

# The Chowan Herald

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## A LIFT FOR TODAY

★ As the hart panteth for the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God.—Ps. 42:1  
A RELIGIOUS BEING is man; the heart instinctively seeks for God, for communion with a Heavenly Father.

Our lives become meaningless without Thee, O God; remind us and cause us to think Thy thoughts after Thee.

## Questions Should Be Answered

One of the most thought-provoking addresses in a long time was made at the Lions Club meeting Monday night when William E. Long, Jr., Chief of the Stream Pollution Commission was the speaker. Mr. Long was invited to speak in Edenton to throw more light on the mandate that Edenton construct a sewage disposal plant and abandon the dumping of raw sewage into local waters.

Mr. Long presented an interesting film which depicted the condition of many bodies of water in the United States which have become polluted by waste. He then pointed out the importance of water in North Carolina, presenting startling figures as to how much was used daily for domestic, industrial and agricultural purposes. He discussed the work of the Stream Sanitation Commission and its position in respect to corrective measures being taken in the state.

Mr. Long stated that if the voters of Edenton defeat the bond election, the State Stream Sanitation Commission is equipped with the authority to construct a sewage disposal plant and pass the cost on to Edenton taxpayers which, he was free to admit, will result in a higher financing cost.

Interested members of various groups in Edenton were invited to hear Mr. Long's address, which brought many pertinent questions when he finished.

That Edenton citizens are becoming interested in the bond election is reflected in a letter to The Herald this week by Geddes Potter, which appears on page 4 of this issue. The questions presented by Mr. Potter are some he has heard asked by Mr. Average Citizen and which, he thinks, should be answered.

These questions are:

What will the sewage charge be per quarter? Will it be \$3.00; \$6.00, etc.?

How much will the tax rate be increased to offset the appropriation of the E & W Department to the General Fund? Will it be increased 25 cents per hundred; 50 cents per hundred; etc.?

Will the 10 percent discount now allowed on electric bills be discontinued?

Of course, The Herald editor is not prepared to answer any of the above questions at present, for they are in the province of the Board of Public Works.

The Herald will be glad to present any answers to the above questions if they are available. There might be other questions, too, that voters would like to know about. The columns of The Herald are open to any matters concerning the bond election, if they are favorable or opposing the election.

However, the fact apparently remains that if Edenton does not construct a sewage disposal plant, the state will and that in that event taxpayers will have a higher bill to pay.

The election on a \$557,000 bond issue is scheduled to be held Tuesday, February 16, so that voters should seriously consider the situation in which Edenton is placed—a sewage disposal plant one way or another with one way costing less than the other.

One puzzling phase, so far as The Herald is concerned, is that Edenton's classification is "C," which calls for waters suitable for fish and wildlife propagation. If water released from the sewage plant is pure enough to drink, as has been inferred, why would local waters be unfit for bathing purposes? Then, too, if this same water is not contaminated, why is it necessary to have a pipe line hundreds of feet out in the Sound in order to release this water?

These and other questions bothering voters should be considered and if any answers are available, they should be informed. They are entitled to know before they cast their ballot in the February 16 election.

Most of the people who discuss problems know nothing about them.

## Heard & Seen By Buff

Sitting beside Harry Smith, Jr., at the Jaycee meeting Thursday night, Harry and I somehow got in a conversation about pipe organs. Harry can play the things and was telling me about an experience he had back in the old days while living up North. The organ, the way I understood Harry to say, was operated by a water pump and during one of the cold spells the water froze, so that no music would come from the organ one Sunday morning. "Didn't they have antifreeze back in those days?" asked one of the Jaycees. "Yes," said Harry, "but they didn't waste it in pipe organs."

Lieut. Comdr. Don Dalton dropped in the office Tuesday to say "goodbye." Don and his family have lived in Edenton about 3 1/2 years while he was public works officer at the Edenton and Harvey Point bases. He was hoping the Harvey Point base would be carried to completion, for he and the Missus liked Edenton. He's been all over the world, but he said he never regretted leaving any place any more than he does Edenton. The Daltons are now on their way to Puerto Rico and the best wishes of their many Edenton friends go with them.

Bud Parker wrote a letter to The Herald last week relative to recreation for teenagers, from which quite a lot of comment was engendered. One lady called me up to comment on the teenage situation in Edenton. "Why?" she asked, "cannot we have a bowling alley, skating rink or some other form of wholesome recreation for our teenagers?" The lady said groups of Edenton young people go to Elizabeth City and other towns to enjoy bowling and skating and that some form of recreation should be provided to supplant the time many teenagers spend in pool rooms, parked along roads and other activities which are not so very wholesome. Anyway, that's a matter well worth thinking and doing something about.

