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## USO Clubs Scheduled To Open July 15th

### Rural Fire Fighting Problem Uses Most Commissioners' Time

July 15 Deadline For Answering Calls Arouses Interest

#### PETITION SIGNED

Fact Finding Committee Authorized To Make Study

At the Wednesday meeting of the Chowan County Commissioners practically the entire morning was devoted to consideration of the rural fire fighting problem in the county.

The Commissioners were somewhat concerned about the recent action taken by Town Council which set July 15 as the deadline to answer calls for help outside the city limits. The action also stirred up interest among those affected, so that Marvin Wilson presented a petition signed by 80 people living outside the city limits, with these signatures secured within a few hours. Mr. Wilson stated that not a single person contacted hesitated to sign the petition which asked the County Commissioners to take action to provide protection against loss of life and property by fire in those areas of Chowan County not within the boundaries of the Town of Edenton.

Quite a few interested people were sent at the meeting, with a number reserving their view on the matter. The Edenton firemen have been answering calls in the county, for which \$500 has been appropriated for several years to cover the expense. This year the Commissioners included in the budget \$1,000 for the purpose but the firemen figure to continue the service entails an expenditure of over \$3,000, which includes an extra paid fireman, a two-way radio and paying the firemen \$1 each who attend a fire.

It was brought out that the Commissioners desire the Edenton firemen to answer calls for help, and that the county should pay for this service, so that if the \$1,000 does not cover the cost, more will be forthcoming.

County Attorney J. N. Pruden read a statute which provides for the county to contract with the municipality or other agency for fire protection and it also provides for an election to levy a tax to provide fire protection.

After considering the problem from many angles the Commissioners passed. (Continued on Page Six)

### Pocahontas Officers Installed Friday Night

Great Pocahontas Will Make Official Visit To Council

Chowanoke Council, No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas, will be honored at its meeting Friday night in the Red Men hall, when Mrs. Dorothy Blackwelder of Concord, Great Pocahontas of North Carolina, will pay an official visit.

At the meeting new officers of the local Council will be installed for the six-month term, when Mrs. Margaret Phthisic will succeed Mrs. Hilda Bass as Pocahontas. A number of visitors are expected to be present for the Great Pocahontas' visit, so that every member is especially urged to attend.

### Miss Julie Ferguson Will Be Presented To New York Society

Among North Carolina debutantes to be presented to New York society this season is Miss Julie Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marry Ferguson of New York City. Miss Ferguson's mother is the former Frances Marriner of Edenton.

Miss Ferguson is one of a trio seated on the committee for the Debutante Cotillion and Christmas Ball of a New York Infirmity at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel on December 20.

### VFW Home Open For Members And Guests

Bill Perry, commander of Wm. H. Coffield Post, No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, announced this week that the post home will be open every Friday and Saturday night for the benefit of members and guests. The home will be in charge of Buck Langdale, manager.

### Very Quiet Fourth

Although the Fourth of July holiday claimed over 30 deaths in North Carolina, the holidays were quietly observed in Edenton and Chowan County, so that this section was spared of any highway or other serious accidents. Edenton police report one of the quietest holidays on record, with no wrecks reported and only four or five arrests made which were caused by drunks and one fight among two colored people.

### Gilliam Wood New President Of Rotary

Installed at Meeting of Rotary Club Thursday Afternoon

At last week's Rotary meeting Gilliam Wood was installed president of the Edenton Rotary Club for the Rotary year beginning July 1. He succeeds John Kramer. Other officers are Gerald James, vice president; Jimmy Earnhardt, John A. Holmes, Hubert Williford and W. T. Harry, directors. William Holmes and Robert Marsh will continue as treasurer and secretary respectively.

Before turning over the gavel to the new president, Mr. Kramer rehearsed activities of the club during his year as president, pointing out some of the most outstanding accomplishments. He expressed his appreciation for having the honor of serving as president of the club and thanked the Rotarians for their cooperation and support.

In accepting the presidency of the club Mr. Wood said he was following a very capable man and, of course, will need the advice, cooperation and support of every member of the club.

