

Chowan County Fair Begins Monday, Sept. 13

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School Enrollments In Edenton Eclipse Last Year's Figures

978 Were Enrolled In White School Up to Friday Morning

OPENING EXERCISES
Colored Enrollment 919 Which Is 27 Above Last Year

With schools in the Edenton administrative unit opening Wednesday of last week, increased enrollment was reported in all schools. The total enrollment in Edenton as of Friday was 978, an increase of 61 over last year when the first day's enrollment was 917.

In the Edenton Elementary School, grades 1 through 6, the enrollment Friday was 598, an increase of 38 over last year, while in the Junior-Senior High School the enrollment for the seventh and eighth grades was 154, thus making the enrollment in the elementary grades as of Friday 752.

In the Edenton Junior-Senior High School there were 226 enrolled in grades 9 through 12, so that the total enrollment in this school was 380.

In the colored schools there was a gain in the elementary classes of 35, with 679 enrolled as against 644 last year, but in the high school the enrollment was 240 this year as against 226 last year, a loss of eight, but an overall increase in the school of 27.

D. F. Walker reports a shortage of classrooms in the school which has necessitated children in the second grade attending school in shifts. One section goes to school in the morning and goes home at 12 o'clock, while another section goes to school at 12 and remains until school is out. Two sections, children who are transported by bus, remain in classes all day.

At the St. John's school 68 students enrolled as compared with 62 last year, and at least 10 more are expected to enroll.

At the opening exercises in the Edenton Elementary School the devotional was led by the Rev. Gordon Bennett, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Principal Ernest A. Swain and Superintendent John A. Holmes participated.

At the Edenton Junior-Senior High School the Rev. R. N. Carroll, pastor of the Baptist Church, led the devotional. Ray Rogerson, president of the Student body, presided, during which he welcomed new students and presented Principal Gerald James, who concluded the opening exercises.

Federation Of Woman's Clubs Holds Meeting In Murfreesboro Sept. 14th

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs for District 16 will be held in Murfreesboro on Tuesday, September 14, with Mrs. E. P. Brown presiding. Mrs. R. F. Dent of Spruce Pine, second vice president, and Mrs. W. J. P. Earnhardt, corresponding secretary for the State Federation, will also be present.

The official meeting starts at 10:00 A. M., with a coffee hour prior to that. It is hoped many women of the Edenton Woman's Club will attend.

EDENTON ACES OPEN GRIDIRON SEASON FRIDAY NIGHT AGAINST ROANOKE RAPIDS

William Billings, New Coach at Edenton School, Gradually Rounding Team Into Shape For First Test Under Pressure

The 1954 edition of the Edenton Aces will raise the football curtain for the season Friday night on Hicks Field, at 8 o'clock when they are scheduled to meet Roanoke Rapids High School.

The Aces have a new coach this year, William Billings, who has been taking the entire squad through afternoon and night practice sessions in order to round out a team. Some fans say the Aces will be the best team at the Edenton school in four or five years, but Coach Billings was reluctant to make any predictions, electing to wait and see how the boys perform under pressure of a regular game.

Roanoke Rapids usually fields a rugged gridiron aggregation, so that the Aces are expected to be given a real test in their opening game.

In the neighborhood of 30 boys have

Civic Calendar

Chowan County Fair will be held on the American Legion property on the Windsor highway September 13 to September 18.

Nickels for Know-How election will be held in Chowan County Friday, October 15.

Revival services in progress at Yeopim Baptist Church and will end next Sunday night, September 12.

An emergent communication of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Court House for the purpose of conferring the third degree.

Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will meet Tuesday night, September 14, at the church at 8 o'clock.

A seminar for the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Elizabeth City District will be held in the Edenton Methodist Church all day Thursday, September 16.

Annual meeting of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs for the 16th District will be held in Murfreesboro Tuesday, September 14.

