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## Peanut Referendum Saturday, Aug. 29 In 44 N. C. Counties

About 19,750 Farms In  
State Have Peanut  
Allotments

VOTE 7 A.M. to 7 P.M.

Two-thirds of Vote Ne-  
cessary to Decide  
Issue

Peanut growers in Chowan County and other peanut producing counties in North Carolina will go to the polls next Saturday, August 29, in a special referendum to decide whether or not to assess themselves one penny for each 100 pounds of peanuts in order to finance their promotion program.

Chapter 106, Public Laws approved by the 1947 session of the North Carolina General Assembly, as amended, gives authority to the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association to levy such an assessment. However, it must be approved by two-thirds of the growers voting in the referendum.

The program of the peanut association will be similar to that of Tobacco Associates, Inc., in that it will promote and stimulate, by advertising and other methods the increased production, use and sale of peanuts.

Some 19,750 farms in the 44 county area have peanut allotments. Eligible to vote in the peanut assessment referendum to be held on that date are all farmers engaged in the production of one acre or more of peanuts for market. This includes

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## Rocky Hock Wins Opening Game In Seven-Game Series

Mo Bauer Scheduled to  
Pitch In Saturday  
Night's Game

Rocky Hock won the first game of the final seven-game series for the Tidewater Carolina League championship on Hicks Field Monday night by defeating Hobbsville 4 to 0. A fair sized group of fans witnessed the game.

Edgar Ray White, the league's leading pitcher, was on the mound for Rocky Hock and limited the visitors to five scattered hits, two of which were made in the sixth inning, but he tightened up and pulled out of the hole to chalk up another scoreless game.

Harrellson started for Hobbsville, but was relieved by Gene Taylor in the fourth after Rocky Hock scored two runs and two men were on bases with no outs. Taylor stopped the rally and held Rocky Hock scoreless the remainder of the game.

Rocky Hock scored a run in the first inning when Alton Brooks smashed out a four-bagger. Another run was added in the third and the fourth two more runs were scored which ended the scoring for the game. Brooks made two of Rocky Hock's five hits, with Jordan, Burke and Ralph Bunch each making a hit. Hobbsville made four errors, while Rocky Hock was not charged with a single miscue.

The next game in the series was scheduled to be played Wednesday night after this issue of The Herald was printed. All games in the series will be played on Hicks Field with the third game scheduled to be played Friday night at 8 o'clock and the fourth game Saturday night at 8 o'clock. If the winner is not decided in the first four games, the next game will be played Monday night at 8 o'clock.

Palmer Tynch, manager of the Rocky Hock team, stated Tuesday night that Mo Bauer, sensational pitcher in the Albemarle League, is scheduled to be on the mound for Rocky Hock in Saturday night's game.

Score by innings:

	R	H	E
Hobbsville	0	0	0
Rocky Hock	4	0	0

## County Commissioners Meet On September 8

Chowan County Commissioners will hold their September meeting in the Court House Tuesday morning, September 8, instead of Monday, the 7th. The change in meeting was made due to the observance of Labor Day on September 7.

## Civic Calendar

Chowan County Commissioners will meet Tuesday morning, September 8, at 10 o'clock instead of Monday, September 7, due to the observance of Labor Day.

Revival in progress this week at Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church.

Revival services begin Sunday at Chappell's Hill Baptist Church and end Sunday afternoon, September 6.

Schools in the Edenton Admin-  
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## Aces' Football Team Gradually Shaping Up For Season's Opener

Play First In Roanoke  
Rapids Friday, Sep-  
tember 11

With the Edenton Aces' first football game of the season scheduled to be played in Roanoke Rapids Friday, September 11, Coaches Ben Perry and Alton Brooks are gradually rounding out the 1953 gridiron machine for Edenton High School.

As practices continue both coaches are encouraged over the progress noted among the boys who are competing for berths on the squad. While it is too early to make any predictions, both coaches feel confident that a creditable team will represent the school this season and that it might better than break even.

