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## Chowan Begins Red Cross Fund Raising Drive; \$2,138 Goal

Chairmen Briefly Point Out Chapter's Activities In 1948

SERVICES FREE

Appeal Made For Citizens to Contribute Generously

Chowan County's 1949 Red Cross fund raising campaign got under way Tuesday of this week under the direction of Herbert Hollowell and West Leary as co-chairmen. The chairmen stress the fact that the county's quota this year is \$2,138 and it is hoped that this amount will be secured by March 15, the date set for closing the drive.

As in previous years, the entire county has been set off in districts, with a chairman in charge of each. These chairmen have enlisted a group of canvassers who are expected to contact, as near as possible, every person in the county so that everyone will have part in the campaign.

In commenting upon the drive, Mr. Hollowell rehearsed some of the activities of the Chowan Chapter during 1948. He pointed out that all work done by the chapter was on a voluntary basis and there was no administrative cost or salaries.

The chapter handles about 250 cases annually for service men, veterans and veterans' families.

Overalls and socks were furnished when a tanker exploded and when fire destroyed the homes of six families, the victims were helped and given necessary aid.

Grants are made in the case of death of a veteran or to families losing veterans or veterans in hospitals when there is no other support. Loans were also made to travelers for food, etc., when hardships developed during travel.

The Junior Red Cross, conducted by Mrs. J. M. Boyce in November and December, obtained \$102.53. This money is to be used only for school first aid kits and other necessary items.

Mr. Hollowell points out that all money raised in Chowan does not leave the county, but part of it is retained for use in local cases where help is needed.

The chairmen urge all canvassers to complete their work as soon as possible and are making an appeal to citizens all over the county to be as generous as possible with their contributions.

## Call Meeting Tonight Of Hospital Auxiliary

A call meeting of the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary, together with the hospital board and doctors will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. Very important matters will be considered at this meeting, so that every one concerned is especially urged to be present.

## More Measles Serum At Health Department

Announcement was made Wednesday morning by the local Health Department that another shipment of measles serum had arrived. The first allotment became exhausted, so that any children to be vaccinated can now be taken to the Health Department.

## WILBUR HARRELL WINS CHOWAN COUNTY 4-H COTTON GROWING CONTEST FOR 1948

Seven Contestants Awarded Prizes Friday Night; Contest Sponsored First Time This Year By Edenton Cotton Mill

The 1948 4-H cotton growing contest was brought to a close on Friday night of last week when R. F. Elliott, secretary-treasurer of the Edenton Cotton Mill awarded prizes to each of seven contestants at a meeting held in the Community House at Cross Roads.

Wilbur Harrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Harrell of the Rocky Hook community, won first prize and was awarded a properly engraved trophy cup and \$15 in cash. Wilbur grew 858 pounds of lint cotton of 1 1/16 staple length on his acre and sold it for a net return of \$204.07.

Herbert Raye Lane, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lane of Ryland, won second prize of \$10. Herbert Raye grew a total of 2,245 pounds of seed

## Jaycees Want Town Slogan To Reappear On City Auto Tags

Petition Sent to Town Council to Add "Cradle Of the Colony"

Edenton's Junior Chamber of Commerce is desirous to see the Edenton slogan "Cradle of the Colony—Settled in 1658," again appear on city automobile tags, and at the meeting of the organization held Thursday night took initial steps to have the slogan appear on the 1950 tags. The Jaycees went on record to request Town Council to revive the slogan and a letter will be sent to Town Council before the March meeting, which will be held next Tuesday night.

The organization also took some action to continue U. S. 17 routed through Edenton as at present and not to divert this route over the Albemarle Sound bridge. The Jaycees sensed the fact that some efforts are being made to change the route, so that it was decided to write to Representatives and Senators in the General Assembly. Local members have enlisted the aid of Williamston, Elizabeth City and Ahoskie Jaycees, and have pledged their interest and help in maintaining the highway as now routed.

