

Rev. H. F. Surratt Stresses Value Of Vision, Passion And Action To Graduating Class

Eighth Graders Receive Certificates on Monday Night

CLASS NIGHT

R. M. McMillan Graduation Speaker Wednesday Night

Commencement exercises for Edenton High School got under way Sunday night when the baccalaureate sermon was preached by the Rev. H. F. Surratt, pastor of the Methodist Church. Soon after those taking part in the exercises marched down the aisle and onto the stage, they were followed by members of the senior class, dressed in caps and gowns, who occupied the front seats in the auditorium.

Prior to Mr. Surratt's sermon, a special number was rendered by a choir of high school girls who were seated on the stage and accompanied on the piano by Mrs. M. A. Hughes. The invocation was offered by the Rev. R. N. Carroll, pastor of the Baptist Church. The Rev. Harold Gilmer, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, offered the closing prayer.

Taking a few verses of the third chapter of Philippians as the theme for his remarks, Mr. Surratt urged the graduates to look forward to what lies ahead. "You are facing life and should be ready to go," he said, "but in so doing you should equip yourselves with vision, passion and action." He told them where there is no vision, people perish, and that vision broadens as one grows in years. "It is important to know one's self and to know God," he said, "as one embarks upon a new era in life."

"Emotion is a genuine part of nature," said Mr. Surratt as he stressed vision, and urged the graduates to acknowledge their varied tasks with wholehearted enthusiasm, and to stay by their work with patience and enthusiasm.

As to action, he reminded his young friends that they must face hard cold facts, and generate the power to project themselves in the right direction. "Push," he said, "is necessary to make a success in life and do not take the attitude that the world owes you a living. You must find something to do."

The graduates were told that the man that is happiest is the one who is busy, and that it is more blessed to give than receive. "The word 'service' is a good one," he said, "and means a great deal. Take the best you have to give service to the world in keeping with the opportunity this day offers you."

In closing his remarks, Mr. Surratt told the graduates that they will find the secret to success in following in the path of the Man of Galilee. "Life is filled with success and happiness when you commit your life to Him," he said, "and I bid you God speed in your new undertaking."

On Monday night graduating exercises were held for the eighth grade, when the members were presented with certificates of promotion to high school.

Class Day exercises were held Tuesday night with the theme being "Through the Portals." Eric Coffield delivered the valedictory address and Charlotte Bunch the salutatory address. During the exercises the usual class day features were carried out.

Graduation exercises were held Wednesday night shortly after The Herald was printed, when R. M. McMillan, prominent Raleigh attorney, delivered the graduation address.

Mary Goodwin Gets UNC Athletic Award

Friends will be interested to know that Miss Mary Goodwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goodwin, was among the co-eds at the University of North Carolina to be awarded an athletic award at the annual awards night held in Hill Hall Thursday night of last week.

The awards were announced by Chancellor Robert B. House and congratulations to those receiving them were extended by President Frank P. Graham.

PATIENT IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. W. C. Brunson is a patient in Lake View Hospital, Suffolk, having entered the institution Thursday of last week. Mrs. Brunson underwent an operation and is making satisfactory progress. She expects to return to her home late this week.

Lesson In Figures

With the approach of a new fiscal year for the county, the Chowan County Commissioners are now greatly concerned over the budget for the year 1947-48. Already, various agencies have submitted their budgets to the Commissioners, so that at their meeting Monday they set the last Monday in this month, 23, as the date for a special meeting to consider the new budget.

At that time the Commissioners hope to have all budgets and requests for appropriations in hand and will attempt to have the figures pretty well lined up for their July meeting, at which time the county tax rate for next year will most likely be determined. Last year's rate for \$100 per \$100 property valuation.

Mill Team Enters Newly Organized Tri-County League

Six Team Circuit Will Play Saturdays and Sundays

With baseball fever already at a high pitch, as the result of the entry in the Albemarle League, the Cotton Mill baseball team is a member of the six-team Tri-County League which was organized Wednesday of last week. The league includes Edenton, Gatesville, Gates, Eure, Sunbury and Camden.

A. P. Godwin, Jr., of Gatesville is president of the league and Ernest Askew of Gatesville has been elected secretary.

League games will be played only on Saturdays and Sundays, with the schedule running to Labor Day, when a series will be played for the league championship.

