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Banquet Planned Friday Night To Honor Members Ton And Half Peanut Club

Awards to Be Presented to 28 at Colonial Motor Court Restaurant

Twenty-eight of Chowan County's top peanut growers will be feted at a special banquet meeting in Edenton's Colonial Motor Court's new restaurant Friday night, December 15, at 7 o'clock, according to Wesley Chesson, chairman of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce Agricultural Committee. The occasion, Chesson stated, is to present awards to those who qualified for the Ton and One Half Peanut Club contest sponsored by the Chamber. Qualifiers were those farmers wh6 grew 3,000 pounds or more, dry weight, to the measured acre.

Main speaker of the evening will be William Campbell, entomology expert from N. C. State College in Raleigh. Mr. Campbell's talk will embrace the important subject of the influence of insects on peanut yields with particular emphasis on the destructive Southern Corn Root Worm. Mr. Campbell will illustrate upon his subject with colored slides. Also attending the banquet in addition to the Chamber's Agricultural Committee will be Aster Perry, peanut specialist, N. C. State College

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Re-elected

H. FAHEY BYRUM

Chowan County farmers last week re-elected H. Fahey Byrum for a three-year term as supervisor of the Chowan Soil and Water Conservation District.

Eta President Is Guest Speaker Pi Chapter Luncheon

Inspiring Meeting Is Held at Hertford Saturday With 40 Members Present

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Mrs. Phoebe Emmons, president of Eta State Delta Gamma Society, was guest speaker at Saturday's luncheon meeting in Hertford, at which time chapter members from Hertford were hostesses to the group of approximately 40 members from 12 Albemarle counties of northeastern North Carolina.

The speaker was introduced by Pi Chapter President Ruth Hoyle of Elizabeth City.

Mrs. Emmons spoke inspiringly and effectively on the policies, standards, and requirements of work and accomplishments of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society, with emphasis on the vital importance of personal growth, of expanding personal cultural horizons, and of deepening within oneself an appreciation of the values by which free people live. She urged each member to be more fully aware of individual roles in relation to each other, in progress in education, and to a better world.

Prior to the luncheon, which was served by a committee from the Hertford Methodist Church, a brief business session was held with the president in

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BPW Club "Woman Of The Year"

In above picture Miss Mildred Munden, left, 1960 BPW Club Woman of the Year," is presenting a rotating silver bowl to Miss Beulah Perry, who was named "Club Woman of the Year for 1961." The ceremony took place at the BPW Club's Christmas party held Thursday night of last week at the Edenton Restaurant.—(Ricks Photo).

Acting Secretary Of Agriculture Replies To Misinterpretation Of Administration's Farm Policies

In the last several weeks the public has been exposed to a continuous stream of misinformation and misinterpretation regarding the farm policies and programs of this administration, according to Charles S. Murphy, acting Secretary of Agriculture.

The result, he says, has been to give wide currency to distortions so completely at variance with the facts that this department, as the agency responsible for administration of the programs in question, is impelled to set the record straight. That is the purpose of this statement.

The misinformation in the main relates to the effectiveness and the cost of the emergency feed grain program adopted by Congress and initiated by the department in March, 1961.

Here's how the feed grain program stacks up as far as meeting or having met the stated objectives at the time the legislation was passed:

Farm Income — Net farm income in 1961 is estimated to be up by $1 billion—or 9% above 1960. A substantial part of this increase is a result of the feed grain program.

The value of the 1960 corn and grain sorghum crop was $4.4 billion. The value of the 1961 crop, together with payments for acreage reductions, is estimated

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Demonstrations Feature Meeting Of Woman's Club

Group of Pembroke Playmakers Enact Nativity; Club Considers Book Club

Highlights of the December meeting of the Edenton Woman's Club were Christmas decorations by the Chowan County Home Demonstration Clubs and an enactment of the nativity by the Pembroke Playmakers.

The luncheon meeting was held Wednesday, December 6, at the Edenton Restaurant.

The club members voted to purchase a Rol-A-Round, play equipment, and several picnic tables for the playground, provided there are sufficient funds for the tables.

It was also decided that the club would sponsor and organize a book club, as much interest has been indicated in a book club.

The transfer of Mrs. James Cozart from the Mount Airy Junior Woman's Club was accepted and she was welcomed to the club.

