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Registration Hours Extended Thursday Night To 10 o'clock

Jaycees Go All Out to Urge All Voters to Register

Due to the apparent lack of interest in registering for the May 3rd municipal election the Citizen-Servant Responsibility Committee of the Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce will attempt to prevail on all voters in Edenton to register before the final day, Saturday, April 23, at sunset.

The Jaycees will go all out tonight (Thursday) in order to urge voters to register. They have secured the extension for registration from sunset tonight to 10 o'clock, during which time groups of the Jaycees will telephone and make a house-to-house canvass in an effort to prevail on voters to have their names placed on the registration books in order to cast a ballot in the election.

The Jaycees point out that certain basic rights and freedoms are the heritage of every citizen of the United States. These rights and freedoms are protected by the American Constitution.

The conscientious citizen knows that to hold these rights secure for himself and his family, he must fulfill certain duties and responsibilities. The purpose of the area of Jaycee activity entitled "citizenship responsibility" is to create among all citizens an awareness of those rights, and to urge the people to fulfill their obligations to the community, state and nation.

The Jaycee function is to get voters to register and vote at each election, to assist in providing a clear picture of the candidates and issues, to encourage active party membership, to urge contact with city, state and federal representatives so that those representatives can more accurately measure public sentiment.

"The greater the vote, the more representative the government," say the Jaycees. "Certainly there is need for a larger turn-out at the polls in every community. Voting may approach 100 per cent in a presidential election, but what is the usual response to an off-year state balloting, city election, school board voting or on a special bond issue? And these elections are even closer to the immediate public interest than presidential voting.

"An avenue to a greater vote is the promotion of larger party membership. And a prelude to a more intelligent vote is the publicizing of candidates and issues. "The need is greatest where there is general public apathy, for the lack of interest and participation

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Saturday Will Be Final Day For Voters To Register For Edenton Election May 3rd

Registrars Will Be at Polling Places Until Sunset

As of last Saturday, comparatively few voters in Edenton registered for the election of a Mayor, six members of Town Council, a treasurer and five members of the Board of Public Works, May 3rd.

Due to the deplorable condition of the old registration books, a new registration was authorized by Town Council, which requires every voter to have his or her name on the new registration books before a ballot can be cast in the forthcoming or any subsequent municipal election.

The new registration began on Saturday, April 9, and will continue until sunset Saturday, April 23. Voters may register at the homes of the registrars through Friday of this week until sunset and on Saturday at the various polling places from 9 A. M., to sunset.

As the result of efforts by the

Luther C. Parks Elected President By Local Jaycees

New Group of Officers Will Be Installed April 28

At a meeting held Thursday night in the form of a fish fry at the Byrum Implement & Truck Company the Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce elected new officers for the year.

As the result of the election Luther C. Parks was elected president to succeed J. H. Conger, Jr. Other officers elected were: J. P. Ricks, Jr., first vice president; Paul Partin, second vice president; West Byrum, Jr., secretary and Ralph Outlaw, treasurer. Three directors elected for terms of two years were George Alma Byrum, J. Clarence Leary, Jr., and Richard Dixon.

These officers will be installed at a meeting to be held Thursday night, April 28, at Hotel Joseph Hewes, which will be observed as Ladies' Night. For this occasion two special speakers will attend, Henry Stokes of Hertford, a state director, and Edgar Gurganus of Williamston, a national director and a candidate for state president at the Jaycee Convention which will be held in Asheville the first week in May.

New Society At Local High School

Edenton Group Is Accepted Into National Honor Society

With 17 charter members, an Edenton chapter of the National Honor Society will be instituted Friday morning, April 22, at 10:30 o'clock in the Edenton Junior-Senior High School gymnasium. At that time a delegation from the Elizabeth City chapter will come to Edenton to install officers for the Edenton chapter, which has only recently been accepted into the national organization.

The officers of the Edenton chapter who will be installed are: Carolyn Ashley, president; Frances Boyce, vice president; Lillian Whitman, secretary, and Alma Harrison, treasurer.

Annual Meeting Of Episcopal Women On April 26 And 27

Five Edenton Women Plan to Attend Wilmington Sessions

The 67th annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of East Carolina will convene in Wilmington, N. C., on April 26-27. In recognition of the tenth anniversary of the Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Wright, D.D., as Bishop of East Carolina, the women will meet in joint sessions with the Annual Convention of the clergy and laymen in the diocese. All joint sessions will be held at St. James Church, Wilmington. The business sessions of the Woman's Auxiliary will meet in the First Presbyterian Church of Wilmington.

