

Congress Authorizes Huge Amount In Projects At The Edenton, Harvey Point Bases

\$13,926,000 of Over \$20,000,000 Earmarked For Improving and Expanding Edenton Base Approved By Congress

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner late last week gave out the information that Congress had given authorization for improvements and expansion of the Edenton Naval Auxiliary Air Station costing \$13,926,000, to which \$6,737,000 will be released at a later date.

At the same time Congress approved the expenditure of \$6,737,000 for reactivating the Harvey Point Naval Air Station, which is expected to eventually call for expenditures of \$42,361,000 more.

Congressman Bonner pointed out that at the Edenton base facilities will be improved and expanded to handle 150 more naval aircraft to supplement the regular fleet of anti-submarine aircraft.

Bids have been requested for several improvement projects at the Edenton base and Mr. Bonner stated that the various projects included in the current military expenditures bill will be pushed as rapidly as possible.

With the \$20,000,000 scheduled to be spent in the fiscal year and an additional \$49,000,000 in future years as expenditures are approved by Congress, the bases at Edenton and Harvey Point are expected to affect the economic picture of the entire Albemarle section.

Herald Adds New "Support Church" Feature This Week

Purpose Is to Help in Stimulating Church Attendance

Beginning this week The Herald will each week publish a church feature in conjunction with the Keister Advertising Service of Strausburg, Virginia.

For the second time, the Keister "Support the Church" series has won a national award from the Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

In April, 1954, the "Support the Church" series was honored by receiving the George Washington Medal for "an outstanding achievement in helping to bring about a better understanding of the American Way of Life."

Now again, in 1956, the "Support the Church" series has received the Certificate of Merit from the Freedoms Foundation, and this newspaper is proud to be among the over 950 newspapers throughout the USA, Canada and Alaska which presents this outstanding series to its readers.

The Keister "Support the Church" weekly series was first produced in 1944, and has become

Edenton Club Picks Elizabeth Moore As Year Club Woman

Group Suspends Regular Meetings Until September

Miss Elizabeth Moore was named Club Woman of the Year of the Edenton Woman's Club at its June meeting held June 6th at St. Paul's Parish House. Mrs. Thomas C. Cross, Jr., the new president, presided at the meeting.

The club voted to have the fifth bi-annual Pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton in 1958. The sentiments of the club members were that this had been one of the most important undertakings of the club, and that it would not be wise to discontinue a project so important to the community.

A \$100 scholarship was established by the members to be given to the graduates of the Edenton Junior-Senior High School. The funds for this scholarship will be determined by the Education Com-

CIVIC CALENDAR

County-wide rat campaign is now in progress in Chowan County with poison bait furnished free of charge.

Edenton Boy Scouts now engaged in scrap metal drive to help raise money to go to camp this summer. Chowan County Commissioners will meet in special session Monday morning, June 18, at 10 o'clock to consider the 1956-57 budget.

An emergent communication of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. Cub Scout leaders will meet Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Phillips.

Edenton Boy Scouts will sponsor a show mein supper Wednesday, June 20. Plates will be delivered to homes.

Luncheon meeting of the Officers' Wives Club will be held Wednesday afternoon, June 20, at 1:30 P. M. Chowan Tribe of Red Men will hold its annual banquet Friday night, July 20, at 7 o'clock in the American Legion hut.

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New Slate Officers For Officers' Wives

Mrs. W. S. McCaslin Elected President Of Club

semi-annual election of officers Wednesday of last week at its business meeting in the patio room of the Officers Club. Hostesses were Mrs. F. A. Cruise, Mrs. J. E. Groover and Mrs. Robert Phillips. Upon the completion of the routine business, Mrs. L. K. Davis, president, turned the meeting over to the nominating committee comprised of Mrs. Robert R. Baker and Mrs. A. H. Ackerman to conduct the balloting. Mrs. Richard Jennings of the nominating committee was unable to attend. The governing rules of the election were announced and after requesting further nominations from the floor, the election proper commenced.

