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Chowan County's Tax Rate Boosted to \$1.40

New Regulation Is Adopted Regarding Overtime Parking

Penalty For Violation More Than Once In Seven Days

NEW STOP SIGNS

Police Request Cooperation of All Automobile Drivers

Edenton's Police Department has circularized the town to the effect that effective July 15 any person receiving two tickets for overtime parking within a seven day period will be required to pay a penalty of five cents per hour or fraction thereof, up to the sum of one dollar until said ticket is presented at police headquarters. For each additional ticket received during the same seven day period, a penalty of one dollar will be imposed for each violation.

All parking meters are numbered on the post on the same side that coin is inserted. "If you should park at a meter that fails to give you the proper time for the amount of money inserted," says Chief Dail, "it will be to your advantage to observe the number on the post, step to the nearest telephone and notify Police Headquarters by calling 267. Don't wait until you get a ticket and then notify the police."

Dail also calls attention to the fact that stop signs have been placed at the following streets: Eden before entering Broad, Granville before entering Queen, Mosely before entering Queen, Water before entering Broad, Queen before entering Oakum, Oakum before entering Church, Church before entering Granville and Court before entering Queen. Attention is also called to unlawful parking zones which includes cross-walks, sidewalks, safety zones at theatres and hotels, fire hydrants, in front of the Fire Department, loading zones, private and public driveways and any area that is properly marked as such.

No driver shall make any turn so as to proceed in the opposite direction in the business section except at intersections and no vehicle shall make such turn at intersections where signs are properly posted prohibiting same.

Chief Dail again stresses the regulation for stop lights. Vehicles, approaching this signal shall stop before entering the nearest cross-walk, at the intersection. The operator shall not enter the intersection on a yellow or caution light. Will not make a right turn when traffic light is red except where signs are posted.

The above regulations will be strictly enforced and the police seek the cooperation of all drivers.

"Drive Safely," says Chief Dail, "the life you save may be your own."

Lupton Reappointed To Chowan ABC Board

At a joint meeting of the Chowan County Commissioners, the County Board of Education and Board of Health held Monday, Hector Lupton was re-appointed to a three-year term as a member of the Chowan County ABC Board.

Mr. Lupton is secretary of the Board, having served since the Chowan County ABC Board was organized.

The only other applicant for the appointment was J. H. Conger, Jr.

Coon Club Members Aid Accident Victim

Forest Jordan, who lives in the Sign Pine section, is still a patient in Lakeview Hospital, Suffolk, where he entered about three months ago following a tractor accident.

It has been necessary to amputate one of his legs and members of the Chowan County Coon Club have contributed \$50 toward the hospital expense.

TAX COLLECTIONS

June was a very poor month so far as tax collections are concerned. According to Sheriff J. A. Bunch 1949 taxes collected during the month amounted to only \$479.

This amount brought total 1949 taxes to date to \$120,055.91.

Thumbs Down

Chowan County Commissioners at their meeting Monday turned thumbs down on a request to sell beer for off premise purposes in Chowan County on Sunday. The Commissioners felt that by letting down the bars for the sale of beer on Sunday some conditions would develop in various parts of the county which would not be for the best interest of people living nearby.

Miss Lillian Swinson Resigns Position As Asst. Home Agent

Leaves July 31 as Home Agent For Onslow County

Miss Lillian R. Swinson, who for the past several years has been assistant home agent for Chowan and Perquimans counties, tendered her resignation to the Commissioners of each county Monday.

The resignations was accepted with regret and will be effective July 31, when she will become home agent for Onslow County.

Miss Swinson's letter of resignation follows:

"I am tendering my resignation as assistant home agent for Chowan and Perquimans counties to accept a position as home agent in Onslow County. It is with regret that I do this, as I have enjoyed working with the people here and found them most cooperative. Only the opportunity for advancement would cause me to give up the advantages of living and working with the people of these two counties."

No successor has yet been appointed.

Horace White New Red Men Sachem

Officers Elected Monday Night at Meeting of Tribe

New officers for Chowan Tribe of Red Men were elected at Monday night's meeting to serve for a six months term. Horace White was elected Sachem of the tribe, succeeding M. L. Flynn.

