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Schools In Edenton Ready For Opening Wednesday Morning

All Students Requested To Meet In Auditorium At 9 A. M.

BAND CONCERT

Parents Urged to Register Those Entering First Time

The Edenton High School will begin the new school year on Wednesday morning, September 6, at 9 o'clock. All students are asked to assemble in the auditorium at that time for a brief opening exercise and a concert by the band. All parents and friends of the school are invited to attend this program.

Opening day the school will dismiss about 11:30 A. M., and on the following two days, Thursday and Friday, school will open at 8:25 and close at 1:05 P. M. The cafeteria will not serve lunch on these days, but will be ready to serve lunch on Monday, September 11, when the school begins its regular schedule.

Parents are again urged to register all children entering the first grade for the first time this year. This registration is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, August 31 and September 1, from 9 A. M. to 12 noon. Parents can register without having the children present.

All music students interested in taking piano lessons with Miss Clapp are asked to register with Mrs. Travis on August 31 and September 1. Only a limited number can be accepted, thus making early registration important.

The Edenton High School Band, directed by Ernest E. Gentile, will present the following numbers during its concert: "Star Spangled Banner," "Echoes From a Music Festival," by J. F. Pitts, "Londonderry Air," arranged by E. Chenette, "Queen City," by W. H. Boorn, "Largo," by Handel, and "Memories of Stephen Foster," arranged by G. E. Holmes.

Prospects Bright For Edenton Band

22 Members Rehearse Faithfully During Summer

According to R. N. Hines, president of the Edenton High School Band Association, prospects appear bright for a successful season for the High School Band.

Despite vacations, hot and a long seige of rainy weather, 22 members of the band were very faithful during the summer in attending practically all of the rehearsals.

With the opening of school next week, many more are expected to join the band.

Mr. Hines and other interested persons are delighted with the progress made by the new band director, Ernest Gentile, and are expecting to see the band make rapid strides forward.

Director Of Civilian Defense In Edenton

E. Z. Jones of Raleigh, brother of Sgt. J. A. Jones of the Edenton Police Department, and State director of Civilian Defense, was a visitor in Edenton Monday. Mr. Jones is very much pleased with the cooperation he is receiving throughout the State in planning for civilian defense, saying that he already has a sizeable group of private plans ready to go into immediate service in case of an emergency.

Mr. Jones was very much impressed with the start made in Edenton.

ROTARY MEETS TODAY

Edenton's Rotary Club will meet today (Thursday) at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. Last week's regular meeting was called off due to a joint meeting of the Windsor, Ahoskie and Edenton Clubs held in Windsor, so that the president, the Rev. W. L. Freeman, urges every member to attend the meeting today.

OFFICES CLOSE MONDAY

All town and county offices will be closed next Monday, September 4, in observance of Labor Day. Important business should, therefore, be transacted accordingly.

Korean War Does Not Affect Vet Schooling

According to John A. Holmes, Superintendent of city schools and director of the accelerated veterans high school program in Edenton, there has been no change in the plans of the schooling for the GI's due to the Korean situation. Veterans may still enroll for courses either in the accelerated high school or in the elementary adult division.

Faculty members include Peter A. Carlton, the Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Freeman, and Mrs. Charles Russell. Interested veterans can enroll during the day at the High School.

Trends Indicate That Many Will Likely Be Killed On Labor Day

1,100,000 Vehicles Expected on Highways Over Holidays

Present trends indicate that 24 persons will be killed over the Labor Day week-end, the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles estimated today.

The prediction was based on the fact that 21 persons were killed over the Labor Day week-end last year and that highway fatalities are up approximately 13 per cent. The estimate was made for the period from 4 P. M., Friday through 6 A. M., Tuesday. Department officials expressed the hope that the prediction would prove too high.

The Department has underway an intensive campaign, similar to the one conducted over the Fourth of July and aimed at cutting down highway slaughter over the Labor Day holiday. Generally, this will be the last opportunity for North Carolinians to visit the mountains and the beach and to witness the two pageants, "The Lost Colony" and "Unto These Hills."

During the holiday period, the Highway Patrol will release each hour the total number of highway fatalities, injuries and accidents at that point. The State's three press services have agreed to distribute the figures to newspapers and radio stations.