In the practice session Coach Perry has been changing the boys to different positions in an effort to ferret out the best material for the various positions.

The first home game of the season will be played on Hicks Field Friday night, September 18, with Columbia. There are five home games scheduled which, aside from Columbia, includes Elizabeth City, on October 9, Tarboro on October 16, Hertford on October 23 and Ahsokie on October 30.

## Schools In City Unit Scheduled To Open September 2

Teachers Called to Meet  
In School Library on  
Tuesday, Sept. 1

With schools in the Edenton Administrative Unit scheduled to open next Wednesday, September 2, for the 1953-54 term, Superintendent John A. Holmes says everything will be in readiness for the opening day.

Pre-school registration was held at the school Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Early this week there was only one more vacancy on the white school faculty, that being a commercial teacher, caused by the resignation of Mrs. Frances MacDonald.

Mr. Holmes has called two meetings for teachers, with the white teachers scheduled to meet in the high school library Tuesday morning, September 1, at 11 o'clock. The colored teachers will meet in the colored school library the same day at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The list of teachers this year will be:

Junior-Senior High School  
Gerald D. James, principal, N. J. George, Mrs. Mary L. Browning, Mrs. (Continued on Page Five)

## Board Public Works Adopts New Policy

The Electric Light and Waterworks Department of the Town of Edenton has adopted a stricter method to have electric and water bills paid on time.

Consumers have or will be notified that, effective October 1, when utility services are disconnected or an E. & W. Department representative is on the premises to disconnect utility services because of non-payment of bills on or before the 10th of the month account is due, a charge of \$1.50 will be made to restore or retain utility services.

Consumers are urged to comply with this policy in order to prevent extra expense and inconvenience.

## BIG DAY FOR PEANUT FARMERS



C. S. Alexander, of Scotland Neck, president of the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association, reminds peanut producers that August 29 is their big referendum day. On Saturday, all farmers who grow one or more acres of peanuts will have an opportunity to vote on whether or not they should levy upon themselves an annual assessment of one-cent per hundred pounds of peanuts marketed for a three year period. The proceeds from the assessment would be turned over to the association by the Commissioner of Agriculture to be used to promote the interests of Tar Heel peanut growers in all phases of production, marketing, processing, consumption and research. This new organization would function in a similar manner to the successful self-help Tobacco Associates program, which leaf growers authorized in 1947 under the same law.

## Contract Authorized For Water Softening Project In Edenton

Crain & Denbo of Dur-  
ham Low Bidder at  
\$68,470

Appearing at the joint meeting of Town Council and Edenton School Trustees Tuesday night, members of the Board of Public Works reported that they opened bids for the construction of a water softening plant in Edenton and that the low bid was submitted by Crain & Denbo of Durham at a price of \$68,470. Five concerns submitted bids with the highest being \$83,300.

Town Council authorized the Board of Public Works to enter into a contract for the construction of the plant. It was pointed out that the project will cost somewhat more, possibly \$500 or \$600 due to change in specifications and the further necessity to erect a storage house for salt which will be purchased in carload lots.

The contract will call for completion of the water softener plant within 250 calendar days.

## Kindergarten Will Open September 2

Mrs. John F. White In  
Charge; Mrs. John J.  
Ross Will Help

A kindergarten sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association will open Wednesday, September 2, in the Edenton Elementary School. Mrs. John F. White will serve as instructor and will be assisted by Mrs. John F. Ross with the music.

The hours will be from 9 A. M. to 12 o'clock noon. Any child who will be five years of age by October 16 is eligible for enrollment. The fee is \$15 per month.

For further information parents are urged to call Mrs. White, phone 265-J.

## Carroll Copeland Will Be Speaker Sunday At Presbyterian Church

Carroll Copeland, young candidate for the Gospel Ministry, will preach at the regular 11 o'clock worship service in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday. Mr. Copeland, who is a member of the Rocky Hock Baptist Church, will deliver a sermon on the subject "Prepare to Meet Thy God," taking as his text Amos 4: 12.

