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George R. Nixon A Firm Believer In "Old Lady Luck"

Navy Yard Worker Is Winner of \$1,000 War Bond

55,000 COMPETING Chowan Man Donated Day's Pay To United War Fund Drive

George R. Nixon, formerly of Edenton, Route 2, but now a resident of Portsmouth, Va., where he is a master shipwright worker in the Navy Yard, believes in luck, and lucky days.

Last week, Nixon was presented with a \$1,000 War Bond by the Co-operative Association, after a drawing was held in the Navy Yard in which 55,000 employees participated. Employees, to be eligible for the drawing, contributed a day's pay to the United War Fund.

Nixon's picture appeared in the Speed Victory, a weekly paper from the Navy Yard, last week, showing him accepting the \$1,000 from J. H. Overton, who represented the Co-op Association.

Nixon has two sons now serving in over-seas duty, Elwood Nixon, of the U. S. C. G., and Lewis Nixon, in the armed forces.

Barbecue Goes Astray, Firemen Eat Late Supper

Monkey Wrench Falls Into Plan to Entertain Ladies

Edenton's firemen were a disappointed group Friday night when they had arranged to have their wives as guests at a barbecue supper. Firemen and the ladies assembled at the fire station at the appointed hour, and everything was in readiness except the barbecue, which was to have arrived from Rocky Mount on a bus about 6:30.

Finally telephone calls were made and it was learned definitely that the barbecue was placed on a bus. Other calls were subsequently made, but no trace of the barbecue could be found.

The mystery was solved, when at almost midnight, Archie Nobles, a bus driver coming from Williamston, brought the barbecue, informing a few firemen still at the fire station that it was left at the Williamston bus station when transferred from another bus. About a dozen firemen and their wives were rounded up to enjoy a midnight lunch, while other firemen received their barbecue Saturday morning.

Phillips To Speak At High School Finals On Friday, May 28

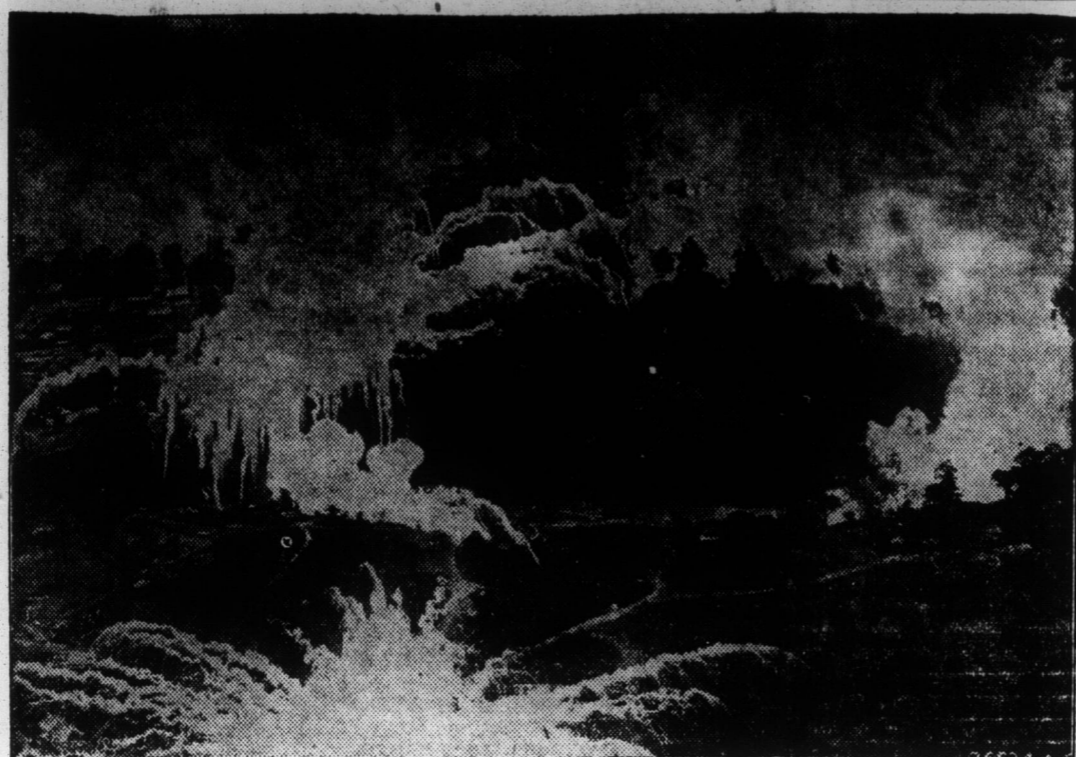
Final arrangements have been completed for the commencement exercises at the Edenton High School, as have been announced by Superintendent John A. Holmes, of the city unit.

