

Invitation For Bids For Improvements Local Marine Base

Bids For Work Will Be Opened at 2 P. M. February 1

An invitation has been issued by the Bureau of Yards and Docks, Department of the Navy for rehabilitation of utilities at the Edenton Marine Corps Auxiliary Landing Field.

The work includes rehabilitation of the station condensate return and water distribution systems, steam system rehabilitation within manholes, cleaning sewage line, rehabilitation of two sewage pumping stations, rehabilitation of a deep well pump and incidental related work.

Aside from this work bids will be asked this week for other work at the base costing in the neighborhood of half a million dollars.

Sealed bids in duplicate for furnishing all labor, equipment and materials and performing all work for the project will be received until 2 o'clock EST, February 1 in the District Public Works Office, Fifth Naval District, U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Va.

The invitation to submit bids was issued by Captain A. J. Fay, officer in charge of construction for the Fifth Naval District, Lieut. Wright will be resident officer in charge of construction and R. R. Hall will be chief inspector.

Specification No. 43104 and other bidding data and information may be obtained on application to the District Public Works Office, Fifth Naval District (Code DB-300) for \$1.00, payable to Treasurer of the United States. This is required as security for safe return of each set of bidding data.

Bloodmobile Will Visit In Edenton On February 9th

Dr. A. M. Stanton Appealing For Blood Donations

Dr. A. M. Stanton, Red Cross bloodmobile chairman, announces that the bloodmobile will make its first 1955 visit to Edenton Wednesday, February 9.

The quota for this visit will be 110 pints of blood, so that citizens are urged to rally to this worthy cause and donate blood.

"There is a great need for type 'O' blood at present," says Dr. Stanton "and persons with this type are urged to donate. Mark Wednesday, February 9, as your day to give a pint of blood in order to relieve suffering and possibly saving a life."

Critical Housing Situation Is Again Worrying Marines

Chaplain Veltman Appeals For Cooperation of Citizens

An urgent situation has arisen in the housing situation for the families of the Marine Corps Auxiliary Landing Field at Edenton. Many new officers and enlisted men have joined the group and are not able to find housing for their families. Marine Attack Squadron 211 has just returned from overseas and those who are married want to have their wives and children with them, but are forced to find housing as far away as Elizabeth City if they are to have this privilege.

If housing is available either as an entire house or in the form of furnished and unfurnished apart-

Human Fly



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Human Fly Plans To Climb Citizens Bank Building Two Days

Part of Collection Will Go Into March of Dimes Fund

A thrill is in store for Edentonians Friday and Saturday when Johnnie Woods of Astoria, Oregon, will climb the Citizens Bank Building from the sidewalk to the roof as a special attraction to help raise money for the March of Dimes.

Herbert Small, owner of the building, gave Mr. Woods permission to do his dare-devil stunt only because a percentage of an offering to be taken will go into the March of Dimes fund. Of the money taken in, Mr. Woods will receive 70 per cent and the March of Dimes 30 per cent.

Papers were signed by Woods on behalf of Mr. Small and Mayor Leroy Haskett relieving the owner of the building as well as the town from any responsibility in case of an accident. Mr. Woods uses no safety device. He has had 40 years experience in climbing and has scaled buildings all over the country. His most recent feats included the Washington Duke Hotel in Durham, the Carolina in Raleigh, the Virginia Dare in Elizabeth City, the Court House at Windsor, the Court House at Asheboro and the Russell-Erskine Hotel at Huntersville. (Continued on Page Four)

Methodists Hosts For Sub-District Meeting Of MYF

Play Will Be Presented at Service Sunday Night

The Edenton Methodist Church was host to the Perquimans-Chowan subdistrict of the Methodist Youth Fellowship on Monday evening, January 17, at 8 o'clock. The subdistrict is made up of the Methodist Churches in the counties of Perquimans and Chowan. The Methodist young people in this area all meet together one night each month, going to the different churches making up the subdistrict in alphabetical order. The host church provides a worship program and serves refreshments. The latter were provided Monday evening by the Edenton Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

The program consisted of a short play entitled "As for Me and My House," prepared by the General Board of Education of the Methodist Church as a part of a special youth project known as Youth in their Families. It is a clear presentation of the possibilities for the good of the family, of family councils, fellowship and recreation in the home, and regular family worship.

