

Bronze Marker To Be Unveiled Sunday On Norcom House

Many Prominent People Expected To Attend Program

Edenton and G. H. Harding's Sycamore Plantation in particular will be the center of attraction next Sunday, June 26, when the Sir Walter Raleigh Chapter of the North Carolina Society of the Colonial Dames of the Seventeenth Century will unveil a bronze marker on the Norcom House on the plantation.

The unveiling will take place Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, for which an interesting program has been arranged. The program will begin with music by the Edenton High School Band and an assembly call by a bugler. Mrs. Thomas Stamps, president of the Sir Walter Raleigh Chapter of the Colonial Dames of the Seventeenth Century, will call the gathering to order and preside. The invocation will be by Mrs. M. B. Koonce, chapter chaplain, after which Mrs. W. G. Woltz, State Curator will lead in repeating the Pledge of Allegiance. The band will then play America, after which Mrs. Inglis Fletcher will extend greetings to the visitors. Grayson H. Harding, owner of the Thomas Norcom House, will then extend greetings and distinguished guests will be recognized by Mrs. Stamps. A historical sketch will then be presented by Mrs. C. H. Stephenson, chairman of the Marker Committee, which will be followed by unveiling the marker by Norcom descendants. The presentation of the marker will be made by Mrs. Stamps. The marker will be accepted for the State by Mrs. Raymond Maxwell, State President, and Mrs. J. W. Thornton, honorary National President General of Colonial Dames of the Seventeenth Century, will accept the marker for the national organization. The program will close with benediction and taps by a bugler.

Aside from the program at Sycamore, a call meeting of the North Carolina Society will be held at Hotel Joseph Hewes Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, when Mrs. Nathan Johnson, vice president, will preside. At this meeting officers will be installed, including Mrs. Raymond Maxwell as president; Mrs. W. S. Baskerville as Librarian; Mrs. R. P. Rosser as Historian. Committee appointments will also be announced.

Following this meeting Mr. and Mrs. John Fletcher will serve lunch at Bandan Plantation.

At 4 o'clock tea will be served at the Iredell House by Edenton's Daughters of the American Revolution and Colonial Dames of America. Yaupon tea will be served with the ladies attired in Colonial costumes.

Expected to come to Edenton for the occasion are prominent State officials and many members of the Colonial Dames of America and Colonial Dames of the Seventeenth Century.

Many invitations have been sent out, but Mr. Harding says all citizens of Edenton and Chowan County. Continued on Page 4—Section 1

Damage Done In Recent Hail Storm Estimated By Overman

In Many Cases Necessary to Plow Under Damaged Crops

County Agent C. W. Overman this week roughly estimated that the hail and wind storm Saturday afternoon, June 11, indicates a loss of about \$125,000 to crops, \$20,000 to buildings and up into the thousands of dollars to automobiles, trucks and other vehicles. One farmer reported having quite a number of young pigs killed by the hail.

Hail stones the size of baseballs showered down in large quantities. A small tornado-type wind accompanied the hail in some spots demolishing some buildings and doing considerable damage to others.

The hail storm covered portions of Edenton, Enterprise, Advance and Rocky Hook communities. Slight hail damage appeared in the

Fire Commission To Be Continued Until Reorganized

Group Will Administer Funds From Special 10c Tax

Taking a little time out while working on the 1955-56 county budget Monday, the Chowan County Commissioners passed a resolution to the effect that the Rural Fire Commission be continued until a permanent organization can be perfected to administer the funds which will be realized by the levy of 10 cents for each \$100 property valuation as authorized by a special election held Saturday, June 11th.

The Commission is also authorized to set up a system for rural fire fighting, which will no doubt include purchase of a new fire truck and employment of a full-time fireman, both to be stationed in Edenton to start the rural fire fighting program.

Legion - Auxiliary Officers Will Be Installed Tonight

Joint Meeting Scheduled In Legion Hall At 8 O'clock

New officers for Ed Bond Post No. 40, American Legion and the Legion Auxiliary will be installed at a joint meeting to be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the American Legion hall. The installation will be in charge of E. J. Hobbs, Jr., District Commander.

Special guests at the meeting will be three boys who attended the recent session of Boys' State. The trio includes Stuart Hollowell, Bob Pratt and Clinton Davis.

Refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting and all members of the Legion and Auxiliary are especially urged to attend.

Masons Plan 'Dutch' Supper On June 30th

Unanimity Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will stage a "Dutch" supper Thursday night, June 30, at 7 o'clock in the banquet hall of the Masonic Temple. The supper will be served by members of the Eastern Star.

The affair will be observed as ladies' night and a good program is now being arranged.

Cards have been sent out and Ernest Kehayes, in charge of the supper, should be notified at once by those who expect to attend.