Other services in the Presbyterian Church include Sunday School at 10 A. M. and mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The Boys' Brigade meets every Tuesday evening at 7:30. All teen-age boys are welcome.

## LIONS CLUB MEETS MONDAY

It was erroneously reported last week that the Edenton Lions Club would meet Monday night of this week. The club will meet next Monday night, August 31, at 7 o'clock.

The club will resume its winter schedule of meeting every week in September, although no meeting will be held September 7, due to the observance of Labor Day.

## Pfc. Wm. E. Jackson Among First POW's To Land In America

Over 300 Prisoners of  
War Arrive on West  
Coast Sunday

In the first shiplod of repatriates to arrive in San Francisco from Korea was one Edenton soldier, Pfc. William E. Jackson, son of Mrs. Otelia B. Jackson, 300 West Albemarle Street.

Pfc. Jackson was captured by the Communists while serving in Korea with Battery A, 503rd Artillery Battalion of the Second Division.

The transport General Nelson M. Walker arrived at San Francisco Sunday on which were more than 300 American prisoners of war who had been held prisoners by the Communists. Relatives from 25 states were on hand to greet the returning veterans.

## Mayor Haskett Is Much In Accord With VFW Project

Compliments Street De-  
partment For Its  
Efficiency

Mayor Leroy Haskett on Tuesday night made a complimentary statement regarding the efficient manner in which Edenton dug out of the recent storm and gave his approval to the VFW campaign to sell garbage cans.

"In the face of the recent storm," said the Mayor, "this is to say as Mayor of Edenton that the Street Department did a marvelous job in cleaning the streets in so short a time at a very small extra cost to the town. It was the best job done in the Albemarle area, reflecting the efficiency of the department.

"I am proud to be Mayor of a town with such an efficient crew. Mr. Hughes as the head of this department is doing a splendid job, of which I am proud."

Regarding the garbage can drive, Mayor Haskett had this to say:

"As Mayor of Edenton, I appeal to our people to cooperate in the effort of the VFW to sell trash cans to our citizens.

"There are a number of people who are using only a box or basket with no top, so that anybody who purchases a can from the VFW will go a long way in helping us to keep Edenton clean and attractive. Edenton is proud of its record as a clean town. I hope the VFW will realize wholehearted cooperation in their efforts to have a good garbage can at every home."

## MOVED TO WELDON

Friends will be interested to know that Mr. and Mrs. Peter Harmatuck and family, who live on Cabarrus Street, are moving today (Thursday) to Weldon, where they will make their home.

The Harmatuck family has lived in Edenton for a number of years, during which time they have made many friends.

## First Step Taken To Unravel Puzzle Over Title To Hicks Field

### Continue Closing

Jesse Harrell, president of the Edenton Merchants Committee, early this week reported the result of a poll of Edenton merchants with a large majority voting to continue the half day Wednesday closing until November 1.

Under the plan the stores co-operating will close Labor Day, Monday, September 7, but will remain open all day the following Wednesday, September 9.

## Street Department Praised For Work In Cleaning Town

Wreckage From Storm  
Hauled Away In Less  
Than Week

Though Edenton was littered from one end to the other in the recent storm, a few people have made very complimentary comments on the efficiency in which the Street Department dug out of the debris.

With extra help employed, practically all of the trees, limbs, leaves and other debris as the result of the storm were cleaned up in less than a week. The storm struck Edenton Thursday night and by the following Wednesday little evidence, in the way of trash, remained of the devastating storm.

Both the Street Commissioner and Superintendent of Streets Frank Hughes have had a number of people pay compliments on the way the town was cleaned up.

Even as late as Saturday of last week many piles of limbs and trees were seen in nearby cities which had not been collected since the storm struck.

## Schools In County Unit Now Ready For Opening Sept. 7th

White Teachers Sched-  
uled to Meet Friday,  
September 4

Everything is in readiness for the opening of schools in the Chowan County unit, according to Superintendent W. J. Taylor. The White Oak Consolidated Negro School opened Monday of this week, while other schools in the unit will open next Monday, September 7.