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Guest Speaker At Baptist Church On Sunday, Sept. 12

Dr. J. Leo Green Will Substitute For the Rev. R. N. Carroll

For both services Sunday, September 12, at the Baptist Church, the guest preacher will be Dr. J. Leo Green, professor of Old Testament Interpretation at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N. C. The hour for the morning worship service is 11 o'clock and the evening service will be at 7:30 o'clock.

Dr. Green is very much in demand as a preacher and lecturer because of his background of preparation and his speaking qualities. He is also well known throughout the Southern Baptist Convention and is very active in filling pulpits, speaking engagements and in other phases of the convention program.

It is a very impressive fact that he and the other members of the seminary faculty are in some church of the Southern Baptist Convention practically every Sunday filling the pulpit or for some special engagement. This points out an outstanding service which the seminary is rendering the convention other than preparing ministers and other special church workers for full time work in our churches.

The regular services of the day and week will be observed and the public is cordially invited to attend each service of the church.

Preview Of Progress Stage Show Appears In Edenton Sept. 16th

Purpose to Create Interest Among Students In Field of Science

Gerald James, principal of the Edenton Junior-Senior High School, has announced that a stage show, "General Motors Preview of Progress," will be presented in the Edenton Elementary School auditorium on Thursday morning, September 16, at 10:30 o'clock.

This preview of progress is made available to high schools throughout the country which have as many as 300 students in grades 7 through 12 in an effort to encourage students in the study of science. The show is entirely non-commercial and is presented free of charge.

Preview of Progress is a dramatic, educational, non-commercial stage show written specifically as a high school assembly program. There are seven units of previews operating in various parts of the United States and 10 units have been built for presentation throughout the rest of the world. During the past seven years eight million children and adults have seen this presentation.

The theme of the presentation is that there are unlimited opportunities awaiting young people if they have a sincere desire for accomplishment. By using original experiments in the fascinating field of popular science to develop this theme, it is felt that young people are entertained, enlightened and inspired.

The sequence of the experiments is as follows: Color change, bottle with a temper, synthetic rubber, energy conversion, cold stove, communications and jet propulsion.

The show is sponsored by General Motors Corporation and a cordial invitation is extended to all students and adults to attend. There is no charge.

District Governor Of Lions Scheduled To Visit Edenton Club

Ed Hallford Will Speak At Club's Meeting on Monday Night

Members of the Edenton Lions Club are looking forward with keen interest to the annual visitation of their District Governor of District 31-F at their meeting next Monday night.

Ed Hallford, the new governor of this district, will have his own program for the meeting and is reputed to be a most interesting speaker and entertainer.

"We are especially anxious that every member of our club be present for this special occasion," said Earl Harrell, president of the local club.

Appeal Made For Junior Hostesses

More Young Ladies Are Needed at Edenton USO Club

Mrs. Sarah Marriner, director of the USO Club, has resumed her duties after her vacation and, together with Mrs. R. P. Badham, assistant director, emphasizes the urgent need for junior hostesses at the club. Interest in the Edenton USO Club is increasing with attendance gradually picking up.

The club is open every week day, with entertainment provided every Thursday night, when refreshments are served by various church groups. Chaplain Veltman is in charge of the programs at the club.

Those in charge of the USO are appealing for more young ladies to offer their services as junior hostesses.

Demonstration Clubs Call Off Meetings During Fair Week

Miss Hattie Singletary, Chowan County home agent, announces that all home demonstration club meetings have been postponed during Fair Week as most of the members will be busy at the Fair.

Edenton Allocated \$13,965.76 By Funds From Powell Bill

Total of \$5,390,870.20 In Cash Distributed In State

Recently the State Highway Commission announced specific amounts of Powell Bill funds allocated to individual municipalities for improvements of non-highway system streets. A total of \$5,390,987.20 in cash aid from the State will be distributed to 396 eligible towns and cities.

Highway Chairman A. H. Graham said this was the largest amount ever distributed since the Powell Bill Act was passed in 1951.

The first year of the Powell Bill in 1951, a total of \$4,543,096.20 was divided among 286 towns. The next year in 1952, a total of \$4,948,842.30 was shared by 388 towns. Then last year, 1953, a total of \$5,244,303.40 was divided among 394 Tar Heel towns.

