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## Polio Epidemic Is Likely To Break Previous Records

### Local Chairman Urges Contributions During Emergency

The highest number of infantile paralysis cases ever recorded in a single week, a total of 3,422 new cases the week ending August 20th, has removed all doubt of the fact that the 1949 polio epidemic will break all previous annual records, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has announced.

The latest national figures bring total incidence to date to 17,306, as compared with 9,743 for the same period in 1948, with no incidence as yet in sight that this year's epidemic peak has been reached, according to Dr. Hart E. Van Riper, National Foundation medical director.

"Study of previous patterns of polio incidence show that the peak may come anywhere between mid-August and mid-September," Dr. Van Riper explained. "But the mid-point of the epidemic, the date upon which there are as many new cases afterward as there have been before, never has occurred before the second week in September.

"If the peak is reached early, the reduction in cases is slower than if it comes late. When the peak is reached late, the number of new cases reported drops rapidly."

This year's record of cases, as shown on incidence charts, reveals a steep rise, week by week, since early spring without even temporary recessions, Dr. Van Riper pointed out. "Although it is hoped each week from now on that we have passed the high point in numbers of new cases, this cannot be determined in advance," he said.

This year has been distinguished by an increased polio incidence to date, as compared with the previous year, in thirty-eight states, the records show. This, despite the fact that 1948 was second only to 1916 in number of cases.

"As a result of an epidemic which over the nation is both intensive and extensive, the National Foundation has answered more calls for assistance in more states even than during last year," Dr. Van Riper concluded. "Money, equipment, nurses, physical therapists have poured out in a steady stream. No request has been denied, and medical care facilities, on the whole, are far better today than at any other time in history."

In view of the above information, J. Edwin Bufflap, chairman of the Chowan County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, has been urged to appeal for contributions. Any contribution for the present emergency may be sent to Postmaster C. E. Kramer or Mr. Bufflap, who will forward the money to the proper source.

## Edenton Marines In Cleveland Air Races

### VMF-211 Will Help to Demonstrate Capture Of Iwo Jima

An interesting phase of the air races to be held at Cleveland, September 3-5 will be a part of the program by marines of VMF-211, stationed at the Edenton Marine Corps Air Station. VMF-211 will furnish support for Cleveland's Seventh Marine Infantry Reserve Battalion which will be flown from Camp Lejeune.

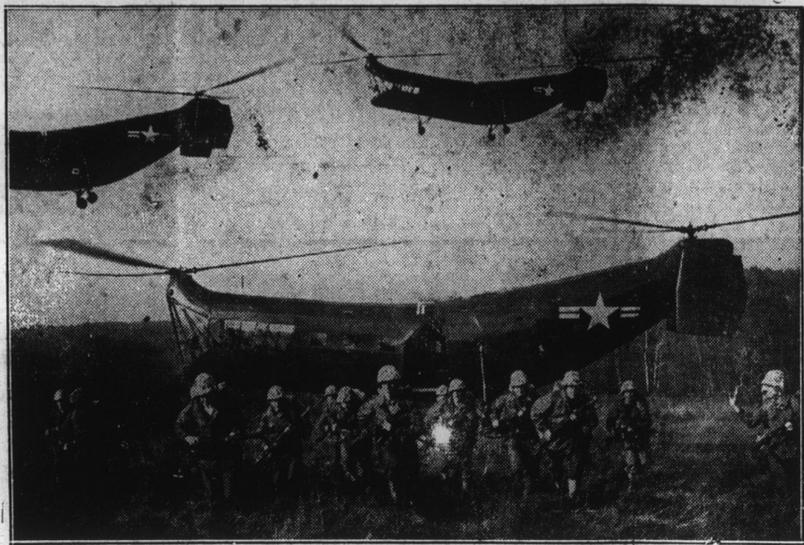
Pill boxes and a replica of mount Suribachi will be constructed on the field for this maneuver. Supported by simulated naval gunfire by VMF-211's fighter planes and by Marine troop carrying HMX-1 helicopters loading supplies and evacuating "casualties" the Marines will demonstrate the capturing of Iwo Jima.

One of the many features of the event will be the "Marine Phantoms" of Cherry Point, who participated in the recent Air Show at the Edenton base.

