

"The fight against polio is far from won and only through the March of Dimes can we supply the sinews of war to carry it through to the finish."
—President Truman.

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Capella Choir Of Wake Forest Will Sing Here Feb. 27

Proceeds Go Toward the Junior Legion Baseball Program

Announcement was made early this week by Commander Kermit Layton that the Wake Forest College Capella Choir, under the direction of Dr. Thane McDonald, director of music at Wake Forest, will appear in the local high school auditorium on the night of February 27, sponsored by the Edward G. Bond Post of the American Legion.

Commander Layton, in disclosing the arrangements made with the Wake Forest group, announced also that the proceeds realized from the affair will be devoted entirely to the Junior Legion baseball program during the coming summer.

A comparatively new organization itself, the Capella Choir is composed of 37 mixed voices, although the personnel itself was selected altogether from the main Wake Forest Glee Club of 75 members. The Glee Club toured Eastern Carolina last spring, appearing in Windsor and Ahoskie in this section and the reception accorded the group was so gratifying to the college officials that another tour of college singers was planned for this spring with the Edenton date being a part of this tour.

Director McDonald has advised the local Legion officials that his program will consist of songs with which most everyone is acquainted. In addition to the regular choir program, the group will feature the "choir within a choir" idea in several vocal ensemble numbers, one of which is the ever popular Male Octet, which was organized in 1939.

Also featured on the program will be a piano number rendered by Miss Lucy Rawlings of Conway, choir accompanist. Miss Rawlings is widely known for her ability as a pianist and her presence with the Wake Forest Choir will add a great deal to the program.

Commander Layton said that tickets for the affair will go on advanced sale within a few weeks. The Auxiliary of the American Legion, headed by Mrs. Paul Holoman, has consented to handle the advance sales and anyone desiring to purchase a ticket before the night of the program may do so from any member of the Auxiliary.

Court Of Honor At Lions Club Meeting Next Monday Night

Jack and Frank Habit Will Be Advanced to Eagle Scouts

George Twiddy, chairman of the West Albemarle District of Boy Scouts, announced this week that a Court of Honor will be held at the Lions Club meeting Monday night, February 2.

The occasion will be rather unique in that for the first time in Scouting history in Edenton two brothers will be advanced to Eagle Scouts at the same time. The two brothers are Jack and Frank Habit, sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Habit. These will be the only Eagle Scout awards at the Court of Honor, but a number of merit badges will be presented various Scouts and some Scouts will be advanced to a higher rank.

The principal address for the occasion will be made by the Rev. W. W. Finlator, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Elizabeth City. Bill Warren, Field Scout Executive, will also attend the Court of Honor.

Mr. Twiddy is looking forward to a very delightful affair, which will be attended by from 50 to 75 Scouts and Scouters, together with members of the Lions Club.

Cotton Mill Directors Meet On February 11

According to Richard F. Elliott, secretary of the Edenton Cotton Mill, the annual meeting of the stockholders will be held at the office of the company Wednesday afternoon, February 11, at 4 o'clock.

At this meeting a Board of Directors will be elected and other business transacted. Stockholders have been notified to attend the meeting or appoint proxies to represent them.



U. S. SIGNAL CORPS COMBAT PHOTOGRAPHER IN WORLD WAR II—The art of photography made amazing strides in 1941-45 when 1,400 cameramen were directed by the Signal Corps in making both still and motion pictures of all activities of the Army. Above, a photographer accompanies a patrol engaged with German snipers on the outskirts of Bafle, Belgium, in the Battle of the Bulge. In this action 12 Nazis were killed.

No Report Turned In As To Progress In March Dimes Drive

Bad Weather Attributed To Slowing Up Work Of Canvassers

Though the March of Dimes drive began in Chowan County last week, neither Chairman R. L. Pratt nor J. Edwin Bufflap, chairman of the Chowan Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, has had any reports from the canvassers. It is believed that the very unfavorable weather conditions have retarded the work of most of the canvassers.

The quota this year is \$2,200, which is the highest amount ever asked from Chowan County, but Chairman Pratt believes that if the urgency for funds is considered by people generally, the quota will again be realized.