President Wood announced the following appointments: Program Chairman, Jimmy Ricks; editor "Echoes," the Rotary Bulletin, Bill Cozart, and sergeant-at-arms, Elton Forehand. Other appointments will be announced at the Rotary meeting today (Thursday).

### Civic Calendar

Call made for items to be used in proposed Edenton USO Club. Teen-Age Club open Tuesday and Thursday nights. VFW Post meets in VFW home Tuesday night of next week. Chowan Tribe, No. 12, I.O.R.M., meets Monday night at 8 o'clock in the Red Men hall.

Fund raising drive for the Edenton swimming pool still in progress. Mrs. Dorothy Blackwelder of Concord, Great Pocahontas of North Carolina, will visit Chowanoke Council Friday night, July 9.

Irrigation day will be observed Wednesday, July 14, at Sandy Point Farm. Sunbeams will meet at the Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Today (Thursday) will be the last day for the X-ray unit in Edenton.

Edenton Rotary Club meets this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. Revival services this week at the Church of God in North Edenton. Town Council will hold its July meeting Tuesday night 8 o'clock in the Municipal Building.

Immunization Clinics will be held in Chowan County each Monday in this month, July 12, 19, and 26. The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will meet Wednesday night, July 14, at 8 o'clock in the church. Ed Bond Post of the American Legion meets tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Legion hut.

VFW Post home open every Friday and Saturday night for members and guests. TOWN COUNCIL MEETS Town Council will meet Tuesday night, July 13, in the Municipal Building at 8 o'clock.

### CELEBRATE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY



Above is pictured Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank White, Sr., who on Sunday celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. They observed open house at their home on West Eden Street Sunday afternoon when almost a hundred friends called between the hours of 4 and 6 o'clock to present gifts and extend congratulations.—(Photo by Evelyn Leary).

### Immunization Clinics Scheduled In Chowan Monday, July 12, 19, 26

Schedule Is Announced By County Health Department

Announcement was made early this week that the Chowan County Health Department will hold immunization clinics in the county during the month of July. These clinics are scheduled to be held each Monday, July 12, 19, and 26, at the following places:

Rocky Hock Church—9:30 A. M. Earl Smith's Store—10:30 A. M. Center Hill—11:30 A. M. Arthur Byrum's Store—12:30 P. M. Gliden Fork at Morris and Hinton's Service Station—1:30 P. M.

At these clinics the Health Department will be prepared to give the following immunizations: Diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, and smallpox to children and typhoid to both children and adults. The Health Department also conducts a weekly immunization clinic at the Health Department, Friday, from 1 P. M. to 5 P. M., throughout the entire year.

The Health Department stresses the importance of diphtheria and whooping cough immunizations to all infants and urge that these be given during the first year of life by family physicians or at clinics as scheduled above.

### U. S. Fish Hatchery Is Officially Closed

Equipment Moved Next Week to Other Federal Hatcheries

The federal fish hatchery at Edenton was officially closed Thursday of last week, July 1, and next week equipment will be moved to other federal hatcheries. J. H. Asbell, who has been in charge since the hatchery was ordered closed, will remain on duty until all the equipment is removed.

Mr. Asbell has been instructed to release in Pembroke Creek about 1,500 bream and 600 large mouth bass which were on hand for breeding purposes. Just what disposition will be made of the government property could not be learned by The Herald.

### Grand Master Visits First And Second Districts On Friday

Robert L. Pugh, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, will make an official visit to the First and Second Masonic districts Friday of this week. Mr. Pugh will be in Ahoskie when an afternoon session will be held at 3 o'clock and an evening session at 8 o'clock.

Both meetings will be held in the Ahoskie Municipal Building and supper will be served at the athletic field.

All Masons in the First and Second Districts are urged to attend both meetings. Unanimity Lodge of Edenton is in the Second District.

### Irrigation Day Will Be Observed July 14 In Chowan County

Site Changed From Cannon's Ferry to Sandy Point Farm

Why let crops perish for water when there is plenty nearby? What can farmers do about it? How much will it cost? How should crops be irrigated?