Mrs. Dayton Robinson and Mrs. Harry Lassiter are responsible for the youth program in the Edenton Methodist Church and have made possible this fine presentation. The participating young people are Jimmie Ross, Jerry Downum, Mary Leggett Browning, Frankie Stokes, Billy Harry, Oscar White, Janice Comer, Jane Dulaney, Charles Knox and Theda Goodwin.

The emphasis of this play are important not only for young people but also for their parents. Therefore, this program will be presented again in the Edenton Methodist Church at 7:30 next Sunday evening, January 23. The public is cordially invited to attend.

BPW Club Meets In Court House

Group Asked to Gather In Old Masonic Room

Mrs. Adelaide Chesson, president of the Edenton Business and Professional Women's Club, announces that the monthly meeting of the club will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the old Masonic room on the second floor of the Court House.

An interesting program has been arranged, featuring a speaker by the Membership Committee, with Mrs. Corie B. White as chairman. All members are particularly urged to be present at this meeting, as important business must be disposed of.

CIVIC CALENDAR

March of Dimes campaign in progress during the month of January.

Property must be listed for taxation during the month of January.

The American Legion Auxiliary will sponsor a "Holmes For Commander" dinner in the Legion hut Tuesday night, February 22.

Annual meeting of shareholders of the Edenton Building & Loan Association will be held Tuesday night, February 1, at 8 o'clock in the Court House.

Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will hold a stated communication tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Masonic Temple.

Royal Ambassadors of the Edenton Baptist Church will meet Sunday morning during 11 o'clock worship service.

Women's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Guild of the Methodist Church will hold a chicken salad supper Friday night with the supper delivered between 5 and 6 o'clock.

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GROUND BREAKING AT ROCKY HOCK



Above is pictured a group of members of the Rocky Hock Baptist Church on hand for a recent ground breaking service for a new educational building. Included in the picture are those who are serving on the Building Committee. From left to right, first row, they are: O. C. Long, Jr., chairman; Tom Bunch, J. Gibson Perry, Carey Evans, Murray J. Tynch and Raleigh Peele. (One member of the committee, Mrs. Lonnie Harrell, was not present). Second row, left to right, are: The Rev. B. L. Raines, pastor, and Deacons Lynn Perry, R. T. Harrell, Elly Bunch, Gilbert Harrell and Mark White. Some of the members of the church appear in the background.

Edenton's Firemen Answer 52 Alarms During Year 1954

32 Fires In Edenton And 20 In Rural Section

Fire Chief R. K. Hall reports that during the year 1954 the Edenton Fire Department answered 52 calls, of which 32 were in Edenton and 20 outside the city limits.

Property damage involved was estimated at \$561,200 and damage in Edenton amounted to \$23,040. Firemen were on duty during the 52 calls 43 hours and 15 minutes and in their operations laid 6,050 feet of hose, raised ladders 104 feet and used 45 pounds of chemical.

Chief Hall reports that the per capita fire loss in Edenton during the year, based on 5,000 population was only \$4.60.

During December the firemen answered nine alarms, two in Edenton and seven in the county.

Negro School Puts Out SOS For Band Help

Parade Scheduled to Be Held Thursday, January 27

T. I. Sharpe, chairman of the band drive committee at the Edenton colored high school, issues an S.O.S. for additional funds.

"We are doing our best to keep the band drive afloat," says Chairman Sharpe, "but we find that we need more help. Our goal is \$1,400.00 to pay for new instruments purchased recently, so that we will appreciate any contribution that anyone may make."

The chairman announced that a band drive parade will be held Thursday afternoon, January 27, at 2 o'clock in an effort to stimulate interest in the drive.

Annual Meeting Of Chowan County Farm Bureau Will Be Held On Friday Afternoon

Fish Fry and Election Of Officers at Chowan High School

The Chowan County Farm Bureau will hold its 1954 annual meeting and fish fry at the Chowan High School on Friday afternoon, January 21, at 4 o'clock, says Bristoe Perry, county president.

All Farm Bureau members and their families are invited and each family should bring enough corn bread for themselves and one guest. The fish fry is scheduled to start at 4 o'clock. Following eating, about 5 or 5:30, the annual meeting will be held in the high school auditorium. Officers for the year, 1955, will be elected. The guest speaker's subject will be "How to Use Your County Farm Bureau". Group singing will be a feature for everybody's participation.

