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## Armory Roof Repairs Claim Major Portion of Council Meeting

### Immediate Action Necessary to Prevent Serious Damage

#### EXPENSIVE JOB

## Name of Housing Project Street Changed To "Morris Circle"

Following recent heavy rains, when the Edenton Armory was more or less flooded, the condition of the roof of the building was called to the attention of Town Councilmen at their meeting last week. Several members of the Board were called during the rain to visit the Armory to get first-hand information as to what was taking place, as the result of which, Lloyd Perry was instructed to make a thorough investigation and he submitted his findings at the meeting.

Mr. Perry stated that to remedy the present situation and thus prevent serious damage to the building, it would be necessary to flash the inside walls, install a 3-ply asbestos composition roof on the wings, caulk windows and repair and replace gutters. He also reported that the main roof had several leaks, but that these could be satisfactorily repaired. Mr. Perry called in a representative of a roofing company, who also made an investigation and recommended the above repairs.

Figures submitted by Mr. Perry for making repairs were as follows: Flashing inside walls, \$359.80; installing 3-ply roof on wings, \$771.81; caulking windows, \$50; repairing and replacing gutters, \$75. He also submitted a price of \$1,014 for a new roof on the main building.

The Councilmen are convinced that immediate steps must be taken to prevent more serious damage, but decided to wait until the next meeting to take definite action, and in the meantime Mr. Perry is to submit a report for applying waterproof paint to the outside walls and efforts will be made to secure assistance in meeting the expense.

Naming of the street at the housing project on the Virginia Road was also discussed, but very little time was consumed in deciding on "Morris Circle," this name being adopted in honor of S. E. Morris, who sold the land on which the 35 houses are built. These houses are now occupied.

The matter of mail service for residents living in the houses was also brought up and it is expected that the local postoffice will be able to provide delivery service.

The matter of some owners of dogs still neglecting to purchase a dog license was irksome to some of the Councilmen and Chief of Police J. R. Tanner was subsequently ordered to show no favors in this respect and to proceed according to law in seeing to it that every dog owner in Edenton buys a license at once.

Chief Tanner, in submitting his monthly report, said he was at present

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## Volunteers Praised For Making Many Surgical Dressings

## Mrs. Coffield Receives Letter From Area Manager

Mrs. W. H. Coffield, Red Cross surgical dressings chairman, has received a letter from John C. Wilson, manager for the Southeastern Area, thanking the volunteers for the work they have done.

In his letter to Mrs. Coffield, Mr. Wilson had this to say:

"The War Department wishes to take this opportunity to thank the volunteers in your chapter who have given untiringly of their time and effort during the past two and a half years in providing surgical dressings for the Army. These surgical dressings volunteers have made an outstanding contribution to the war effort and their help cannot be valued in terms of hours or dollars and cents. The total requirements were enormous, far beyond the available industrial facilities of this country, and could not have been met except for the work of these volunteers. I am sure you and the host of volunteers take great pride in having had such an active part in this vital wartime activity."

## Burning the Japs Out on Bougainville



Men of the famous and feared Americal Division are shown burning out a Jap machine gun nest in a pillbox on Bougainville Island. These boys play for keeps the Nips know now. Back them up by buying a War Bond today. Army Signal Corps Photo. From U. S. Treasury

## Mooney Brothers Killed Within Nine Days



LT. WILLIAM J. MOONEY S/SGT. RALPH J. MOONEY  
Within a period of nine days C. B. Mooney was notified by the War Department that two of his sons were killed in action overseas. Lieutenant William J. Mooney lost his life in Belgium on September 13 and Staff Sergeant Ralph J. Mooney was reported killed in Italy on September 22.

## Union Service Sunday Night In Baptist Church Feature Of Celebrating Navy Week

### Sermon Will Be Preached By Lieut. O. G. Dasher, Chaplain of Weeksville Air Station; Special Program Arranged By Chaplain Wheeler

Next Sunday, October 22, will mark the beginning of Navy Week, with Navy Day being observed on Friday, the 27th, christening a reminder of the enormity of the task yet to be done so that some day soon real victory may be celebrated without reserve.

While no special observance of Navy Day has been planned in Edenton, the entire town is urged to join the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station in a union service in the Baptist Church next Sunday night at 8 o'clock, when a special program has been arranged by Chaplain George Wheeler. The speaker for the occasion will be Lieut. Olan G. Dasher, chaplain of the Weeksville Air Station. Cooperating in the union service are the Baptists, Methodists, Episcopalians and Presbyterian churches, therefore, only the one service in the Baptist Church will be held Sunday night.

