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Members Board Of Public Works Declare Platform For Election To Office

Say Electric Rates Compare Favorably With Other Towns

ALL THREE SIGN Accumulation Not Sufficient For Expansion Program

J. H. Conger, O. B. Perry and Geddes Potter, all three members of the Board of Public Works seeking reelection in the May 6 election, this week signed a platform on which they are asking to be returned to office by Edenton voters.

The platform, having seven "planks", is more or less in answer to a recent letter appearing in The Herald, written by R. C. Holland, in which the suggestion was made that prospective candidates answer a group of pertinent questions.

The platform as submitted to The Herald by the three Board of Public Works incumbents follows:

"To the people of the Town of Edenton, as candidates for election to the office of Public Works we wish to announce the platform on which we seek reelection.

"1—We believe that our rates are not high and that they will compare favorably with other towns in this area that operate under similar conditions.

"2—It is our policy as candidates for reelection to the Board of Public Works to make reductions in rates whenever possible and at the same time maintain the Department in a sound and economic condition.

"3—We wish to call attention to the two years in which the consumers of electricity have been given one month's electric bill free, which amounts to a 12% yearly reduction.

"4—We do not believe that the rates for electricity and water should be designed to accumulate large surpluses and we call to your attention that it has taken the public five years (21) to accumulate \$50,000.00. This sum is not sufficient to carry out our expansion program in our plant as now planned, nor do we believe the Board of Public Works should be allowed to do so.

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Canvassers Working To Raise \$800 Goal In County Cancer Drive

Mrs. Nathan Dail Appeals For Generous Contributions

Workers this week are canvassing in Edenton in an effort to raise funds with which to fight cancer, and while no report was available when The Herald went to press, Mrs. Nathan Dail, Chairman of the drive in Chowan County, appeals to the citizens throughout the county to be as liberal as possible. The goal for Chowan County is \$800, and Mrs. Dail is hopeful that this amount will be raised. The drive will close in Edenton next Saturday, but Miss Rebecca Colwell, who is in charge of the rural section of the county, says two weeks will be required in order to cover the territory, so that her report will be a week later.

Aside from the house-to-house canvass, Mrs. Dail has placed a number of containers about town, which it is hoped will help swell the contributions.

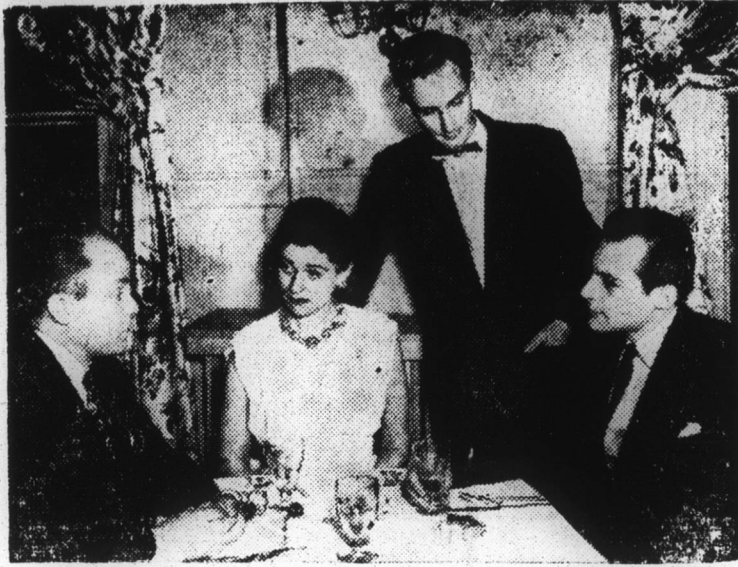
In commenting upon the drive, Mrs. Dail says no one is safe from cancer, for statistics show that the disease strikes on the average of one out of every two families.

"This inhuman enemy of the family respects no one," says Mrs. Dail. "It strikes young and old, rich and poor alike. Its victims are mothers, fathers and children. Cancer is the greatest and cruelest killer of American women between the ages of 35 and 55."

Despite the fact that one in eight living Americans is today destined to die of cancer, this loss of life can be averted, according to the American Cancer Society, though the fight against the disease costs money. Funds are necessary to continue scientific research, treatment of cases and education.

In event any person has been missed by the canvassers, Mrs. Dail says contributions will be gladly received in the old Ziegler building, where the Junior Woman's Club is now having an art exhibit.

DINNER IN "STATE OF THE UNION"



The next presidential campaign, as interpreted in Barter Theatre's presentation of "State of the Union" is debated by Robert Pastene, Fred Warriner, Elizabeth Wilson and Larry Gates. The play, directed by Owen Phillips, was written by Howard Lindsay and Russell Crouse and won the 1946 Pulitzer Prize. Sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club, "State of the Union" will be presented in the High School auditorium Wednesday night of next week, starting at 8:30 o'clock.