Mr. Pratt calls attention to the fact that while there has been no outbreak of infantile paralysis in Chowan County, in the last two years it is estimated that the number of children crippled in the United States by the disease has increased about 10% and in the last seven years almost 45%. The majority of polio victims are children under 10, and only one-fifth of all reported cases are 15 years of age or over.

Adequate medical care in the case of infantile paralysis is estimated as beyond the financial resources of nine out of every 10 American families. Through the March of Dimes, however, the American people guarantee that no one suffering from this disease need go without the best available medical care and treatment for lack of funds, regardless of age, race, creed or color.

Dimes and dollars contributed to the annual March of Dimes are divided equally between the National Foundation and its chapters. Each chapter returns half the money raised in its community to provide care and treatment for infantile paralysis patients in its own area. The other half goes to national headquarters to finance a nation-wide program of research, education and emergency epidemic aid.

Mr. Pratt urges canvassers to make every effort possible to contact every person in the county and asks those solicited to be as generous as possible in order to help reach the county's quota.

Junior Class Sponsors Square Dance Friday

The Junior Class of Edenton High School will sponsor a square dance in the Edenton Armory Friday night. The dance will begin at 9 o'clock with music furnished by the Happy Valley Boys, a popular string band. The public is cordially invited.

George Moffett New Edenton Policeman

George Moffett has been employed as an Edenton patrolman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of E. R. Tolley. Mr. Moffett has had previous experience as a patrolman, having served with the Portsmouth Police Department.

The new patrolman is married, his wife being a native of Columbia.

BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY WILL MEET MONDAY AT 3:30

The Missionary Society of the Edenton Baptist Church will meet at the church Monday afternoon, February 2, at 3:30 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

Final Warning

Three weeks ago over 300 subscribers to The Herald were notified that their subscriptions had expired. Most of these have renewed, but a few have not responded. This will be the last issue of The Herald sent to this group, as all delinquent subscribers will be removed from the mailing list next week.

St. Louis Sinfonietta Delights Big Crowd At Edenton Concert

One of Best Performances Ever Staged In Edenton

One of the largest crowds ever to greet an Edenton Community Concert was on hand Wednesday night of last week to hear the St. Louis Sinfonietta in one of the best programs ever presented in Edenton, according to some who were present. The group of musicians and their director, Paul Schreiber, were greeted with thunderous applause and at the close were forced to refuse any more encores after several were rendered.

It was the second of three concerts, the next, the Apollo Boys' Choir being scheduled to appear April 7.

Among the numbers presented by the group were "Adagio" by Arcangelo Corelli; Overture to "The Marriage of Figaro" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart; Symphony No. 5 in B flat major by Franz Schubert, including Allegro, Andante con moto, Menuetto and Allegro vivace; Introduction and Allegro by Maurice Ravel; From San Domingo and Jamaican Rumba by Arthur Benjamin. The closing number, a collection by Jerome Kern, was especially well received, and included "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes," "The Night Was Made for Love," "She Didn't Say Yes," "They Didn't Believe Me," "Who," "All the Things You Are," "The Song Is You," "The Jockey on the Carousel," "Long Ago and Far Away," "Bill," "You Are Love" and "Old Man River."

This final portion of the program was loudly applauded so that several encores were presented.

Another delightful feature of the program was a harp solo by Gertrude Hopkins.

Leaking Boiler Prevents Services On Sunday At Local Methodist Church

Due to a leaking boiler, all services were obliged to be called off Sunday at the Methodist Church. A meeting of the Building Committee was held Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. M. F. Bond, Jr., at which time J. Edwin Bufflap, chairman, was instructed to proceed to have temporary repairs made. If these repairs cannot be made at once, regular services will be held next Sunday in the Sunday School annex, which can be heated without the boiler.

The proposed building program was also discussed Tuesday night, the chairman being instructed to obtain prices for making necessary repairs to the interior and exterior of the church, as well as make an effort to secure a tentative estimate of the cost of a new two-story building to house the Church School classes, as well as provide a kitchen and recreation room.

Nicol Smith Presents 'Valley In the Clouds' Film On Friday Night

Famous Author and Adventurer Will Also Present Lecture

Edentonians and people in this section will have the rare opportunity of hearing Nicol Smith, famous world traveler and lecturer, who is scheduled to appear in the school auditorium Friday night at 8 o'clock. Mr. Smith, who is a noted author and adventurer, will present his new all-color moving picture "Valley In the Clouds," which he explains and comments upon as it is shown.

