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## Edenton Being Sought As Eastern Treatment Center For Infantile Paralysis

State Representative Is Impressed With Local Hospital Set-up

12 NOW IN STATE

Desires Meeting With Doctors and Hospital Trustees

P. S. Randolph, State representative for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, was in Edenton Thursday of last week in the interest of setting up here a treatment center for infantile paralysis for the eastern counties of North Carolina. Mr. Randolph contacted Dr. Frank Wood, medical director of the Edenton hospital at the Naval Air Station, and after visiting the hospital plant, expressed the opinion that conditions are ideal for the establishment of such a center.

Of course, Dr. Wood, did not give a definite answer as to the policy which the board of hospital trustees will pursue, but saw no objection except the possible unfavorable reaction on the part of some people that infantile paralysis victims are brought to the hospital.

Mr. Randolph stated that while 12 treatment centers are now located in hospitals at Greensboro, Wilmington, Gastonia, Asheville, Winston-Salem, Durham and Raleigh, the closest one to this section is Raleigh. He pointed out that when a victim of the disease is discovered, time is an important element, and for that reason it was the plan to establish a center nearer the counties in the eastern part of the State.

It was also pointed out by Mr. Randolph that any equipment needed at the hospital for treatment of cases and not already on hand will be provided free by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. He also informed Dr. Wood that the Foundation will provide a special course for a nurse to be especially trained in caring for victims and provision will also be made to train a doctor if necessary.

Mr. Randolph was very favorably impressed with local conditions and expressed the hope that he will be allowed the opportunity to come to Edenton to discuss the matter with local doctors, as well as the hospital trustees. He expressed the belief that there would be no danger in treating victims of the disease at the local hospital and left hopeful that the treatment center will meet with the approval of those in charge of the hospital.

## W. P. Jones Leaving Chowan Motor Co.

Plans to Devote Entire Time to Spedic Food Products, Inc.

William P. Jones announced Tuesday that, effective on or about March 1st, he will have sold his interest in the Chowan Motor Company to the Perry brothers, O. B., P. G. and J. G. Perry. Mr. Jones says that he will devote his full time to the peanut processing business. He is a partner in the Spedic Food Products, Inc., of Edenton, which he and Richard Goodwin organized on January 1, 1946. The Spedic Company is now processing blanched peanuts, salted peanuts and roasted peanuts both packaged and bulk. "The business has grown," says Mr. Jones, "to the point wherein the efforts of both Dick Goodwin and myself are needed in order that it be properly conducted. My association with the members of the Chowan Motor Company, officials and employees, has been very pleasant. The only unpleasantness has been our inability to get enough automobiles for our friends and customers."

## Farm Mutual Adjuster Making Edenton Home

L. J. O'Connor, Farm Mutual Insurance adjuster, is now making his home in Edenton, having purchased a home at Morris Circle, where he and Mrs. O'Connor are now living. Mr. O'Connor comes from the main office of Farm Mutual at Columbus, Ohio, and his presence in this locality will mean an added service to Farm Mutual policy holders.

## Limited Amount Of Business Considered By Town Councilmen

Consideration of Situation at Base Consumes Most of Time

IMPATIENT

Special Meeting Asked Over Week-end to Dispose of Matter

Aside from discussion of the situation at the Edenton Naval Air Station, little other business came before Town Council at its meeting Tuesday night, so that the meeting was of relatively short duration.

It was brought out at the meeting that the Town had terminated the lease to the Hervey Foundation several weeks ago on the grounds that the lease had been broken in connection with furnishing heat to operate the hospital, and it was the desire of the Board to have John W. Graham, Town Attorney, and J. C. B. Ehringhaus of Raleigh proceed with court action in order for the Town to get possession of the entire base.

After the Hervey Foundation was notified that the lease had been terminated, a charge was made by the Foundation that the Town had violated provisions of the lease, so that the Foundation continued its operation at the base as usual. The Foundation asked for a re-negotiation after the final lease was signed by the Town with the Navy and subsequently the Town submitted another lease to the Foundation, but up to Tuesday night the Councilmen had had no information as to the action taken by the Foundation. However, Mayor Leroy Haskett stated that he was informed that a counter proposal was in the mail, which should have been received Wednesday.

Anticipating receipt of the proposal from the Foundation, Mayor Haskett was instructed to contact Town Attorney John Graham, requesting a meeting when he is home from Raleigh over the week-end, and to have Mr. Ehringhaus and the Hervey Foundation attorneys present, so that no more time will be lost in settling the dispute relative to sub-letting of the air station.

