

20 New Concerns In Area Bring Change To Business Pattern

1959 Brings Brighter Economy Following Closing of Edenton's Naval Base

A review of the 1959 business pattern in Edenton and the surrounding area shows that approximately 20 new businesses are in operation with several larger projects under construction.

Having suffered the loss of the Naval Air Station the local economy hit a low ebb the first part of 1959.

Presently there are two \$250,000 projects under construction. The Seabrook Blanching Corp., which will specialize in water blanching of peanuts is expected to be in operation by the end of March.

The latter part of 1959 the Northeastern Milling Company opened, which is the most modern feed mill in the Albemarle.

Earlier in the year Albemarle Plywood, Inc., opened, which specializes in quality plywood. The company headed by Thomas Holden employs about 25 people.

The main street also saw changes with the opening of the

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National Guard Awaiting Alert

Members of the local National Guard Company are standing by in readiness for a test alert which will be conducted sometime between today (Thursday) and February 25.

The exact date and hour for the test mobilization, labeled "Operation Hornets' Nest," is known only to Governor Luther Hodges, Commander of North Carolina's National Guard and Adjutant General Capus Wynick.

The objective of the alert is to acquaint citizens of North Carolina with the readiness of this State's Army and Air National Guard.

When the alert is sounded local Guardsmen will join with more than 11,300 other officers and men of the N. C. Army and Air National Guard to move immediately into the biggest state

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Walter M. Wilkins Resigns As Board Public Works Member

Walter M. Wilkins, a member of the Board of Public Works, tendered his resignation to Town Councilmen at their meeting Tuesday night.

Mr. Wilkins, who previously served on the Council, representing the Fourth Ward, was elected to the Board of Public Works in the May election of last year when eight candidates were in the field for the five offices.

In tendering his resignation, Mr. Wilkins made this statement:

A Correction

A misstatement appeared in a Herald story last week pertaining to the proposed improvement to the Court House Green, sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club.

In the story it was stated that Mrs. Wesley Chesson, Jr., president of the Woman's Club, told the County Commissioners that the club unanimously adopted the project and would earmark all profits from the 1961 tour toward the cost.

What Mrs. Chesson did say was that the club has on hand \$1,000 from the 1959 tour which will go toward the expense of the project.

The statement in The Herald was, therefore, misleading, for the women cannot earmark any money from the 1961 tour for they have no way of knowing how much the tour will net.

Two Concerns Change Hands

A change in ownership and management of two of Edenton's business concerns has gone into effect.

Mrs. Irene Dunbar has sold her interest in the Western Auto Associate Store to Paul Partin, who for many years has been proprietor of the Bridge-Turn Service Station.

The Western Auto Associate Store was opened in Edenton in December, 1947, by Mrs. Dunbar and her late husband, L. T. Dunbar. Later they added to their business the Western Gas Service, to which Mrs. Dunbar will devote her full time.

The Western Auto Associate store will close Saturday, February 13, in order to make some renovations and take inventory and it is hoped everything will be in readiness to reopen Wednesday, March 2, under the management of Mr. Partin.