Mr. Perry urges all 1955 members and their families to be present and enjoy this occasion. A notice is being mailed to every member but if a member fails to receive his card he and his family should come anyway, Mr. Perry says.

VFW Host For First District Meeting Sunday Afternoon

Meeting Begins In Local Post's Home At 3 P. M.

William H. Coffield Post, No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be host for a meeting of the First District which will be held in the local post's home Sunday afternoon starting at 3 o'clock. Following the meeting a supper will be served.

The meeting will be presided over by District Commander Wesley Cullipher of Elizabeth City and will be featured by addresses by two guest speakers, Past Department Commander Forrest Dunstan of Elizabeth City and Department Senior Vice Commander Rufus Joyner of Rocky Mount.

Bill Perry, commander of the local post, expects in the neighborhood of 100 visitors from the district, which includes posts in Chowan, Bertie, Hertford, Washington, Tyrrell, Gates, Perquimans, Pasquotank and Dare counties.

Carlton Perry Special Guest Cotton School

Chowan Boy District 4-H Cotton Winner In 1954

Carlton Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bristoe Perry of the Advance community was Eastern District 4-H Cotton winner in 1954. Carlton attended the 4-H cotton school which was held at State College on January 11 and 12.

The club members and agents who attended this school heard some very good talks on the latest methods of cotton production in North Carolina. Dr. E. T. York, head of the agronomy department at State College, gave a talk on "Cotton Studies in North Carolina". R. D. Mauney, chairman of the North Carolina Production Committee of the Atlantic Cotton Association, welcomed the group and explained the purpose of the association. W. G. Westmoreland, extension agronomist, explained the latest methods of weed control in cotton production and J. C. Ferguson, agriculture engineer, explained mechanization in cotton production. H. M. Garris, plant pathologist, told of the seriousness of the nematode diseases in cotton. J. H. Shanklin, Extension agronomist, gave a summary of the meeting. The group made a tour through several departments of the State Department of Agriculture.

District Senators On 12 Committees

Senators from the First District were assigned to 12 various committees of the 28 committees in the Senate late last week when Luther Barnhardt, president of the Senate, read the appointments.

Senator Elton Ayldett is serving on seven of the committees, including appropriations, Conservation and Development, Judiciary 1, Commerce, Public Roads, Public Utilities and University Trustees.

Senator Godwin appears on six committees and is chairman of Judiciary 11. His other assignments are: Courts and Judicial Districts, Education, Districts, Commerce, and Retirement and Employment Security.

Hospital Auxiliary Meets On Friday

Charlene Connell Will Entertain With Her Accordion

On Friday afternoon, January 21, at 3 o'clock in the nurses' home, the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary will hold its first meeting of the new year. Mrs. George Hoskins, retiring president, urges a large attendance for the important business of electing a new slate of officers, presented by Mrs. Clarence Leary, Jr., and Mrs. Wesley Chesson, Jr.

At the meeting Charlene Connell, whose father is Douglas Aircraft representative at the Edenton Marine Corps Auxiliary Landing Field, will entertain with her accordion. Tea will be served by Mrs. W. O. Elliott, Jr.

The party on Christmas eve for the hospital staff at the nurses' home was a great success, thanks to the splendid cooperation of the community. There were beautiful home made confections and generous contributions of money, which enabled Mrs. Albert Byrum and Mrs. Junius Davis to arrange the affair.

Machinery Is Set To Raise Funds For '55 March Of Dimes

Warning!

Chief of Police George I. Dail this week calls attention to automobile owners that it is necessary to display 1955 city license plates before February 1. Chief Dail says that if a car has been operated during January and the 1955 license tag has not been purchased before February 1, a penalty of \$1.00 will be added to each license. He, therefore, urges all owners of automobiles to purchase their tags at the Town office at once.

New Building At Rocky Hock Church Is Now In Progress

Educational Plant Expected to Be Completed In April

In December members of Rocky Hock Baptist Church held an impressive ground breaking service for a proposed new educational building. This structure is to be a two story building 45 feet in width and 70 feet in length of block-brick construction.

