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\$2.50 Per Year In North Carolina

Mrs. J. P. Ricks, Jr.

# Kickoff Breakfast Parade Water Assessment North Carolina's Polio Mother of the Year Today Starts Campaign For Topic of Discussion Proposed Industrial Plant

Goal to Be Reached Is X-Ray Presented To Chowan Hospital \$253,000 If Edenton Is to Secure Large **Knitting Concern** 

The drive to raise local funds to construct a modern one-story industrial plant for a large knitting manufacturer will get under way today (Thursday) with a kickoff breakfast and parade down Broad Street. Over 50 community leaders will meet at 8 A. M., at the Edenton Restaurant for final campaign instructions, it is announced by J. H. Conger, Jr., president of the Edenton Development Corporation. He also announced the appointment of John W. Graham as general chairman of the campaign. The drive is organized on a "military" basis with divisions, colonels, captains and campaign-

Graham, who is also president of the Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the campaign finance committee, said the goal to be reached is \$253,000. "This is the amount we must raise locally to meet the requirements of the Business Development Corporation of North Carolina, who will loan the Edenton Development Corporation \$457,000 on a first mortgage," Graham stated.

"In addition, the prospective manufacturer will spend approximately \$222,000 on permanent leasehold improvements which become the property of the Edenton Development Corporation, bringing the total investment to approximately \$950,000."

Both Conger and Graham eming more jobs in the area, saying Naval base. We feel the present Chowan County through jobs and young farmer award. taxes, but will provide a sound this campaign. We have been working on this matter constant- ly all Jaycees and their wives, year. ly for six months making pro-Margaret Raines gress in all directions. The raising of local funds is the last big

hurdle to clear." The Edenton Development Corporation already owns a 59-acre industrial site on U. S. Highway 17. just north of Edenton, across from the Colonial Motor Court, nasium, Margaret Raines, as Chowhich the prospective industrial- wan High School's representative, ist has approved.

Graham said the local invest- quimans High, and Kay Hobbs, ment plan calls for the purchase as the Sunbury representative, ment Corporation in denominations of \$100 each, which will be of many other northeastern Carsecured by a second mortgage on olina and southeastern Virginia the property. The notes will high schools for the coveted title bear interest at the rate of 5% of "Chowan College High School

In addition to the notes the investor will purchase one share of Oak Ridge-Chowan College bas \$1 par value stock in the Eden- ketball game, the queen-repreton Development Corporation sentatives will be presented to with each \$100 note. Graham the fans in attendance. They added that no payments on the will make a second appearance principal of the note will be at halftime, when one of them made until the eleventh year of will be crowned "Chowan College the lease, unless the property is High School Basketball Queen Continued on Page 7-Section 1 for 1959."

Edenton during 1958 was \$5.34,

based on a population of 5,000. In the county the per capita loss



In above picture Mrs. Edward Bond, president of the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary, is presenting a portable X-Ray machine to Chowan Hospital. The machine is being accepted by J. W. Davis on behalf of the hospital trustees. One of the projects of the Auxiliary for 1958 was buying a portable X-Ray machine, which was bought with funds derived from pencil sales, membership drives and bridge marathons. The Auxiliary voted to give the machine to the hospital as a memorial to Dr. Martin Wisely, who served on the staff of the hospital for many tin Wisely, who served on the staff of the hospital for many years. The X-Ray machine has served a vital need for heart patients who are too ill to be moved. The machine can be brought to their rooms for bone fractures, which can be X-Rayed while the patient is on the operating table and for diagnosing many diseases with less inconvenience to patient and doctor.—(Evelyn Leary Photo).

# Jaycees DSA, Bosses', Ladies' Night Banquet Friday Night

ple the Edenton Junior Chamber hand. of Commerce will hold its annual both Conger and Graham emphasized the urgency of provid-DSA, Bosses' and Ladies' Night Caswell Edmundson, Jaycee phasized the urgency of provid-Discount At that time the Discount President, will be master of banquet. At that time the Dis-"Edenton needs additional indus- tinguished Service Award will be try to boost our economy, espe-presented as well as the outcially since the closing of the standing young farmer award. were James P. Ricks, Jr., Luther John A. Holmes will present the C. Parks, Joe Conger, Jr., and prospect will not only provide DSA award and Gilliam Wood Gilliam Wood. The selection is haves requested the Board of greater income to Edenton and will present the outstanding made secretly from a list of Public Works to give further con-

On Thursday night, Januar

Becky Gregory, representing Per-

Basketball Queen of 1959."

