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Edenton, Chowar, County, North Carolina, Thursday, January 12, 1956.

\$2.00 Per Year In North Carolina

Program Explain Ratings Announced For Disaster Relief For Establishments In Edenton Jan. 16

Meeting Will Be Held In Court House at 10 A. M.

Governor Luther Hodges last week announced that hurricane disaster area farmers and small business concerns are eligible for purchase of government surplus prop-

Only those farmers and business firms who actually suffered damage or destruction of equipment used in their operation as a direct result of 1955 hurricanes are eligible to apply. Business firm applicants are restricted to those with less than 500 employees.

Governor Hodges pointed out that the property may not be ac quired for purpose of re-sale. It must be used for rehabilitation and the carrying on of business and farming operation, within the disaster area. Much of the property is new and unused. Cities, cousties and towns are not eligible to ap

Purchase cost is 10% of the

ward F. Griffin is administering! In his letter of resignation Mr. the program. Applications must be | Spires had this to say: made to his office. Representaofficials. Application blanks will be distributed by said representatives to those who wish to purcution of necessary papers.

The procedure to obtain this reing, January 16, at 10 o'clock. It is hoped anyone interested in this this fund \$162.06. relief program will attend this

Huge Amount Of **Business Reported** In Recorder's Court

Court during 1955 report released by Mrs. Lena Leary, deputy clerk of court, whose figures show that during the year 1 414 cases were recorded in her

Welcome Signs

A group of Chowan County 4-H of various establishments in Club members have begun paint- Chowan County Health Distr ing signs of welcome which will be which are inspected periodically by placed at county lines on each of the Health Department were re the four main highways leading into Chowan County.

The signs are expected to be

E. W. Spires Quits **As Chowan Court House Custodian**

Commissioners Name Sheriff J. A. Bunch As Successor

At the meeting of Chowan ized products. These plants are amount paid by the Federal gov- County Commissioners Wednesday Birtcherd, Sealtest and Maola. ernment for the equipment. Price of last week E. W. Spires tenderis f.o.b. the government storage lo- ed his resignation as custodian of the Court House, a position he has State Civil Defense Director Ed- filled for 14 years.

"It is my desire that I be tives from his office will visit each lieved of the office of custodian of disaster county on a schedule cur- the Court House, effective as of rently being cleared with county January 1 or as soon as a successor

"I shall also submit my resignation to the Assembly Room Comsuch time as my successor is named, as there is so much in commo between the two as to render it desirable that one person serve in a meeting to be held in the Chowan both capacities. We have at this time a balance on deposit at the Bank of Edenton to the credti of

> "I have always tried to safeguard and preserve the building during the past 14 years. However, under the present circumstances I feel that someone els should assume the responsibilitie

The Commissioners appointed Sheriff J. A. Bunch as Mr. Spires

SATURDAY AFTERNOON FIRE The call was due to a fire at the

Edenton firemen were called to the home of Winston (Barney) convened. speeders, drivers operating with- Bonner on North Granville Street out a license and drivers whose li- about 5:30 o'clock Saturday aftercense had expired. Half or more noon, where a fire in the kitchen of those arrested were caught by developed due to a leaking flue. use of whammies and electric speed Damage to the house was estimated at about \$350.

Chowan In 40th Place For Average Value Farm Land

tion In Total Number of Farms

According to figures compiled erage value of land and buildings 423 farms reporting from 1 to 9

Average value of land and build-105 per farm; average size of farms, 68.2 acres; average cultivatper acre, \$128.13.

Compared to this average, Chowan's average value of land and ber of small farms, whether it rebuildings per farm was \$8,165; av- fers to total acres or harvested Edmondson being the committee in erage acres per farm, 80.8; average harvested acres per farm, 42.2; average value per acre for all land,

Perhaps the most significant the small farmers of North Carofact brought out by the census is lina and for an equally large numthat North Carolina is a state of ber of more or less under-employsmall farms. With 267,906 farms, ed other rural people is necessary North Carolina ranks second among before North Carolina will rank the states in total number of even moderately well in per capita the first time in recent years that concentrated in any one spot. It E. Bunch. President Gerald James North Carolina has lost farms and is shundant everywhere

State Second In Na-perhaps the second time during our from the abnormal situation in 1935 to more or less normal conditions in 1940.

for the 1954 census of agriculture, reported crop land harvested in Chowan County ranked 40th in av. 1954. Of this total there were 77,harvested acres and 67,558 farms reporting fom 10 to 19 acres. This ings for farms in the state is \$8,- means that 59 per cent of all farmers reporting on harvested acres harvested only from 1 to 19 acres in 1954. Almost one-third of farmand average value of all farm land ers reporting harvested only from 1 to 9 acres of crops in 1954. North Carolina leads all states by a considerable margin in the total numsmall farmers have non-farm jobs or other sources of income. More nearly full time employment for Edmondson at once so that the

2 o'clock Monday afternoon and while the building was a total loss There were 245,703 farms that the firemen were able to prev spreading despite a strong which fanned the blaze.

