

## Edenton Boy Scouts in Camp This Week

### Group Left Sunday Afternoon For Dar- den Reservation

Members of Edenton Boy Scout Troop No. 156 were a happy group of boys Sunday afternoon as they left for a week's camping trip to the Darden Scout Reservation near Franklin, Va. The boys gathered at the Scout cabin, where they were assigned to various cars with a truck provided to carry their luggage.

Although a few of the cars got lost on their way to Camp Darden, all the boys arrived in time for supper and soon were set up to spend the night. They will remain in camp this week and return home next Sunday.

A special invitation is extended to parents and friends of the Scouts to visit Camp Darden Friday night when a camp fire will be held.

Spending some time at intervals with the Scouts in camp are Jack Habit, Scoutmaster and Percy Dail and Horace White, Assistant Scoutmasters.

Scouts who are in camp are: Fred Britton, Arthur White, Edgar Halsey, Robert Halsey, Billy Harry, Bobby Hall, Jack Overman, Jimmie White, Donald Welch, Paul Twiddy, Bill Cates, Bill Goodwin, Roland Vaughan, Frank Williams, Bert Harrell, Douglas Ward, Dick Goodwin, Creighton Hughes, Bert Willis, Alex Kehayes, Tommy Kehayes, Joe Campen, Billy Lane, R. E. Keeter, Leroy Spivey, Billy White, Donald Faircloth, Lloyd Hills, Dickie Pate, Billy Dail, Dal Stallings and Cecil Fry.

## Peanut Election Is Scheduled July 23

### Growers Will Vote on 2-cent Assessment Per 100 Pounds

The question of continuing and increasing a promotional assessment on peanuts will be decided by North Carolina peanut growers July 23.

Plans for a referendum on the matter have been announced by C. S. Alexander, of Scotland Neck, president of the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association. The proposal to be submitted, he said, will be for an assessment of two cents per 100 pounds of peanuts produced and sold during the crop years 1956, 1957 and 1958. The assessment in effect since 1953 has been at the rate of one cent a hundred pounds.

Voting by growers on such assessments is authorized by a state law for the promotion of use and sale of agricultural products. The amount of a promotional assessment is limited to one-half of one percent of the value of a crop.

Alexander said the peanut referendum will be held jointly in the peanut-producing counties with the referendum among tobacco growers on continuing an assessment of 10 cents an acre to be used by Tobacco Associates, Inc., to promote the sale of flue-cured tobacco. The polls will be open from 7 A. M. to 7 P. M., at the usual ASC polling places.

Any land owner, sharecropper or tenant producing peanuts will be eligible to vote. A two-thirds majority is required for approval of the proposal.

Alexander said that the peanut referendum in each county will be under the supervision of a director of the Peanut Growers Association the county Farm Bureau president.

## Visiting Speaker At Methodist Church

Guest speaker at the Edenton Methodist Church at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, July 10, will be R. Maxie Hearn. Mr. Hearn is a Methodist layman from Suffolk, Va., well known in his community for his church and Sunday School work.

Mr. Hearn will be presented by W. T. Harry who will preside at next Sunday's service.

## Capt Wm. Whichard Intelligence Officer At Fort Benning, Ga.

### Will Serve Six Weeks Training 1,300 Stu- dent Cadets

Capt. William A. Whichard has arrived at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he will serve as Intelligence Officer for the 1955 General Military Science Reserve Officer Training Corps Summer Camp.

Capt. Whichard, a veteran of six years military service, is regularly assigned as Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics at North Carolina State College.

During his six weeks at the home of the United States Infantry School he will assist in the training of more than 1,300 student-cadets representing 34 senior educational institutions from the seven state Third Army area and Puerto Rico who will undergo extensive military training designed to better fit them for the job of leading a unit in combat.

Colonel Kelley B. Lemmon (DSC), Professor of Military Science and Tactics, a graduate of the U. S. Military Academy is the Deputy Camp Commander. The objective of the summer camp is to supplement the instruction received by the cadet at his institution, much of which is theoretical in nature, by additional applicatory training in order to qualify him for appointment in the Regular Army or Army Reserve.

Capt. Whichard has been awarded the combat infantryman badge, the silver star, the bronze star, the purple heart, presidential unit citation, parachute wings, victory medal, the United Nations medal, and the National Defense medal.

