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## Officers And Men Of Air Station Stage Outstanding Armory Reception

### Entertain Large Number of Civilians Friday Night

AT ARMORY

#### Herbert Bonner Especially Impressed With Reception

One of the most delightful social affairs ever held in Edenton took place Friday night in the local armory, when officers and men of the Edenton Naval Air Station were hosts to a large number of civilians at a reception and informal dance. The affair began at 8 o'clock and lasted until midnight, during which a brief program was presented and dancing was enjoyed.

The invited civilians upon presenting their cards at the door, were asked to go to the east end of the armory, where they were met and greeted by Commanders Robertson and Huffman, commanding officers respectively of the station and CASU-67, as well as a group of other officers. After a period of exchanging greetings, Chaplain R. A. Egan took charge as master of ceremonies, first calling on Commanders Robertson and Huffman for a few remarks. The former expressed his pleasure at being stationed in Edenton and having so many Edentonians as guests, saying it was his hope that friendly and cooperative relations would exist between the base and the town, and to this end he would lend his best efforts.

Comdr. Huffman, too, expressed a desire for friendly relations. "We are here among you to do a specific job," he said, "and that is to train men to knock out the Japs. We will have many planes in the air both day and night, and while they may annoy you at times, we will try and take off your roofs. We hope you will bear with us in our efforts to bring this war to an end as soon as possible."

Several numbers were presented by the High School Sextet, which is composed of Dorothy Lee Chestnut, Beverly Moore, Betsy Goodwin, Joyce Harrell, Nelle Perry and Charlotte Bunch, each selection being greeted with thunderous applause. Two piano solos were also rendered by a sailor which won much applause. At the conclusion of the program Chaplain Egan said, "Let's dance," and the armory floor soon was filled with couples who danced to splendid music furnished by an orchestra from the Naval Operating Base at Norfolk. The local USO Club dispatched 23 GSO girls to the armory, who served as dancing partners for many of the sailors present.

An unexpected guest at the affair was Congressman Herbert C. Bonner, who while on a short vacation from Washington stopped in Edenton Friday to meet some friends. He was persuaded to spend the night with Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Byrum and attended the reception. In commenting upon the affair Saturday morning Congressman Bonner told The Herald editor that it was a revelation to him. "I have never witnessed such a large group of service men and civilians at any similar affair with so little evidence of drinking," he said. "A genuine spirit of friendliness and fellowship pervaded the armory and I was very favorably impressed with the occasion planned by the officers and men at the Edenton Air Station. It will most assuredly go a long way toward cementing the town and base in a spirit of friendliness and cooperation."

Mr. Bonner, while away from Washington, made a number of visits throughout the district in an effort to meet friends and to learn "what the people back home were thinking most seriously about—other than the war."

## Baptist Choir Sings For Sailors At USO

The Men's Chorus of the Baptist Church, directed by W. Jim Daniels, sang for the sailors assembled at the Club Sunday night after the church hours. The chorus was accompanied by Mrs. C. B. Mooney on the piano.

The chorus was composed of the following: J. Clarence Leary, C. W. Overman, Chas. H. Wood, T. C. Byrum, C. B. Mooney, Jr., Hubert Mooney, John Elliott, O. E. Duncan, W. M. Wilkins, John Curtis, Earl Harrell, William Israel, Gurney Hobbs and Raleigh Hollowell.

## Legion Speaker



**GEORGE K. SNOW**  
In an official visit to Ed Bond Post of the American Legion, George K. Snow will be the principal speaker at the Legion meeting to be held Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the Court House.

## Lt. Comdr. Huffman Speaker Monday At Lions Club Meeting

### Commanding Officer of CASU Group Speaks On Aviation

Lt. Comdr. K. C. Huffman, commanding officer of CASU-67 at the Naval Air Station, was the principal speaker at the Lions Club meeting Monday night, his subject being "Aviation." Comdr. Huffman very interestingly told about the selection and training of pilots and elaborated upon the rapid progress of aviation as a whole.

During the meeting W. J. Taylor reported that the Easter seal sale for the benefit of crippled children netted \$249, though the report was still incomplete, and the hope was expressed that the amount would reach \$300. Mr. Taylor urges any who have received seals through the mail to either send the money or the seals to Earl Harrell, treasurer, at once so that the drive can be completed.

At next Monday night's meeting Boy Scout Troop No. 170, which is sponsored by the Lions, will be guests of the club. The Lions also voted to change the hour of meeting which, beginning next Monday night, will be at 7:30 instead of 7 o'clock.

