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## Hospital Auxiliary Plans To Observe Open House Feb. 18

### New Officers For Year Installed at Meeting Last Week

On Wednesday, January 17, in the Court House Assembly Room, the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary had its first meeting of the year. There was a large and enthusiastic group present to install the new officers, who are as follows:

Mrs. J. Clarence Leary, president; Mrs. Martin Wisely, vice-president; Mrs. George Hoskins, secretary, and Mrs. T. E. Francis, treasurer.

The following chairmen of standing committees were announced: Mrs. L. A. Patterson and Mrs. E. N. Elliott, sewing; Mrs. R. F. Elliott, finance; Mrs. J. W. Davis, publicity; Mrs. W. S. Spitzer, wards; Mrs. Rodney Harrell, membership, and Miss Rebecca Colwell and Mrs. John G. Wood, grounds.

Plans were made for "open house" at the Chowan Hospital on Sunday, February 18. Mrs. J. E. Debnam and Mrs. W. I. Hart will arrange for this occasion, and it is hoped that every person in the town and county will visit the hospital on that day. The staff will receive and hostesses will be on duty to show the hospital's wonderful modern facilities. Hours for calling will be announced later. The colored Auxiliary will cooperate in the program. By this date the grounds, landscaped by Buxton White of Elizabeth City will be graded and planted.

The grounds committee deserves high praise for its excellent job, involving many hours of planning and work. Both auxiliaries have donated generously toward this accomplishment.

There was a discussion of the Civil Defense program, which includes a much needed Nurses' Aid course. It is hoped that a class can be recruited for the Red Cross to direct and train.

An electric mixer was ordered by the Auxiliary to donate to the hospital kitchen. It was voted to have regular meetings every other month, so the next general meeting will be Wednesday, March 21, at 3 o'clock in the Court House.

## 40 Attend Meeting To Discuss Cotton

### More Cotton Acreage Is Sought Due to Acute Shortage

In the neighborhood of 40 farmers, cotton ginners, insecticide dealers and cotton manufacturers met in the Court House Thursday night to consider the cotton situation for 1951 and to attempt to induce a large increase in acres planted in cotton this year.

Chowan County, with 2,300 acres planted in cotton last year, had an unusually wet season and the cotton output wasn't as profitable as it can be. In fact, many farmers lost practically all their cotton due to the weather.

With no allotments for the number of acres of cotton one can plant this year, and with the dire need for more cotton, local agricultural heads met with the farmers with the hope of getting as many acres of cotton planted in Chowan County this year as possible.

County Agent C. W. Overman discussed dusting of cotton and cited that cotton growing can be profitable. Overman also pointed out that the cotton supply in the United States now is only enough to run through 1951.

Remarks were heard from PMA representative J. M. Price, Soil Conservationist R. C. Jordan, seed and insecticide dealers and from farmers as to the cotton picture. Also making a few remarks was C. S. Mintz, district farm agent from Raleigh. It was brought out that Chowan might possibly plant 3,750 acres in cotton this year.

## E. W. Spires Continues To Improve In Hospital

Friends will be delighted to learn that E. W. Spires is continuing to improve in the Norfolk General Hospital. Visitors on Sunday found him able to sit up for brief periods and being able to take nourishment, he is taking on his normal appearance.

It is expected that he will be able to be discharged from the hospital after this week, but will remain in Norfolk for the purpose of taking treatments and rest.

## James Allen White First Baby Of Year Born In Hospital

### Opening March 8, 1947, 563 Babies Born In Local Hospital

At 3:45 A. M., on January 11, 1951, at Chowan Hospital, the first baby of the New Year was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence D. White. He is a fine son, weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces and will bear the name of his paternal grandfather, James Allen White. He is the only child of his parents, who live on their Mexico Road farm. Mrs. White, his mother, is associated with Mae Jackson's Beauty Shop. All good wishes are extended to this new baby for a long and happy life.

The modern nursery of Chowan Hospital is a complete unit, with its own work room for baby care; a formula room, and a ten bassinets nursery room. Among its facilities are two incubators and resuscitators, one of which was donated by the Hospital Auxiliary. They have been used many times to save the lives of the new born. Chowan Hospital opened March 8, 1947 with 87 births during that year, 151 in 1948, 165 in 1949 and 160 in 1950, making the total 563.

## Negro H. D. Council Sets Goals For 1951

### 49 Members Attend the Meeting Held at Library

The County Council of Negro Home Demonstration Clubs met Saturday, January 20, at the Brown-Carver Library with 49 members present. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss county goals for 1951 and make overall plans to attain these goals.

