

## Commissioners Of Chowan Maintain Same Tax Rate Of \$1.00 For Fiscal Year 58-59

### Income For Fire Protection Outside Town Of Edenton Reduced Due to Annexation

Meeting in a brief session Monday morning, Chowan County Commissioners reviewed and then approved the Chowan County budget for the fiscal year 1958-59.

Some juggling of figures was necessary, but the Commissioners, together with the County Accountant, Mrs. Evelyn B. Williams, completed the budget which calls for a \$1.00 per \$100 property valuation tax rate for the new year, the same as last year.

The rate is broken down as follows: Bonds, 19 cents; charity, which includes general assistance and hospitalization, 7 cents; health, 7 cents; schools, 5 cents; social security, 9 cents and general county fund, 13 cents.

The special tax for fire protection outside the Town of Edenton will be 3 cents, the same as last year. However, there will not be as much money forthcoming from this tax this year in that the valuation of property in the area has been reduced by some \$327,365. This was caused by the annexation to Edenton of Westover Heights and Albania Acres.

The total budget for the county calls for an expenditure of \$189,946.79. Of this amount \$35,210.18 is required for payment of bonds. For charity, which includes general assistance and hospitalization, the anticipated needs amount to \$20,680 with \$7,244.15 anticipated from state and federal funds, so that the requirement will be \$87,157.06.

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## New Highway To Harvey Point Base Is Now Proposed

### Division Engineer In Edenton To Consider Section's Needs

With pressure being brought to bear for adequate roads going to Harvey Point, W. N. Spruill, division engineer for the State Highway Commission met with a small group of Edenton people Monday afternoon to consider the needs.

Meeting with Mr. Spruill in the Municipal Building were Mayor Ernest Kehayes, Richard Dixon, Jr., Gilliam Wood, J. H. Conger, Lieut. Comdr. Donald Dalton, Ernest J. Ward, Jr., and J. Edwin Butflap.

Better access to Harvey Point had been considered by the local group prior to Mr. Spruill's visit which proposed a new primary road from Light Nixon Fork on U. S. 17 almost direct to Harvey Point.

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Eiler, not familiar with a motor, went to the rear of the boat and circled back to where he thought Rogerson fell overboard, but all he could find was Rogerson's hat floating in the water. After a brief search he decided to come to shore for help, and within a short time some 20 boats were

### President of N. C. Legion Auxiliary



MRS. J. L. CHESTNUTT  
Over the week-end members of the American Legion Auxiliary elected Mrs. J. L. Chestnutt of Edenton as president of the state organization. The election took place at the annual convention held at Asheville.

### Library Story Hour Today

A story hour will be held at the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library this (Thursday) afternoon from 3:45 to 4:45 o'clock for children of all ages. It is hoped that many will attend.

### Scouts Sponsoring Chow Mein Supper

Explorer Scout Post 156 of Edenton, in order to send two boys to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico, will have a chicken chow mein supper on Wednesday, June 25.

The suppers will be delivered to the homes from 4 to 7 P. M. Tickets are now on sale for \$1.00 each. They can be purchased from the two boys that are going, most Explorer Scouts, or at Habitat's Grocery. A house to house campaign is scheduled until next Saturday. All orders must be made by next Monday.

The two boys who are scheduled to go are Alex Kehayes and Bill Goodwin. If they make it, it will be the first time any Edenton boys have gone to Philmont.

The trip to Philmont and back will take place from July 18 to August 7. The Explorers from the Albemarle District will make up their own troop and travel together. Your support of this trip will be greatly appreciated.

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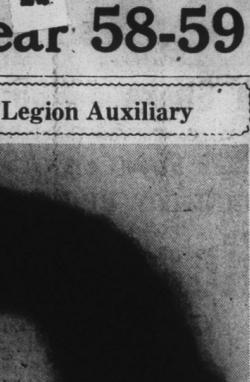
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## EDENTON GROUP MEETS DIGNITARIES



Flanked by Admiral Al Fay and Rear Admiral F. Massie Hughes, Congressman Herbert Bonner and a group of other dignitaries from Washington, Baltimore and Norfolk, are greeted by a group of Edentonians who met the three planes carrying the visitors at Edenton Naval Auxiliary Air Station Thursday morning prior to the ground breaking ceremony held at Harvey Point Naval Air Facility. The two civilians beside Admiral Hughes are Al Russell, vice president of the Martin Aircraft Company, designers of the Martin P6M SeaMaster which will be based at Harvey Point, and Bill Wendel, Martin Company engineer. Unfavorable weather prevented a scheduled demonstration by the SeaMaster.—(Official Marine Corps Photo).

