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## Foursquare Life Is Urged By Dr. J. Herbert Miller Speaking To 1945 Seniors

### Says World Now Is In Mess Due To Lack of Thinking

#### 40 GRADUATES

### Final Exercise of Commencement Friday Night

Taking his text from the 16th verse of the 21st chapter of Revelation, "and the city lay foursquare", the Rev. J. Herbert Miller, district superintendent of the Elizabeth City District of the Methodist Church, urged members of the graduating class of Edenton High School to live a foursquare life in his baccalaureate sermon delivered Sunday night in the school auditorium.

Despite a very warm night, the service was well attended. The seniors occupied the front seats dressed in caps and gowns, while on the stage were members of the Baptist Church Choir, who rendered several numbers under the direction of Mrs. M. A. Hughes. Miss Agnes Chappell played the piano. The Rev. Harold Gilmer, rector of St. Paul's Church, offered prayer and the Rev. E. L. Wells, pastor of the Baptist Church, read the Scripture lesson.

The Edenton High School sextet also sang two numbers, the group being composed of Charlotte Bunch, Beverly Moore, Joyce Harrell, Betsy Goodwin, Nelle Perry and Dorothy Chestnut.

"Life is the greatest thing in the world," said the speaker, "for life is the sum and substance of all things. Many people are just existing, but there is a vast difference between living and existing. This is what the school has been endeavoring to bring before you in your four years as high school students. Life should be foursquare, a symbol of beauty, symmetry and completeness.

"Life is measured by the ability to think, for as a person thinks he distinguishes himself, life is enriched and influences reach out into the world. Man's head was not made for a hat rack, but to think. Clear thinking is one of the greatest needs of the world today, for it is necessary to detect falsehoods from truth, and only the man able to think will not be deceived. Clear thinking is needed to discriminate between essential and non-essential things in the world and to solve the great problems confronting the world. The world now is in a mess which was brought about by failure of people to think for themselves, but being guided by selfish motives of others. The world is waiting for such as you graduates who have the ability to think.

"The foursquare life includes the ability to feel, upon which depends the ability to love. Many problems of the world are caused by lack of love, for love will take away petty jealousies. The richest and fullest life ever known was Jesus Christ's, for he loved everybody. When we are able to love, then we will know something about feeling.

"Then we must have the ability to act. Noble actions make character, and we must act by honest emotions. Character is necessary for a successful life, but you yourselves must decide by what standards you will live. "You must possess the ability to have faith, an unshakable and abiding faith in God. The thing that brings men into fellowship with God is faith. Many things cannot be demonstrated or explained. Some things you must accept and believe, and unless you do, life will not be full and complete. Unless your faith is anchored in God, you will be swept away, so I urge you to have faith in God and trust him."

In summing up his remarks, the Rev. Mr. Miller said if the ability to think, to feel, to act and to trust God is realized, the graduates will have a foursquare life comparable to the words of the text.

There are 40 members of this year's graduating class, of which Carolyn Elliott is valedictorian and Magdalene Downing is salutatorian.

Members of the graduating class include: Helen Joyce Allen, Rosa Wilma Asbell, Barbara Frances Barrow, Artie White Bass, John Paul Bass, Lula Bonham Bordeaux, Joyce Elliott Brunson, Mary Leora Bunch, Lillian Forehand Byrum, Roy Spencer Cayton, Bertha Virginia Crumney, Robert Linwood Dail, Martha Magdalene Downing, Carolyn Lee Elliott, Catherine Louise Francis, Elizabeth (Continued on Page Five)

## Want Your Dog?

Beginning Monday, June 11, Edenton police will begin a campaign to eliminate many undesirable dogs which now roam the streets. Some of these dogs are vicious and diseased and not only jeopardize desirable dogs but citizens as well, so that some drastic action is necessary to remedy the situation.

For that reason, for a period of two weeks owners who want their dogs are requested to keep them tied or penned up in order to escape the officers, who will pick up stray dogs and proceed to dispose of them.

