

## Swimming Pool In Edenton Reaches Stage Of 'Do It Now Or Never' At Group Meeting

### Board of Trustees Hope "Go Ahead" Signal Will Materialize Following Another Meeting Scheduled Friday Afternoon

Further plans concerning the proposed swimming pool for Edenton were discussed at a meeting of the board of trustees and representatives of various civic clubs at a meeting held Thursday afternoon in the Municipal Building, at which time those present agreed that it was time to see some action on the pool one way or another. It was pointed out that the situation had developed into a pure case of "do it now, or never."

It was the opinion of the group that if construction of the pool could get started soon and let the public see that the machinery of progress had actually gone into motion, local citizens would realize that the project had really taken roots and would, therefore, do their part financially in helping to complete the pool.

Plans for the new swimming pool call for an all steel construction instead of concrete, which was first decided upon. It will come in sections and welded together. The size of the proposed pool will be 75 feet long, 30 feet wide, 6 feet at deep end, with maximum depth of 8 feet, 6 inches, 3 feet at shallow end and 87,000 gallon capacity. The pool will be equipped with one diving board and will accommodate 77 people at one time. It will cost in

the neighborhood of \$20,000 when completed.

Jesse Harrell, president of Hicks Memorial Swimming Pool, Inc., stated that a representative of the U. S. Steel Company who was in Edenton last week said that local welders could assemble the steel construction, or that his company would do the work. Edenton welders assured Mr. Harrell that the cost of welding the pool would not exceed \$100.00.

John A. Holmes, superintendent of city schools, told the group that he had received a plat outlining property in the school's name, which will be leased to Hicks Memorial Swimming Pool, Inc. Representatives attending the meeting from the various civic organizations were asked to present the proposed plans to their respective organizations and give a report at a meeting to be held next Friday afternoon, February 25, at 5 o'clock in the Municipal Building. If the reports are favorable, the board of trustees will give the "go ahead" signal to purchase equipment with the funds now on hand with the hope that by the time the pool arrives, which will be about six weeks after the order is placed, that another \$5,400 will be available so that excavation can get underway.

## '55 Red Cross Drive Will Begin Tuesday

### Co-chairmen Will Be Gerald James and Frank Holmes

Dr. A. F. Downum, chairman of the Chowan County Red Cross Chapter, announced this week that the annual Red Cross fund raising drive will begin Tuesday, March 1 and continue throughout the entire month.

Dr. Downum announced that Gerald James and Frank Holmes will serve as co-chairmen for the drive in the county and that this year's quota will be \$2,900. Of the amount raised in Chowan, about half will remain in the county for local Red Cross activities, while the other half will be sent to national headquarters.

The two chairmen are now giving thought to this year's drive and will soon announce their organization and plans in the hope that the county will meet its quota.

## Lions Club Names Chairmen For '55 Easter Seal Drive

### Members of Club Now Rehearsing For Annual Minstrel

At their Monday evening meeting members of the Edenton Lions Club reaffirmed their pledge to support the movement looking to the building of a swimming pool.

Accordingly, the representatives of the club who are to meet in the Municipal Building at 5 o'clock today with those from other civic groups to proceed with the plans as outlined by Jesse Harrell, general chairman of the swimming pool organization, which provides for a tank 30 by 75 feet at a cost of approximately \$20,000.

Harrell explained that the plans had been pared down to a minimum, with no provision at present being made for bath houses, or apron. He stated that the tank contemplated will accommodate about 70 persons at one time.

W. J. Taylor, chairman of the (Continued on Page Five)

## BPW Card Party Is Scheduled Tonight

### Affair Will Begin at 8 O'clock In Court House

Plans have been completed and a good crowd is expected at the Valentine Card Party to be held tonight (Thursday) in the panel room of the Court House. The affair is being sponsored by the Edenton Business and Professional Women's Club and activities will get underway at 8 o'clock.

Those who have reserved tables for the party are again reminded to bring their own cards and score pads, or any other games they wish to play.

Prizes will be awarded the winners and refreshments served.

## Edenton Bay Again Proves Good Means To Catch Offenders

### Four Youths Plunge Overboard In Stolen Automobile

Edenton Bay again provided the means of thwarting a get-away, when about 3 o'clock Friday morning four teenage boys from Schemmectady, N. Y., in a speeding automobile, ran overboard on South Broad Street, where the pursuing Edenton police had little difficulty in arresting the youths.

The four boys, Joseph Barrett, 18, Ralph Berone, 16, James Garvey, 16, and William Loucks, 15, were charged with stealing a 1954 Mercury and were making their way to Florida.