> Red Men's Oyster **Roast Monday Night** Next Monday night, January 16 Chowan Tribe of Red Men will stage a "Dutch" oyster roast at the Jackson Radio and TV Shop on West Eden Street. The affair will begin at 7 o'clock, with Frank Hughes, Percy Dail and Caswell charge. Any member of the tribe who desires to attend must contact Mr. committee will know how many ov-

ROTARIANS MEET TODAY Edenton's Rotary Club will meet

this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 farms. Incidentally, we have lost income. We really have a labor o'clock in the Parish House. The 20,602 farms since 1950. This is supply in North Carolina. It is not program will be in charge of Lloyd

Jaycee Week

designating the week of January 14-21 as Jaycee Week in Edenton. The Mayor urges all citizens of

In Chowan County

Grades Based on In-

spections Made Dur-

ing Past Year

leased this week. These inspec-

D. G. Brown, sanitarians with Per

quimans, Pasquotank, Camden and

The sanitation rating of estab-

lishments is based on a system of

grading wherein establishments re

eiving a rating of at least 90% or

nore, is awarded Grade "A", estab-

rated Grade "B", and those estab

lishments receiving a rating of at

least 70% and less than 80%, are

awarded Grade "C", no establish-

ment having a rating less than

The three milk plants who furn

trict distribute Grade "A" Pesteur

In addition to establishments in

spected and rated, all schools are

inspected twice during the year

Periodic inspections are made of

Welfare Department boarding

homes. Fish ponds are inspected

Establishments and ratings ar

Restaurants

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Called To Fight

Neighboring Town a

Complete Loss

iremen rushed to Hertford short-

v after 9 o'clock Monday morning

Hertford Grammar School which

developed a short time after school

In the building at the time were

275 children, all of whom march-

dren made the exit without coats

or hats and were subsequently tak-

en to the Perquimans High School.

other school supplies were consum-

ed by the flames as the entire in

terior of the building was destroy-

Firemen from Hertford, Edenton

and Elizabeth City fought the

flames in frigid weather until about

Fire In Hertford

Edenton Firemen

94.6

Colonial Motor Court Cafe

Edenton Restaurant

Triangle Restaurant

Joe's Drive Inn

Hi-Way 17 Drive-Inn

s follows:

70% are Grade "C" shall operate.

Chowan Health District.

tions were made by K. J. Eyer and

the community to give full consideration to the future services of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Many People Enjoy Grand Opening Of Radio Station WCDJ

Owners Are Delighted With Number Who **Visited Station**

Ray A. Childers, Harry Doggett Ward, owners of the Edenton radio

With Mr. Johnston broadcasting owners, together with radio station the holiday season, and plans were

errupted in order to interview vis-

ompliments to the radio owners or the splendid station. During the afternoon light

freshments were served by Mrs.

CIVIC CALENDAR

Property must be listed for 1956 axes during the month of Janu

North Carolina 1956 automobile icense plates on sale at the branch office of the Carolina Motor Club. 02 East Water Street.

Edenton Chapter No. 302, Or Grammar School In der of the Eastern Star, will meet in the Masonic Temple next Monday night, January 16, at 8 o'clock. Chowanoke Council No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas, will meet in Men hall Friday night, January 13, at 8 o'clock.

Chowan and Edenton vocational and home economics teachers planning series of special adult programs during the months of February and March.

Masons will stage a spaghetti dinner at the Masonic Temple toed out to safety, most of whom night (Thursday) at 6:30 prior to were under the impression that it was a regular fire drill. The chil-8 o'clock.

The clothing as well as books and January 17, at 8 o'clock.

in the Parish House. Continued on Page 6-Section 1

Mrs. T. C. Cross, Jr. Edenton Jaycees Perfecting Elected President Organization For All-Out

Of Woman's Club March Of Dimes Campaign Speaker at January Meeting

Members 4-H Corn The election of officers for the Club On January 23 ardin featured the January busi ss meeting of the Edenton Wo an's Club held Wednesday of last

Mrs. Thomas Cross, Jr., active i very phase of club work, wa lected president to head the slate f new officers. Others elected resident; Mrs. R. J. Bovce, recording secretary; Mrs. Cecil Fry, cor- wan County 4-H Corn Club or responding secretary: Mrs. Wesley Monday night, January 23. Th Chesson Jr., treasurer: Mrs. C. B. Lions Club entertains the group ar Mooney, historian. These new of- nually and presents them award ficers will be officially installed at

Among committee reports called for by Mrs. W. J. P. Earnhardt president, were reports on the aid for the most part, the other three given three needy families during personnel, proved to be delightful outlined for the club sponsored nosts as they accompanied the vis- World Peace Speaking Contest iters about the building and ex- The club is assisting in supplying senior hostesses at the USO Club, ary Air Station in the amount of Thursday nights.

