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A LIFT FOR TODAY

Heard & Seen
By Buff

I'm not the only one who's getting absent-minded, for John Holmes is about to get in my class, too. The other day John wanted to go down town to buy his 1958 automobile license, but his daughter's car was parked so that he could not get out at his home. To save time, he jumped in his daughter's car, parked on lower Broad Street and then purchased his license. But when he returned to get in his car, he couldn't find his green Buick. He paraded up and down the block and checked every car, but he still didn't see his. He was about to report to the police when he happened to think that he didn't drive his car down town.

I'm happy to be able to say that, according to latest reports, Izzy Campen is making encouraging progress in the North Carolina Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill. Izzy was knocking on death's door, but latest word is to the effect that he is greatly improved and now able to be about in a wheel chair. We will send him The Herald and hope he'll take enough time out from rambling around in the wheel chair to read the news from back home. Here's one of the many who hope he will soon be able to be back home.

It is with regret that we lose a certain subscriber to The Herald. Miss Elizabeth Larrick, a former school teacher in Edenton, dropped me the following note the other day: "Will you please stop The Herald, for now? After having been away from Edenton 24 years, there are so few items that mean anything to me. I will always be interested in Edenton and after I retire from public school teaching next June, hope to get to Edenton for a visit." It doesn't seem like 24 years since Miss Larrick left Edenton to go to Washington, but time passes very swiftly, and if and when she does visit Edenton, she'll see a lot of changes have been made since she left the old town.

Then another brief letter received this week came from Peter Carlton, a former Edentonian, now living at Falls Church, Va. "Pleasant associations with all of you will always fill a large part of my memory book," said Pete.

Town Councilmen lost out Tuesday night by having such a short meeting. Usually Mayor Ernest Kehayes' restaurant is closed by the time the Council meeting is over and the boys are taken there for a free snack. However, Tuesday night the restaurant was still open when the Councilmen knocked off and when that is the case it means cash on the counter for anything to eat or drink. Well, here's one who's in favor of short meetings, if possible—eat or not.

Thanks to Grayson Harding, a 1958 calendar, distributed by the Everett Waddey Company, reached my desk. It's just about the most attractive in this year's calendar collection. Beautifully lithographed pictures of North Carolina scenes adorn the calendar, among which appear Orton Plantation at Wilmington, Duke University Chapel at Durham, Playmakers Theater at Chapel Hill, Chowan County Court House, Philanthropic Hall at Davidson College, an early cotton press in Edgecombe County, Brothers house at Winston-Salem, Governor Tryon's Palace at New Bern, William Morn's log cabin in Polk County, the Cupola House in Edenton, St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Edenton and the world's first aeroplane flight December 17, 1903, by Wilbur and Orville Wright at Kitty Hawk. Again I say, it's a nice calendar and just about the best pictures of the local buildings as I've ever seen. Then, too, Edenton gets the lion's share of publicity with three of the 12 pictures.

Broad Street was rather lively Saturday afternoon when Tom Ridgeway and the Jaycees were collecting for the March of Dimes. They had a clothes line stretched out in front of Mitchener's Pharmacy, on which dollar bills were fastened with clothes pins. Incidentally, the March of Dimes drive is now in full swing and there's nobody who should hesitate to make a contribution in the fight against polio.

Edenton's Aces, their coaches and officials, will be guests of the Rotarians Thursday, January 23, when Jim Taum, head football coach of the North Carolina Tar Heels, is scheduled to be the principal speaker. The affair will be held in the Parish House starting at 6:15 o'clock and an added feature will be a film of one of the University's football games. The program should be of great interest to boys and Rotarians—unless, of course, they are avid State, Wake Forest or Duke fans.



HARD TO SWALLOW—There's something fishy going on in Chicago where angler Les Lear displays his two-headed muskie, the result of a fishing trip to Hayward, Wis. Actually, it's two fish, joined together for mounting. Lear figures it will stop other fish-story tellers cold.

AROUND THE FARMS IN CHOWAN

By C. W. OVERMAN, Chowan County Agent

Tobacco Varieties for 1958
 The big question with a great many tobacco growers is "What variety of tobacco shall I grow this year?" In an attempt to help Chowan County growers answer the question, a circular letter was mailed out on January 10.

Among the Black Shank resistant varieties, the order of my preference would be about as follows: Coker 187, Coker 187-Hicks, Buyers' Choice, Bell 15, McNair 121, Oxford 1-181, Vester 5 (Golden Gem 711), Dixie Bright 102, Dixie Bright 101, Oxford 1 and Vester 30# Seed of Coker 187-Hicks, Bell 15, and McNair 121 are most probably sold out.

Among the varieties not resistant to Black Shank my preference would be about as follows: Hicks Broadleaf, Bottom Special, Virginia 21, Speight 42, Virginia Gold, McNair VG 2, White Gold, Yellow Special A, 402, Golden Cure and Mammoth Gold.