Upon completion of the summer camp on August 4th Capt. Whichard will return to his regular assignment at N. C. State.

## J. E. Richardson Is Returned As Pastor Methodist Church

### The Rev. P. M. Porter Is Pastor of Chowan Charge

At the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church held in Fayetteville last week, the Rev. J. E. Richardson was returned to the Edenton Methodist Church. The Rev. C. Freeman Heath was also re-appointed superintendent of the Elizabeth City District. The Rev. P. M. Porter was assigned to the Chowan Charge.

Friends will be interested to know that the Rev. E. B. Edwards, who preceded the Rev. J. E. Richardson as pastor of the local church, was transferred from a Fayetteville Church to LaGrange in the Goldsboro District.

## Rotarians Install Officers Today

### Gerald James to Succeed Gilliam Wood As President

Edenton's Rotary Club will meet this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. The feature of the meeting will be installation of officers for the new Rotary year, when Gerald James will succeed Gilliam Wood as president of the club.

George Alma Byrum will be the new vice president, and the following earlier in the year were elected directors: Elton Forehand, J. P. Ricks, Jr., William Holmes and Bill Covart.



**DESIGNED FOR POLIO VICTIMS**—Designed for use by nearly paralyzed polio victims who still have control of neck and facial muscles, the motorized chair pictured above is the development of Ed Tilden Atkins, of Chicago, Ill. Instrument panel before the patient's face may be actuated by a stick held in the mouth, protruding rod is nose operated; controls forward-reverse motion of chair. Fashioned of aircraft parts, mechanism is powerful enough to pull portable chest respirator as well as patient, as modeled by Mrs. Barbara Pollard.

## Chowan County

A Brief But Interesting Treatise on Chowan County  
Written By J. L. Wiggins

Recently a distinguished visitor was in our town, and while I was in conversation with him on the Court House Green, he asked me to give him some of the highlights of Chowan County.

To do this my thoughts went back for a period of more than three hundred years—seventy-five years before North Carolina came into being and one hundred and fifty years before our United States was established. So I started out by telling him that unlike New Bern and Wilmington, which were settled by colonists who came directly by sea, Chowan County and the whole of the Albemarle was settled by hunters, tradesmen and woodsmen who drifted down the Chowan River from the colony at Jamestown, Va.

These Colonists were Englishmen who came to the new world and landed at Jamestown. In order to seek freedom from that pest ridden island and also to escape the tyrannical government of Sir William Berkeley and others. They built themselves canoes and rafts and floated with the current down stream to the Chowan River and Albemarle Sound. This happened sometime between the years of 1620 and 1660, and prior to that time the white man had never placed his foot upon the banks of Chowan River.

The river, like the county, was named for the Chowanoke Indians, who had a large village on the bluffs of the river at Bandon, and another village on the present site of Edenton.

These settlers came singly and in pairs, first setting up cabins on the banks of the river, following with trading posts and later with the establishing of plantations.

I told our visitor that Chowan County as it stands today is like a

boot on Albemarle Sound. The heel and toe are divided by Edenton Bay, at the head of which is our town of Edenton, often called the cradle of the colony.

Historically, Chowan County stands at the head of the one hundred counties of the state. We have visitors almost every day coming to see the landmarks and buildings where America began, such as the Cupola House, built by Charles Corbin, Collector of the Post.

The Cupola House was so named from the cupola on top of it used as a lookout and to give warning of the approach of Indians or other enemies from the landward or wooded areas to the North, and also to signal the approach of vessels from abroad coming into Edenton Bay to unload and load on the docks at the waterfront. Other landmarks are St. Paul's Episcopal Church, built of bricks which were brought from England and the old Colonial Court House also built of bricks brought from England.

Overlooking Edenton Bay at the foot of the Court House Green there are mounted three Revolutionary cannons, which were brought from France during the Revolutionary War by Captain Boritz on a ship named The Holy Heart of Jesus. There were originally thirty-three of the cannons to be paid for upon their delivery at the rate of one pound of tobacco for a pound of cannon. But upon Captain Boritz's arrival, there was no tobacco to trade, so Captain Boritz in a fit of anger threw the cannons overboard, took his vessel a short distance up Pembroke Creek and sank it. He and his crew scattered and became residents of the colony.