The picture is a story of Jammu and Kashmir, which was taken in Srinagar, a large city in Kashmir, where he remained for several weeks while making a film based on the life of a Mohammedan family.

Nicol Smith's career was launched at the early age of 17 when he paddled the entire length of the Danube in a canoe. During that same summer's vacation from Stanford University—he is a native of California—he had himself hoisted over the cliffs of the Pindus Mountains by the celebrated Monks of the Kalabacca Monastery and he also swam the Hellespont.

An amazing series of adventures in the South Seas followed. On Moorea he was captured by the 300-pound daughter of an island chieftain, escaped to a Tahiti-bound steamer only to be shipwrecked and returned to civilization by way of the Fiji Islands on a convict boat taking prisoners to Noumea in New Caledonia.

This accidental contact with convicts led, four years later, to a trip to the penal colonies in French Guiana and Devil's Island. With his rare gift for detecting the interesting and unusual, Nicol Smith found fascinating lecture material among the murderers, gamblers and other members of the world-famous penal colony.

In Dutch Guiana, Nicol Smith sailed up the Kabalebo or "River of Death" and was officially adopted into the Areqak tribe. He has also toured the Balkans, Russia and the Scandinavian countries, but it is the Orient that holds the deepest fascination for him. His first expedition to Hainan in the China Sea was in 1937, and his explorations on this mysterious and alluring isle were continued during another expedition in 1939, ending shortly before the Japanese took over Hainan.

Mr. Smith is in great demand and will appear in Edenton only through the influence of Mrs. Inglis Fletcher and the fact that he had an open date while traveling from one engagement to another.

Tickets are on sale for the lecture and it is hoped many will avail themselves of the opportunity to hear the distinguished lecturer. The proceeds will go to the Panel Room Committee.

Methodist Women Will Stage Chicken Salad Supper Tonight 6 To 9

Tonight (Thursday) from 6 to 9 o'clock, a chicken salad supper will be served in the Church School annex at the Methodist Church. The supper is sponsored by the Women's Society of Christian Service with the proceeds going toward paying for an electric stove at the parsonage.

Tickets for the supper are on sale at Mitchener's Pharmacy, Leggett & Davis, The Betty Shoppe, Badham Bros. and with Mrs. George Dail at the Bank of Edenton. Preparations have been made to serve 100 persons, so any who plan to attend are asked to secure a ticket.

Asa C. Griffin Elected New President Of Chowan Farm Bureau At Annual Meeting

22 Edenton Girls Reach Tenderfoot Rank Girl Scouts

Impressive Ceremony In Parish House Saturday Night

In a most impressive ceremony held in St. Paul's Parish House Saturday night, 22 Girl Scouts were awarded pins, the girls having completed the necessary requirements for the attainment of Tenderfoot rank.

Mrs. John Graham, Edenton's very capable Scout leader, conducted the ceremony and told the objectives of Girl Scouts. Her assistant, Mrs. Meredith Jones, Jr., gave a brief history of the origin of the organization. Mrs. Jones also presented the pins and congratulated each for her splendid work.

The color guard was presented by the following officers: Harriet Conger and Marietta Perry.

The investiture service closed with the singing of Taps and the solemnity of the occasion changed swiftly to one of hilarity by the program which consisted of several original skits enacted by Sharon Lupton, Betsy Duncan, Lou Jordan, Mary Ann Elliott and Ann White.

A social hour, which the girls arranged themselves, was enjoyed by the visiting parents. Delicious sandwiches cut in the shape of the Girl Scout emblem were served with hot chocolate.

Those receiving the Tenderfoot pins were Barbara Leary, Lou Ellen Jordan, Mary L. Browning, Ann White, Barbara Dail, Hazel Elliott, Thomassa Goodman, Marion Goodwin, Billie Russell, Betsy Duncan, Allison Campen, Mary Ann Elliott, Carolyn Harrell, Lezion Owens, Martha Wood, Kitty Campen, Marjorie Thigpen, Juanita Alexander, Ann Hawkins, Evelyn Bunch, Ruth Rea Elliott and Sharon Lupton.