Other officers elected were: Prophet, M. L. Flynn; senior sagamore, Jack Barrow; junior sagamore, John Brabble.

These officers, together with those appointed by the new Sachem, will be installed next Monday night, when it is hoped a large number will attend. The Red Men meetings now begin at 7:30.

Five Cub Scouts Get Awards At Meeting

At a meeting of the Edenton Cub Scouts held in the Scout cabin Thursday night, awards were made to Ray Hollowell, Jack Overman, Robert Boyce, John Kramer and Bruce White. Den Chiefs Billy Moore, Miles Williams and Pat Carlton earned den chief warrants, and Billy Moore also received a shoulder cord from Mrs. Clyde Hollowell, den mother.

Rain prevented many from attending the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. James Byrum and son, James, Jr., were accepted into the pack.

Scoutmaster C. W. Overman, who is also a den dad, congratulated the boys on their advancement.

Cubmaster Peter Carlton appointed Clyde Hollowell to meet J. C. Leary, pack chairman, and other committee members and den mothers and dads to recharter the pack due to the charter expiring June 30.

A picnic is scheduled to be held in the near future.

Officers For Lions Club Installed At Monday's Meeting

Ceremony In Charge of District Governor O. E. Dowd

At Monday night's meeting of the Edenton Lions Club Mayor Leroy H. Haskett was installed as president, succeeding Hector Lupton. A very impressive installation ceremony was conducted by O. E. Dowd, district governor of Greenville, who also installed J. R. Byrum as first vice president; N. J. George, second vice president; A. E. Jenkins, third vice president; Ernest Ward, Jr., tail twister; Scott Harrell, Lion tamer; J. C. Leary, chorister; Carl Harrell, pianist; W. J. Taylor secretary-treasurer, and Kermit Layton, Bruce Jones, M. A. Hughes and G. B. Potter, directors.

First vice president J. R. Byrum announced the following committee appointments to work under him:

Program Committee—M. A. Hughes, West Leary and West Byrum, Jr.

Finance Committee—R. E. Aiken, Jr., George C. Hoskins and Jack Conn.

Membership Committee—W. W. Byrum, Herbert Hollowell and J. A. Curran.

Civic Improvement Committee—Ralph Parrish, John Goodwin and J. C. Leary.

Constitution and By-laws Committee—W. S. Griffin, R. C. Holland and Sam Allen.

Second Vice President N. J. George announced his committees as follows: Lions Education Committee—John Mitchener, C. W. Fry and Kenneth Floors.

Sight Conservation Committee—A. F. Downum, O. E. Duncan, Nathan Dail and Martin Wisely.

Health and Welfare Committee—Martin Wisely, L. S. Byrum and Wilmer Malone.

Citizenship and Patriotism Committee—Ernest Ward, Jr., W. J. Yates and Bruce Jones.

Publicity Committee—E. W. Spires, Percy Smith and Scott Harrell.

Third Vice President A. E. Jenkins' appointments are as follows:

Boys and Girls Committee—George Thompson, Randall Dulaney and Earl Harrell.

Attendance Committee—Jesse Harrell, T. B. Williford and J. R. Byrum.

Education Committee—G. B. Potter, C. E. Byrum and Kermit Layton.

Community Betterment Committee—Jimmie Partin, G. M. Byrum and Maurice Bunch, Jr.

Safety Committee—George Dail, G. C. Hobbs and Haywood Bunch.

Convention Committee—W. J. Taylor, Hector Lupton and L. H. Haskett.

The Den Committee is composed of John Goodwin, Kenneth Floors and Jimmie Partin.

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Opening Service In St. Paul's Church After Restoration

Bishop Thomas Wright Will Officiate at 11 O'clock

Sunday, July 9, the fifth Sunday after Trinity, is set for the opening service in the restored St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Wright, Bishop of East Carolina, will be present to preach and to administer the sacrament of Holy Confirmation, and to bless the restored structure. This service will be at 11 o'clock.

