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War Fund Drive Starts Wednesday

On the Road to Mandalay



These are some of Brig. Gen. Frank Merrill's "Marauders" deep in the heart of Burma resting during a lull in fighting the Japs. The men of this command are all volunteers and veterans of the Southwest Pacific jungle fighting. The Army's old standby, the mule, is playing an important part in this war in the Far East. Are you backing up these fighting men of ours by buying War Bonds?

Army Signal Corps Photo

From U. S. Treasury

Marines' Variety Show Successful From All Angles

Spacious School Auditorium Packed Two Nights

GOOD TALENT

Various Numbers Cause Rounds of Thunderous Applause

Exceeding fondest expectations, the U. S. Marine Corps variety show, "A Slight Touch of Genius," proved to be just about the best local talent show ever presented in Edenton, as well as the best drawing card. The entertainment was presented Thursday and Saturday nights at the Edenton High School, the first performance filling the spacious auditorium so that only standing room was available. The Saturday night show was also presented to a full house.

The show was planned primarily for the entertainment of service men and women, who were admitted free. However, in an effort to cooperate in Chowan County's United War Fund drive, the show was virtually turned over to civilians to secure as much as possible in way of admission charged to civilians. A charge of 50 cents was made and, according to J. G. Campen, who was in charge of ticket sales, \$416.50 was realized, all of which will serve as a starter for the drive which will begin next Wednesday.

The show resulted in many favorable comments on the part of those who saw it, so that no little credit is due those who planned as well as those who took part.

To open the show the stage took on the appearance of a cabaret with S. Sgt. Edward Rainey and Cpl. E. W. Londregan as masters of ceremonies. The show began with a Blondie meeting a Marine, Pfc. Judy Altman and Cpl. Joe Poptic, followed by a solo, "Stormy Weather," by Pvt. Peggy Biggart, who appeared again later singing "You Made Me Love You." A barber shop quartet was scheduled but failed to materialize, so Lieut. W. H. Bell brought down the house with a number in which he imitated famous movie

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Large Group Of Interested Workers Will Endeavor To Raise Quota In Short Time

Keep Out!

All people traversing Albemarle Sound to and from the railroad bridge should be not less than 1700 yards, or approximately one mile, off shore while passing the pistol range at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station. This information comes from officers at the Base and is sent out as a precaution for any who use the Sound.

The range is marked off by two water signs reading: "Keep Out—Firing Area." The area is also marked by two red balls erected 20 feet high on shore, so that no one should take any chances in entering the danger zone.

Taylor Active In New Role As School Attendance Officer

White Child of 10 Found Who Has Never Been Enrolled In School

With the opening of schools in Chowan County, W. J. Taylor, attendance officer, has lost no time in performing the duties of his newly-appointed office. Mr. Taylor submitted a report to the County Commissioners Monday in which he stated that four families were reported by principals as not having enrolled their children. Seven children, between 7 and 14 years of age, being involved. Notices were sent to parents by teachers and promises have been received that these children would be enrolled immediately.

One child of the seven reported was found to be 10 years old and had never been enrolled in school, the child being in a white family. Mr. Taylor also has under investigation one juvenile court case with suspended sentence from last school term.

All principals and teachers have been provided with information as to steps to take in enforcement of the compulsory attendance law and Mr. Taylor, since the opening of school, has written four letters, contacted six families and traveled 64 miles in connection with his new duties.

Machinery Is Set Up For General Election On Tuesday, Nov. 7th

Registrars and Judges Of Election Appointed By Elections Board

In preparation for the forthcoming general election on Tuesday, November 7, the Chowan County Board of Elections has appointed the following Registrars and Judges of Election for the County:

East Edenton Precinct—Registrar, Miss Sarah Jones; judges of election, C. C. Cates and M. A. Hughes. Voting place, Court House.

West Edenton Precinct—Registrar, Mrs. Annie W. McMullan; judges of election, J. J. Long and Tom Miller. Voting place, Municipal Building.

Yeopim Precinct—Registrar, Gus Beasley; judges of election, Tom Hoskins and Will Jordan. Voting place, R. E. Coffield's store.

