morning

Negro Nabbed While Attempting to Flee From Triangle

LOOT RECOVERED

Tussle at Wheel of Automobile Brings Car To Standstill

Officer Joseph Bunch, in making his rounds about 3 o'clock Wednesday morning undoubtedly frustrated the theft of a considerable amount of merchandise at the Triangle Filling Station. As he neared the filling station, he saw a man run to an automobile and was able to get to him as the car was moving away. In cowboy fashion Bunch jumped on the man, a Negro, which caused the car to meander about the premises until it came to a stop after hitting a brick pillar.

The Negro gave his name as Willie James Rhinehart and his home as Winston-Salem. He is now lodged in the Chowan County jail.

It was learned that the car was stolen from the Ballard Fish and Oyster Company in Norfolk, and in it were five Gwaltney hams, a large quantity of cigarettes, 200 pounds of sugar, several bottles labeled "wine and whiskey," burglary tools and a large assortment of general merchandise from filling stations.

At the Triangle no merchandise was missing early Wednesday in a hasty check-up, although Clyde and Herbert Hollowell, managers, figure that in the neighborhood of \$20 in silver was missing from the cash register. A pair of shoes was also identified by Clyde Hollowell.

Prior to breaking into the Triangle, the Negro apparently went on a rampage in Perquimans County, where several people identified merchandise taken from their establishments.

Rhinehart according to papers found on his person, was scheduled to appear at Fort Bragg today (Thursday) for pre-induction examination.

Officer Bunch is being highly complimented for his splendid work and the Hollowell brothers are especially grateful, for they figure their place was scheduled for a first-class looting.

John Holmes Now Gaining Strength For Rotary Office

Seven Clubs Endorse Him as Candidate For Rotary Governor

Interest and strength in John A. Holmes' candidacy for governor of the 189th Rotary district is gradually mounting, much to the satisfaction of members of the Edenton Rotary Club. Of course, it is to be expected that clubs in the far eastern portion of the district are favorable to his candidacy, some even endorsing him, but very encouraging reports are coming in from many other clubs in the district, so that though the announcement of his candidacy was somewhat belated, prospects appear bright for his election at the High Point convention in May.

Letters have gone to all clubs in the district and attractive folders setting forth Mr. Holmes' qualifications have been printed and will be distributed throughout the district, where he is already very well and favorably known.

Up to last week seven Rotary clubs endorsed Mr. Holmes immediately following the announcement of his candidacy. These clubs are Elizabeth City, Mantoe, Hertford, Columbia, Roanoke Rapids, Draper and, of course, his home club.

Cake Sale At Quinn's On Saturday Morning

Beginning Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock, a cake sale will be held in the Quinn Furniture Store by the Belle Bennett Circle of the Methodist Church. Many cakes have been promised for the sale, the proceeds of which will go toward paying for repairs to the parsonage.

EASTER SALE FUNDS AT WORK



Above is pictured two crippled youngsters whose efforts are being directed toward readjusting themselves to becoming normal producing members of society. It is such purposes for which funds from the sale of Easter Seals are used and, therefore, justifies a generous response.

Red Cross War Fund Contributions Reach Over Half Way Mark

Report Up to Tuesday Night Bring Total To \$4,050

Though reports are far from complete, Chowan County has just about passed the half-way mark in its Red Cross War Fund quota. According to figures released Tuesday night by D. M. Warren, treasurer of the drive funds in hand total \$3,250 which includes \$1,124.89 collected at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station.

The amount, however, does not include \$815 which was reported collected in the business section by Mrs. Nathan Dail and the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., adding this contribution, the total reported in hand up to Tuesday night amounts to \$4,060. The county's quota is \$7,800, but W. J. Berryman, chairman of the drive and his co-workers set a goal of \$10,000 during the drive.

With few more days remaining in March, Mr. Berryman is urging canvassers to see to it that everybody is solicited and at the same time is appealing for contributions to be as generous as possible.