President Frank Holmes called for a report of the Polio Committee, which showed that the Jaycees, who canvassed the business section, had collected \$795 in the March of Dimes drive. It was also reported that the bingo party, held jointly with the Junior Woman's Club, netted close to \$90, which went into the polio fund.

During the meeting Willie O'Neill was appointed chairman of a committee to lead up a local delegation to attend the State convention to be held in Asheville June 7 and 8.

President Holmes also stated that he expected to have Representative J. H. McMullan as guest speaker at the next meeting, which will be held on March 10.

## Forest Warden Urges Precaution In March

With the advent of March, with which usually comes no little wind, Frank V. White, Chowan County Forest Warden, this week urged everybody about the danger of fires, especially outdoors. Mr. White stressed the importance of every precaution in order to prevent fires, which with a brisk wind, can become very disastrous.

## Two Local Concerns To Get Tax Refund

With the announcement this week by the U. S. Treasury of tax refunds to a large number of North Carolina concerns, the list included two Edenton companies.

Included in the list to receive refunds were the Albemarle Peanut Company, \$21,490 paid for excess profits and income, and the Edenton Peanut Company, \$35,546 for the same reason.

## Panel Planned At Community House Friday, March 4th

climax to Series of Community Meetings Held In County

"State and National Affairs as They Relate to Rural People" will be the subject for a panel discussion to be held at the Community House at Cross Roads on Friday evening, March 4, beginning promptly at 8 o'clock. J. N. Pruden, County Attorney, will be chairman of the panel. Other members will be John W. Graham, R. C. Holland, Emmett Winslow, State Senator; Weldon Hollowell, County Prosecutor; J. H. McMullan, County Representative and Marvin Wilson Recorder's Court Judge.

This county-wide meeting will climax the series of community meetings held during the month of February on the subject "Citizenship." In the community meetings the county and home agents presented a program on "Citizenship" and "Farm and Home Planning." This program dealt with the importance of the home, church and school in training for good citizenship. Also, the responsibilities of every individual in community and county affairs. The questionnaire which was given to each person to fill in reminded many that there are a number of facts they don't know about their own county. This included the county officers and their duties, facts relating to taxes and many other pertinent to the county's operation and welfare.

This final meeting on March 4 at the Community House will complete this series on "Citizenship." It will take those who attend beyond the confines of their own county, into state and national affairs and possibly international affairs. While the panel will conduct the discussion, the audience will be invited to ask questions and comment.

This will be a very informative meeting and will be of interest to every man and woman and the older boys and girls in Chowan County.

The public is cordially invited and urged to attend.

## Demonstration At Community House

Laundry Problems Will Be Discussed By Miss Frances Maness

Miss Rebecca Colwell, Chowan home demonstration agent, announced early this week that on Wednesday afternoon, March 9, at 2:30 o'clock, Miss Frances Maness, home economist, will give a laundry demonstration in the Community House at Cross Roads. Miss Maness was formerly home demonstration agent in Perquimans County and is well known among Chowan County Club women.

This demonstration will include the operation of an automatic washer, dryer and ironer, and a discussion of hard water problems, soaps and detergents.

The public is cordially invited and urged to attend. Miss Maness' demonstration will be very helpful for those who already have laundry equipment and those who plan to buy later. Hard water is also a problem in many communities, so that Miss Colwell urges all women to take advantage of this opportunity to learn how to make wash day easier.

## Rotary Club Again Sponsors Troop 156

Clarence M. Speight Appointed Chairman of Committee

Edenton's Rotary Club, which for a number of years has sponsored Boy Scout Troop, No. 156, at last week's meeting voted to again sponsor the troop for another year. Subsequently, Clarence M. Speight was appointed by James E. Wood, president of the club, as chairman of the Boy Scout Committee, with M. M. Perry, John Kramer and Charles Wales completing the committee.

J. L. Chestnut, chairman of the West Albemarle District, appealed for an assistant Scoutmaster for the troop, but naming an assistant for Scoutmaster C. W. Overman was postponed by Mr. Wood in order to give more thought to the appointment.

