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Initial Reports In Seventh War Loan Drive Pleases County Chairman Byrum

Says It Reflects Trend of County to Again Meet Quota

BIG JOB AHEAD

Ten Community Chairmen Named to Help Sell Bonds

Though the Seventh War Loan drive is only three days old, T. C. Byrum, chairman of the Chowan County War Finance Committee, on Tuesday night was greatly encouraged over initial reports coming in from scattered portions of the county. Of course, these reports are far from being complete, but, said Mr. Byrum, it more or less reflects the trend of Chowan County people in the desire to again meet the quota set for the county.

Incidentally, The Herald has been in error in previous statements relative to Chowan's overall quota. It has been stated that the overall quota was \$442,117, when as a matter of fact Mr. Byrum says it is \$385,000. Of this amount, as has been stated, the Series E bond quota is \$141,000. "I feel confident that Chowan will again meet its quota in full," said Mr. Byrum. "Tuesday of this week. "But to be successful means that some very hard work will have to be done by the workers and that our citizens must realize the importance of this particular war loan. All of us will have to be willing to invest all that we possibly can in war bonds."

Mr. Byrum said that though the struggle in Europe has been won, the struggle in the Pacific is far from over and while reports from the area are encouraging, it is necessary to provide plenty of fighting material which will hasten the end of hostilities and thus the saving of many lives.

Mr. Byrum feels encouraged with having the support of a corps of capable community chairmen, most of whom have had experience in previous drives, and who, he says, are again vitally interested in meeting the quota.

These chairmen are as follows: East Edenton—Mrs. J. W. Davis. West Edenton—Miss Margaret Pruden. Cowpen Neck—Mrs. L. E. Emminizer. Virginia Road—Mrs. W. A. Harrell. Rocky Hook—Mrs. Elbert Peele. Center Hill—The Rev. Arthur Stephenson. Glen—Mrs. O. M. Blanchard. Yeopim—Mrs. J. L. Hassell.

Among the colored race, County Agent J. B. Small will be in charge of the drive in the rural section, while in Edenton Prof. D. F. Walker will be in charge.

Mr. Byrum again emphasized the Series E bond quota of \$141,000, which must be purchased by individuals. "These are the smaller bonds," he said, "and while some people might think that a bond or two of this denomination will make little difference, it must be remembered that if many of our people join in the purchases, it will rapidly mount into figures of no little consequence."

Mr. Byrum on Tuesday did not release any figures of sales for the first few days of the drive, and due to the size of the county's quota, he urges everybody in the county to consider seriously the need to back the government and then invest as much as possible as soon as possible.

Dr. W. A. Leggett Now Patient In Hospital

Friends will regret to learn that late last week Dr. W. A. Leggett was admitted as a patient of Park View Hospital in Rocky Mount, where he underwent treatment in the hope of escaping an operation. However, his condition had not improved satisfactorily and on Tuesday night it was learned that he would undergo an operation Wednesday.

Cpl. Raymond Ward Wounded In Germany

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Ward on Saturday were notified by the War Department that their son, Corporal Raymond Ward, had been seriously wounded in Germany on April 30. He is now a patient in a hospital overseas. No other information was furnished other than his mailing address and the fact that his parents would be informed when it was changed.

To the People of this Community

The 7th War Loan objective is four billion dollars in Series E Bonds. At this time last year Americans had oversubscribed two war loan quotas, each three billion dollars in Series E War Bonds. It is obvious your personal share must be greater than any of the war loans. And yet it may be no higher than or even less than the combined amount you invested in bonds in the 4th and 5th War Loans.

Why should you continue to put every dollar above the cost of the necessities of living into extra bonds? 1. Uppermost you owe an obligation to your fighting men and women to back them to the limit as long as any enemy military strength remains. 2. Think about Iwo Jima for a moment—sacrifice on the battlefields is still a way of life for your relatives and friends in uniform. 3. The self-interest motive is at a new high. Civilian goods are now scarcer than ever before. Every dollar you spend for non-essentials works for higher prices.