The congregation of St. Paul's through its rector, the Rev. Harold W. Gilmer, vestry and building committee, extend a most cordial invitation to the Reverend Clergy and congregations of the sister communions of Edenton and vicinity to meet and rejoice with them.

Sunday marks the second anniversary of the last service held in the church before dismantling of the interior was started.

Mortar Company At Camp Jackson

Local Unit Left Early Saturday Morning For Camp

Members of the Edenton Heavy Mortar Company of the National Guard left about 6:30 o'clock Saturday morning for Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., where they will be in camp for two weeks. Included in the group were 74 men and officers in charge of the commanding officer, Captain William P. Jones, who was also in charge of the convoy including Elizabeth City Guardsmen.

At camp the Edenton outfit will practice the year's training at the Edenton Armory which includes mortars, communications, small weapons such as .45 calibre pistol, carbine, M-1 rifle, .50 calibre machine gun and a variety of technical subjects.

The Edenton Company is part of the "Old Hickory" 30th Division commanded by General John Hall Manning. Local guard officials said close to 500 rounds of mortar shells will be fired during the field maneuvers. Each man will qualify in his particular weapon and close to 8,000 men will participate in the overall training activities.

The Edenton group is scheduled to return home Sunday, July 16.

MERCHANTS NIGHT TONIGHT (THURSDAY) AT HICKS FIELD

VFW POST RENEWS EFFORTS TO ERECT MEMORIAL FOR CHOWAN'S WAR DEAD

Seeking Release of \$1,000 Fund Contributed In 1944 By Town and County to Erect Appropriate Memorial on Court House Green

Members of William H. Coffield, Jr., Post, No. 9230, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States have started a concerted movement to erect an appropriate memorial for those Chowan County boys who lost their lives in World War I and World War II. About six years ago the Edenton Rotary Club sponsored a movement to erect a memorial to the war dead and at that time the County Commissioners and Town Council each contributed \$500 for the purpose and this money was deposited in the Bank of Edenton. Various suggestions were advanced as to the type of memorial to be erected, but as time went on the idea became more or less dormant until this week, when the local VFW Post started a movement to have the \$1,000 released, to which the Post will add some \$500 to erect a memorial on the Court House Green.

At a meeting of the Chowan County Commissioners Monday the following letter was read:

"We, the members of William H. Coffield, Jr., Post 9230, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, request the consideration of the County Commissioners and the Town Council on the following issues:

"1. The release of the War Memorial

Increased Budget Necessitates Raise In Rate Of 13 Cents

Cotton Blossom

Asa Griffin early Monday morning brought a cotton blossom to The Herald office, the first of the current crop reported to this newspaper. The blossom was picked Sunday on Mr. Griffin's Cowpen Neck farm. He reports that boll weevils are playing havoc with cotton on his farm.

County 4-H Clubbers Enjoy Annual Picnic

Delightful Affair Held At Chowan High School

On Wednesday afternoon of last week the annual 4-H picnic was held at Chowan High School. The various Home Demonstrations Club of the county joined with the 4-H Clubs for a very successful picnic. After the meal was over the crowd gathered in the Chowan gymnasium, where recreation was enjoyed by all. Miss Lizzie White, recreation leader of the Rocky Hock Home Demonstration Club, led the recreation.

The families of the 4-H club members and Home Demonstration club members were invited to attend the picnic and a great many families were present. The picnic is an annual affair and many of the club members look forward to it from year to year. No picnic is successful without plenty of good delicious food, and this one was one of the most successful ever held. Chowan ham, chicken, cake, pies and many other tasty foods were served.

Freeman Installed Rotary President

Will Announce Various Committee Members Today

The Rev. W. L. Freeman was installed as president of the Edenton Rotary Club at last Thursday's meeting. He succeeds George S. Twiddy, who has had a very successful administration.

In relinquishing the presidency, Mr. Twiddy gave a brief summary of the year's activities of the club and expressed his sincere appreciation for the support given him while he was president.

In taking the gavel, Mr. Freeman expressed his appreciation for the honor of being elected president of the club and pledged his best efforts to further the interests of Rotary.

