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Meeting Called To Organize For Civil Defense In Edenton

Gibson Brickle Points Out Need For Spotting Operations

Gibson Brickle, director of civilian defense for Chowan County, has called a meeting to be held at the VFW Club Tuesday night, September 14, at 8 o'clock, at which time he hopes many will be present. He points out that there is an urgent need for a spotting post in Edenton, so that at the meeting a civil defense organization will be perfected.

Lieut. Gordon R. Jackey of Durham, who heads up mobile training teams, will attend the meeting and will explain the need for spotting and its operation. He will also show a very timely film which emphasizes the need for this precaution.

Mr. Brickle says the local set-up will be on a stand-by status and not on a 24-hour basis, but that the organization will operate during stated exercises about once or twice a month and will last about four hours. About four times a year the exercise will be in the form of simulated attacks lasting three days.

Mr. Brickle hopes the people of this community will become civil defense minded. "There are Russian bases not more than 4,000 miles from strategic targets in Southeastern United States," he says, "and we are in a dangerous position. Every would-be aggressor knows he can't get by unless he defeats us first, for already in two world wars the tide of aggression has been turned by the weight of our industrial production. The next time an aggressor will try to eliminate us first by striking at our production plants and the people who man them. Today the Russians possess long range bombers capable of striking anywhere in the United States. A single plane carrying an atomic bomb can now wipe out an entire city."

Mr. Brickle says volunteer men and women are urgently needed to provide teams of trained people ready to operate a local filter center, so that he is appealing to all citizens to turn out in large numbers at the meeting.

Fire Commission Will Meet Friday Afternoon

W. E. Bond, chairman of the Chowan County Fire Commission, has called a meeting of the group for Friday afternoon, August 20, at 3 o'clock in the Court House. This is the first meeting of the Commission, and he is urging every member to attend.

Members, besides Mr. Bond, are: John A. Kramer, Clarence Harrell, A. M. Forehand, McCoy Spivey, J. Edwin Bufflap, J. A. Webb, Jr., Carey Evans, J. I. Boyce, Jordan Yates, Ward Hoskins, J. Gibson Perry and T. A. Berryman.

POST OFFICE OFFICIALS CLAIM CHANGE OF MAIL SCHEDULES WILL IMPROVE RATHER THAN IMPAIR SERVICE AT EDENTON OFFICE

T. J. Cheek, Superintendent-at-Large of Operations, Lays Facts Before Congressman Herbert Bonner Following Receipt of Objections

According to local Post Office officials, the new mail schedule which went into effect Monday morning will not impair the service, and T. J. Cheek, superintendent-at-large of operations in the Third Division, of Greensboro, says the change will improve the service and reduce terrific waste.

Following receipt of a number of protests regarding the change, Congressman Herbert Bonner, after an investigation, received the following letter from Mr. Cheek:

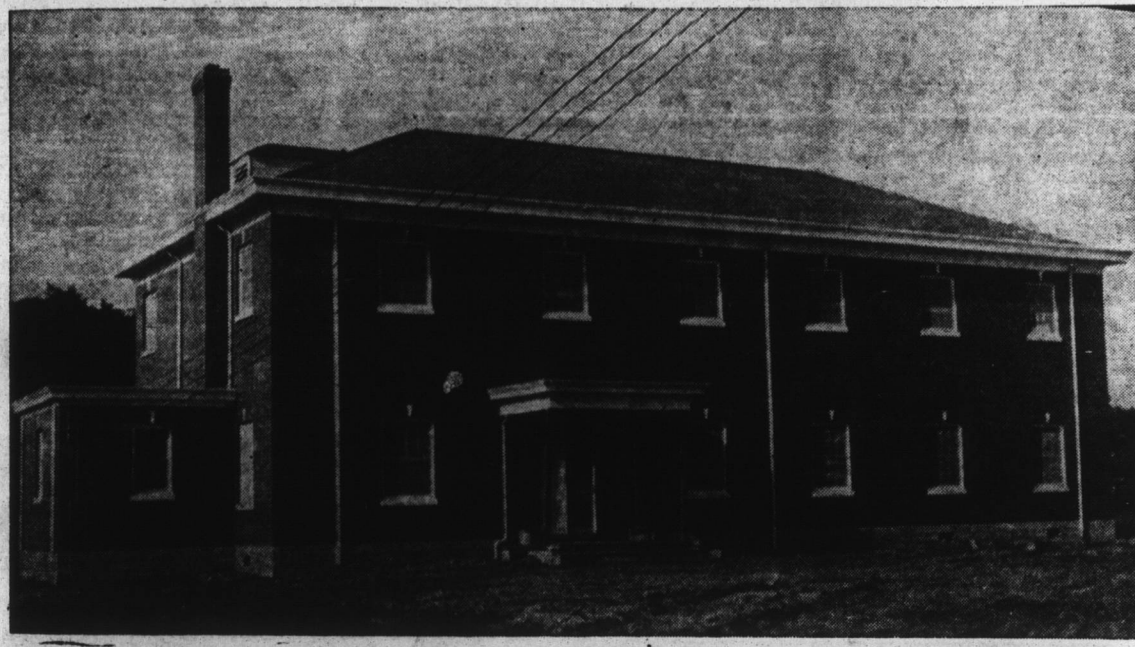
"In response to your letter of August 9, 1954, and various letters turned over to me by your secretary, Henry C. Oglesby, the following is offered as reasons for these recommended changes and improvements in service which we hope will be the end result. "First let me assure you that all of these changes were recommended with two purposes in mind: (1) To improve the service and (2) To reduce the terrific waste occasioned by the improper routing of the highway post offices and the overlapping wasteful star route structure.