"Apparently, to date we have made a complete flop in this very worthy cause," said Mr. Warren, "and unless more people contribute and those who have already given make another contribution, it looks as though Chowan County will, for the first time in the history of the Red Cross, fail to meet its quota."

The drive will continue throughout the remainder of the month, and those in charge are hopeful that the quota will be realized even if the antiquated goal of \$10,000 is not reached.

GEDDES POTTER URGES GENEROUS BUYING OF EASTER SEALS NOW ON SALE IN COUNTY

Formally announcing the opening of the annual sale of Easter seals for crippled children, which began Monday, Geddes Potter, chairman of the Chowan County League for Crippled Children, expressed his confidence that the urgent need for expansion of the organization's services would prompt the public to even greater support this year than has been given in the past.

The seal sale, which is sponsored nationally by the National Society for Crippled Children and participated in by over 2,000 county and local units, will close on Easter Sunday.

"During these weeks before Easter the annual sale of Easter seals calls our attention to the many problems occasioned not only by the growing up of crippled children, but to the problem of those young adults who have been injured either in battle or in the stepped-up tempo of war-

25 Girls Graduate As Celestial Navigation Operators At Base

First Group to Complete Training In Specialized Course

Twenty-five Women's Reserve Celestial Navigation Training operators the first group of Marine Women Reserves to be trained as operators in celestial navigation at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station graduated last week. The comprehensive course covered a period of seven and one-half weeks, preparing the WR's to take over the operation of the celestial links, thus allowing the maintenance men to give their full attention to the upkeep of the trainers and the building.

As CNT operators, these young ladies have a good working knowledge of the tools and equipment used by the aerial navigators. Certificates are in the hands of the graduates and they are now qualified CNT operators in the Marine Operational Squadron 814 but the study does not stop. Familiarization flights in the PBJ's is the next course.

This comprehensive training has been given by Lieut. (jg) C. C. Brill and Ensign Blaine Brandenburg, who came to Edenton from Pensacola, Fla. A second and last class of this type of training is being conducted at Cherry Point.

SCHOOL CLOSED FOR DAY

Due to a breakdown of the boiler at the Edenton High School, it was necessary to abandon all sessions on Monday all day. Repairs were made, however, in time for the regular schedule to be resumed Tuesday morning.

Edenton Police Will Be Hosts At Party To Be Held April 6

Outstanding Visitors Included Among Guests Of Honor

AT ARMORY

Purpose to Further Understanding of All Agencies

Edenton's Police Department has completed plans for what promises to be quite an outstanding affair on Thursday, April 6. On that night at 7 o'clock, the police will be hosts at a barbecue supper at the Armory to members of Town Council, the Board of Public Works, County Commissioners, firemen, the local unit of the Shore Patrol, Sergeant George I. Dail and members of Division 2 of the Highway Patrol, members of the State Bureau of Investigation, Sheriff J. A. Bunch and his deputies and the auxiliary police.

A group of prominent visitors will also be present, including Sheriff C. V. Faulkner, former boss of Chief of Police J. R. Tanner, who is president of the North Carolina Sheriffs' Association; Thomas E. Creekmore, director of the State Bureau of Investigation; Edward Scheidt, agent in charge of FBI in North Carolina; Lieutenant-Commander James F. Inglosby, in charge of the Fifth Naval District Shore Patrol and superior officer of Chief Lawrence Pierce. Commander Inglosby was recently featured in an article in Time Magazine for the outstanding part he has taken in operating the Shore Patrol. Other guests will include Lieut. Lester Jones, commanding officer of Troop A of the State Highway; Judge C. E. Thompson, of Elizabeth City; Solicitor Chester Marris, Lieut.-Col. Chester Peters, commanding officer of the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, and Colonel Karl Day.

Though the program has not been entirely completed, it will include brief addresses by Commander Inglosby, whose subject will have to do with the relation between military and civil police. Edward Scheidt will also speak on "Police and the FBI." Mayor Leroy Haskett will make the address of welcome, which will be responded to by D. M. Warren, chairman of the County Commissioners.