The quartet was spotted by Patrolman E. R. Tolley and William Miller at Bill Harris' Service Station, where they had broken a window, in all probability planning to enter the building. When they saw the police they hurriedly entered (Continued on Page 4—Section 1)

## Final Report On TB Sale Shows County \$519.14 Over Quota

### Mrs. J. A. Moore Appreciative For Fine Cooperation

Mrs. J. A. Moore, who has been chairman of the Chowan County Tuberculosis Seal Sale, reports that the sale is at last finished and that the amount collected was \$2,519.14, which is \$519.14 more than the quota for Chowan County.

Mrs. Moore is deeply appreciative of the kindness, the interest and the generosity of the people everywhere.

She wants to express her thanks to all those who participated in this drive; to those places of business, which displayed posters in their windows; to Mrs. Onnie Charlton, who conducted the sale in the Negro schools and churches; to John Mitchner for handling the money collected; to Jimmy Earnhardt for giving time in his movie program for a TB trailer; to Major Ackerman and the Marines for conducting a successful seal sale at the base; to Phillip McMullan and the Edenton Cotton Mills for their generous check; to Jack Habit and the Boy Scouts for their work in distributing posters; and to Brenda Mooney and her committee of Virginia Jones, Caroline Perkins and Fay Cayton, who volunteered to sell TB bangles on the street, and on the coldest Saturday of the winter valiantly stationed themselves behind tables on Broad Street and successfully sold bangles until chattering teeth, icy fingers and premonitions of certain pneumonia drove them indoors.

Very special thanks are due Col. M. K. Peyton of the Marine Base, who a week ago summoned the chairman of the Seal Sale to his office and there presented to the Chowan County Tuberculosis Association a check for \$250.00. "Everyone in Chowan County should be grateful to Col. Peyton and the Marines for their friendly and generous gift," said Mrs. Moore.

Altogether the Seal Sale was a glorious display of kindness, cooperation and of interest in our fellow man, which has warmed the hearts of all those who participated.

### PRAYER MEETING TONIGHT

A prayer meeting service will be held in the Methodist Church tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. G. A. Helms will conduct the meeting and the public is cordially invited to attend.

## Revival Services Begin Sunday At Methodist Church

### Guest Speaker Will Be The Rev. Kelly Ingram

Beginning next Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock and continuing through Friday night, March 4, revival services will be held in the Edenton Methodist Church.

The guest speaker for the revival will be the Rev. Kelly Ingram, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Elizabeth City.

Services will begin each night at 7:30 o'clock and the pastor, the Rev. J. Earl Richardson extends a cordial invitation to everybody to attend as many services as possible.

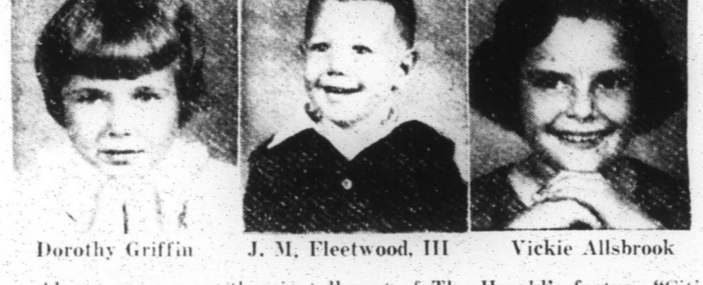
## CITIZENS OF TOMORROW



Debbie Overton Linda Byrum Neal Griffin



Jimmy Yates, Jr. Patricia Byrum John E. Raines, Jr.



Dorothy Griffin J. M. Fleetwood, III Vickie Allsbrook

Above appears another installment of The Herald's feature "Citizens of Tomorrow." Pictured are: Top row, left to right, Debbie Overton, 9 months old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Overton, Jr.; Linda Byrum, 3 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Byrum; Neal Griffin, 8 1/2 months old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Griffin; middle row, left to right, Jimmy Yates, 17 months old, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Yates; Patricia Byrum, 7 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Byrum, Jr.; John E. Raines, Jr., 18 months old, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Raines; bottom row, left to right, Dorothy Griffin, 5 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Griffin; J. M. Fleetwood, III, 2 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fleetwood, Jr.; Vickie Allsbrook, 7 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Allsbrook.

## Drastic Change Is Ordered For Some Rural Mail Boxes

### Boxes Required to Be On Right Side of Mail Carriers

Postmaster J. L. Chestnut has been advised by the Post Office Department that a change in delivery of mail to patrons on rural routes will become effective March 1.

