

Soil Conservation District Ready To Assist On Farms

Much Help Given In Albemarle Area During Past Four Years

In an address to the Soil Conservation Society of America Dr. H. C. Byrd, President of the University of Maryland, told how when he was a boy his grandfather who had been a sea captain once pointed out a place in the river where he once anchored his ship. The water was hardly deep enough to push a small flat bottom skiff. This caused the doctor to wonder what had become of deep water

where ships had anchored. He recalled a recent talk by Dr. Hugh H. Bennet, Chief of the Soil Conservation Service to a Civic Club in Baltimore. Dr. Bennet produced facts to show that in the Baltimore harbor the channel had been kept open only at a cost of \$17,000,000 to the Federal Government in addition to other millions spent by private concerns and the City itself. The millions of cubic yards of sediment removed from the harbor was largely top soil from Maryland farms.

Dr. Byrd pointed out that our very existence depends upon the minerals which plants draw from the land and we know that we must give back to the soil values taken from it by the plants and consumed by us. The welfare of every individual will in the future depend on the productivity of the soil. It would be difficult to conjecture the extent to which soil depletion, or in other words the lack of soil conservation, has affected the course of history. Countless numbers of people have migrated from one part of the earth to another to find land rich enough to sustain their lives.

He asked the question, what are we doing about it and what can be done. We are doing a great deal, but we can and must do more. In the beginning many leaders were slow to learn a few fundamental truths. They did not easily learn that education alone would never get the job of soil conservation done. The problem could only be solved by community action and as a consequence the states passed laws providing for the formation of Soil Conservation Districts. People in different sections of the state could organize themselves into groups for their own betterment with the main objective of protecting a basic resource.

The Doctor showed how the Districts were getting the job done in a thoroughly democratic way. The governing bodies, farmers themselves, have developed complete programs and have called on different Governmental agencies to furnish assistance in a manner which prevents overlapping and duplication. It is a great

enterprise which will go forward to a successful completion if we continue to build on this foundation.

Here in this section we have the Albemarle Soil Conservation District which has been helping the farmers for the past four years. The Supervisors are planning an expanded program whereby they can give more technical plans prepared for drainage operations. Their success depends on how well the land owners support them in this program to keep our most valuable resource productive.

E.H.S. Senior Class Play On April 18th

"Ready Made Family" Title of This Year's Play

Edenton High School's senior class has selected its 1947 play, which will be a three-act farce-comedy, "Ready Made Family." Rehearsals for the play are now under way with Ben Askew directing. The date of the presentation has been tentatively set for Friday night, April 18.

Members of the class who will form the cast are Beverly Moore, Davey Lee Ward, Nelle Perry, Charlotte Bunch, Ruth Goodwin, Marion Alexander, Rodney Harrell, Juanita Harrell, Melvin Ashley and Eric Coffield. Joyce Moore will serve as student director and prompter.

MISUNDERSTOOD

Everybody calls me happy. But each thing I do is wrong. Some really don't understand me. And you'll see why as I go along. When I say "Yes" I mean "No." I'm so awfully misunderstood. When I say "Stop" I mean "Go." I'm terribly misunderstood. My head's in a whirl. I'm so confused whatever I say, it shouldn't be used. I'd give the world to learn if I could. 'Cause I'm so awfully misunderstood. —Delia Hopkins.

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IN THE INTEREST OF PUBLIC HEALTH

THOMAS A. EDISON Contributed Taking the X-ray discovered by Roentgen in 1895, Edison experimented with them for only a short while before giving to health science the Fluoroscope. This is now one of the most widely used diagnostic aids throughout healing professions. With it the doctor gets an immediate view of a patient's interior, especially the visceral organs. Thus a quick analysis or recheck of a condition can be made. Edison did not patent the Fluoroscope but gave it to the public. Many electrical safety devices grew out of Edison's research in electricity such as traffic signals, safety stops and other cut-off switches.