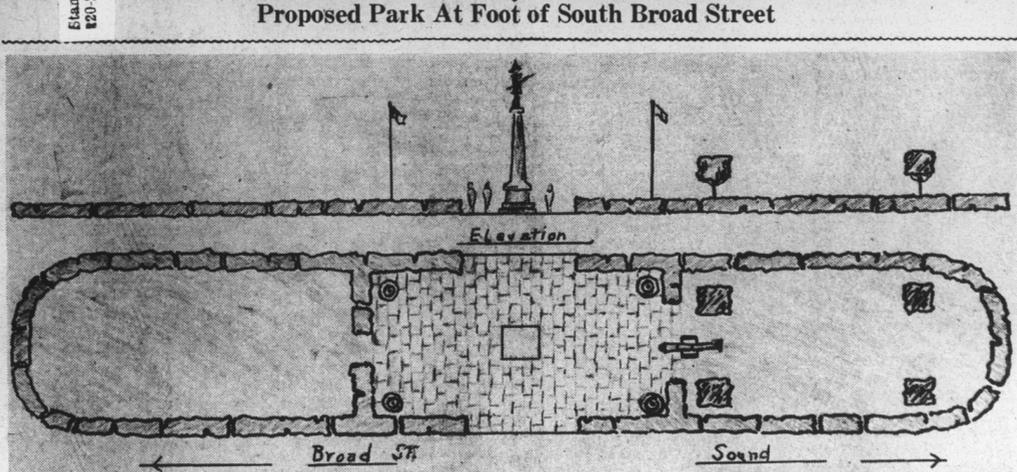
In the meantime Mr. Partin will take a Western Auto Associate Store dealer training course at Butler, Pa. He is scheduled to leave for Butler Saturday and remain in training about two weeks.

James Dail, a salesman for J. H. Conger, Texas Company Consignee, for the past 16 years, has purchased the Bridge-Turn Service Station from Mr. Partin and is now in charge.

Both Partin and Dail extend a cordial invitation to their friends to call on them in their new places of business.

VFW MEETS TUESDAY

William H. Coffield, Jr., Post No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet Tuesday night, February 16, at 8 o'clock. Commander John Bass is anxious to have a large turnout.



Above is pictured a sketch of the proposed park at the foot of Broad Street. Overall dimensions of the present area, 162 1/2 feet long and 30 feet wide. Proposed plan for beautification of this area, as a Confederate parkway, reading left to right: A grassed area 53 feet long and 30 feet wide, including a low evergreen border of ilex compacta. A 60 foot long by 30 feet wide brick on sand plaza. In the center of this plaza a 6 foot square base monument on concrete foundation, steel reinforced. In the four corners of this brick on sand plaza

stuffs for North Carolina State flag, the American flag, Confederate flag and regimental flag. A grassed area 49 1/2 feet long and 30 feet wide, including low evergreen border of ilex compacta. In the four corners of this grassed area evergreen cherry-laurel of ornamental shape and height so as not to obstruct the view of Edenton Bay in the background of the parkway. A movement is under way now in cooperation with the Coast Guard in moving the channel light from this plot to another suitable location.

Woman's Club Will Hold Its Annual Art Exhibit April 23-24

The Edenton Woman's Club announces that the annual Art Exhibit will be held Saturday and Sunday, April 23 and 24, at the Penelope Barker house.

It is hoped that a large number of school children in both grammar and high schools in the town and county and adults will participate. The work to be shown should be turned in one week in advance of the exhibit. For additional information call Mrs. Wendell H. Copeland, phone 2466.

Rules for the exhibit are as follows:

- 1. All work must be original. Copies of other pictures are not acceptable.
2. Any medium may be used (such as pencil, ink, charcoal, oils, crayons, etc.)
3. Any size paper or canvas may be used.
4. Five entries only from each

Acelets Grasp 1st Conference Championship

By BILL GOODWIN
The Edenton Acelets wrapped up their first Albemarle Conference basketball championship ever Tuesday night with a sparkling 52-44 victory over Perquimans High on the local court.

The Aces came through on their end, with a 63-45 drubbing of the Indians. The Aces' final standing rested on the outcome of the Scotland Neck-Williamson game Tuesday night.

The Edenton girls finished up their most successful season in well over ten years. Their conference record stood at 9-1. With two more regular games and the conference tournament

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Boy Scouts Take Over Reins Of Government In Edenton Today

With Boy Scout Week being observed this week, one of the highlights will be when Boy Scouts will take over the reins of the city government today (Thursday).

From 9 A. M. to 1 P. M., today Scouts will be assigned to various public offices, where they will be coached by officials and then proceed to carry on the various duties. Scoutmaster Jasper Hassell says the boys are very much enthused over the program and are eagerly awaiting the arrival of 9 o'clock this (Thursday) morning.