Graham pointed to the increased gasoline revenue which upped the Powell Bill figure this year. The fund comes from a half-cent per gallon of the regular six-cent State gasoline tax collected in the recently ended fiscal year. The seventh cent of gasoline tax goes to retire the secondary road bonds.

Checks will be mailed to the participating towns in mid-September, Graham said. Allocations are based on population determined by the 1950 federal census and on the municipality's relative mileage of non-highway system streets.

As of last July 1, the participating municipalities had 5,784 miles of non-system streets. Their total population, according to the census, was 1,522,143.

Allocations were figured to the penny by the Highway Commission's Division of Statistics and Planning, headed by James S. Burch. The per capita rate of payment was fixed this year at \$1.77; and the mileage rate was \$466. Half of the fund is divided according to population, the other half by non-system street mileage.

Payments will range from \$331 for Falkland in Pitt County to \$396,015 for Charlotte.

The allocation for Edenton will be \$13,965.76.

Two New Projects Adopted By Jaycees

Efforts Directed to Public Safety and Cleaner Town

Members of the Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce are now directing their efforts to two projects, one having to do with public safety and the other civic improvement.

In the interest of public safety, the Jaycees have adopted a campaign to sell Scotch-lite tape for automobile bumpers, which is being used extensively throughout the country. With this tape attached to a bumper, an automobile is far more visible at night by other approaching cars, which should tend to reduce accidents.

In order to help keep the town clean and more attractive, the Jaycees have agreed to donate five or six swinging door trash cans, which will be placed at various places so that trash can be conveniently placed in the trash cans rather than strewn on the street.

The Jaycees recently completed their magazine sale as the result of which they made a contribution of \$150 to the Edenton swimming pool fund.

Important Meeting Of Ed Bond Post Tonight

John A. Holmes, commander of Ed Bond Post of the American Legion and E. J. Hobbs, Jr., manager of the Chowan County Fair which is sponsored by the Legion, request all Legionnaires to meet at the Legion hut tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. At this meeting final preparations will be made for the fair which begins Monday, September 13, so that it is very important that all members attend.

Chowan Trio Will Be On Television Sept. 15

Miss Clara Mason, assistant home agent, Shirley Harrell and Jackie Morris, State Farm and Home Electric Demonstration winners, will give a television program on Wednesday, September 15, over the Greenville station.

The program will be televised at 6:45 P. M.

Funds To Fight Polio Are Now Very Low Says Local Chairman

Hertford Champs

Hertford's Indians won the fourth game of a seven-game series in Hertford Thursday night and thereby became the Albe-Marle League champions for the 1954 season.

The Indians were ahead in the series 3-1 Wednesday of last week but on Wednesday night Elizabeth City won a wild game in Elizabeth City by a score of 11 to 10, making the count 3 to 2 in favor of the Indians.

However, on Thursday night the Indians wound up the series by defeating Elizabeth City on the Hertford diamond 12 to 2.

For a long time at the beginning of the season Hertford occupied the cellar position in the league, but gradually improved to finish in third place. The Indians defeated Colerain in the semi-final playoffs and then went on to defeat Elizabeth City, winner over Rocky Hock for the league championship.

It was the first time in many years that the Edenton Colonials did not participate in the playoffs, winding up the regular season in the cellar position.

Meeting Sept. 14 To Organize Civil Defense In County

Director Gibson Brickle Urges Many People To Attend

Gibson Brickle, director of civilian defense for Chowan County, again reminds citizens that a meeting will be held in the armory next Tuesday night, September 14, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing a civil defense organization in Chowan County.

Present at the meeting will be Lieut. Gordon R. Jackey of Durham, director of mobile training teams in North Carolina. Lieut. Jackey will stress the important need for civil defense organization and will present slides to impress those who attend.

Mr. Brickle hopes many interested people will attend the meeting.