The alkaline storage battery made possible better travel conditions in trains and busses blessed with better lighting. Even the mining industry is indebted to his talent for replacing the dangerous flame mining lamp with electric safety lanterns in 1914.

Untold thousands of lives have been saved on stricken ships through quick, long range communication by wireless telegraphy and radio, which are outgrowths of his discoveries.

Edison was deeply interested in all branches of science, but especially in problems affecting people's health and safety. Perhaps his most quoted statement on the art of healing and the future type of doctors is: "The doctor of the future will look to the spine for the cause of disease." This statement again shows his keen insight, for chiropractic science which is based on "spinal integrity for normal nerve function and better health has since come forward." This science is now the second largest organized healing profession in the world, yet is but 51 years old.

"Out of respect for Edison's vision, chiropractors have paraphrased his electrical system to more clearly illustrate the operation of the central nervous system to their patients. The brain is compared to the battery, the spinal cord and nerve paths to the wiring and the organ and other important nerve terminals to lights." In passing, it is interesting to note that X-ray and Fluoroscope are the very instruments that prove chiropractic science to be what it claims. Maybe Edison saw the proof with his own instruments, too. . . . This article contributed in the interest of Public Health by Dr. George T. Crawford, Edenton. adv.

High School News

BY FRANCIS CHESSON

The Girl Scouts commemorated the 35th anniversary of the Girl Scout Organization last Thursday in the auditorium as an assembly program. The Scouts, dressed in their uniforms, were seated on the stage with their leader, Mrs. John Morgan, and their assistant leader, Miss Mary Morris. Jane Spry, acting as master of ceremonies, introduced speakers who told the history of Scout work, history of the town troop, laws and projects of the organization. The program was very informative and was presented in an interesting manner.

Mr. Askew, coach of the girls' basketball team, has awarded sweaters to girls participating in basketball this school term. The sweaters are gold colored with blue trimmings.

Edmund C. Forehand Student In St. Louis

A student from Edenton is among the 13,000 students enrolled in the spring semester of Washington University, St. Louis. Attending from Edenton is Edmund C. Forehand, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elton Forehand, a freshman in the School of Law.

The enrollment of 13,000 is the highest in the history of the university. About 65 per cent of the students enrolled are veterans.

Exception

With her hand on the light switch, the little woman interrupted her interminable chatter to inquire, "Is everything shut up for the night, dear?"

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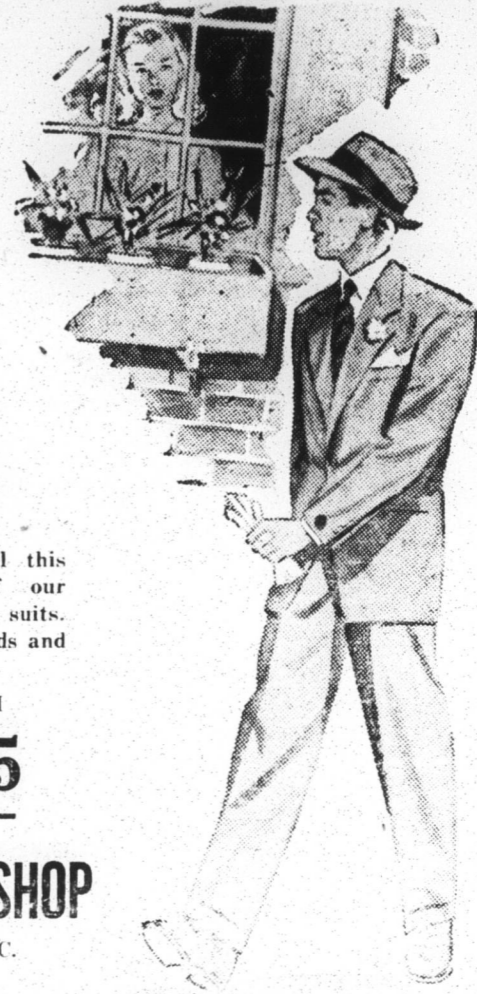
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