Chaplain Wheeler has announced the following program for the occasion: (Continued on Page Six)

## Gurney Hobbs Gets FBI Appointment

## Edenton Boy Will Work In Identification Bureau In Capital

Gurney Hobbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Hobbs, left Wednesday for Washington, D. C., having received an appointment by J. Edgar Hoover, FBI chief, to work in the Identification Bureau in Washington. Young Hobbs, for some time, has been working in Leggett & Davis Drug Store and was recommended to Mr. Hoover by Chief of Police J. R. Tanner.

The Edenton boy, upon arrival in the National capital, will be given a training course, at the completion of which he will enter upon his new duties.

## Rev. Harold Gilmer Lions Club Speaker

At the Lions Club meeting Monday night, the Rev. Harold Gilmer was the principal speaker, holding the rapt attention of the Lions as he spoke about Italy and the Italian people. The Rev. Mr. Gilmer spent some time in Italy, where he attended a university, and he spoke first-hand about the political and economic life of the Italians, prior to the advent of Fascism.

In the absence of President Malone, Kenneth Floars presided over the meeting, at which Private Harry Cooper, of Nashville, was a visitor.

## REV. ALPHOSA JORDAN TO PREACH AT EUREKA CHURCH

The Rev. Alphosa Jordan, of Raleigh, will preach at Eureka Baptist Church Sunday afternoon. He and Mrs. Jordan will be guests of his sister, Mrs. L. B. Harrell, Saturday night.

## Rare Treat Given Those Attending Pool Dedication

### First Class Water Show Presented By Marines For Occasion

## PETERS HONORED

## Water From Pacific and Atlantic Used For Dedication

Personnel at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, as well as a group of invited civilian guests, experienced a rare treat Saturday night at a program arranged in connection with the dedication of the beautiful swimming pool used primarily for combat training at the Base. The spectators occupied three rows of chairs around the large pool with the speaking portion of the program sent to every section of the huge building over a loud-speaking system.

Captain Melvin Griffin, a member of the Dedication Committee, was first to speak on the program and, after stating the purpose of the celebration, called upon Chaplain George Wheeler. "We are here tonight to dedicate this beautiful pool," began Chaplain Wheeler, "but a man who was vitally interested in its construction is not here to enjoy this dedication ceremony." He referred to Lt.-Col. Chester Peters who, together with two sergeants, were killed in a recent plane crash. To honor the deceased commanding officer of the Base, Chaplain Wheeler requested everybody to stand for a brief period of silent prayer.

Captain Griffin then asked everybody to join in singing the Marine's Hymn, after which he introduced officers of the Station, specially invited Edenton guests and those from (Continued on Page Six)

## ED BOND POST LEASES LOT UPON WHICH MODERN LEGION HUT WILL BE ERECTED

## Legionnaires Secure Portion of William T. Gordon Property on East Church Street; Barbecue Chicken Dinner November 10

Concrete steps in the realization of a dream long cherished by members of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion were taken this week when a plot of ground was leased for the erection of a Legion hut. A lot 66 2-3 by 300 feet on the western end of the W. T. Gordon property has been leased and, with a nest egg resulting from a recent carnival sponsored by the Legion, immediate steps will be taken to build a hut.

To have charge of the project, the local Post has named as trustees Judge Richard Dixon, J. H. Conger and West Byrum, who will pass upon the various details entering into the erection of the hut. Of course, none of these details has been discussed as yet, but the general impression is that the hut will be of brick veneer. It will also be constructed as to be of paramount service to veterans who return from the present war which, after all, was the principal incentive

## Chowan County Is Within Sight Of \$7,500 Quota In Week-old War Fund Drive

## USO Will Move

Abe Martin, director of the Edenton USO Club, is in possession of a lease for the house on the northeast corner of Broad and Albemarle Streets, where the USO headquarters will be moved. The house, formerly occupied by Mrs. Lillie Bond and now owned by Claude Small, will be remodelled for the purpose as soon as possession is secured, the lease calling for November 1.

Since the USO Club was established in Edenton it has been located in the Hotel Joseph Hewes building, but has long since outgrown the space allowed and for some time Mr. Martin has been on the lookout for a location which will more adequately meet the need.

