

THE CHOWAN HERALD

Volume XVI.—Number 41.

Edenton, Chowan County, North Carolina, Thursday, October 13, 1949.

\$2.00 Per Year.

Parade Held Monday Including Local Band And Town Fire Dept.

Affair Opens Celebration of Fire Prevention Week

POSTERS JUDGED

Veteran Fire Chief R. K. Hall Rides In Old Reo Truck

Fire prevention week got off to a good start on Monday with the volunteer firemen manning the three trucks of the department headed up by the two oldest men in the unit, Captain Dick Hall and Al Owens. The Edenton High School Band gave a splendid performance as they led the parade.

Edenton and County schools have been having fire drills, and specially prepared fire prevention material taught by classroom teachers. Civic clubs have been putting on special programs on the hazards of fire, and the local theaters are currently running specially prepared motion picture films to fight the dangers of fire.

The Jaycees strung a huge fire prevention sign over Broad Street and had charge of the parade. President Tom Byrum also took part in the judging of the posters turned in by the children along with John Graham, Hector Lupton, and Miss Margaret Peoples.

The poster winners are as follows: Frances Boyce, first; Hugh L. Patterson, second; Caleb White, third; all of the sixth grade Edenton white schools. There were no entries from the colored schools of Edenton.

In the county Merrill Evans was first, Vernon Lee Wilson, second, and Margaret J. Tynch third, all from the Rocky Hock Central School. No entries were made from Chowan High School.

Winners of the colored county schools were: Thomas Jordan of Britt School, first; Robert Overton, Center Hill High School, second; Roosevelt Britt of Hudson Grove School, third.

Additional winners to be given awards by Fireman Frank White of the county are Margaret J. Tynch, Sylvia Bunch, Jessie Ruth Hudson, all for posters on forest fire prevention. Others to be given awards by the sponsors of the Peter Carlton radio program are Larry Jethro, Wayne Keeter, Loreley Taylor and Faye Twiddy, for meritorious posters.

President Marvin Wilson of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Committee publicly thanks all who took part in the work to make the fire prevention week a success, particularly the steering committee composed of R. C. Holland, chairman; W. J. Berryman, Mrs. George Dail, Miss Goldie Layton, George Twiddy, and Luther Parks of the Jaycees.

The initial prizes of \$4.00, \$2.00 and \$1.50 respectively, were donated by members of the fire prevention committee of the Chamber of Commerce. Paraphrasing the words of Cap'n Dick Hall the Chamber prexy urges all to fight fire by preventing fires in the first instance and not only one week throughout the year.

Aces Meet Roanoke Rapids Friday Night

Fans Will See Fourth Consecutive Game on Home Field

Coach George Thompson's Edenton Aces will play their fourth consecutive home game Friday night when they are scheduled to meet the aggregation from Roanoke Rapids High School on Hicks Field. The game will begin at 8 o'clock.

Smarting from the 7-0 defeat at the hands of New Bern last Friday night, the Aces are hoping to jump back to the win column. On paper, they should enter the game as favorites to win. The Elizabeth City Yellow Jackets defeated Roanoke Rapids by a score of 48-0, while the Aces won from Elizabeth City 15-13.

However, the Yellow Jackets have greatly improved since their game with Edenton, so that Coach Thompson and the Aces are not taking it for granted that Friday night's game will be a push-over.

All of the Aces are in good shape, so that a hard-fought game is in prospect. The band, of course, will be on hand to add interest to the game.

Edenton Jaycees Meet At Triangle Tonight

Edenton's Junior Chamber of Commerce will meet in the Triangle dining hall tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock.

Jaycee president, Thomas Byrum, urges every member of the organization to be present, and to bring a guest if possible.

Important Meeting Of Health Center At Elizabeth City Oct. 17

Final Plans Will Be Considered For Mass X-ray Survey

There will be a meeting of interested groups at the Health Center in Elizabeth City, Monday, October 17, at 2 P. M., when final plans for the long awaited mass X-ray survey for the Health District will be made. Dr. William A. Smith, director of division of tuberculosis control, State Board of Health, the consultant nurse, chief technician and health educator will be present.