Gosh, things appear to be getting like the good old days. Next week, Monday and Tuesday nights, two oyster roasts will be on tap. The Red Men will have an oyster roast at the veneer mill on North Oakum Street on Monday night and then on Tuesday night Ed Bond Post of the American Legion will have one at the Legion Building. Just recently the VFW had an oyster roast which makes three close together. I attended the VFW affair and if my "dogs" don't give out I'll be at both of 'em next week for oyster roasts are not as plentiful as they were some few years ago, when a fellow could go to two or three a week. But, of course, the price of oysters, no doubt, is the reason for fewer oyster roasts. It surely isn't because folks have lost their taste for oysters—if the way they gobble 'em up at oyster roasts is any indication.

Mrs. Mary G. Layden, who lives in Morristown, Indiana, and has been a subscriber of The Herald ever since it was started in 1934, sent in her renewal early this week. "I look forward to the paper's arrival every week," she wrote, "although I don't see many names I recognize now." Well, time was when we living in Edenton could walk up Broad Street and know just about everybody we met. But not any more. In fact a lot of the youngsters have grown up so quickly so that it's not unusual for somebody to ask, "Who is that fellow or that woman?" It frequently occurs at the Rotary meeting where the ladies serve the meals. All of which goes to show that a lot of us are getting old and finding it more difficult to remember.

The Chamber of Commerce has a new secretary. She is Mrs. Roger Spivey, who succeeds Mrs. Billy Hardison. Mrs. Spivey is the former Miss Eula Mae Boyce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Boyce of the Rocky Heck section. She is a former telephone operator, and later attended a business college in Norfolk. Another case of a Chowan County native returning to live in the old home town instead of going elsewhere to live. In this issue of the Herald is listed three Edenton boys who have left the old town and are making good—Calvin Sexton, John Burton Harrison, Jr., and Teddy Lupton, and there are many more. Would that Edenton was able to offer opportunities for all our native sons to remain at home where their abilities could help make Edenton a better place to live. This new blood could make a big difference.

Winks Bond and Spec Jones are right much concerned about so few people having listed their property thus far. This is a duty every taxpayer must perform, so the sooner the better. Those who do not list in January will be subject to a 10 percent penalty and those who just continually put it off will have an opportunity to tell it to the judge.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**People Want To Know**  
J. E. Bufflap, Editor  
The Chowan Herald  
Edenton, North Carolina  
Dear Mr. Bufflap: In all fairness to the voters of Edenton, the Mayor and the Town Council should prior to the vote on the Bond Issue for a Sewage Disposal plant inform the people frankly as to what they can expect in the way of increased costs.

They are interested in learning:  
(1) What will the sewage charge be per quarter? Will it be \$3.00; \$6.00, etc.?  
(2) How much will the tax rate be increased to offset the appropriation of the E & W Department to the General Fund? Will it be increased 25 cents per hundred; 50 cents per hundred; etc.?  
(3) How much will the water rate be increased per quarter? Will it be 25 percent; 50 percent; etc.?  
(4) Will the 10 percent discount now allowed on electric bills be discontinued?

With the estimated cost in hand and the amount of E & W funds available that can be used he questions will be simple to answer. We hope that you will use the columns of your paper to bring this letter to the attention of the people of Edenton and that prior to the vote these questions can be answered in the same manner.

It has also come to my attention that present sewage disposal plans only make for better fishing and not for public bathing.

I am not opposed to the Sewage Disposal Plant but think that the above questions should be aired for the information of the voters.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,  
GEDDES B. POTTER

## Three P's Personal And Private Problems

Dear Editor:  
I would like to answer two questions brought in in the letter from "Confused and Irate Citizen" and in the answer appearing in The Herald. Libraries without telephones are not the practice in North Carolina. Practically all libraries, regardless of size, throughout the State have phones. They are recommended by The State Library.

However, it will take no action toward having one installed beyond a recommendation that it be done for this is considered a local matter. Neither state nor federal monies, which are administered by our State Library, can be used for expenses covering telephones. These must be met from local funds. Decisions regarding telephones are the responsibility of boards of trustees which are the governing bodies of public libraries in this state.

Interested citizens such as "Confused and Irate Citizen" should make suggestions for improved service to either the board of trustees or to the director or librarian.  
GENGENIA R. BABYLON,  
Director.

## Teletthon Program For March of Dimes

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Members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the March of Dimes, will pick up local contributions by car.

Chowan County talent will appear on the teletthon, along with other outstanding performers in Eastern North Carolina. Tom Ridgeway will be on hand for the teletthon program and William B. Gardner, March of Dimes chairman, is also expected to be present.