Special spot announcements, aimed at holiday drivers, have been sent to radio stations of the State for use during station breaks. Patrolmen in many areas of the State have recorded spot announcements for use during the holiday.

Nearly 1,100,000 motor vehicles can be expected to be on the highways at some time over the holiday, more than during any previous holiday period in history. All leaves for patrolmen have been cancelled in anticipation of the heavy travel.

Theme for the Labor Day week-end is: Drive as you would have the other fellow drive.

Thieves Break Into Triangle Sunday A. M.

Early Sunday morning thieves forced an entrance into the Triangle Service Station and carried off approximately \$10 which was taken from the cash register. Entrance was gained by breaking the glass on a side door facing Leary Bros. Warehouse. The heavy glass was scattered about the entrance with some falling inside the building.

According to the police, a check was made at the Triangle about 5 o'clock but at that time there was no evidence of any break-in.

Clyde Hollowell, one of the proprietors made a check of the place after the robbery was discovered and estimated that only about \$10 was missing. The thieves left about 50 pennies in the cash drawer and another cash register was not tampered with.

This is the second time within three days that thieves entered local business establishments, Hobowsky's Department Store having been first entered and \$15 in cash stolen. Police have no clues in either case.

BANK CLOSED MONDAY

Next Monday, September 4, being Labor Day, the Bank of Edenton will be closed all day in observance of the holiday. Patrons of the bank are urged to transact important business accordingly.

10-Year-old Negro Boy Falls Victim To Polio Friday

William Lee Jernigan Sent To Maryview Hospital

For the first time in many years, a case of infantile paralysis was reported in Chowan County Friday of last week. The victim is a 10-year-old Negro boy, William Lee Jernigan, son of John Wilson and Nancy Jernigan, who live on the B. W. Evans' Turkey Neck farm in the Green Hill section.

The boy complained for a few days and when a local physician was consulted, it was decided he had infantile paralysis. The victim was taken to Maryview Hospital in Portsmouth, where arrangements had been made several years ago by the Chowan County Chapter for Infantile Paralysis to treat any local cases.

The Jernigans have eight other children, but none appear to be afflicted by the disease.

The Jernigan family is unable to pay for the hospitalization of the boy, so that the local chapter for Infantile Paralysis guaranteed the hospital payment of the bills.

Colerain Lions And Edenton Plan To Hold Joint Meeting

Two Clubs Will Meet At Colerain Monday, September 11

The Edenton Lions Club voted at their Monday night's meeting to hold their September 11th meeting jointly with the Colerain Club at the latter place. A Dutch-treat chicken barbecue dinner will be served for the occasion. The Edenton Club is to provide the program.

The Edenton Club also voted to dispense with the meeting of September 4, due to Labor Day.

C. A. Phillips, Superintendent of the Edenton Cotton Mills, was inducted into the club by W. J. Taylor in an appropriate ceremony. Ernest Ward, Jr., did the "honors" for the occasion.

Zone chairman West Leary gave a short talk concerning the newly created districts in the State and their relationship to the Lions International.

Ernest Ward, Jr., the new tail twister, really went about his job in earnest at the meeting, much to the chagrin and financial detriment of several members, who violated the rules in one way or another. This always provides a lot of fun for everyone, except the victim.

Draft Board Asked To Furnish 25 Men For Physical Exam

Group Ordered to Report at Raleigh September 6th

Chowan County's Draft Board has received orders calling for 25 registrants in the A-1 class to report in Raleigh on Wednesday, September 6, for a physical examination prior to induction into the armed forces.

The Draft Board, of which Mrs. Parker Helms is secretary, has sent out a goodly number of cards to young men who were previously classed as A-1. The purpose of the cards is to have the recipients notify the Draft Board if there has been any change in their status since they were originally classified. Quite a few have appeared at the Draft Board office in the Citizens Bank Building to make changes in their status.

Stores Again Open On Wednesday Afternoon

Wednesday of this week terminated the summer Wednesday half holiday observed by Edenton concerns during the summer months. Hereafter stores will remain open Wednesday afternoons instead of closing at 1 o'clock. The mid week half holiday was inaugurated in order to allow clerks a period for rest and recreation.

