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#### A LIFT FOR TODAY

★ Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and light unto my path. —Ps. 119:105.

LIGHT OF NATURE, the light of science, and the light of reason are but as darkness, compared with the divine light which shines from the Word of God.—J. K.

Almighty One, give us new eyes to read Thy Gospel and new hearts to understand Thy Word.

#### Vandalism At Its Worst

Seldom could one witness a more sickening and disgusting sight than that which occurred at old St. Paul's Episcopal Church Saturday night when a large portion of the fence was deliberately torn from its foundation and thrown to the sidewalk, a mass of ruin. The damage was done after St. Paul's congregation only recently spent something like \$3,000 to repair the brick work foundation, the brick columns and wooden fence.

It is hard to realize that any person or persons could stoop so low as to deliberately cause so much damage for no reason at all, save pure devilishment.

Not only members of St. Paul's congregation but Edenton people in general were horrified when they witnessed the deplorable sight Sunday morning. It is to be regretted and The Herald hopes the vandals will be apprehended and dealt with to the full extent of the law. In connection with the vandalism, The Herald herewith publishes the following appropriate letter from Mrs.

"Dear Mr. Bufflap: Last Sunday morning, when, as so often in the 46 years of my life in Edenton, I went for the eleven o'clock service at our dear old church—Saint Paul's-where for those years I have been a member, where for 30 years I sang in the choir, where for many years I served as organist—I was shocked and grieved to see the recently, carefully restored and lovely old fence of brick and wood had, during the night been com-

pletely destroyed on the Broad Street side.
"My first thought after seeing this, was, 'no persons, white or colored, of our town did this thing."

'I do wonder, from what parts of what states in our U.S.A. such souls desecrating holy land come?

"May the members of our town's churches join their prayers with mine that the hearts of these guilty persons be changed."

#### The Iron Is Hot

For a number of years the idea of a swimming pool in

Edenton has bobbed up at one time or another, but the project never got much beyond the talking stage.

Now, however, the project has advanced to the point where the iron is hot and a campaign will begin Tuesday. to raise the necessary funds. The project has the backing of the Lions Club, Rotary Club, Business and Professional Women's Club, Edenton Woman's Club, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Junior Chamber of Commerce, American Legion and Varsity Club, so that enough interest has

been generated to put the drive for funds over the top.

It is interesting to note that Jesse Harrell, sparkplug of the project, has been advised by the Revenue Department that contributions can be deducted from income taxes. This should be an incentive for some people to contribute a substantial amount.

The drive is scheduled to start off with a bang Tuesday morning when the Edenton High School Band will stage a parade, so that The Herald hopes the necessary amount will be raised within the week, so that the longdiscussed swimming pool will eventually become a reality.

#### **New Herald Feature**

Former Mayor J. L. Wiggins has agreed to write brief sketches for The Herald about prominent Edenton men and women of by-gone days. These articles will be written by a man who knew and lived with many prominent Edentonian, so that he is qualified to present interesting facts about them.

The first of these articles will probably appear in next week's issue, a feature which The Herald awaits with pleasure and which should certainly be enjoyed by many

## HEARD & SEEN

In a letter from R. L. Wright, who is stationed in Korea, he says he has been promoted to Sergeant. "I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the effort you have taken in getting my paper to me," wrote Sergeant Wright. "It sure helped my morale, especially in May, June and July when all our morales were so low."

The Herald had a group of visitors Tuesday afternoon when Mrs. Leon Thomas' sixth and seventh grade pupils "inspected" The Herald office. The boys and girls seemed very much interested in the work they saw going on, so maybe the class in future years might produce some newspaper folk.

And speaking about schools, Mrs. Z. B. Berry's fifth grade of Weeksville school was also touring Edenton Tuesday. This was the most orderly group of school children I've ever seen, keeping in line of march and in the Masonic room groups of six or eight entered at a time so all could see the George Washington chair and hear a brief history about it.

Postmaster Jim Chestnutt says he has secured permission to have a new roof placed on the Post Office. Of course, the present roof, over 20 years old, is about shot, but Jim says it goes to show that the Republican Administration is not too "tight".

In the mail this week was a brief letter from former Mayor J. L. Wiggins and an article in reply to an article in this column last week. The letter and article fol-

"Dear Mr. Bufflap: I noted in The Chowan Herald of April 22nd under the column of Heard and Seen a column called "The Feed Box" written by Ray Thompson in a Winston-Salem newspaper. In reply to Mr. Thompson's article I would like you to print a short article on the richness of Edenton which I am enclos-

ing as follows:
"Edenton is an exceptionally rich town, so rich in fact, even our streets are bordered by Golden Rods. From the center of town you can pick up Four Quarters. We have Draft Boards and other timbers have checks. Our Horses have Two Bits, every ditch has Two Banks, and even our streets are Flushed. Our lawns get a Rake-off once each week, every cloud has a Silver lining and every flower in town has a Scent.

"The waters of Edenton Bay are Sapphire from which emerge Diamond back terrapins. "Our stores are always Cash but they have everything

in the Bag.

Our maids wash off the front door with Gold dust. Our Marriageable girls have Fortunes and our elderly lady members of the Dime Society have priceless minds. Covered by Silver threads among the Gold, also have many Rubies and Pearls.

"In the winter the snow falls in Crystal flakes and even our lowly frogs have Green-backs.

"The writer's ancestors came from the Emerald Isle laurels. "We must face the fact," and when he puts a Dollar Bill in his pocket he doubles said Mayor Haskett, "that there is a it and when he takes it out he finds it In creases. Can you afford not to live here?"

