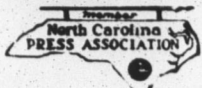


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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT

DO WE LOVE LIGHT BETTER THAN DARKNESS? As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.—John 9:5.

Military Training And Our Guard

That some kind of universal military training is strongly indicated, one can observe from world events. The people of the United States react more and more to the idea that we must do something along this line if we expect to remain safe from a steam-roller sudden attack by any of those nations which are day by day girding themselves for what? You might well ask yourself and with deep concern—why is Russia training children from the fifth grade up in things of a military nature? You might well ask yourself why over 16 million Soviet citizens are being trained constantly in the art of warfare.

The word "appeasement" was flattened by the war machine of the ruthless Nazis. "Appeasement" has taken on a meaning that is apt to be most uncompromising. The American people are not kidding themselves. They know that it's as much as their lives and freedom are concerned to ignore what is as plain as a wart on one's nose.

Speaking of this coming military duty—those who get in on the ground floor with the National Guard will be ahead of the game. The local Cannon Company is making steady progress. From 30 it's grown to 44 members. Join the National Guard and get in on the ground floor.

A Salute To Our Teachers

Graduation is over. The school year is finished. Those youngsters who graduated are looking ahead to new horizons, already forgetting what they are leaving behind. There are faithful servants holding the ground, waiting expectantly for the new crop of youthful aspirants to advance along the ladder of education. These faithful servants—to the young advancing, may seem to stand still, but this is not so. For they venture forth to the four corners of the earth embodied in the teachings given each graduate, many times upon many times, according to years of service they have given to the school systems of our nation.

Theirs is a noble task—this task of teaching our children. Let each who reads these words pause in momentary reflection and thanks for the interest shown and the countless little services rendered above and beyond the call of professional duty. We pay homage to our teachers—in Edenton and Chowan County. We salute our educators all over the nation. Theirs is a noble task. Theirs is a vital task!

Sober Thinking Needed

That Chowan County citizens are taking seriously the huge problem facing them in way of providing necessary improvements, paramount of which are adequate school facilities, is reflected in the fact that no time has been lost in calling the committee together to begin the Herculean task placed upon it. This group is called to meet this afternoon to consider a building program upon which will depend, no doubt, Chowan County's action in a program which calls for a tremendous outlay of money.

Without question, the needs as presented at the recent mass meeting are necessary and very much needed, but at the same time it is obvious that the County cannot stand a tax burden to raise an amount estimated to total over a million dollars in order to provide what is deemed necessary.

The situation is a serious one and one which will require deep thought and laying aside of personal feelings. It is for the welfare of the county that the Commissioners placed the matter before the citizens and as the result of which a committee was appointed and charged with the responsibility of making a survey of the needs and subsequently submitting recommendation to another mass meeting and later to the County Commissioners.

An effort was made to have a committee representing a cross section of the County, so that there should be no partiality shown in the ultimate decision of the committee. What recommendations are arrived at The Herald cannot predict, but it is reasonable to believe that it is composed of men who are vitally interested in the county's welfare who will, after due and serious consideration from all angles, recommend what they believe best for the County as a whole.

HEARD & SEEN

By "BUFF"

Yep, the baseball season is on, as could well be seen at the Red Men's meeting Monday night, when the Edenton Colonials played the first game of the Albemarle League's season. A quorum was not present at the lodge's opening time, so Sachem George T. White stated, "We will call off the meeting due to the eighth grade graduating exercises at the high school." Jarvis Skinner looked rather surprised and then chimed in, "Yes, and there's a ball game going on at Hicks Field, too." It wasn't hard to guess which affair attracted the most Red Men. At any rate, what organization will not have a dickens of a time holding a meeting if a baseball game is on tap?

And speaking about baseball, Edenton has two league teams. The Colonials are in the Albemarle League, while the Cotton Mill team is a member of the new Tri-County League. And as if that isn't enough baseball, the Varsity Club has been successful in organizing a soft ball league which is scheduled to play two games a week. The teams in the league are the Varsity Club, Boy Scouts, Rotary Club and Red Men. The first game will be played next Wednesday, June 11, when the Varsity Club meets the Boy Scouts. Games will be played on the east end of the baseball diamond, so that the playing field will not interfere with the regular baseball diamond. Then beside all this baseball, the American Legion Junior baseball team will be playing its share, so all in all Edenton is well off so far as baseball is concerned this year.

With the senior class winding up its school career, thoughts of many of us go back maybe more years than we care to remember when we were in the same shoes.