Women Of County Plan To Take First Tour Since 1940

Interesting Places Will Be Visited Thursday, May 1

Chowan County Club women will have their first tour since 1940, it was announced this week by Miss Rebecca Colwell, home demonstration agent. The tour will be held Thursday, May 1. Miss Colwell asks club women planning to go on the tour to especially notice this date inasmuch as letters have gone out to the effect that the date will be Friday, May 2.

The women are scheduled to leave the post office at 7:45 A. M., or from Cross Roads at 8 A. M., and are expected to return home about 6 or 6:30 P. M. Each one going on the trip is requested to take along a picnic lunch. The cost of the tour will be \$6.00, which includes transportation and admission fees, and those contemplating the trip are asked to deposit \$1.00 with Miss Colwell by Tuesday, April 22. Club members and their husbands are invited to make the trip, although the number is limited to 36, so that the first 36 who apply will be able to go. If not enough club members apply by April 22, the trip will be open to non-members if they make reservation.

Among the places to be visited on the tour are Broad Bay Farm, Sea Breeze, White Acre, Holly Lodge, Azalea Gardens and other places of interest.

Sea Breeze Farm

The gardens, on a point overlooking historic Lynnhaven River, have a profusion of continuous, colorful bloom with many new and rare old roses and tree peonies. The driveways and paths are bordered with azaleas of varied hues. A special feature of the gardens is a large collection of camellias of many varieties. Flowering and berried shrubs surround the farm, as well as magnolia and pecan trees. Sea Breeze is the home of the Misses Hill, and only the gardens will (Continued on Page Eight)

Progress Shown In Cannon Company

Sixteen Men File Applications To Become Members

Progress is being made in organizing a cannon company in the National Guard, Captain William P. Jones, commanding officer, reporting that 16 men have already applied for membership. The full strength of the company is 101 officers and men, though two officers and 30 men will be recognized by the Federal government.

First Lieutenant Jesse Harrell is associated with Captain Jones in securing enlistments and both hope the required number will soon be enrolled.

Captain Jones reports one drawback in connection with several signing up. This has to do with the annual encampment, so that some do not know the attitude to be taken by their employers in taking this time off.

Mayor Leroy Haskett has been requested to appoint a committee to contact employers in an effort to determine if they will be favorable for members to attend camp, and further if the time will be counted as their vacation or not.

"State Of The Union" Will Be Staged April 23rd At Local School

Group of Prominent Actors Included In Barter Theatre Players

The Barter Theatre of Virginia, only professional stage organization in the entire South, will bring a wealth of stage experience and Broadway background to Edenton Wednesday night of next week when Robert Porterfield's players present "State of the Union" in the school auditorium. The play will begin at 8:30 o'clock and indications now point to a capacity crowd.

In the company of 35, now on its first winter-spring tour, Porterfield has drawn from the stage, motion pictures, radio and television for an unusually versatile group of professionals. Life Magazine described the organization as "A Booming Success."

The founder-director of Virginia's unique theatre boasts quite a record himself. He has appeared on Broadway in a score of dramas, including "The Petrified Forest" with Humphrey Bogart and "Cyrano de Bergerac" with Walter Hampden. In the movies he has been in more films than can be mentioned. These include "Sergeant York", with Gary Cooper and "The Yearling", with Gregory Peck, a former Barter player.

Owen Phillips, general stage director who is on temporary leave to Broadway, has had a wide range of stock experience. In addition to theatrical work in New York, he has put in several summers in Abingdon, Barter's home base.

Robert Pastene won high praise (Continued on Page Five)

Program Complete For BTU Convention In Aulander Church

Two Day Session Begins Friday of This Week; Prominent Speakers

The Training Union Department and the other organizations of the Aulander Baptist Church have completed preparations for the two day convention of the Eastern Regional Training Union Forces which meets there Friday and Saturday, April 18-19. The convention comprises four sessions opening Friday afternoon at 2:55 and closing Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock with a banquet Friday afternoon at 5:45 o'clock.

During the Friday afternoon session addresses will be made by the host pastor, the Rev. William P. Milne and the regional director, John M. Elliott of Edenton. Conferences will be conducted by Mrs. R. L. Councilman of Windsor, Mrs. William P. Milne of Aulander, the Rev. W. C. Francis of Tyner, and the Junior memory work drill to be conducted by Miss Mildred Munden of Edenton. Special music will be rendered by Misses Sophia Jones and Margaret Ann Harris of Elizabeth City, as well as members of the Manteo Youth Choir. The Rev. J. L. Jones of Murfreesboro will lead the singing for the entire convention and conduct the hymn festival on Saturday afternoon.

The Aulander Church will be res- (Continued on Page Seven)

245 Citizens Of Edenton Ineligible To Cast Ballot In Town Election May 6th

Another Drive

During the week of May 19-24 a drive will be inaugurated in Chowan County to raise a quota of \$1,500 for the Boy Scouts.

Robert L. Pratt has been named chairman of the drive and he is hopeful that the quota will be reached. The drive was scheduled to be held the week of April 28, but was postponed due to the recent Easter Seal sale and the cancer drive now in progress.