## Need For Adequate Roads Emphasized At Harvey Point Ground Breaking Program

### Congressman Herbert Bonner Speaker For Occasion

A goodly number of Edenton people attended the ground breaking ceremony held at Harvey Point Thursday morning, when the need for adequate highways to the base were pointed out not only by Congressman Herbert Bonner, the principal speaker for the occasion, but by high ranking Navy officials as well.

Dignitaries from Washington, Baltimore and Norfolk arrived at the Edenton Naval Auxiliary Air Station on three planes and were greeted upon their arrival by a group of Edenton people and Mayor V. N. Darden of Hertford.

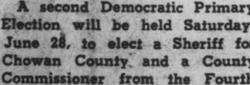
After an exchange of greetings the group boarded automobiles for the trip to Harvey Point and it was this trip which convinced Congressman Bonner and Navy officials that the State of North Carolina should immediately do something about building adequate highways to the base. When completed, 2,500 military personnel are expected to be stationed there, as well as over 250 civilian employees. The payroll for the military personnel is estimated at \$9,000,000 per year and a million and a half dollars for civilian workers.

Rain somewhat interfered with the program at Harvey Point, but the speakers stuck to their guns and, donning raincoats, carried out the program as planned. Lieut. Comdr. Donald Dalton was master of ceremonies.

During his remarks Mr. Bonner said: "It is a distinct privilege and pleasure for me to be called upon to address this group on the occasion of breaking the ground for the Naval Air Station, Harvey Point. Many of you who are present here today are my constituents."

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## Chowan 4-H Health Winners



In the recent 4-H health pageant, the four young people pictured above won highest honors. Left to right, they are: Judy Haste, princess; Bryant White, king; Barbara Jordan, queen, and Scott Ober, prince.

## Chowan Home Demonstration Clubs Are Given High Rating At Raleigh For Publicity Book

### 28 Students Had Perfect Attendance

Chowan County can again be proud of its Home Demonstration Club women. Their publicity book was rated in the top six in the statewide competition last week during Farm-Home Week at State College, Raleigh.

The club women are to be commended for the showing their book made in the state event. The publicity book contained pictures and newspaper articles which have appeared since last August in The Chowan Herald principally, and some publicity from other locally-read newspapers. A copy of programs presented by club women over WCJD radio station were also included in the book.

The publicity book was judged with all the other HDC books in the state. The top six books, listed alphabetically, were: Chowan, Haywood, Mecklenburg, New Hanover, Pitt and Wilkes. All other books were listed in blue and red ribbon groups. Many of the counties have daily papers and a professional photographer to make their pictures. It seemed that Chowan County had more news items in its book than some counties with a daily paper.

The club leaders who wrote most news articles and compiled the book were: Mrs. Lonnie Harrell, county publicity chairman, Rocky Hock Club; Mrs. J. C. Skinner, Advance; Mrs. Cora Harrell, Beech Fork; Mrs. M. T. Barrington, Byrd; Mrs. Emmett Jones, Center Hill; Mrs. Roland Evans, Chowan; Mrs. J. Wallace Goodwin, Jr., Enterprise; Mrs. Earl Smith, Gum Pond; Mrs. Marvin Evans and Mrs. Percy Nixon, Oak Grove; Mrs. Eugene Jordan, Ryland; Mrs. A. D.