## U. S. Marine Corps Air Station Is Commissioned At Ceremonies Held At Base Tuesday Morning

HAVE YOU ANY LIVING QUARTERS?

In an effort to help find any available houses, apartments or rooms in Edenton, Chowan or adjoining counties, The Herald below prints a list of questions which may be filled out in the present housing shortage brought about by the reactivation of the Edenton Marine Corps Air Station. If you have a room, apartment or house to rent for one month, six months or longer, please fill out this questionnaire and mail directly to the Commanding Officer, U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, Edenton, North Carolina.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Apartment or House \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Bedrooms \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Bathrooms \_\_\_\_\_ Dining Room ( ) Yes ( ) No  
Kitchen ( ) Yes ( ) No Kitchen Privileges ( ) Yes ( ) No  
Garage ( ) Yes ( ) No Completely Furnished ( ) Yes ( ) No  
Completely Unfurnished ( ) Yes ( ) No  
What monthly rental do you desire? \_\_\_\_\_

## Commissioners As Equalization Board Monday, March 14

Will Hear Complaints Regarding Valuation Of Property

Chowan County Commissioners will sit as a Board of Equalization and Review Monday, March 14. The meeting will be held in the Court House starting at 10 A. M., at which time the Commissioners will listen to any complaints regarding valuation of property in the county.

This is the only time when the Commissioners can legally alter any property valuations as they appear on the tax books, so that anyone having a complaint should present the matter at the meeting.

## Band Tag Day Nets \$300 On Saturday

Those In Charge Appreciate Contributions And Cooperation

That the Edenton Band's tag day, which was observed Saturday, was successful and entirely satisfactory, is reflected in the fact that contributions during the day amounted to about \$300. Tag Day was planned in an effort to help raise funds with which to purchase a new bass horn, the cost of which is in the neighborhood of \$255.

The bass horns now being used by the band were bought second-hand in 1932, so that it is now necessary to replace at least one of them.

Those in charge of Tag Day appreciate the success of the affair and desire to thank all who made contributions or cooperated in any other way. The supply of printed tags became exhausted early in the afternoon, but the band youngsters secured blank tags and continued to solicit contributions in the interest of bettering the band.

## Day Of Prayer Will Be Observed Friday

International Day of Prayer will be observed in the Edenton Methodist Church Friday afternoon, March 4, beginning at 3:30 o'clock. The program will be in charge of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the church.

Members of all denominations are cordially invited to attend the service.

## Edenton Group Invited To Tea By Mrs. Scott

Mrs. Kerr Scott will be hostess at a tea in Raleigh Saturday, March 5, at 4 o'clock, when she will entertain residential chairmen in the 1948 Red Cross Fund Raising Campaign. Chairmen from Edenton who have been invited include Mrs. Meredith Jones, Jr., Mrs. Walter Holton and Mrs. Lloyd Bunch.

## Rehearsals Started For High School Play "The Gypsy Rover"

Entertainment Will Be Staged In Place of Senior Class Play

Rehearsals are in full swing at Edenton High School for the production of "The Gypsy Rover", a three-act musical comedy which will be presented on Friday, March 18.

Instead of giving a senior play as it is customary, "The Gypsy Rover" is being produced with a cast of students representing all the high school classes. However, seniors have been given priority in the major roles.

The principals of the comedy are: Syble Cayton, Suzanne Speight, Keith Emminger, Jimmy Earnhardt, Frank Hughes, Carolyn Swindell, Rhett Miller, John Ward, Geola Ward and Oscar Griffin.

"The Gypsy Rover" is a musical about the life of a certain party of gypsies in England and is woven into a mystery over the disappearance of the heir to one of England's large estates.

Mrs. Mary L. Browning is director of music and Mrs. J. E. Debnam is the dramatic director. Miss Dorothy Williams is coaching both solo and chorus dancing.