## Unique Display In Rose's Window To Help Sell Bonds

### Plaque Carries Names Of 19 Who Have Given Their Lives

No little interest is shown in the window display at Rose's 5-10-25c Store which has for its purpose stimulating purchase of war bonds in the Seventh War Loan. The display is very attractive, including souvenirs of the present conflict as well as appealing layouts which should stress the importance of purchasing bonds. Among them is a miniature bowling alley with Mussolini and Hitler pins knocked down. The Jap pin remains standing with the wording "Two down and one to go."

In the window, too, appears a miniature plaque bearing the names of those from Chowan County who have given their lives in the present conflict. These include:

Marvin R. Alexander, Louis A. Bass, Woodrow Berry, Rochelle Blanchard, Elsbury Chappell, William I. Cozzens, Jr., Herbert W. Dail, Jr., Eric Forehand, Herbert Gray, Ed Habit, Jr., William Murriell Hurdle, Charles M. Jernigan, Willis Edward Nixon, Alvin B. Parks, J. Lester Perry, Edward R. Stokley, Woodson Tetterton, George Major White and Shelton White.

## Chaplain R. A. Egan And Sgt. O. C. Long Speak For Legion

### Returned Artilleryman Says Hard Fight With Japs

Legionnaires and a few visitors enjoyed addresses by Chaplain R. A. Egan and Sgt. O. C. Long at the meeting of Ed Bond Post in the Court House Tuesday night.

Chaplain Egan very interestingly told of the duties and problems encountered in the chaplaincy, while Sgt. Long, who only recently returned home from 44 months overseas, told some of his experiences in the Pacific. He told his hearers that it was no need to have the idea that the war with Japan is an easy one and that it will take still more hard fighting to subdue them.

## W. J. Taylor, Jr., Goes To Brevard To Take Aquatic Instruction

W. J. Taylor, Jr., left Tuesday for the American Red Cross National Aquatic School at Camp Carolina, Brevard, where he will take an instructor's course in swimming and life saving. Upon completion of these courses he will teach them in the annual Red Cross swimming and life saving classes sponsored by the Chowan Chapter of the Red Cross.

**CIRCLE MEETS MONDAY**  
The Belle Bennett Circle of the Methodist Church will meet Monday night at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. Frank Miller on West Church Street. All members are urged to attend.

## Planes on Iwo Jima



Transport planes line an airstrip on Iwo Jima waiting to evacuate wounded Marines to a Navy hospital on Guam. Mt. Suribachi is seen in the background. Your heavier purchase of Bonds in the Mighty Seventh will assure continuing care of our wounded. From U. S. Treasury

## E Bond Purchases In Chowan County Mount To \$81,300

### County Still Far Behind In Individual Bond Purchases

#### TIME SHORT

### Chairmen Appealing to Citizens to Reach E Quota

Purchases of E bonds in Chowan County stepped up a bit during the past week, but still the county is far behind in meeting the quota of \$141,000. Sales of this denomination on Tuesday night amounted to \$81,300, according to W. H. Gardner, vice chairman, which is still \$59,700 short of the goal.

T. C. Byrum, chairman of the War Finance Committee, as well as Mr. Gardner, feel certain the overall quota of \$385,000 will be met, but are no little concerned about reaching the E quota which, after all, is the most important phase of the Seventh War Loan. Both are appealing to individuals to purchase bonds to the limit to the end that Chowan will be among those counties of the State to meet its quota in full.

Both Byrum and Gardner are convinced that many who are able have not invested in bonds during the drive and on the other hand they are of the opinion that others who have bought bonds are well able to increase their purchases. Both chairmen desire to stress the fact that much more ammunition and material is still needed to defeat Japan and that for any to fail in his or her duty at this vital period of the war may prove disastrous and result in many more lives being lost and men wounded.

The Seventh War Loan drive is scheduled to end June 30, so that very little time remains in which to raise the quota. For that reason every person in the county is urged to seriously consider the need for the government to have funds and invest as liberally as possible.