The Cotton Mill team is managed by Albert Twiddy, who has the following group of players from which to select a team: Tom Hoskins, Ward Hoskins, Fred Hoskins, J. L. Harrell, Roy Holmes, Roy Harrell, Alexander Martin, Henry Allen Powell, Andrew Whitson, Kirby Wright, E. C. Ashley, Russell Wheeler, Edgar Rogerson, Haywood Harrell, Ernest Ambrose, Donald Ambrose and William Curtis Pressley.

The team practices each Tuesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock on the mill diamond and Manager Twiddy urges any players who desire to make a bid for a berth on the team to be on hand at that time.

The first exhibition game for the local boys was played last week, when they were defeated by Gatesville in a hard-fought game 2 to 1. Kirby Wright was on the mound for the Cotton Mill boys and allowed only two hits, but his teammates were unable to push across enough runs to win the game.

The first league game will be played in Edenton next Saturday afternoon when the Gatesville team will be the attraction. On Sunday a return game will be played in Gatesville.

The Cotton Mill diamond has been put in excellent condition, and new uniforms and equipment has been ordered by the Cotton Mill management.

Mayor Calls Attention To Weeds On Lots

Mayor Leroy Haskett this week calls attention to a number of vacant lots in Edenton where grass and weeds are rather high and which are becoming unsightly. The Mayor urges owners of these lots to have the weeds cut so that it will not be necessary for Street Department employees to do this and add the cost to taxes.

MEETING POSTPONED

The Young Woman's Bible Class of the Edenton Baptist Church postponed their meeting Tuesday night due to class night exercises being held at the same time at the Edenton school. The meeting will, instead, be held Tuesday night, June 10, with Miss Iva Mae Dail, beginning at 8 o'clock.

Mayor L. H. Haskett Appoints Members Traffic Committee

Group Named at Request of Governor Cherry

At the request of Governor R. Gregg Cherry and Coleman W. Roberts, chairman of the State Committee for Traffic Safety, Mayor Leroy Haskett this week appointed a traffic safety committee for Chowan County. Those named on the committee by Mayor Haskett are Richard F. Elliott, L. S. Byrum, Hector Lupton, Clyde Hollowell, West Leary, John Kramer, Frank Elliott and Charles Owens.

"One of the most pressing problems facing our people today is that of traffic accidents and fatalities," said Governor Cherry in urging Mayor Haskett to appoint a committee to coordinate its activities with that of the State Committee.

Governor Cherry stated that through the State Committee for Traffic Safety a very comprehensive plan has been developed which he feels confident will produce splendid results, provided there is wholehearted cooperation of every community and every citizen. "Anything less than this will not produce the results desired," said the Governor.

As a part of the five-year program, it is proposed to have a traffic safety conference in every appropriate center, county or municipality.

Both Gates Open At Air Station

Public Warned to Keep Out of Restricted Area

As of last Sunday both gates at the Edenton Naval Air Station are open, so that motorists may enter or leave from either gate. Since the Town of Edenton leased the base from the Navy Department, the gate at the southern entrance has been closed so that all cars or pedestrians were obliged to enter and leave by the gate at the northern end, where guards have been on duty.

Since both gates are open, there will be no guards at either gate, but instead the guards will patrol the entire base, being on duty 24 hours of the day.

In opening both gates, Mayor Haskett and Chief of Police George I. Dail emphatically call attention to anyone entering the base that it is a violation of the law to travel on any portion of the base property which is designated "Restricted." Anyone found on this restricted area will be subject to arrest and upon conviction will be fined in accordance with a recent ordinance adopted by Town Council.

CHOWAN DIGESTS

President Truman's advisory commission urges universal military training or face extinction. Plan includes induction at 18 or upon completion of secondary school, six months' basic training in camps or aboard ship. Further training under option such as National Guard, ROTC or organized reserves. Cite grim contrast between this nation and Russia's vast military might. Children in fifth grade and up receive "pre-service" training, and 16,000,000 civilians a year are being drilled in rifle, submachine gun and mortar use in Russia.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., elects Mrs. Helen Chaffee Elwell of East Hebron, New Hampshire, as president. Mrs. Elwell is the daughter of Lieut. Gen. Adna R. Chaffee, former chief of staff of U. S. Army. Christian Science Publishing Society reports largest circulation in history of its periodicals. World-wide distributing channels reopened.

