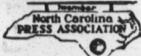


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## A LIFT FOR TODAY

I am the door.—John 10:7.  
Christ on the cross opened a door through which we may see God standing with arms outstretched in love and mercy because of a lost world.  
Help the people of our land to go in the door in worship and thanksgiving and then go out in loving service to others.

## Fire Prevention Week

Six months ago — on April 1, 1954 — newspapers throughout the country reported the now historic hydrogen bomb blast at Eniwetok—an explosive force 600 to 700 times that of the bombs that destroyed Hiroshima and Nagasaki.  
By coincidence, on the very day the disclosure was made, 15 students died in an explosion and fire in the Cleveland Hills Elementary School Annex in Cheektowaga, New York.  
Since that time some five or six thousand persons have been killed by fire in the United States. In most cases they died as a result of carelessness—some human failure, some oversight. By year's end some 11,000 persons will have died as a result of fire. They will not be victims of an enemy bombing or an H-bomb blast. They will be the victims of one of man's greatest enemies—fire!

Today, for instance, fire will strike 2,500 times. Within the next 24 hours it will strike 800 homes. Hundreds will be badly damaged, many totally destroyed. In the same few hours, 130 business establishments will experience fire and half as many manufacturing plants will burn.  
Besides the 30 dead, many others will suffer painful burns and injuries.  
You'll find carelessness the cause of most of the 918,304 fires that occurred last year—fires that resulted in losses of \$864,863,000.

The major cause of them was the combination "matches-smoking." Those two things, according to the National Board of Fire Underwriters, cause about 25 per cent of all fires.  
This week the nation's 35th annual Fire Prevention Week is being observed, sponsored locally by the Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce. In a program of education, the Jaycees' purpose is not so much to emphasize the negative—the terrible toll of fire in lives and losses—but to suggest various means by which we can make our homes and places of business safer from the hazard of fire. The Jaycees advance six major precautions which if observed will materially help reduce the fire toll. They are:

1. Instruct all responsible members of your family in how to act in case of fire, and how to call the firemen.
  2. Never leave matches where children can find them. Put them out of reach—on a high shelf.
  3. Never leave children unattended, locked up in the house. Arrange for a mature, dependable baby-sitter to stay with the children while you're away. Give the baby-sitter specific instructions on what to do in case of fire.
  4. In selecting clothing for your children, avoid flimsy, fast-burning fabrics.
  5. Never use lighted candles at children's parties.
  6. Never permit children to play near bonfires.
- If we observe these precautions—and are less careless with fire; if we get rid of fire hazards in the home and in our places of business and in our schools—we will have defeated our worst enemy. And we will have peace of mind. As our veteran fire chief, R. K. Hall, has so often remarked, "Every week in the year should be observed as fire prevention week."

# HEARD & SEEN

By "BUFF"

According to the mail I get, it appears that just about every week in the year is designated as some kind of week. In fact, there's so bloomin' many of this or that kind of week observances that sometimes they overlap. Take for instance this week, which is designated as "National Newspaper Week," "Fire Prevention Week," "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week," as well as "Letter Writing Week," which is advertised in the Post Office (maybe there are others). "National Dog Week" was observed September 19-25, but I lost out on "National Cat Week" unless someone slipped up and forgot about cats. Nor have I heard about "National Fish Week," "National Mosquito Week," etc., etc. And in almost every week observance the publicity kits request a proclamation (always prepared) by the Mayor. A proclamation could appear in almost every issue of The Herald, so that because there's so many of 'em, I've decided not to print any of 'em. What might be a good idea would be to observe a "No Proclamation Week."

Little Glenna Quinn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Quinn, was heartbroken Thursday afternoon when she came home from school to find that her pet collie dog had been poisoned and crawled back into the yard to die. With tears trickling down her cheeks and between sobs the little girl asked her mother, "Why doesn't somebody like me and my pet dog?" (Mrs. Quinn then had to give way to some tears). The mother has been teaching her daughter that everybody loves little children and their pets, so that little Glenna has a good reason to ask why anybody should be so mean as to poison her pet dog.

Jimmy White was trying to get his mother to part with the price of the football game Friday night, when she asked, "What did you do last Friday night when you didn't have the money?" The boy promptly replied that he sneaked in, "but they threw me out." The mother asked, "Well, wasn't it embarrassing?" But the boy replied, "No, I just told them that I'd been thrown out of better places than a football game."

Elton Forehand, Jr., has just about as difficult a job as anybody in town for about an hour each Thursday. Elton is sergeant-at-arms of the Rotary Club and it is his duty to collect a dime from every member who is late, calls another Rotarian "Mister" and a few other infractions of the Rotary rules. But what he needs is a permit to carry a gun or blackjack in order to extract a dime from some of the boys sometimes. Last Thursday Elton had as his guest Father Francis M. Smith and Elton was so rattled trying to collect a dime or two that he introduced Father Smith as "pastor of Queen Ann's Catholic Church." After a few giggles Elton realized his mistake and corrected his statement to "St. Ann's Church."