## Mrs. Louise Wiley Is Injured In Fall 12 Feet

### Rushed to Albemarle Hospital Monday In Serious Condition

Mrs. Louise Williams Wiley, 24, who lives on North Broad street, was seriously injured Monday when she fell to the ground from a porch on the second floor. Mrs. Wiley was cleaning on the second floor and as she leaned against a rail, it gave way. She grabbed to a post, which also gave way, throwing her violently to the ground 12 or 13 feet below.

As the result of the fall Mrs. Wiley's back was broken, the lower portion of her body was paralyzed and she also suffered internal injuries.

## CASU Team Trims Coast Guardsmen To Lead League

### Large Number of Fans See Team In Action First Time Sunday

#### 11 VICTORIES

### Games on Edenton Park Next Saturday and Sunday

Though the CASU baseball team of the Edenton Naval Air Station and the Coast Guard team of Elizabeth City were tied for first place in the Service League, with four victories and no defeats, CASU had little difficulty Sunday afternoon in pushing down Coast Guard 12-2, to claim the league leadership. The game was played on Hicks Field before a goodly crowd of baseball fans, many of whom witnessed for the first time the CASU outfit in action.

Coupled with a series of errors, CASU went first into the lead in the first inning, when four runs were scored before the visitors settled down. From then on it was a nip and tuck affair until the eighth inning, when the CASU batters put their bats to working and scored seven runs. One other run was scored in the third inning.

Coast Guard made their two runs in the sixth when Domina sent the ball over the left field fence for a home run with a man on base. It was his second clout over the fence, but the first one went foul by several feet.

CASU played a bang-up game from start to finish with Asmer on the mound pitching superb ball, being given gill-edge support by his teammates. Asmer, former Utica, N. Y. hurler, fanned eight of the visitors and at no time was he in any apparent danger. Lembo, owned by (Continued on Page Five)

## J. P. Partin Elected President Of Lions

### Other Officers Named at Meeting Held Monday Night

Edenton Lions at their meeting Monday night elected J. P. Partin as President for the fiscal year which begins July 1. He will succeed W. E. Malone.

Other officers elected were Edmund Schwarze, first vice president; J. A. Curran, second vice president; M. A. Hughes, third vice president; John Mitchener, third twister; Nathan Dail, Lion Tamer; Oscar Duncan and G. M. Byrum, directors; W. J. Daniels, song leader and Earl Harrell, pianist. Dr. W. S. Griffin was elected delegate of the club to attend the district convention, which will be held in Kinston this month.

## Commissioners Facing Possibility Of Increasing Chowan County Tax Rate

### Budget Meeting

Chowan County Commissioners will meet in special session Monday, June 18, at which time the budget will be tentatively made up for the year 1945-46. By that time West Byrum, chairman, and County Accountant E. W. Spires expect to have compiled anticipated expenditures and revenue for the fiscal year to be considered by the Commissioners.

The budget will be adopted at the regular meeting in July.

## Joint Vacation Bible School Is Arranged By Three Churches

### Episcopalians, Presbyterians and Methodists Cooperating

A union vacation Bible school will be held in Edenton for two weeks beginning Monday, June 18, which will be held Monday through Friday of each week from 9 to 11:30 o'clock each morning.

Pastors cooperating in the Bible school are the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr., pastor of the Presbyterian Church; the Rev. Harold W. Gilmer, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church; and the Rev. H. Fred Surratt, pastor of the Methodist Church.

Departments will be provided for beginners, which includes boys and girls from four to five years old. These classes will be held in the Parish House of the Episcopal Church. The intermediate department will also meet in the Parish House and will include boys and girls from 12 to 14 years old.

The primary department for boys and girls from 6 to 8 years will meet at the Presbyterian Church. The junior department, taking in boys and girls from 9 to 11 years, will meet at the Methodist Church.

## Desire For Soft Ball On Increase

### Committees Appointed By Four Local Organizations

Agitation for playing of soft ball at night is going the rounds and already the matter has been presented before the Rotary and Lions clubs, the Masons and Red Men, the four organizations which several years ago purchased flood lights, when no little interest prevailed.

