### **Rocky Hock Splits** In Week-end Games

#### Take Measure of Navy **Saturday But Lose** Sunday

Rocky Hock, a member of the Tidewater Carolina League, split in two games played over the week-end, winning over Weeksville NAF on the Rocky Hock diamond Saturday afternoon by a score of 6 to 1, and losing on the latter's diamond Sunday afternoon 3 to 2.

Edgar Ray White pitched a nifty three-hitter Saturday afternoon, as his teammates hammered out five outs off three Navy hurlers. Fair started for the Navy, but was replaced by Cornet and later Allen was called to the mound.

Stanford Perry, Rocky Hock pitcher, and Red Harrellson, Navy mounds-man, staged a pitchers' duel from start to finish Sunday afternoon Rocky Hock made seven hits off Harrellson, while Perry gave up only four scattered hits. Willard Wilson led the Rocky Hock attack with a home run clout and a double. Allison led the Navy with two for four.

Rocky Hock will play in Shawboro next Saturday afternoon and will play a return game on the Rocky Hock diamond Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

#### 134 Receive Old Age Assistance In May

According to the report of Mrs. J H. McMullan, superintendent of public welfare, during the month of May 134 persons in Chowan County received old age assistance, with 3,444 distributed to this group. Eight aid to dependent children cases received \$288, 13 aid to blind cases received \$471 and eight aid to permanently and totally disabled persons received \$242.

Other financial assistance included nine cases hospitalized in the county, \$365; one case hospitalized outside the county, \$18.01, and general assistance for one person, \$19.09.

Service cases included two adult parolees under supervision, one person receiving veterans rehabilitation in cooperation with the Department of Public Welfare, five persons receiving free eye examinations through the N. C. State Commission for the Blind, three child labor certificates issued and 11 children receiving individual service.

#### **FAMILY REUNION**

Mrs. Agnes L. Edwards of Honolulu and Mrs. Harold E. Baker of Norfolk Va., spent several days in Edenton last week as the guests of their sister, Miss Evelyn Leary. Prior to their visit to Edenton a family reunion of the Leary brothers and sisters was held after thirteen years at the home of Mrs. Baker in Norfolk. Members of the family present were Mrs. T. E. Forehand of Williamston, Miss Evelyn Leary of Edenton, Mrs. Agnes L. Edwards of Honolulu, Julius L. Leary of New York, Wade T. Leary of Sumter, S. C., and Mrs. Baker.

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### Mulch is Hailed as New Wonder Aid to Garden



By spreading a mulch once, the gardener saves many hours of cultivating.

Since research workers began to test traditional garden practices, they have rewritten the rules about cultivation, fertiliza-tion, and transplanting. But an ancient practice about which they grow more enthusiastic ev-ery year is summer mulching. Long ago gardeners discov-

Long ago gardeners discovered that while the leaves of a plant demand sun, the soil prefers shade. Except for a tree, there are few plants which can fill this prescription without assistance. So some gardeners began to cover the ground in which low plants grew with straw, leaves, lawn clippings or manure, and more recently with paper, sheet aluminum and even concrete.

Many reasons have been given for this practice, that it keeps moisture in the soil, keeps down weeds, and lowers soil temperature. Most recent is the claim the soil texture and humus conthat it prevents erosion, because

heavy rain falling directly on the soil sends up dust which is blown away, to the garden's loss. This is advanced by a gov-ernment bulletin.

The type of mulch which is now recommended excludes paper, sheet aluminum, concrete or any other covering which does not give free access to the soil for both air and water. Straw, leaves, dried lawn clippings, cut weeds, manure, ground-up corn cobs, sawdust, any such mate-rial not toxic to plants, will serve to shade the soil, keep it cool, retain moisture and keep down weeds, while allowing free access to air and water, much to the benefit of both plants and

Even the modern type of cultivation, which stirs the soil only an inch deep, breaking up the crust and destroying weeds in infancy, becomes unnecessary with a mulch.

"Men who have gardened for years, but who were not taught to use mulches continuously, express surprise at what a won-derful help they have found at last," says the government bul-

The earlier mulches are applied the better, though their greatest value comes later in the summer. Tomatoes especially need their protection, to prevent extreme dryness in the soil, which causes blossom end rot in the fruit. But the new idea is that all crops will benefit by a is that all crops will benefit by a mulch, including the flowers in your border.

Ground corn cobs and saw dust are both likely to draw nitrogen from the soil to feed the bacteria which cause their decay. To prevent this a nitrogen plant food should be mixed with the mulching material. All material of organic origin which is used for mulching can be spaded into the soil at the end of the season and will help improve

# State Asked To Take

Chowan County Commissioners on Monday received a petition asking them to request the State Highway & Public Works Commission to take over the road leading from U.S. Highway 17 near Boswell's Restaurant through the M. G. Brown property to E. H.

Wiggins and Brown property. The road leads to a dilapidated bridge connecting city property and it is understood that the town will be requested to pay half the cost of building a new bridge.

#### Perquimans High Loses Title To Rock Springs

Perquimans High School, defending Class A high school baseball champions, lost out this year to Rock Springs in a series played in Hertford The westerners won the first game Thursday night and Perquimans evened the count Friday night. Before a

capacity crowd Saturday night Rock TRY A HERALD CLASSIFIED

Springs won the deciding game. White and Matthews hurled splen-Over Short Road did ball for Perquimans, but costly errors played a major role in both of their defeats.

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Week Day Shows Continuous From 3:30 Saturday Continuous From 1:30 Sunday 2:15, 4:15 and 9:15

Thursday and Friday,

Clark Gable and Gene Tierney in "NEVER LET ME GO" W. H. DALE

Saturday, June 6-Wayne Morris in "STAR OF TEXAS" ZONA WHITEMAN

Sunday and Monday, June 7-8-

ordon MacRae and Kathryn Grayson in "THE DESERT SONG" MRS. C. C. NIXON

Tuesday and Wednesday,

**Double Feature Cartoon Show** "BUGS BUNNY ALL STAR REVUE" -also-

"DISNEY'S ALL CARTOON FESTIVAL"

## EDEN THEATRE

Friday and Saturday, June 5-6-

> Shelly Winters in "MY MAN AND I"

# Drive-In Theatre

Friday and Saturday,

June 5-6-

Red Skelton in "EXCUSE MY DUST" B. W. EVANS

Sunday, June 7 Mala Powers in

"ROSE OF CIMARRON" REV. S. N. GRIFFITH

londay and Tuesday,

Arthur Kennedy in BRIGHT VICTORY" duceday and Thursday,

### Miss Marietta Perry On College Student Council

Marietta Perry, a student at Wake Forest College, was recently elected as one of the two representatives from the Sophomore Class to the Student Council of the Wake Forest Student Government. The main purpose of the Council is to receive, prefer, and try all charges of violations of the Constitution, laws, rules and customs of the student body. Serving with Miss Perry will be Sylvia Messick of Win-

Miss Perry has also been selected as a member of the 1953-54 Social Standards Committee which plans all socials sponsored by the Woman's

#### **Vets' Question Pox**

Q-Does the term insurance available to veterans who served since Korea pay dividends?

-No. The new forms of insurance for post-Korea veterans are nonparticipating; they do not pay dividends. However, the premium rates are lower than for any other form of Government insurance.

Q-Is it still possible for a disabled World War II veteran to start training under Public Law 16?

A—Yes. However, under the law, he may only take training that can be completed by July 25, 1956, the termination date of the World War II Public Law 16 training program.

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