Edenton Leads In Albemarle League

Locals Up to Tuesday Win Five Out of Six Games Played

Up to Tuesday of this week Edenton Colonials held a full game grip on the lead in the Albemarle League, having won five of the six games played. On their heels were the Hertford Indians with four victories and two defeats. Colerain was in third place 3 to 2, followed by Elizabeth City 3-3, NAF 2-4 and Palmer Tynch's Chowan aggregation in the cellar with no victories and five defeats.

Edenton 12, Chowan 7

In a free scoring game played on Hicks Field Thursday night the Edenton Colonials rallied in the ninth inning to score five runs and win from Chowan 12 to 7. The Colonials scored two runs in the opening frame, three in the third, one each in the fourth and fifth, netting 7 runs. Chowan gradually overcame the lead and tied the score in the eighth by scoring two runs in the second inning, one in the third, two in the fifth and one each in the seventh and eighth.

Wayne Emminizer started on the mound for Edenton but gave way to Ray Rogerson in the eighth. Together they allowed 10 hits. The Colonials took to the liking of Rufus Hawkins and Albert Lassiter, Chowan's moundsmen, and collected 15 hits. Manager Alton Brooks led at bat for the Colonials with three hits. Williams, Chowan's catcher, led his team with two hits.

Edenton 6, Elizabeth City 3

The Colonials on Friday night defeated Elizabeth City on Hicks Field by a score of 6 to 3. Ray Rogerson was on the mound for the Colonials and was opposed by veteran Jim Curtis. The two pitched on pretty even terms, with Curtis giving up seven hits and Rogerson eight. Rogerson, however, helped his own cause by clouting the ball over left field fence for a home run with a runner crossing home plate ahead of him.

The Colonials scored early with two runs in the first, one in the second. Two more runs were added in the fourth and the final run was made in the eighth. The visitors scored two runs in the third and one in the ninth, but never seriously threatened to overcome the Colonials' lead.

Brooks and Forehand led at bat for the Colonials with two hits each. Gregory and C. Scott each had two hits for the visitors.

The Chowan-Colerain game was rained out.

Al Phillips Installed President Of Lions

Installation of Officers Held at Meeting on Monday Night

Officers for the 1955 fiscal year for the Edenton Lions Club were installed at the regular meeting Monday night. W. S. Privott conducted the installation ceremony and charged each officer with his duties for the coming year.

Officers installed were: President, Al Phillips; first vice president, Ernest J. Ward, Jr.; second vice president, M. A. Hughes; third vice president, G. M. Belch; secretary-treasurer, W. J. Taylor; directors, J. Rodney Byrum, R. West Leary, Jr., Herbert Hollowell, Haywood Bunch; tail twister, T. E. Francis, and Lion tamer, West Byrum, Jr.

Bobby Pratt made a report to the club regarding the Boys' State meeting which he attended under sponsorship of the Edenton Lions Club in Chapel Hill. Bobby attended during the week of June 12-18 and he expressed his appreciation to the club for its sponsorship.

The Lions Club will meet next Monday night, June 27th, but will not meet on July 4th.

Lloyd T. Williams Soldier Of Month

Pfc. Lloyd T. Williams, stationed at Fort Hood, Texas, was named the soldier of the month of May at Fort Hood. Pfc. Williams is the son of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Williams, Route 2, Edenton.

Annual County 4-H Elimination Day Is Outstanding Affair

Winners Will Compete For State Honors July 6th

The second annual Chowan County 4-H Elimination Day was held at the Chowan High School and Community Building on Friday, June 17. Club members gave demonstrations on several phases of 4-H Club work in order to determine the winners. County winners will attend the District Elimination Day which will be held at Washington on July 6. District winners will then attend the State 4-H Club Week at Raleigh, where the State contest will be held.

Steve Burch, president of the 4-H County Council, called the meeting to order, after which Dick Lowe led the devotions. Jimmy Hollowell led a hymn with Kay Frances White as the piano accompanist. Bernie Baker, secretary-treasurer of the County Council, called the roll by clubs and read the minutes of the first annual Elimination Day.

The Ryland Local Club sponsored the Dress Revue, of which Evangeline Copeland served as narrator. Mary Sue Elliott was in charge of the script, and Peggy Perry was in charge of the music. Winners in the Senior Division were: First, Mary Sue Elliott; second, Sara Margaret Asbell; third, Fay F. White.

Junior Division winners were: First, Barbara Ann Jordan; second, Becky Harrel; third, Sonny White.

The 4-H Public Speaking Contest was held in which two boys and two girls competed for top honors. Steve Burch was senior winner in the boys' division and will represent the county in the District Elimination Day. Joe Hollowell was junior winner in the boys' division. Peggy Perry was senior winner in the girls' division and Kay Frances White won second place.

