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## Opening Of Schools Increases Hazards For Child's Health

### Health Officer Emphasizes Importance of Immunization

With the opening of schools throughout the four-county health district Dr. B. B. McGuire, health officer, urges all parents of school children to reflect on their duties concerning immunizations that are required by law. It is assumed that these children are all protected by immunization from diphtheria and small-pox and from whooping cough by either immunization or by having had the disease. These are all required by law before a child may enter the public schools of North Carolina.

Parents should further reflect on the certainty that these children will be exposed to other diseases in proportion to the increase in the number of children with whom they come into close contact. Colds, influenza, ear-ache, tonsillitis, pneumonia, whooping cough, measles, mumps, chicken pox, membranous croup (diphtheria) are among them.

Every school is almost certain to have pupils who are immune to diphtheria but carry these organisms in the throat and nasal passages. These carriers, coming into close contact with non-carriers, will transmit the organism to these children who in turn carry the disease to the small brothers and sisters at home who may not have been immunized.

## William B. Umstead To Run For Governor

### Former U. S. Senator Announces Candidacy Wednesday

William B. Umstead, former U. S. Senator of Durham, on Wednesday announced his candidacy for the office of Governor, subject to the Democratic primary next May.

While many predictions have been made regarding Mr. Umstead's plans his announcement definitely places him in the race for Governor. In his announcement Mr. Umstead gave the following statement:

"I am a candidate for Governor of North Carolina, subject to the Democratic Primary next Spring.

"In connection with this announcement I feel that it is appropriate to say that I have great pride in the past half century of advancement and progress in our State. This development must continue.

"As we look ahead to even greater accomplishments, we are compelled to recognize that the troublesome times through which we are living will continue to present serious questions requiring prompt decision, and grave problems demanding practical solution. These things should be accorded the wise and patient consideration that affairs of State deserve. If this is done there is no reason why North Carolina should not continue to be the leading Southern State and advance to an even higher position among the states of the Union.

"Leadership is always accompanied by heavy responsibility, and I do not seek leadership of our great State lightly, but in humility. Should the people of North Carolina nominate and elect me Governor, such experience and ability as are mine will be devoted to serving the best interests of the State I love.

"I make this formal announcement brief, but at the proper time will present my suggestions for the continuing development of North Carolina.

"I acknowledge with sincere appreciation and assurances of support that have come to me from all sections of the State, and I invite and respectfully solicit the support of all North Carolinians."

## PTA Tea Will Honor Members Of Faculty

The Edenton Parent-Teacher Association will meet Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the school library. Following a short business meeting a tea will be held honoring members of the school faculty and new PTA members.

All members are especially urged to attend this, the first meeting of the new year.

## INTERESTING EDENTONIANS

### Ruth Vail, Housewife, Finds Time For The Arts

#### ARTIST, MUSICIAN, POET

By WILBORNE HARRELL  
Short in stature but long on accomplishments, Ruth Vail wears her many achievements with poised dignity and charm. Matron, artist, poet and musician, Mrs. Vail has developed a high degree of proficiency among the arts, and has found outlet for an abundance of native talent. Genial "Uncle Joe Vail," one of Edenton's best-liked business men, his wife Ruth Vail, and their daughter, Ruth Vail Porter, an artist within her own right, form one of the town's most interesting family groups.

It may come as a pleasant surprise to many Edentonians to learn that Mrs. Vail has carved for herself a lasting niche in the poetry Hall of Fame, and has won not only statewide, but national and international recognition for her work. Yet Mrs. Vail has a record of published verse covering local, state, national and foreign publications. She has published one book, River Acres, and a forthcoming volume of verse on Edenton is soon to be released.

Favorable reviews of River Acres have appeared in Poetry Review, London, in Dynamics of American Poetry, written by the editor, and numerous other newspapers and magazines. Her poetry has appeared in such outstanding publications as The Forum Contemporary Verse, Will-Of-The-Wisp and Poetry of Today. Space does not permit a complete listing of the imposing array of newspapers, magazines, year books, anthologies in which Mrs. Vail's poetry has appeared.

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## Town Councilmen Hold Long Session

### Knotty Problems Considered at Meeting Tuesday Night

Due to a lengthy meeting Town Councilmen were held in session until 11:30 Tuesday night, when a number of knotty problems were considered.

The matter of widening East King Street in order to solve a congested traffic condition was again discussed and a number of other suggestions were also presented. Finally W. J. Yates, Graham Byrum and Chief of Police George I. Dail were instructed to make an investigation and submit recommendations at the next meeting. The possibility is that parking will be restricted to the north side of the street.

