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Chief Of Police George I. Dail Victim Of Bomb

Crude Contraption Found 'Planted' In Mrs. Cochrane's Car

Reported to Police When Discovered By Mrs. Cochrane

NOT SERIOUS

Bomb Explodes When Dail Opened Door at Police Station

Chief of Police George I. Dail was rushed to Chowan Hospital about 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning suffering from painful but not considered serious burns caused by the explosion of a fire bomb he was holding.

The bomb was discovered by Mrs. Imogene Cochrane, Chowan County home agent, when she went to her car to go to work. The strange looking box, partially under the front seat, aroused her suspicion and she called Mrs. George Hoskins, with whom she lives. Mrs. Hoskins in turn called her husband and he removed the box and intended to throw it overboard. However, Mrs. Hoskins persuaded him to call the police, so that he laid the cardboard box contraption across the street from his house.

Chief Dail went to the Hoskins home and brought the bomb to the Police Station and it was while he was attempting to open the door that the bomb exploded. Flames shot high into the air and Dail was burned about the face, hands and legs. Fortunately his eyes were not burned. The faces were so hot that they seared the bottom of the screen door to the station and powder burns were on the sidewalk.

Mrs. Cochrane's husband was killed some time ago in a similar manner at Mt. Airy and the crime still remains unsolved. The general impression is that had she driven off Wednesday morning, the vibration would have caused the bomb to explode and she would have had little chance to escape death. Mrs. Cochrane and George Alma Byrum are scheduled to be married this month, so that the incident has caused a great deal of excitement and concern.

Annual Red Cross Fund Raising Drive Far Short Of Goal

Chairman N. J. George Reports Contributions In Drive at \$1,900

N. J. George, chairman of the Chowan County Red Cross fund raising drive, reported Monday that contributions amount to \$1,900, which is far short of the goal of \$3,000.

While Mr. George has closed the drive, it is pointed out that unless more money is contributed there is a possibility that some of the Red Cross activities will have to be curtailed. Dr. A. F. Downum, chairman of the Chowan County Red Cross Chapter, states that failure to reach the goal may mean that the Red Cross blood program will be obliged to be abandoned in that part of the expenses of this program have been paid with funds on hand which are about depleted.

Although canvassers have completed their work, an appeal is made for further contributions, which should be sent to R. E. Leary, treasurer. It is hoped substantial contributions will be made so that Red Cross activities in the county can continue.

In commenting upon the drive, Mr. (Continued on Page Six)

Exhibition Game

Palmer Tynch announced Tuesday afternoon that the Edenton Colonials will play an exhibition game with Colerain on Hicks Field Saturday night. The game is scheduled to begin at 8:30 o'clock.

Edgar Ray White, who hung up a record of eight victories and three defeats last year, will start on the mound for the Colonials.

VFW President



MRS. ELLIE MAE PARRISH
For the second time Mrs. Ellie Mae Parrish on Thursday night was installed president of the VFW Auxiliary. Other officers also installed were Mrs. Betty Perry, senior vice president; Mrs. Clarine Baker, junior vice president; Mrs. Nellie Perry, treasurer; Mrs. Virginia Oliver, chaplain; Mrs. Alma Twiddy, conductress; Mrs. Helen Byrum, guard, and Miss Celia Spivey, trustee.

April 17 Deadline For Candidates To File For Election

With election scheduled to be held Saturday, May 29, the deadline for candidates to file is Saturday, April 17, at 6 o'clock.

At present the local picture presents two contests with Sheriff J. A. Bunch being opposed by Ernest W. Lee and Clerk of Court E. W. Spires opposed by William S. Priovott.

County officials who will be elected in the election include: Sheriff, Clerk of Court, County Commissioners, Judge of Recorder's Court, Prosecutor of Recorder's Court, Coroner and Representative in the General Assembly.

Urgent Appeal Made For Contributions To Repair Cupola House

Mrs. Gertrude S. Rosevear Will Accept All Donations

An urgent appeal for donations to the Cupola House Library and Museum Association is made by E. W. Spires, acting chairman of the executive committee.

"Several years ago the old Cupola House was purchased by a number of civic-minded citizens in order to preserve it in its original condition and to prevent it from falling into the hands of those who might use it for commercial purposes," stated Mr. Spires. "These people subsequently conveyed it to the association.

"For years this structure has been maintained and repaired by the individual members of the association. They have again made donations, but the necessary repairs and painting require more funds than we have in hand.

"We would like to get this work done before the meeting of the North Carolina Historical and Library Society, which is scheduled to be held in Edenton on May 14-15.

"Therefore, we are making this appeal to the general public to make contributions to this most worthy and pressing cause. Donations should be sent to Mrs. Gertrude S. Rosevear, treasurer of the association," concluded Spires.

POCAHONTAS MEETING
Chowanoke Council, No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas, will meet in the Red Men hall Friday night at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Hoskin Bass, Pocahontas, urges every member to attend.

