

Fire Marshal's Report On School

Some interest has been expressed relative to recent inspection made of the Edenton Elementary School building. Due to this interest The Herald this week publishes the full report made by Kern E. Church, engineer and deputy State Fire Marshal. Mr. Church's report in full follows:

1. The building is of ordinary construction, i.e., exterior walls of masonry and interior of wood joist construction and is two stories in height with basement. There is an auditorium at the rear of the two story classroom wing;

2. There is a masonry enclosed wooden stairway at each end of the building extending from the top floor to the ground with an open air vestibule at the entrance to each stairway at the basement level and first floor level. The stairways are constructed of wood and the arrangement and construction of the open air entrance vestibules at each floor do not meet present day Building Code standards for fire towers. However, these stairways probably met the standards at the time this building was built;

3. There are nine classrooms on the second floor of this building and the exit width of the present stairways was probably sufficient when the occupancy of the classrooms was twenty-five or less, but with presently overloaded classrooms the exit width for these stairways on the second floor does not meet present day standards.

In my opinion, the Edenton Elementary School Building is not in such dangerous condition as to warrant condemnation procedure under the provisions of Section 160-151 and 160-152 of the General Statutes of North Carolina. However, in my opinion, the following changes and additions must be made to provide a minimum of safety to occupants of this building:

1. Remove the row of seats at the rear of the center section of seats in the auditorium area. The doors leading to the outside at the stage end of the auditorium must be put in operating condition with aisles leading thereto kept free of all encumbrances at all times. We would recommend that panic hardware be installed on all exit doors leading from the auditorium area. The top floor should be restricted to not more than 280 occupants. In my opinion, the present arrangement with the larger children on the upper floors provides more safety in this building;

2. The exit doors from the cafeteria must be hung so as to open out;

3. The electrical wiring in the building should be checked by a local Electrical Inspector and brought up to the minimum standards of the National Electrical Code to the satisfaction of the local Electrical Inspector.

In addition to the above items, this Department would recommend that the following changes and additions be made to this building and similar buildings located throughout North Carolina the next time such items are re-

placed:

1. The ceiling of all three floors should be covered with materials having a fire resistance rating of not less than one hour. This could be accomplished by the use of 5/8" gypsum board or 1/2" vermiculite or perlite plaster, or the equivalent. The acoustical tile does not give any fire resistance rating;

2. The wooden steps should be replaced with steel or concrete steps and the stairways brought up to the minimum requirements of Section 605 of the North Carolina Building Code when such stairways are replaced instead of replacing them with wood.

3. All inaccessible areas such as attics, boiler rooms, kitchen-cafeteria, storage areas, etc., should be protected with automatic fire detection systems bearing the approval of the Underwriters Laboratories.

Over 150 Attend Annual Banquet

Continued from Page 1—Section 1 children from getting into other activities not altogether wholesome." He said music is good for the soul but that there's a lot of "junk" broadcast over radio and television. "Music is the finest of the arts," he said, "and through music we meet and hear people who will broaden the horizon. Music is one of the finer things of life."

Dr. Cuthbert dwelt at some length on the music camp held annually at Greenville, pointing out its rapid growth and the wholesome advantages it provides for young people. He brought his position of the program to a close by demonstrations on playing the trumpet.

At the conclusion of Dr. Cuthbert's remarks Miss Lena Leary presented a gift to Miss Williams, expressing the deep appreciation and affection of the Band Parents Association for her efforts and regret that she will leave Edenton. Percy McIver also presented Miss Williams with a suitcase filled with women's accessories as a small token of appreciation of the senior members of the band.

The meeting closed with the various awards to band members which were as follows:

Prizes were awarded 11 seniors, including Percy McIver, Eddie George, Deanna Hollowell, Elizabeth Bunch, Sandra Boyce, Bertha Ellis, Patricia Bunch, Linda Leary, Rosa Hollowell, Anne Spruill and Ruth Stokley.

Three year letters went to Jimmy Ashley, Billy Cates, Ashby Tarkington and Judy Elliott.

Two year letters were given to Vern Goodwin, D'ckie Hobowsky, Charles Irwin, Carol J. Miller, Johnny Howell, Lloyd Mills, Jack Sawyer, Bud Skiles, Buck Wheeler, Jimmy Baker, Bert Willis, Ellen Basnight, Rebecca Boswell, Priscilla Bunch, G'oria Crumme, Nettie Lassiter, Arlyn Stratton, Frances Swain, Karen Hollowell, Cynthia Spencer, Carolyn Stallings, Billy Dail, Brenda Mooney and Lorean Wright.

First year letters were awarded



SHE SINGS; HE WRITES—Veteran trouper Judy Garland gives it her all as she winds up a song in Minneapolis during Statehood Day ceremonies at the University of Minnesota. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, far right, appears to be missing Judy's song as he concentrates on notes for his speech.

to Jack Ashley, Chuck Boggs, Jim Pat Mooney, Lytle Hicks, John Dail, R. B. Keeter, John Marshall, Bunch, Douglas Sexton, Carroll Bobby Powell, Joan Goodwin, Dorothy Sheppard, Peggy Williams, Mary A. Overton, Diane Goodwin, Anita Sexton, Margaret Weaver, Carol Phipps, Linda Wheeler, Inez Yarborough and Jan Scallion.

It was announced that nine sixth graders will be eligible to enter the Junior-Senior High School Band next year. These are Billy Twiddy, Ronnie Sawyer,

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Wright will be assistant chief. Ponies are Lorean Wright and Priscilla Bunch.

New majorettes will be Mary Ann Overton, Barbara Layton, Carolyn Twiddy, Karen Hollowell, Judy Elliott, Diane Goodwin and Priscilla Bunch.

It was announced that three band members, Lorean Wright, Jack Sawyer and Bud Skiles had been awarded scholarships for the ECC Band Camp.

Following the meeting a number of the younger people enjoyed dancing.

20 YEARS AGO

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Seven Irish potato growers in Chowan County voted for potato control.

R. C. Holland, president of the Chowan County Farm Bureau, called a meeting of all farmers in the Court House, at which a report was to be made on the possibilities of a 1938 peanut program.

Eleven students in Mrs. George Mack's tenth grade made a yearly average of 90 or above.

John A. Holmes reported that 154 children were present every school day, the largest number to have a perfect attendance record in the history of the school.

Funeral services were held for L. Jake Wool who died at his home at Nags Head as the result of a heart attack.

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53 JAILED IN APRIL

Jailer Bertram Byrum reports that 53 persons were placed in the Chowan County jail during April. Confinements ranged from one to 15 days with the expense amounting to \$282.59. This includes jail and turnkey fees, soap, powder and telephone bill.

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