Rocky Hook Precinct—Registrar, W. H. Pearce; judges of election, Edgar Pearce and Tom Tynch. Voting place, Henry Bunch's store.

Center Hill Precinct—Registrar, R. H. Goodwin; judges of election, R. R. Goodwin and E. D. Byrum. Voting place, L. W. Belch's store.

Wardville Precinct—Registrar, G. A. Hollowell; judges of election, C. J. Hollowell and T. A. Berryman. Voting place, G. A. Hollowell's store.

Registration books will be open October 14, 21 and 28, with Challenge Day being Saturday, November 7.

Chowan Citizens Asked To Contribute \$7,500 This Year

PEP MEETING

Chairman Taylor Hoping For Campaign of Short Duration

Arrangements have been completed for beginning Chowan County's 1944 United War Fund drive on Wednesday of next week, during which drive the county is expected to raise a quota of \$7,500. W. J. Taylor, county chairman, realizes that it will take hard work on the part of canvassers and liberal donations by contributors to reach the goal, but he feels certain that the county will again rally to the appeal for funds. In fact, Mr. Taylor is very anxious to have a whirlwind campaign, hoping that it can be completed within a week, and to this end he is urging canvassers to begin early next Wednesday morning and to contact every person possible in their respective neighborhoods.

In order to stimulate interest in the drive a pep meeting has been planned for next Tuesday night at a dinner to be served at the Parish House at 7 o'clock. Arrangements for the dinner have been in charge of West Byrum and will be attended by the various county captains and members of the executive committee, numbering approximately 50 people. Efforts to secure a visiting speaker for the occasion are being made, with D. M. Warren being in charge of this feature. Up to Wednesday morning, Mr. Warren had not had a definite promise, but he expected to be successful in securing a speaker. The dinner will be a "dutch" affair, and it is hoped that every captain and member of the executive committee will be on hand.

The entire county has been divided into sections, so that no particular canvasser will be particularly overburdened. However, every worker in the drive is busy at this time, so that every person in the county is urged to plan on making a contribution and be ready to give it to the canvasser when called upon, so that the drive can be completed in the shortest possible time.

Lions Club Hosts To Members Marines' League Champions

Special Features Results In Very Interesting Meeting

Edenton Lions changed their meeting this week from Monday to Tuesday night, the purpose being to entertain members of the Marine Corps baseball team, champions of the Albemarle Service League. The affair was a Ladies' Night and resulted in a very pleasant meeting.

Mayor Leroy Haskett, a loyal follower of the team, made the address of welcome, during which he complimented the team for the splendid record and for providing local fans with a stellar brand of baseball during the summer. The response was made by Lieut. Louis E. Cochrane, the coach.

During the meeting, Captain Griffin, who was in charge of the program, presented the trophy to Coach Cochrane. Special music was also provided by a trio composed of Dorothy Jordan, Virginia Taylor and Betty Chadwick. Sgt. Esther Holcomb rendered several solos.

Special guests were Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. William Huffman and Lieut. T. Battino, recreation officer.

A delightful chicken barbecue dinner was served by Lee Miller, past master of the art of Colerain.

ROTARY MEETING TODAY
Edenton's Rotary Club will meet today (Thursday) at 1 o'clock in the Parish House, at which time the program will be in charge of William Holmes. President H. A. Campen is urging a 100 per cent attendance.

Barbee Court Name Designated For One Housing Projects

Named In Honor of Veteran Teacher In Public Schools of State

NAMED THIS WEEK

Street Through Project Will Be Known as Barbee Circle

George Jordan, who is in charge of the two Edenton housing projects, announced early this week that "Barbee Court" had been selected as the name for the development in North Edenton, and that the circular street will be known as Barbee Circle.

In announcing the name, Mr. Jordan said it was so designated in honor of Mrs. J. M. Barbee, a teacher in the public schools for 70 of her 90 years of age and is widely known as a child's friend. Fifty-two of the 70 years, Mrs. Barbee taught in the Raleigh public schools. She was born in Burke County on February 22, 1854, the oldest daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. R. B. Jones, her father having been pastor of the Baptist Church in Hertford during the 60's. She attended Chowan College during Dr. A. McDowell's administration.