At 10:30 A. M., Tuesday, April 26, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. James Church. Following this service Bishop Wright will address a joint session of the Convention. Mrs. Walker Taylor, Diocesan President of the Woman's Auxiliary, will address the combined assemblage shortly after noon.

The first business session of the Woman's Auxiliary will begin at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon, at which time reports of the diocesan officers will be heard.

The Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, will be the preacher at the evening service at 8 o'clock on the first day of the Convention. Following the evening service a reception will be held at the Diocesan House.

There will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 7:30 A. M., Wednesday, after which the Woman's Auxiliary will meet for a business session at 9:30. The final business session of the Woman's Auxiliary will begin at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Speakers scheduled for the two-day meeting are: Deaconess Amelia Brewster, Assistant Deaconess of the Central House for Deaconesses at Sycamore, Illinois; Mrs. Caroline Rakestraw, Executive Secretary of The Episcopal Hour at Radio Center in Atlanta; and the Rev. Inayat Masih of Pakistan. The Rev. Mr. Masih is now studying at Union Theological Seminary where he expects to be awarded a Master's Degree in Theology. He is the recipient of a scholarship offered by the Episcopal Church and is one of the leading young priests of the Church of India.

Presbyterians Hold Revival Meetings

Ralph Knight and W. Twyman Williams Preachers

The Rev. Ralph Knight, who began the Presbyterian Revival Monday night, will continue his series of timely messages through this week, and finish on Saturday night. Everyone is extended a cordial invitation to attend these services, which begin every night at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. W. Twyman Williams, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Appomattox, Va., will continue the revival services, beginning Sunday night, April 24, and will preach every night until the following Sunday, May 1. Mr. Williams returns to Edenton by popular request, having held a very successful and profitable series of meetings here a few years ago. He is a gifted Bible teacher, and a consecrated preacher of the Gospel. At each of the services at which Mr. Williams preaches the Rev. James MacKenzie, pastor of the Edenton Presbyterian Church, will bring a brief sermonette for the children.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT
C. W. Overman, master of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., announces that a stated communication of the lodge will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. Mr. Overman urges a food attendance.

Lions Club Minstrel Will Be Presented At School April 29

Indications Pointing to Best Show Ever Staged

The annual Lions Minstrel Show will be staged on Friday night, April 29, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the Edenton Elementary School, it was announced by Earl Harrell, president of the local club at its Monday evening meeting.

Always a most popular entertainment with both the young and old citizens of Edenton and the surrounding territory, this year's year's event promises to be one of the best ever attempted. The members of the club have been diligently practicing for the past several weeks and many new features have been added, according to West Byrum, Jr., who is directing the show.

The end men consist of Ernest Ward, Jr., John Mitchener, Joe Thorud, Al Phillips, Madlin Belch and Thomas Francis. Nick George, who did such a fine job last year as interlocutor, has agreed to serve in that capacity again this year.

Being anxious to make it possible for the usual large attendance of children, as well as grown-ups, since the proceeds from the show go to the club's activities such as sight conservation, crippled children, etc., the admission prices are being held down to 25 cents for children and 50 cents for adults.

Funds are still coming in from the Easter Seal campaign and has now reached the amount of \$981, which is the largest sum raised in several years, according to Jesse Harrell, treasurer. "We expect the total to exceed the \$1,000 mark, which was reached some years ago," commented President Earl Harrell of the club, "and I wish to express our appreciation to the general public for their fine response to this worthy cause."

The campaign was under the direction of Geddes Potter as general chairman, who was ably assisted by W. J. Taylor as secretary and Ernest Ward, Jr., who directed the publicity.

Hundreds Visitors From Eleven States Take Part In Tour

Comments From Many Guests Very Complimentary

Hundreds of visitors from all over North Carolina, Virginia and eleven other states paid Edenton a visit over the week-end to attend the fourth biennial tour of Colonial Edenton and Countryside. The tour was most successful, even though the Woman's Club, sponsors of the Pilgrimage, estimate that the number of persons in attendance was only about half of that of the Pilgrimage in 1953. No doubt the freeze of several weeks ago was a large factor in many people not attending, knowing that the gardens had been severely damaged.

Comments from the visitors were most complimentary for the smoothness in the way the tour was conducted and for the many beautiful old shrines they had seen. The town itself was described as being one of the most interesting that many had ever visited. The tourists were very appreciative for the services of high school girls and boys who acted as guides and very impressed with their knowledge of histories of the homes and places where the tourists were directed. These guides had been given lectures by Miss Elizabeth Moore of the Woman's Club, and were further instructed by Cecil Fry of the high school.