The lights are now stored away and it is hoped that these will again be installed on Hicks Field so that there will be some form of recreation at night.

Each organization has appointed a committee in the interest of organizing a team and this group will meet very shortly in an effort to revive the sport.

A league was organized several years ago, which created quite a bit of interest and the opinion has been advanced that if the lights are installed quite a few will take advantage of the opportunity to play at night.

## Miss Winifred Hollowell Is Awarded Scholarship To Wake Forest College

Miss Winifred Hollowell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Hollowell, was awarded a scholarship to Wake Forest College at commencement exercises held at Mars Hill College on May 25, where she was a member of the graduating class.

The scholarship was awarded Miss Hollowell for being one of the most outstanding students at Mars Hill.

### HOME FROM COLLEGE

Miss Mary Eliza White, who attended Mars Hill College during the past term, is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank White, Sr., before returning to summer school at Mars Hill.

## Three Projects Call For An Expenditure of \$61,500

### ALL-DAY MEETING

### Frown Upon Levy For Edenton Administrative School Unit

With three projects involving the expenditure of \$61,500 during the next fiscal year beginning July 1, Chowan County Commissioners remained in session all day Monday, adjourning after 6 o'clock. These expenditures necessarily affect the year's budget and, of course, the tax rate, so that serious and lengthy consideration was devoted to each project.

In the first place, a new jail is estimated to cost \$35,000. This will be a modern jail which for a number of years has been the target for recommendations on the part of grand jury after grand jury. The old building will be torn down, the commissioners being of the opinion that it would be false economy to try to repair or remodel it to comply with prison requirements.

At the meeting Frank Benton, architect, was authorized to proceed with specifications and to advertise for bids. The specifications will provide for a boiler of large enough capacity to heat the jail, jailor's house and the Court House. The boiler will be equipped with three pumps for heating the three buildings. For many years it has been felt that stoves placed in the Court House are dangerous fire hazards, so that the Commissioners have in mind heating the building with steam.

The next most expensive project will be the erection of a teachers' quarters at Edenton High School which is estimated to cost \$20,000. The need for this building is keenly felt by the Commissioners in that there is no place for teachers to live who are employed in the school.

Coupled with the above projects, the County has an opportunity to purchase 30 acres of the J. L. Savage land adjoining the present school property on which the teachers' quarters will be constructed and most of which will be needed for future development of the school such as a garage, gymnasium, playground and the possibility of a district agricultural school being located in Chowan County.

The cost of this plot of ground is \$6,500. Of course, the Commissioners feel that for the present half of the 30 acres would take care of the needs, but for 15 acres the price would be \$5,000, the reason being advanced that dividing the plot would greatly decrease the value of the other half. For that reason, the Commissioners, while not definitely committing themselves, left the impression that it would be false economy to buy only half the land at \$5,000, when twice the amount could be bought for \$1,500 more. Option on the plot was extended until June 18, when a tentative budget will be prepared by the Commissioners.

What was the cause of concern to the Commissioners was the fact that the three projects would cost \$61,500 and to meet this expenditure they have \$10,000 in war bonds. According to the amount of indebtedness paid during the year, the county can sell bonds to raise \$21,000 and it is expected that \$20,000 can be borrowed from the State Literary Fund to help build the teachers' quarters. So that on one side of the ledger appears an expenditure of \$61,500 and on the other the prospect of raising \$51,000 or a deficit of \$10,500, which would have to be raised by taxation, unless some other form of revenue is provided. According to present property valuation a 13 cent rate increase in the rate would be necessary to raise the amount.

The rate at present is 80 cents on the \$100 property valuation, and while nothing definite has been decided relative to the budget, offhand estimates were advanced that the rate would be advanced even as high as \$1.00. The Commissioners, however, will meet Monday, June 18, for the purpose of working on the budget, at which time every effort will be made to hold down expenditures as much as possible to the end that the tax rate will not be raised any more than is absolutely necessary.

Several requests for appropriations were presented at Monday's meeting, all of which were put in the hopper for consideration at the meeting on June 18. One matter, however, was (Continued on Page Five)