County Goals for 1951 follow:

1. All clubs work toward 100 per cent membership of women living in the community.
2. All families plan and plant garden needed for family.
3. At least 50 families increase production and consumption of green and yellow vegetables.
4. 50 families increase consumption of milk.
5. All families improve family relations.
6. All families can tomatoes for family use. One hundred improve method in meat canning.
7. 60 families fill canning budget.
8. All women thoroughly clean home.
9. 75 women learn how to care for furniture in the home.
10. At least 75 women learn how to make a simple dress.
11. 25 women improve dress finishes (sleeves, plackets).
12. At least one family in each community carry yard improvement project.

## War Correspondent At Colored School

The ARO-American Newspapers have chosen the Edenton colored high school as one of the leading schools where James Hicks, war correspondent for the ARO-American Newspapers, will make a personal appearance.

He will appear at the local school Monday, January 29 and will address the student body and other interested people of the community at 2 P. M.

Because of his direct contact with both our men and the enemy in Korea, he is able to bring many educational, beneficial and interesting reports. It is hoped the people of the community will avail themselves of this rare opportunity to hear Mr. Hicks. There will be no admission charge.

## Some Dogs Victims Of Bait For Rats

Chief of Police George I. Dail informed The Herald early this week that a number of valuable dogs have been found dead, evidently victims of rat poison.

Mr. Dail urges those who put out rat poison to be careful about where it is deposited so that dogs cannot get to it.

## ROTARY MEETS TODAY

Edenton's Rotary Club will meet today (Thursday) at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. All Rotarians are urged to be present.

## MASONS MEET TONIGHT

Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Court House. C. B. Mooney, master of the lodge, requests a full attendance.

## EDENTON LIONS CLUB ENTERTAINS 4-H CLUB CORN CONTESTANTS AND FATHERS

### Wallace Evans, James Monds and L. T. White win Top Honors In Three Groups; Average Yield Of All Boys 61.7 Bushels Per Acre

At their meeting Monday night Edenton Lions entertained the Chowan 4-H Club corn contestants and their dads at a delicious banquet. At this banquet, the winners of the 1950 corn contest were awarded prizes for their corn project. Prizes were awarded according to the three highest yields, regardless of age, as has been done in the past. The club boy who made the highest corn yield in each of the three age groups shared equal prize money of \$10.00.

The three age groups were 10, 12, above 12 and up to 14, above 14 and up to 18 years of age. April 1 was used as a base period in judging the age group of each contestant.

Wallace Evans, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carey M. Evans of Rocky Hock, won the prize in the age group of 12-14. He grew 75.9 bushels of Ike Harrell local corn on his acre.

James Monds, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Monds, of the Center Hill section (Bear Swamp), grew 92.5 bushels of N. C. 27 corn on his acre, and won the prize in the age group of 12-14. Incidentally, James made the highest yield of any 4-H Club member in Chowan County. This is the second time that James has had the highest yield in the Chowan 4-H Club.

## Meeting Planned To Form Safety Council

### Efforts Will Be Made to Organize on Friday Night

D. Skiles, representing the North Carolina Highway Safety Division, has scheduled a meeting in the Municipal Building for Friday night at 8 o'clock. The purpose is to make every effort to organize a Chowan County Safety Council.

Mr. Skiles stated that to organize it will be necessary to have the cooperation of all civic clubs and other organizations, as well as individuals, it being the responsibility of each organization to sponsor a safety project during a designated month.

At the meeting Mr. Skiles will explain the purposes of the Council, the primary function being to help eliminate accidents.

## Edenton Bay Packing Co. Packing Nationally Advertised Jetty Shrimp

Jetty quick frozen shrimp are now being distributed in 48 states and the Hawaiian Islands, and it will be of interest to Herald readers to know that these shrimp are packed by the Edenton Bay Packing Company and distributed by Atlanta Trading Corporation of New York.

The shrimp are cooked, peeled and deveined and are nationally advertised.

L. T. White, nephew of Leroy Boyce of the Center Hill section (Yellow Hammer Road), won the prize in the age group of 14-18.

All of the prize winners planted their corn rather thick on 3 1/2 foot rows, fertilized with at least 600 pounds of fertilizer, and top dressed the crop with at least 499-500 pounds of nitrate of soda or its equivalent. James Monds planted his corn 12 inches in the drill, and did not thin much of it out. None of the winners removed the suckers from their corn.

Mayor Leroy Haskett, president of the Lions Club, awarded the prizes, and congratulated the winners. He encouraged the boys whose yields were not unusually high to determine to be a winner in 1951.