Due to a recent ruling by Attorney General Harry McMillan and the Post Office Department, Mr. Chestnut says that after March 1 patrons on rural routes must have their mail boxes placed on the rural mail carriers' right side in order to eliminate the necessity of crossing the road. If boxes are not so placed, patrons face the possibility of not having mail delivered.

The Attorney General's recent opinion follows: "The traffic regulations applicable to other motor vehicles apply to one driven by a mail carrier in delivering the United States mail. Section 20-146 of the General Statutes of North Carolina provides as follows:

"Upon all highways of sufficient width, except upon one-way streets, the driver of a vehicle shall drive the same upon the right half of the highway, and shall drive a slow-moving vehicle as closely as possible to the right-hand edge of the curb of such highway, unless it is impracticable to travel on such side of the highway and except when overtaking and passing another vehicle subject to the limitations applicable in overtaking and passing, set forth in Sections 20-149 and 20-150."

"The mere fact that the mail box which you wish to serve is on the left side of the highway does not make it impracticable for you to drive on the right side of the road. Thus, if the highway is of sufficient width you may not drive to the left of the center of the road. There is no distinction in this respect between a paved highway and a dirt road."

The Post Office Department has notified Mr. Chestnut that in view of the above ruling, it is a violation of North Carolina law to drive to the left to serve a rural box on any state maintained highway, and also creates a dangerous traffic condition. The Postmaster (Continued on Page 4—Section 1)

## Exchange Student Interesting Speaker At Rotary Meeting

Miss Ann Van Andel, a Rotary exchange student at East Carolina College, Greenville, was a delightful speaker at last week's Rotary meeting, when the Dutch girl spoke on her native country, Holland. So interesting were her remarks and so many questions were asked by the Rotarians that practically every Rotarian present remained more than half an hour beyond the actual adjournment of the club.

## Edenton's Rotary Club Will Observe 50th Anniversary At Parish House Tonight

### Application Made To Build Long Pier In Chowan River

### Permit Is Sought By United Piece Dye Works

Notice is given that the United Piece Dye Works of New York has made application for a permit to construct a pier in the east side of the Chowan River about 16 miles upstream of Rocky Hook Landing.

Plans submitted show a pier extending channelward 1900 feet beyond the mean low water line. The pier will be 10 feet wide with a 40-foot tie at the outer end. Plans showing the proposed work may be seen at the office of the district engineer of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at Wilmington, N. C., or at the Edenton Post Office.

Any objections to the proposed work, if any, will be received at the office of Col. R. L. Hill, district engineer for the Corps of Engineers.

## CIVIC CALENDAR

Albemarle Conference basketball tournament will be played in the Edenton Junior-Senior High School tonight (Thursday), Friday and Saturday.

Sponsored by the Edenton Women's Club another pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton and Countryside will be held Friday and Saturday, April 15 and 16.

Edenton's Rotary Club will join in celebrating the 50th anniversary of Rotary International at a ladies' night banquet tonight (Thursday) in the Parish House at 7 o'clock.

Public hearing on zoning ordinance for Edenton will be held Monday night, February 28, at 8 o'clock in the Court House.

Red Cross fund raising drive will begin Tuesday, March 1 and continue throughout the month.

Revival services will be held in the Edenton Methodist Church starting Sunday, February 27, and continuing through Friday night, March 4.

Royal Ambassadors of Edenton Baptist Church will meet Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Chowanoke Council, No. 54, Degree of Pochanonts, will meet Friday, February 25, at 8 o'clock.

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## Revival Speaker



REV. KELLY INGRAM

Preaching for revival services beginning in the Methodist Church next Sunday night will be the Rev. Kelly Ingram, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Elizabeth City.

## Base Contribution Stimulates Drive For Heart Fund

### Letters Sent to Hundreds of Citizens This Week

Dr. A. M. Stanton, chairman of the Chowan County Heart Committee, was presented last week with a check for \$350 from the Marines at the Edenton base. This most generous check gives the 1955 Heart Fund drive a wonderful start. This week letters have been sent to hundreds of citizens of the county to ask their help. Any contribution, no matter what its size, will be welcome, and all contributions are deductible from income taxes. Anyone who fails to receive a letter but would like to contribute to the 1955 Heart Fund may send his contribution in an envelope addressed to the Heart Fund, Edenton. The name and address of the sender should be written on the back of the envelope so that the gift may be acknowledged.

In North Carolina 25% of the total sum raised by the 1955 Heart Fund drive will go to the American Heart Association. Of this amount at least half is used for research.

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## Public Hearing Will Be Held On Monday Relative To Zoning

### Idea Will Be Considered Pro and Con In Court House

Next Monday night, February 28 at 8 o'clock in the Court House a meeting is scheduled at which time a public hearing will be held in connection with a proposed zoning ordinance for Edenton.