"Most of the complaints from the citizens of Edenton and Hertford may be summarized as follows:

"1. They are losing certain receipts and dispatches in the middle of the day.

"2. They fear that their receipts and dispatches to and from the Nor-

NEW MASONIC TEMPLE IN EDENTON



Above is pictured the new Masonic temple of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., located on Water Street. The interior of the temple is nearly completed, so that Wednesday night, September 29, at 8 o'clock has been designated for the dedication ceremony, which will attract officers of the Grand Lodge, as well as many Masons from the entire eastern section of the State. Tentative plans also call for the observance of open house for the general public Sunday, October 3, and later a banquet at which wives of Masons and members of the Eastern Star will be guests. The temple is very beautiful inside and is one of the most modern Masonic temples east of Raleigh. (Florian Arthur Photo).

Edenton's National Guard Unit Is Now At Fort McClellan

Four Officers and 71 Enlisted Men In Field Training

Four officers and 71 enlisted men of Edenton's Heavy Mortar Company, 119th Infantry of the 30th Division, North Carolina National Guard, are now at Fort McClellan, Anniston, Alabama, for two weeks of field training. The bulk of the group left Sunday morning and all are scheduled to return home Sunday, August 29. The company is in charge of Captain Cecil Fry, commanding officer.

At camp an instructional team from the 82nd Airborne Division will assist in training the local National Guard members with the 4.2 mortar and during the second week the company will be in bivouac as in action combat.

A feature of this year's encampment will be a religious service conducted by Evangelist Billy Graham for the entire 30th Division. Mr. Graham will speak Saturday night in the open amphitheater at Camp McClellan.

At last year's encampment the Edenton company's softball team won the regimental softball championship, winning out in competition with 20 other companies. This year the local boys will make a bid to retain the championship. (Continued on Page 3-A, Section One)

Dedication Services For Masonic Temple Will Be Held Sept. 29

Open House Planned For General Public Sunday, October 3

With the new Masonic temple about to be completed on Water Street by Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., Wednesday night, September 29, has been officially designated as the date for the dedication of the new building.

Robert L. Pugh, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, has informed the local lodge that he has called an emergent communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina to be held in the new temple Wednesday night, September 29, at 8 o'clock for the purpose of dedicating the new temple.

Aside from the Grand Lodge officers, who will be in charge of the dedication ceremonies, many prominent Masons from the entire eastern part of the State are expected to be guests of the Edenton lodge for the special occasion.

Supper will be served in the spacious banquet hall of the new temple at 6:30 o'clock, with the emergent communication of the Grand Lodge scheduled to begin at 8 o'clock.

Unanimity Lodge also plans to observe open house for the general public on Sunday, October 3, when the temple will be open for inspection, and when it is hoped many people in Edenton and Chowan County will visit the new and attractive home of Unanimity Lodge. In the very near future a banquet will be held for Masons, their wives and members of the Eastern Star.

30 Boys Report For Football Practice

Bill Billings Reports as New Coach at Edenton School

Bill Billings, new football coach at Edenton High School, held the first football practice of the season Monday morning, when about 30 boys reported to try for berths on the 1954 edition of the Edenton Aces. Billings will be assisted by Alton Brooks, athletic director of the school.

Early drills will be devoted primarily to getting the boys in condition by setting-up exercises and getting the "feel" of the pigskin.

