

**Eastern Firemen Meet In Edenton**

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by Commissioners, Representative Albert Byrum, members of the Police Department, highway patrolmen and members of the Chowan County Fire Commission, which include Joe Webb, Jr., J. G. Perry and D. H. Berryman.

Mr. Yates was very complimentary of the town and county officials and said the Edenton firemen were proud to have such a splendid official family and were very appreciative for the cooperation and support they have received.

Mr. Yates then presented Town Clerk E. J. Ward, Jr., who in turn introduced Mayor Ernest Kehayes, who delivered a warm address of welcome. Mr. Kehayes complimented all of the firemen present for the service they are rendering their community and expressed the belief that these services are very much appreciated.

At this point Town Councilmen were excused to attend their monthly meeting, but before they left Miller Warren, Plymouth fire chief, paid tribute to the Edenton firemen. He referred to firemen schools attended by local firemen, saying the firemen are now doing a better job than ever before and that he knows of no other fire department which has taken more interest in their department than Edenton.

C. Wesley Howell, president of the association, presided over the business meeting, during which the firemen's pension fund was considered, as well as films to be used by various departments for firemen training.

It was pointed out that the firemen, through the Legislature, asked the people to give them a pension law. The law was passed containing a requirement that the fire insurance companies pay one cent of each premium dollar collected in protected areas to the pension fund and further, the law provides the money by raising the rates to cover the amount to be paid. By this method, the policyholders would pay part of the fund and the firemen would pay the balance. The vast majority of the policyholders paying fire insurance premiums since August, 1957, have paid the additional one per cent willingly when they understood its purpose. Except for this one requirement, the existence of the firemen's pension fund law has had no direct effect on the insurance companies other than lowering their loss payments and raising their profit by assuring a more efficient fire service spread over a greater area of the state than ever before.

It is recognized that the collection of the one per cent is not without some administrative cost to the companies. At the same time, it must be recognized that the benefits derived by the companies far outweigh this objection for the following reasons:

The establishment of a new fire department does not automatically mean a decrease in fire insurance rates. Almost 200 new departments have been organized in North Carolina in the last five years. A survey of the state shows that almost six million dollars have been contributed out of their pockets by private citizens for the purchase of fire trucks to provide protection when none existed before. A tremendous reduction in fire loss has resulted.

Approximately 14,000 firemen give 24 hours service to the people of North Carolina. About 12,000 of these are volunteers who ask no pay for their contribution of time, personal means or lives. Replacement of this free service would cost the people 60 million dollars or more each year. This sum does not include fringe benefits, training, replacement or capital outlay for buildings.

The present fire insurance rate structure is directly dependent upon the amount and quality of fire service being rendered. If this service should be reduced in extent or efficiency, the resultant increase in insurance rates would make its cost prohibitive. In other words, the existence of our fire service makes it possible for almost three hundred foreign and a few domestic insurance companies to do business in North Carolina.

The opinion prevailed at the meeting that the firemen have ample justification for their request for a pension plan.

Speakers of the evening included Donald L. Charles, Charlotte fire chief, president of the International Association of Fire Chiefs; Curtis H. Flanagan of Farmville, secretary of the State Firemen's Association, and Miller Warren of Plymouth, president of the State Firemen's Association.



**ATTENTION-GETTER**—This elaborate shoe, fashionable in 1680, gets a lot of attention in Offenbach, Germany. Part of the collection in the town's show museum, it's made of several slices of leather glued together and nailed to the shoe. Well, of course, they're looking at the shoe!

**47,705 Accidents, 19,602 Hurt And 1,063 Killed On Highways Of North Carolina During 1957**

The State Motor Vehicles Department has published a final traffic report covering highway accidents, injuries and fatalities for 1957.

Reported mishaps totaled 47,705, injuries 19,602 and deaths 1,063, the annual summary revealed.

Acknowledging that it was a "fair" year accident-wise, with a four per cent decrease in deaths and a two per cent decrease in injuries, Motor Vehicles Commissioner Edward Scheidt pleaded for renewed emphasis on highway safety as the spring and vacation driving season opens.

The summary also listed 238 pedestrian deaths or about a quarter of the year's traffic toll. A majority of the walkers met death from crossing streets between intersections, the report indicated.

All told, the summary said there were close to 80,000 drivers involved in accidents during the year with a majority of them having 10 or more years driving experience. Most of the mishaps occurred in rural areas.

The annual report showed week-ends the most hazardous time to be abroad on the roads. There were 10,538 mishaps up on Saturdays with Sundays following in close second place. Wednesdays had the fewest number of accidents.

Guilford highways were the bloodiest during 1957 the summary showed, with 45 fatalities. Cumberland was a close second with 44 and Mecklenburg came in third with 36 deaths.

Five counties reported no traffic deaths during the year. They were Avery, Clay, Chowan, Graham and Hyde.

The death toll by cities was

headed by Charlotte with 20 fatalities during the year. In second place was Winston-Salem with 12 and in third Greensboro with 11 deaths.

Other highlights: Speeding was the principal violation leading to accidents. Collision with other vehicles was the main type of accident.