Mrs. J. P. Ricks, Jr., 1959 Polio Mother of the Year, who was on the teletthon program last year and who has been invited to participate again this year, will be unable to attend.

Mr. Ridgeway urges citizens of Chowan County to tune in to either WITN-TV or radio station WCJD and particularly urges every citizen to make a contribution during the teletthon.

Last year's teletthon over WITN-TV raised over \$15,300.

Mr. Ridgeway also announced that the lifeline will be held down town Saturday and that a child's iron lung will be on display in the window of the Edenton Furniture Company.

## MASONS MEET TONIGHT

A stated communication of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. McKay Washington, master of the lodge, requests a large attendance.

## Edenton Speaker



DR. FRED R. MCCRUMB  
The speaker for a post graduate medical lecture in Edenton Wednesday, January 27, will be Dr. Fred R. McCrumb. Dr. McCrumb will lecture at 4:30 and 7:30 P. M.

## Bids Called For Alligator Bridge

Bids were asked Tuesday of this week on the construction of a bridge on US 64 spanning the Alligator River, connecting the eastern counties of Tyrrell and Dare. The bridge is one of 23 road projects in the State Highway Department's call for bids.

Bids will be opened in Raleigh at the February 2 letting and low bids on the projects in 20 Tar Heel counties will be reviewed by the Highway Commission at its meeting in Raleigh on February 3.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Brame Morrison of Wilson announce the birth of a 7 1/2-pound daughter, Harriett Elizabeth Morrison, born in a Wilson hospital Sunday, January 17. Mrs. Morrison is the daughter of Mrs. E. W. Bond of Edenton.

## Raines Appointed Rural Mail Carrier

Postmaster J. L. Chestnut was notified this week that the Post Office Department had appointed John E. Raines as a permanent rural mail carrier at the Edenton Post Office.

Mr. Raines will deliver mail on Route 2 and succeeds Rodney Harrell, who retired about a year ago. Mr. Raines has delivered mail on Route 2 since February of last year on a temporary basis.

## Meeting Is Held To Consider County 4-H Development Fund

On Tuesday morning, January 19, a group representing the various communities of the county, met at the county farm agents' office to discuss the 4-H Development Fund. On hand for the meeting was John Piland of the Extension Service to give information on the fund. He stated that the fund would be directed into four projects: (1) Improving present 4-H camps and providing additional camps in areas not presently served; (2) Providing a state-wide award and recognition program in 4-H work; (3) Providing scholarships and loan funds; (4) Promoting better world relations through the International Farm Youth Exchange Program. He also stated that the 4-H Club provides good training and guidance, along with building good character and making good sound citizens. Four-H members have helped rural communities to no end and this is a good way to show them that we are behind them.

Chowan County's quota is \$1,100. A committee was elected to head the drive for the county. They are: Chairman, Bristoe Perry; co-chairman, Mrs. Cameron Boyce; secretary and

treasurer, Bill Leary, and reporter, Mrs. Vann Small. Further discussions will be held at the February Home Demonstration Club meetings. Then a kickoff meeting will be held in March. "Everybody will agree this is a worthy cause," says Mr. Perry, "so let us keep this in mind when the time comes for making contributions."

Those present were: Wallace Goodwin, Jr., Eugene Jordan, Bristoe Perry, Bill Leary, Mrs. Cameron Boyce, Gilliam Wood, Mrs. Vann Small, Mrs. Wilbur Privott, C. W. Overman, Harry Venters, Catherine Aman and Pauline Calloway.

## TRI-HI-Y CLUB READY TO OFFER SERVICES

The Edenton Chapter of the Tri-Hi-Y, the high school branch of the YMCA, is affiliated directly with the interstate committee office in Charlotte. It is also considered a school club, sponsored by the John A. Holmes High School with one of the teachers, Mrs. Rebekah M. Overman as advisor.

The club also has eight adult sponsors, mothers of some of the members. These are Mrs. W. E. Bond, chairman; Mrs. Stanley Blanchard, Mrs. H. A. Campen, Mrs. J. R. DuLaney, Mrs. Earl G. Harrell, Mrs. Ruth Israel, Mrs. J. J. Ross and Mrs. Edward Waff. The Tri stands for the three-fold purpose, "To create, maintain and extend throughout the home, school and community high standards of Christian character. The platform also is threefold, Pure thoughts, pure words, pure actions."

The officers are: President, Mary Harrell; vice president, Judy Israel; secretary, Betsy Ross; treasurer, Milly Price; chaplain, Marian Bunch; parliamentarian, Patricia Waff; historian, Ida Campen; membership chairman, Harriet Bond, and reporter, Judy Riley.

Starting in the fall, the club began to collect food and clothing. Working with W. J. Taylor,



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