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## Gifts Presented At Methodist Church Sunday Morning

### Elected to Highest Office In State at Asheville Convention

Edenton as a whole and Mrs. J. L. Chestnutt in particular was signally honored over the week-end when Mrs. Chestnutt was elected president of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Vice presidents elected to serve with Mrs. Chestnutt include Mrs. T. L. Noe of Wilson, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Best of Kinston, Mrs. John E. Heitman of Chapel Hill, Mrs. E. P. Holmes of Charlotte and Mrs. James L. Harrison of Lenoir.

Chaplain of the Auxiliary will be Mrs. W. L. Wood of Warren-ton; historian, Mrs. W. H. Hall of Hickory; sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. J. L. Hall of Asheville; national committeewoman, Mrs. Raymond Fuson of New Bern, and secretary, Miss Jeanette Parmore of Raleigh.

The officers were installed by Mrs. Paul Johnson of Hendersonville, national committeewoman. Making up the local group attending the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Chestnutt, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Leary, Mrs. Paul Holoman, John A. Holmes, Troy Toppin, John Paul Bass and Lewis Bunch. Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Francis happened to be in Asheville Sunday and attended the memorial service Sunday morning. The Legion and Auxiliary members returned home Sunday night.

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## Rev. George Holmes Given Appointments By Bishop Wright

The Rev. George B. Helmes, rector of Saint Paul's Episcopal Church in Edenton, has just been appointed chairman of a new department in the Diocese of East Carolina by Bishop Thomas H. Wright, D.D.

The Department of Evangelism will contain six clergymen and laymen to be elected from Elizabeth City to Wilmington to spearhead a new movement within the diocese to instill vigorous and enthusiastic support of its expanded program.

Mr. Helmes was also elected to the Board of Managers of Thompson Orphanage and Training Institute in Charlotte for a term of two years.

Mr. Helmes will remain Diocesan representative on the National Council of Churches for a second year. As an alternate delegate to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, he will probably attend the meeting officially at Miami Beach in October.

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## 28 Students Had Perfect Attendance

Information from the Edenton Junior-Senior High School is to the effect that 28 students were neither absent nor tardy during the 1957-58 school year just ended. They were as follows:

Grade 7—Annie Laura White-man (has not missed but one day since she started school), Mary Lynn Daniels, Jack Ashley, Faye Cartwright, Ella Ambrose.

Grade 8—Gloria Byrum, Joe Mitchener (six years of perfect attendance), Joel Reynolds, Joyce Cullipher (three years of perfect attendance), Boots Lassiter, Richard Weikel, James West, Catherine Bass.

Grade 9—Tommy Marshall, Ellen Basnett, Nettie Lassiter, Carol Twiddy (five years of perfect attendance), Robert Marshall.

Grade 10—Patricia Waff, Donna Mitchell, Peggy Twiddy.

Grade 11—William Barrow White, Julia Alma Brinson, Carolyn Perkins, Linda Wriskell (three years of perfect attendance), John Mitchener (seven years of perfect attendance).

Grade 12—George Thomas Rogerson (twelve years of perfect attendance), Grace Whiteman (seven years of perfect attendance).

## 20 Years Ago

As Found in the Files of The Chowan Herald

D. M. Warren, Chairman of the County Commissioners, urged town leaders to concentrate upon a movement to secure the town's share of tourist business and put forth every effort to interest homemakers, new farmers and industry in locating in Chowan County.

J. H. McMullan, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, announced that Clem D. Johnston of Roanoke, Va., accepted an invitation to be the speaker at the Chamber of Commerce banquet.

## Machinery Set Up For Second Primary Election On June 28

Chowan County's Board of Elections this week set up machinery for the Democratic second primary election scheduled to be held Saturday, June 28.

Polls will be open from 6:30 A. M. to 6:30 P. M. The election officials appointed by the Board of Elections will be as follows:

East Edenton Precinct—Mrs. William Stokely, registrar; C. A. Phillips, Mr. M. Thorud and R. B. Hollowell, judges. The voting place will be at the Court House.

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Wardville Precinct—T. A. Berryman, registrar; H. R. Peele and Jennings Bunch, judges. The voting place will be at Herbert Peele's store.

Yeopim Township—T. J. Hoskins, Sr., registrar; T. J. Hoskins, Jr., and Harry Perry. The voting place will be at Harry Perry's store.

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