The new slate of officers follows: Mrs. W. S. McCaslin succeeds Mrs. L. K. Davis as president, and Mrs. R. T. Whitten replaces Mrs. Jay McDonald as vice president. Mrs. John R. Waterstreet is the recording secretary in place of Mrs. Ralph Engeman. Mrs.

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Explorer Scouts Take Trip In Plane

Group Piloted In R4D Plane By Lieut. Col. R. J. Holm

Explorer Scouts of Edenton Troop No. 156, toured the Edenton Naval Auxiliary Air Station Wednesday of last week with the feature attraction being an orientation flight in a R4D plane piloted by Lieut. Col. R. J. Holm, executive officer of Marine Aircraft Group 14.

A few of the boys became airsick, but all of them enjoyed the flight and were very appreciative for the opportunity to travel in a plane.

In the group were: Scoutmaster Jack Habit, Explorer Advisor Horace White, Dallas Stallings, Arthur White, Bill Harry, Jack Overman, Tommy Kehayes, Billy White, Robert White, Leroy Spivey, Ashby Tarkington, Clyde Cobb, Paul Twiddy, Billy Dail and Donald Welch.

March Dimes Official Guest Of Local Jaycees

Edenton's Junior Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock in the Penelope Barker house.

Winners of the Jaycee-sponsored double elimination horseshoe tournament are scheduled to be supper guests for the presentation of their awards. Champions are Elton Bass and Robert Bass.

Jack E. McGee of Raleigh, Eastern State Representative of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, is scheduled to attend the meeting and will present a March of Dimes certificate to the Jaycees for the outstanding job they did with the 1956 March of Dimes.

Every Jaycee is urged by President Dick Dixon to attend.

BREAKS ARM SECOND TIME

Mrs. Mabel F. White of Washington, D. C., is recuperating from her second broken arm this spring and summer. In late March Mrs. White fell by slipping on a rug in her apartment. After seven weeks of wearing a cast on her left arm, she was able to return to her work in the Navy Department, but four weeks later she had a similar fall in her apartment, breaking her right arm. She is now recuperating as well as can be expected. Her friends regret that she cannot write and let them hear more about her progress.

EXPLORER SCOUTS TAKE TRIP IN AIRPLANE



Above picture shows a group of Explorer Scouts of Edenton Troop No. 156, before taking off on an orientation flight at the Edenton Naval Auxiliary Air Station Wednesday afternoon of last week. The R4D plane was piloted by Lieut. Col. R. J. Holm and but for a few cases of sickness in the air the trip was greatly enjoyed and appreciated by the boys. Pictured are: Back row, left to right, Dallas Stallings, Jack Overman, Tommy Kehayes, Leroy Spivey and Ashby Tarkington. Middle row, left to right, Jack Habit, Scoutmaster; Billy Harry, Billy White, Clyde Cobb, Arthur White, Horace White, Explorer Advisor, and Colonel Holm. Front row, left to right, Robert White, Donald Welch, Paul Twiddy and Billy Dail.

Friction Between Two Town Boards Brought Out In Open At Meeting Of Town Council

Finance Committee Instructed to Meet With Board of Public Works to Consider Mutual Problems

But for one matter, Town Council would have had a comparatively short meeting Tuesday night. The discussion which consumed the greater portion of the meeting had to do with some friction between Town Council and the Board of Public Works relative to the latter Board refusing to submit a budget for its operation for the year 1956-1957.

Some time ago Mayor Ernest Kehayes, in compliance with the State Statutes and the Town Charter, requested the Board of Public Works to submit a budget, along with other departments of the town.

"In accordance with the Charter of the Town of Edenton and the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina, as amended," wrote the Mayor, "it will be necessary for you to prepare and submit to the Town Council of the Town of Edenton a proposed budget for the 1956-57 fiscal year."