Six veterans of last year's squad were lost by graduation, these being Ralph Hall, Gerald Lassiter, Clifford Overman, Ted Wright, Bobby Whitman and Robert Twiddy. A few new recruits have answered the call and boys who saw action last season and will be trying out for various positions include: Chan Wilson, Sid Campen, Bobby Pratt, Ray Rogerson, Cecil Miller, Robert Kennan, Charles Knox, Ralph Chappell, Wayne Keeter, Asa Dail, Lin Bond, Bill Harrison, Johnny Speight, Sherwood Harrell, Tay Byrum, Stuart Holland, Jerry Downum, Bill Bass, Jimmy Harrison, Robert Earl Edwards, Milton Stillely, John Whitson, Fred Wood, Sonny Wright and Billy Bunch.

Development Corp. Stockholders Will Meet Monday Night

Garment Industry Sends Plans and Specifications For Building

There will be a meeting of the present stockholders of the Edenton Development Corporation and other interested citizens at the Court House Monday night at 8 o'clock.

This will not be an organizational meeting for the corporation but will be a report to the stockholders and other interested citizens by the present temporary committee.

A garment industry has sent plans and specifications to the committee in order that they might secure estimates on the cost of the building. This firm seems very much interested in Edenton and a large attendance at this meeting is urgently requested.

Following is a list of new stockholders in the Edenton Development Corporation:

Catherine Ward, James P. Ricks, Jr., W. W. Byrum, Luther C. Parks, W. W. Perry, Mrs. Beulah P. Boswell, Elton Boswell, John M. Beatty, John J. Ross, The Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Company, W. H. Gardner, John A. Kramer, Larry Dowd, Earl G. Harrell, Thomas C. Cross, Jr., Mrs. Bertie Cross, Junius W. Davis, Sr., D. R. Faircloth, R. T. Pickler, John W. Graham, Goldie Layton, Kermit L. Layton, R. E. Leary, C. Trotman Leary, Roy H. Spruill, A. M. Stanton, Hoskin S. Bass, Jr., Inez Felton, W. T. Harry, B.B.H. Motor Co., Inc., Margaret C. Phthisic, H. M. Phthisic, Jesse M. Wilson, J. H. Cuthrell, Ralph R. Hall, L. C. Dail and J. Louis Harrell.

Jep Bass Victim Of Assault And Robbery

Chowan Man Relieved of Money and Shoes Saturday Night

Jep Bass of the Rocky Hock section was the victim of a hold-up and assault Saturday night, when he was relieved of about \$12 and his shoes, and was bruised about the face in a scuffle with three men.

According to Sheriff Bunch, Bass became acquainted with the three men in Habit's Tavern and the trio agreed to take him home in a car. However, instead of taking him home, they drove to the Brayall section, where the holdup took place.

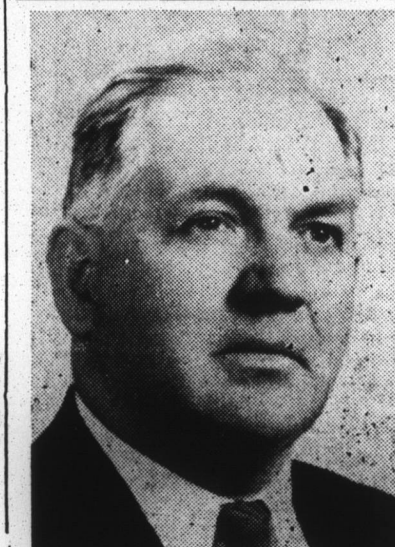
Two of the men, Jesse Felton and C. D. Parker, both of Elizabeth City, were apprehended and lodged in the Chowan County jail. The third is still being sought by authorities.

Chowan Ramblers Entertain Rotarians

Edenton Rotarians enjoyed a splendid musical program at their meeting Thursday afternoon, when the Chowan Ramblers sang and played several numbers. The quartet is composed of Leon Privott, Stuart Hollowell, Sammy Byrum and Britton Byrum. The boys' program was well received by the Rotarians, who greeted each number with a hearty round of applause. The program was arranged by William Holmes.

Chowan County Fair Scheduled Be Held Week September 13

Revival Speaker



THE REV. L. H. RAINES At the revival meeting to be held in the Rocky Hock Baptist Church Sunday, August 22, to Sunday, August 29, the visiting speaker will be the Rev. L. H. Raines, father of the pastor, the Rev. B. L. Raines.

E. J. Hobbs, Jr., Will Be Manager For Fair This Year

YATES PRESIDENT Premium List Printed And Distributed In County

W. J. Yates, president of the Chowan County Fair, sponsored by Edward G. Bond Post, No. 40, American Legion, has announced that the fair will be held this year Monday, September 13, through Saturday, September 18. The fair will be held on the Legion property on the Windsor highway and will be formally opened Monday night, September 13, at 7:30 o'clock and will close at 12 o'clock midnight Saturday.