Ten places were open to the public for this fourth tour. In addition, many lovely Colonial homes were marked by signs making a

Holmes Opposes Leary In First Ward

Apparently Only Contest For Councilman From Wards

What appears to be the only contest in the four wards for Councilman in the Municipal Election Tuesday, May 3, developed Tuesday morning, when Frank M. Holmes announced his candidacy as Councilman from the First Ward.

Mr. Holmes will oppose the incumbent, J. Clarence Leary, who previously announced his candidacy for re-election. Leary is a veteran Councilman who was elected in 1941 when he defeated John G. Small and has served continuously since. He has had opposition in several elections since that time, but has always come out the winner.

Mr. Holmes is a vast president of the Edenton Rotary Club, was the first president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, a past vice president and director of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce, a member of Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies of New Bern and a member of the Edenton Baptist Church. He is vice president of the W. D. Holmes Wholesale Grocery, Inc., which has been in continuous operation for 54 years, the oldest mercantile establishment in Edenton and one of the oldest in Eastern North Carolina.

Teenage Club Dance On Saturday Night

Sponsoring organizations of the Teenage Club are having a semi-formal dance Saturday night from 9:00 to 12:00 o'clock at the Teenage Club. All parents are urged to drop in during the evening.

Edenton Cleaners Join In Cleaning Flags At No Cost

Purpose to Have Old Glory Clean For Flag Day

Drycleaners of Edenton have joined in an effort to make "Old Glory" fly in its true colors, a bright, sparkling red, white and blue on Flag Day, May 12th. Between now and May 12th, American Flags will be drycleaned free of charge for any organization or individual in Edenton or vicinity.

The drycleaners who have joined in this cooperative community effort are: Bishop Laundry & Cleaners, Elliott Cleaners, Spotless Cleaners, Overton's Cleaners, N & R Cleaners and Sanitary Cleaners.

Mayor Haskett stated, "I think that this offer by the drycleaners of Edenton to clean American Flags without charge in this period preceding Flag Day, is a fine community good-will gesture. It is especially fitting that more flags be flown now and on all the holidays which we commemorate. We want to be certain that our flags are as bright and sparkling as they should be. That the cleaners of Edenton are making this possible is a most worthy contribution to Flag Day in our community."

Series Of Special Services Held At Methodist Church

Study Guided By Conditions In City Churches

The Edenton Methodist Church began with the evening service of Sunday, April 17, a missions study based on the work of the city church. The course will run for seven sessions, using the Sunday evening service and the prayer meeting hour, 7:30 Wednesday, until it is completed. Background for the discussion, led by the Rev. Earl Richardson, is the book, "Crowded Ways". This study guide is a symposium prepared by outstanding authorities in the field of the city church.

It is especially hoped that the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild will take advantage of this special series of services. They will comprise for the Society the last study course of the current WSCS year, in addition to serving as the Methodist Church's annual missions emphasis.

Frequently featured for special music in the evening services at the Methodist Church is the children's choir, under the direction of the pastor, Mr. Richardson. The choir is a new venture, and has received the wholehearted support of the children and their parents. New vestments have just been provided by the parents of the children, working in cooperation with the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

Special Speakers On Program For BTU Convention

All Day Session Scheduled For Friday, April 22

One of the highlights of the well balanced program of the annual Regional Training Union Convention at the Cashie Baptist Church in Windsor Friday, April 22, is the inspirational address to be delivered by the Rev. A. Douglas Aldrich, pastor of the Forest Hills Baptist Church in Raleigh. This feature comes during the evening session. Another dignitary featured on the program is Miss Sarah Hull, who will represent the State Training Union Department of Raleigh. These special guests will appear on the program between items of special music, conference, tournaments and talks.

A new plan is being tried this year by the committee. In order to sponsor "Family Day" the entire convention will be contained in two sessions and a fellowship banquet—all in one day—Friday. The committee asks the leadership of the churches to place emphasis on entire families attending from their memberships. The convention is planned for church members of all ages—young and old—and special preparation has been made for the real young children. The church nursery will be in operation for this purpose, both afternoon and night, and Mrs. R. L. Parker of Ahoskie will be in charge. She and her staff of assistants will provide capable and trust-worthy care for the younger folks. This provision makes it possible for entire families to attend and the committee hopes general response will be experienced.

The time schedule of the convention is: Registration opens at 2:00 o'clock; the afternoon session at 3:00 o'clock; the fellowship banquet meal at 5:30; and the evening session at 6:55.

VFW AUXILIARY MEETING

The Ladies' Auxiliary of William H. Coffield Post No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet in the post home tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Ellie Mae Parrish, president, urges all members to attend.