The James Iredell house, in which

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## Changes Made In Various Clinics At Health Department

### Shortage of Nurses In District Reason For Changes

Dr. B. B. McGuire, District Health Officer, announces that it has been necessary to make changes in clinic schedules in the District Health Department, which he hopes will cause no hardship on the public. The changes are necessary due to shortage of nurses and to enable many people to attend at more convenient hours.

The clinic schedule at the Edenton health office will be as follows: Immunization and Food Hand- lers, 1:00 P. M., to 5:00 P. M., Fridays.

Veneral Disease, 2:30 P. M., to 3:30 P. M., Fridays.

Midwives, 1:00 P. M., to 4:00 P. M., third Monday at Hertford.

Pre-natal and Well Baby, 1:00 P. M., first Wednesday.

Orthopedic, 8:00 A. M., to 12:00 noon last Tuesday each month in Elizabeth City.

Pre-natal, Well Baby and Immunizations, 1:00 P. M., third Tuesday at White Oak School.

Cancer clinic—For information phone 5420 Elizabeth City or write Drawer 651, Elizabeth City, N. C.

From 2 to 3 P. M., Dr. McGuire will be in the following health offices: Edenton, Mondays; Hertford, Tuesdays; Camden, Wednesdays.

Dr. McGuire may be seen in the Elizabeth City offices Monday through Friday around 4:00 P. M.

## Edenton Colonials To Be Bolstered By Three Players

### Parker, Griffin and Raines In Colonial Uniforms

After being shoved out of first place in the Albemarle League race and as of Tuesday being in third place back of Elizabeth City and Hertford, Coach Alton Brooks has high hopes of regaining the league's lead by the acquisition of three new players, all well known to Edenton and Albemarle League fans.

The three players who will be seen in Colonial uniforms are Monk Raines, Gashouse Parker and Claud Griffin, all of whom have made names for themselves in previous Albemarle League competition.

Raines will undoubtedly strengthen the Colonials' pitching staff, while Parker will no doubt take over his old position at first base and Griffin will most likely ramble around in the outfield. All three have been dangerous at bat, with many fans remembering Parker's rough treatment with the ball by walloping it over fences in various parks in the Albemarle League circuit.

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## New Military Construction Bill Includes \$1,421,500 For Use At Edenton Marine Base



**WHERE'S GEORGIA'S PEACHES?**—Prices aren't so peachy at Georgia's peach stands this year. Discovering this is Mrs. J. Howard Crane of Atlanta. And the 25-cent-a-peach price tag isn't all that surprises her. The fruit, usually plentiful in Georgia, is imports from California. The "peach state" has no peaches of its own this year because the late frost killed them this spring.

## Edenton Colonials Drop Back Third Place In League Race

### Only 1½ Games Sepa- rate First Four Teams

During the past week the Edenton Colonials lost their grip on first place in the Albemarle League and as of Tuesday they were in third place, trailing Elizabeth City a full game for first place and half a game behind the Hertford Indians for second place. Colerain is in fourth place, half a game behind Edenton, while NAF is in the fifth spot and Chowan still claims the cellar position, 6½ games behind the league leaders.

Tonight (Thursday) Edenton is scheduled to play in Hertford, Elizabeth City at Chowan and Colerain at NAF.

Friday night Chowan is scheduled to play Edenton, Hertford at Colerain and NAF at Elizabeth City.

Tuesday night, July 12, Elizabeth City is scheduled to play in Edenton, Hertford at NAF and Colerain at Chowan.

Edenton 1, Hertford 2  
On Hicks Field Tuesday night of last week McKay Riddick, Hertford moundsman, held the Edenton Colonials at his mercy by allowing only two hits, enabling the Indians to win over the Colonials by a score of 2 to 1 in one of the best games played thus far this season. Wayne Emminger, on the mound for Edenton, also turned in a splendid performance, allowing only six hits.

The game was a 0-0 scrap until the fourth inning when the Colonials scored their only run. Bunch was safe on a fly back of second and after Jordan and Brooks were out, Bill Elliott hit a triple to center to score Bunch.

The Indians scored their two runs in the fifth. Pieve was safe on an error, who scored on singles by A. Winslow and Morris. Winslow scored on a hit by Hunter. Ted Chappell then beat out a grounder which loaded the bases with one out. Emminger pulled out of this hole by fanning Mathews and Stallings popped out.