Teachers for the White Oak School held a meeting prior to the opening and white teachers for the other schools are scheduled to meet Friday, September 4, at 10 o'clock at Chowan High School.

For the first time, Mr. Taylor announced that a commercial course and public school music will be taught at Chowan High School. John F. Carson will teach the commercial course, together with French. Cecilia Wiloughby will teach public school music.

Other additions to the Chowan High School faculty include Miss Minnie Warren, who will be librarian and teach English; Mrs. Lorraine Rogerson, home economics, and Joseph Deaton, who will be athletic coach and teach science and physical education.

Mrs. Leon Thomas of Edenton will teach at Rocky Hock school, succeeding Mrs. Lorraine Rogerson who goes to Chowan High.

Only one change has been made in the Negro faculty, with Charles Fayton teaching at White Oak.

According to Mr. Taylor all bus drivers have been secured for the county's 28 buses, which are equally divided between the county and city unit. One bus was replaced this year and all other are reported to be in good condition.

A considerable amount of work has been done on buildings and grounds, which included painting the gymnasium at Chowan High, a new roof on the school and the addition of fluorescent lighting throughout the school.

## Resolution Gives Title of Major Portion of Land To School Trustees

FEW EXCEPTIONS

Plans Call For Introduc-  
tion of Bill In Next  
General Assembly

Meeting in joint session Tuesday night, Town Council and Edenton School Trustees arrived at an initial agreement in an effort to untangle the problem of which group holds legal title to Hicks Field.

Thomas Cheers, J. H. Conger, John Holmes and Philip McMullan, principal speakers for the school trustees, pointed out that their board needs jurisdiction of the property in the interest of public schools. They expressed the opinion that the area should be held by them for expansion and growth of schools, stating that at the present rate of school enrollment it will not be so very long before another school will have to be built and, of course, Hicks Field is the logical site and if when a new plant is constructed, room will be necessary for recreational purposes.

The school trustees emphasized the fact that in the past relations between Town Council and the School Trustees have been very friendly and co-  
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## VFW Post Begins Drive In Edenton To Sell Garbage Cans

Members Plan to Call  
At Every Home In  
Edenton

Sponsored by William H. Coffield, Jr., Post No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, a garbage can sale will begin today which, it is hoped, will result in a garbage can at every home in Edenton.

The sale has a two-fold purpose, first to maintain a cleaner and more attractive town and, second, to help raise funds for the youth activity fund of the post. The cans will be purchased from the Barnes & Sawyer Grocery in Ahsokie, which firm has reduced the price to the VFW in order to cooperate in the drive and make it a big success.

Members of the VFW Post will canvass the entire town in order to sell the cans which will sell at \$3.00 for a 10-gallon can and \$4.00 for a 20-gallon can. In event anybody is missed in the canvass who desires to buy a can, an order will be taken by telephoning 57 or 163-W.

VFW members believe purchasing cans will go a long way in making the town cleaner and more attractive. They point out that at present a great deal of trash is put out for collection in cardboard boxes and baskets and in many instances trash is piled along the curb or placed in gutters, which tends to make an unsightly town.

The plan to sell garbage cans has the blessings of the Street Department, Mayor Leroy Haskett and members of Town Council, all of whom have at various times commented upon the way some trash and garbage has been put out for collection. With garbage cans generally in use, dogs will be unable to scatter trash about the streets and there will be less likelihood of the wind blowing it about.

Bill Perry, commander of the Post, as well as VFW members in general, appeal for the full cooperation of Edenton citizens to the end that a garbage can will be placed at every home.

## Col. Lowell Speaker At Rotary Meeting

Speaking at last week's Rotary meeting, Lieut. Col. Carter Lowell delivered a very interesting address about the Chinese Communist Army. He explained the tactics of the Reds and said they have no regard whatever for human life.

Col. Lowell spoke in detail about Red fighting and their equipment, much of which was captured from the Japanese and Chinese Nationalists. He was introduced by John W. Graham, who had charge of the program.