

Easter Seal Society Active In Year 1957

Greater services to crippled children than ever before in its history marked the strides made by the Chowan County Easter Seal Society in 1957, it is announced by Ernest Ward, Jr., president.

Ward said that 18 crippled children and 1 handicapped adult received direct services in Edenton by the Chowan County Easter Seal Society. With the funds that remain in Chowan County, the Society assists crippled children and adults in every way possible so they can make their adjustment to life with their physical limitations and handicaps.

As the 1958 Easter Seal campaign gets underway, Ward pointed out, "Our job is far from finished, and our goal is far from achieved. The Chowan County Easter Seal Society looks ahead in 1958 with the determination to help crippled people in increasingly greater numbers with the funds that will be raised during this year's appeal."

Ward said that the Chowan County Easter Seal Society is one of 1,655 Easter Seal affiliates of the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, having chapters in all 48 states, District of Columbia, and three territories. During 1957, Easter Seal funds helped finance 1,400 centers and programs offering direct services in rehabilitation to 132,392 children and 26,114 adults.

\$68,900 Allocated In Chowan For Roads

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atively small since practically all such funds were committed prior to July 1, 1957. Allocations of these funds at this time has not delayed secondary road improvement work since construction crews normally work several months behind the allocation of funds.

Availabilities for the 1958-59 fiscal year total \$16,000,000. \$8,000,000 is available from Federal aid Secondary funds granted to the State on a 50-50 matching basis by the Federal Government, \$6,000,000 from General Betterments, and the \$2,000,000 Special Betterment Fund for secondary roads approved by the 1957 General Assembly.

The county-by-county allocations were revealed in a 40-page document sent to each member of the State's 100 County Boards of Commissioners. This document included explanations of the allocations, methods of preparing county secondary road plans and procedures for the adoption of such plans each fiscal year.

The manual also contains a synopsis of the Legislative Act of the 1957 General Assembly which adopted secondary road procedures for the Highway Commission and excerpts from the Statutes governing such highway work.

Enclosed in each manual for the information of County Commissioners is a copy of the Secondary Road Policy adopted by the State Highway Commission, a breakdown of the allocations for each county and a summary of allocation factors for the Secondary Road Plan.

The \$16,000,000 availability for 1958-59 was allocated to each county in two ways. One-half of the available funds or \$8,000,000 was distributed on the basis of the relative need of each county for the paving of its rural secondary roads which serve 50 vehicles or more per day. A com-

Marriage Announced



MR. and MRS. J. E. ASHLEY announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Carolyn Ashley, to Robert L. Bunch, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Bunch of Edenton. The wedding took place Saturday, March 15.

prehensive State-wide survey of such facilities revealed that a total sum of \$123,956,000 would be required to pave the 9,330 miles of such secondary roads rated for paving. \$8,000,000 represents 6.45 per cent of the total amount needed over the State for such paving. Allocation of this \$8,000,000 for each county represents 6.54 per cent of the total sum which would be required to pave the rated rural secondary roads of that county.

The remaining \$8,000,000 was allocated to each county on the basis of the number of miles of unpaved rural secondary roads in the State which did not carry 50 vehicles per day and were not rated for paving. 24,137 miles of these unpaved roads were listed in the secondary road survey. Each county received approximately \$331 for each mile of its unpaved rural secondary roads.

Highway Director W. F. Babcock said in his letter to County Boards of Commissioners that county officials would be given the opportunity of completely reviewing the secondary road plans for their county prior to the adoption of the county plan on July 1. County Boards may make written recommendations concerning any changes they feel might be desirable in the county plan submitted by Division Engineers of the Highway Commission.

Babcock stressed the value of such recommendations on the part of locally elected officials who are in close contact with the

Panel Feature At Meeting Of PTA

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presided over the meeting which was opened with a devotional by Chaplain Matthew A. Curry. The salute to the flag was under the direction of three Edenton Girl Scouts, after which Mrs. John Ross presented a brief history of the national PTA association as well as the Edenton organization.

Next on the program was the Rev. George B. Holmes who submitted a very interesting church school report. Mr. Holmes presented statistics showing that one out of nine school children in Edenton are not attending any church school, which is above the national average. He said that of 999 questionnaires sent out, it was shown that 822 are affiliated with some church school, 104 are affiliated, but do not attend regularly and eight were not affiliated with any church. Sixty-five of the questionnaires were not returned.

Mr. Conger then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Whitten, who was in charge of the panel discussion.

Among the questions presented were: What amount of fire insurance is carried on the Elementary School building and is it above the minimum? The answer to this question was \$345,000.

Will you permit school trustee meetings to be open to the public? This answer was in the affirmative and that anyone is welcome to attend.