John F. White spoke in behalf of Blades Lumber Company relative to extending a street between the new colored school and the Halsey Hardwood Company to the city limits across the Norfolk Southern Railroad in order to have ingress and egress to property purchased by the Blades concern. The Blades Company will move their plant when they are enabled to cross the railroad tracks. Town Councilmen, accordingly, voted to prepare a resolution requesting the right to cross the railroad tracks.

B. W. Evans requested renewal of the lease for the veneer mill on town property. After some discussion it was agreed to renew the lease only for two years at the previous price of \$15 per year.

A number of requests were made relative to placing pipe in ditches, all of which were referred to the Street Commissioner.

The Councilmen authorized the Board of Public Works to invest \$40,000 more in government bonds.

## New Pastor Preaches First Sermons Sunday

The Rev. Lee Phillips, new pastor of the Center Hill Baptist Church and Warwick Baptist Church, will preach his initial sermons in both churches next Sunday.

The new pastor will preach at the Center Hill Church at 11 A. M., and at the Warwick Church at 7:30 P. M. The public is cordially invited to attend both services.

STATE TAKES OVER ROADS  
Chowan County Commissioners have been informed by the N. C. Public Works Commission that at the August meeting of the Board it was decided that the highway system would take over the Terrapin Hill road, Mavaton road and Hobbs farm road.

## Wilkins Appointed Chairman For Local Furniture Dealers

### Selected to Spearhead Fall Membership Drive

W. M. Wilkins of the Quinn Furniture Company has been appointed local Membership Chairman for the Southern Retail Furniture Association, it is announced from the Association headquarters in High Point, N. C.

Ervin E. Lampert, of Salisbury, N. C., president of the forty-year-old furniture trade association, has announced plans for an intensive fall membership campaign. He selected Mr. Wilkins to spearhead the drive in this vicinity. The association makes itself useful to retail furniture store members by supplying interpretations of complex government regulations, training store managers and salesmen, offering group insurance to employees of member stores, and various other services. It is one of the oldest organizations of its kind in the nation, having been constituted soon after the United States Chamber of Commerce.

## Golf Tournament Begins Sept. 23rd

### Qualifying Rounds Set To Start September 16 Through 22nd

A golf tournament is scheduled to be held at the Edenton golf course beginning on September 23 and dates for the qualifying rounds have been set for September 16 through 22.

Entrance fees for the tournament will be one dollar and all members are urged to enter. Qualifying scores must be turned in at the golf shop between September 16-22 and the score card for 18 holes must be signed by the person entering and a person accompanying on the qualifying round. Entrants are requested to state the day and time they prefer to play in the tourney.

The tourney will be a single elimination match play by flights. Members will be placed in a flight with golfers of their ability.

One week will be allowed for each flight to complete their play in. Suitable awards will be given to winners and there will be consolation flights for the losers of each flight. Awards will be given to each flight champion, the runner up and consolation winners. The tournament committee is composed of Joe Conger, Jr., N. J. George, Ben Perry, Jim Partin and Ralph Parrish.

## "Three Bows" Sing At Rotary Meeting

Edenton Rotarians were treated to a number of selections by the "Three Bows" at last week's Rotary meeting. The three young ladies, Juanita and Frances Bennett and Grace Hudson were greeted with rounds of applause after each number and besides were obliged to give an encore.

## Local VFW Post Starts Its Membership Drive

Members of Wm. H. Coffield, Jr., Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars held a barbecue chicken dinner in their hall Tuesday night. A number of invited guests were present for the affair, which started the annual membership drive.

All eligible veterans are urged to join the Post by Commander James H. Basnight.

## EDENTON COLONIALS LOSE SEMI-FINAL SERIES FOR VA. LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

### Inability to Produce Hits at Opportune Times Cause of Defeat; Petersburg and Elizabeth City In Midst of Final Series

Hopes of the Edenton Colonials to compete with Petersburg for the championship of the Virginia League were blasted in Elizabeth City Friday night when the Albemarle defeated the Colonials in the seventh game of the series.

The Colonials got off to a good start by winning the first two games of the series, but Elizabeth City came back strong to win the next three games. The Colonials knotted the count Thursday night on Hicks Field, with each team having three games to its credit.