These and many other questions will be answered at the Irrigation Demonstration to be held at Sandy Point Farm on Wednesday afternoon, July 14, at 2:00 o'clock, says C. W. Overman, Chowan County Agent.

Several companies will demonstrate irrigation equipment. Representatives will discuss the different types and sizes of equipment and its possibilities, so that those who attend will see the different makes in operation. Howard M. Ellis, Extension Agricultural Engineer, will discuss the use of irrigation. When to irrigate. How much to irrigate. The size equipment needed and many other factors.

"Whether you are considering irrigation or not, you will find this demonstration helpful and interesting," says Mr. Overman.

### Winners Named In Truck Driving Test

Douglas Cale, Route 3, Winner of First Prize Money

In an International "100" pickup truck driving contest sponsored by the Byrum Implement & Truck Company Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week, Douglas Cale, Route 3, was declared the winner and received a prize of \$25. Mr. Cale drove the pickup truck at an average of 42 miles per gallon of gasoline.

Three drivers tied for the \$15 second prize, each one driving at an average of 41 1/2 miles per gallon of gasoline. The three drivers were H. E. Belch and Kermit Harrell, both living on Route 3, and Willie H. Brickhouse of Creswell.

### Frank Wood Among 57 ROTC Cadets In Camp

Frank Wood of Edenton is one of 57 ROTC Cadets from six colleges and universities now undergoing six weeks of intensive training at the Fort Devens ROTC Summer Camp.

Cadets are from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Texas A. and M., University of Illinois, Ohio State, Oklahoma A. and M. and Princeton. The camp began its operations on June 19 and the course will run through July 30. The training program consists of a concentrated, comprehensive program of military instruction directed primarily toward preparing the cadets for their future duties as Second Lieutenants in the Army.

A student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Wood is majoring in Chemical Engineering and expects to be graduated in June, 1955.

### Public Is Invited To Attend Opening Both Clubs 3 To 5 O'clock

#### Albemarle League Schedule For Week

Thursday, July 8—Hertford at Edenton; Rocky Hock at Colerain.

Friday, July 9—Edenton at Elizabeth City; Colerain at Hertford.

Monday, July 12—Rocky Hock at Edenton; Hertford at Elizabeth City.

Tuesday, July 13—Edenton at Colerain; Elizabeth City at Rocky Hock.

Wednesday, July 14—Rocky Hock at Hertford; Colerain at Elizabeth City.

### Colerain Is Clinging To Slight Lead In Albemarle League

Rocky Hock Slips Into Cellar Position During Past Week

STANDING OF CLUBS		
Colerain	12	5 .653
Elizabeth City	12	6 .617
Edenton	7	11 .388
Hertford	6	10 .375
Rocky Hock	6	11 .352

During the week the Edenton Colonials won one game and lost three, while Rocky Hock fared a little worse by winning one and losing four.

Colerain still holds on to the league lead by half a game over Elizabeth City, while Edenton is still in third place with only a full game lead over Hertford. Rocky Hock stepped into the cellar position, trailing Hertford by half a game.

Edenton 3, Colerain 4. In Colerain Thursday night the Colonials lost a close game by a 4 to 3 score. Neither team was able to score until the fourth when each scored one run. The Colonials went into the lead in the seventh by scoring two runs, but in the eighth Colerain grabbed the lead when three runners crossed the plate.

The Colonials' first run in the fourth was made when Keeter walked, but Griffin hit into a double play. Gene Taylor then walked and romped home on Tunney Brooks' double. In the seventh Taylor singled and scored on Al Habit's terrific triple in center field. Habit scored on Harrell's single.

Cherry went the route for Edenton, as did Hoggard for Colerain. The Colonials made five hits while Colerain collected nine off Cherry's offerings. It was a fast game, played in an hour and 43 minutes, with both teams making only two errors each.