Legion Presents Plans For Home On Waterfront

Financial Plan and Construction Adopted At Meeting

At a meeting held last week, members of the Edward G. Bond Post and the Legion Auxiliary voted unanimously to approve a plan to finance the building of a home on the Legion property on the waterfront. Plans were also presented by the building committee and accepted which call for a building 40 x 80 feet. The building will be of cement block and will include a large assembly room, a kitchen, lounge and modern rest rooms for ladies and gentlemen. Plans also call for a six-foot cement walk next to the water with a four-foot cement walk in front. The cost of the building is estimated at approximately \$15,000.

The financing plan, as presented by George Alma Byrum, calls for incorporation of the Legion Home and selling \$20,000 common stock certificates and \$20,000 preferred stock with the latter to bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent after a period of three years.

According to the plan both common and preferred stock will sell for \$10 a share with the common or capital stock being sold only to Legionnaires and Auxiliary members. The preferred stock will be sold to anyone interested in seeing the Legion home built.

W. J. Yates is chairman of the building committee and believes that if the home is realized, it will be a credit not only to the Legion and Auxiliary, but the town as well.

Negro Fires Bullet In Head Following Dispute With Wife

Jesse Croom Dies In Chowan Hospital Monday Morning

An argument resulted in the death of Jesse Croom, 38-year-old Negro, who died Monday morning shortly before 7 o'clock in Chowan Hospital as the result of a bullet in his forehead.

According to Edenton police, Croom and his wife, Mary, had an argument Sunday night at their home on East Carteret Street, after which she went to the home of her mother on Oakum Street. Croom is said to have followed her and while she was in the house he fired five shots, none of which found their mark.

Later Croom turned the .22 rifle on himself sending a bullet in the center of his forehead just above the eyes.

BPW Club Staging Unique Campaign

Effort Made to Check on Amount of Trading At Home

Edenton's Business and Professional Woman's Club is sponsoring a rather unique campaign during the month of September to foster home trading. Miss Josie Ruth Carr, president of the club, has requested each member to carry a small note book in their purse and record each purchase made in Edenton other than that spent for the nourishment of the body, which of necessity is bought at home.

At the end of the month these books will be checked and an announcement made of the survey. In this way it is hoped it will be possible to make all club members, as well as other citizens, conscious of boosting their home town business enterprises.

Many Motorists Fined For Failing To Stop

Close to thirty motorists in Edenton were fined for violating the town ordinance relating to stopping at "stop" signs, last week. The Police Department had issued warnings to the public concerning same before beginning to enforce the law.

The emphasis is on public safety and the police are trying to impress safety habits on those behind the wheel.

Rural Schools In Chowan County Will Open Next Monday

Reported Missing



GEORGE E. PRIVOTT, JR. According to information, Pfc. George E. Privott, Jr., has been reported missing since July 20. However, since the report reached Edenton, Mr. and Mrs. Privott received a letter from their son dated August 15, raising the belief that he is a prisoner of war in Korea.

Hopes Boosted For Safety of George Privott in Korea

Letter Received After Reported Missing By War Department

Hopes of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Privott about the safety of their son, Pfc. George E. Privott, Jr., were materially boosted Thursday of last week when they received a letter from him dated August 15.

On the previous Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Privott received a telegram from the War Department to the effect that their son was reported missing in the Korean fighting since July 20. On the following Tuesday they received a letter confirming the telegram. Then on Thursday they received a brief letter from their son dated August 15.

While the letter was censored, Mr. and Mrs. Privott could figure out that their son said he was in a place not as good as Edenton, that he was safe and well and would probably be there until the war was over.

The fact that the letter was written after he was reported missing and the nature of the contents of the letter lead Mr. and Mrs. Privott, as well as other relatives and friends, to believe that young Privott is a prisoner of war.