Dr. Hardin's talk dealt primarily with the "Dos and Don'ts" in first itors in the building so that quite aid. He stated that the prevenfew neonle expressed their an- tion of accidents among children nost feared diseases. He dea briefly with the more comn needs for first aid among childre uch as nose bleeding, burns, house hold poisons, cuts, bites, fracture

Being Arranged oreign bodies and convulsion Keeping calm in an emergency aid Dr. Hardin; "ean save mar Teachers Plan Meet-

Road In Westover Heights Is Added To Highway System

State Highway and Public Works the taken care of by volunteer baby

The new acquisition is part of : runs from Highway 17 east of Westover Heights into the paved section of road in the housing pro-

Masonic Spaghetti Dinner Tonight flowers and other features

the regular meeting of the lodge at | nimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., has announced that he will serve a The Fidelis NCO Wives Club will spagnetti dinner in the Masonic hold its social in the Staff NCO Temple dining room tonight Club game room Tuesday night, (Thursday). The dinner will be served at 6:30 o'clock so that mem-Young People of the Methodist bers will have ample time to eat Edenton Rotarians will meet this and attend an emergent communi-(Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock cation of the lodge for the purpose of conferring the third de-

Jaycee DSA Honor Will Be Announced At Banquet Jan. 18

Be Principal Speaker For Occasion

Edenton's Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual Disinguished Service Award and Bosses' Night Banquet Wednesday night, January 18, at 7:30 o'clock in the dining room of Hotel Joseph

The feature of the meeting will e presenting the distinguished service award to some young man who has been secretly selected. This honor last year went to James P. Ricks, Jr.

master of ceremonies and to begin Ir

the meeting the invocation will be Levin Culpepper Will the meeting the invocation will be by Warren Twiddy. West Byrum, Jr., will then introduce the guests. has been completed, but additional casion will be Bob Cox, a national Herald. director.

Following the address Levin Culpepper, vice president of the 10th District, will present the DSA Award. Scott Harrell will explain the method of selecting the DSA Award and the meeting will come to a close by recitation of the Jay-Paul Partin; State director, Thom- 8 o'clock. The purpose of the meet- General Assembly for the 1955-57 Fire Department, made a request-Luther Parks, president, will be law and secretary West Byrum, upon a candidate, so that a large House. But he stated that to clear new hose. It was pointed out that

Lions Will Entertain School Money

money will be allocated from State school building funds to county and city administrative units.

According to the announceme Club Receives Marine the Chowan County Administrative Unit is scheduled to receive \$37, 913.62 and the Edenton City Unit

Check For Easter

Seals

night's meeting, reported that the

help at Christmas received blank

heck from the U.S. Naval Auxil

ter Seal Society. This represen

a contribution from Marine person

nel through a United Fund driv

Adult Programs

ings During Febru-

ary and March

sitters from local chapters of t

awarded and refreshments will

Listed below is the tentative

when Sylvia Matthews, VEPCO

onstrator for party refreshments

February 15 at Edenton at 8 P

M., and February 16 at Chowan a

3 P. M., where Mrs. Elizabeti

Flynn will present flower arrange

February 21 at Edenton at 8 P

M., and at Chowan at 3 P. M., when

wick meals will be demonstrated

February 28 at Edenton at 8 P.

ere Lilan Gant of East Carolina

March 7 at Edenton at 3 P. M.

and March 9 at Chowan at 3 P. M.,

The remainder of the schedule

tend and profit by these programs.

Third Degree Tonight

At Masonic Meeting

when home lighting will be demon-

strated by Sylvia Matthews.

M., and at Chowan at 3 P. M.,

by Mary Boan.

held at the air station.