Scouts and the offices they will fill follow:

- Mayor—Brad Williford.
Judge of Recorder's Court—John Marshall.
Chief of Police—Jimmy Elliott.
Principal of the Elementary School—Frankie Williams.
Principal of John A. Holmes High School—Jerry Yarbrough.
Fire Chief—Charles Swanner.
Town Clerk—Jo Jo Conger.
Sheriff—Wesley Chesson.
Clerk of Court—H. L. Edwards, Jr.
Firemen—Eugene Martin, Bobby Falls, Roy Watson, Ed Carson, Norfield Pruden, Nathan Smith and Mike Smith.
Police—Kermit Layton, Neal Hobbs, Steve Ferguson, Lee Nixson and Jimmy Mills.

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Public Hearing For Road Requests On Tuesday, Feb. 23

Residents of Chowan County will have an opportunity to present road requests, petitions and problems to First Division Highway personnel at a public hearing in Edenton on Tuesday, February 23. Announcement of the hearing is made by Division Engineer W. N. Spruill.

City and county officials, along with the general public, are invited to attend the hearing if they have road requests which they feel should receive attention.

The hearing will be held between the hours of 2 and 5 P. M., on Wednesday, February 23, in the court room of the Chowan County Court House at Edenton.

Young People Will Conduct Service At Presbyterian Church

In the absence of the pastor the young people of the Edenton Presbyterian Church will again conduct the morning worship service this Sunday. Jerry Nixon will be in charge, with the sermons delivered by Charles Cuthrell, Joe Mitchener, Luke Wright and Mark Wright. Eddie and George Nixon will lead in prayer, the call to worship will be read by Johnny Alexander, Jack Sawyer will lead the responsive reading, and Wayne Baker will read the Scripture. The service will begin at 11 o'clock.

Four sermonettes will be given, on Seeking God; Christ's Peace for Believers; Faith, Hope, and Love; and We Are Laborers Together With God. The public is cordially invited to attend this and all services of the Edenton Presbyterian Church.

February Is Heart Month

Mayor John Mitchener has proclaimed February to be Heart Month.

The 1960 Heart Fund drive, conducted by the Chowan County Heart Association, began on February 1 and will continue through February 29.

Heart Month will reach its climax on Heart Sunday, February 28, when volunteers will canvass their neighborhoods for contributions. Earlier in the month, teams of business men and women will canvass the downtown commercial areas and outlying shopping districts to give the town's business organizations a special opportunity to combat the heart diseases which cause serious financial and production losses for business.

"More citizens of our nation and our community die each year of the diseases of the heart and circulatory system than of all other causes of death combined," the Mayor pointed out in his proclamation, adding that 10 million Americans, including 500,000 children, suffer from some form of these diseases.

He also observed that, in addition to causing pain and suffering

20 Years Ago

As Found in the Files of The Chowan Herald

Edenton Lions Club celebrated its third anniversary at a banquet with Edmund Harding of Washington as the principal speaker.

A letter was written to Congressman Lindsay Warren asking him to use his efforts in securing a commemorative stamp for Edenton with either the old Court House or St. Paul's Church printed on the stamp.

Ninety-five electric customers

Election Tuesday Decides \$557,000 Bond Issue Status

Tag Day Saturday

William E. Bond, Heart Fund Chairman, announces that Heart Tag Day will be observed Saturday, when tags will be sold in Edenton.

The tags will be sold by a group of high school girls headed by Mary Thorud, and it is hoped many people will buy the tags.

Mr. Bond reported that the balloon sale last Saturday netted \$65.

Clubs In Chowan Plan For District Meeting April 12

Home economics agents and Home Demonstration County Council district and county officers of the Twenty-fifth Federated District of Home Demonstration Clubs, which includes Dare, Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Chowan and Gates counties, met at the Edenton Restaurant in Edenton, Thursday, February 4, to plan the district meeting to be held in Edenton Tuesday, April 12.