The final game drew a large crowd at Elizabeth City with over 2,700 paid

## N. J. George Raised To Rank Of Major In Marine Reserves

### Promotion Recommended In Meeting of Board Held In Washington

Nicholas J. George has been notified by the Sixth Marine Corps Reserve District at Atlanta, Ga., that he has been recommended for promotion to the grade of Major in the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve. The recommendation was made recently at a meeting of the Marine Corps Reserve Selection Board in Washington, D. C., and the report was approved by the Secretary of the Navy. The board reported that in its opinion Mr. George is professionally qualified for the promotion.

Prior to being tendered the promotion it will be necessary for Mr. George to report to a medical officer of the regular Navy or Naval Reserve for physical examinations to determine if he is physically qualified for promotion.

The district director congratulated Mr. George on his selection for promotion.

## Cancer Clinic Will Reopen At E. City

### Hoped Larger Number Will Take Advantage Of Services

The seven county Cancer Clinic, under the sponsorship of the Elizabeth City Junior Woman's Club, will again begin operation Friday, September 7, at the Health Center in Elizabeth City.

The clinic which has been closed during the summer months will be conducted the first and third Friday in each month.

Mrs. Hardy M. Willis has been appointed as chairman of the clinic for this year and the doctors who will begin work at Friday's clinic are Dr. Z. D. Owens, Dr. L. E. Sawyer, Dr. Walter Spaeth and Dr. E. H. North.

Assisting in the examining rooms will be: Mrs. J. W. Woodley, chairman of Nurses Aids, Mrs. Horace Lynch, Mrs. Levin Culpepper, Mrs. Clarence Sanders, Mrs. Cliff Sawyer, Jr., and Mrs. Hardy M. Willis. Mrs. R. E. Foreman will be in charge of registration and case histories.

Last year from September until June a total of 235 persons were examined at the clinic and it is hoped that this year a larger percentage of the people of this area will take advantage of the free examinations.

## Chowan County League Playoffs Start Sept. 15

The playoff series of the Chowan County League will begin Saturday, September 15, when Tynch Town will meet Gliden on the latter's diamond, with a return game to be played on the Tynch Town diamond Sunday, September 16. Ralph Bunch will be on the mound for Saturday's game and Ray Jordan is scheduled to pitch for Sunday's game.

The series between Chappell Hill and Edenton Cotton Mill Village had not been scheduled as of Tuesday of this week.

No admission is charged at the games, and the public is invited to attend.

STANDING OF CLUBS

Chappell Hill	14	4	.777
Gliden	10	7	.588
Tynch Town	7	11	.388
Edenton Mill Village	4	13	.235

## FINAL BASEBALL MEETING FRIDAY

Dr. J. A. Powell, president of the Edenton Colonials baseball club, has called a final baseball meeting which will be held in the Court House Friday night at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Powell is very much pleased with the showing made by the Colonials the first year in organized baseball and says at the meeting a decision will be reached relative to remaining in the Virginia League next year. An itemized financial statement will also be presented at the meeting, so that anyone interested will be informed about the club's income and expenditures.

Due to the importance of this meeting, all who are interested in baseball are especially urged to be present.

## One Of Wilborne Harrell's Poems In Roosevelt Library

### Local Man Receives Letter From Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt

Wilborne Harrell, an employee of The Herald, was agreeably surprised Saturday morning when he received a letter postmarked Hyde Park, N. Y.

The letter was from Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, widow of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and informed Mr. Harrell that a poem he wrote about her late husband and appearing in The Herald was placed in the Roosevelt Library.

Mrs. Roosevelt's letter follows: "Dear Mr. Harrell: Mrs. J. L. Pettus sent me a copy of your poem which you wrote in memory of my husband. I appreciate your tribute and will put it in the F. D. Roosevelt Library."

## Pocahontas Plans To Stage Fashion Show

### Affair Will Be Held In Armory Friday, September 28

Members of Chowanoke Council, No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas, will sponsor a fashion show and card party in the Edenton armory on Friday night, September 28, starting at 7:30 o'clock.

All Edenton stores selling ladies' and children's clothes have agreed to cooperate in the fashion show and will have young ladies to model the latest fall and winter wearing apparel.

Tickets for the affair will be sold by members of the Pocahontas.

## New Sanitarian For Health Department

E. H. Holloman, senior sanitarian formerly with the Gates-Hertford Health Department, has accepted a position as sanitarian with the Pasquotank-Perquimans-Camden-Chowan District Health Department.

