

VFW Annual Marble Tournay May 21-23

Many Contestants Will Compete In Elizabeth City

The Third Annual Veterans of Foreign Wars State Marbles Tournament will be held in Elizabeth City, May 21-23 inclusive. Selection of the tourney site was made by Department Commander Charles T. Myers of Charlotte after reviewing several competitive bids from VFW posts in the state.

Hosts to the tourney will be the William Clarence Jackson Post, of which Wesley Cullipher is commander, and the VFW Athletic Association directed by Wally Mars of Monroe.

Last year's tourney held in Monroe attracted contests from twenty-two cities and at this date pre tourney surveys indicate additional VFW posts have made plans for local play with further participation in the state event. Approximately 7,000 youngsters of grammar school age participated in the entire 1952 program. The tournament is open to any boy attending private or public schools whose 15th birthday will not be on or before April 15th.

Wally Mars, State Director, stated that the tournament for the state championship is open to any city or school champion of either the sponsored program by the North Carolina Recreation Society or any VFW post. The state champion will receive an all expense paid trip to the VFW National Tournament in Portland, Oregon, June 18-20. John Hughes of Lincolnton is the defending state champion and George Andrews of Durham is the defending National Champion.

Weekly Devotional Column

By JAMES MACKENZIE

"It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9: 27). Why are men afraid to die? Because after death comes judgment. Man may say, "I am young. I have many years left in which to prepare for death." Man may say, "I want nothing to do with the Bible, Christ, God, religion." Man may push the thought of death out of his mind, refuse to think of it; but that does not make it any the less ominous, nor any the less imminent. Man may say, "I am progressing;" but this world knows no progress save as a progress to the grave, and "it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."

Where will you be 100 years from now? What difference will it make then whether you drove a Cadillac or a Ford, whether you lived in a palatial mansion or a log cabin? No difference at all. But it will make all the difference between heaven and hell what you do with Jesus Christ today, for "it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."

According to a recent poll, some 72 per cent of adult Americans believe there is a heaven, but only 58 per cent believe there is a hell "in which people who died without regretting their sins will live in eternal damnation." But their disbelief does not make it any the less real. No hell? The Bible gives us fourteen sermons of Jesus, and in all fourteen He speaks and warns of hell. If there is one fact the Bible teaches in terms clear and concise, it is the fact of hell, a hell of eternal torment, and that those who are sent there remain through-

out eternity. In Mark 9:43 Jesus tells us that the fire in hell shall never be quenched; and in Matthew 25: 46 He speaks of everlasting punishment. The Greek phrase translated "everlasting" here is the same one used to describe "everlasting" life. If one is eternal, so is the other. There is no second chance spoken of in the Bible. There is a terrible finality about hell. Men may say there is no hell, but Jesus says that the wicked shall be cast into hell, and that a hell of eternal torment.

But thanks be unto God, the Bible also teaches us this about hell: it is escapable. "He that believeth in Him is not condemned" (John 3: 18). "He that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but hath everlasting life" (John 5: 24). The blood of Jesus Christ is still available to lost and dying sinners, and is all sufficient to cleanse the sins of those who come to Him in simple, trusting faith, to receive Him as a Saviour and Lord.

There is a story about a judge who rushed out into the street, and risked his life to save a boy who was about to be run down by a heavy delivery truck. Years later a young man was brought before this same judge, guilty of a serious crime, and was sentenced to death. The young man said to the judge, "Don't you remember me? I am the boy whose life you saved so many years ago. Won't you let me off easy because of that?" Refusing, the judge answered, "Yesterday I was your saviour; today I am your judge."

Today, Jesus longs to be your Saviour. If you neglect Him now, someday you will have to stand before Him as your Judge, for "it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."

What will you do with Jesus? Neutral you cannot be; Someday your heart will be asking, "What will He do with me?"

CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICES

Services at the First Christian Church have been announced as follows by the pastor, the Rev. E. C. Alexander: Bible School, Sunday morning at 10 o'clock; morning service at 11 o'clock; evening service at 7:30 o'clock. Wednesday Evening Bible Class meets at 8:30 o'clock. Everyone is welcome to young people's meeting at 8:30 P. M.; all services.

Progress Noted In Community Projects

Community organization and development work in several communities of Chowan County is progressing nicely. Extension Specialists M. S. Williams and C. B. Ratchford, spent some time last week with the Extension Agents reviewing the community development program to date. These specialists made many good suggestions for better progress in the work. They emphasized the fact that a good community development program must stem from the people in the community. The people must show an interest and a desire for community improvement. The Extension workers and other agricultural workers in turn work with the people in helping them plan their community program and put it into action.

Advance community and Gliden community were congratulated for their wonderful progress on community buildings and Oak Grove community for progress thus far in planning their community building.

Minutes Of Board Of Public Works

Edenton, N. C., March 4, 1953. The Board of Public Works met this day in the Town Office at eight o'clock P. M., in regular monthly session. Present: J. H. Conger, chairman and Ralph E. Parrish.

