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Criminal Docket Of Superior Court Term Finished In Half Day

Judge J. Paul Frizzelle Compliments Work of Grand Jury
SEVEN DIVORCES

Ed Habit Pleads Guilty To Charges Appealed From Lower Court

Though Judge J. Paul Frizzelle arrived late for the opening of Chowan Superior Court Monday morning, he lost no time by giving a long charge to the Grand Jury and beginning at once with criminal cases, completed the docket before adjourning court Monday afternoon.

The Grand Jury also completed its work by Monday afternoon, the report causing Judge Frizzelle to express his appreciation to the Grand Jury for their work. He stated that in his 16 years on the bench he had never seen a report which surpassed that of the present Grand Jury for the thoroughness and diligence on their part. He said he had never seen a grand jury accomplish as much in three days as this grand jury accomplished in half a day.

Members of the Grand Jury were: O. J. Forchard, D. H. Berryman, Jesse Smith, Earl Goodwin, W. S. Bass, W. W. Bunch, Jr., William S. Morris, R. F. Jordan, M. F. White, W. P. Jones, H. T. Copeland, C. W. Perry, Gilbert Harrell, P. C. Ashley, Jr., Haywood Pithisic, Hutchins Winborne, Henry Bunch and P. H. Ward. The Court appointed Earl Goodwin foreman and Shelton Moore officer to wait on the Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury made the usual inspection of court offices and court affairs, all of which were found in satisfactory condition.

It was recommended that a bundle of 20 blankets be purchased for use in the jail and that two additional blankets be purchased for the female ward of the jail.

The Grand Jury recommended that the County Commissioners inspect the County Jail and jailer's residence at their next meeting and authorize the following repairs: Fence on west side of the property, front and back porches of the house, roof and paint all woodwork.

Repairs were also recommended to be made at several schools in the county and that all recap tires on all school buses be replaced and new tires on all front wheels.

The Grand Jury also referred to repairs at the Court House, which were recommended three times previously, recommending that the attention of the County Commissioners is called to the matter and that the Commissioners report the disposition of these recommendations to the next Grand Jury.

The principal case tried was that of Ed Habit, who faces 13 cases charged with employing minors under 18 in his beer parlor. Habit appealed from a Recorder's Court sentence and through his attorney, John B. McMullan of Elizabeth City entered a plea of guilty. He was sentenced to 30 days on each of the six cases, suspended upon payment of \$25 and costs in each case. On the remaining seven cases he was sentenced to 30 days on each count, the sentences to run concurrently with the first sentence, suspended upon payment of costs of court in each case.

Andrew Lutrell Cartwright, who was charged with reckless driving and failure to stop upon entering a main highway, through his counsel, made a motion to have the case remanded to Recorder's Court, where he was fined \$38 and costs but appealed. He was, however, ordered to pay the cost in Superior Court.

John F. White, counsel for Kenneth F. Fitchett, charged with driving while under the influence of liquor and reckless driving, requested continuation of the case, which was granted.

The case of J. Sidney Goodwin, charged with perjury, was also continued.

This completed the criminal cases to be tried during the term of court and civil cases were scheduled to be tried Tuesday while The Herald was being printed.

Seven divorces were granted Monday of which were transferred from Chowan to Beaufort County. One case involved Carrie Elko Stokes and Raymond Stokes, John M. Hicks and Martha Elizabeth Hicks, Retha D. Jones and Willie W. Jones, Randolph Bailey and Rosa Lee Bailey, Stanley K. Kirk and Helen S. Kirk.

Two other divorces were also granted involving Lola Valentine Capehart and Cecil Capehart and Ruby S. Morris and Wm. M. Morris.



Winning six out of ten games played, the Edenton Aces wound up a successful season Friday night by throwing a scare in the camp of the strong Elizabeth City High School team. The Aces, getting off to a bad start, lost the first three games played and then chalked up six consecutive victories, and dropped a hard-fought game to the Yellow Jackets 12-7. The Aces, pictured above are: Front row, left to right, Russell Wheeler, Curtis Pressley, Al Habit, Sammy Ross, Pete Manning, George Habit and Stancel Davenport. Middle row, Ernest White, Bobby Byrum, Ralph Ward, Dick Hollowell, Jimmy Cates, Jack Habit, Billy Altman and Frank Hughes. Back row, Edgar Rogerson, Philip McMullan, Earl Goodwin, Paul Hassell, Henry Powell, Frank Grant, Haywood Rogerson, Mickey Wright and Rodney Harrell. Hector Lupton, Jr., a member of the squad, was absent when the picture was taken. (Photo courtesy of the Elizabeth City Daily Advance.)

Edenton Aces Lose Season's Final Game To Elizabeth City 12-7

Dick Hollowell's 70-yard Run Outstanding Feature of the Game

HARD-FOUGHT

Brinson, Yellow Jacket Star, Biggest Ground Gainer

With the Edenton High School Aces playing a superb brand of football, they narrowly missed upsetting the favored Elizabeth City Yellow Jackets in Elizabeth City Friday night, dropping a hard fought game 12-7. The feature of the game was a 70-yard jaunt by Edenton's Dick Hollowell, who apparently was bottled up, but who shook off a group of Yellow Jacket tacklers and then outran several more in his dash for a touchdown. Curtis Pressley's kick was good for extra point, which put the Aces in the lead 7-6 for more than a quarter.