Persons from all tuberculosis associations, civic and fraternal organizations, county agents, home demonstration agents, school authorities, welfare departments, the press and radio are being invited to this important meeting. The Health Department does not have a complete list of such organizations, and in case any groups fail to receive a written invitation, kindly send a representative any way.

"This is a golden opportunity to make the greatest step forward to eventually eradicate tuberculosis from our Health District," says Dr. B. B. McGuire, health officer. "It is of vital and personal importance that every person in our health district over 15 years of age have a chest X-ray. It will take the combined efforts of all groups mentioned above to really carry the ball in this great movement."

"This health district has been trying for years to get this survey. Since we have the opportunity, let's all put our shoulders to the wheel and get the job done. All practicing physicians in our Health District are especially invited to this meeting. Nurses and hospital officials are also invited."

Donkey Ball Game Next Tuesday Night

George I. Dail and R. C. Holland Slated to Do Mound Duty

Everything is in readiness for the Donkey baseball game sponsored by the Edenton Lions Club. The game is scheduled to be played Tuesday night on Hicks Field, starting at 8 o'clock.

Coach George Thompson, captain of one of the teams, has announced that R. C. Holland will start on the mound for his team, while W. J. Taylor is scheduled to be behind the plate.

Cecil Fry is captain of the opposing team and has chosen George I. Dail as his pitcher and John Mitchener catcher.

Each captain is confident that his team will win, but neither one will venture a guess as to the ultimate score. However, laughs galore will feature this game, so it is hoped a large crowd will turn out to enjoy the fun.

John Mitchener, Jr. Hurt Playing Football

John Mitchener, Jr., though not old enough to play with the Edenton Aces, is nursing an injury as the result of playing football. The youngster, while playing on the school grounds Monday, fell against the concrete curbing causing a gash on his head over two inches long.

The boy was rushed to a doctor, and it required 10 stitches to close the wound. The little fellow, however, appears none the worse on account of the accident.

BIGGEST YIELD IN 90 YEARS



According to S. E. Morris, oldest white man in Chowan County, above is pictured the largest vine of peanuts he has ever seen in 90 years on a farm. It bears 225 peanuts by counting and not figuring the secondary ones. Taken from Floyd Griffin's farm in the county, it might mean that despite damaging rains, there will be a good harvest after all. Little Jo Anne Leary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. West Leary, enjoys having her picture made with this outstanding yield.—Photo by Peter Carlton.

Fire Chief R. K. Hall Jr. Wins Permanent Possession Of Cup

Local Club Is Awarded Honor For Third Consecutive Year

The regular meeting of the Edenton Junior Woman's Club was held Wednesday, October 5, at Hotel Joseph Hewes with Mrs. John W. Graham presiding. In recognition of Fire Prevention Week, Fire Chief R. K. Hall was the honor guest. Fire prevention was discussed briefly by Peter Carlton, manager of the local Chamber of Commerce, which is sponsoring a program of activities on this subject during the week. He asked, on behalf of Cap'n Dick that the club members observe every possible precaution at all times and not only during Fire Prevention Week.

Plans for the mammoth Hallowe'en Carnival were outlined by the chairman of the Playground Committee, Mrs. Guy Hobbs. It was also announced that plans for the annual Thanksgiving dance are already under way. The dance will be arranged by members of the Ways and Means (Continued on Page Twelve)

VFW Square Dance At Armory Saturday

William H. Coffield Post of the VFW, will sponsor a square dance in the Edenton Armory Saturday night, October 15. The dance will begin at 9 o'clock and continue until midnight.

Music will be provided by a good string band and the public is cordially invited to attend.

MRS. RAYMOND CARR COMPILES LIST OF INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT EDENTON IN CONNECTION WITH CELEBRATION OF BPW

In connection with the observance of National Business and Professional Club Week, Mrs. Raymond Carr has compiled some very interesting data, which follows as sort of a "Did You Know" feature.