## Mayor L. H. Haskett Urging Attendance At Navy Day Service

### Tribute Deserving Men And Women Serving In Navy Blue

Mayor Leroy Haskett, though not issuing a proclamation in observance of Navy Day in Edenton, especially urges citizens to attend the union service scheduled to be held in the Baptist Church Sunday night at 8 o'clock, when a special program will be rendered as a part of the nationwide tribute paid the U. S. fighting fleet and all its component parts.

In urging attendance at the service, Mayor Haskett said it is appropriate that, on this day we recognize the Navy as "the vanguard of our victorious naval forces against the enemy" and he emphasized the fact that "our naval forces now constitute the mightiest fleet in the history of the world's navies."

Navy Day will be officially observed Friday, October 27, and Mayor Haskett says, "the day gives each citizen an opportunity to in some way honor the men and women from this section now serving in Navy Blue."

## Delegation To Inspect Water Softening Plant At New River Today

In connection with the proposed water softening project in Edenton, an Edenton delegation is scheduled to go today (Thursday) to New River to inspect the water softening process plant there, which is similar to the one contemplated here.

Those who are expected to make the trip are J. H. Conger, O. B. Perry, R. N. Hines and R. E. Leary. West Byrum, chairman of the Board of Public Works, will be unable to accompany the group.

## Contributions Reported Wednesday Morning Amount to \$5,700

## TAYLOR CONFIDENT

## Belief Advanced That Quota Will Be Met Before End of Week

With reports far from complete up to Wednesday morning, W. J. Taylor, chairman of Chowan County's United War Fund drive, reported that \$5,700 had been turned in up to that time. However, this report included very little of what has been collected by rural workers, practically all of the contributions reported coming from Edenton canvassers and initial gift contributions, which has been handled by D. M. Warren.

Chowan's drive began only Wednesday of last week and though approximately \$1,800 is needed to meet the quota of \$7,500, Mr. Taylor is encouraged over the response and feels very optimistic that when all reports are in the county will again have reached the goal. "We must not fail in this drive," said Mr. Taylor, "and our quota will be raised even if we are obliged to call another meeting for the purpose of bringing more pressure in order to accomplish our purpose. I feel reasonably sure, however, that our people realize the merits of the appeal for funds and will not make it necessary to resort to further means to raise the \$7,500."

Interest in the drive has been created by a huge "thermometer" placed on a light standard in front of the Bank of Edenton, where contributions have been recorded daily. On Wednesday morning the "mercury" rose to the \$5,700 mark, and it is confidently expected that before the week is out the sign will record contributions as having reached the top, or the \$7,500 goal.

Though practically all of Edenton's canvassers have submitted a report, naturally some people have been missed and others had not decided upon how much to contribute when solicited. Mr. Taylor realizes the sacrifice made by these canvassers in seeking contributions, but makes a request that if any of them have any prospects who might contribute that they be contacted as soon as possible so that a complete and final report can be made. Then, too, those canvassers who have not made a report are earnestly urged to do so at once.

Both Mr. Taylor and his co-workers are very anxious to wind up the drive, which cannot be done until every canvasser has made a report.

## Rotarians Change Hour Of Meeting

## Club Begins Today to Meet at 12:30 Instead Of 1 O'clock

Beginning today (Thursday) the Edenton Rotary Club will start its weekly meetings at 12:30 instead of 1 o'clock, the hour of meeting for many years. The change was agreed upon at last week's meeting, after the idea was discussed, it being believed that the new hour would be more convenient to a larger number of members. Today's program will be in charge of C. H. Wood.

The club has had one 100 per cent attendance meeting this month, and President H. A. Campen is hopeful that more will be registered as a result of an attendance contest in which the club is divided with Ernest Kehayas and Richard Elliott as captains. At the conclusion of the contest, the losing side will entertain the winners.

President Campen announced last week that Ladies' Night will be held early in November and to plan for the event he appointed Richard Baer, Dr. W. I. Hart and C. T. Griffin as a committee.

## Navy Recruiter In Town Every Tuesday

Chief Graeme Stewart, Navy recruiter, who was in Edenton Tuesday, announced that he will be in Edenton every Tuesday until further notice in an effort to secure enlistments of school graduates who are 17 years of age.

Chief Stewart will make his headquarters at the Post Office, where he will be delighted to contact any young men who are interested.