Mrs. O. C. Long, Jr., Chowan County, district chairman, presided. Reports were made by Mrs. H. T. Hollowell, Chowan County, who is district citizenship chairman and Mrs. Fred Matthews, Perquimans County, district music chairman.

Mrs. O. C. Long, Jr., gave a report of the state executive board meeting which was held in Raleigh November 11 and 12. Miss Florence Cox, Eastern District Home Economics Agent, urged the counties to complete their contributions for the Home Demonstration Club Headquarters building, by Farm-Home Week this summer.

Committee chairmen and committees from the various counties were named for the district

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Ernest Ward, Jr., Appointed To Municipal Accounting Group

Ernest J. Ward, Jr., Edenton's Town Clerk, was notified this week that he had been appointed to a N. C. League of Municipalities committee on municipal accounting to assist and cooperate with the Accounting Advisory Section.

The 1959 General Assembly passed legislation establishing an accounting advisory section of the Local Government Commission to develop accounting standards for cities and towns. Mr. Easterling, secretary of the Commission, has announced the appointment of Gordon Bell as chief of that section.

"We have been requested by Mr. Easterling to appoint a League committee on municipal accounting to assist and cooperate

with this accounting advisory section," stated Mrs. Davetta L. Steed, executive director, "and I would greatly appreciate it if you would serve on this committee as a representative of the municipalities of 2,500 to 5,000 population."

Mrs. Steed further said, "I sincerely hope that you will accept appointment to serve on this important committee, and that you can attend an initial meeting Wednesday, February 24, at 11 o'clock at the League office. Following the meeting, we will lunch together, and I am sure adjournment will be shortly thereafter."

Mr. Ward has accepted the appointment and plans to attend the meeting.

Hope Is For a Large Turnout of Voters; Polls Will Be Open From 6:30 to 6:30

Next Tuesday, February 16, Edenton voters are called upon to vote for or against a \$557,000 bond issue. The purpose of this election is to secure funds with which to construct a sewage disposal plant and make necessary sewer extensions. As has been mentioned many times before, Edenton has been ordered to make this improvement by the State Stream Sanitation Commission in order to prevent dumping raw sewage into local waters.

The information has also been emphasized that if Edenton voters defeat the bond issue, then the state will construct a plant and pass the expense to Edenton taxpayers, in which case it is calculated the cost will be much higher.

Most Edenton organizations have endorsed the election and while some opposition exists, the general opinion is that the majority of voters will cast their ballots in favor of the bond issue.

Registrars have been sitting at the various polling places, but very few new voters registered for the election. There was no new registration called for the election, so that all voters who are listed on the town's registration books will be eligible to cast a ballot in the election.

As in regular town elections, First Ward voters will cast their ballots at the Municipal Building.

The Court House is the polling place for voters in the Second Ward.

For the Third Ward the polling place is at the Municipal Building.

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Emmett Winslow Files For Senate

Local political waters rippled with the first candidate on Monday when J. Emmett Winslow, veteran Perquimans County legislator, filed his intentions with the Perquimans Board of Elections to seek re-election as State Senator for the First District, subject to the Democratic Primary on May 28th.

Senator Winslow is seeking re-election to a second term as a member of the 1961 General Assembly, having been elected to the office in 1958, and serving in the 1959 session.

He served two previous terms

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Elementary PTA Will Meet Tuesday

The Elementary School Parent-Teacher Association will meet in the school auditorium Tuesday night, February 16, at 8 o'clock. A special program is being arranged, so that Nick George, president, urges all members to be present.

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CIVIC CALENDAR

A special election will be held in Edenton Tuesday, February 16 to vote on a \$557,000 bond issue for sewage improvements.
In the absence of the pastor, young people will conduct the morning worship service at the Presbyterian Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.
The American Legion Auxiliary will meet Tuesday night, February 16, at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. W. E. Mills.
Edenton Jaycees will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock.

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