Chowan 0, Colerain 3  
In Colerain Tuesday night Chowan again lost by a score of 3-0. Wayne Belch, Colerain moundsman, had things pretty much his own way as he gave up only two hits and fanned 15 Chowan batters. He was given gilt-edge support, so that at no time did he appear in danger.

The only scoring in the well-played game was in the first inning when Colerain scored all of its runs. White singled, stole second and went to third on a single by D. Farless. Tracy Hughes then doubled, scoring White and Farless.

Millions of people, especially  
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## Money Will Be Ear- marked To Build 105 Houses on Base

North Carolina military installations, including the Edenton Marine Corps Auxiliary Landing Field moved a step nearer to a 33 million dollar construction program Friday when the U. S. Senate approved the Military Public Works Authorization Bill, which had previously been adopted by the House.

The amount authorized to be spent at the Edenton base is \$1,421,500.

Other amounts authorized to be spent in North Carolina are:

Fort Bragg Army Base—\$15,659,000.

Seymour-Johnson Air Base at Goldsboro—\$7,429,000.

Pope Air Force Base at Fort Bragg—\$2,548,000.

Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, \$1,762,000.

Marine Corps Air Facility at New River—\$2,762,000.

Marine Corps Base at Camp Lejeune—\$1,059,000.

Naval Air Facility at Weeksville—\$342,000.

The appropriation, according to information, will be earmarked for construction of 105 housing units to be built on the base property in order to relieve the housing situation for families of Marines.

## Stem Rot Disease Attacking Peanuts

### Chemicals Being Tried In Effort to Control Disease

The southern stem rot disease has caused a considerable loss to peanut growers for many years. Scientists have been looking for a chemical that might be applied to the soil or plants that will control the disease, that will be easy to apply, and that will be economical to use.

Dr. J. C. Wells and Dr. W. E. Cooper came to Chowan County on Wednesday of last week and applied a chemical to a portion of a field of peanuts belonging to Ray Byrum. This field was already found to be affected with the stem rot disease. These specialists stated the chemical has given very good results on control of the disease at the Experiment Station and that plants have been inoculated to be sure that they have the disease.

"Peanut growers can do much toward avoiding the stem rot disease by avoiding covering up the plants or portions of the plants with soil during cultivation," says County Agent C. W. Overman. "If portions of the peanut plants are covered with soil it provides an ideal condition for the stem rot to start working."

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## New Concern To Locate In Edenton

### J. D. McCotter, Inc., Plans to Add An- other Plant

J. D. McCotter, Inc., with headquarters in Washington, N. C., announces that in the near future another ready-mix cement and building supplies plant will be opened in Edenton. The concern, besides the Washington plant, also has a plant at Williamston.

The date and location of the new plant in Edenton will be announced very shortly and besides ready-mix cement, it will handle sand, gravel, roofing products, millwork, lumber, hardware, bricks, blocks, paint and septic tanks. It will also rent equipment such as cranes, bulldozers, water graders and draglines.

Until the Edenton plant is opened, customers in this area will be served from the Williamston plant.

## Native Of Chowan Given 10 Years In 2nd Murder Trial

### Marcus R. Nixon Pre- viously Sentenced To Life Imprisonment

Marcus Ray Nixon, 35-year-old native of Edenton and an ex-GI, who previously was sentenced to life imprisonment for killing a Fort Meade soldier almost two years ago, was sentenced to 10 years in prison in a second trial at Annapolis Friday of last week.

Nixon pleaded guilty of manslaughter in the retrial which was ordered by the Court of Appeals. At the first trial he was sentenced to life imprisonment after Nixon's lawyers entered a plea of guilty.

The Court of Appeals upheld the first sentence on grounds that testimony about the condition of a waxer handle found by the body of the victim, Corporal Donald Lassiter of Conway, N. C., should have been heard.

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## VFW AUXILIARY MEETING

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

## CIVIC CALENDAR

Members of Boy Scout Troop No. 156 are spending this week at Camp Darden, Virginia.

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

Chowanoke Council No. 54, Degree of Pochontas, will meet Friday night, July 8, at 8 o'clock in the Red Men hall, when new officers will be installed.

VFW Auxiliary will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the VFW hall.

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