Potter Answers Several Questions About Easter Seals

Campaign Will Remain In Progress Until Easter Sunday

Where does the Easter Seal dollar go? What organization sponsors the annual Easter Seal campaign? Who receives its help?

These and a few other questions are answered by G. B. Potter, president of the Chowan County Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

Mr. Potter issued the public statement beamed at new residents of the community and others who may not be aware of the work of the organization.

Q—What is the name of the organization which sponsors the Easter Seal appeal?

A—The Chowan County Society for Crippled Children and Adults is your Easter Seal Society. It is one of about 1,200 affiliated units of the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults located throughout (Continued on Page Eight)

Edenton Negative Debaters Win Honors In Greenville Contest

Ethel Ann Swets and Robert Earl Edwards Represent School

Ethel Ann Swets and Robert Earl Edwards, negative debaters on the Edenton Junior-Senior High School debating team, won a decision in the Eastern District contest of the North Carolina High School Debate Union held at East Carolina College in Greenville Thursday.

Eighteen teams from Eastern North Carolina schools participated in three rounds of debates and the winners will compete for the Aycock Cup in the spring in the annual State High School Debate Union contests to be held at Chapel Hill.

Woman's Club Art Show Will Be Held Saturday, Sunday

Today (Thursday) Will Be Deadline to Enter Exhibits

Plans are gradually being completed for the annual art exhibit sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club, which will be held in the Penelope Barker House Saturday and Sunday, April 10 and 11.

On Saturday the exhibit will be open to the public from 10 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock in the afternoon. Sunday hours will be from 2 (Continued on Page Seven)

Stage All Set For Lions Club Minstrel

Seventh Annual Show Will Be Presented Friday Night

Edenton's Lions Club is now entering final practice sessions for the seventh annual minstrel to be presented Friday night at the Edenton Elementary School auditorium.

J. Clarence Leary, director of the minstrel, has announced that an excellent program is being provided and that the end men are ready with a new array of jokes.

The annual affair is staged by the Lions to raise funds for use in blind work in this county. A small admission charge is made for this most worthwhile cause.

Nick George will be interlocutor for the show and Mary Leggett Browning is pianist. The chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Helen Hughes. End men will include Al Phillips, (Continued on Page Six)

Hung Jury Feature Of Closing Session Of Superior Court

Seven Divorces Granted Before Court Was Adjourned Friday

Chowan County's spring term of Superior Court ended Friday morning, when a hung jury featured the session.

The jury was deliberating the only civil case tried during the term, W. J. Daniels vs. Hoyt Hollowell. The case was the outgrowth of an automobile wreck a few years ago while Mr. Daniels, a rural mail carrier, was delivering mail and was badly injured when his car and Mr. Hollowell's truck collided.

The jury's vote was 11 to 1 but nobody except Judge Leo Carr knew if the verdict was favorable to the plaintiff or defendant. The jury was allowed to go for supper Friday night and after returning the vote still stood 11-1.

Judge Carr then conferred with attorneys for both sides and was instrumental in having them to agree (Continued on Page Nine)

Disposition Of Old Masonic Lodge Room Causes New Problem

Unanimity Lodge Will Soon Occupy New Temple

Just what will happen to the small room on the second floor of the Court House which has been used as a lodge room by Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., since 1778, is now a problem of the County Commissioners.

At their meeting Monday the trustees of the lodge, H. A. Campen, W. M. Wilkins and J. Edwin Bufflap informed the Commissioners that Unanimity Lodge is now completing its temple on Water Street and that it hoped the building will be ready for occupancy in about four months.

Mr. Campen, spokesman for the trustees, stated that some mention had been made that the small room be retained by the lodge in order to serve as a museum, where the George Wash- (Continued on Page Ten)

State Asked Take Over Rider's Lane

20 Additional Feet of Land Bought From Dr. L. A. Deese

Chowan County Commissioners on Monday approved a petition asking the State Highway and Public Works Commission to take over and maintain Rider's Lane.

This particular road has been the source of a great deal of complaint for many months and only recently papers were executed by which 20 feet of abutting land was purchased from Dr. L. A. Deese in order to provide a wider road. The cost of the land was \$1,500 which was shared equally by the Town of Edenton, Coastland Oil Company and Blades Lumber Company.

Recently Emmett Winslow, highway commissioner for the district, as well as other highway officials expressed the belief that with the added right-of-way, the State will agree to improve the road, which at present is incapable of accommodating the traffic using it.

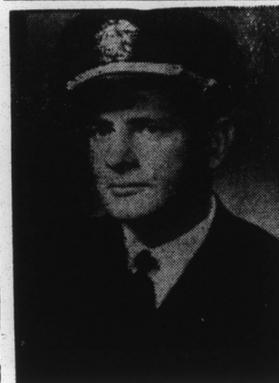
Ten Edenton Stores Open All Day April 14

Ten Edenton stores have agreed to remain open Wednesday afternoon before Easter, April 14. However this same group will close for the Wednesday half holiday the remainder of the summer.