## Arrests In March Take Big Boost

### Drunks Reach Highest Number In Over Two Years

Quite an increase is noted in the number of arrests made during March by Edenton police, Chief of Police J. R. Tanner's report to Town Council Tuesday night listing 73 arrests. Of this number, drunks easily led the list with 39. It was the largest number of arrests made for drunkenness in Edenton in at least two years. Speeding was next on the list with nine arrests, followed by four for disorderly conduct and four for assault. There were two arrests for drunken driving.

Total fines collected amounted to \$435, costs \$421 and \$153 in fees turned over to the town.

## Plans Completed For Amateur Program At Rocky Hock April 13

Final plans for the amateur program to be held in the Rocky Hock Central School on Friday night, April 13, have been made. A variety of numbers are arranged and the public is cordially invited to attend. A cash prize will be given to the winner declared by the judges. The proceeds will help to purchase an electric refrigerator for the school lunch room.

**JOHN ROSS IN HOSPITAL**  
Friends will regret to learn that John J. Ross, watchmaker at Campen's Jewelers, last week entered Duke Hospital, where he is undergoing treatments in the hope of averting an operation. Early this week he was reported as being as well as could be expected.

## Great Quantity Of Clothing Gathered By Lions Sunday

### Police Station Virtually Swamped With Many Kinds of Articles

MORE EXPECTED

### Canvass In Progress Throughout County This Week

So generous were Edenton people to the appeal for used clothing to be sent to those people ravaged by war that members of the Edenton Lions Club on Sunday afternoon collected enough to completely swamp Police Headquarters. All kinds of clothing, bed covering and shoes are included in the items gathered. Even before Sunday's canvass, quite a lot of clothing was taken to headquarters, so that when the drive is completed it now appears that far more clothing will have been contributed than was expected.

The entire town was canvassed Sunday afternoon by the Lions, and though the response was generous, yet many had forgotten about it, so that many more pieces of clothing are still expected.

During this week a concerted drive is in progress in the rural section of the county, a canvass being made by members of the various home demonstration clubs. This drive will continue through Saturday, and it is confidently expected that a creditable contribution will be made.

The clothing assembled at Police Headquarters will be taken to the Chas. H. Jenkins Motor Company, to be assorted, packed and then sent to Raleigh, where it will be prepared to be shipped overseas for distribution among those people who have lost everything on account of the war, having scarcely any clothing to wear in both hot and cold climates.

The drive for used clothing will continue throughout the month of April, and any persons having garments they desire to contribute are asked to take them to Police Headquarters as soon as possible.

## Teen Age Club Will Open Friday Night

### High School Students Using Former Band Room

Formal opening of the Teen Age Club will take place in the former band room at the Edenton High School Friday night. The room has been attractively arranged by members of the club, who are being helped by the Parent-Teacher Association.

The club, which includes practically all of the high school students, will provide healthful recreational facilities for the members. Already provided are ping-pong, checkers, dancing and moving pictures. A counter has also been installed, at which cold drinks, sandwiches and candy will be sold.

Curtains for the room were made by the home economics class taught by Miss Helen Lindsley. Coach Tex Lindsay is the instigator of the club, which is developing a great deal of interest among the students.

## Miss Margaret Griffin Advertising Manager Of College Yearbook

With members of the staff of "Pine Needles", yearbook at The Woman's College, Greensboro, just announced, one Edenton girl is included. Miss Margaret Griffin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Griffin, has been appointed advertising manager by the 1945-46 editor, Miss Musa Queensbury of Winston-Salem.

## T. C. Byrum Sworn In On Hospitals Board

T. C. Byrum was among members sworn in office in Raleigh Monday on the new State Hospitals Board of Control. Mr. Byrum, appointed by Governor R. Gregg Cherry, will serve for a one year term.

**IN ARMY AIR CORPS**  
Linwood E. Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ward, who was recently inducted into the Army at Fort Bragg, has been sent to Sheppard Field, Texas, on special orders with the Army Air Forces.

## Town Councilmen Set Up Machinery Calling For Election

### Officials For Edenton Will Be Elected Tuesday, May 8

TAXES ADVERTISED

### Board Also Favors Ordinance Enclosing All Junk Yards

Town Councilmen on Tuesday night held one of the shortest meetings during the present administration, the Board adjourning a short time before 10 o'clock.