E. J. Hobbs, Jr., will serve as manager for this year's fair, succeeding Willis McClenny. R. E. Leary will again serve as secretary-treasurer.

According to rules governing the fair, applications for entries will be received at the office of the management any time until September 13, with the exception of livestock and poultry. Applications for livestock, poultry and booths will close Saturday afternoon, September 4, at 6 o'clock. Entries in all departments must be made on printed application forms provided by the management for that purpose and must be filled out properly and sent to E. J. Hobbs, Jr., or Robert S. Marsh.

All livestock on exhibition must be cared for by exhibitor. All stalls and pens will be well bedded before the Fair free of charge. Thereafter exhibitors will be required to furnish their own bedding.

Competition in all departments for (Continued on Page Four)

Firebug Is At Work In Chowan County

Frank V. White Offers \$50 Reward For Information

Forest Ranger Frank V. White reports that a firebug is at work in Chowan County and he is offering \$50 reward for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the guilty party or parties.

Mr. White says five fires were started during the early hours of Sunday morning, which were discovered between 7 and 8 o'clock. These fires threatened a dwelling house and thousands of acres of timber land.

Mr. White began at once to fight the fires and had the assistance of about 30 or 40 people to help. It was so dry, he says, that the ground was even burning, so that it was necessary for him to pump water and dig trenches for three days in order to prevent the flames from spreading.

It is Mr. White's opinion that these are the first fires intentionally started in Chowan County since adopting the fire control program. He has a few clues and is working night and day in an effort to track down the guilty party or parties. He hopes the \$50 reward will be an incentive in solving the case, and urges everybody to be very careful and help to prevent forest fires.

AUXILIARY MEETS TONIGHT

The Ladies' Auxiliary of William H. Coffield Post, No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at the post home. Mrs. Ellie Mae Parrish, president, urges a full attendance.

Civic Calendar

Gibson Brickle has called a civil defense meeting to be held in the VFW Club Tuesday night, September 14, at 8 o'clock.

Revival services will begin in the Rocky Hock Baptist Church Sunday, August 22, and continue until Sunday morning, August 29.

The Edenton group of Baptist churches of the Chowan Association will meet in the Macedonia Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, August 29, at 3 o'clock in the interest of Sunday School work.

Chowan County Fair will be held on the American Legion property on the Windsor highway (Continued on Page Eight)

Community Picnic At Center Hill August 25

There will be a community picnic on the Center Hill Methodist Church grounds Wednesday evening, August 25, at 6:30 o'clock.

Everyone is invited to attend and bring a picnic supper. Tea and recreation will be furnished by the Youth Group.

NICKELS FOR KNOW-HOW ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN NORTH CAROLINA OCTOBER 15

Nine Polling Places Designated For Chowan County's Eligible Voters to Cast Their Ballot; Two-thirds Majority Necessary

Chowan County users of feed and fertilizer will vote at nine polling places in the Nickels for Know-How election Friday, October 15.

County Agent C. W. Overman announces that those eligible to participate in the election may vote at any one of the following places:

Yeopim—Less Jones' Gulf Service Station. Edenton—Chowan County Court House. Enterprise—J. E. Ashley's store at Valhalla.

Advance—Grover Cale's store. Rocky Hock—Henry Bunch's store and Elbert Peele's store.

Cross Roads—Melvin Evans' store. Center Hill—J. I. Boyce's store. Ryland—H. R. Peele's store.

Gliden—L. C. Briggs' store and Lonesome Pine Service Station.

Eligible to vote are users of feed or fertilizer who are engaged in the production of farm commodities and their husbands or wives. Future Farmers, 4-H Club members and other farm

youths may vote.

Mr. Overman points out that since Nickels for Know-How was first approved by a 9 to 1 majority three years ago, the money contributed by feed and fertilizer users has paid for 38 research and educational projects dealing with problems of major concern to farm people.

The funds have also paid for the publication of a test and soil fertility, for use by vocational agriculture students. Nickels for Know-How will pay for a similar publication on tobacco later this year.

Quoting D. W. Colvard, dean of the State College School of Agriculture, where the 38 projects are in progress, Overman said that without the Nickels for Know-How program, this work could not have been started, since public funds voted by governmental bodies were already fully committed to other projects.

"Nickels for Know-How permits a flexibility of money to meet emergency needs." (Continued on Page 4, Section 2)