"This is Business and Professional Club Week all over the world, whose slogan is 'Boost your town—it boosts you,' said Mrs. Carr. "We of the Edenton Club in keeping with this idea thought it would be fine to honor our mayors since 1885, as a representative group of boosters; and at the same time honor our county products, both raw and processed, which are our money boosters. These are now being featured in the windows of the Betty Shoppe and the Edenton Furniture Store. Along with this we have prepared a few facts, or 'Did You Knows,' up to the Spanish American War period, which have contributed to the boosting of our town and county since it was first settled by Europeans."

Mrs. Carr's "Did You Know" facts concerning Edenton follow: 1653 Settlers from Virginia, under Roger Green, settled on north side of Albemarle Sound near what is now Edenton. 1663 Chowan County was one of the first precincts of the Lords Proprietors under Charles II. 1665 Until Charter of Lord's Proprietors amended Albemarle

settlements were considered a part of Virginia. 1665 Grand Assembly of Albemarle, first meeting of law making body in North Carolina. 1668 Great Deed of Grant issued by Lord's Proprietors which permitted Albemarle settlers to hold lands under same terms as in Virginia. 1701 "First church known as the 'First N. C. Corporation,' came into being, near 'Hayes', it was later known as St. Paul's. 1712 Assembly passed an act to build a courthouse. First courthouse was a one story structure. Present one built in 1767. 1712 Cupola House, oldest home in Edenton, built in 1712. 1715 "Town on Queen Anne's Creek" was incorporated. Town later bore the names "Ye Town on Mattercommack," and "The Part of Roanoke." Changed to Edenton in 1722. 1720 General Assembly held in Edenton 1720-1738. Governor lived in Edenton and town virtually the capitol. 1727 William Little, of Chowan, one of Commissioners for Province of North Carolina to settle dividing line between North Carolina and Virginia. (Continued On Page Eight)

Dr. Southgate Lee To Speak Next Monday On Blood Program

Get Ready

Mrs. G. Hobbs, chairman of the Hallowe'en children's party staged by the Junior Woman's Club, urges all children to get their floats and costumes ready for the big day. Everything will be free, but all children who wish to participate must be in costume.

The party begins to form at 6 o'clock on the night of October 31 on the Courthouse Green. Enthusiastic reports reveal that the children are raring to go.

There'll be new games, more fun, more thrills than ever before with prizes going to winning costumes and floats.

Legion Auxiliary Meets October 18

Many Important Matters Scheduled to Be Considered

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held at the home of Mrs. W. H. Coffield, Gold Star Mother, on Tuesday night, October 18 at 8 o'clock. The president, Mrs. James Bond, urges full attendance at this meeting.

This is the beginning of a new term for the Auxiliary, so many important things will be discussed. Mrs. Bond feels that by close cooperating on the part of the local unit, the organization may be able to accomplish great things this year in the important work that the Legion Auxiliary is doing to help veterans who are in the various hospitals in North Carolina. It is hoped that members of the Auxiliary will not forget this meeting, as an interesting program has been prepared and refreshments will be served.

The officers and chairmen of the Legion Auxiliary are: President, Mrs. James M. Bond; vice-president, Mrs. John Lee Spruill; secretary, Mrs. Irwin Griffin; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Elwood L. Nixon; treasurer, Mrs. Roy Leary; historian, Mrs. Paul Holloman; sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. E. K. White; chaplain, Mrs. Ray Bunch; district committee woman, Mrs. Paul Holloman;

Committees: Child Welfare, Mrs. E. K. White; Rehabilitation, Mrs. D. M. Reeves; Membership, Mrs. Roy Leary; Community Service, Mrs. T. W. Jones, Americanism, Mrs. Lloyd Griffin; Memorial, Mrs. J. N. Oglesby; Poppy, Mrs. J. L. Chestnutt; Music, Mrs. W. H. Coffield; Gold Star, Mrs. E. L. Nixon; Banquet and Kitchen, Mrs. Paul Holloman and Mrs. W. O. Elliott, Jr.; Hospital Auxiliary, Mrs. W. O. Elliott, Jr.; Kitchen Equipment, Mrs. D. M. Reeves.