Ernest P. Kehayes Files As Candidate For Edenton Mayor

Reward Offered To Find Starters Of Forest Fires

Offer Made By President of N. C. Forestry Association

Rewards totaling \$1,000 have been offered for arrest and conviction of the person or persons who started the forest fire in Eastern North Carolina which burned over more than 200,000 acres between March 30 and April 10, it is announced by Roger Wolcott, President of the N. C. Forestry Association.

Wolcott said the rewards will be paid by the North Carolina Forestry Association. Anyone with information on the subject was asked to either write the Association at Postoffice Box 2946, Raleigh, or to telephone 45604, Raleigh.

The fire burned over the area of Lake Phelps, Pungo Lake, Seranton, Lake Mattamuskeet and New Lake. It started March 30 and continued through April 10, destroying more than 200,000 acres of timber.

CIVIC CALENDAR

Chowan Hospital Auxiliary will meet Friday afternoon, April 22, at 3 o'clock in the nurses' home.

Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will sponsor a chicken salad supper Thursday, April 28.

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

Ryland Local 4-H Club will meet Monday night, April 25, at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Evangeline Copeland.

Center Hill Local 4-H Club will meet Wednesday night, April 27, at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Esther Hall.

An Edenton Chapter of the National Honor Society will be instituted Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the Edenton Junior-Senior High School gymnasium. Edenton Jaycees will install new officers at a meeting in Hotel Joseph Hewes Thursday night, April 28th.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of VFW will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at the post home.

Edenton's Business and Professional Woman's Club will meet tonight (Thursday) in the panel room

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Health Department Hopes To Start Salk Vaccine Campaign In District Around April 25th

Goes First to Children Given Permission By Parents

Dr. B. B. McGuire, district health officer, says the District Health Department hopes to be ready on about April 25th to start the Salk vaccine campaign against polio. It will be given at the schools to those first and second grade children whose parents have given written permission. The second dose will be given from 2 to 4 weeks after the first.

The Health Department will be notified by wire when the vaccine may be picked up at Williamston. It is hoped that it will be there this week.

"It is hoped that the practicing physicians in our Health District will be in position to help give this vaccine," says Dr. McGuire. "They will be contacted by the nurses. The exact dates this vaccine will be given in each school cannot be worked out as yet."

Political Pot at Boiling Point; 15 Candidates Now In Race

With Friday of this week being the deadline for candidates to file for office in the town election Tuesday, May 3, Edenton's political pot began boiling early this week. Up to Wednesday morning 15 candidates had filed for the 13 offices to be filled in the election.

Possibly the biggest ripple in the political waters was an announcement by Ernest P. Kehayes that he will oppose Leroy H. Haskett for the office of Mayor.

Mr. Kehayes has operated a restaurant in Edenton for 13 years. He is a member of the vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, a member of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., and has taken an active part in civic and religious affairs.

If elected Mr. Kehayes says he will endeavor to use his efforts toward a healthy and efficient administration and to work with the heads of all departments in order to have a harmonious administration.

Mr. Haskett has served 12 years as Mayor, and on several occasions defeated candidates who opposed him. He, too, promises to devote his time and efforts to the best interest of Edenton.

Both Haskett and Kehayes are hard workers so that the result of the election will without doubt take the spotlight.

With the Board of Public Works changed to five members there is somewhat of a scramble for these offices. Seven candidates have filed, including W. J. Yates, J. P. Ricks, Jr., Horace White, Ralph Parrish, A. B. Harless, Philip S. McMullan and Thomas C. Byrum, Jr.

Yates, Byrum and Parrish are seeking re-election. J. H. Conger and Dr. J. A. Powell, incumbents, have not filed for re-election.

The only other contest in the election will be for Councilman from the First Ward, where Frank M. Holmes is opposing J. Clarence Leary, incumbent.

Chowan Students In Recital Tonight

Piano students of the Elementary Grades of Chowan High School will present their annual recital entitled "Calendar Magic", tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at the Chowan High School. The public is invited to attend.

4-H CLUB MEETING

Members of the Center Hill Local 4-H Club will meet Wednesday night, April 27, at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Esther Hall.

Chowan Betas At State Convention

Chowan High School was represented by nine delegates at the State Beta Convention in Asheville, April 15-16.

Those attending the convention were: Miss Louise Wilson, sponsor; Sara Margaret Asbell, Dallas Bunch, Mary Sue Elliott, Jean Evans, Anne Hollowell, Stuart Hollowell, George Jordan and Peggy Perry.

Delegates and sponsors from the Sunbury and Gatesville High Schools accompanied them on the trip.

Hospital Auxiliary Meets April 22nd

The Chowan Hospital Auxiliary will meet Friday afternoon, April 22, at 3 o'clock at the nurses' home. Mrs. Al Phillips, president, requests a full attendance. Following a musical program tea will be served.