The Aces were outplayed on the ground, the Yellow Jackets registering 16 first downs to four by the Aces. Practically all of the ground gained for the Jackets was done by George Brinson, who carried the ball at least 90 per cent of the times. Bill Winslow was called upon when Brinson was not used and he, too, made several nice gains.

Despite the ground gained, the Aces' line strengthened when their goal line was threatened and several times the Yellow Jackets were denied a score when they were bidding for a touchdown. Sammy Ross played his best game of the season, and due to his hard tackling Brinson was time and again held for short gains and several times thrown for a loss. George Habit, Pete Manning and Hector Lupton, Jr., also did some good work, while Pressley's punting helped to keep the Jackets out of Edenton territory.

Edenton kicked to start the game and during the quarter each team was forced to punt two times, despite the fact that the Jackets chalked up four first downs. The Aces could make little headway through the Jacket line.

Opening the second quarter Brinson went for a first down on the Edenton 28-yard line, but the ball went over to Edenton on the 38. The Aces were penalized five yards and Hollowell picked up nine yards on a nice run, but the Aces were forced to kick. Receiving the ball on their own 45, the Jackets began a march which netted a touchdown. Brinson crashing over for the score. Try for extra point failed. Neither team threatened the remainder of the second quarter. The Aces made two first downs, while the Jackets made six. The Jackets were in possession of the ball at midfield as the half ended.

The crowd went wild at the start of the second half. The Jackets kicked and Dick Hollowell returned the ball to the Aces 30-yard line. On the next play he broke loose for his 70-yard run for touchdown. Pressley's kick for extra point was good, putting the Aces in the lead 7-6. The Yellow Jackets again marched down the field on three first downs and seemed determined to score, but the Aces' line held and the Jackets lost (Continued on Page Six)

ALL STAR FOOTBALL GAME SCHEDULED AS THANKSGIVING DAY FEATURE ATTRACTION

Edenton and Manteo Teams Will Play on Hicks Field AT 2:30 P. M.

Locals Include Former College and High School Stars

With all stores and business houses scheduled to be closed Thursday in observance of Thanksgiving, a feature attraction will be a football game on Hicks Field at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. A game has been scheduled between the Edenton All Stars and Manteo All Stars. In the Edenton lineup will be former college players, former high school stars, and a number of this year's edition of the Edenton Aces.

The local team is being coached by David Holton, a former Wake Forest star, who will also play, as well as his brother, Walter (Dynamite) Holton, also a former Wake Forest player. It will be the local team's first game, though Manteo has already played two games. With the material on hand, Mr. Holton, who is conducting nightly practice sessions, is of the opinion that a strong team will be whipped in shape and that a good game will be played for the enjoyment of football fans.

The game will be a benefit affair with the proceeds going to the High School Athletic Association. Tickets for the game are being sold in advance at Leggett & Davis Drug Store, and it is hoped a large number of fans turns out to witness the game.

Among the players who have been selected to make up the local team are Richard Weeks, Meredith Jones, Elwood Nixon, Emmett Wiggins, David Holton, Walter Holton, Dee Skiles, Joe Conger, Jr., Howard Spruill, Fred Hoskins, Tom Hoskins, Nick George, Ben Askew, Tom Shepard, James Cozzens, Hoskins Bass, Sammy Ross, Dick Hollowell, Rodney Rogerson, Pete Manning, Frank White, William (Little Bud) Cayton, Tommy Manning, Curtis Pressley, Joe Thorud and Lloyd Griffin, Jr.

Wallace Reid Peele Has Record Peanut Crop In 4-H Project

Youngster Made 2,697 Pounds on One Acre Of Land

According to Robert S. Marsh, assistant county agent, Wallace Reid Peele, who lives in the Rocky Hock section, made the record yield of peanuts in the 4-H Club peanut project for 1946. Young Peele made a total of 2,697 pounds of peanuts on his one acre of land.

"This is an excellent yield of peanuts," says Mr. Marsh, "inasmuch as the county average is approximately 1,200 pounds per acre." The youngster used the latest scientific practices in growing his peanuts. He had a fertile acre of ground and used sulphur dust to control leaf spot.

Lease For Edenton Naval Air Station Now Ready For Final Action Town Council

Herald Early

Because of Thanksgiving Day falling on Thursday, The Herald is making its appearance a day earlier this week in order to allow a holiday for employees of the paper.

By stepping up publication a day it was necessary, of course, to curtail the amount of news content, as well as some late advertising, which in turn affects the size of the paper this week. The Herald will appear as usual next week.

Cub Pack No. 159 Resumes Meetings

Comdr. C. M. Speight New Cubmaster; Two Boys Now Webelos

With the recent appointment of Commander C. M. Speight, USCG (Ret.) as Cubmaster of Cub Scout Pack 159, regular monthly Pack meetings were resumed last Thursday evening at the Presbyterian Church.