Chowan Clubs Will Have Fair Exhibit

Attractive Model Being Constructed By H. A. Campen

With a hustle and a bustle, Home Demonstration Clubs of Chowan County are preparing their exhibit for the State Fair which is to begin in Raleigh next week. Miss Rebecca Colwell, home demonstration agent, is high in her praise for the active workers, especially for the outstanding work of H. A. Campen, who is preparing the miniature houses, barns and model county plan for the booth. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Smith will leave for Raleigh during the week to help prepare the exhibit at the Fair. Mrs. Smith will remain all the week. The demonstration model will occupy an area 20 feet long by 10 feet wide. The theme assigned to Chowan County is "Progress of Home Demonstration Work in the state of North Carolina."

NEW STOP SIGNS

Town Councilmen at their meeting Tuesday night unanimously voted to place "stop" signs at three dangerous intersections. These signs will be located on Water street entering Broad, Oakum and Church streets and at Oakum and Queen streets.

Guest of Lions Club and Will Also Speak In Court House

AT 8 O'CLOCK

Campaign Now In Progress to Secure Donors of Blood

Dr. Southgate Lee will be guest of the Lions Club next Monday night, October 17, at which time he will address the Lions on the National Blood Program, of which Edenton and Chowan County were among the first to join.

At 8 o'clock at the court house Dr. Lee will speak at a meeting of all committee chairmen and the assistants and others taking active part.

Personnel to assist the professional and technical staff of the National Blood program were appointed this week by J. M. Boyce, recruitment chairman. They are as follows: Chairman of Residence, Mrs. Jim Wood; Chairman of Clubs and organizations, George Twiddy; Chairman of Business, George A. Byrum; and Chairman of Industry, Frank Holmes.

Chairman of the blood program of Edenton and Chowan County, Dr. Wallace Griffin, said, "Our chief objective will be to obtain donors. Our recruitment chairman, J. M. Boyce, in cooperation with our public information chairman, Mrs. Jimmie Earnhardt, plans a number of promotional activities which will result, we hope, in an immediate and continuous number of donors."

Those having already volunteered to give a pint of blood to save a life are: Mrs. Rodney Harrell, Mrs. W. O. Elliott, Jr., Mrs. J. M. Jones, Mrs. Elliott Belch, Mrs. James E. Wood, Mrs. W. D. Pruden, Miss Rebecca Colwell, Ray Blanchard, Norman Lee Brabble, Junius Blount, Mrs. Earl Goodwin, Jimmie Earnhardt.

Parade And Review At Base 2:30 Friday

Col. Hopper Extends Invitation to Public To Attend

Col. R. E. Hopper, commanding officer of the Edenton Marine Corps Air Station, informed The Herald Wednesday morning that a parade and review will be held at the base Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Present for the occasion will be General L. H. Sanderson of Cherry Point, who will review the combined groups of MAG-15 and the Air Station. The Cherry Point Band will furnish music.

Col. Hopper stated that the public is invited to attend the review and he hopes that many will go to the base, where they will be directed by military police.

Permits Required To Build Fish Ponds

R. S. Jordan or J. E. Coffey Should First Be Consulted

J. E. Coffey, in charge of malarial control, early this week issued a statement concerning building fish ponds. Mr. Coffey emphasized the fact that a State law requires that anyone building a fish pond first must secure a permit to do so. To build a fish pond without a permit is definitely illegal.

Due to the breeding of mosquitoes, prospective fish pond builders should discuss the matter with Mr. Coffey or R. S. Jordan of the Soil Conservation Service.

Permits may be obtained from the State Board of Health through either Mr. Jordan or Mr. Coffey.

TWO FIRES IN SEPTEMBER

Fire Chief R. K. Hall reported to Town Council Tuesday night that there were only two fires in Edenton during September. Fortunately very slight damage was caused by either of the fires.