Representatives of the various Home Demonstration Clubs displaying and explaining Christmas decorations were Advance, Mrs. Carlton Perry, a feather Christmas tree; Beech Fork Club, Mrs. W. H. Saunders, candy wreath; Center Hill, Mrs. E. L. Belch, styrofoam violin; Chowan, Mrs. M. M. Nixon, mantel arrangement of evergreens; Colonial, Mrs. J. L. Chestnutt, magnolia door arrangement; Enterprise, Mrs. Ol-

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Miss Beulah Perry Named 'Club Woman Of Year' By Local BPW Club Members

Honored at Christmas Party Held By Club Thursday Night of Last Week

Miss Beulah Perry was named "Clubwoman of the Year for 1961" by the Edenton Business and Professional Women's Club at its annual Christmas party held Thursday night, December 7, at the Edenton Restaurant.

Miss Mildred Munden, 1960 Clubwoman of the year, presented Miss Perry with a rotating silver bowl and a bouquet of red roses. This award is given to the club woman who has shown outstanding qualities as a Business and Professional Club member. She is judged by the following qualifications: Versatility, love for others, business or professional merit, community service, character and club service

Miss Perry has been an outstanding BPW member for many years. She has served as an officer or chairman of many committees and particularly has done exceptional work with finances and annual Christmas parade. No activity of the club has found her too busy to serve when needed. Her interests are wide and varied. She has a great love for her fellowmen. She always finds time to visit the sick, her thoughtfulness brings cheer to many.

She is a dedicated member of the Edenton Baptist Church and has served in Sunday school, missionary and Training Union work. The honoree has also found time to give to her community for its beautification and improvement.

Miss Perry is employed by Rose's Store in Edenton as assistant manager.

Through her untiring efforts, her willingness to help others without looking for or expecting reward, she has endeared herself to all who know her.

Full Agenda Faces Town Councilmen

Changing Traffic on Court Street Is Being Considered

Town Councilmen faced a full agenda at their meeting Tuesday night, which kept them in session until near the midnight hour.

One delegation appeared at the meeting, including the Revs. F. H. LaGarde and J. E. Tillett. The former was spokesman, who sought information relative to integrating the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library. Mayor John

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Christmas Story In Song On Sunday At Methodist Church

The Christmas story in song will be presented at the morning service at 11 o'clock Sunday, December 17, at the Edenton Methodist Church.

There will be no sermon preached by the pastor, the Rev. Van Crawford, with the major portion of the service devoted to special Christmas music by the choir.

The public is cordially invited to attend this, which promises to be a very unique and impressive service.

H. Fahey Byrum Is Re-elected As Chowan District Supervisor

December 4-9 was Soil and Water Conservation District election week in Chowan County. The voters in the county have re-elected H. Fahey Byrum for a three year term to begin January 1, 1962. The response from the eligible voters in the county was quite gratifying to the supervisors, and they wish to express appreciation to all who participated.

Soil and Water Conservation District supervisors occupy a position of public office and public trust. As a member of the local board, Mr. Byrum will assist in program planning, policy making and the carrying out of a soil and water conservation program for Chowan County and Albemarle Soil Conservation District. Members of the county and district boards will meet regularly with agricultural agency representatives and others interested in this important program. District supervisors are non-salaried officials, serving

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County Schools To Close Friday For Holiday Season

W. J. Taylor, superintendent of county schools, has announced that schools in the county administrative unit will close Friday, December 15, for the Christmas holidays.

The holiday season for teachers and students will extend to Monday, January 1, when the schools will re-open.

J. C. Parks Elected Master By Masons

Officers Elected For Year at Meeting Thursday

Officers for Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., for the year 1962 were elected at a meeting held Thursday night.

The officers elected were: Master, J. C. Parks, who succeeds Dr. A. F. Downum; senior warden, J. A. Bunch; junior warden, Rodney Harrell, Jr.; treasurer, R. E. Leary, and secretary, W. P. Goodwin. J. Edwin Bufflap was also re-eletced as a trustee for a three-year term.

The new officers will be installed at the stated communication to be held Thursday night, January 4.

Plans Made For Christmas Dance

Music Furnished By Ray Abernethy and His Orchestra

Plans are rapidly moving forward for the annual Christmas dance sponsored by the Edenton Varsity Club. The dance will be held Christmas night, December 25, from 9 P. M., to 1 A. M., in the Edenton armory.

Music for the dance will be furnished by Ray Abernethy and his orchestra from Rocky Mount, who have provided music for a number of previous dances. A large crowd is expected to attend.

Table reservations can be made by phoning 2105, 4107 or 3440.