The opening night of this year's commencement will be on Friday night, May 28, at which time the seniors will present a fascinating entertainment, "Beyond the Port," representing the four-year cruise of the graduates. This evening's entertainment, under the direction of Miss Lucille Clark, of the High School Science Department, promises to be one of unusual interest.

On Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, the baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., of the Edenton Presbyterian Church.

The final commencement address will be made on Tuesday evening, May 30, at 8 o'clock, by Charles Phillips, head of the Public Relations Department, at Women's College, Greensboro. After the address of Mr. Phillips, the diplomas and other merit distinctions will be awarded to the winners.

One special award, greatly looked forward to, is the annual awarding of the Rotary Cup, which will be presented by R. N. Hines, president of the Rotary Club.



CLOSE-UP OF AN AERIAL BOMBING.—In this photograph of a recent American air raid on Rabaul, New Britain, the effects of bombs on enemy targets is apparent. Japanese anti-aircraft gun emplacements where guns and gunners will be put out of action may be seen through rifts in the bomb bursts.

Former Edenton Man's Paintings In Fine Arts Gallery

Richard Diamond Won Honors In Bloomfield, New Jersey

Richard B. Diamond, formerly of Edenton, is now exhibiting at the American Fine Arts Gallery, New York City.

Mr. Diamond received the invitation to exhibit following an exhibition of his work at Bloomfield, New Jersey, where he won the jury award for having the best picture in the show. This picture, entitled, "Third Day," an impression of the crucifying of Christ, was honored by the jury, who said, "It is an abstraction carried to a tangible realization and while done entirely in greens was handled in an exceedingly fine manner."

Since moving from Edenton, Mr. Diamond has received many commissions to paint portraits. At present he is associated with the Star Electric Motor Co., of Bloomfield, New Jersey, as a design engineer.

Pictures on exhibit in American Fine Arts Galleries are "Regeneration," and "Main Street, Jacksonville, N. C."

"Regeneration," an oil, is a symbolic picture depicting the birth of the new generation and is done entirely in blues.

"Main Street, Jacksonville, N. C." a water color, is a view of the main street of Jacksonville, after a rain storm.

Service Men Enjoy Breakfast Parties At U. S. O. Club

The Java Club breakfast parties, which are being sponsored this month by the ladies of the Edenton Baptist Church, at the USO Club, for service people, are very popular, and the appreciation shown by the guests is most gratifying, state the ladies in charge.

For the past two Sunday mornings, the ladies have served on an average of 30 breakfasts to the service men and women. The meals are prepared, cooked and served from the club kitchen. "A touch and flavor of home, away from home," is the way the guests describe the coffee, eggs, waffles and jam, so generously furnished and served to them for the past two Sunday mornings from 9 to 10 o'clock.

Clyde R. Hoey To Talk At Rotary Club Today

Clyde R. Hoey, former governor of North Carolina, will speak at the Rotary Club Thursday at 1:30 p. m. Mr. Hoey will speak just after the regular luncheon meeting of the club, and the public is cordially invited to hear him.

Marines Go To Aid Of Party Stranded In Albemarle Sound

At midnight, May 15, Lieut.-Colonel Chester J. Peters, commanding officer of the local Marine Corps Air Station, was awakened by an urgent call from Chief of Police J. R. Tanner. It had been reported to Tanner by George Barnhardt, of Tarboro, that Lynn Bond, prominent Tarboro lawyer, his son, Lynn Bond, Jr., and George Barnhardt, Jr., had left Belhaven for a boat cruise through the Pungo river into the Inland Waterways, and on into Edenton via the Alligator river and the Albemarle Sound.

No word had been received by midnight, May 14, and the families became alarmed.

Chief of Police Tanner asked that Lieut.-Colonel Peters send out a searching party. At approximately 7:30 Tuesday morning, May 16, headed by Corporal Emmett Wiggins, an Edenton lad, who knows these waterways, and who had at some recent time piloted a towboat through them, a searching party composed of Staff Sgt. John Sabo, Pfc. W. E. Weigand and Pharmacist Mate 3-c Edward Garabedian, shoved off in a crash boat to find the stranded party and to lend a helping hand.

