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McMullan Frames Bill Relating To Justices Of Peace

Provides For Abolishing Fee System; Expects Passage

PUT ON SALARY Office Will Be Under Supervision of County Commissioners

Home from Raleigh over the weekend, J. H. McMullan, Chowan County's Representative in the General Assembly, had with him a copy of a bill he introduced in the House of Representatives having to do with the appointment of justices of the peace and abolishing the fee system in said affairs.

Mr. McMullan said provisions of the proposed bill have been many times discussed among law-makers but apparently, for one reason or another, there always was some reluctance in taking the initiative to introduce a bill. He feels reasonably sure his bill will be enacted into law, having the assurance of many Senators and Representatives that they are in accord with it and will, of course, vote for its passage.

Mr. McMullan's bill provides for county commissioners of the State to fix the number of justices of the peace to be appointed in the various counties, taking into consideration the population, the business now being transacted before justices of the peace, and such future business as may be reasonably anticipated.

The justices of the peace shall be appointed by the County Commissioners and may be removed from office by the Commissioners for misfeasance, malfeasance, nonfeasance or other good cause. The term of office will be for a period of two years.

The bill calls for each justice of the peace to be paid an annual salary, to be fixed by the Commissioners, in its discretion, to be paid out of the general county fund. Such salary will be in lieu of all fees as compensation for a justice of the peace in connection with any criminal or civil case, but he shall continue to collect such fees as are provided by law with respect to criminal or civil cases and pay them into the general fund of the county. Each justice of the peace shall be permitted to collect and retain for his own use, in addition to the salary, all fees provided by law with respect to any matter other than a criminal or a civil case.

Every justice of the peace will be subject to the "Daily Deposit Law" and will be required to make monthly reports to the County Commissioners, showing in full detail all fees, fines and forfeitures collected by him, in such form and manner as the board may require.

Every justice of the peace shall have county-wide jurisdiction, but the Commissioners shall designate the place where each justice of the peace shall sit regularly for the transaction of business. The Commissioners shall provide adequate space or quarters in which each justice of the peace may hold court and perform the other duties of his office.

The bill provides for each justice of the peace furnishing bond, the premium of which is to be paid from the county's general fund.

If the bill is enacted into law, it will become effective November 1, 1950.

Chowan Dental Clinic Will Begin Feb. 28th

Dr. Koonce Will Examine Teeth For Three Weeks

According to the local Health Department, Dr. Koonce of the State Department of Oral Hygiene will arrive in Chowan County February 28 in order to conduct a three weeks' dental clinic in the white schools of the county.

Those parents who prefer to have their children's teeth checked by their own dentist are requested to have this work done before February 28.

BANK CLOSED TUESDAY

The Bank of Edenton will be closed all day Tuesday of next week, February 22, in observance of Washington's birthday. Important banking should, therefore, be transacted accordingly.

LITTLE SYMPHONY PERFORMS IN EDENTON FRIDAY



Pictured above are members of the Little Symphony of the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra, which will present two concerts in Edenton High School Friday of this week. A free concert will be presented for grammar grade children only at 2:30 in the afternoon, while the night performance will begin at 8:30 o'clock. The orchestra is composed of 22 talented musicians and is conducted by Dr. Benjamin Swalin. Edenton is included in the tour including 35 appearances.

College Glee Club Will Be Guests Of Rotarians March 31

Group Will Present Program at Local High School

Edenton Rotarians will be hosts to members of the Greensboro College Glee Club at the club's luncheon in the Parish House Thursday, March 31. On the same day the glee club will present a program in the Edenton school, and will, no doubt, present a few numbers at the Rotary meeting.

The decision to have the young ladies as the club's guests was made at last week's meeting when John A. Holmes informed the club that a program will be presented in Edenton provided the noon-day meal is furnished.

REA Is Planning An Addition Of 226 Miles New Lines

Chowan One of Counties Included In Expansion Program

According to an announcement made this week, the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation will very soon begin construction work on 226 miles of additional rural electric lines in this section.

C. E. Welch, superintendent of the construction company which has the contract for building the new lines has arrived in Hertford to set up headquarters and has begun employing 40 to 50 men who are needed on the project.

Work on the project is expected to get under way about March 1, and will take about three months to complete.