THE EDITOR

Teachers Guests Rotarians Friday At Parish House

W. J. Bundy of Greenville Principal Speaker For Occasion

Tomorrow (Friday) night the Edenton Rotary Club will entertain teachers of the Edenton school at a banquet to be held in the Parish House beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Aside from the teachers, Rotary-Annes have been invited, so that a goodly number is expected to be present for the occasion.

The principal speaker for the affair will be W. J. Bundy of Greenville. Mr. Bundy at present is senior grand warden of the Grand Lodge of Masons in North Carolina, and has a reputation for being a delightful after-dinner speaker.

In charge of the program are C. T. Griffin, Richard Baer and John A. Holmes. R. N. Hines, secretary of the club, has sent postcards to all members of the club in an effort to ascertain how many to prepare for.

Lions Club Observes Eighth Anniversary

Delightful Affair Held Monday Night With Ladies Present

Edenton Lions on Monday night celebrated their eighth anniversary, which was observed as Ladies' Night. A very delightful program was arranged for the occasion with Neil Hester, of Raleigh, former district governor, as the principal speaker. Mr. Hester was in rare form, performing in his usual after-dinner fashion, but at the conclusion of his remarks became more serious when he emphasized the importance of the Seventh War Loan and urged the generous purchase of war bonds.

A dinner, with roast turkey as the principal item, was served, after which the program was carried out under the direction of John Mitchener as toastmaster.

Aside from a good turn-out on the part of members of the Edenton Club, Lions were also present from Williamston, Elizabeth City and Hertford, the latter group including Archie Lane, deputy district governor.

Baseball Game On Edenton Diamond Friday Afternoon

Naval Air Station Outfit Has Won Five Straight Games

IN LEAGUE

Team Reported Better Than Last Year's Marine Champs

Edenton baseball fans will have an opportunity to see the Edenton Naval Air Station baseball team in action Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock, when the outfit meets the Consolidated Aircraft team of Elizabeth City in a Service League game.

The Edenton Air Station team is again this year in the league, which also includes Harvey Point, Patrol Plane Base, Lighter Than Air Base, Coast Guard and Consolidated Aircraft. The Edenton team has hung up an enviable record thus far this season, having won all of five games played, two of which were league games. The last victory was a thriller when last Sunday the Edenton team won a 12-inning game from Patrol Plane Base in Elizabeth City 7-5.

The local team is said to be better than last season's Marines, who won the league championship. It boasts a number of former big league players, among whom are Van Eman, an outfielder formerly with the Columbus Red Birds of the American Association. This chap is setting quite a pace, having already five circuit clouts to his credit.

Hatcher is another big league player, having been farmed out by the St. Louis Browns.

Asmer, one of the members of the squad, played with Utica in the New York State League.

Chief Foster is coach of the team, and though many of the games will be played on the diamond at the base, arrangements have been made to play some games on the Edenton diamond for the benefit of civilians who enjoy the national pastime.

B. W. Evans Buys Wilkes Veneer Mill

Plant Expected to Be In Operation In Two Weeks

B. Warner Evans on Saturday purchased the Wilkes Veneer Mill, located on the northeast corner of Hicks Field, which was sold under a mortgage held by the Bank of Edenton. Mr. Evans has decided to operate the mill at full capacity and hopes to be able to be operating in about two weeks.

The name of the mill under the ownership of Mr. Evans will be the Edenton Veneer Mill. The plant is located on town property, the lease for which will expire in about 18 months, so that Mr. Evans' plans beyond that time are indefinite at present. However, if after that time, the operation of the mill is satisfactory, he expects to replace the more or less obsolete machinery with more modern equipment and operate on a larger scale.

S. R. Cobb, who has had a considerable amount of experience in the mill under the ownership of J. L. Wiggins, has been employed by Mr. Evans as superintendent, and will have charge of the operation of the plant.

JOHN HOLMES LEADING ALL GOVERNORS IN ROTARY WORLD IN NEW CLUBS FORMED

Governor of 189th District Has Five New Clubs to His Credit, With Three More Now In Course of Organization

According to a report of the Rotary International Extension Committee, John A. Holmes, governor of the 189th Rotary District, is out in first place and possibly leading all District Governors in the Rotary world.

To date Governor Holmes has five new clubs to his credit, with three more now in the course of organization. His record will be even better than the report from the Extension Committee as of April 30, at which time he was credited with only four new clubs.