The 36-foot cabin cruiser, with a Ford engine, was sighted about 9:15 a. m., drifting about in the choppy waters of the Albemarle Sound. The cruiser was attached to the crash boat and towed to the boat house at the Edenton U. S. Marine Corps Air Station.

Lyn Bond and his crew would not abandon their ship, even after help came. They stayed aboard, all the way back as they were towed in.

Lieut.-Col. W. J. Huffman, executive officer at the local Air Station, flew over the water, sighting the boats about 35 miles from their destination, and immediately informed the families, who were anxiously awaiting information.

Chief of Police J. R. Tanner, Lieut.-Colonel Chester J. Peters and Lieut.-Colonel W. J. Huffman awaited the safe anchoring of the adventurous cruiser boat at the Air Station boat house at 1:45 Tuesday afternoon, when the bedraggled, barefooted crew came ashore. With undaunted spirit and calm determination, the crew started for the home shores, after rest and repairs.

C. of C. Drive For Members Making Splendid Progress

J. W. Davis and J. H. Conger, chairmen of the membership drive, now being carried on by the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants' Association are well pleased with the response to the drive. In a statement this week, they said, "The membership drive being carried on by the Merchants' Association is making very satisfactory progress, and we expect to reach our \$3,000 goal very shortly. We now have on hand over \$2,500, with several more corporations and individuals to be contacted for membership." It is expected that the drive will end this week with outstanding results.

Chowan Baptist Missionary Union Meets May 25th

Interesting Program Is Arranged In Warwick Baptist Church

Next Thursday, May 25, the Woman's Missionary Union of Chowan County will convene at Warwick Baptist Church, with sessions scheduled for both morning and afternoon, starting at 10:30 o'clock. The theme of the meeting will be "The Unchanging Christ In a Changing World."

An interesting program has been prepared, with the following taking part: Mrs. Curtis Chappell, Mrs. I. E. Halsey, Mrs. Clarence Harrell, Mrs. C. T. Doughtie, Mrs. A. D. Ward, Mrs. C. J. Hollowell, Mrs. J. I. Boyce and Joseph Privott.

Principal addresses for the meeting will be made by the Rev. Herbert P. Miller of Sunbury, and Miss Sophie Lanneau, of Wake Forest and China, the former speaking at the morning session and the latter in the afternoon.

Special music will be provided by the Edenton Baptist Church and young people from Warwick Church. A pageant will be presented by the young people from Rocky Hock Church.

Marine Corps Team Wins First League Game; Score 4 to 3

The Marines made their league debut before a capacity crowd at the Hicks Field Ball Park Sunday afternoon and defeated the Lighter-Than-Air Base 4 to 3.

Lieut.-Col. Chester Peters, commanding officer of the Marine Corps Air Station here, threw the first ball to pitcher Stevenson for the Marines. The Marines opened the first inning with a two-run out burst on a walk to G. Fasic, sacrifice by Plott, single by Pollick and a fly ball to centerfield by Bear. Added another run in the 5th on singles by G. Fasic, Plott and Pollick. The Sailors came back in the sixth to score one run on a walk to Allen, sacrifice by Spring and a single by Tatum. Masler hit one over the left field wall for a home run. Tatum doubled. Bodner got on by an error which scored Tatum to tie the score 3 to 3. Stevenson was then relieved by Malinkowski after walking Whit. Malinkowski got the next man to hit a ground ball to him for an easy out. The Marines came back in their half of the eighth to push across the winning run on a walk to Bear, sacrifice by C. Fasic and a single by Lonegran. Pollick and Lonegran lead the Marines in hitting as both collected 3 for 4.

Red Men Quartet At Great Council Meeting

Four members of Chowan Tribe of Red Men attended the annual meeting of the Great Council held in High Point the first part of the week. The quartet was composed of A. S. Hollowell, W. J. Daniels, Raleigh Hollowell and J. Edwin Bluffap.

Ideal Soldier



Pfc. William (Buster) Knox, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Knox, whose duties as performed in a bombing squadron overseas have attracted a superior officer to such an extent that a very complimentary letter was written to the boy's mother.

Chowan Growers See Peanut Seed Demonstrations

Peanut Growers Treat 53,500 Pounds of Seed Peanuts For Planting

Peanut seed treatment demonstrations and community seed treatment days were held in 12 communities last week, according to County Agent C. W. Overman's report. A total of 82 peanut growers treated 53,500 pounds of seed peanuts.