The funds are allocated principally for class rooms, but Edenton's greatest need, is at present, for an auditorium at the Junior-Senior High School as well as a band and music room.

the greatest need is a lunch room at Chowan High School, so that both Superintendents John A. Holmes and W. J. Taylor are not sure what the State Board will ap-

Ruby Felts Again Edenton Teacher

Returns to Teach Following Death of Her Mother

Miss Ruby Felts is again a memer of the Edenton school faculty ifter having resigned as second grade teacher at the opening of the hool term due to illness of her For Two Months irborough, who resigned to be

chools reopened following the Christmas holidays. For many grade, Miss Felts is now a third grade teacher. Many of her friends re delighted that she has returned

Marriage Licenses In Chowan Totals 151

51 marriage licenses were issued dation for Infantile Paralysis den the office of Register of Deeds clared. Maurice L. Bunch, which is about | Polio patients by the hundreds, the average number for a year except during World War II years, been doomed to life imprisonment when many more were issued.

Licenses issued by quarters were: First quarter, 37; second quarter, to new treatment developed at sev-44; third quarter, 31; fourth quar-

Canvassing Scheduled To Begin In Earnest Next Week

Sponsored this year by the Edenon Junior Chamber of Commerce organization for the 1956 March of Dimes campaign is about perfected and an all-out effort will be made to exceed last year's contributions in Chowan County.

Acting chairman is Luther Parks resident of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, who reports that a job has been designated to every Javcee who will be expected to do is utmost to secure contributions.

In the county the drive will be n charge of Mrs. Hattie Byrum In the county administrative unit | C. W. Overman and Robert S Marsh among the white people, while J. B. Small and Mrs. Onnie Charlton will be in charge of colored contributions.

W. J. Taylor will supervise the ampaign in the county schools, while Gerald James will be in harge at the Edenton Junior-Senior High School, Ernest Swain at the Elementary School and D. F Walker in the Edenton colored

Canvassers have been designated o canvass industries, business ouses and a house-to-house solici ation. Some canvassing has already been done, but the campaign is expected to go into full swing ometime next week.

Cannisters have been distributed throughout the county to receive contributions, so that the Jaycee. plan to do everything possible s that any and everybody who will can join in helping Chowan mak a creditable contribution in th ight against infantile paralysis

Mr. Parks points out that in 193 ess than 2,000 polio cases were re ported in the United States. In 1953 more than 88,000 polio patients received financial aid from the March of Dimes. That is why dollar in the nation has been spen on direct financial aid to polio pa

lren in the battle against polio, even though a vaccine eventually may free future generations from the threat of the disease." Dr. Ken-During Year 1955 neth S. Landauer, assistant medi During the year 1955 a total of cal director of the National Foun-

> he said, who might otherwise have in iron lungs already are being restored to fuller, freer lives, thanks en regional respiratory centers Continued on Page 6-Section 1

Barker House Association Request Lease For 99 Years

Lengthy Meeting of Town Council

Faced with a full agenda Town Councilmen put in a full night til about 11:30 o'clock. At the meeting was a delega-

tion from the Barker House Asso-Woman's Club, Business and Pro- voucher will be issued, fessional Women's Club and the Junior Chamber of Commerce. The Barker House Association to confer Laura Satterfield, presented a re- tive to the requirements to secure The principal speaker for the oc- information will appear in The quest for the town to lease the the appropriation, so that no action for a period of 99 years with an night. It is hoped that many will atoption to buy.

Present Jaycee officers are: A. M., has announced that an emer- of Archives and History. Mr. Crit- be done.

to submit a certified conv of a deed Full Agenda Causes to the property as well as a certifred copy of the charter and bylaws of the Penelope Barker Association, and a request for the \$1,-250 appropriation.

As soon as the papers are sub-Tuesday, remaining in session un- mitted, said Mr. Crittenden, the matter will be referred to the Attorney General to pass on. When certified the request will go to ciation representing the Edenton the Budget Bureau, from where a

The Councilmen requested the spokesman for the group, Miss further with Mr. Crittenden rela-Penelope Barker House property on the request was taken Tuesday

Another matter which consumed In February, 1954, the Town a considerable amount of time was leased the property for a period of a proposed program of improvements in way of drainage and curb Miss Satterfield stated that the and gutters. Estimates will be seequest was due to a letter recent- cured on various projects which Ernest P. Kehayes, master of ly received from Christopher Crit- will in large measure determine cee Creed, led by Elton Forehand. Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & tenden, director of the Department just what and how much work will

President, Luther Parks; vice pres- gent communication of the lodge tenden called attention to the ap- W. J. Yates, Skinner White and idents. James P. Ricks, Jr., and will be held tonight (Thursday) at propriation of \$1,250 made by the J. P. Ricks, Jr., representing the as Shepard; treasurer, Ralph Outing is to confer the third degree biennium for the Penelope Barker for the addition of 1,000 feet of the procedure it will be necessary Continued on Page 3-Section 1