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A LIFT FOR TODAY

★ Be still, and know that I am God.—Ps. 36:10.
THE HEART that is to be filled to the brim with holy joy must be held still.—Bows.
Calm our restless hearts, O Lord, and fill them with peace that Thy voice may be heard.

Masons and Edenton Justly Proud

Edenton Masons will have a big day Wednesday of next week when a fond dream of members of Unanimity Lodge of many years standing will bloom into realization. At a special ceremony in the lodge's new temple on East Water and Oakum streets the building will be dedicated with Grand Lodge officers officiating. The new temple, beautiful and modern in every respect, gives not only members of Unanimity Lodge but members of the Grand of North Carolina and Edenton as a whole just reason to be proud.

The consummation of this temple reflects what can be accomplished as the result of determination and persistency. Some of the older members of Unanimity Lodge can recall that as long as a quarter of a century ago, the idea of building a temple came up for discussion at various intervals at lodge meetings. The lodge, no doubt, passed up its best opportunity when it failed to purchase the property on the corner of Queen and Broad streets some years ago. Later, when the temple idea bobbed up some consideration was given to purchasing the Paxton property on West King Street, then the property on the corner of King and Broad streets, as well as other locations.

However, when the approximate cost involved was mentioned progress of a temple never advanced further than the talking stage until about a year ago when new blood in the membership served as a shot in the arm and definite steps were taken to fulfill a dream of many years standing.

One member of the lodge made a proposition that if the lodge really wanted to own its own temple he would furnish building materials if and when the lodge secured a site. The shot in the arm very shortly took effect, for another member of the lodge purchased a lot and deeded it to the lodge. The "operation" was successful, for within a short time materials began to be placed on the lot and construction began.

It has been rough sledding for the lodge, but generous contribution of money, time and energy has brought the temple into ultimate realization. Members of the lodge, as well as other friends, made generous financial contributions and many Masons gave of their time and energy in doing a large portion of the work. The lodge still has some indebtedness on the temple, but with the same degree of determination and persistency prevailing this debt will in reasonable time be liquidated.

Unanimity Lodge has never owned its own meeting hall. Thanks to the County Commissioners over a long period of years, practically all of the lodge's activities have been carried on in the small room on the second floor of the Court House, and using the panel room for some degree work and gatherings too large for the lodge room. The first meeting of the lodge was held on November 7, 1775 at Kings Arms and later moved into the Court House. However, according to the records, some misunderstanding arose between the Commissioners and the lodge, so that meetings for a time were again held at Horniblow's Tavern, the name changed from Kings Arms. Later, however, the Masons were invited to come back to the lodge room, since which time the Court House has been the home of the Edenton Masonic lodge.

Now, however, the old lodge has its new home, one of the finest in the eastern part of the state, and of which the members are very proud. The temple will be ready to be dedicated, but a considerable amount of beautification work is still scheduled. The lodge holds title to the waterfront and has notified people living in the unsightly old boat houses to vacate. In due time this area will be landscaped, so that this section of Edenton will be beautified and become far more attractive than it is today.

The Masons are proud of their new temple and some of them recall and compare their accomplishments with the words of the Psalmist who said "What God hath wrought."

The new temple reflects determination, persistency, hard work and sweat, sacrifice in money, time and energy on the part of the fraternity in securing a home of its own, so that The Herald compliments and congratulates each and every one who had any part in bringing to ultimate realization a dream of many years standing.

HEARD & SEEN

By "BUFF"

These hurricanes have no "bringin' up" at all. Take Monday afternoon, for instance. One of 'em swooped down on us without even being announced and without a name, too. In fact, more damage was done Monday than by previous hurricanes which were expected to strike but didn't. A number of large trees were blown down, some roofs were ripped off, radio and television aerials damaged and the Street Department had a hard time cleaning up the mess. The wind was accompanied by a downpour of rain and the only good thing about Hurricane (?) is that it lasted only a few minutes. Had it continued much longer, there's no telling how much more damage would have been done. Anyway, between these bloomin' hurricanes the bank robberies lately in North Carolina, a fellow hardly knows what to expect next.