Edenton USO Club Moves Into New Broad Street Home

Building Renovated Following Disastrous Fire Feb. 1

NOT COMPLETE

Oakum Street Building Secured For Colored USO Club

Edenton's USO Club is now established in its new quarters at 300 N. Broad Street, it has been announced by Abe Martin, director of the club.

The building, destroyed by fire on February 1, has been completely rebuilt and renovated and is probably better in many respects than it was before the fire. The old plaster has been removed and replaced with new, and new oak floors cover the old. February 1, has been completely repainted and the building throughout is in excellent condition.

While the new furnishings are not yet complete, Mr. Martin said the facilities are sufficient to make them available to the service men and women while waiting for shipment of additional furniture, drapes and incidental accessories.

The porch and yard are to have furniture for seating and games and an out-of-door fireplace will provide facilities for barbecues and corn and oyster roasts. Out-door game courts are also to be included.

A dedication of the building and grounds, together with an open house to the public will be held in the near future.

The new committee of management will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at the new club to plan the program. Members of the committee of management are: John A. Holmes, chairman; W. W. Byrum, vice chairman; Mrs. James E. Wood, secretary; Henry Gardner, J. H. Conger, R. N. Hines, W. J. Taylor, Commander Thomas J. Robertson, John Habit, Mayor Leroy Haskett, Mrs. E. N. Elliott, Mrs. B. W. Evans, J. L. Chestnut, J. H. McMullan, John Mitchener, Jr., Marvin Wilson and J. A. Moore.

The colored Odd Fellows' building at the corner of Oakum and Gale streets has been secured for a USO for the colored service people. The building will be renovated and completely furnished with adequate facilities for recreation and social affairs. This club will be operated as an extension of the present club and an advisory committee of colored people will be organized to provide volunteers needed to carry on the club activities.

Cancer Drive Meets Quota But Lacks \$500 Goal Set By White

J. W. White early this week reported that while he had not yet reached his goal of \$500 in the cancer drive, he had secured between \$350 and \$400, which meets the quota assigned to Chowan County. Mr. White was hopeful of getting \$500 and if there are those who wish to make a contribution and have not done so, he will be delighted to receive it as soon as possible.

Outstanding Orchestra At CPO Club May 19th

The Chief Petty Officers' Club at the Naval Air Station anticipates a splendid party Saturday night, May 19, when Admiral King's colored fleet band is scheduled to furnish music.

Many from the base, as well as invited civilians are expected to be on hand to hear this group of musicians.

Ed Bond Post Of American Legion Arranging Program In Conjunction With Base Club Women Asked Follow 7x7 Plan In Purchasing Bonds

\$200,000 Goal For State Demonstration Club Members

During the last war bond drive the Federated Club Women, Home Demonstration Club women and Nurses Association in North Carolina bought and equipped a hospital ship, "The Larkspur." It is appropriate that the goal for the Seventh War Bond drive should be to continue to help care for the wounded.

At a recent meeting of the State Executive Board the goal of \$200,000 was set for Home Demonstration Club members in North Carolina. This is equivalent to the investment of \$5.00 for each club woman, the amount needed to care for one wounded soldier for one day. However, everyone who can, should follow the 7x7 plan: Each home demonstration club woman investing the amount necessary to care for a soldier seven days (\$35.00) in the Seventh War Loan drive.

"Think what this would mean if every woman in Chowan County accepted as her responsibility the expenses of one wounded soldier," says Miss Rebecca Colwell, Home Agent, who is vice chairman of the Women's Division in Chowan County. "Let's make the necessary sacrifices and reach this goal."

Chowan County club women should report sales and purchases of bonds to Miss Colwell.

Edmund Schwarze Elected Commander Local Legion Post

First Veteran of World War II to Head Local Organization

At a meeting of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion held last week, Edmund B. Schwarze was elected commander to succeed J. L. Chestnut. Mr. Schwarze has the distinction of being the first veteran of World War II to be commander of the local post, while another World War II veteran, William S. Elliott, was elected second vice commander. The principal speaker at the meeting was Lieut. Comdr. K. C. Huffman of the Edenton Naval Air Station, whose remarks had to do with aviation.

