

### Edenton Youth Overcomes Handicaps



With the March of Dimes campaign still in progress, it is interesting to learn of the progress made by 9-year-old Jarvis Belch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Belch of Edenton. Shortly after birth, doctors advanced the opinion that Jarvis would not live much less walk. But the boy is now in his second year at St. Ann's Episcopal School at Charlottesville, Va., where he is very much alive despite his handicap. Jarvis cannot use either arm and has only 30% motion in his left leg, but can romp around with other children and despite the fact that he cannot use his arms, he won the National Board of Examiners' penmanship certificate in Washington, D. C. in December. He writes by using a pencil in his mouth and writes very well. He was operated on six weeks after birth with help from the Crippled Children Fund, one of the ways March of Dimes funds are used. Have you contributed?

### Gerald L. Harrell In Leading Role In ECC Comedy

### Edenton Boy Says By Far Most Difficult Thing He Has Ever Done

Gerald Lester Harrell of Edenton will be playing a king unable to utter a word in "Once Upon a Mattress," musical comedy version of a beloved old fairy tale, to be presented in McGinnis Theater at East Carolina College February 2-5 at 8 P. M.

Though he has no words to speak he has been struck dumb by his domineering wife) he has, all the same, a long role that includes one of the show's most hilarious scenes, in which King Sextimus attempts to educate his son about the facts of life in sign language.

"Once Upon a Mattress" is the musical comedy version of the fairy tale about the princess and the pea. It delighted New York theatergoers for 59 weeks in 1959 and 1960.

"It's by far the most difficult thing I've done," says Harrell, son of I. L. Harrell of Route 3, Edenton. "In order to pantomime I have to memorize the lines of all the characters because both music and words for my role are worked out to pantomime. And keeping in beat with the music is a problem."

The business major, who will graduate at the end of the winter quarter, has made an enviable record for himself on the East Carolina stage. "Since his freshman year, when he played in the East Carolina Playhouse production of "The Diary of Anne Frank," he has been playing in the local national guard unit now seeking full strength of 105.

### Local National Guard Unit Now Seeking Full Strength Of 105 Specialist Briley On Duty Daily

Edenton's National Guard unit is now seeking enlistments in order to bring the company up to full strength. At present the unit is composed of 76 officers and enlisted men, while the full strength is 105 officers and enlisted men.

Both Capt. Swanner and Specialist Briley will be delighted to confer with any young men who might be interested in enlisting in the National Guard. Mr. Briley can be contacted daily at the Edenton armory from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

### Edenton Group Planning To Attend North Carolina Day Luncheon In New York

### Will Join Many Others at Hotel Roosevelt In Search of New Industry

Five members of the industrial development committee of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce are scheduled to attend a "North Carolina Day" luncheon and subsequent business meeting at the Hotel Roosevelt in New York City, February 25, according to George A. Byrum, president of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce. "Weather permitting," Byrum said, "our group will travel by private planes taking off from the Edenton Municipal Airport about 8:30 A. M., for the approximately 3-hour flight."

Bruce Jones, chairman of the Chamber's industrial committee, stated that through the courtesy of Dr. Richard Hardin, former Naval flight surgeon and James W. Gardner, president of Seabrook Blanching Corp., two planes are being placed at the disposal of the Chamber group for the industry-hunting trip. Both owner-pilots have made their planes available to fly the Chamber group and they will also attend the business meeting as delegates from Chowan County.

Approximately 400 other businessmen and community leaders from scores of North Carolina cities will converge on the Hotel Roosevelt, Jones stated, as guests of the Sales Executive's Club of New York, also 400 strong. Governor Terry Sanford is to be the main speaker for the occasion and can be expected to be one of the most enthusiastic salesmen present to continue the State's drive to bring new industry and its payrolls to North Carolina.

"A number of the New York executives attending the luncheon are already familiar with North Carolina's business climate and have branch plants located here," Jones said.

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### 20 Years Ago As Found In The Files Of The Chowan Herald

Edenton's Boy Scout Troop, due to the work of the Scouts and Scoutmasters C. W. Overman, Marvin Wilson and Frank Holmes, assisted by the Troop Committee, set an exceptional record during the year. Seven second class, seven first class, seven Star and four Life Scouts were advanced.

Dr. William Moore, head of the veterinary division of the State Department of Agriculture, declared that the hog cholera epidemic in Northeastern North Carolina was due to "promiscuous use of virus in vaccinations, poor management, bad housing conditions and damaged food."

Operators of taxicabs in Edenton were warned by the Chowan County War Price and Ration Board that they were prohibited to haul passengers for non-essential trips. This included trips to dances, sporting events, social calls, commercial deliveries and not going more than 10 miles beyond the corporate limits of Edenton.

An unusual theft occurred at Mitchener's Pharmacy when a man entered the store claiming to be a pharmacist and stole a box of insulin. Continued on Page 3—Section 1

### Eastern Star Plans To Hold Banquet Tonight

Members of Edenton Chapter No. 302, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold a banquet tonight (Thursday) at the Masonic Temple, beginning at 6:30 o'clock.

Guests at the banquet will be Masons and their wives, and it is hoped all Masons and their wives, as well as husbands of Eastern Star members will attend.