Stores which will remain open all day Wednesday, April 14, are: The Betty Shoppe, Jack & Jill, Cuthrell's Department Store, Belk-Tyler's, Elliott Co., Preston's, Malone's 5-10c Store, Rose's 5-10c Store, Tots & Teens and Hobowsky's.

Albemarle League Is Organized -- A. W. Hefren As President

Stationed In Norfolk



Navy Lt. (jg) Burton H. Jones, Supply Corps, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones of 112 Blount Street, Edenton, is serving at Naval Supply Center in Norfolk. Lt. (jg) Jones is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and is a graduate of the Naval Supply Corps School, Bayonne, N. J. He was commissioned an Ensign in June, 1950.

Shad Season Extended 15 Days To May 15th

Cage Hayman, inspector of the Division of Commercial Fisheries of the Department of Conservation and Development, has been notified by C. G. Holland, assistant fisheries commissioner, that the director of the commission has extended the shad season in commercial waters 15 days.

The season was scheduled to close April 25, so that under the ruling it will be extended to May 15th.

Pre-School Clinics Begin In District

Scheduled to Be Held In Chowan County May 3 To May 14

According to Dr. B. B. McGuire, health officer for the Pasquotank-Perquimans-Camden-Chowan Health District, pre-school clinics began in the district Monday of this week and will continue until Monday, May 17.

The schedule for Chowan County will be as follows:

May 4 at 9 A. M.—Chowan High School boys and girls.

May 5 at 9 A. M.—Rocky Hook school.

May 5 at 10:30 A. M.—St. John's School.

May 6 at 9 A. M.—Edenton Colored School girls.

May 7 at 9 A. M.—Edenton Colored School boys.

May 11 at 9 A. M.—Edenton white school girls.

May 12 at 9 A. M.—Edenton white school boys.

May 13 at 9 A. M.—White Oak school girls.

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All children whose birthday is on (Continued on Page Seven)

Mrs. William Swets Sneaker At Methodist Service Sunday Night

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will be in charge of a spiritual life program at the Methodist Church Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock.

At that time Mrs. William Swets will speak on "Consecrated Hands." The choir will render special music and Norman Leonard will sing a solo. The public is cordially invited.

DAR MEETS WEDNESDAY
The Edenton Tea Party Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Wednesday afternoon, April 14 at 3:30 o'clock in the James Iredell House on East Church Street. All members are urged to attend.

Four Towns Definitely Agree to Enter Teams

OFFICERS ELECTED

Hoped Two More Will Join to Make Six-Team Circuit

Definite steps toward realization of a baseball league were accomplished at a meeting held Thursday night when an organization was perfected with A. W. Hefren of Hertford elected president, Marvin Wilson vice president and W. M. Cozart, secretary and treasurer.

At the meeting four teams definitely agreed to enter the league and it is expected two more will join to make a six team circuit. Towns agreeing to enter a team are Edenton, Elizabeth City, Hertford and Colerain. It was believed a team from the Edenton Marine Base would enter a team, but Lieut. J. R. Wolford stated that it was very doubtful if it would materialize.

Three other towns, Williamston, Windsor and Plymouth have been interested in forming a league and it is hoped two of these will agree to enter a team.

However, if no more than the four teams already entered agree to play, the league will operate on a four club basis.

With the league definitely organized a schedule and rules will be worked out at a later date.

Imogene Cochrane Formally Submits Resignation Letter

Will Be Succeeded April 15 By Miss Hattie Singletary

Mrs. Imogene Cochrane, Chowan County Home Agent, formally tendered her resignation to the County Commissioners at their meeting Monday morning. Mrs. Cochrane will resign as of April 15 and is scheduled to be succeeded at that time by Miss Hattie Singletary, who comes here from Statesville, where she has served as assistant home agent for two years.

In her letter to Chairman W. W. Byrum and to Commissioners, Mrs. Cochrane had this to say:

"Due to my approaching marriage, I feel it would be best to resign my position as home demonstration agent in Chowan County, effective April 15.

"I have enjoyed working with you, the other Board members and all the fine people of Chowan County. I feel very fortunate in being able to remain here in Edenton. I appreciate all the many things you have done for me.

"I shall always be interested in the Extension program in this county and if I can be of assistance in any way, please let me know."

Mrs. Cochrane was present at the meeting to present her monthly report and while the Commissioners expressed regret that she was leaving the service, they said they were delighted that she will remain in Edenton and become a part of the community.

Civic Calendar

Edenton Lions Club Minstrel will be presented Friday night, April 9, at 8 o'clock in the Elementary School auditorium.

Annual art exhibit of the Edenton Woman's Club in the Penelope Barker House Saturday and Sunday, April 10 and 11.

Edenton Colonials will play an exhibition game with Colerain on Hicks Field Saturday night at 8:30 o'clock.

Edenton Woman's Club planning to sponsor annual flower show Tuesday, May 4, in the Penelope Barker House.

Community auction at American Legion hut Friday night at 8 (Continued on Page Ten)