However, it's a joyous time for the boys and girls in some respects, while on the other hand there is, no doubt, a tinge of sorrow that their public school days are over and they embark on a new era—one in which they will be obliged to face the hard and many times unfriendly realities of life. But be that as it may, the Edenton Seniors on Wednesday enjoyed a picnic at Sandy Point which, after the graduation exercises Wednesday night, will, no doubt be the last time they will be together as a group of students. The Seniors presented their home room teacher, Ben Askew, with a present as a token of their esteem. Here's wishing every member of the Senior Class just as much and even more success in life than he or she experienced during their school career.

Chowan Hospital has another booster in Johnny Bruce Hughes. Johnny Bruce recently underwent an operation in the hospital and is high in his praise of Dr. Frank Wood and the group of nurses who attended him while a patient. Here's one who has not heard a complaint from any patient of the hospital, so while it might be hard sledding, so far as finances are concerned, here's hoping that the hospital will soon be on a more paying basis. Not that there is a wish for more people to become sick or needing an operation, but rather that more who go to other hospitals will use the one at our back door.

Although the Rev. H. F. Surratt was not in the best of condition Sunday night when he preached the baccalaureate sermon, being the victim of a bad cold he did, no doubt, have some satisfaction in preaching a sermon when the front seats were occupied. The Senior Class occupied the front seats in the auditorium. Maybe a move should be started to have seniors in all of our churches in order to have front rows of seats occupied now and then.

A revolution in fishing will no doubt be started as the result of an experience Sheriff J. A. Bunch had the other day. The Sheriff was fishing for bream and, of course, was fishing very shallow up near the shore. At one time when he threw his line near some lily pads a bass grabbed his cork and went under the water with it. The Sheriff wondered what was going on and when he pulled in his line he noticed the bass had chewed a piece off his cork. Now he's planning, when fishing for bream, to attach a few hooks to his cork as well as at the end of the line. A new wrinkle, I'll say!

Then I've heard about the experience Oscar Duncan had up the creek. I've been told Friend Duncan caught a very big bass and not having a stringer along, he decided to fasten it to a cow chain in the front of the boat. He continued fishing and all of a sudden the boat was pulled around and nearly turned over as the bass broke the cow chain. Gosh, it's good the chain broke or else Friend Duncan might have landed down by Oregon Inlet, for these parts are no place for a fish of that size. Anyway, I understand Friend Duncan didn't want the story to leak out for fear somebody might not believe it.

Conditions often make a difference how a fellow feels. For instance, one of the County Commissioners was asked Monday morning how he felt. "Oh, I feel very good," was the reply. Then he was reminded that various budgets would come up for consideration. That altered the picture immediately, for he at once came back, "Come to think about it, I don't feel good at all."

Charlie Overman has what he considers a Democratic pipe. However, he said the other day that he's going to put it in the Republican party—on account of it (the pipe) also getting very much stronger.

"I want to put an ad in the paper," said a fellow over the phone the other day. "It's no use asking how much it is for I'll have to pay it through the nose," he wound up the conversation. No, just pay through a check, pal, and it will be all right.

Ask School Boards To Publish Minutes

Commissioners Adopt a Motion at Monday's Meeting

Following an editorial item in The Herald last week relative to the County and Edenton school administrative units publishing minutes of their meetings, as well as at least an annual financial statement, the County Commissioners at their meeting Monday discussed the matter and subsequently unanimously passed a motion which requests both units to have their minutes published regularly, together with a financial statement.

Under terms of the motion, both units will be expected to include the cost of furnishing this information to the public in their budgets.

GIVEN BEER LICENSES

Chowan County Commissioners at their meeting Monday granted licenses to sell beer on premises to the Jernigan-Granby Post of the American Legion at the Dorrie Miller Club on the Naval Air Station, and to W. S. Stallings on West Albemarle Street.

46 JAILED IN MAY

According to the monthly report of Jailer Herman White, 46 persons were confined in the Chowan County jail during the month of May. Confinements ranged from 1 to 15 days, with the expense amounting to \$126.65, which includes jail and turnkey fees.

Big business needs very little help from the average citizen; it is powerful enough to take care of itself.

LOST!

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RAIN HELPS CROPS

Rain over the week-end did considerable good over the central and lower part of Chowan County, according to County Agent C. W. Overman. Mr. Overman reports, however, that very little rain reached the upper section of the county last week, where the soil is reported very dry.



TAYLOR THEATRE

EDENTON, N. C. SHOWS CONTINUOUS EVERY DAY EXCEPT SUNDAY

Today (Thursday) and Friday, June 5-6—

Frank Sinatra and Kathryn Grayson in "IT HAPPENED IN BROOKLYN"

Saturday, June 7—

Eddie Dean and Roscoe Ates in "DRIFTIN' RIVER"

Sunday, June 8—

Lawrence Tierney and Marion Carr in "SAN QUENTIN"

Monday and Tuesday, June 9-10—

Dick Haymes and Vera Ellen in "CARNIVAL IN COSTA RICA"

Wednesday, June 11—

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