Second Nurses' Aide Class To Be Held Here

On Monday night, September 13, at 8 o'clock in the Hospital Dining Room, a second group of women will begin training as Nurses' Aides under the direction of Mrs. Quicksall.

There is a great need for this volunteer Red Cross service in our community and anyone interested in taking this course, are asked to contact Mrs. George Hoskins or Mrs. Martin Wisely.

LIONS MEET MONDAY NIGHT

Edenton's Lions Club will meet Monday night at 7 o'clock. This week's meeting was called off due to the observance of Labor Day, so that President Earl Harrell urges every member to attend.

HEARING SCHEDULED ON PLAN TO EXTEND COMMERCIAL FISHING IN YEOPIM RIVER

If Permitted Nets Will Be Allowed to Be Set Over Two Miles From the Mouth of the River In Popular Sports Fishing Area

Hugh Robertson, protective supervisor for Wildlife Resources Commission in the First District, has been notified that at a meeting of the Wildlife Resources Commission held August 30 the question of moving the line between commercial and inland fishing waters to Deep Water Point in Yeopim River was presented for consideration. The plan includes commercial fishing. About 2½ miles up the river from the mouth at Albe-Marle Sound.

Since there appears to be some disagreement on this question, it appeared to the Commission that it might be advisable to hold a public hearing

Only \$40 Contributed In Chowan In Emergency Drive

NO SOLICITATION

Chairman J. E. Bufflap Will Accept Any Contributions

As polio-fighting funds throughout the nation reached a dangerously low ebb, J. Edwin Bufflap, chairman of the Chowan County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, points out that the shortage is serious, so that it was necessary to hold an emergency March of Dimes drive to raise at least \$20,000,000 due to that much shortage for 1954 needs.

This unusual emergency collection comes as the polio season reaches its height. More money is needed to pay for a double load—record polio patient care and the polio prevention program with its thrilling hope of the future.

Today 51 polio chapters in North Carolina are in debt to the Central Carolina Convalescent (Polio) Hospital at Greensboro more than \$100,000 and cannot pay until the people give the money in this Emergency March of Dimes.

Chairman Bufflap points out that polio takes no vacation. Patients need help now. The prevention program must not be halted.

Mr. Bufflap explained why polio funds for 1954 are so short. The 1954 March of Dimes drive, he said, raised \$55,000,000 but this was \$20,000,000 short of the \$75,000,000 known to be needed last January for all programs including new polio prevention efforts such as the vaccine trials and the increased supplies of gamma globulin. High National polio incidence now indicates that even \$75,000,000 may not be enough.

The largest single amount expended in the polio program last year was for care of patients: \$29,734,000. This item could total \$33,500,000 in 1954, if incidence remains high.

To pay for the nationwide polio vaccine trials—in which 625,000 children received injections and 1,800,000 participated—and to purchase double the number of doses of gamma globulin used last year for short-term protection, up to \$26,500,000 is needed. The effectiveness of the vaccine now is being evaluated by a professional staff of about 150 at the University of Michigan. The remainder of the needed polio funds—\$19,800,000—is for continued research, professional education, medical and community services, public information, administration and all other costs of the polio fight.

"We cannot abandon polio patients who need our help," Mr. Bufflap said. "Nor can we strangle the programs of polio prevention and research that have brought us so far toward the defeat of polio. Everyone now must help keep this faith."

For the emergency March of Dimes in Chowan County, no solicitation is being made. Mr. Bufflap stated that Edenton and Chowan County responded generously in the January March of Dimes, but that he will be delighted to receive any contributions in the emergency drive. Up to Tuesday of this week he has received \$40 in contributions from Chowan County people who wanted to share in the emergency drive.

before final action is taken. Liaison committees of the Department of Conservation and Development and Wildlife Resources Commission are having a public hearing on a matter pertaining to netting in Currituck Sound on Monday morning, September 27, which is scheduled to be held at 10 o'clock in the school house at Poplar Branch. The Wildlife Commission has suggested that the Yeopim River question be added to the agenda for this public hearing, at which time any objections on the part of sports fishermen should be presented.