Edenton 0, Rocky Hock 2. On Hicks Field Friday night Rocky Hock nosed out Edenton's Colonials by a 2-0 count. The game was an interesting mound duel between Franklin Hollowell for Rocky Hock and Gene Taylor for Edenton, with each team limited to six hits. Hollowell struck out 11 and walked four, while Taylor retired 10-by way of the strike-out route and walked four. Both mounds.

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### Ruth Tucker Resigns As Agents' Secretary

Miss Ruth Tucker, for four years secretary to County Agent C. W. Overman and Miss Hattie Singletary, home agent, has resigned to accept a similar position in Perquimans County.

Miss Tucker severed her connections with the local office Thursday and will serve as secretary to County Agent R. M. Thompson and Miss Kimsey Perry, home agent, in the Hertford office. While employed in Edenton Miss Tucker won many friends, who regret to see her leave.

LEGION MEETS TONIGHT Edward G. Bond Post, No. 40 of the American Legion will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Legion hut. All members are especially urged to be present.

ROTARY MEETS TODAY Edenton's Rotary Club will meet this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. Gilliam Wood, new president of the club, will announce his appointment of various committees, so that he urges every member of the club to attend.

### Clubs at Hotel Joseph Hewes and Brown-Carver Library

#### HOSTESSES TO SERVE

### Still Urgent Need For Various Items to Furnish Rooms

Thanks to the spirited generosity on the part of the people of Edenton and the surrounding communities, the men of the Marine Corps Air Station once again have USO facilities. Since the end of World War II there have been no recreational facilities available to the men of the base, and the city has risen to meet that call. In keeping with the tradition that these men have always been considered citizens of Edenton, local businessmen, organizations, and other individuals have expended much of their time, effort, and money into an end result of two USO's—one in the ballroom of the Joseph Hewes hotel and one in the Brown-Carver library.

Thursday, July 15th, is opening day for the USO's, and the public is invited in from 3 until 5 P. M., so that they might see what has been accomplished. Both have been painted and draped. The colored facility, outfitted with furniture from the previous USO, and the white unit, which has been loaned furnishings from Cherry Point, will both be furnished in the fall by the USO Building Association, but are making do with what they have until such time arrives. A piano, ping-pong and writing tables, a juke box, and table games are available in both. However, many items are still sorely lacking.

There is a marked scarcity of tables, lamps and lampshades, and plants—also ashtrays, ash stands, and games, and donations along these lines will be most appreciated. All such donations should be directed to Mrs. J. F. Quilty, Jr., head of the furnishings committee, who will pick them up.

That night there will be a dance for service personnel in each of the two USO's. Lasting from 6:30 until 11:00 P. M., they will have music courtesy of orchestral organizations from the Edenton Air Facility and from Cherry Point. Mrs. Richard Paxton Badhom, director of the Edenton USO's, has made arrangements for junior hostesses in the age group of 18 to 25 years. Senior hostesses are comprised of volunteers from the local women's organizations.

Once the USO's get under way there will be planned activities for the men on certain evenings throughout the week—tentatively Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. On these nights there will be junior as well as senior hostesses on hand, and refreshments will be served without cost to the men courtesy of the women's organizations. During the other nights of the week senior hostesses will be on duty so that the clubs may be used as drop-in lounges.

### Boll Weevil Situation In Chowan County

According to Robert S. Marsh, Assistant County Agent, the boll weevil is not as bad this week as last. A check of ten fields on Tuesday showed an average of 13.8 per cent punctured squares for the 10 fields. Percentage of punctured squares varied from none to 35.

Advice for this week: Check your fields carefully and if there are as many as 10 per cent punctured squares, dust, using 10-12 pounds of Taxophene per acre.

### Revival Services This Week At Church Of God

A revival meeting began Monday night of this week in the Church of God in North Edenton, of which the Rev. Mitchell Edwards is pastor. The visiting preacher is the Rev. Lenora Jones of Wake Forest, who will preach each night at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend all services.

DR. MCGUIRE ON VACATION Dr. and Mrs. B. B. McGuire left Saturday for a vacation trip to the Rocky Mountain area and Pacific Coast states. They will return around the first of August.