What might be termed an extra-emergent communication of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight (Thursday) in the new Masonic Temple. The lodge will not be opened according to the ritual, so that instead of using the usual lodge paraphernalia, members are urged to show up with brooms, brushes, rags or anything which is suitable to clean the building. The more who report to do this work, the sooner it will be done, so that W. M. Rhoades, master of the lodge, is asking for a full turn-out. Anyone coming without "tools" might find himself minus his shirt-tail, for the place just must be cleaned up.

Friday night the Edenton Aces will play their third consecutive game on the home gridiron. It will be the last home game until November 5, when the Aces will be hosts to Farmville. The Aces have won their first two games and are scheduled to meet a rugged Williamston team Friday night. The boys have been playing a splendid brand of ball, which has brought thrills to the spectators, so that a large crowd should turn out Friday night. In the two games played the Aces were trailing at half time, but put on the steam in the last half to come off the field the victors. Some of the Aces' supporters are wondering what goes on between Coach Bill Billings and his boys between the halves. Whatever it is, it has worked splendidly thus far. Here's hoping the Aces turn back the Williamston gridders Friday night. The band got a good hand at the two games already played, and here's hoping they improve as much as the Aces have on the football field.

A fellow the other day was looking at a note from the bank, notifying him that his account was overdrawn. "See that O. D?" he said to a colored boy standing nearby. "What does that mean," the colored boy asked, "does it mean out of order?" Well, something is "out of order" when a fellow gets one of those slips from the bank.

An Edenton lady went to Norfolk the other day and while there purchased a pair of shoes. After the purchase, because her feet were hurting her, she went in her stocking feet to the cashier to pay the bill. One of the clerks seeing her without shoes on, said, "You must be from North Carolina." Well, the lady admitted that she was, but if you'd take all the North Carolinians out of Norfolk, there wouldn't be so very much left.

Harry Crumme, a bus driver, had his day off a day earlier this week. "What's the idea of being home Tuesday night?" I asked him. "Well," he said, "I'm going to a protracted meeting tomorrow." I learned that the "protracted meeting" was in the Court House in Williamston, where he had to attend a trial for speeding. Harry says he was not driving over 52 miles an hour, but the trouble with these speeding cases is that the guy doing the driving sometimes is not supposed to know how fast he was travelling. I know!

As will be noticed elsewhere in The Herald plans have been made with a professional photographer to take pictures of children in Edenton and Chowan County free of charge. The photographer will be at Hotel Joseph Hewes Thursday, October 7, from 1 P. M. to 8 P. M. for the purpose of taking pictures of the kiddies. There is no cost involved, but anyone desiring to purchase a picture after seeing it may do so. The pictures will appear as a feature in The Herald, so that it is hoped many mothers will take their children to the hotel to have the "pitcher" taken. Then, too, the pictures will be entered in a contest to decide the cutest boy and cutest girl, for which a prize of \$125 will go to each. The contest covers the states east of the Mississippi River, which will take in a lot of babies. However, they're just as pretty and cute in Chowan County as anywhere else. One thing, though, the mothers and dads will not be the judges, for there'd be too darned many first prizes. Anyway, bring the kiddies to Hotel Joseph Hewes Thursday, October 7, in order to have them photographed. Later on The Herald has arranged to have free pictures made of prominent people in Edenton, including business and professional men and women.

Four Assailants Of Arthur Byrum Given From 20 To 30 Years

Judge Q. K. Nimmo's Adjudged Court Term Thursday Afternoon

With a full criminal docket in last week's term of Chowan Superior Court, Judge Q. K. Nimmo's adjudged court at about 4:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon without calling any criminal cases except one which was settled by consent.