What is the latest information about the fire condition at the Elementary School? It was stated that the state fire marshal and a member of the State School Planning Board had recently made an inspection and stated that the school does not meet present standards, but did when the school was built. The report also stated that the building is not in such condition as to warrant condemnation proceedings.

A number of improvements were recommended such as removing the first row of seats in the auditorium allowing more room to the doors leading to the outside, covering the ceiling with fire resistant material, replacing wooden steps with steel or concrete when repairing is necessary and that inaccessible areas be protected with a fire detector system.

Mr. Holmes pointed out that most of these recommendations have been made or are being planned. He did point out that no oil has been used on floors since 1936.

How much money is budgeted for schools in Edenton? It was stated that the state appropriation is \$253,903.33 and locally \$94,535.46.

Are fire drills being held in the school to meet State requirements? The answer was yes, and that inspections are required and made twice monthly.

Why do you not have a qualified lunch room supervisor? The answer was that lunch rooms are now under capable supervision.

How are school trustees elect-

ed? The answer: Elected at a joint meeting of the school trustees and Town Council.

How does it happen that most members do not have children in school? It was stated that all members of the board have had children in school at one time or another. The trite remark was also made that most of the teachers have no children in school and further that the trustees are too old.

What is the bonded indebtedness of Chowan County? The answer was \$425,000.

Why is so little equipment furnished at the Elementary School? The reason was because of limited space and that children prefer the room for other sorts of games. The school was placed at the wrong place to begin with.

Why was Miss Mayo not given permission to teach French to fifth grade pupils? Principal Ernest Swain stated he would have an answer to this question at the next meeting.

How much money does Edenton receive due to enrollment of children of military personnel? In five years the following amounts: \$2,550.30, \$2,805.02, \$5,005.00, \$13,162.00, \$13,005.00, or a total of \$36,527.32. This money was used to employ two teachers to reduce the teacher load, purchase two driver education cars and the remainder went into the general budget.

What sort of program is planned for gifted children? The State School Board has not yet worked out a program.

A number of other questions were asked and all in all the program was very enlightening and no doubt answered some questions which lately have been more or less criticism of the school trustees.

President Conger announced that, as usual, the kindergarten won the attendance prize, but that Mrs. Lloyd Bunch's fifth grade was second.

Kleenex Sale Will Be Held Tonight

The Kleenex sale sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club, which was scheduled to be held Tuesday of this week, was postponed. The postponement was agreed upon due primarily to weather conditions.

The Kleenex sale has been scheduled for tonight (Thursday) when Woman's Club members will make a house-to-house canvass between 6 and 8 o'clock. Mrs. Ed Bond is chairman of the sale, and urges Edenton people to cooperate by buying a supply of Kleenex.

Plans Complete For Fat Stock Show

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Persons who wish to buy a whole steer or part of one should contact the county agent's office. E. S. White, agriculture teacher at Chowan High School or any of the following listed Jaycees: Wesley Chesson, Jr., Warren Twiddy, Joe Conger, Jr., Thomas Byrum or Scott Harrell.

This will be the largest steer show in Chowan's history, with 16 animals being entered. Club members who will enter steers are Dick Lowe, Kay Lowe, Carlton, Ronald and Jack Perry, Leon and Lewis Evans, Johnny and Bobby Winborne, Joe Hollowell, Woodrow Slades, Jr., Jimmy Hollowell, H. Ivey Ward, Richard White, Tommy Harrell



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and Bryant White. James Patterson, beef cattle specialist of State College, visited each of the steers on Friday, March 14. He stated that nine of them graded "choice" with one being "prime" and the other six being "good." Of course, it is possible for the grades to change before the show but the final grades will not vary much from Mr. Patterson's opinion.

A total of thirty hogs are expected to be entered in the show and sale. Hog entries are open to adults as well as the 4-H and FFA Club members.

The following progressive firms will sponsor a steer in the show and sale this year: Colonial Freezer Locker, John Mitcheiner, Belk-Tyler's, P & Q Super Market, Leggett & Davis, Edenton Tractor Company, Berkeley Feed Company, Peoples Bank & Trust Company, Bank of Hobbsville, Edenton Construction Company, Quinn Furniture Company, Hobbs Implement Company, Byrum Implement & Tractor Company, Murray Baker, Colonial Motor Court and Ralph Parrish.

A free supper for the sponsors, buyers, club contestants and Jaycee committee will be held at

the Oak Grove Community Building on Tuesday night, March 25, at 7:30 o'clock.

BPW Club Meeting In Library Tonight

The Edenton Business and Professional Women's Club will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library. After a short business session, the group will hear Ovid Williams Pierce, author of "The Plantation," speak. This will be in observance of National Library Week. All members are urged to attend this meeting.

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