Special Masonic Meeting Tonight

Lecture "Mystic Tie" By Claude Gatty Will Be Heard

Dr. A. F. Downum, master of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., announces that an emergent communication will be held tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock. The purpose of the meeting is to see a film which records a lecture, "Mystic Tie," by Claud Galty, past vrand master of Washington, D. C.

Dr. Downum states that this film is especially interesting to Masons, so that he urges all members to attend and extends a cordial invitation to visiting Masons to be present.

EASTERN STAR MEETING

Edenton Chapter No. 302, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet Monday night, December 18, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Anita Tarkington, worthy matron, is very anxious to have a large attendance.

Rev. Ralph Harrell Lions Club Speaker

Presents An Interesting Program Dealing With Africa

Members of the Edenton Lions Club were treated to an unusually interesting and informative program at their meeting Monday night at the Edenton Restaurant, when the program was presented by the Rev. Ralph Harrell.

Mr. Harrell is the son of Mrs. W. W. Harrell and has served three years as a foreign Baptist missionary in East Africa. He plans to return as a missionary for four more years.

Mr. Harrell very interestingly told of conditions and experiences in Africa and to add to the interest of his remarks he presented a film portraying life, customs and scenery in areas which he has visited while on his missionary duties.

The club will hold its Christmas party next Monday night, December 18, at 7:15 o'clock at the Edenton Restaurant, after which the next meeting will be held Monday night, January 8.

Red Men Turkey Shoot On Friday

Chowan Tribe No. 12, Improved Order of Red Men, will sponsor a turkey shoot Friday, December 15. The shoot will be held at the American Legion grounds from 4 to 10 P. M.

It is hoped many will turn out for the shoot.

Print By Betsy Ross Shown On Television

Miss Betsy Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ross, exhibited a printing from a wood cut in an art show held last week at East Carolina College, where she is a sophomore.

So well received was her piece of work that it was exhibited on a television program Sunday.

Rotary Christmas Party On Dec. 21

Edenton's Rotary Club will hold its annual Christmas party Thursday night, December 21. The party will be held at the American Legion building, beginning at 7 o'clock.

President Richard Atkinson has appointed a committee to make all the necessary arrangements and this group reports that a very enjoyable party is in prospect.

Turkey Shoot At Oak Grove Dec. 22

Oak Grove Hunting Club will sponsor a turkey shoot Friday afternoon, December 22. The shoot will be held at the Oak Grove Community Building, beginning at 5 o'clock and continuing until 10 o'clock.

20 Years Ago

As Found In The Files Of The Chowan Herald

Voters in the Edenton school administration unit cast their ballots just about 4 to 1 in favor of a local tax to support a ninth month of school.

Chowan Club women cleared off all of the indebtedness on their community building. The total cost of the building was $7,500, of which the WPA paid $5,000.

William Privott was appointed chairman of the President's birthday celebration for the pur-

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Firemen's Christmas Party Slated Tonight

Edenton firemen will hold their annual Christmas party tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock. The party will be held at the fire station with firemen's wives as special guests.

Fire Chief W. J. Yates urges all members of the department and their wives to be present.

Post Office Open Saturday, Dec. 16th From 8:30 To 5 P. M.

Postmaster J. L. Chestnutt this week makes an appeal, "that all of us make a point to mail now. A delay at this critical time may mean disappointing your friends and your loved ones on Christmas Day."

Mr. Chestnutt reports that the Edenton Post Office is several thousand pieces of mail ahead of this same date last year. "Please get that mail in the Post Office this week," he pleads.

For the benefit of patrons, the Edenton Post Office will be open Saturday, December 16, from 8:30 A. M., until 5 P. M.

Lions Christmas Party Dec. 18th

Edenton's Lions Club will hold its annual Christmas party Monday night, December 18, at the Edenton Restaurant.

The party will begin at 7:15 o'clock and wives of the members will be special guests for the occasion. President John Mitchener urges every member to be present.

Red Men Will Elect Officers Dec. 18th

Chowan Tribe No. 12, Improved Order of Red Men, will meet Monday night, December 18, at 7:30 o'clock. At this meeting tribal officers will be elected, so that W. M. Rhoades, outgoing sachem, especially requests a large attendance.

Final Tetanus Shot Clinic Held Tonight

The final tetanus shot clinic will be held at St. John's School tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock.

All those who have not received their second tetanus shot are urgently requested to go to the school tonight.

Legion Christmas Party On Dec. 18

Members of Ed Bond Post No. 40 of the American Legion will hold a Christmas party and dance at the Legion building Monday night, December 18, at 8 o'clock.