Lines to be extended will be located in Perquimans, Chowan, Pasquotank and Camden counties.

Hat Demonstration At Cross Roads Feb. 25th

According to Miss Rebecca Colwell, Chowan County home demonstration agent, a demonstration in remodeling hats and the selection of becoming hats will be held at the Community House at Cross Roads Friday afternoon, February 25, at 2:15 o'clock.

The demonstration will be in charge of Miss Jane Gibbs, Extension clothing specialist of State College.

Rotary Club Agrees To Sponsor Peanut Contest

At last week's Rotary meeting, the club voted to again sponsor a peanut contest among 4-H Club boys in the county, providing the two peanut mills will cooperate as in the past.

There was some doubt as to the local concerns continuing to take part in the contest, due to the fact that the number of boys participating is gradually decreasing.

Little N.C. Symphony Orchestra Will Play In Edenton Friday

Free Concert In Afternoon For Grammar Grade Pupils

8:30 AT NIGHT

Tickets on Sale at Door For Those Who Are Not Members

Thomas Byrum, chairman of the Chowan County Little N. C. Symphony Association, announced this week that everything is in readiness, for the scheduled appearance of the Little Symphony of the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra in the high school auditorium Friday night.

A free concert will be presented at 2:30 o'clock for the children in the grammar grades. Mr. Byrum stated that any adults who might want to attend this performance will be obliged to pay admission, for the concert is primarily for the school children and all available space will be needed for them. High school students also will be required to pay if they attend the afternoon concert.

The night concert will begin at 8:30 o'clock, when membership cards will be honored. Mr. Byrum states that these membership cards can be purchased from him and that tickets will also be on sale at the door the night of the concert.

The free afternoon concert for grammar grade children will include compositions with special appeal for a youthful audience. The children themselves will participate in the program, singing a hymn and also taking part in a musical quiz game.

COMMUNITY CHEST IDEA SCHEDULED TO BE CONSIDERED AT MEETING TO BE CALLED IN NEAR FUTURE BY HERBERT HOLLOWELL

Mr. Hollowell and Members of Chamber of Commerce Committee Study Plan and See Advantages For Raising Funds In Various Drives

Herbert Hollowell, chairman of a Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association committee to investigate the possibility of organizing a community chest, reports that a meeting will be held in the near future, when a State representative will attend to explain in detail the working of the organization and the advantages to be derived. On the committee with Mr. Hollowell are Gilliam Wood, William P. Jones, John Kramer and Jesse Harrell.

Mr. Hollowell says that a community chest is a cooperative organization of citizens and welfare agencies having two chief functions. First, it raises funds each year primarily for its affiliated social welfare, health and recreation agencies. During war and other emergency periods, it may also raise funds for local, national and international war and emergency relief and service. The funds which it secures are raised by a community-wide appeal and distributed in accordance with a systematic budget procedure. Second, it promotes effective planning, coordination and administration of the social welfare, health and recreation services of a community. Direct responsibility may be carried by a community welfare council. National campaigns are not included in the community chest program.

Mr. Hollowell says that records of community chests indicate that 847 local chests had reported their existence as of January 15, 1946. Of the 798 campaigns held by these 847 chests, 508 covered areas of less than 50,000 population, and 116 were in areas of less than 10,000.

Some of the advantages in the community chest were pointed out by Mr. Hollowell as follows: (1) It eliminates the difficulty experienced by many organizations in raising their budgets due to want of interest on

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Workers For Chowan College Funds Will Meet Here Feb. 22nd

Chairman of Campaign Is Expected to Lead Discussion

A County-wide meeting for all workers who are participating in the campaign for Chowan College will be held at the Edenton Baptist Church on Tuesday night, February 22, at 7:30 o'clock.

The Rev. G. M. Singletary of Elizabeth City, general campaign manager for the Chowan Association, is expected to be present and lead the discussion. It is hoped that all interested persons and friends of the college, as well as workers, will be present.

Bingo Party Tonight For March Of Dimes

Sponsored by Edenton's Junior Woman's Club And Jaycees

Tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock a bingo party will be held in the Edenton armory, sponsored jointly by the Junior Woman's Club and the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Prizes during the game will be food prepared by members of the Junior Woman's Club.