## CHOWAN COUNTY'S SHOW PLACES IN FORTHCOMING GARDEN CLUB TOUR

Herald Presents Second Installment of Places to Be Visited During Observance of "Old Home Week" April 8, 9 and 10

In this issue The Herald presents the second installment of homes and public buildings which will be open during the observance of "Old Home Week" in connection with the Home and Garden Tour April 8, 9, and 10.

Folders with complete listing and a well marked map of the town are being given wide distribution. The committee announces that any school groups interested in the tour, in whole or in part, should contact Mrs. Jimmie Earnhardt for special rates.

Today's installment includes the following places:

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Second earliest church in North Carolina, built in 1736, during the administration of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel for Foreign Parts. Two earlier churches 1701-1715. In 1715 the Church of England was officially established as a church of the colony. It is built on an authorized Church of England plan. It is spoken of as a church that has nobility of design. It is now in the process of restoration.

West Church Street. Open all day. CHOWAN COUNTY COURT HOUSE  
1767 Completed  
Gilbert Leigh, Architect  
Considered finest Georgian Court House in the South. The Assembly

Col. R. E. Hopper Given Key to City By Mayor Leroy H. Haskett

BAND PLAYS

Goodly Number Brave Chilly Wind to Welcome Marines

In brief but impressive ceremonies, the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station was officially commissioned Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock when Col. R. E. Hopper, commanding officer, read the order from the Navy Department. A goodly number of Edenton and Chowan County officials and other citizens, as well as groups from nearby towns, braved the cold morning temperature to attend the ceremonies and to meet and welcome the Marines back to Edenton.

The local base when completed in 1943 was to have been a Marine Corps Glider Base, but before any gliders arrived, and even before the base was completed, it was changed to a medium bomber base, where Marines received their final training and finishing touches prior to going overseas in the last war. Later the base was taken over by the Navy.

In 1946 the base was inactivated and some months later the Navy Department leased it to the Town of Edenton for \$1.00 per year under a revocable basis which gave the Navy the right to reclaim it at any time it was deemed necessary. The Town subsequently sub-leased portions of the base, reserving the hospital, the swimming pool, a number of buildings and an area for the present golf course.

Tuesday's ceremonies took place in front of the administration building, where Col. Hopper read the orders for commissioning the base. Adding color to the affair was a group of Marines and color guard, who raised a huge American flag on the flagpole. The Edenton High School Band, under the direction of H. W. Williams, also disregarded the near-freezing temperature to play several numbers during the ceremonies, completing the program by playing "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Old Glory was Hoisted in the stiff breeze. Others comprising the crowd stood around shivering until the ceremonies were over.

After Col. Hopper read the orders, Mayor Leroy Haskett presented him with a huge key to the City of Edenton.

"Colonel Hopper," said Mayor Haskett, "I bring greetings from the Town of Edenton. We have looked forward for several months to this occasion. It has been a great delight and pleasure to hear that the Marines were returning to Edenton."  
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Room is said to be the largest paneled room in the colonies. In continuous use since its completion. The Masonic lodge is housed in a room adjoining the Assembly Room. A chair used by George Washington in Alexandria, Virginia, lodge, is in possession of this Masonic lodge.

Court House Green. Open 10:30 A. M. to 12 noon, except Sunday. 2 to 5 P. M. and 7:30 to 9:30 P. M.

### CUPOLA HOUSE

Early 18th century. The finest framed Jacobean type house south of Connecticut, built circa 1712. Francis Corbin, the last agent for the Lords Proprietors, had his official residence here in 1758. About 1759 the Moravian Bishop, Spangenberg, signed papers in this house which gave them the land for this first settlement in Carolina, now known as Old Salem.

Broad Street. Open 10:30 A. M. to 12 noon, except Sunday. 2 to 5 P. M. 7:30 to 9:30 P. M.

### "OMALLEY'S ORDINARY"

Built circa 1790. Myles O'Malley kept an ordinary, or victualling house here in his dwelling around 1797. Now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Junius Davis.

East King Street. Open 10:30 A. M. to 12 noon, except Sunday. 2 to 5 P. M.