The building is being built for children from beginners through the intermediate level. Among the features of the 19-room building will be a library which will be of service to adults.

The Edenton Construction Company has the contract for the building and brick work has been completed up to the second floor level. The building will probably be ready for use in April.

Annual Meeting Of B. & L. Association Tuesday, Feb. 1st

Shareholders Asked to Meet at Court House At 8 P. M.

R. E. Leary, secretary of the Edenton Building & Loan Association, announces that a meeting of shareholders of the association will be held Tuesday evening, February 1, at 8 o'clock in the Court House.

All shareholders are requested to attend this meeting to represent their stock or have proxies sent in. The association paid a dividend of 4% on stock for the six months' period ending December 31 instead of the usual 3%.

Winners Named In Chowan County's 4-H Corn Contest

Gerald Harrell, James Monds, Robert Skinner Top List

Edenton's Lions Club entertained the 1954 Chowan 4-H Corn contestants and their dads at a supper Monday night. Prizes were awarded to the top winners in each of the three age groups, 10, 11 and 12, ages 13 and 14, and ages 15 and above.

Gerald Harrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Harrell, of the Rocky Hock community, who grew 107.2 bushels of corn on his acre, won top prize in the age group of 13 and 14. Gerald's yield was also the highest in the contest.

James Monds, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Monds, of the Center Hill community, won top prize in the age group of 15 years old and

Mother's Night, Road Block and Human Fly Features

Bill Perry, chairman of the Chowan County March of Dimes, which is sponsored this year by William H. Coffield Post, No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, has completed his organization for the 1955 drive and contributions are now being solicited. While only a few returns have been made, Mr. Perry is encouraged with the cooperation he has received thus far and is hopeful the county's contribution in the fight against infantile paralysis will exceed last year's, when \$2,576.84 was raised in the county.

Assisting in the drive will be members of the VFW Auxiliary, who will serve in various capacities.

As in former years a house-to-house canvass will be conducted with Auxiliary members and the following serving as canvassers: Parker Helms, Louis Leary, John Parrish, John Oliver, Hoskin Bass, Jim Basnight, Curtis Twiddy, Leonce Spruill, Bill Crumney, David White, Tommy Crowder, Ed Parker, Luther Keeter, Edward Potts, Willie Spruill, Sgt. Camp, W. D. Harris, Milton Bunch, Jack Barrow, William E. Barrow, Buck Langdale, Victor Fordham, Robert Goodwin, Merrill Perry and Percy Dail.

Contributions in the county will be principally through the home demonstration clubs with County Agent C. W. Overman and Miss Hattie Singletary, home agent, in charge.

Contributions from colored people will be in charge of the Rev. E. S. Parker, the Rev. J. E. Tillet and the Rev. W. H. Davis.

In Edenton contributions among the colored people will be sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association under the direction of William Collins and Clarence Jernigan.

At the colored school, Principal D. F. Walker will direct the campaign.

In the white schools, Principal Ernest Swain will direct the drive in the Edenton Elementary School and Principal Gerald James in the Junior-Senior High School.

County Superintendent W. J. Taylor will be in charge of the drive in the white schools in the county.

At the Edenton Marine Corps Auxiliary Landing Field Chaplain D. K. Veltman will be in charge.

Canvassers for business houses are James Bond, Larry Knox, Jack Jordan, Murrell Byrum, J. C. Parks and Joe Swanner.

W. C. Keeter is the solicitor for the individual establishments.

Mr. Perry has announced that there will be three special features in the effort to raise funds. One will be a road block on Saturday, January 29, when Boy Scouts will

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above. His acre made 99.9 bushels of corn.

Robert Skinner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Skinner, of the Advance community, won first prize in the age group 10, 11, and 12. Robert grew 61.4 bushels of corn on his acre.

Each of these boys grew N. C. 27 corn, which is a very good hybrid that was developed by Dr. Paul H. Harvey, of the N. C. Experiment Station. Gerald, James, and Robert were awarded \$10 each by the Lions Club.

Earl Harrell, president of the club, welcomed the boys and their dads, and W. J. Taylor, secretary, awarded the prizes.

Jimmy Partin, member of the Lions Club Boys' and Girls' Committee, had charge of the program. A total of 25 boys and 17 dads at the age group of 15 years old and

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