

KNOW YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

John T. Grooms, representative of the Social Security Administration, is in Edenton every Thursday at the North Carolina Employment Security Commission office in the Citizens Bank Building.

Many persons in Chowan County whose claims for social security retirement or survivors benefits were disallowed in the past because the worker had not worked enough, may now possibly qualify for these benefits by filing new claims. In making

this announcement, Mr. John T. Grooms, Field Representative of the Norfolk, Virginia, Social Security District Office, said this change, one of several important ones in the 1960 amendments, is due to the fact that the amount of work needed to make social

security benefits payable to a worker and his family has been reduced by about one-third in most cases. This applies to any case, whether or not a claim was ever filed.

In explaining how this new rule works, Mr. Grooms emphasized that at least six quarters (eighteen months) of social security earnings are still required as always, and the maximum is still 40 quarters. There is no change in the requirement for disability benefits. A person must have five years' work in the last ten years before becoming disabled. Mr. Grooms illustrated how much easier it is for persons reaching retirement age in 1961, for example, to meet the new requirement: under the old rules they would have needed twenty or twenty-one quarters, but may now qualify with thirteen quarters. Workers who reached retirement age or who died before 1957 need only six quarters to be insured. Proportionate reductions are in effect for all cases, within the above limits.

Mr. Grooms invited interested persons to secure any of the free pamphlets at his office covering these and all other phases of the Social Security Program, as well as to obtain further information and assistance in filing benefit claims. The Norfolk, Virginia, office is located at 220 W. Brambleton Avenue, telephone number MADison 7-6436, and is open Mondays through Fridays from 9 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.

Varsity Club Honors High School Athletes

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and expressed, on behalf of the Varsity Club, deep appreciation for the interest and support of townspeople in the school's athletic program.

The principal speaker for the occasion was Robert L. (Jack) Boone, head football coach at East Carolina College, who was introduced by Hiram Mayo. Mr. Boone was accompanied by Cecil Heath and James Speight of the college. Speight is considered one of the fastest backfield football players in the history of ECC and has recently signed a contract with the Baltimore Colts. He is presently on leave of absence from the U. S. Air Force to get his master's degree. They were introduced by Coach Boone and both paid tribute to Jerry Tolley, Bubba Hopkins, Jimmy White and Leroy Spivey, four Edenton boys who have been awarded football scholarships at the college. "We expect great things from these four boys," said Heath, "and the folks back home will be watching with pride how you perform."

Speight stressed the importance of athletes applying themselves to their studies which is essential to the progress of an athlete in college.

Mr. Boone expressed his pleas-

ure at having a quartet of Edenton boys on his forthcoming football squad. "We have four fine boys from Edenton coming with us," he said, "and I am counting heavily on Jerry Tolley, Bubba Hopkins, Jimmy White and Leroy Spivey to develop into first rate football players and being a tower of strength to our football team." He spoke generally about football and what is expected of those who play, pointing out the various attributes and especially discipline. His address was interspersed with short humorous stories to emphasize a point he wanted to bring out. He, too, complimented the people in Edenton for being behind school athletics and referred to the football record made by Coach Bill Billings.

Dr. Hardin presented certificates to the boys and girls who participated in athletics, which went to the following: Cheerleaders—Nettie Lassiter, Judy Israel, Linda Dail, Ida Campen, Marian Bunch, Barbara Alexander, Joan Wright, Sue Crabtree, Irene Spencer and Carolyn Griffin.

Girls' Basketball—Mary Ann Overton, Mary Anne Hare, Sara Relfe Smith, Nettie Lassiter, Ida Campen, Beverly Morgan, Sue Bunch, Phyllis Twiddy, Irene Spencer, Barbara Layton, Barbara Alexander, Carol Phipps, Jean Goodwin, Mary Thorud, Ann Wells and Sandra Overton, manager.

Boys' Basketball—Jerry Tolley, Fred Britton, Richard Hollowell, Bobby Stokley, Wayne Griffin, Carroll Forehand, Jimmy Dail, Bill Goodwin, Herbert Adams and David Holton, manager.

Baseball—Wayne Baker, Dickie Cobb, Wayne Ashley, Jimmy Dail, Carroll Forehand, Crayton Hughes, Lloyd Lassiter, Joe Mitcheener, Leroy Spivey, Jerry Tolley and Ronald Weikel.