In his letter the Mayor pointed out the provisions of Sections 160-410 and 160-410.1 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

However, in a letter to the Mayor he was informed that it is impossible to prepare a budget. A. B. Harless, chairman of the Board of Public Works, had this to say:

"Referring to your letter of May 1, 1956, in which you proposed and suggested that the Board of Public Works prepare and submit a budget covering its operations for the

Rev. R. N. Carroll Returns To Baptist Pulpit On June 17

Pastor Absent For Six Months Due To Ailment of Throat

The June 17 morning worship service at the Baptist Church is one to which the congregation has been looking forward for some six months. According to plans, it will terminate a like period of absence from the pulpit by the pastor, the Rev. R. N. Carroll, because of a series of throat operations and treatments.

A complete electronics system for the proper distribution of the natural speaking voice is scheduled

next fiscal year.

"Please be advised that the Board of Public Works in special session on May 22, to consider the above mentioned letter. This meeting resulted in my being directed to inform you that under the present circumstances the Board of Public Works feels that it will be impossible at this time to adequately budget our operations. We are faced with state requirements and other necessary expenditures that will not only wipe out our surplus but will require additional funds that will make it necessary for this department to call upon you to make appropriations to insure its continued satisfactory operation and expansion.

"We refer you to the five-year plan officially adopted on February 17, 1956, by this department. Copies of this plan were furnished you and are a part of our minutes of that date. This plan indicates that \$697,000 is necessary for its completion. We are now of the opinion after further investigation that this amount is inadequate.

"We solicit your continued interest and cooperation in this matter and look forward to a meeting of the two sub-committees and a satisfactory solution of our mutual problems."

Subsequently, Mayor Kehayes wrote John T. Morrissy, general counsel for the North Carolina League of Municipalities in which Mr. Morrissy had this to say:

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Lieut. D. M. Knopic Entertains Rotary

Shows Group of Interesting Slides of Hong Kong and Japan

Lieut. D. M. Knopic of the Edenton Naval Auxiliary Air Station entertained the Edenton Rotary Club Thursday of last week at its regular weekly meeting in the Parish House.

The Marine pilot told of experiences while stationed in Korea and Japan and showed the group very interesting colored slides of his travels while in Hong Kong and Japan.

Lieutenant Knopic is from Midland, Michigan, and lives in Edenton with his wife. He has been stationed at the Edenton Marine Base since January of this year.

Jimmy Rick was in charge of the program.

Two Edenton Girls In Beauty Contest

and Mrs. Robert Boyce, and Estelle Stallings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. West, were among the 21 contestants who entered the "Miss Albemarle" beauty contest held in Elizabeth City June 6, 7 and 8.

Wednesday night was talent night during which the girls displayed their talents. For her talent Miss Stallings sang "If I Had You," while Miss Boyce did a chalk drawing on dress design.

On Thursday night the girls appeared clad in a bathing suit of their choice. This proved to be quite a successful night.

Friday night was evening dress and final night. Miss Martha Shaw of Windsor was crowned "Miss Albemarle" by Miss Janet Mitchell, last year's queen.

During their stay in Elizabeth City the girls enjoyed many activities which included hamburger fries, banquets and a cruise down the Pasquotank River on Miles Clark's yacht. To climax the contest the girls enjoyed a party honoring them at the Country Club after the crowning of the queen Friday night.

Miss Boyce was sponsored by Byrum Hardware Company and Miss Stallings was sponsored by the Edenton Ice Company.

MASONS MEET TONIGHT
Ernest P. Kehayes, master of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., has called an emergent communication of the lodge for tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. All members are especially urged to attend.

County Wide Rat Campaign Started Bait Provided Free

Red Men Banquet Friday, July 20th Annual Affair Will Be Held In American Legion Hut

Chowan Tribe No. 12, Improved Order of Red Men, at its meeting Monday night decided to hold its annual banquet Friday night, July 20, at 7 o'clock in the American Legion hut. Wives of the Red Men will be special guests for the occasion.

The committee appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the banquet includes: Frank V. White, William E. Barrow, Willis Spruill, Caswell Edmundson, Worth Layton, Frank Hughes, H. H. Stokes, Kenneth Worrell and J. Edwin Buflap.

1,000 Pounds of Poison Distributed Free At Four Points

Sponsored by the Chowan County Commissioners, in cooperation with the State and local Health Departments, a county-wide campaign is now in progress to help get rid of rats.