Mr. Freeman will announce his various committee appointments at today's meeting.

Dog Owners Urged To Pay Tax Promptly

Owners of dogs are reminded that the time has arrived to pay dog taxes, which became due July 1 for the year 1950-1951. The tax is one dollar for each male dog and two dollars for each female.

Both Chief of Police George I. Dail and Tax Collector Miss Louise D. Coke urge owners of dogs to pay this tax promptly.

R, S, T Drivers Now Taking Examinations

Attention is called to the schedule for renewing drivers' licenses which includes names ending in R, S and T beginning July 1 and continuing through December 31.

During this period there are a number of holidays and some of the examiners will be on vacation. Drivers who are affected are, therefore, urged to take their examination as soon as possible.

Unusual Demand For Schools Big Factor In Higher Taxes

\$1.27 LAST YEAR

Budget Determined After Weeks of Juggling Mass of Figures

After juggling figures for several weeks, Chowan County Commissioners, together with E. W. Spires, County accountant, on Monday set the county tax rate for the fiscal year 1950-51. It was necessary to set the rate \$1.40 per \$100 property valuation, which is a 13-cent boost over last year's \$1.27 rate.

At one stage of the figures it was thought the tax rate would have to be \$1.50, but by paring here and there, it was finally cut down to \$1.40.

One of the principal factors in the increased rate is the amount of money needed for schools this year. Requirements call for an expenditure of \$112,978.35, of which amount \$47,876.35 is for the county unit and \$65,102 for the Edenton unit. Of the total amount, \$31,220.39 is anticipated from other than taxation sources, including \$10,340.00 from fines, penalties and forfeitures, \$1,590.00 from poll taxes, \$1,710.23 from intangible tax, \$7,580 transferred from ABC store surplus, and \$10,000 from the sale of U. S. Savings Bonds. With this \$31,220.39 deducted from the total amount needed, there remains \$81,757.96 to be raised by taxation, which requires 85 cents of the \$1.40 rate.

The amount required for curtailment of the county's bonds is \$53,928.26, of which amount a surplus remains of \$20,000, leaving \$33,928.26 to be levied, or 35 cents of the \$1.40 rate.

In the general fund anticipated expenditures are \$73,331.70, of which amount \$68,481.70 is expected to be received in way of the Chowan County ABC store earnings. The amount lacking is \$4,850, which requires five cents of the \$1.40 rate.

The social security program in Chowan County is expected to cost \$81,049 of which amount \$60,000 is for old age assistance, \$15,120 for aid to dependent children and \$5,929 for administration. Of this amount State and Federal aid amounts to \$66,776.28, leaving \$14,272.72 to be raised by taxation, or 15 cents of the \$1.40 rate.

The tax rate was based on \$9,700,000 property valuation in the county.

Mrs. Willie O'Neal Heads Pocahontas

New Officers Will Be Installed Friday By District Deputy

At the regular meeting of Chowanoke Council, Degree of Pocahontas held Friday night, new officers were elected for a six-month term. Mrs. Jeanne O'Neal was elected Pocahontas, succeeding Mrs. Horace White, who served in that capacity since the Council was organized.

Other officers elected were: Prophetess, Mrs. Horace White; Wenonah, Mrs. Hazel Williford; Powhatan, J. Edwin Buffal.

Mrs. O'Neal named the following appointive officers to serve during her term: Scouts, Mrs. Myrtle Adams and Mrs. Elsie Lee; runners, Mrs. Doris Jean Toppin, Mrs. Joyce Allen; Warriors, Mrs. Mamie Parker, Mrs. Ruth Baker, Mrs. Vira White and Mrs. Agnes Washington; Councillors, Mrs. Virginia Oliver and Mrs. Martha Crumney; guard of the forest, Mrs. Hilda Bass; guard of the tepee, Mrs. Ida Tynch.

This group of officers will be installed at the meeting next Monday night. The installation ceremony will be in charge of Mrs. Pauline Miller, district deputy, of Elizabeth City. All members are especially urged to be present. Light refreshments will be served.