Lucille Hall Principal Speaker At Meeting Edenton Lions Club

Hospital Manager Asks For Confidence and Good Will

Miss Lucille Hall, manager of the Chowan County Hospital, was the principal speaker at the Lions Club meeting Monday night, taking for her subject "The Hospital". Miss Hall in her remarks emphasized the need of a hospital in Chowan, the part it has to play in modern society and the value to the community. She stated that since the war the United States has become public health minded, referring to the fact that as the result of physical examinations of potential soldiers it was revealed that we were really a nation greatly in need of physical improvement, and that the cry in North Carolina today is that our No. 1 need is good health.

Miss Hall stated that, according to Dr. W. S. Rankin, head of the Duke Endowment, there are 40,000 people in the area surrounding Chowan Hospital to whom the local hospital should give hospital care. The Medical Care Commission estimates that the minimum number of hospital beds for any area is four beds per 1,000 population, thus with 40,000 people to serve, the Chowan Hospital should eventually have 160 beds.

"Or," Miss Hall stated, "if we progress to the ideal situation and have a hospital in every county, our hospital should have approximately 100 beds.

Miss Hall said that potential bed space at the hospital is 80 beds, allowing 25 square feet per bed and that if the need should increase enough space is easily available to have a total of 100 beds. She pointed out that the cost to build and equip a new (Continued on Page Five)

Distinguished Guest Speaker At Opening Of New Club House

Junior Woman's Club Meet In Headquarters at Base

At the first meeting in the new Junior Woman's Club headquarters at the Edenton Naval Air Station, the members were privileged to have as guest speaker Mrs. Charles Doak of Raleigh, who is the executive secretary of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Doak is also editor of the North Carolina Clubwoman Magazine and contributes an article in the Sunday edition of the News and Observer every week.

Mrs. Doak addressed the club on "The Activities of the Federation." Her informal talk was both delightfully humorous and highly informative. She stated that the general federation of women's clubs is the largest organization of its kind in the country and extends, of course, to foreign countries as well. There are 1,700 clubs in the United States with a membership of 3,000,000. The president of the federation, Mrs. LaFell Dickinson, is frequently called to the White House for consultation concerning such matters as reform, health measures, etc. She also stressed the importance of having a club here, where one was so needed. In reminding her hearers that this section is where civilization in this country began, she warned not to let the (Continued on Page Six)

Names Do Not Appear On Proper Registration Books

INTEREST MOUNTS

Books Now In Hands of Registrars In Various Wards

With the municipal election May 6 only 18 days off, it will be of interest to know that as the result of a check of the town's registration books there are 245 people who are not properly registered and, of course, will be denied the privilege to vote in the election of Town officials to serve for the next two years.

Some of the people have never been registered on the Town registration books and, of course, many of them have moved from one ward to another since they last voted in a Town election.

Of this number 33 are in the First Ward, 31 in the Second Ward, 83 in the Third Ward and 98 in the Fourth Ward. For this reason, voters in all wards should make sure their names are on the proper books if they desire to cast a vote in the election.

Registration books are now in the hands of the Registrars and those who are eligible to vote will be properly recorded if they contact the Registrar of the ward in which they live. The Registrars are as follows:

First Ward—J. J. Long.
Second Ward—O. C. Davis.
Third Ward—L. S. Byrum.
Fourth Ward—J. Paul Holoman.

It will be recalled that at the last Town election quite a few people went to the polls to vote, but were informed that their names were not on the registration books and, of course, they were deprived of the privilege of voting. For that reason citizens who are not absolutely certain that they are properly registered should contact the Registrar in their respective wards as soon as possible.

In the election a Mayor, a Treasurer, a Councilman from each of the four wards, two Councilmen-at-large and three members of the Board of Public Works will be elected to office. Up to the time The Herald went to press no further candidates announced for office. At present there are 17 candidates in the race for the 10 offices to be filled. Considerable interest is gradually developing in the forthcoming election, so that a good vote is anticipated.

First Night Ball Game Of Season On Tuesday Night

High School Team Will Cross Bats With Columbia at 8 O'clock

Edenton high school's baseball team will play its first night game of the season Tuesday night of next week when the Aces cross bats with Columbia High School at 8 o'clock on Hicks Field. Coach Tex Lindsay says Columbia has a strong outfit this year, so that a good game is anticipated.

The Aces are scheduled to play their fifth conference game Friday of this week, when they meet Kinston on the latter's diamond. To date the Aces have broken even in conference play, winning two and losing two games. Victims of the Aces were Kinston and Tarboro, while Roanoke Rapids downed the Aces in both games played.

Coach Tex Lindsay expresses some concern in connection with the Kinston game Friday in that he is confronted with a transportation problem. He lacks enough cars to take the boys to Kinston, so that he is appealing for volunteers to drive or loan their cars to transport the squad. Anyone desiring to cooperate is requested to contact Mr. Lindsay at once.

READY FOR CONVENTION
Reservations at Hotel Astor were received by a group of local Legionnaires and their wives late last week for the national Legion Convention in New York August 29, 30, 31 and September 1.

The group who plan to attend the convention includes Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Chestnutt and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Yates.