## Revival Services Start At Chappell Hill Church

Revival services will begin at the Chappell Hill Baptist Church beginning Sunday evening, September 4, at 7:30 o'clock.

The Rev. Herbert Miller of Hickory, Va., will be the visiting minister. The public is invited to attend.



**STRAIGHT DOWN FROM THE SKY**—Marine assault troops, landed by Marine Corps helicopters, dash forward in simulated attack at Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Virginia. The use of helicopters in carrier-launched, airborne raids, was demonstrated for members of the 81st Congress recently at Quantico.

## COACH GEORGE THOMPSON EXPERIENCING HANDICAPS WITH FOOTBALL CANDIDATES

### Sends Interesting Letter to Parents of Boys in an Effort to Secure Cooperation; Many of Last Year's Veterans Will Be Missed

Coach George Thompson is facing no little difficulty in rounding out this season's football team for Edenton High School. Aside from losing the majority of last year's first string players, which calls for training a group of raw recruits or some with very little experience, he is handicapped by some candidates failing to report regularly for practice, which is absolutely necessary if the Aces are to have a creditable gridiron combination.

Another serious problem Coach Thompson is facing is the fact that a number of the parents are refusing to allow their boys to take part in football, obviously due to fear of injury. This decision on the part of parents is preventing Coach Thompson from working with a few boys who, he thinks could be developed into outstanding players.

Mr. Thompson admits that sometimes a boy is the recipient of hard knocks and bruises on the football field, but points out that this is true in all walks of life and that experience on the gridiron stands a boy in good stead to meet the problems he is bound to encounter in subsequent years.

So concerned is Mr. Thompson about the attitude of some parents toward football that he has sent a letter to all in the hope that they will reconsider their decision and allow their sons to try for the team.

Mr. Thompson's letter follows: "Dear Parent—Your son is a candidate for the football team of Edenton High School, and rightfully he deserves this privilege as long as he meets the qualifications and requirements that make him eligible for participation. I am more than glad to spend my time working with these boys in trying to train and develop them for the duties and responsibilities they will soon assume as citizens of their community.

"I sincerely believe that your son will derive benefits from participating in athletics that he will not find elsewhere. Many people overlook the values to be derived from playing football. They say that these boys get nothing more than bumps and bruises. It is very true that the players receive more than their share of hard knocks during their playing careers, but I should like to know of any walk of life in which men are not called upon to face setbacks. We in the coaching profession realize that these setbacks are not always a physical nature, but we believe if a young man learns at an early age that it is imperative for him to come back and work harder than ever after he receives a tough blow, he will have the makings of a successful citizen.

"On the football field your son will be given the opportunity to display his skills and competitive spirit against other boys with the same alertness and courage and persistence that will be required of him when his school days are over and he steps out into the business world.

"On a successful football team a boy must learn to work with his teammates, in a cooperative spirit, and to subordinate his personal interests for the good of his team.

"It is important, if your son is to derive benefits from football, that he make an honest effort to attend each practice session. I understand that

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## Dollar Days Will Be Observed By Stores On September 9 - 10

### Most of Stores Cooperating By Offering Big Values

M. A. Hughes, chairman of the Merchants Committee of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association, stated that the agreed dates for the dollar days among the merchants are September 9 and 10, Friday and Saturday. Good values are expected to be offered the buying public.

Most of all the stores in Edenton will be participating, and citizens are urged to look for the dollar day pennants in the windows of those stores offering money saving values for the occasion. Absolutely no cuts in prices will be allowed after the dollar days, it is stated.

Mr. Hughes also announced that, according to agreement among the business firms, the half day closing on Wednesday afternoons ended with the month of August.

Labour Day will be observed and all stores will be closed on September 5.

## Edenton's Colonials Win Pennant Fourth Consecutive Year

### Manager Gashouse Parker Given Much Credit For Success

Edenton's Colonials, under the management of Gashouse Parker, won the Albemarle League Pennant for the fourth consecutive year after winning from Windsor on Hicks Field Thursday night 4-3.

The Colonials wound up the regular season 2½ games ahead of Plymouth, having won 45 games, lost 25, with a percentage of .643.