The affair has been planned in an effort to further better understanding of all law enforcement agencies, their duties and responsibilities to each other. The menu will consist of barbecue, Brunswick stew, potatoes, slaw and cornbread, and the expenses will be paid from the funds realized through the recent Police-men's ball.

Red Men Staging 'The Four Tones' In Variety Show Friday

Quartet Is Heard Daily Over Raleigh Broadcasting Station

Sponsored by Chowan Tribe of Red Men, "The Four Tones" will present a program in the High School auditorium Friday night, starting at 8:30 o'clock. The quartet is referred to as 1944's best performance on the road and broadcasts daily over radio station WPTF in Raleigh.

The program will be a variety show, including piano, accordion, guitar imitations, magic and quartet singing of gospel, popular, spiritual and western songs, therefore, an evening of good, clean entertainment is assured all who attend. W. J. Daniels is chairman of the committee, in charge of the entertainment, and has distributed tickets for advance sale which are 15 cents below the price of admission at the door.

The proceeds of the entertainment will go in the local Tribe's orphanage fund.

Music Festival In Edenton April 1st

The Music Festival of the North-eastern District of the Federated Music Clubs will be held in Edenton on Saturday, April 1st, at 10:30 a. m., in the school auditorium. The public is invited to attend.

Colonel Karl Day Pleasing Speaker At Legion Meeting

Willing to Stack Local Marines Against Any Group

PRAISES RUSSIANS

Ed Bond Post Again Cited For Distinguished Service

Members of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion enjoyed another very interesting meeting in the Court House Tuesday night, when the principal speaker was Colonel Karl Day of the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station.

Prior to Colonel Day's address, John A. Holmes, adjutant of the Post, read a letter from State headquarters complimenting the Post upon winning the Citation for Distinguished Service the second year in succession by placing all 1943 members in good standing for 1944 prior to November 30, 1943. "This year," read Mr. Holmes, "the Legion bids fair to far excel 17 previous membership records and tops any previous year by over 230,000" members.

In beginning his remarks, Colonel Day said the cooperation and hospitality of Edenton people is greatly appreciated and that local people have been of more assistance than they will ever know. No complaint has been made of price gauging, boys and girls have been invited into homes, folks have gone out of their way to entertain them and many other courtesies could be cited, said the speaker.

"Men at the base have ants in their pants," said Colonel Day. "They have joined the Marines to fight and instead are still obliged to be on shore duty. They are sore, which creates a morale problem. But the spirit of friendliness found in Edenton has greatly helped the situation."

The speaker spoke highly of the Marines stationed here saying they are far above the average and that he would stack them against any group in the Marine Corps. "In any group a certain element will not stay in line," he said, "which is the reason a unit of Shore Patrol has been established and extra M. P. services furnished from the base on Saturday nights and pay days. But the local group is pretty well behaved and have caused very little trouble."

He paid tribute to the two books written by Mrs. Inglis Fletcher, "Raleigh's Eden" and "Men of the Albemarle," and said that many at the base know pretty well the historical background of Edenton and this section of the State.

"The set-up at the base is somewhat of a mystery," said Colonel Day, as he explained the two commands, one being a station organization charged with the upkeep and maintenance whether an outfit is

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Vesper Services For Men And Women In Service Start April 2

In Methodist Church Each Sunday Evening At 5 O'clock

With the organization of a Chowan County Ministerial Association effected only last week, the first action taken by the group is the arrangement of a vesper service every Sunday evening at 5 o'clock in the Methodist Church, the first of which will be held Sunday, April 2.

The speaker for the first service will be the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., who was elected president of the group, though subsequent speakers will alternate among the various ministers in the county.

The service is primarily for men and women in the service, though the public is also cordially invited to attend. The first part of the meeting will be a devotional service, while the remainder will be devoted to singing and other features in keeping with church activities.

The official board of the Methodist Church voted unanimously on Sunday to allow the church to be used for these services, and it is hoped that many of the service men and women, as well as townspeople, will attend.