According to Fire Chief W. J. miles out of town. In town 7,500

Yates, the per capita fire loss in feet of hose was laid and 6,000

was \$1.94, based on a population out of town. For the Edenton

of 12,500. Mr. Yates explained fires 677 volunteers responded

that the fire at the providence and 678 out of town.

Prior to the 8:15 tip-off for the

feet out of town. Ladders raised

were 412 feet in town and 36 feet

Friday night, January 30, at bosses and a number of invited 7:30 o'clock in the Masonic Tem- guests are expected to be on

Caswell Edmundson, Jaycee

names submitted by individuals The principal speaker for the and various organizations, and hope that it might come up with night when the church, which investment for participants in occasion will be Congressman the banquet is one of the high-Herbert Bonner, so that practical- lights of the Jaycees during the Town Council and the citizens in-

> Many At Methodist Church For Service Honoring Dr. Wisely Basketball Queen

The Edenton Methodist Church was filled to overflowing Sun- ed by the town. 29, in the Chowan College gymtin Wisely. The font was presented by Mrs. Erwin Griffin on behalf of the Wesleyan Service Guild and was accepted by John A. Holmes on behalf of the trustees of the church. The font Special Masonic was made by Hubert Williford, of which the church is justly proud.

Among the visitors attending the service were Mr. Wiselv's mother and brother.

### CIVIC CALENDAR

Edenton Chapter No. 302, Or-Monday night, February 2, at 8 ance. o'clock in the Masonic Temple.

Edenton Woman's Club will Five Leaders In **Edenton's Per Capita Fire Loss** meet Wednesday afternoon, February 4, at 1 o'clock in the Parish In 1958 Amounted To \$5.34;

Sponsored by the Edenton Tea can History Month.

Chowan High School PTA will have taken the lead. meet Monday night, February 2, at 7:30 o'clock.

Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold its DSA, Earl Goodwin, 41,850. Bosses' and Ladies' Night Friday night, January 30, at 7:30 o'clock in the Masonic Temple.

Baptist Church was a large contributor to the large Edenton in town and \$216,800 out of town. The degree team of Chowan Tribe of Red Men will hold a Damage in town was \$26,695 and practice tonight (Thursday) at During 1938 Mr. Yates says \$24,200 out of town. Insurance 7:30 o'clock. there were 92 fires, of which 58 in town was \$485,300 and \$140,-were in town and 34 out of town.

For the Edenton fires the fireThe firemen held 12 fire drills,

Kickoff breakfast and a parade will be held this (Thursday) morning to begin a campaign to

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The firemen traveled 31 miles ed a cat and worked 120 hours

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# At Special Meeting

Meeting Is Result of Strong Protest Madel By Property Owners Involved

Town Council and the Board. of Public Works met in a joint meeting Tuesday night to consider the assessment roll for water line extension on U.S. 17 south to the new city limits. Following publishing of the as sessment roll, citizens in the area affected registered a verbal protest to Town Council which was followed by a petition signed by 29 property owners who claimed the assessment is unconstitutional and threatened to pursue the matter further if the assessments are allowed to stand.

The assessments were made compliance with the policy adopt ed by the town a few years age which requires property owners to pay for the extension of water lines. This policy is in compliance with the law, but Town At torney William S. Privott stated that its constitutionality has not been tested.

about \$64,000, but due to increasing the size of the pipe more than six inches, the assessment was re duced to \$46,000. Those objecting to the assessment point out that they had not signed a petition for the trunk water line. not want it inasmuch as they were adequately equipped with water facilities.

Various expressions were advanced at Tuesday night's meeting, one train of thought being that the assessments were fair and legal, while another was that there is an element of unfairness and hardship, so that some ad justment should be made.

While no action was taken and after a number of suggestions were made, Mayor Ernest Kea recommendation satisfactory to

Among the suggestions advanced at the meeting were:

Inasmuch as the U.S. Govern ment refused to pay the assessment abutting the Fish Hatchery win A. Penick. Others in atproperty, that this cost be absorb-tendance were the Rev. Matthew

baptismal font was dedicated as Pembroke Creek and street lina and Western North Carolina; memorial to the late Dr. Mar-crossings. Also the area along the Rev. George D. Bennett of Albania Acres.