Officers elected and who will be installed at the first meeting in July, were: Edmund B. Schwarze, commander; Shelton Moore, first vice commander; William S. Elliott, second vice commander; W. J. Yates, third vice commander; J. W. White, adjutant and finance officer; John A. Holmes, service officer; J. L. Chestnut, assistant service officer; Robert L. Pratt, sergeant-at-arms; W. C. Bunch, chaplain.

T. C. Byrum was elected chairman of the delegates to the Legion Convention and Edmund Schwarze, secretary. West Byrum was also elected a delegate, with W. J. Yates, J. W. White and Willis McClenny, alternates.

Scouts Return From Edenhous Camporee

It was a happy group of Boy Scouts who returned Sunday from Edenhous Beach, where a camporee was held over the week-end. A number of parents of the boys visited them Sunday and were delighted to see how the Scouts operated the camp and enjoyed the various activities.

JOHN A. KRAMER IN HOSPITAL

John A. Kramer, cashier of the Bank of Edenton, was suddenly stricken with an attack of appendicitis Thursday of last week, when he was rushed to the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City. He was immediately operated upon, and according to latest reports he is making satisfactory progress.

Huge Air Show at 4 O'clock Feature of Program

GATES OPEN 2:30

For Second Time Public Will Have Access to Edenton Station

Another gala day is in store for Edenton and surrounding territory next Sunday, May 20, when Ed Bond Post, No. 40, of the American Legion will present colors to the Edenton Naval Air Station. For the occasion Comdr. Thomas J. Robertson will allow the base to be open to the public, which will, no doubt, attract a large crowd.

It will be remembered that when the local Legionnaires presented colors to the base when it was a Marine Corps Air Station, the crowd in attendance far exceeded all expectations of the Legionnaires and officials of the Marine Corps.

The gates to the base will be open to the public from 2:30 to 5 o'clock, with all visitors requested to be off the base by 6 o'clock.

According to the program as arranged jointly by the Legionnaires and officials of the Air Station, a band concert will be held from 3:15 to 3:30 by the Norfolk Naval Band, and presentation of the colors will follow from 3:30 to 4 o'clock. A feature of the afternoon will be a huge air show, which will take place immediately after the presentation of the flags, which will include beautiful American and Navy flags.

Governor R. Gregg Cherry, Congressman Herbert Bonner and high ranking naval officials of the Fifth Naval District have been invited to be present, so that the affair promises to be even more outstanding than the one held for the Marines on Sunday, April 9, 1944, when an estimated crowd of 11,000 witnessed the presentation of colors and took advantage of the first time the Edenton base was opened to the public.

During the afternoon the swimming pool and recreation hall will be open to the public. Parking facilities will be arranged with guides and the Medical Department standing by in case any emergency arises.

Ed Bond Post has had the colors for some time, the presentation being held up pending a convenient date for high ranking naval officials to attend. Only late last week it developed that next Sunday would be the most convenient date, so that preparations for the affair were hurriedly put in motion, and Legionnaires are hopeful that again many will be on hand for the occasion and enjoy the hospitality offered by officials at the Air Station.

Baptist Missionary Union Will Meet In Edenton On May 24

Dr. Arthur L. Gillespie, Missionary, Scheduled to Speak

The Woman's Missionary Union of Chowan County will meet in the Edenton Baptist Church Thursday, May 24, beginning at 10:30 o'clock in the morning. The theme of the meeting will be "Christian Stewardship."

The address of welcome will be made by Mrs. R. B. Hollowell, with Mrs. W. M. Dale making the response. The devotional will be conducted by Mrs. A. D. Ward, followed with a solo by Betty Cole Bateman. "Our Watchword" will be given by Mrs. T. Sloans Guy, which will be followed by a quartet number, "Bring Ye All the Tithes Into the Storehouse." The feature of this session will be an address by Dr. Arthur L. Gillespie, who has been a missionary to China for 13 years.

Mrs. J. T. Senterfitt will lead the devotional for the afternoon session, which will begin at 2 o'clock. An address will be delivered by Mrs. W. E. White, with special music and a pageant to be presented by Edenton young people.