The following bills for the month of February were examined and approved for payment:

- R. D. Wood Co., \$25.29; Edwards & Broughton Co., \$42.07; Car. Machinery & Supply Co., \$10.77; Howerton Gowen Co., \$32.25; Elec. Equipment Co., \$61.39; Graybar Elec. Co., \$548.69; Thurston Motor Lines, \$24.81; Hampton Rds. Tractor Co., \$12.58; The Office Supply Store, \$12.56; Addressograph-Multigraph, \$23.36; Carol Printing Co., \$102.95; Norfolk Stationery Co., \$2.40; M. S. Davis, Jr., \$30.00; Albemarle Motor Co., \$1.52; B.B.H. Motor Co., \$980.00; Byrum Hardware Co., \$3.80; Edenton Ice Co., \$6.62; The Chowan Herald, \$9.70; Jackson's Radio Service, \$3.50; A. S. Smith Machine Co., \$11.53; Hughes-Holton Hardware, \$3.94; Norf. & Car. Tel. & Tel. Co., \$14.45; Va. Elec. & Power Co., \$6,977.86; Sinclair Refining Co., \$119.64; Postmaster, \$33.52; general salaries paid for month of February, \$2,437.58; total, \$11,532.78.

Received from collector for current,

water and merchandise, \$17,585.95. Amount of receipts in excess of disbursements, \$3,053.17.

Town Council Proceedings

Edenton, N. C., March 10, 1953. The Town Council met this day in regular session at 8 P. M., with the following members present: Mayor Leroy H. Haskett, Clyde Hollowell, W. J. Yates, G. M. Byrum, J. Edwin Bufflap, John Mitchener, Jr., and J. Clarence Leary.

Motion was made by W. J. Yates, seconded by J. Edwin Bufflap, that the Town purchase from the Leavitt Bleacher Company of Urbana, Illinois, one continuous group of steel bleachers 150 feet long, 14 rows high at a cost of \$6,266.00 delivered to Edenton and one group of five 15 feet sections of 10 row high portable wood bleachers at a cost of \$1,514.00 delivered to Edenton. Motion carried.

Motion was made by John Mitchener, Jr., seconded by J. Clarence Leary, that the clerk write a letter to the Veterans of Foreign Wars thanking them for their hospitality during the recent dedication of their new building. Motion carried.

Motion was made by G. M. Byrum, seconded by J. Clarence Leary, that charges of \$22.50 be paid for transporting a group of temporary bleachers from Edenton to Wake Forest, N. C. The bleachers being the property of Wake Forest College on loan to the local schools. Motion carried.

Motion was made by G. M. Byrum, seconded by Clyde Hollowell, that a pipe line for drainage be installed in a ditch on North Broad Street in

front of the W. J. Yates property. Motion carried.

Motion was made by G. M. Byrum, seconded by John Mitchener, Jr., that the Edenton Merchants Bureau be given \$100.00 for use as postage in answering mail requesting information about the Town of Edenton. Motion carried.

Motion was made by G. M. Byrum, seconded by John Mitchener, Jr., that the State Highway Department be petitioned to install curbing and gutters on West Queen Street from Mosely Street to the Town limits. Motion carried.

Motion was made by G. M. Byrum, seconded by Clyde Hollowell, that E & W Department bills in the amount of \$9,095.20 be paid. Motion carried.

Motion was made by John Mitchener, Jr., seconded by G. M. Byrum, that the following Town of Edenton bills in the amount of \$1,684.41 be paid:

- Southern Block and Pipe Corp., \$407.20; The Pioneer Mfg. Co., \$17.50; Superior Stone Co., \$92.03; Southern Signals, Inc., \$10.36; Thurston Motor Lines, Inc., \$2.00; Esso Standard Oil Co., \$15.45; The Texas Co., \$120.47; Sinclair Refining Co., \$170.21; W. H. Bunch's Garage, \$75.31; Byrum Hardware Co., \$5.80; E. R. Tolley, \$15.00; Albemarle Motor Co., \$2.15; Dail & Ashley Machine Shop, \$69.50; M. G. Brown Co., \$58.25; Chas. H. Jenkins Motor Co., \$15.59; Hughes-Holton Hardware Co., \$34.92; Edenton Ice Co., \$180.38; The Chowan Herald, \$6.50; Frank Twiddy, \$1.50; Bishop Laundry-Cleaners, \$6.00; N. C. Tel. & Tel. Co., \$22.95; Norfolk Southern Railway Co., \$181.34; E. H. Wiggins, \$90.00; R. K. Hall, Fire Chief, \$84.00.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned. ERNEST J. WARD, JR., Clerk.

JUNE HAYES'S RETREAT FROM STARDOM

Human study behind Movie Star June Hayes's decision to become a nun. After her fiance died, she became convinced she could find peace only in a life of sacrifice for others. Look for this interesting story March 29th in

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