Fifteen thousand dollar fishing tournament scheduled for North Carolina, starting September 15 and running through October. Headquarters at Wilmington. First prize \$5,000.

Salaries paid for dogs used in "The Emperor Waltz" which stars Joan Fontaine and Big Crosby said to exceed \$1,000 per week. Three were featured with two stand-ins. A well known citizen of Edenton remarked the other day that instead of crazy dogs running around here,

Colonials Split Even In Two-Game Series With Hertford Team

Large Crowd on Hand For Opening Game Monday Night

Edenton's Colonials up to Wednesday morning had split even in a two-game series with the Hertford Indians, winning the opening game of the Albemarle League Monday night on Hicks Field by a count of 9 to 1. The second game, played in Hertford Tuesday night, was dropped to the Indians 3 to 2.

A large crowd of baseball fans was on hand at Hicks Field Monday night to witness the Colonials' first game of the season, when Mayor L. H. Haskett pitched the first ball to start the game. Lester Jordan was on the mound for Edenton and had little difficulty in setting down the Indians, allowing only four hits during the game. He retired 11 Hertford batters by way of the strike-out route.

The Colonials took an early lead, scoring one run in the first inning and two in the third. Another run was added in the fifth, two in the seventh and in the eighth three counters were tallied when Joe Wheeler sent the ball high over the left field fence to score two runs ahead of him. The Indians' only score came in the ninth frame when Nowell landed squarely on one of Jordan's fast balls, sending the ball like a shot far out in right field. He rounded the bases before Nick George could get to and return the ball to the infield.

The Colonials looked good in the first game and connected safely when hits meant runs. Bell started on the mound for the Indians but was relieved by Craig.

Aycock, behind the plate, won the admiration of the fans as he played a bang-up game. Joe Fulghum, Snokey Hollowell and J. D. Thorne, last year favorites, were also in the lineup. Joe Wheeler held down the hot corner and Claude Griffin was at his old stand on first base. John Byrum roamed in left field, while Nick George substituted for Trot Leary in right field.

The Colonials lost a heart-breaker to the Indians in Hertford Tuesday night 3-2. They faced Moe Bauer and for costly errors, would have chalked up another victory. The Colonials gathered five hits off Bauer, while Thorne held the Indians to four hits. The Colonials held a two-run advantage until the sixth inning, when the Indians knotted the score. In the seventh inning an error by Hollowell allowed the Indians to cross the plate with the winning run.

The Colonials are scheduled to play the Elizabeth City Senators in Elizabeth City tonight (Thursday) with a return game on Hicks Field Friday night. Suffolk is scheduled to play in Edenton Saturday night and on Sunday the Colonials will play in Suffolk.

there's liable to be lots of "mad" folks in the next 30 days if the "quarantine" law is not applied equally all around.

Independent of Elizabeth City comments action of County Board of Commissioners and people of Edenton for progressive move forming planning committee relative to ten-year building program in last Sunday's editorial section.

Baltimore, Md., women successful in fight to serve on juries. General Assembly granted right and imposed obligations. Judge Michael Manly spoke to 400 prospective women jurors this week and said "The law makes jury service for women compulsory. Answers to the question of age such as 'over 25 and under 70' not acceptable."

Martin County Board of Education decides to build two small school houses, a 4-room frame building at Jamesville, and a six-room frame unit at Everetts, without contract. Considered three sets of bids too high. First bid \$140,000 for Everetts building. Second bids markedly lower. Third still lower. Board still of opinion too high. Lowest bid considered \$67,000 for general construction of two buildings without heating, lighting or plumbing. No bond issue floated to finance construction. Current funds sufficient.

Martin County Commissioners discuss plans for county hospital. Ready to submit proposal to vote of people (Continued on Page Eight)

Committee Appointed To Study Building Program Requested To Meet Today

Elected President



W. JIM DANIELS
Members of the Albemarle Rural Mail Carriers Association elected Mr. Daniels president at a meeting held in Hertford Friday night.

Contributions In Boy Scout Drive Lagging

Less Than One-third of Quota Turned Over To Hector Lupton

Hector Lupton, treasurer for the drive to raise funds for the Boy Scouts, reported Tuesday afternoon that only \$454.56 had been turned in to him up to that time. This amount is less than one-third of the quota, which was set at \$1,500.