To hold in obeyance the assess ments on undeveloped land until Continued on Page 4-Section 1

# Meeting Tonight Building And Loan

An emergent communication of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F., & A. M., will be held tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock, The meeting has been called to confer the third degree upon a candidate, so that Ernest J. Ward, the Court House, beginning at 8 at the DAR meeting February 11. o'clock. President J. R. DuLan-Ricks. "The basic needs are der of the Eastern Star, will meet Jr., master, urges a large attend-

Party Chapter of the DAR, Feb- in the Chowan Hospital Auxili-Rate In County Lower At \$1.94 ruary will be observed as Ameri- are Coodwin and Farl Goodwin ryn Goodwin and Earl Goodwin

The five leading teams and their scores follow: 1-Mrs. Kathryn Goodwin and

2-Medlin Belch and Al Phillips, 35,780. 3-Mrs. L. A. Patterson and Mrs. W. B. Rosevear, 34,160,

4-Mrs. H. A. Campen and Mrs A. M. Forehand, 34,000. 5-Nick George and Jesse Harrell, 33,000.

# Woman's Club Will

ing next Monday morning, Febing ne



Mrs. James P. Ricks, Jr., of Edenton has been chosen Polio Mother of the year for North Carolina by the National Founda-tion. In above picture Mrs. Ricks is seated in her motorized wheelchair, together with her two daughters, Jacqueline Powell Ricks, left, and Elizabeth Burke Ricks, right. In background is ramp by which Mrs. Ricks gets in and out of her home.

### The cost of the water line was Harrell Heads Varsity Club

At a meeting of the Edenton Varsity Club Jesse L. Harrell was elected president, succeeding even pointing out that they did William M. Cozart. Mr. Harrell stated his intention to call a meeting of the club for the purpose of discussing the program

> Other officers elected were N. George, vice president; Joe Thorud, secretary and William D. Billings, treasurer.

#### Large Congregation Attends St. Paul's **Consecration Service**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church has reached its 257 milestone, was consecrated on the Feast of this week. the Conversion of St. Paul.

George Purnell Gunn, Bishop Ed-George Henry, representing the Eliminate the cost for crossing Dioceses of Eastern North Caro- at the high school and a repre-Macon, Ga., a former rector, and also active in the Boy Scouts and the Rev. Frederick B. Drane.

> Old possessions of the church were on display and following the service a reception was held in the Parish House.

The annual meeting of the The meeting will be held in o'clock. All shareholders are urged to be present or send their

### Bridge Marathon Chowan High PTA Will Meet Monday

The Parent-Teacher Association of Chowan High School will meet Monday night, February 2, at 7:30 o'clock. The Happy Home Community will have charge of

this meeting.

# Holmes Speaker At

The Rev. George B. Holmes, week's. Rotary meeting. Mr. the Confederacy. Meet February 4th Holmes outlined the service plan- At the annual meeting of the ned for the consecration of St. directors of the Bank of Eden-Edenton Woman's Club will Paul's Church which was held on ton J. H. Conger was elected a meet in the Parish House Wed- Monday night. He also display- new member of the board.

# : Bandsman Of Week



sideration to the matter in the was filled to capacity Monday and Mrs. M. M. Perry, has been named the Edenton Junior-Sen-

Several Bishops attended the been in the band since he was section leader for the saxophone

He is now in the eighth grade sings in the choir at the Edenton Baptist Church of which he is a

#### American History Month Observed

month of February will be ob- and Steven Ferguson. Our Den house with braces and crut served as American History Chief is Brad Williford. shareholders of the Edenton month. The chapter plans to Building & Loan Association will present radio programs as well be held Monday night, February as programs in the schools, and the observance will be stressed day night. February 2, at 7 ent from others," says M

Mayor Ernest Kehayes has is-, ey, requests every member of the same, it only makes coping sued a proclamation calling upon the club to be present. all citizens of Edenton to ob-

### 20 Years Ago As Found in the Files of

The Chowan Herald

J. H. Conger, president of the Chamber of Commerce, pleaded for more cooperation and suggestions whereby the organiza-President Lester Copeland urg- tion would become a vital faces every PTA member to attend tor in building up the communi-

Farmers and millers held a cussing mutual problems pertain-North Carolina and Virginia.