Miss Carolyn Elliott Writes Play At Flora MacDonald College

Original Production Is Very Well Received By Audience

Miss Carolyn Lee Elliott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Elliott, wrote and directed a play, "Adam's Apple", a one-act comedy, which was presented last week by the Flora MacDonald College student dramatic club, "Highland Players". The play was the first original play written by a member of the club since it was organized. Miss Elliott is a sophomore at the college.

The comedy centered around the typical showman of the past decade and was a very creditable production from the standpoint of performance and the ability and originality of the author, alike. The dialogue was entertaining and kept the audience in an uproar of mirth.

Margaret Oliver of Whiteville played the title role. Others in the cast were Helen Sherill of Fayetteville, Verniese Woodward of Murrell's Inlet, S. C., and Jane Hobbs of Wilmington.

Junior Chamber Of Commerce Is Planned

According to post cards sent to a group of Edenton men under 35 years of age, an effort will be made to organize a Junior Chamber of Commerce in Edenton. A meeting is scheduled to be held Friday night in the Municipal Building at 8 o'clock, when the idea will be discussed.

The cards were signed by Frank Holmes, who will, no doubt, have charge of the meeting.

Edenton PTA Will Meet Next Tuesday

Edenton Parent-Teacher Association will meet Tuesday afternoon, February 3, at 3:15 o'clock in the High School Library. A full attendance is urged.

Alonza Edwards Says Farmers Now Facing Big Job

MANY PRESENT Appeals For Unity In Interest of Agricultural Pursuits

Between 200 and 300 members of the Chowan County Farm Bureau and their wives gathered in the Edenton armory Monday night to attend the annual meeting of the organization. A feature of the meeting was a fish fry which was served shortly after 6 o'clock. It was one of the most successful fish fries ever staged at the armory, those in charge preparing rock fish to perfection.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. W. C. Francis and after the meal C. W. Overman led the group in singing several familiar songs. President J. E. Baker presided over the meeting and in a few brief but appropriate words welcomed those who were present. The principal speaker for the occasion was Alonza Edwards, vice president of the State Farm Bureau, who was accompanied by J. A. Shackelford, president of the Lenoir County Farm Bureau. Mr. Edwards was introduced by C. W. Overman.

At the outset, Mr. Edwards told his hearers that the principal purpose of the Farm Bureau is to strive for financial security in behalf of farmers. He reviewed progress made in the State, but emphasized the fact that farmers must not dwell in the past but that it is necessary to press forward. He said that during the last 15 years the farmer has almost come up to the level of other groups, but that in 1948 they are facing a changing world.

The speaker said that heretofore there was a Congress who saw eye to eye with farmers, but that this condition has changed, in that among the first appropriations cut by the Republican-dominated Congress was agriculture. He rehearsed conditions when 450,000 farmers lost their homes and pointed out that the Farm Bureau was instrumental in passage of a law protecting farmers in way of parity prices for crops.

Mr. Edwards spoke about the Steagall bill which, as written into the law, terminates two years after the war. The bill which has been a great help to farmers, will terminate this year, 1948, and was passed by a sympathetic and energetic Congress. The majority of Congressmen now, said Edwards, come from industrial centers and the present Congress is not as friendly as in the past. With the passing of the Steagall bill, Mr. (Continued on Page Five)

Clothing Drive In Chowan County Is Now In Progress

Collection Will Be Made In Edenton Sunday Afternoon

"The national clothing drive is on," states C. W. Overman, county chairman.

The clothing collection in the rural areas started on Wednesday and will continue throughout the week. Any person having bundles of clothing which were not picked up during the week should take them to their church next Sunday.

The collection in Edenton will be conducted next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Boy Scouts, assisted by adults, under the direction of J. L. Chestnut, will cover the town.

Mr. Overman urges everybody to have their contribution for the drive ready. Money contributions are also needed and will be accepted.

Mrs. Graham Byrum Patient In Hospital

Mrs. Graham Byrum is a patient in General Hospital, Norfolk, where on Thursday of last week she underwent a very serious brain operation. While in a precarious condition for several days, reports on Wednesday were to the effect that she was apparently showing some signs of improving.