At this meeting the proposed ordinance will be on display as well as a map designating the various restrictions in compliance with zoning. Anybody who is interested in zoning in Edenton is urged to be present by Goldies Potter, chairman of the Edenton Zoning Commission.

It will be recalled that several years ago zoning in Edenton was seriously considered, but for some reason the matter was dropped. Since that time a number of problems have arisen which would easily have been solved had a zoning ordinance been in effect.

The purpose of Monday night's meeting is to hear the advantages of zoning explained as well as hear arguments for or against the idea.

## Kick-off Dinner Is Held For Holmes As Legion Commander

### Support Is Promised From Many Sections Of State

An enthusiastic kick-off dinner in the interest of John A. Holmes, candidacy for Department Commander of the American Legion was staged in the Legion hall Tuesday night by members of Ed Bond Post No. 40 and Auxiliary members. The ladies served a delicious turkey dinner.

Guests were present from the surrounding area and the principal address was made by John A. Wilkinson of Washington, D. C. Roland Garrett of Elizabeth City was unable to attend as toastmaster due to illness, so that William S. (Continued on Page Five)

## John A. Holmes Will Be Principal Speaker For Occasion

Edenton's Rotarians this week join Rotary Clubs all over the world in celebrating the 50th anniversary of the service club founded by Paul Harris in Chicago February 23, 1905.

To celebrate the event, a ladies' night banquet will be held in the Parish House tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock, when Rotary Annes will be guests of Rotarians. The principal speaker for the occasion will be John A. Holmes, one of the two remaining charter members still a member of the club.

The Edenton Club was organized February 19, 1926, with 23 members, including James B. Alderman, Richard P. Badham, Millard F. Bond, Jr., Thomas C. Byrum, Joseph G. Campen, Joseph H. Conner, Junius W. Davis, Minton H. Dixon, Richard D. Dixon, B. Warren Evans, R. Elton Forchard, Lloyd E. Griffin, Ravenel C. Holland, Charles T. Hollowell, John A. Holmes, Carroll E. Kramer, Dr. J. A. Powell, N. K. Rowell, R. G. Shackel, D. M. Warren, Jack Waters, Charles H. Wood and George C. Wood.

Of this number there are only two, Charles H. Wood and John A. Holmes, who are still members of the club. Eleven have died and two now live elsewhere, Minton H. Dixon in Norfolk and Charles T. Hollowell at Guilford College.

The present membership of 37 includes: J. Edwin Bufflap, Lloyd E. Bunch, George A. Byrum, Thomas C. Byrum, Jr., H. A. Campen, J. L. Chestnut, William M. Cozzart, Jimmie Elnhardt, Richard F. Elliott, R. Elton Forchard, Jr., John W. Graham, William I. Hart, W. T. Harry, Richard N. Hines, William Holmes, Frank M. Holmes, John A. Holmes, Gerald James, Robert Kennan, John A. Kramer, Robert Marsh, Philip S. McMullan, C. R. Mooney, Elwood Nixon, Charles W. Overman, Maynard Perry, Monty Peyton, Robert Powell, James Riels, William B. Rose-war, George S. Twiddy, Warren Twiddy, Hubert Williford, Marvin P. Wilson, Charles H. Wood, Jr., William Wood and James E. Wood.

At the outset the Edenton Club was included in the 37th District, but in 1926 it was placed in the new 57th District. There was a new redistricting in 1937 when the club was placed in the 187th District which embraced the eastern section of Virginia, but after a period of three years the club was transferred to the 189th District. The last redistricting took place in 1949, when the 189th became the 278th District, of which the Edenton Club is now a part.

During the first year the club edenton Rotary Club established a student loan fund which has been used by a large number of graduates of the Edenton High School and Chowan High School. The loan is made without interest and is paid back after the student finishes college and starts earning an income.

The club also started the practice of awarding a silver loving cup each year to the high school graduate who excels in scholarship, citizenship, and extra curricular activities. Separate cups are awarded to the Edenton High School and the Chowan High School. These awards are among the most prized at each commencement.

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## Fidelis Club Will Meet Tuesday Night

The Fidelis Club will meet Tuesday night, March 1, at 8 o'clock in the game room of the Staff Club. All wives of NCO's are invited to attend.

The nursery will be open with Miss Morgan in charge.

Col. M. K. Peyton will speak to the group.

## BAKE SALE

The Wesleyan Service Guild and the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Edenton Methodist Church will sponsor a bake sale, Saturday, February 26th, at Hughes-Parker Hardware Co.