Plymouth held a firm grip on second place and Colerain was in third place. Fourth place developed into a red hot race between Windsor and Elizabeth City, with the Rebels in the lead by one full game. The fourth place team was not decided until Saturday morning, when a meeting of the Albemarle League directors was held in the Court House. The Elizabeth City Senators registered a protest against Windsor claiming that the Rebels in a game with the Senators had more men in uniform than the league rules allowed, as well as using two players who were claimed to be ineligible to play. The directors were deadlocked in their voting and President Howard Gaylord voted in favor of Windsor. Had the protest been upheld the two teams would have had to play another game to decide the winner.

Baseball fans by and large give

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## Mrs. J. Edwin Bufflap Dies Sunday After Four Months' Illness

### Funeral Service Held In Methodist Church on Tuesday Afternoon

Mrs. J. Edwin Bufflap passed away at her home on East Church Street, Sunday night at 8:20 o'clock, after an illness of four months, during which time she was a patient in Chowan Hospital as well as General Hospital, Norfolk. Mrs. Bufflap, a native of York, Pa., was 57 years old and moved to Edenton with her family about 26 years ago, and in that time was a host of friends.

Surviving are her husband; a son, Lance L. Bufflap of Wallace, N. C.; a daughter, Miss Dorothy Bufflap, at home; four brothers, Roy, Harrison, Wilson and Spurgeon Geesey, all of York, Pa., seven sisters, Mrs. Cora Glatfeller, Mrs. Elsie Keasey, Mrs. Gertie Glatfeller, Mrs. Naomi Buser, Mrs. Ada Fantom, Mrs. Alma Wortz and Mrs. Flora Wampler, all of York County. A granddaughter, Miss Sandra Bufflap of Williamston also survives.

The body remained at the Williford Funeral Home until 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, when services were held in the Methodist Church with the pastor, the Rev. W. L. Freeman, officiating. Interment was made in the Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Mayor Leroy H. Haskett, A. S. Hollowell, John A. Holmes, Frank Hughes, Vernon Barrow and W. J. Daniels.

## Registration On For Pre-School Children

### Principal Fenton Larson In Office All of This Week

Fenton Larson, principal of the Edenton High School, announced that pre-school registration will be held in his office at the high school during this week for children entering the local school this year for the first time from the first through the twelfth grades.

Mr. Larson emphasized the fact that children just starting school must be six years old on or before October 1, 1949 before they can be enrolled. Newcomers in Edenton having children in other grades should also have them registered before the opening day of school.

## Red Men Relief Chiefs Review Duties Monday

According to Willard M. Rhoades, sachem of Chowan Tribe of Red Men, the relief chiefs of the tribe met for the first time in three years Monday night in the new and modern Red Men's hall.

The degree chiefs have for their duties the reviewing of cases of distress entitling fellow members to sick benefits. This is one of the attractive features of the Red Men's organization in addition to death benefits and, of course, the fellowship.

The tribe meets each Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

## Health Department Is Equipped To Make X-Ray Pictures Free

### Third Annual 4-H Poultry Show Held Thursday In Armory

### Ten Youngsters Place Splendid Exhibits and Sell Pullets

The third annual 4-H Club Poultry show and sale was held in the Edenton Armory, Thursday afternoon of last week, when 10, 4-H Club members representing every section of the county participated in the event.

Each of these club members brought 12 of their better grade pullets. The pullets were judged by W. G. Andrews and C. J. Maupin, Extension poultry specialists from N. C. State College and were placed in three groups, blue, red and white.

All contestants whose birds were in the same group shared equal prize money. There were three groups of pullets in the blue ribbon class, three in the red, and the others in the white ribbon class. Club members whose pullets were in the blue ribbon class were awarded a check for \$15.00, those in the red ribbon class won \$10 each and the others in the white ribbon group won \$5.00 each.

The sale was very good, with the highest coop of pullets being sold for \$4.00 and the average for the ten coops being \$1.97. This compares with an average of \$2.31 per bird in 1947 and \$2.10 per bird in 1948. Clarence Elwood Tatum of Elizabeth City as the auctioneer, and the sale was highly successful. All of the pullets were bought by local people, and four groups were bought by residents of Edenton.

This is the third year that the Home Feed & Fertilizer Company of Edenton has sponsored the 4-H poultry project and appreciation is expressed to this firm for its cooperation. Appreciation is also expressed to Mr. Tatum for the excellent way in which he has conducted the sales for the past two years.