In the official variety test at the tobacco research stations all or most of the above varieties were compared with 402. Varieties higher in yield and value per acre than 402 were Bottom Special, Hicks Broadleaf, Virginia 21, Speights 42, McNair VG 2, Virginia Gold, Buyers' Choice, Vester 5 (Golden Gem 711), Bell 15, Coker 187-Hicks, and McNair 121. Black Shank is pretty well scattered over Chowan County tobacco area. There may be some fields and maybe some farms on which Black Shank has not been a problem and growers may be able to get by this year with a non-resistant variety. But, a grower is taking a chance when he uses a non-resistant variety. Very recently I learned of a grower who claimed he had never had any Black Shank trouble on his farm. Last year he used Hicks Broadleaf and the Black Shank disease did a lot of damage. There appears to be a fairly good stock of seed of Coker 187 and most other Black Shank resistant varieties except the three very new ones. My advice is to get your

seed in hand immediately so that you will have them when you are ready to plant them.

The Seed Peanut Germination Situation
 Monday morning I took the last samples of seed peanuts, which had come into my office, to Lewiston for the quick germination test. While there I had an opportunity to look over the records of the completed tests which have been run at this station.

Out of approximately 100 samples of peanuts the germination averaged practically 84 per cent. A little over one-fourth of the samples germinated 90 per cent or better. Some six or eight samples germinated below 80 per cent, the lowest of which was 54 per cent. I was unable to learn definitely how the germination tests at the other stations are running but the assumption was that it was about like those at the Lewiston Station.

With these samples as indication of what our seed germination may be we assume that our seed peanuts on the average will germinate about 80 to 85 per cent. Some lots will go higher and some lower. I was informed on Tuesday morning that the quick test stations will continue operation through this week. After this week any samples coming in to the county agent's office will be sent to the testing station where the testers will operate about two days per week to take care of them.

Any time from now until planting time seed samples may be sent to the Seed Testing Laboratory, State Department of Agriculture, Raleigh, N. C., for the regular germination test. One pint of shelled peanuts should constitute a sample. It is very important that growers have their seed tested so that they will know how to gauge their planting rate. For example, if a lot of seed germinate 80 per cent then the planting rate of seed should be increased approximately one-fourth. In the event a lot of seed germi-

nate lower than 70 per cent the grower should look for better seed.

Gum Pond Club Holds Meeting

The Gum Pond Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday night, January 8th, with Mrs. Elsie Bunch. The meeting was opened by singing "On Top of Old Smokey." Mrs. Clarence Bass gave the devotional taken from the 6th chapter of Matthew after which the club collect was repeated in unison.

There were 10 members present for this meeting. New Year-books were given to the members present, and the hostesses for the year were named.

Mrs. Everett Wilson, president, reminded the club of the Area Rural Health meeting to be held in Edenton this month and also the H. D. C. County Council meeting to be held the 22nd of January. Plans were made to have a covered dish supper at the meeting in February.

Mrs. Clarence Bass, vice-president, gave a reading on "Parliamentary Cues."

Mrs. Charlie Peele, Family Life Leader, gave a reading on the "Ten Commandments To Get Along With People in '58."

In the absence of the home agent, Mrs. Charlie Peele gave the demonstration on "Gadgets Galore." She told the club that there were many gadgets on the market today and many prove to be very helpful while others are just "clutter." We should consider carefully before we buy if this thing in question will really be useful and helpful or just take up space. Anything we buy and don't use is a waste of money, no matter how small the cost.

VFW MEETING

William H. Coffield Post No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet Tuesday night, January 21, at 8 o'clock. Earl White, commander, urges every member to attend.

If the king loves music, there is little wrong in the land.

Five Leaders In Bridge Marathon

With completion of the ninth round in the bridge marathon sponsored by the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary, Mrs. W. B. Rosevear and Mrs. L. A. Patterson continue in the lead.

Five top teams and their scores at the end of the ninth round follow:

- First: Mrs. W. B. Rosevear and Mrs. L. A. Patterson, 38,330.
- Second: Dr. Richard Hardin and Joe Thorud, 35,780.
- Third: W. T. Harry and Cecil Fry, 31,110.
- Fourth: Mrs. Tom Shepard and Mrs. Wesley Chesson, Jr., 29,090.
- Fifth: Mrs. Richard Goodwin and Earl Goodwin, 28,170.

Both Edenton Teams Humbled By Tarboro

By BILL GOODWIN
 Tarboro's Tigers pounced on the slumping Edenton Aces and

handed them their second straight defeat Friday night by a 41-35 score. The Aceslets put up a bold fight but finally had to bow out 45-43. Tarboro brought a bunch of sharpshooters to town plus big 6-foot, 6-inch Bill Hull. They hit on all grades of shots while the Aces could not find range on much of anything. Tarboro jumped ahead 14-11 at the first quarter mark, 30-18 at the half, and 46-29 at the end of the third period.

Henry Overton grabbed 12 points to lead the Aces. Jack Bunch got 9, Billy Cook Griffin 7, Billy Wilkins 3, and Bobby Ashley and Elton Bass 2 each. Allen Hornthal got 15 points, Charlie Henderson 13, and Bill Hull 14 to lead the Tigers.

The Aceslets came from a 24-23 third quarter deficit but could not overcome the Tarboro lead. Imogene Rogerson bagged 21 points, Linda Spencer 12, Sara Relfe Smith 6, and Ruth Stekeley got 3. Moore had 20 to pace the Tarboro girls.

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