After the prizes were awarded, various members of the Lion Club questioned the boys as to how they grew their corn, and the things which they did to make such good yields. One of the boy's dad said that his son beat him raising corn two years ago, so he decided to try his son's method. As a result, he now applies 400 pounds of Cal-Nitro as side dressing instead of the usual 200 pounds of nitrate of soda. His corn yield is now about (Continued on Page Seven)

## Busy Meeting Of Farm Bureau Held

### Officers Installed and Important Matters Discussed

The Chowan County Farm Bureau held its January meeting Wednesday night at the Community Building at Cross Roads.

A feature of the meeting was the installation of 1951 officers and during the meeting Secretary Edgar Earl Hollowell presented a report for 1950. Matters discussed included pending peanut legislation; the proposed North Carolina Peanut Growers Association; the State Farm Bureau Convention; proposed increase in dues and the North Carolina Farm Bureau insurance organization.

## Bill Painter Will Be Lions Club Speaker

Mayor Leroy Haskett, president of the Lions Club, announced early this week that W. M. (Bill) Painter of Wilson will attend and be the principal speaker at the Lions Club meeting next Monday night.

Mr. Painter is a member of the Council of Safety Supervisors of the North Carolina Motor Carriers Association, director of safety and personnel for the Thurston Motor Lines and is well versed on safety activities of the motor carrier industry.

Jeff Wilson, director of information and safety also advised Mayor Haskett that he will visit the club and speak at a later date.

## WEEKLY LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

After opening their second full week of work with a joint session commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the inauguration of Governor Charles B. Aycock, the General Assembly settled down to a week marked by the introduction of large numbers of bills and short sessions. Standing committees organized and began operations.

**Appropriations**  
As reported last week, the Advisory Budget Commission has recommended no appropriations for new permanent improvements, but the governor has suggested that \$11 1/2 million is needed to supplement 1949 appropriations for permanent improvements and to finance additional ones. In an effort to find funds without raising taxes, the appropriations committee chairmen have appointed subcommittees to look into the \$30 million of authorized improvements not yet contracted for to see if any of them can be postponed to make way for more pressing needs. Pursuant to a joint resolution reflecting a similar feeling for economy, the presiding officers have appointed a joint committee to investigate the advisability of carrying through the contract already let for the construction of a coliseum at the State Fair grounds at a figure considerably in excess of the original appropriation.

**Effects of National Emergency**  
The present state of national affairs is having its effect. The General Assembly has appropriated \$41,342 to operate the civil defense program until July. Some legislators made it apparent in debate that they may question the proposed biennial appropriation for this purpose on the ground that the program should be financed by the federal rather than the state government. An expected curtailment in the output of motor vehicles prompted the introduction of a bill to authorize the State Board of Education to contract now for the purchase of new school buses and rely on its 1951-52 appropriation to pay for them. Anticipating a metal shortage, SB 39 would allow the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to issue only one license plate for each vehicle should the shortage materialize.

**Highway Safety**  
Sponsored by the governor's Highway Safety Committee, HB 52, another automobile inspection bill, was introduced this week, this one calling for 60-state operated inspection lanes. A public hearing on this bill and HB 41 is scheduled for January 31. HB 94 would jail a drunken or drugged driver for a minimum of 5 days rather than for the 30 days as proposed in HB 1. SB 51 would expand the pro-

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## F. Watson Bell, Jr. Loses Life In Plane Crash January 18

### Parents Notified About Accident Saturday Afternoon

Mr. and Mrs. Watson Bell were notified by telegram Saturday that their son, Frank Watson Bell, Jr., was killed in a plane crash over the Mediterranean Sea on January 18.

Young Bell, 27, was a pilot in a fighter-plane, flying from the carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt. According to information he had just finished maneuvers and while circling over the carrier awaiting orders to land, his plane and another operated by Captain Collins collided in mid-air, resulting in the death of both pilots.

Bell was a flier for eight years and was one of the first to join Navy V-5 air cadets in 1949 when he was a student at State College.

## Agronomy Specialist Speaker At Meeting

### Feed For Livestock Subject at Community Building

Dr. E. R. Collins, in charge of Extension agronomy, N. C. State College, spoke on producing feed for livestock, at the Community Building, Thursday afternoon. Dr. Collins explained the latest recommendations and practices in producing feed for livestock. He stressed the fact that it is very important to take soil tests and apply lime to land several months before it is seeded to pasture crops. It takes lime several months to neutralize soil acidity. Therefore, it should always be applied to pasture land in advance of the seeding date. Lime must be well mixed with soil to neutralize acidity. Therefore, it is impossible to get good results by seeding pasture then applying lime to the surface of the soil without mixing it in.

As to the latest fertilizers recommended for corn, 6-12-6 is now believed to be better than 5-10-5, which has been the standard recommendation for several years.

It is a good idea to apply slightly more potash to corn and cotton than these crops will need; as peanuts, if used in a rotation, will take up the surplus potash.