Special guests will be wives of Legionnaires and all members of the American Legion Auxiliary are also especially invited to attend.

City Schools Will Close Two Weeks During Christmas

According to Hiram Mayo, superintendent of Edenton city schools, teachers and students will have a two-weeks holiday over the Christmas season.

The schools will close Tuesday of next week, December 19 and will re-open Tuesday, January 2.

Prizes Offered For Outdoor Decorations

It is hoped many people in Edenton will participate in the Christmas outdoor home decoration contest which is sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club. The various decorations will be judged Friday, December 22.

Two cash prizes will be awarded the two best outdoor decorations, $15 for first prize and $10 for second prize.

Firemen's Turkey Shoot Saturday

Center Hill-Cross Roads firemen will sponsor another turkey shoot, which will be held Saturday afternoon, December 16. The shoot will be held at the fire station grounds from 1 to 9:30 P. M.

The firemen hope many will attend the shoot and enjoy the fun.

CIVIC CALENDAR

Edenton Woman's Club is sponsoring a Christmas outdoor home decoration contest which will be judged Friday, December 22.

A story hour will be held at the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library Friday afternoon, December 15, from 4 to 5 o'clock.

A banquet will be held Friday night, December 15, at the Colonial Motor Court Restaurant to honor 28 members of Chowan County's Ton and A Half Peanut Club.

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Band Will Present Christmas Concert Sunday, December 17

The John A. Holmes High School Band will present a program of varied selections at its annual Christmas concert Sunday afternoon, December 17. The music will begin at 5 o'clock with the playing of the Star Spangled Banner. The concert will continue with the March, "El Capitan" by the famous American composer of military marches, John Philip Sousa. Compositions by Frescobaldi, George F. Handel and Edward Grieg will also be performed.

On the lighter side, the band will render a medley of Peter De Rose compositions, Deep Purple, Autumn Serenade, Royal Blue and White Orchids, in an arrangement entitled Colorama.

Seasonal music will include "Three Songs For Christmas" by Grundman and "Yuletide Festival", an arrangement by John Warrenton. One of the highlights of the Christmas program will be the performance of the traditional carols with audience participation. Each year the band invites the audience to stand and sing, with band accompaniment, "Silent Night", "O Come All Ye Faithful" and many of the other traditional Christmas carols.

Christmas Story Hour At Library

Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library will have a story hour on Friday, December 15, from 4 to 5 o'clock. Mrs. Tom Shepard, assisted by Mrs. George Byrum will conduct the Story Hour.

Children between five and ten are cordially invited. It is suggested that mothers who are bringing the younger group arrive a few minutes early so that children will not miss the beginning of the program which is a very enjoyable part of the hour.

Bloodmobile Scheduled To Be In Edenton Thursday, Jan. 4

Attention is called to the fact that the Red Cross bloodmobile will make another visit to Edenton Thursday, January 4. The bloodmobile will be located at the Edenton armory from 10 A. M., to 4 P. M.

Rudolph Dale, Chowan County blood program chairman, reports that the county's quota will be 100 pints and that he hopes this amount will be donated this time. Mr. Dale says that since September 10 the Chowan Hospital has used 118 pints of blood. "This fact," says Mr. Dale, "clearly shows that citizens of Chowan County have to make an all-out effort to meet the quota and even exceed it."

At the last visit of the bloodmobile the county fell short of its quota when 75 pints were donated.

Civil Defense Planning Key To Survival

By MURRAY D. ASHLEY
Chowan-Edenton Civil Defense Director

We here in Chowan County might prefer to look the other way when they talk of the next war. In a way we aren't much different from many people elsewhere in America. It's hard to realize that suddenly, modern warfare has caught up with us and the next round may be for keeps. We hate to accept the fact; no longer can we depend on the oceans to give us the time needed to prepare. We still think of war as something which we can put in the background of our everyday thinking—take a wait and see attitude and if worse comes to worse we'll prepare for it the best we can. This type of thinking can place the people of America in great danger. We are only minutes from their launching pads across the sea. A thermonuclear attack could come any day—any hour—and if we have not made prior preparations, thousands who would have survived will lose their lives.

The idea which received much attention in Nevil Shute's best seller and the movie "On The Beach" that H-bombs would engulf the world and wipe out everybody is incorrect. Some of the best brains in the country tell us that even with an all out attack millions of our population would survive if some thought had been given to survival beforehand. It's true that your best chance of survival would be an underground shelter, but even with a basic understanding of nuclear radiation,

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