Speaking about pets, a few weeks ago Thomas Cheers lost a cat and Ep Debnam placed a classified ad in The Herald. A reward was offered and Ep says he never knew so many cats were in Edenton without homes. Eleven telephone calls were received, so that Ep managed to get the right cat back.

The loud-speaking apparatus at Hicks Field went on the fritz during Friday night's game, so that Bus Wozelka was unable to call all of the game. A football game without an announcer and a band just isn't a good football game. Anyway, the Aces play their arch rival, Elizabeth City, Friday night in Elizabeth City, so that here's hoping the band and a large crowd of fans attend the game. Better still, here's hoping the Aces have an extra ace in the hole to beat the Yellow Jackets for a change.

Speaking of advertising, Louis Francis dropped in the office the other day. He said it's so easy to criticize, and that he wanted to do some patting on the back. He said recently he requested the Electric and Water Department to move a pole and before he could get back to his home on Mexico road, workmen were on the job moving the pole. Then, too, he said he placed an ad in The Herald and the very next day he realized results. Well, it makes a fellow feel good to hear kind remarks sometimes, and it might do some people a lot of good, too, to make 'em instead of always bellyaching.

Whew! Who's ever seen it so bloomin' hot during October? The weather man must have gotten all screwed up somehow, and if this sort of weather continues, about the best thing to do is to provide another month for the summer. A fellow saves a little on the fuel bill, but it's eaten up by electric juice in trying to keep cool.

## CIVIC CALENDAR

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Sunbeams of the Edenton Baptist Church will meet at the Church Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock church hour.  
Chowanoke Council, No. 54, Degree of Pochontas, will meet Friday night at 8 o'clock in the Red Men hall.  
Town Council will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the Municipal Building.  
Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will hold a stated communication tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Masonic temple.  
Business and Professional men and women invited to be photographed free at Hotel Joseph Hewes Monday, October 11 from 4 to 8 P. M.

Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will meet Tuesday night, October 12, at 7:30 o'clock at the church.  
VFW Auxiliary will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Post home.  
Chowan High School PTA will meet in the school auditorium Tuesday night, October 12, at 8 o'clock.  
First PTA meeting of the new year will be held Tuesday night, October 12, at 8 o'clock in the library at the Junior-Senior High School.

Varsity Club Halloween dance in the Edenton armory Saturday night, October 30.  
Edenton Aces play Elizabeth City Yellow Jackets in Elizabeth City Friday night.  
Town Council meets Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the Municipal Building.  
Nickels for Know-How election will be held in Chowan County Friday, October 15.  
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Tuesday night of next week. Chowan Tribe, No. 12, I.O.R.M., meets Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.  
Fund raising drive for the Edenton swimming pool still in progress.  
VFW Post home open every Friday and Saturday night for members and guests.  
Edenton Lions Club meets next Monday night at 7 o'clock.

## Rocky Hock Youngster Has Infantile Paralysis

Evie Sue Bunch, four and a half year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bunch of Rocky Hock, was stricken with polio last week and on Friday was taken to a hospital in Portsmouth. The child was taken ill week before last and it was believed she was suffering from an attack of malaria, but as the disease progressed it was found she had polio and was rushed to the Portsmouth hospital.

## Voting Places Set Know How Election

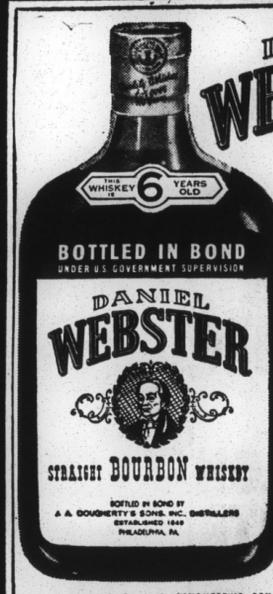
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Yeopim Community—Lester Jones' Service Station.  
"All farm people who use commercial feed and/or fertilizer are eligible to vote," says C. W. Overman, County Agent. "It is very important that all eligible persons exercise their voting privilege and cast their ballot in this referendum. Our voting privilege is one of our American freedoms which we should be proud of and keep freedom by using it."  
"The values of our agricultural research and educational program are often so intangible that we can't state them in dollars and cents. This is somewhat true of the Nickels For Know How, yet in definite dollars and cents value, it is paying big dividends."

## RETURNS FROM JAPAN

S-Sgt. Estil Starnes returned home Thursday night after spending 14 months in Japan. Sgt. Starnes and his family expect to leave today (Thursday) for Memphis, Tennessee, where he will be stationed as an instructor.

## TOWN COUNCIL TO MEET

Edenton's Town Council is scheduled to hold its October meeting in the Municipal Building Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.



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