Metal 50-gallon drums were used for treating the seed peanuts. One hundred pounds of seed peanuts were placed in the drum, two ounces of Arasan were sprinkled over the seed and the drum was rolled on the ground approximately 100 feet, then turned up on each end to further mix the fungicide with the seed, after which it was rolled back. It required approximately five minutes for the complete operation of treating 100 pounds of seed in a drum. Three drums were provided in order to enable each grower to work as promptly as possible.

Treatment of seed peanuts last year increased stands from 30 percent to over 300 percent over untreated seed. On the farm of K. J. Copeland, of Route 1, Edenton, untreated seed gave about one-fourth stand, treated seed in the rows right beside same gave a perfect stand containing 135 plants per 100 feet. As a result of the effectiveness of peanut seed treatment, many growers are purchasing Arasan and treating their own peanuts individually.

Louis George Wilkins And T. E. Parker Meet Somewhere Overseas

Among letters received this week by The Herald from boys in the service was one from T. E. Parker, Jr., now in the European Theatre of Operations. Aside from expressing his appreciation for The Herald, he stated that after 13 months in the European Theatre of Operations, he finally met a boy from the old hometown. "That person," said young Parker, "was none other than Lieut. Louis George Wilkins, U. S. N. It was really great to see him, and we talked about an hour, or rather until he had to go back on duty."

Police Arrests Total 51 During April

Edenton police made 51 arrests during the month of April, drunks leading the list with 19. Violation of whiskey laws came second with seven arrests, followed by five for assault with deadly weapons.

Twenty of the cases were tried before a Justice of the Peace. 15 in Recorder's Court, with the remainder pending.

Fines collected totaled \$325, costs \$358.35 and officers' fees paid over to the town were \$73.80.

Arrangements have been made with the Street Department to mark off the south side of Church Street in the block where the Edenton Laundry is located in order to eliminate congested parking.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT

The regular meeting of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight at 8 o'clock.

Housing Projects Present Problems For Town Officials

Supplement to Bring Water and Sewer to Town's Standard

JOINT MEETINGS

35 Houses In North Edenton and 15 on Old Brown Property

With Edenton's housing project in North Edenton making rapid progress, town officials have been confronted with a problem which has been discussed at length and has resulted in two joint meetings of Town Council and the Board of Public Works, one of which was held Friday night and another Monday night.

The problem has to do with water and sewer connections and street improvements at the above-named tract, where 35 houses are now in the course of construction, as well as for 15 more houses on the site of the M. G. Brown Lumber Company which was destroyed by fire several years ago.

According to George Jordan, the contractor, a certain amount of money is provided per unit to take care of water and sewer service and street improvements, which are to be hard surfaced streets and concrete curb and gutter. The amount allocated for this purpose will not permit installation in keeping with the town standards, therefore, some arrangements must be made if town officials expect the work to meet their specifications.

Mr. Jordan frankly told town officials that unless the town supplemented the amount to be spent per unit, he would proceed according to his plan which would pass FHA inspection, but would not be in keeping with the policy of the town.

Members of the Board of Public Works feel that if the work is done according to Mr. Jordan's specifications, it very likely will be a matter of only a short time before a considerable amount would be necessary for repairs or even for installations in keeping with the town's policy. Therefore, a supplement now would in reality mean a saving in the long run.

After discussing at length, it was decided to allow Mr. Jordan to install the work according to town specifications for which he would be supplemented in the amount of \$7,000. This amount does not include any street work, the entire expense of which will be borne by the contractor.

At the North Edenton site, eight of the houses are in the city limits, while 27 are outside the city, though under the arrangement of a supplement, Mr. Jordan has agreed to incorporate the entire tract.

Because the Brown tract is within the city limits, Mr. Jordan stated that no amount has been allowed for water and sewer installations, nor for street improvements, it being the obligation of the town to make the connections and provide a street. This matter was the subject of the Monday night's meeting.

Under the proposed plan, the homes on the Brown tract will be located around a semi-circle formed by the extension of Blount and Eden Streets, curving at the western end so that one may drive in on one street and come out on the other. This plan was approved, instead of the original one, which provided a dead end street in both instances, with a circle for turning around at the end of each street.

Marvin Alexander Reported Missing

Parents Receive Telegram From War Department

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Alexander were informed by a telegram from the War Department last Wednesday night that their son, Pfc. Marvin R. Alexander, a 19-year-old soldier, has been missing in action in The European War Area since April 28. The telegram also stated that a detailed letter would follow soon.

Pfc. Alexander was a member of the Senior Class of the Edenton High School last year, and played on the football team for a year or so. He joined the Army May 19, 1943, being inducted at Fort Bragg through the local Draft Board.