Aside from considering a few complaints and requests, the principal business transacted was passing a resolution calling for a Town election which will be held Tuesday, May 8. To be elected at the election will be a Mayor, Treasurer, two Councilmen-at-large, a Councilman from each of the four wards and three members on the Board of Public Works, all for a term of two years.

Machinery for the election was set up, which includes registrars, judges of election and polling places, which are as follows:

First Ward—Registrar, R. H. Bachman; judges of election, J. J. Long and H. T. Miller. Polling place, Municipal Building.

Second Ward—Registrar, O. C. Davis; judges of election, C. T. Doughitie and George Everett. Polling place, Court House.

Third Ward—Registrar, L. S. Byrum; judges of election, W. H. Parrish and Sidney Campen. Polling place, W. H. Parrish's store.

Fourth Ward—Registrar, W. T. Gordon; judges of election, R. L. Ward and H. W. Layton. Polling place, H. W. Layton's store.

Registration books were ordered opened 20 days prior to election for the purpose of voters to qualify to vote in the election who are not already listed. Candidates for any of the offices must file with the Town Clerk before Friday, April 27, in order for their names to be printed on the ballots.

The Councilmen also agreed to pass an ordinance calling for the enclosure of all junk yards within the town, and an attorney will be requested to draw up the ordinance for action at the next meeting.

Before adjourning the Board ordered the advertising of delinquent 1934 taxes on the second Monday in May, with the sale to take place the second Monday in June.

## Greater Albemarle Group Asks State Planning Survey

### Meeting of Directors Held In Edenton Wednesday Night

Meeting in Edenton Wednesday night of last week, directors of the Greater Albemarle Association voted unanimously to request the State Planning Board to make a survey of the 11 counties of the northeastern section of the State looking toward post-war development in the area. The idea was presented by Wade Marr of Elizabeth City, who had with him a survey made by the State group for Clay County, and which followed more or less the idea of development the association has had in mind since its organization.

Various phases of a survey were discussed and while it was calculated that the survey for the entire section would be rather voluminous, it was decided that each county could select from the survey projects adaptable to the county, as well as jointly sponsor any projects which would benefit the area as a whole.

A. W. Houtz, president of the association, presided over the meeting, during which a letter was instructed to be written to Mrs. Charlie Pruden of Windsor, whose husband before his death was very active and vitally interested in the association. The meeting was held in the Hotel Joseph Hewes Coffee Shop, where those present about equally divided between a steak and shad supper.

**BADHAMS CLOSE WEDNESDAY**

Though no arrangement has been made in Edenton for the Wednesday half holiday this summer, R. P. Badham began Wednesday of this week to close for half a day. This half holiday will be observed until September 1.

## Two Officers Round Up Five Colored Men On Charge Of Bootlegging

Following an investigation last week of a State ABC Board agent, Chief of Police J. R. Tanner and Sgt. George I. Dail of the Highway Patrol rounded up five colored men Sunday morning, each being charged with possession and sale of non-tax paid liquor.

Those arrested by the two officers were Ferdinand Booth, Charles (Rabbit) White, Walter Lewis, Will White and Jeff Williams.

The quintet will be tried in Recorder's Court Tuesday, April 17, charged with bootlegging.

## Choirs Of Hertford Churches Delight Big Crowd Sunday

### Splendid Program Presented In Methodist Church Sunday

In the Methodist Church Sunday night a large congregation was thrilled when the choirs of Hertford's churches presented a program of Easter music, which was directed by Edgar J. Hill and Miss Margaret Pearson, director and assistant director respectively of the Hertford USO Club, and both talented musicians.

Miss Pearson opened the program with a solo "In the End of the Sabbath," which was especially well rendered.

The combined chorus sang eight numbers, which were broken down in pairs in connection with Christ's Triumphant Entry, the Crucifixion, the Resurrection and the Everliving Christ, the Scripture reading preceding each division being read by the Rev. Harold W. Gilmer, rector of St. Paul's Church.

The program was as good or better than advance reports indicated and those taking part received many congratulations. Much favorable comment has been heard concerning the program, and several suggestions have been made that a similar chorus be arranged in Edenton.

## Rev. D. C. Crawford Speaker For PTA

### Says Home Best Workshop to Curb Juvenile Delinquency

Speaking on "Juvenile Delinquency," the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., made a very thought-provoking talk to the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church at the regular meeting held Thursday.

Mr. Crawford cited figures compiled by the FBI which show the alarming increase in crimes committed by young people from 12 to 21 years of age. He then stated that some of these crimes—vandalism, for one—are being committed in Edenton.