Appreciation is due Den Mothers Mrs. R. E. Smith and Mrs. R. N. Hines and Assistant Den Mothers Mrs. W. R. Malone and Mrs. A. B. Harless for continuing the activities of Cub Scouting through the summer months when the Pack was without a Cubmaster due to the transfer of the previous Cubmaster, the Rev. D. C. Crawford, Jr.

Thursday evening's Pack meeting saw Bobby Pratt, Charlie Griffin and Peter Speight initiated into the Pack in an appropriate ceremony. Mike Malone and Bobby Smith were advanced to the rank of Wolf Scout, Francis Hicks and Billy Gardner, after first being advanced to Lion rank, then received the highest award in Cub Scouting, the rank of Webelos.

Total Of \$56,147.50 Sent To Members Of Christmas Club

New 1947 Club Will Begin at Bank of Edenton Monday

Late last week the Bank of Edenton distributed a total of \$56,147.50 which represents savings in the 1946 Christmas Saving Club. Checks went to 1,000 members of the club, which was the largest in the history of this popular form of saving.

The 1947 Club will open next Monday. The bank has 1000 books which means that if all are sold there will be the same number of members as last year. However, the last few years the books exhausted before everybody who wanted to join had enrolled and for that reason some could not become members.

The same condition is expected again this year, so that those who want to join the 1947 Club are urged to do so as early as possible if they do not want to be disappointed.

Special Thanksgiving Service On Thursday In Methodist Church

A special Thanksgiving service will be held in the Methodist Church on Thanksgiving morning at 11 o'clock, when the pastor, the Rev. H. Fred Surratt, will preach on the subject "Our Pre-eminent Privilege." Members of the congregation are urged to contribute a day's salary which will apply toward the orphanage assessment of the church.

The public is cordially invited to attend and join in giving thanks for the many blessings received during the year.

AUXILIARY MEETS DEC. 5

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church will hold its regular meeting on Thursday, December 5, at 4 o'clock in the Parish House. All members are urged to be present. A cordial invitation is extended to visitors.

Navy Department De-Town to Execute Lease As Soon as Possible

LONG DOCUMENT

Special Meeting Town Council Expected to Take Action

Lieut. Comdr. R. T. Brinn, commanding officer of the Edenton Naval Air Station, this week received from the Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, acting under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, the lease whereby the base is leased to the Town of Edenton. Comdr. Brinn has turned the lease over to Mayor Leroy Haskett, as well as having duplicate copies mimeographed and sent to each member of Town Council in the hope that the lease will be studied and early action taken by Town Council. A special meeting of the City Fathers will most likely be held within a few days to take definite action on the lease, which supersedes a previous temporary lease whereby the Town has taken over the base.

Since the temporary lease was executed the Town in turn has sub-leased the base, with certain reservations, to the Hervey Foundation and Raymond Umbaugh.

David Hervey, president of the Hervey Foundation, has also read the new lease and has called Mayor Haskett's attention to some paragraphs which, he says, is somewhat at variance with the first temporary lease or formal permit to use the base. These particular paragraphs have to do with the right of the Government to increase the rent or lease upon its own discretion when justified, and requirement to replace or repair damaged or deteriorated facilities if reasonable fire protection and proper security is maintained. These items will, no doubt, be considered when Town Council meets to take final action.

The new lease of the naval air field is quite lengthy, stating at the outset that because of its strategic value, it is considered essential that the airfield and facilities be retained for possible post-war use in connection with Naval aviation activities.

The lessee, in consideration of the leasing of the aforesaid premises, (Continued on Page Six)

Robert W. Leary Dies After Lengthy Illness

One of Largest Attended Funerals In Recent Years on Sunday

Robert W. (Bob) Leary, 75, died Friday morning in a Raleigh hospital, where he had been a patient about two weeks. Deceased, a native of Chowan County, was one of the most prominent and successful farmers in the county and for several years was in the peanut buying business. He had been in failing health for the past five years.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Deborah Leary; three sons, J. Clarence Leary, West Leary and Stillman Leary; and four daughters, Mrs. Carey Hollowell, Mrs. Rodney Harrell, Mrs. O. C. Long and Mrs. Cameron Boyce.

Funeral services were largely attended Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Rocky Hock Baptist Church. The pastor, the Rev. W. C. Francis, assisted by the Rev. Frank Cale, of Louisville, Ky., a former pastor, officiated.

Roller Skating At Armory Wednesdays

Tex Lindsay, recreation director, calls attention to a program of roller skating held in the Edenton armory every Wednesday night from 7:30 to 10 o'clock.

Mr. Lindsay is also anxious to arrange for basketball, volley ball and other indoor sports for girls and boys and men and women, and for that reason requests any who are interested to contact him and report at the armory with tennis shoes.

REMINDER FOR FOOD

The congregation of St. Paul's Church is reminded that Wednesday is the day to take to the church offerings of food to be distributed to the poor.