Names of club members who participated in the show and sale are: H. T. Hollowell, Jr., of Tyner; Jock Fletcher of Yeopim; Douglas Holland of Yecpim; Waiaice Evans of Rocky Hook; Mabel Tynch of Rocky Hook; Willard Edward Wilson of Rocky Hook; Shelby Parrish of Tyner; Barbara Parrish of Tyner; Emmett Byrum of Tyner; and Mary Emma Perry of Tyner.

## Washington County Preview Parade In Edenton Saturday

### "Bush Growers League" Plan to March at 2 O'clock

A preview parade of the Washington County Sesqui-Centennial Celebration, honoring the founding of the county 150 years ago, planned in Plymouth, September 18-22, will be held in Edenton at 2 p.m. Saturday, September 3. The marchers will parade through the main business section of town. They also plan to parade in Washington, Williamston, Windsor and Plymouth, Saturday.

The parade will consist of members of the "Bush-Growers League," men who have grown all types of beards, side-burns, goatees and moustaches for the celebration; members of the "Sisters of the Swish," women who will wear old time costumes; and the Plymouth High School Band.

## Portsmouth Quartet Will Sing Friday At Rocky Hock Revival

A male quartet from the choir of the South Street Baptist Church of Portsmouth, Va., will sing at the Rocky Hock Baptist Church revival services Friday night, September 2. The quartet will consist of Granville Howell, first tenor; Claude Staples, second tenor; Jimmie Meggeon, baritone; Ray Hollowell, base; Mrs. Ray Hollowell, accompanist.

The Rev. G. N. Ashley is conducting the revival services which are held at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.

## Health Officer Releases Pertinent Information Regarding Service IN ELIZABETH CITY

### Next X-Ray Survey Is Scheduled In December and January

According to B. B. McGuire, health officer for the Pasquotank-Camden-Perquimans, Chowan Health District, X-ray films are now made at the Elizabeth City Health Center free of charge. Dr. McGuire lists the following facts in connection with the X-ray phase of the health work:

1—Films are purchased by the Tuberculosis and Health Associations in the four counties their funds are from Christmas Seal Sales and are both limited and unpredictable.

2—These funds are now most exhausted.

3—These associations have set aside funds for the mass X-ray survey scheduled for December, 1949, and January, 1950.

4—Facilities for the X-ray are slow in operation and only a few can be made in an afternoon.

5—The clinic is Thursday afternoons.

6—The department is always pleased to make films for anyone whose physician requests it. Bring your request signed by your doctor.

7—Films cost almost \$1.00 each. If you can pay for your film we can do many more for those who cannot pay.

8—If you are ill, or close contact of a tuberculosis patient, or if your doctor sends us written request for an X-ray, come any Thursday afternoon. You will be more than welcome, but—

9—Be sure to come to the mass X-ray truck in December or January! You will know where and when to come. We want every position in our health district over 15 years of age to have an X-ray, not only for tuberculosis, but many other chest conditions.

10—This survey will be entirely free of charge.

## Veterans Requested Secure Information To Get NSLI Refund

### Proper Forms Must Be Filled Out Giving Necessary Data

Veterans of World War II eligible for the special National Service Life Insurance dividend are urged by Jim Caldwell, director of the N. C. Veterans Commission, to start rounding up now all the information needed to complete applications.

The dividend is payable to World War II veterans who held, or still hold National Service Life Insurance issued between October 8, 1940, and December 31, 1947, and who kept their insurance in force for three months or longer. Information required to complete the form includes: (1) all serial numbers assigned while in service; (2) date of birth; (3) members of all insurance policies issued while in service and (4) Veterans Administration claim number, if any.

Forms are available at all the district and county Veterans Service offices and from post offices of all the

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## Colonials Guests Of Rotary Club Today

### Rotarians Will Entertain Albemarle League Champs at 1 O'clock

Members of the Edenton Colonial baseball team will be entertained today (Thursday) by the Edenton Rotary Club at the weekly luncheon in the Parish House at 1 o'clock. The Colonials have won their fourth consecutive Albemarle League Pennant and are now engaged in a play-off series with Windsor for the championship. President George Twiddy urges all Rotarians to attend the meeting.