A driver violation was noted in 68 per cent of all the fatal mishaps.

Most of the accidents occurred on straight, level, dry roads during daylight hours. Based on the report, officials announced the state's mileage-death-rate as 6.2. The formula, established by the National Safety Council, takes in the number of highway deaths per one hundred million motor vehicle miles traveled.

The national average is about 6.

**Campbell Infant Dies In Hospital**

David Loren Campbell, four-day-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth A. Campbell, died in Norfolk General Hospital Sunday. Besides his parents, the boy is survived by a brother, Kenneth A. Campbell, Jr. Graveside services were held in Beaver Hill Cemetery Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. B. L. Rames, pastor of the Rocky Hook Baptist Church, officiated.

**ACREAGE UNCHANGED**

North Carolina farmers report intentions to plant 187,000 acres of peanuts grown alone for all purposes in 1958. Such an acreage would equal that of 1957 but would be 19 per cent under the 1947-56 average of 232,000 acres.

**Cook Chicken In Electric Range**

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That poor bird "the chicken" is in constant demand by Americans because it is one of their favorite foods. We usually think of this "favorite bird" as being fried, but with electric cooking, chicken cannot only be fried but also broiled, baked, or prepared in the deep well cooker. The following are chicken recipes fit for a king after being prepared on an electric range.

A delicious buffet dish is chicken curry, and it is so easy to prepare in the deep well cooker.

- Chicken Curry (serves 25)**
- 4 cups cooked chicken
  - 4 cups chicken broth
  - 6 cups milk
  - 1 1/2 cups coconut milk
  - 2 Tbs. Curry Powder
  - 1 tart apple chopped
  - 1 large onion chopped
  - 1 bay leaf
  - 1 Tsp. salt

Combine all ingredients, turn to high until boiling then to simmer for 40 minutes to develop the flavor. Serve with rice. Suggestions for side-dishes are as follows: Sweet relish, chutney, grated cheese, and chopped onion, coconut, peanuts, celery, egg, and crisp bacon.

Oven meals are becoming more popular especially with the help of the automatic clock. An example of a tasty meal would be crisp baked chicken, buttered rice, mixed vegetables, and a cherry pie. All these foods can be put in the oven for 1 hour at 350 deg.

**Crisp Baked Chicken (serves 4)**

- 1 frying chicken cut into pieces
- 1 cup crushed corn flakes
- 1 cup crushed potato chips
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/4 Tsp. garlic salt
- Melt butter with garlic salt. Dip chicken in butter then into combined corn flakes and potato chips. Grease baking dish. Bake uncovered 1 hour at 350 deg.
- Nothing is better than broiled chicken and it can be even more delicious when served with shrimp sauce.

**Broiled Chicken with Shrimp Sauce (serves 4)**

- 4 chicken breasts
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 tsp. paprika
- 1 cup cream
- 3 egg yolks (slightly beaten)
- 1 cup cleaned shrimp (fried in butter)

Brush the chicken with butter, broil with skin side down for 15 minutes. Broil 10 minutes skin side up.

Melt butter, add paprika and simmer for 2 minutes. Add cream stirring constantly until boiling. Stir some of the cream mixture into beaten egg yolks. Return to cream and blend. Remove from heat, add shrimp which have been fried in butter. Serve over broiled chicken breasts.

**RED MEN MEETING**

Chowan Tribe of Red Men will meet Monday night, April 14, at 7:30 o'clock. Hurley Ward, sachem, urges a large attendance.



**THE FORM'S THE THING**—If you wish to know the correct way to club a man, study this picture. Note the policeman's excellent form as his subject sags in Bogota, Columbia. Occasion for the demonstration of skill was a riot started when supporters of one presidential candidate started slugging it out with an opposition group.

**20 Years Ago**

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chairman of the Chowan County Board of Elections, succeeding R. P. Badham.

Edenton Lions selected Caleb Goodwin as manager of their softball team.

An Easter dance was held at the armory for the benefit of Edenton's Boy Scouts.

Miss Elizabeth Elliott was selected as maid of honor at Meredith College May Day pageant. Mayor J. H. McMullan, J. H. Conger and E. W. Spires conferred with representative citizens in Washington County relative to an Albemarle Sound bridge celebration.

Dr. F. H. Garriss, county health officer, emphasized the importance of vaccination against smallpox.

A large crowd gathered at the Court House to witness a newly designated Superior court judge, C. E. Thompson of Elizabeth City, preside.

Chowan County received its first check in the amount of \$1,000 from profits from the ABC store.

Work was started on a new roof on the Cupola House.

Miss Evelyn Brown was chosen as one of the princesses at Fairfax Hall, Waynesboro, Va., for the annual Apple Blossom Festival.

Mrs. B. Warner Evans announced her organization for a cancer drive in Chowan County.

**CHICKEN SALAD SUPPER**

Sponsored by the Women's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Methodist Church, a chicken salad supper will be held Thursday, April 17. The plates, costing \$1.00, will be delivered anywhere in Edenton on the day of the supper. Anyone desiring to buy a plate is requested to contact Mrs. Jeanne O'Neal, phone 3240, or Mrs. Gerald James, phone 2440.

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