Football—Ronald Weikel, Leroy Spivey, Fred Britton, Joe Mitcheener, Wayne Griffin, Cecil Fry, Joe Campen, Jack Ashley, Wayne Baker, Charles Cuthrell, Ronald Forehand, Donald Faircloth, Sammy Wright, Ervin Griffin, Jimmy White, George Nixon, Mac Wright, Jack Sawyer, Hurley Mitchell, Carroll Forehand, Boots Lassiter, Herbert Adams, Richard Dixon, Wayne Ashley, Bubba Hopkins, Douglas Sexton, Jimmy Dail, Jerry Tolley, Brad Williford, Walter Small, Alex Kehayes, Roland Tolley and Perry Byrum and David Holton, managers.

Climaxing the banquet followed presentation of certificates when the most valuable players in basketball, baseball and football were announced.

Dr. Hardin stated that members of the football team requested the trophy to be presented to the team as a whole instead of an individual. However, Dr. Hardin stated that this procedure would be contrary to the by-laws of the club, so that the honor would have to go to an individual. Due to the star performance of every member of the past season's football team, it was extremely difficult to choose the winner. In fact, Dr. Hardin stated that 10 out of the 11 regular players were in the running and that after several hours of discussion the winner was named, and went to Jerry Tolley.

Tolley carried out the lion's share of honors, for he not only received the football trophy, but was also awarded the basketball trophy.

In baseball the trophy went to Carroll Forehand. "He's the boy who hits home runs and

strikes 'em out," said Dr. Hardin in presenting the award.

In dismissing the meeting, Dr. Hardin again expressed his appreciation for the interest taken in school athletics and the hope that the sports award banquet would continue to be an annual event.

CHOWAN PTA MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MAY 8

The date for the May meeting of the Chowan High School Parent-Teacher Association has been changed from May 1 to Monday, May 8.

The Home Economics Department, under the direction of Mrs. Lorraine Rogerson, will present a fashion show. The members of her classes will model from the auditorium stage their own creations which will show an outgrowth of the work the girls have done in this particular phase of their training in home economics.

The program will begin at 8 o'clock and the public is cordially invited.

GUEST PREACHER

The Rev. Dave Reddick, better known as the Swamp Angel of Virginia, will preach at Kadesh A.M.E. Zion Church Sunday night, April 30, at 7 o'clock.

Reddick is a former quartet singer of Elizabeth City and is a radio broadcaster in Portsmouth, Va.

VISITING PREACHER

The pastor of the Sweet Hope Free Will Baptist Church of Greenville, N. C., will preach at the Kadesh A.M.E. Zion Church Sunday afternoon, May 7, at 3 o'clock. He will be accompanied by the junior choir, ushers and members of the congregation.

IN INDUSTRIAL ARTS CLUB

Sixty-six students are participating in activities of the Industrial Arts Club at East Carolina College for the present school year.

The purpose of the organization, which was formed at East Carolina in 1949, is to acquaint members with various aspects of work in industrial arts and to promote new ideas in teaching and carrying on work in the field.

Numbered among the members of the club is Edward Fay Bunch of Edenton.

On A Sunday Morning

Parson—(meeting a neighbor bringing home a load of hay)— Jenkins, wouldn't it be better if you attended services instead of working this way?

Jenkins—Mr. Dawkins, I don't

know whether it would be best to sit on a load of hay and think of religion or sit in the church and think of the hay.

Pointed Farewell

"How did you get that scratch

on your cheek?" "When I said good-bye to the chief at the office he had a pen behind his ear."

Honesty is spiritual power. —Mary Baker Eddy.

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Dr. A. F. Downum

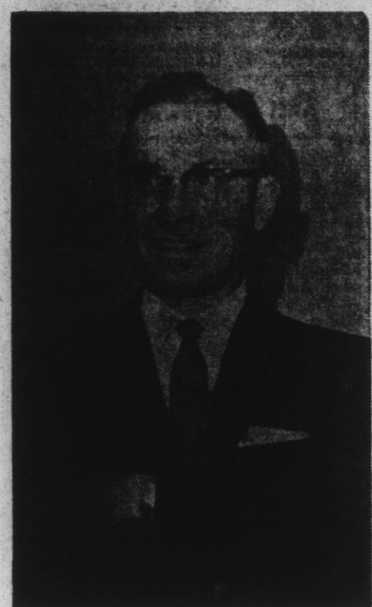
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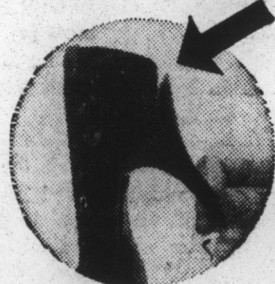
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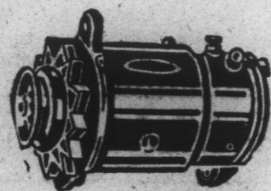
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