Many farmers are interested in knowing the best way to produce the most feed on an acre of corn and soybeans. Many farmers still plant a hill of corn and a hill of soybeans, however, the best practice seems to be to plant 2 rows of corn and 2 rows of soybeans alternately. Top dressing with nitrate of soda should be done only between the two rows of corn. In this way the soybeans do not get but very little of the chemical nitrogen and consequently they produce their own nitrogen on the root nodules. If corn and soybeans are planted together in the same row, the soybeans will use much of the chemical nitrogen and will not produce any of its own. It is believed that it is possible to make much more hog feed per acre by planting two rows of corn and two rows of soybeans than by using any other method of growing corn and soybeans for hog feed.

## Churches Cooperating In Day Of Prayer

Protestant churches in Edenton are cooperating in the world day of prayer which is scheduled to be held in the Methodist Church Friday night, February 9, at 8 o'clock.

The service is non-denominational and some of the ministers will take part on the program.

Miss Mamie Hogg is responsible for the program and hopes many people will attend.

## PTA Planning Box Supper On Feb. 27

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Edenton school is planning to hold a box supper and musical program at the high school auditorium Tuesday night, February 27, at 7:30 o'clock.

Details of the affair will be announced later.

## CAKE SALE SATURDAY

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will sponsor a pie and cake sale Saturday morning. The sale will be held in the Quinn Furniture store, starting at 10 o'clock.

## Chief George I. Dail Favors Revival Of Inspection Lanes

### 17% Killed In 1950 Attributed to Mechanical Failure

Chief of Police George I. Dail is one who favors the revival of automobile inspection and says the General Assembly should recognize the rights and privileges of the citizens of the State to pass a law to protect those who try to keep their motor vehicles in first class mechanical condition.

Mr. Dail says: "Each of the citizens of the State of North Carolina has the right and the privilege of using the streets and highways of the State either as a pedestrian or a motorist or both, without needless exposure to accident, injury, or death caused by the mechanical failure or otherwise unlawful operation by others of vehicles over or upon said streets or highways.

The right and privilege of any person to use the streets and highways of this State is, however, subject to the right, privilege of other persons to use such streets and highways in a safe, and lawful, sane, and prudent manner.

"In order to secure to law-abiding and prudent pedestrians and motorists the full enjoyment of the right and privilege herein declared to exist, those operators of vehicles who are heedless of the duties and obligations imposed upon them and un mindful of the rights of others shall be barred from the streets and highways of the State.

"To guarantee to motorists and pedestrians the safe use of the streets and highways of this State, should be the duty of the General Assembly to enact a law creating the Mechanical Inspection Division, so it will help cut down on our motor vehicle accidents. Out of the 960 people killed in 1950, 17 per cent were due to mechanical failure."

## BPW Club Holds Monthly Meeting

### Interesting Program Is Presented Regarding Legislation

Edenton's Business and Professional Women's Club held its monthly meeting Thursday night in the club room at Hotel Joseph Hewes. An interesting program was presented on legislation as adopted by the N. C. State Legislative Council, of which the local club is a member.

The president, Mrs. Josie Ruth Carr, presided and called for reports from various committees. A vote of thanks was given Mrs. Caroline Thomas for her donation for the song title contest.

The club plans to stage a military bridge party during February, and the district BPW meeting will be held in Elizabeth City on March 8. The club will also cooperate in the civil defense program. It was also decided to enroll the club in the Chamber of Commerce and members were urged to contribute to the March of Dimes.

Mrs. Annie Mills, Legislation Chairman, presented the following program with the members participating.

"Provide an effective system, with adequate financial support for improving and enforcement of the Compulsory School attendance Law," by Mrs. Mary Willis.

"Provide for minimum wage hour standards for women and minors," by Mrs. Corie White.

"Provide that in divorce proceedings involving children a definite plan for the care and custody of any child under 18, must be included in the order of the Judge hearing the case," by Mrs. Carolyn McMullan.

"Abolish the fee system in lieu of salary for operation of jails, and for enforcement of the criminal law," by Mrs. Mildred Spruill.

"Increase the jurisdiction of the juvenile court so as to include children 16 years of age," by Harriet Leary.

Miss Carolyn Swindell, accompanied by Mrs. Gus Hughes at the piano, delighted the group with two solos, "A Heart That's Free" and "If I Could Tell You." Light refreshments were served after the meeting.

## MURRAY WHICHARD RE-ENLISTS

Murray P. Whichard, Jr., chief hospital corpsman, USN, completed 12 years' enlisted service in the Navy on June 5, 1950, and has re-enlisted for six additional years. At present, Whichard is attached to the Naval Air Station, Memphis, Tenn.