The Cross Roads Local Club sponsored the health pageant, of which Peggy Perry was narrator and Kay Frances White rendered the music. Each boy and each girl who was winner of the health activity in his club appeared on the stage in the pageant. Dr. B. B. McGuire, County Health Officer, crowned Mary Sue Elliott and Dick Lowe as the Chowan County Senior Queen and King of Health respectively. Dr. McGuire crowned Barbara Ann Jordan as Junior Health Queen and Vern Lee Goodwin as Junior Health King.

Marjorie Evans and Kay Hare were declared winners in the Junior Division of the Dairy Foods Team Demonstration. The title of their demonstration was "Dress Up Milk With Fruits". Beckie Harrel and Esther Layton won second place with their demonstration, "Milk Drinks—Strawberry." Betty Gay Morris was winner of the Individual Dairy Foods Demonstration. She gave a demonstration entitled "Dress Up Milk." Sonny White won second place with her. Continued on Page 5—Section 1

Richardson Sings At Rotary Meeting

The Rev. J. E. Richardson, pastor of the Edenton Methodist Church, entertained Edenton Rotarians at their meeting last week. Mr. Richardson sang several delightful numbers and was accompanied at the piano by Miss Mary Leggett Browning.

The program was arranged by Frank Holmes.

LIONS MEET MONDAY
The Edenton Lions Club will meet Monday night, June 27, instead of July 4, national Independence Day.

Edenton Woman's Club Joins In Unique Chain Project To Curb 4th Of July Accidents

Every Person Having Telephone Will Be Called

Members of the Edenton Woman's Club will participate in a nationwide life-saving project based on a chain of telephone calls on June 29-30. This project is being conducted by the General Federation of Women's Clubs as a special event in cooperation with the President's committee for traffic safety.

The aim of this unique action is to reach every American home with an appeal for special care and caution in driving on streets and highways over the Fourth of July weekend.

At 10:30 A. M., on June 29, every member of the Edenton Woman's Club will make the first of four telephone calls spreading the traffic safety appeal. Each recipient of a call will be asked to call four others, friends, neighbors, or other persons listed in the telephone directory, so that as the chain spreads all of the homes in Edenton and those having phones out in the county will be reached. All calls are to be completed in the two days.

Last year, the three-day holiday over the Fourth brought death to 348 men, women and children in traffic accidents. Thousands of others suffered painful and crippling injuries.

You can help to prevent a repetition of such needless and tragic sacrifice due to carelessness and heedlessness in this year's celebration of Independence Day. Your personal appeal to "take it easy" and watch out for the other fellow," may be the means of saving a life, that otherwise would be lost.

Methodists To Hold Installation Service On Sunday Morning

Special Sermon Planned For the Occasion By Pastor

A special service is being planned at the Methodist Church for next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. At that time the new Official Board and Commissions will be installed for the coming year beginning July 1. These groups were formally organized at a fellowship supper meeting at the Methodist Church Wednesday evening of this week.

The Rev. J. E. Richardson, pastor of the church, announces a sermon appropriate to the installation service for next Sunday morning and asks that the members of the Official Board and Commissions sit in a body.

During the conference year just ending the main emphasis in the local Methodist Church has been on stewardship. A titheing adventure was conducted from the middle of February through the month of May. The record of the church has been outstanding with reference to support of the benevolent causes of the Methodist Church around the world—missions and overseas relief, race relations work in the South, and the program of church extension in the North Carolina Conference, to mention only a few. All conference obligations have been met well in advance of the North Carolina annual conference, which will convene in Fayetteville at the Hay Street Methodist Church on Monday, July 27.

Under a new Committee on Stewardship made up of Gerald James, Dr. A. F. Downum and J. A. Trulow, the stewardship emphasis will be continued throughout the coming year.

With Robert S. Marsh and Rufus Carraway as superintendent and assistant superintendent respectively, leading the educational program during the coming year, great improvements in the Sunday School are sure to be realized. A general reorganization becomes effective July 3rd.

Annual Red Men Banquet July 15th

Interesting Program For Affair Now In Making

Plans are going forward for the annual banquet of Chowan Tribe No. 12, Improved Order of Red Men, which is scheduled to be held in the American Legion hall Friday night, July 15, at 7:30 o'clock.

The banquet will be furnished by the Red Men, who will have their wives, as well as members of the Degree of Powontas and their husbands as special guests. Members will be notified by a return postcard, so that they can notify those in charge of the banquet in order to know how many to prepare for.

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Boy Scouts Raise Enough Money To Camp For Week

Percy Dail Appreciative For Support In Work

Percy Dail, Assistant Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop No. 56, is very much encouraged over the revived interest and cooperation in Boy Scout work in Edenton. He reports that last week's chow mein supper was very successful and netted \$144.25 toward the camp fund. In fact he reports that enough money has now been raised to send the Scouts to Camp Darden for a week without calling upon the boys to help pay for the trip. The Scouts are scheduled to leave Edenton Sunday, July 3, to spend a week camping at Camp Darden.