The Town of Edenton has taken over the telephone, water and electric services at the base, as well as placing guards at the gate. It was also suggested Tuesday night that the main heating plant be secured, funds for which are available from the Navy. The Councilmen expressed their opinion that too much time has been lost in bringing the base situation to a head and requested the meeting over the week-end to finally dispose of the matter.

During the meeting five or six applications were presented for the position of supervisor at the base for the town, but no action was taken, pending final settlement of the lease with the Hervey Foundation.

SOCIETY MEETS MONDAY

A meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will meet Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the Sunday School room. All members are urged to attend.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Miller of Hertford, a son, Monday, February 10, in the Colerain Clinic. Mrs. Miller is the former Miss Margaret Spivey of Edenton.

## COLD WEATHER RETARDS COMPLETION OF BOILER ROOM FOR HEATING HOSPITAL

Dr. Frank Wood Says Hospital Will Be Ready For Operation Within Five or Six Days After Building Is Heated

Unusually cold weather for this section the past several days has held up completion of the new boiler room for the hospital at the Edenton Naval Air Station. The boiler room is being constructed at the rear of the hospital by the hospital trustees and will eliminate the problem of furnishing heat from the main power plant, which is calculated to be more satisfactory as well as more economical.

The boiler room, of brick construction, will have a high stack and will house the boiler formerly used in the Enlisted Men's Club, which is thought to be of ample capacity to properly heat the building. The hospital trustees also plan to install a boiler left on the base to heat the nurses' quarters, which job will be tackled after the hospital problem is completed.

## Capt. L. A. Patterson Chairman In Chowan For Red Cross Drive

Plans to Complete Campaign In Edenton In One Day

QUOTA \$2,500

Nation Asked to Raise \$60,000,000 For Work During Year

L. A. Patterson will this year serve as chairman of the Red Cross Fund Raising Drive in Chowan County, succeeding J. Clarence Leary, who was chairman last year. At a meeting with Miss Janet Cox, field representative, Tuesday night, Captain Patterson and County Red Cross Chairman Geddes Potter mapped out tentative plans for the drive, which call for a very quick campaign.

Mr. Patterson, while stationed in Edenton with the Marines, was a captain and was among the last group of Marines to leave the base before it was taken over by the Navy. While in Edenton he made many friends and became so attached to the town that he decided to make this his home. After leaving Edenton he was sent to Quantico, Va., and since has been detached with the rank of Major in the Marine Corps Reserve. His family, a wife and two children, remained in Edenton while he was stationed in Quantico. He is a veteran of both World Wars, having served as a flier in the first war and as operations officer in the recent conflict.

Captain Patterson, as he is known among a large circle of friends, plans to complete the drive in Edenton, or at least the major portion of it, in one day, Monday, March 3, and hopes the drive in the entire county will be completed within the week.

The quota for the county is \$2,500, and having first hand information as to the value of the Red Cross, he sees no reason why the quota should be hard to raise. Captain Patterson will appoint a group of canvassers to contact every person in the county so far as possible, and in the meantime urges citizens to give some serious thought to their contribution and to be ready with it when they are contacted by the various workers.

In commenting on the drive, Captain Patterson points out that never in time of peace has the American Red Cross been called upon to render such extensive services to the military forces at home and abroad and to veterans as now required. Approximately 75 per cent of Red Cross funds are still spent in war-related services at home and overseas. There are still more than 2,900 workers serving outside of the United States. As the work in Army and Navy hospitals and other installations gradually decrease during the next few years, work with veterans and their families will increase.

The national Red Cross goal for 1947 is \$60,000,000, with the campaign scheduled to continue through March, which has been proclaimed by President Truman as Red Cross Month. Of course, Captain Patterson is hopeful that the Chowan County drive will be completed much sooner than the date set up for the national effort.

J. B. WEBB ILL

Friends will regret to learn that J. B. Webb, prominent farmer living near Edenton, is very ill at his home. Mr. Webb was said to be a very sick man Wednesday morning.

## Contributions In March Of Dimes Drive Mount To Over \$1,800 On Tuesday

Red Cross Chairman



CAPTAIN L. A. PATTERSON Named chairman for the Chowan County Red Cross Fund Raising Drive, Captain Patterson is planning on raising Chowan's quota of \$2,500 in a whirlwind campaign starting March 3.