Mrs. Barbee now lives in Greensboro with her son, Robert J. Barbee, who is chief architect for the FHA, through which the two Edenton housing projects were financed.

Auxiliary Of Legion Will Meet Friday

A very important meeting of the Auxiliary of Ed Bond Post, American Legion, will be held Friday night at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. L. S. Byrum. Mrs. Jesse White, president of the Auxiliary, urges every member to try and be present.

FBI Now In Need Of Fingerprint Classifiers

Edward Scheidt, special agent in charge of Federal Bureau of Investigation at Charlotte, N. C., has announced that the FBI can offer employment to applicants as fingerprint classifiers in the identification division of the FBI at Washington, D. C.

The salary is \$146 per month and applications will be received from any person 16 years of age or older. Anyone interested in obtaining such a position should write to Federal Bureau of Investigation, Box 306, Elizabeth City, N. C.

Not Bad Start

J. G. Campen, who had charge of the sale of tickets to civilians for the Marine Corps variety show, "A Slight Touch of Genius," Thursday and Saturday nights, reports that proceeds totaled \$416.50. As per arrangement with Marine Corps officials, this amount will be contributed as a starter in Chowan County's War Fund drive, the quota of which is \$7,500.

Both performances drew capacity houses, with service men and women being admitted free.

Marines Meet Cherry Point Swimmers In Contest On Saturday

Edenton Team Trailed Visitors In Recent Norfolk Meet

Next Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, a swimming meet will be held at the Marine Corps Air Station's pool, when the Edenton Leather-necks will meet the Cherry Point swimmers. Early last month, the Edenton team, in a meet held in Norfolk, Va., won fourth place, while the Cherry Pointers came in third, so a hotly contested meet is in prospect.

Seven events are scheduled, including a free style 50 meter, back stroke 50 meter, breast stroke 50 meter, free style 100 meter, 150 meter medley relay, 200 meter free style relay, and fancy diving.

Joint Meeting Board Of Public Works And Town Council Tonight

Mayor Leroy Haskett has called a special joint meeting of Town Council and the Board of Public Works to be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. An important matter pertaining to Edenton's water will be discussed and all members of both boards are expected to be present.

Perfect Fire Record In Edenton Last Month

Edenton had the distinction of having no fires during the month of September, Fire Chief R. K. Hall reporting that not a single alarm was sounded during the month.

Mr. Hall took part on a fire hazard program at the colored school last week, when he spoke on the disastrous effects of fire and the many simple precautions which can be taken to prevent fires.

U. S. Employment Service Office Now In Citizens Bank

Moved Monday From U. S. Marine Corps Air Station

OUTPOST OFFICE

Clearance of Employees And Other Problems Handled Locally

Approval has been obtained for the establishment of a permanent outpost office in Edenton of the United States Employment Service, the office being moved Monday from the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station to the Citizens Bank Building. The change was announced by P. B. Pollock, area manpower director of the War Manpower Commission.

Headquarters of the United States Employment Service were set up at the Marine Corps Air Station in September, 1942, to handle the referral of workers to the contractors at the various construction projects. Raiford E. Sumner was assigned to the post at the Base, and remained there until May, 1, 1944, when he was appointed manager of the United States Employment Service Office in Roanoke Rapids. Mrs. Corie B. White, interviewer in the Elizabeth City Office at the time, replaced Mr. Sumner. She will be interviewer-in-charge of the office in the Citizens Bank Building.

The United States Employment Service office originally occupied quarters in the Citizens Bank Building, but it was discontinued on August 1, 1944.

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Baptists Plan All Day Mission Study

Course Will Be Held In Edenton Church On Next Tuesday

The Baptist Women's Missionary Societies of Chowan County will hold a mission study class at the Edenton Baptist Church on Tuesday, October 10th. This class will be in session all day, beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning, during which the book, "Basil Lee Lockett," will be studied. All ladies of the county are urged to attend.

Teachers for the course are Mrs. John W. Senterfitt, Mrs. John T. Byrum, Mrs. A. D. Ward, Mrs. Medlin Belch and Mrs. W. H. Dail.