Robert L. Pratt, chairman of the drive, reported that practically all of the canvassers in Edenton had reported, but that he has had no reports from canvassers in the county. The drive, naturally, is a big disappointment, not only to Chairman Pratt, but to those who are vitally interested in Scouting and have been devoting much of their time to the work.

The purpose of the drive is to raise money for the most part to pay dues in the Tidewater Council, which is absolutely necessary if the Chowan County Boy Scout troops are to receive recognition and the various benefits contingent upon membership in the Council.

Mr. Pratt and friends of Scouting, as well, refuse to believe that the apparent lagging in contributions reflects the interest Edenton people have in the welfare of Boy Scouts. Rather, they are of the opinion that many have been missed by the canvassers, or have overlooked sending in a promised contribution.

It is the purpose to wind up the drive as soon as possible, so that anyone who will make a contribution is urged to do so at once. Mr. Pratt, Mr. Lupton or anyone interested in Scouting will be glad to take the contribution.

Carlton Appointed As Public Relations Director For County

Will Direct Efforts For Best Interest of Chowan's Progress

Chowan County Commissioners at their meeting Monday appointed Peter Carlton, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association, as public relations director for the county. Mr. Carlton recently received a similar appointment by Town Council as public relations director for Edenton. In his capacity of public relations director, Mr. Carlton will attempt to acquaint citizens with problems of both governing bodies in an effort to effect a better understanding of what officials are attempting to do, as well as direct publicity which will be beneficial to both town and county.

Mr. Carlton agreed to serve in both capacities without pay.

J. W. Davis Calls Meeting For 2:30 O'clock In Court House

VERY IMPORTANT

First Steps Taken In Big Problem Facing County

The first step by the committee appointed at last week's mass meeting to consider a building program for Chowan County will be taken this (Thursday) afternoon when the group is requested to meet in the Court House at 2:30 o'clock. The meeting has been called by J. W. Davis, Chamber of Commerce representative, which organization was asked to serve as a steering committee by the County Commissioners.

In calling the meeting, Mr. Davis states that it is imperative that all members be present. The purpose of the meeting will, no doubt, have to do with deciding plans for a complete and intelligent survey of the county's needs, based on the requests submitted at the recent mass meeting, and possibly setting a date to consider the findings of the committee, so that recommendations can be considered to present at a subsequent mass meeting before referring the matter to the County Commissioners.

Those on the committee, who are requested to attend this afternoon's meeting are:

Geddes Potter from the Board of Public Works; J. Edwin Buflap from Town Council; Dr. R. H. Vaughan from the Board of Health; Mrs. J. Clarence Leary from the Edenton PTA; J. W. Davis from the Chamber of Commerce; James E. Wood, chairman of the County Board of Education; W. J. Taylor, superintendent of county schools; Thomas Cheers, chairman of the Edenton school trustees; John A. Holmes, superintendent of Edenton schools; W. H. Costen from the colored county PTA; J. B. Small from the Edenton colored PTA; Cameron Boyce and Henry Bunch from the Second Township; C. J. Hollowell and F. A. Ward from the Third Township and James L. Hassell and James D. Swindell from the Fourth Township.

At the time of going to press The Herald had not learned members on the committee representing the ABC Board, County PTA and a representative from the local Bar.

At last week's mass meeting county needs were listed which will cost, at present day prices, over one million dollars. These needs included a new colored school building in Edenton, a new graded school in the central part of the county for colored children, a new high school for white children on Hicks Field, a gymnasium and addition to the auditorium at the Chowan High School, an auditorium at the Rocky Hock School, a new county jail, a building to house county offices and providing a modern heating system for the ancient Chowan Court House.

Nelle Perry Chosen As "Miss Edenton" In Wilson Festival

Two Edenton Girls Will Participate In Outstanding Event

Mayor Leroy Haskett this week announced that he had appointed Nelle Perry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Perry, as a bathing beauty to represent Edenton in the bathing beauty contest to be held in Wilson August 14 in connection with the Wilson Tobacco Festival. Miss Perry, of course, will be entered as "Miss Edenton" and many of her friends are hoping that she will come out the winner.

Miss Perry is the second Edenton girl to be named by Mayor Haskett to participate in the Wilson event. Last week he named Miss Hazel Boswell to represent Edenton in the beauty contest.

LLOYD C. BURTON HOME

Lloyd C. Burton, who was a patient in General Hospital, Norfolk, was brought home Sunday. He is still in a precarious condition.