Boat Races Labor Day Feature At Shipyard Landing

A stock outboard motor race will be held at Old Shipyard Landing in Elizabeth City over the Labor Day week-end on Sunday, September 3, at 2 P. M. This will be the last scheduled race of the season and a large number of well known drivers are expected to participate. Among the noted drivers will be Jimmy Yeagle of Hampton, Fletcher Parr of Suffolk, Gerald Givens of Portsmouth, Carl Doeve, Howard Behl of Ocean View, Johnnie Williams, C. S. Staples, J. P. Forehand, Bob Gray of Elizabeth City, and many others from Virginia and North Carolina.

All boat entries will be free and special trophies will be awarded first, second and third places in each class.

Old Shipyard Landing is seven miles north of Elizabeth City and three miles past Camden Court House on the Pasquotank River. The races will be under the direction of Frank McNaughton and Russ Twiford and connected with the Pasquotank River Yacht Club.

MASONIC DEGREE WORK

At the meeting of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., tonight, the second degree will be conferred upon a candidate. Hubert Williford, master of the lodge, invites all Masons to attend.

One Teacher Vacancy But Expected to Be Filled In Time

TEACHERS MEETING

Buses In Unit Inspected And Found to Be In A-1 Shape

Chowan County rural schools are scheduled to open next Monday, September 4.

According to Superintendent W. J. Taylor, all the teachers have been selected, except a commercial teacher in Chowan High School. Efforts are being made to secure this teacher as soon as possible.

Teachers for the Chowan High School are as follows: Elementary—First grade, Miss Ada Morris; second grade, Mrs. W. J. Nichols; third grade, Mrs. Marguerite B. Burch; fourth grade, Miss Hattie Hudgins; fifth grade, Miss Ella Mae Nixon; sixth grade, Mrs. Myra B. Stokely; seventh grade, Mrs. Frederick J. Floyd; eighth grade, Mrs. Nina B. Elliott.

Teachers for the high school grades are as follows: W. J. Nichols, Principal and Mathematics; Miss Louise Wilson, History and English; Jake M. Smith, Science and Athletic Director; Mrs. Edna Reaves, Vocational Home Economics; E. S. White, Vocational Agriculture; Miss Sara Townsend, French and English.

If the average daily attendance is as high this year for the first two weeks as it was for the first two weeks last year, then an extra teacher may be allowed. In the event this additional teacher is allowed, efforts are being made to secure a Public School Music Teacher.

Teachers for the Rocky Hook Central School will be Mrs. Mattie Nixon, Principal and sixth and seventh grades; Mrs. Mae Pryce Asbell, third, fourth and fifth grades; Mrs. Sadie Morris, first and second grades.

Miss Sara Townsend replaces Mrs. Mildred P. Kramer, who resigned. Miss Townsend is a graduate of the University of North Carolina in French and English and has nine years of teaching experience in the Barnesville, Rowland, Selma and Southport school systems.

Jake M. Smith, replaces F. A. Rawles, as Science teacher and Athletic Director. Mr. Smith is a graduate of Wake Forest College, and East Carolina Teachers College, where he recently secured the M. A. Degree. He comes highly recommended by former principals and superintendents of the Dunn, Tarboro and Ahoskie school systems, where he has worked as teacher and coach for the past ten years.

There will be a conference held for all white teachers Friday morning at 10 o'clock, September 1, in the Chowan High School. A conference for all Negro teachers will be held on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, September 2, in the office of the superintendent.

The teachers selected for the Negro schools are as follows:

Britts—Mrs. Annie C. Blair, first through seventh grades; Center Hill—Mrs. Jane Edith B. Gilham, first through seventh grades; Hudson Grove—Thomas H. Jernigan, principal and fourth through seventh grades; Mrs. Rosa Howcott Joyner, first through third grades; Warrens Grove—E. S. Parker, principal and fourth through seventh grades; Mrs. Naomi B. Hicks, first through seventh grades; Mrs. E. S. Parker, first through third grades; White Oak—William Henry (Continued On Page Four)

Commissioners Will Meet On Wednesday

Chowan County Commissioners will meet in their September meeting on Wednesday of next week instead of the first Monday. The change in meeting was made due to Labor Day falling on the first Monday.

Baptist Young People In Charge Of Service

Services at the Edenton Baptist Church Sunday night, September 3, will be conducted by the young people of the church.

An inspirational program has been planned with special music featuring the service. The public is cordially invited to attend the service.