H. J. Eyer and D. G. Brown, sanitarians of the Health District, have prepared 1,000 pounds of rat poison which is now available free to any person in the county who is anxious to reduce the rat population.

The free rat poison can be secured at four distributing points in the county as follows: T. E. ChapPELL's store at Center Hill; the K. L. Nixon Electrical and Plumbing Company at Valhalla, County Agent C. W. Overman's office at the Edenton Post Office and at the Chowan County Health Department in the Bank of Edenton building.

The sanitarians point out that the mixture is a poison, but that instructions are attached to each package of bait, which should be read carefully and carried out. They also provide instructions for making a bait box which prevents domestic animals from getting to the poison. The bait comes in two and three pound packages and, as before stated, it is free during the campaign against rats.

It is hoped many people in Chowan County will take advantage of the free bait and cooperate in the rat fight, for the more who participate, the more successful will be the campaign.

George Alma Byrum Now Rotary President

Edenton Rotarians will meet this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. The program will be in charge of Maynard Perry.

At last week's meeting George Alma Byrum took over the presidency of the club, having been installed at the previous meeting instead of the first meeting in July. Stepping up of the installation was due to President Gerald James leaving Edenton to attend summer school at the University of North Carolina.

President Byrum urges every Rotarian to attend today's meeting.

New Disease Hits Oak Trees In Area

Water Oaks and Pin Oaks Special Victim Of Disease

A comparatively new disease has struck several oak trees in Edenton and vicinity. This disease is known as oak leaf blister, and it affects the leaves of the oak trees. Species of water oaks and pin oaks seem to be affected more than other varieties. The leaves from infected trees swell and blister giving the tree a very ragged appearance.

Robert S. Marsh, county agent, took samples from an infected tree to the Plant Disease Clinic at State College last week. Dr. Nielson, of the Plant Disease Clinic, diagnosed the disease as oak leaf blister. He stated that although trees which are infected with this disease are not ordinarily killed by it, they may be so weakened after several years that insects and other diseases may destroy the tree. There are no remedies or cures which can be used on infested trees during

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Baptist Vacation Bible School Ends Saturday

Daily Vacation Bible School is in session this week at the Edenton Baptist Church and will close Saturday, June 16. Classes have been arranged for children of all ages, beginning at 9 o'clock each morning and ending at 11:30 o'clock.

Graduation exercises will be held in the church Sunday night, June 17, at 7:30 o'clock, to which the public is cordially invited to attend.

Cub Scout Leaders Will Meet Tuesday

Adult leaders of Edenton Cub Scout Pack No. 159 will meet on Tuesday night, June 19, at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Phillips on East King Street.

It will be the regular monthly planning session. Arrangements will be completed for the June 26 Pack meeting and activities will be outlined for July.

Hit And Run Driver Kills 8 Year Old Boy Saturday Morning

Coatesville, Pa., Negro Jailed On Charge Of Murder

Another highway fatality was chalked up against Chowan County Saturday morning about 10:30 o'clock when an 8-year-old boy was killed by a hit-and-run driver. The victim was Donald Smith, who with his twin brother was walking on the shoulder of the highway near his home about six miles from Edenton on Route 32 north.

The boy was hit by Percy Watford, 56-year-old Negro from Coatesville, Pa., who continued on his way but was later arrested and placed in the Chowan County jail.

According to police, the two boys were on their way fishing when

struck by Watford. West Leary, traveling behind the Pennsylvania car, saw the accident and carried the boy to the Chowan Hospital. Mr. Leary later spotted the car at the Mexican and parked his car so close to it that it could not move while he called police.

The victim is the son of Mrs. Louise F. Estes and J. M. Smith. Besides his parents, he is survived by two brothers, Ronnie, a twin, and D. Wayne Smith; his stepfather, Fred L. Estes; a half sister, Linda Estes and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar D. Fowler of Selma.

Funeral services for the boy were held in Selma Monday afternoon. Watford, charged with hit-and-run, drunken driving and murder, is scheduled to have a hearing in Recorder's Court Tuesday morning of next week, June 19.