Mr. Holloman is a graduate of Powellville High School and Wake Forest College. He is a World War II veteran, having served five years in the Army. He worked 18 months in the Bank of Ahoskie before entering the sanitation field. He served five years with Gates-Hertford Health Department as sanitarian.

Mr. Holloman is married and will reside in Elizabeth City.

## Hospital Auxiliary Will Hold Meeting Sept. 19th

The regular meeting of the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary will be held in the Nurses' Home at 3 o'clock on Wednesday, September 19.

Mrs. J. Clarence Leary, Jr., president, urges a large attendance of interested members, and stresses the importance of having each organization represented. Following the business meeting, there will be a social hour, arranged by Mrs. W. O. Elliott, Jr.

## Red Men Game Party In Hall Friday Night

Chowan Tribe of Red Men will stage another game party in their hall Friday night, beginning at 8 o'clock. Wives of members and members of the Degree of Pocahontas and their husbands are especially invited to attend.

R. B. Hollowell is chairman of the committee arranging the party.

## Term Of Chowan Superior In Session This Week

### Criminal Docket Is Expected to Be Finished Today

Chowan County's September term of Superior Court convened Monday morning with Judge Howard S. Godwin of Dunn presiding. Mr. Godwin is a special judge and presided instead of Judge Paul Frizelle of Snow Hill, who was unable to serve due to the illness of his wife.

Immediately after opening of court by Sheriff J. A. Bunch, the Grand Jury was selected.

Jurors selected for the Grand Jury were: A. E. Jenkins, J. Ep Debnam, Graham Byrum, William P. Jones, J. S. Leigh, W. Edward Speight, Thomas H. Shepard, M. P. Ashley, Herbert P. Bass, Hayward Phthisic, Frank R. Jones, K. L. Perry, E. J. Lane, Frank Miller, Dallas Jethro, C. B. Davenport, Paul R. Perry and W. L. Peelle. William P. Jones was chosen as foreman.

In opening his charge to the Grand Jury, Judge Godwin congratulated the jurors, stating that it was a high honor to serve on a grand jury and carried with it a great responsibility. It reflected the fact, he said, that each one is of good moral character and of sufficient intelligence to be a member of such a sovereign body upon the discharge of whose duties, to a great extent, depends the enforcement of laws in the county and the resultant condition of peace, morality and good order in the community.

"The Grand Jury," he said, "is the fountain head of law enforcement, and there is no greater opportunity to be of more service to a county than to serve as a grand juror."

He asked his hearers to speculate what would happen if all laws were done away with. "The law of the jungle would soon prevail," he said, "law is man's best friend."

Judge Godwin pointed out that there is no scarcity of laws, but that there is lack of enforcement.

"Crime is well organized and has spread like octopus legs into all cities and counties in the state," said the judge, "and enforcement of laws will be no stronger than public sentiment desires in various communities." He said that of late there is too much tendency to look and wait for decisions from Washington.

Judge Godwin wound up his charge in giving the usual instructions to the Grand Jury, especially emphasizing presentations, which responsibility should not be ignored.

The following cases were disposed of Monday:

State vs. J. R. Thomas, colored Washington County school teacher, charged with drunken driving, was continued.

Hoyst Bright James, charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicants, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six months in jail and to be assigned to work on the public roads. The sentence was suspended upon payment of \$100 and costs of court, revocable.

## Chowan High Juniors Elect Year's Officers

The Junior Class of Chowan High School started its new year Wednesday of last week under the sponsorship of Miss Louise Wilson. The following day officers were elected: President, Douglas Leary; vice-president, Sherlon Layton; secretary and reporter, Shirley Elliott; treasurer, Julia Leary. The grade-mothers are Mrs. W. D. Elliott, Mrs. Tommy Hollowell, Mrs. Stillman Leary and Mrs. Joe Wiggins.

The representative of Herff-Jones Company, Sidney Campen, came to the school and rings were selected. All are eagerly waiting for them.

The class has already received Christmas card samples and expect soon to start taking orders for them. Following the sale of Christmas cards the class plans to put on a magazine campaign. After Christmas the annual play will be presented.

If everyone works hard and does his part the class is sure the Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom, which culminates the year's activities, will be a success.

## HD Training Meeting Planned For Sept. 14

Miss Mamie Whisnant, Extension specialist, will conduct a training meeting for home management leaders Friday, September 14, at 2:30 o'clock in the Cross Roads Community Building.

These leaders will give the demonstrations at the Home Demonstration Club meetings in November.

Every home management or home furnishings leader and one other club member is urged to attend this training meeting.