## Booster Meeting Is Planned By C. Of C. Tuesday, February 25

Wade Marr of Elizabeth City Will Be Principal Speaker

Arrangements have been completed by the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association to stage a "Boost Edenton-Chowan County" party in the local armory Tuesday night, February 25, at 7 o'clock. The meeting will be in the nature of a "Dutch Barbecue Supper", with each one attending expected to pay for his or her plate, figured at \$1.50.

The principal speaker for the occasion will be Wade Marr, well-known orator and civic worker of Elizabeth City, who can be expected to deliver an interesting and profitable address.

Peter Carlton, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, is now busy disposing of tickets for the booster meeting and he, as well as officers of the organization hope many will be on hand so that the meeting proves worth while.

Anyone desiring reservations can obtain them by contacting the Chamber of Commerce office in the Municipal Building or telephoning 302. A number of members also have a group of tickets for sale.

## Aid Given Taxpayers In Filing Returns

J. N. Robbins, deputy collector of internal revenue, announces that a deputy collector will be in the AAA office in the basement of the Edenton Post Office each Monday to give any advice or assistance needed in preparing Federal income tax returns. Any person whose total income in 1946 was \$500 or more is required to file a return.

The collector will be in the office from 9:30 A. M. to 12 noon and from 1 to 5 P. M. There will be no charge for this service.

## Warren G. Knight At VA Training School

Warren G. Knight, local VA contact representative, is now in Winston-Salem attending a training school at the Veterans Administration Regional Headquarters. The training, which is an advanced course to familiarize contact representatives with all benefits available to veterans, will continue through February 27. Thomas G. Wilburn, contact representative, is in charge of the local office during the absence of Mr. Knight.

PIANO RECITAL FRIDAY Piano pupils in the lower grades of the Edenton school will play for the students and teachers of the grammar grades Friday morning, February 14, at 11 o'clock in the school auditorium. All parents and friends are invited.

Chairman R. L. Pratt Considers Campaign Completed

WELL PLEASED

Half of Amount Raised Will Remain For Any Local Needs

With additional contributions in the March of Dimes turned in up to Tuesday afternoon, the total stood at \$1,795.03, when Chairman Robert L. Pratt decided the drive should net at least \$1,800. He immediately went out and met with R. C. Holland and E. W. Spires and succeeded in securing \$50.00 more from the former and \$2.00 from the latter, so that the total amount raised in the drive up to Tuesday night was \$1,802.03. The county's quota was \$1,420, thus it has been oversubscribed to the tune of \$382.

The success of the drive is very gratifying to Mr. Pratt, as well as J. Edwin Bufflap, chairman of the Chowan County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, both of whom were not very much encouraged with initial reports. However, very satisfactory work was done by other canvassers, so that the quota has again been passed despite the fact that there were no contributions coming from the Edenton Naval Air Station, which aided materially in meeting previous quotas.

Contributions not previously acknowledged include the following:

Previously reported	\$1,597.34
Edenton Colored School	47.16
Mrs. J. W. White, additional	1.00
George Twiddy, additional	13.00
Mrs. D. M. Reeves	4.00
County Schools	67.50
City Schools	82.03

Total \$1,802.03

In last week's report a contribution of \$10.71 from Kadesh A. M. E. Zion Church and \$4.15 from the Pleasant Grove A. M. E. Zion Church was not acknowledged. These amounts, however, were included in the total reported.

Mr. Pratt and the county chairman, highly elated over the success of the drive, desire to express their thanks and appreciation to all workers for their splendid assistance, as well as those who made contributions in the drive, all of which went to help Chowan County go over the top.

## Arthur Kent Sings To Capacity House

Second In Series of Concerts Pleases Many Music Lovers

Bolstered by music lovers from many nearby towns, the Edenton High School auditorium was filled to capacity Monday night to hear Arthur Kent, Metropolitan baritone, present the second of a series of concerts sponsored by the Community Concert Association. A generous group of numbers were sung by the singer, including several request numbers which especially pleased the large audience.

Archie Black, who accompanied Mr. Kent on the piano, also came in for a generous amount of applause. He also presented several selections following intermission.

The large audience appeared well pleased with Mr. Kent's concert, many referring to it as even better than the first one presented shortly before Christmas.

Both artists were introduced by James E. Wolf, organization director, who aided in forming the local association several months ago.

## Lions Will Entertain Participants In 4-H Club Corn Contest

Holding a brief meeting Monday night in order to allow members to attend the concert presented by Arthur Kent, Edenton Lions decided to entertain 4-H Club boys participating in the 1946 corn contest which was sponsored by the Lions Club. No definite date was set, but it is planned to stage the affair before February passes. Fathers of the boys will also be guests of the Lions for the occasion.