The proceeds of the affair will go toward the March of Dimes, so that it is hoped many will attend.

Edenton's Jaycees Hold Ladies' Night

Delightful Affair Held Thursday Night at Boswell's

Edenton's Junior Chamber of Commerce observed ladies' night Thursday at a delightful dinner served at Boswell's Restaurant. Prominent guests at the party were Mr. and Mrs. Billy Harrison of Rocky Mount. Mr. Harrison is State president of the Jaycees and had no little part in helping to organize the Edenton Chamber of Commerce, so that he is well known and highly respected by members of the Edenton organization. A feature of the evening was a musical program presented by Miss Carolyn Swindell and Miss Susan Thigpen. Miss Swindell sang and Miss Thigpen rendered several selections on the piano.

At the conclusion of the meal, the group enjoyed dancing.

DISTRICT SCOUTERS WILL MEET IN EDENTON NEXT SUNDAY

J. L. Chestnutt, Boy Scout district chairman, announces the regular meeting of the West Albemarle District which will be held Sunday afternoon, February 20, in the Municipal Building in Edenton.

Mr. Chestnutt is very anxious to have every Scouter in the district present for the meeting.

Edenton Naval Air Station Local Base Is Reactivated

Estimated That 60 Per Cent Will Be Spent In This Section

HOUSES NEEDED

Prospect of New Business Boosts Interest In C. Of C.

Peter Carlton, manager of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association, informed The Herald early this week that according to information it is expected that the reactivation of the Edenton Naval Air Station will result in a payroll of around three million dollars annually. Of this amount, Mr. Carlton expressed the belief that approximately 60 per cent will be spent locally, so that business should be boosted materially.

Mr. Carlton has been doing yeoman service acting as a clearing house for the increasing activities brought about as a result of the opening of the base, and says interest in the organization is increasing. This interest is reflected in the fact that several new members have recently been added. These include M. J. Tynch & Company of Rocky Hook; Badham Bros.; F. H. Cale, pool parlor and soft drinks; Halsey's Feed & Seed Store and Clyde Adams, operator of Chestnutt Cleaners.

President Marvin Wilson extends a cordial welcome to these new members and invites others who are not members to become affiliated, thus adding strength and prestige to the organization.

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce met Thursday of last week to consider a number of matters. Discussed at the meeting included the Chowan River bridge and aspects of the proposed minimum wage and hour bill before Congress.

Views of the National Chamber of Commerce were expressed by Mr. Carlton, as well as expressions from opinion leaders all over the country. It was pointed out that passage of the bill may result in serious effects and have a direct bearing on business and farmers. Telegrams were sent to leading Congressmen in Washington, urging serious consideration of the matter.

The Transportation Committee was requested to contact J. H. McMullan, Chowan County's Representative in the General Assembly, and offer complete cooperation in his efforts to get action on the Chowan River bridge.

During the week meetings were held with local business groups in an effort to bring about more harmonious working for the benefit of all.

Cleaners and shoe repair shop operators met with Mr. Carlton, and taxi operators also met in conjunction with Lieut. Bill Adams adjutant at the base. Efforts were made to secure local barber service for the base, but the situation is very difficult to handle due to lack of available barbers.

The housing situation is very critical, with little relief in sight. Forty houses to be built by Captain L. A. Patterson will be but a drop in the bucket. There is a great need for rental living quarters. On an average, each family applying at the Chamber of Commerce for a house or apartment has two children.

One interested citizen advanced the idea of building tourist motor court apartments large enough for a family to rent, but arranged in such a way that they could be converted into use for tourist trade if the travel situation demanded it.

Chestnutt Appeals For Scout Assistant

Says C. W. Overman Is Burdened With Too Many Duties

James L. Chestnutt, at last week's Rotary meeting appealed for an assistant scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop No. 156, which is sponsored by the Rotary Club. Mr. Chestnutt informed the Rotarians that Scoutmaster C. W. Overman is overburdened with many duties and that an active assistant scoutmaster is necessary.

Mr. Chestnutt also asked to be relieved of his Rotary connection with the troop in that he has been appointed chairman of the West Albemarle District, a position which requires much of his time.

The request was taken under advisement by the Rotarians.