Mr. Crawford emphasized the fact that the home is the best workshop in the world to change these conditions. "The problem," he said, "is really that of parental delinquency, not juvenile delinquency. Parents are too busy with other things to discharge their responsibility. Parents must recognize the problem and take the responsibility."

As a remedy for the situation, Mr. Crawford suggested the cultivation in the home of certain special healthful mental attitudes, stating that much of the trouble is caused by defective mental attitudes. These valuable attitudes are: Honesty, fair play, respect for parents, decency (by example), respect for law and order, a religious sense, willingness to work, determination to finish a job, desire to get an education, and ambition.

Mr. Crawford then announced that he is organizing a Cub Pack for boys 9 to 12 years of age. This will be something concrete in fostering good attitudes among the younger boys and he called upon the parents to cooperate with the activities of the Pack. He also stressed the need of directed recreation—athletics, reading, a band, etc.—for the young people of Edenton.

**LIEUT. JOHN W. GRAHAM TRANSFERRED TO NEW YORK**  
Lieut. John W. Graham has been detached from the Naval Air Station (LTA) at Weeksville, N. C., and after spending a three-day leave at his home at Edenton, left Sunday to report for specialized advanced training at New York City.

## Final Contributions In War Fund Drive Now Total \$8,966.02

### Mrs. J. N. Pruden Pays Tribute to Chairman J. Clarence Leary

THANKS ALL

### Canvassers Sent Attractive Card as Expression of Appreciation

With a few scattered reports coming in the latter part of last week, J. Clarence Leary, chairman of the Red Cross War Fund drive, early this week reported that the fund had reached \$8,966.02, which is \$2,266.02 or a little over one-third more than the \$6,700 quota. There may be a little more trickling in, for Mr. Leary says a few final reports have not been made, so that there is a possibility that the final contributions might reach \$9,000.

Mr. Leary again expressed his deep appreciation for the wonderful success of the drive, and was lavish in praise of his co-workers, as well as the generosity of Chowan County people as a whole.

In commenting upon the drive, Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the Chowan County Chapter, too, expressed her pleasure at the success registered. She paid special tribute to Mr. Leary as chairman, through whose organization a splendid group of canvassers combed the entire county. Mrs. Pruden said she felt certain Chowan County people would again rally to the Red Cross appeal if they could be contacted, and that Mr. Leary's canvassers saw to it that the people were seen. Mrs. Pruden also said she wanted to personally thank, aside from Mr. Leary, The Herald for publicity and comment upon the drive; Frank Holmes, who was publicity chairman; Geddes Potter, chairman of the Edenton canvass, as well as all canvassers who sacrificed their time and last, but not least, all who made a contribution, which made success possible.

"I think we all will be repaid," said Mrs. Pruden, "when most of our boys in the armed forces receive The Herald and learn that the folks back home reflected their interest and welfare in them by contributing far more than was asked in the drive."

Mrs. Pruden this week sent an attractive card to each canvasser in the drive. The card is in appreciation for the loyal services in support of the 1945 Red Cross War Fund and is signed by President Franklin Roosevelt, Basil O'Connor, chairman of the Central Committee; Mrs. Pruden, chapter chairman, and J. Clarence Leary, War Fund chairman.

It will be interesting to know that 13.5 per cent of the amount raised in the drive will remain in Chowan County for local purposes. (Continued on Page Five)

## George K. Snow Will Be Legion Speaker At Meeting Tuesday

### Public Also Invited to Hear Department Commander

George K. Snow, department commander of the American Legion, will make an official visit to Ed Bond Post next Tuesday, April 17, and will speak at a meeting to be held in the Court House at 8 o'clock. Mr. Snow will be introduced by Judge Richard D. Dixon.

J. L. Chestnut, commander of Ed Bond Post, urges all members of the Post as well as the Auxiliary to make a special effort to be present, and extends a cordial invitation to the public to meet and hear Mr. Snow, who is also State salvage chairman.

## Large Congregation Greets Dr. Howard At Baptist Church

### Edenton's Baptist Church was crowded Sunday night, when Dr. C. B. Howard of Buies Creek was the speaker. Dr. Howard is no stranger in Edenton, having conducted revival meetings at the Baptist Church and the large congregation attested to the many friends he has here.

Dr. Howard spoke for the most part about Campbell College, where he is teacher of the Bible, and during the service an offering was taken for the benefit of the college.