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# Chosen 1958 Polio Mother For State Selection Announced

Tom Ridgeway, administrator of Chowan Hospital, has been appointed chairman of the Chowan County Chapter of the National of The National Foundation Foundation. Mr. Ridgeway suc- late last week announced that

**New Chairman** 

Mr. Ridgeway's appointment Polio Mother of 1959 for Not was announced by George P. Carolina. Boss, director of National Foun- Mrs. Ricks, 28, mother of dation Chapters in North Caro-daughters, Elizabeth Bu

# **New Automobile**

# Abram E. Jenkins and Partnership

Abram E. Jenkins and Medlin much it meant just to be able

ble experience in the automobile saved my children from polio, business, Mr. Jenkins having as they were in close contact been connected with the Chas. H. with me. The oldest child had Jenkins Motor Company for 25 had two shots and the baby had years. Mr. Belch has been asso-had one shot with the second ciated with the Albemarle Motor due the next week. Her second Company, local Ford dealers, for shot was immediately given to 11 years. The new automobile her. I remember when my hus agency is expected to be ready to band first saw me after th open for business on or about case had been diagnosed, he

them a visit when they begin not. And while I was in the

### Local Cub Scouts Visit Herald Office less of age.

ald office on Thursday, January taken their shots to do so,"

### Late Last Week By Officials of National Foundation

The North Carolina Chapter ceeds Tom Hopkins, who resign- Mrs James P. Ricks, Jr., o Edenton has been selected as

Ricks, 5, and Jacqueline Pow Ricks, 4, was stricken with poliwhile visiting in Pink Hill. N. C., two and a half years ago. Her case was diagnosed at Kinston Memorial Hospital and she Agency Organized was transferred to Maryview Hospital in Portsmouth, Va.

After the crisis she was left completely paralyzed, only able to move her fingers and turn Medlin Belch Form her head. Then followed ten. months of care and physical therapy at the hospital.

Belch have organized Edenton's to be with my children," says newest business concern which Mrs. Ricks, "even though I was will be known as the J & B Mo- unable to do for them and retor Company. The office of the quired a great deal of attention new concern will be located in myself. I will always be gratethe building on the W. L. Boswell ful to my mother, who kept the property, formerly used for a children during this period in our home. I feel certain that i Both men have had considera- was the Salk vaccine that

said, 'You're too old to have They invite their friends to pay polio,' as we found out I was

to my age s p two weeks after I had polic and I had plan-The Cub Scout theme for Jan- ned to take it as soon as it was uary has been "Cub Scout News- available. Even having had Thomas Henry Wright, Bishop in the fourth grade. He plays men." To observe this theme polio, I have taken my three 15, 1959. We saw their machines Mrs. Ricks returned to Eden and presses used to print the ton on Easter, 1957, to resun

They explained to us how these her mother left she decided to work. We enjoyed most of all try the experiment of running seeing how the lead is melted and her home on her own with the how the type is set up. They help of a maid. She was able in type as a souvenir. We will cult for her to pass dishes at keep these with our special col- the table. She could transfer ections. We thank Mr. Bufflap from her wheelchair to bed and for letting us visit his office and was able to use the bathroom the men for showing us their She has come a long way sind work. The members of Den 6 are then, but still has a long wa Billy James, Norfleet Pruden, to go to walk again. She Will Meet Monday Party Chapter of the DAR, the Frederick Sexton, Henry Weils able to walk a little in t

"Being in a wheelchair Edenton Lions will meet Mon- not make a person very dil

### Population, Birth Rate To Soar In The 1960's Kiplinger Says; Big Changes Are Also Predicted

the Kiplinger organization in its es with more bedrooms. annual report on population and "The coming high tide of mar business growth in the United riages is now only three years of States, just released.

meeting for the purpose of dis- another wave of economic expan- gan, will marry in the 60's, push Rotary Club Meeting ing to the peanut industry in its and needs of the population of above today's rate. Average mar Mrs. John G. Small was elect- the late 60's population will reach about as now, men at age 23, wo ector of St. Paul's Episcopal ed president of the local chap- 208 million, compared to the 1958 men at age 20." Church, was the speaker at last ter of the United Daughters of total of 175 million. And the The result of this high marry birth rate will jump from an an- age rate will be a stepped-up denual rate of four million babies mand for houses, furniture, hour

to five million a year. Parents used to want two . . . now new families.

A 20 per cent increase in populamong other things. lation and a soaring birth rate is greater market for children's predicted for the next decade by goods, a demand for bigger house

Children born in the 40's, whe The "Soaring Sixties" will bring the spectacular high birth rate be sion and further shifts in the hab- ing the marriage rate a thir this country, Kiplinger says. In riage age probably will continu

"Also more babies per family. things that are needed to equir

sident, urges all members to to be very interesting to the Ro- fort to have the Albemarle Music nothing in sight to change them." be 20 million oldsters, over 65