The latter part of the term, Wednesday and Thursday, was devoted to the trial of Lester Griffin, Willie B. Boyd, Amos D. Page and Jasper Boyd, Jr., the quartet charged with armed robbery in connection with the brutal beating and robbing Arthur E. Byrum in his filling station and store in upper Chowan County last winter. The Negroes robbed Byrum of in the neighborhood of \$12,000 in cash and bonds after brutally beating him. They were apprehended in Boston some months later and some of the bonds were recovered.

Judge Nimmo's sentenced each of the quartet to from 20 to 30 years in State Prison.

Charles David Parker and Jessie Delize Fekton, charged with highway robbery, were sentenced to from two to three years in State Prison, suspended upon being placed on probation for three years and on good behavior for five years. They were also ordered to pay the court costs and \$75 to Jep Bass, who they robbed and assaulted. The amount represents \$12 they stole from Bass and the remainder for medical services and time lost due to his injuries.

Before court adjourned Judge Nimmo's passed sentence on Mrs. Ethel Spence, charged with four counts of forgery. The sentence was 12 months in prison, suspended upon condition of good behavior for five years and that she make restitution of the money she falsely obtained. Forged checks amounting to \$145 were cashed at Belk-Tyler's, Colonial Store and Jack & Jill Store.

Pay No Attention

Mayme—How's your husband this morning, Myrt?

Myrt—"The poor boy's delirious again".

Mayme—Heavens! Is it the serious?

Myrt—Gracious, no. It's the silliest stuff you ever heard.

SPORTS AFIELD

By Ted Kesting

On opening day all squirrels peek more or less boldly at the hunter. Flirtation ceases about the third shot, however, and from there on bushies become steadily harder to find. Near the end of the season hunters may get the idea they've cleaned out all the squirrels. Don't believe it. They're still there and all you have to do is change your hunting tactics.

Below are four methods listed by Lee Yeager in an article in the November issue of Sports Afield in which he discusses hunting strategy to use during the squirrel season:

Open stalking—"pussy-footing" slowly and quietly through timber, with frequent short stops in shadow of trees to look and listen.

Sit and Wait—quiet waiting at likely spots, usually at base of large trees or similar cover; seldom more than 15 or 20 minutes in a place.

Hide and Wait—persistent waiting in good cover at key points for periods up to about one hour.

Wait on Travel Route—persistent waiting on squirrel "passes" to and at food, such as wooded lanes connecting timber and cornfield. Waiting period may be two or three hours.

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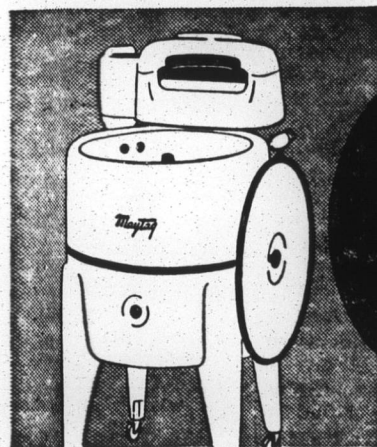
A corn field is always top squirrel pasture and it grows practically everywhere over the squirrel range. However, in some parts of the Appalachians, the South and even in the Ozark hills, sizeable cornless areas do occur. It is in the bigger woods—everything from a square mile up, and especially up—that straight sitting and waiting for squirrels after about mid-October may fizzle out. That's because food is no longer concentrated in quantities large enough to hold big squirrel build-ups; the bushes have to scatter out to feed.

The need for finding food pockets, or cornfields, late in the season thus becomes perfectly plain. Waiting on travel lanes, in the vicinity of grain or peanut fields, or at some untapped grape or berry tangle is the most sure-fire method of hunting squirrels that I have found.

Food holds the key to good squirrel shooting through the fall. But comes December, and often earlier, something else begins to make the plume-tailed folk take notice. That's love.

Love-smitten bushies make the easiest shots in the woods. In detecting their presence, your ears serve you better than your eyes. You'll hear before you see two to six animals cavorting through the trees. The female will be leading, pursued by the older bucks, followed by the younger males. So try for the last squirrel, both as a conservative policy and because his meat is more palatable.

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