Mr. Dail has been ably assisted recently by Horace White, Lieut. Bill Andresvick and Sgt. Val Eddens, and he wishes to express his appreciation to this trio as well as others who are lending their support to the Scout program.

Bill Perry District VFW Commander

Elected at State Convention Held In Durham

William H. Coffield Post No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, was well represented at the State VFW Convention held in Durham June 9 and 12.

One of the members, Bill Perry, was signally honored at the meeting, when he was elected Commander of the First District. The district includes posts at Edenton, Manteo, Elizabeth City, Hertford, Windsor, Ahoskie, Columbia, Plymouth and Sunbury.

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Looks Good

Attractiveness of the panel room in Chowan County's historical Court House was greatly enhanced recently when an original English oak library table was placed in the center of the room.

The table was for many years in the library at Asheville, N. C., and was presented to Mrs. Inglis Fletcher, Chowan's famous novelist, who in turn presented it to the county to be placed in the panel room, where also hang on the walls two large portraits given by Mrs. Fletcher.

The table was repaired and refinished by Hubert Williford, so that it now adds greatly to the attractiveness of the room.

Recorder's Court Showing Gradual Increase Of Cases

Over 749 More Cases In Year Than Four Years Ago

Some idea of the increase in court work is reflected in figures secured from County Accountant E. W. Spire this week.

During the year 1950-51 the number of cases in Recorder's Court were 490 which netted \$8,260.00 in fines and \$3,879.25 in costs or a total of \$12,139.25.

In the 1954-55 year, with two more weeks still remaining at the time of the report, there were 1,239 cases which netted \$13,124.50 in fines and \$9,890.90 in costs, or a total of \$23,015.40.

The increase in the four-year period was 749 more cases, \$4,864.50 more collected in fines and \$6,011.65 in costs or a total increase of \$10,876.15.

CIVIC CALENDAR

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The cumulative sales for the first five months of this year amounts to \$24,739,630.75 which is 42 per cent of the 1955 quota and repre-

Budget Requirements For Year Total \$329,551.18

Chowan County Commissioners, in special session Monday, spent the entire day delving into and juggling figures in connection with the 1955-56 budget for the county, and late in the afternoon tentatively approved a tax rate of \$1.53 on the \$100 property valuation, the same as last year. This rate, however, does not include a special levy of 10 cents outside the Town of Edenton for rural fire protection, so that taxpayers in Edenton will pay taxes at the rate of \$1.53 and outside Edenton the rate will be \$1.63.

Despite a number of increases in appropriations, the Commissioners shaved here and there, so that they came out of the meeting well pleased that they were able to maintain the same tax rate as last year.

Total requirements for the year's budget amount to \$329,551.18, of which \$162,768.57 is anticipated from sources other than ad valorem taxation. This leaves \$166,782.61 to be raised by taxation on a property valuation of \$11,000,000 which will result from a \$1.53 rate.

The rate is made of as follows:
Bonds \$.20
Capital Outlay17
Charity13
Health11
Schools63
Social Security09
General County Fund20

Though some of the department budgets were considered at previous meetings, much of the time Monday was devoted to the school budget, which requires the lion's share of the tax rate. Total school requirements for the year amount to \$93,417.67, of which \$31,427.87 is for the county unit and \$61,990.00 for the Edenton unit. Of this amount \$24,160.90 is anticipated from other sources, including fines, forfeitures and penalties, dog taxes, intangible taxes and poll taxes, so that the amount to be levied is \$69,256.71, which requires a 63-cent rate.

Requirements for bonds amount to \$38,654.61, of which there is an unexpended and unencumbered balance of \$16,654.61, which leaves a balance of \$22,000.00 to be raised by taxation, or 20 cents of the tax rate.

For capital outlay requirements are estimated at \$18,700.00, which requires 17 cents of the tax rate. For charity requirements are estimated at \$18,828.80, of which \$7,828.80 is for general assistance and \$11,000 for hospitalization. State and federal funds for this purpose amount to \$5,418.00, so that the county must raise \$13,410.80, which requires 13 cents of the tax rate.

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sents a 22 per cent increase over the same months of last year. In Chowan County, sales for May were \$23,243.75 and for the first five months of this year, cumulative sales were \$91,212.50.

Forty-five counties in North Carolina have achieved 50 per cent, or better, of their annual sales quota. Chowan's sales of \$91,212.50 from January 1 to May 31 represents 52 per cent of its \$174,900.00 quota.

Mecklenburg County leads in total dollar volume with over \$2,500,000 sold so far this year, followed by Buncombe with over \$1,500,000, Forsyth with over \$1,383,000, and Guilford with over \$1,207,000.