J. R. Bunch, who lives in Newport News was in town tended for years." last week and was very proud. So proud and generous that he left a note and two cigars on my desk while I was out. Wrote Mr. Bunch: "Dear Buff-Why don't you stay in your office once in a while. I am leaving a cigar, It's a grandson." Congratulations, and it's two more cigars I'm saving for my Sunday smoke.

And speaking about cigars, Harry Jordan was in town few days this week enroute from Florida to his home n Missouri. Friend Jordan gave me a box of cigarsot because of an increase in the family, but purely for friendship sake and the fact that I'm crazy about that particular brand of cigars. The things are triangular shaped so that they will not roll off my desk. Tanks. Harry, for the election cigars are very scarce here in

And speaking about election, Earl Goodwin, one of the three candidates for sheriff, was walking around with one of his fingers on his right hand bandaged up Sat-urday night. This election hand-shaking must be hard on out to prospective voters

Jim Daniels, Raleigh Hollowell, Walter Bond and yours truly made a wild goose chase to Washington, N. C., Friday afternoon. The group intended to attend a district meeting of Red Men and Degree of Pocahontas, but upon arrival discovered that the meeting was scheduled for Saturday. Well, it's a good thing to be on time instead of late-but we were too darned early, so that all we had was an automobile ride.

Mrs. W. I. Cozzens had the misfortune to lose a red billfold downtown Wednesday morning which contained in the neighborhood of \$30. Identification papers were in the billfold, so here's hoping an honest person finds it and returns it to Mrs. Cozzens.

## **Edenton Is Presented Cancer Drive Far Certificate Of Merit** For Safety In Traffic Chairman Reports Only

#### No Traffic Fatality on **Streets Since Summer** Of 1951

the City of Edenton, on Thursday against cancer. morning accepted from the N. C. State Automobile Association a certificate of merit for the city's accomplishments in traffic safety.

Lewis B. Scruggs, division manager of the Motor Club, presented the framed parchment during brief ceremonies in the Edenton Police Station. He represented both the N. C. State A.A. and T. Chalmer Bryant, president of the National Automobile Association, with which the N. C. State A.A. is affiliated.

Jesse Wilson, the company's district manager in the Edenton area, participated in the presentation.

of Edenton's record of having gone since the summer of 1951 to April 1 1954, without a traffic fatality on its city streets.

Only a few cities in North Carolina so far have been so recognized. Mr. Scruggs pointed out that the presen-

Scruggs, "to make possible a record name the committee later. like that of Edenton. The city au-

Then Mr. Scruggs complimented the Jr. newspapers for their forceful way of this committee has been requested bringing safety messages to the pubto meet with Town Council at its next lic's attention.

The city officials in accepting the May 11. certificate made it clear that they would not be content to rest on their constant daily battle between people and machines. We all must be alert. We hope that our record car, be ex-

The N. C. State A.A. is the largest motor club in the entire South.

# **Fund For Repairs**

#### More Money, However, Needed to Do Necessary Work

Contributions to the Cupola Hous Library and Museum repair fund have passed the \$300 mark, according to E. W. Spires, acting president of the ssociation.

"We are deeply grateful to the good people who have so generously responded to our appeal for donations to this fund," stated Mr. Spires.

"However, we still need additional ontributions with which to make the badly needed repairs to the roof, floors and ceiling, as well as interior painting and decorations," continued Mr. Spires.

"Therefore, I have been asked by the Executive Committee to make this further appeal for contributions in order that we may preserve this old historic landmark.

"It will be greatly appreciated if you will send your donations to Mrs. Gertrude S. Rosevear, treasurer of the organization," continued Mr. Spires.

## Short Of Quota

#### \$365 Received From Contributions

Mrs. Aubrey Turbeville, chairman of the Chowan County Cancer Crusade, reported Tuesday of this week Mayor L. H. Haskett and Police that up to that time only \$365 had offered by the canvassers. All popu-Captain Robert L. Pratt, on behalf of been contributed toward the fight lar magazines will be included in the

Of course, the report from canvass ers is not complete, but Mrs. Turbeville feels that the county will fall short of its quota of \$1,155.

Anybody who desires to make a contribution for this cause is requested to do so at once, for the drive is sup posed to end Friday of this week.

## Haskett Appoints **Zoning Committee**

#### The award was given in recognition Group Is Asked to Meet With Town Council At Next Meeting

Mayor Leroy H. Haskett on Monday eleased the names of those he has appointed to serve on a committee to tations are made possible only after a consider a zoning ordinance for Edenthorough statistical study of accident ton. Zoning was considered at the last meeting of Town Council, at which "It takes real cooperation," said Mr. time Mayor Haskett stated he would

Those named on the committee are thorities, police officials and the pub- Geddes B. Potter, chairman, Sidney lic generally must pull together to go S. Campen, L. S. Byrum, W. D. this length of time without a fatality." Holmes, Jr., and Thomas C. Byrum,

regular meeting on Tuesday night

Mayor Leroy Haskett stated that

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Edenton is one of only two towns its size in the State which does not have a zoning ordinance. Lenoir is the other town, he says, and Lenoir is now also considering zoning.

#### **Jaycees Adopt Project** To Sell Magazines

Edenton Jaycees are now sponsoring a project to sell magazines with the proceeds going into the swimming pool fund.

Each resident will be contacted and urged to subscribe to the magazines

#### **Too Late To Classify**

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## To The Voters of Chowan County

Because of the many duties which require my being in attendance at the office, it is possible that I may not be able to see each and every voter in person, although I would like very much to do so.

Therefore, I am using this means of soliciting your vote and support for re-election to the office of Clerk of the Superior Court, and to pledge to you my best efforts in continuing to render the most efficient service and accommodation in every way I can.

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Ew. Spires



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