**ROTARIANS MEET TODAY**  
Edenton's Rotary Club will meet this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. The program will be in charge of H. A. Campen and President W. B. Rosevear urges a 100 per cent attendance.

### Tom Ford Wins Magazine Prize

Tom Ford, manager of the local Goodyear store, was notified last week that he won second prize in a contest conducted by the Reader's Digest which closed in December.

The purpose of the contest was to guess how many copies of the Reader's Digest would be printed in December. Mr. Ford guessed about 6 1/2 million copies and came in second.

His prize is a lifetime subscription to the Reader's Digest.

### Local Winners In Goodyear Contest

Edenton's Goodyear store claimed two winners in a national Goodyear automobile license sweepstakes contest which was held in December.

The two winners were Leon Halsey of Edenton and Elwood Phelps of Creswell.

The contest was handled by the Reuben H. Donley Corporation for the Goodyear Rubber Company, who selected automobile license number at random from the North Carolina automobile registration.

### Rev. Van Chawford Patient In Hospital

His many Edenton friends will regret to learn that the Rev. Van T. Crawford, pastor of the Edenton Methodist Church, is critically ill in Duke Hospital at Durham.

Mr. Crawford was taken by ambulance to Duke Monday and was scheduled to undergo a major operation early Wednesday morning. Mrs. Crawford and son Van, accompanied him to Duke and are still with him.

### April 15 Deadline For Filing Returns

The taxpayer whose signature appears on his Federal tax return is responsible for the facts and figures in it. J. E. Wall, District Director of the Greensboro District Office, said this is true even if the return is prepared with help from the U. S. Internal Revenue Service. And, he added, final date for filing that 1962 tax return is April 15.

### LIONS MEET MONDAY

Edenton Lions will hold their weekly meeting Monday night, February 4, at 7 o'clock at the Edenton Restaurant. Herbert Hollowell, Jr., urges every Lion to be present.

### At a recent meeting of the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary Mrs. Jack Leary was installed as president. She succeeds Mrs. J. D. Elliott. —(Ricks Photo)



### Named Azalea Festival Maid Of Honor



The International Azalea Festival in Norfolk announced this week that Miss Barbara Townson from John A. Holmes High School in Edenton will act as a maid of honor in this year's 10th anniversary celebration in Norfolk April 15-21. Barbara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William David Townson, Jr. She has blonde hair and brown eyes. She is a member of Future Teachers of America Club, Future Homemakers of America Club, Library Club, on staff of school newspaper and annual and member of Junior-Senior Steering Committee.

### Improvements Scheduled To Be Made At Edenton Post Office

Federal buildings at Edenton, Mt. Olive, Greenville and New Bern, N. C., are scheduled for improvement.

A contract has been awarded to Shields and Wyatt, architects, and Fenner and Proffitt, engineers of Rocky Mount, to develop plans and specifications for the work.

The repairs and improvements include: a new boiler, painting and repairs at the U. S. Post Office, Edenton; new boiler, fuel conversion and painting at the U. S. Post Office, Mt. Olive; painting and general repairs at the U. S. Post Office, Greenville; and air-conditioning, elevator conversion and repairs at the U. S. Post Office, Court House, and Custom House, New Bern.

### 25 Ruritans From Albemarle District Attend Convention

The Ruritan National Convention was held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, January 20-24 with 953 Ruritans attending. Ruritan National is a rural civic organization whose purpose is to make the community a better place in which to live. It was organized in Holland, Va., in 1928. Today there are over thirty thousand members in nineteen states. It is the sixth largest and the fastest growing organization in the world.

The newest club in the Albemarle District is the Ryland Club with 28 members which was organized one year ago. Lester Copeland, member of the Ryland Club and outgoing Governor of the Albemarle District, attended the convention and also served on the Registration Committee. As outgoing Governor he will be attending the convention in Maryland.

### Masons And Eastern Star Banquet Tonight

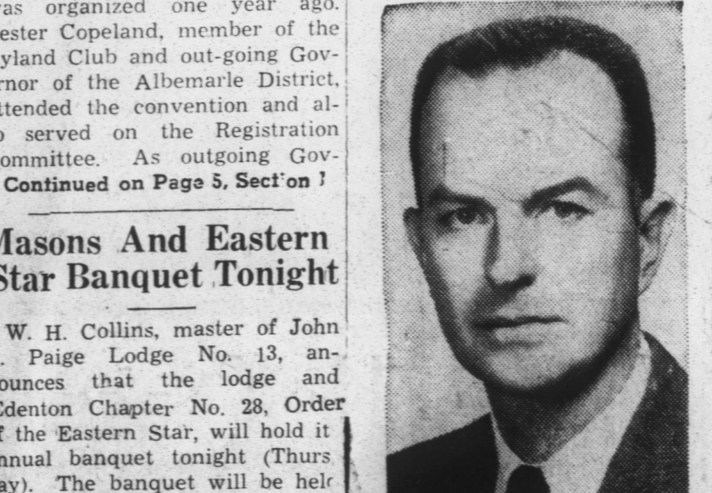
W. H. Collins, master of John R. Paige Lodge No. 13, announces that the lodge and Edenton Chapter No. 28, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold their annual banquet tonight (Thursday). The banquet will be held at the Robin's Motel Restaurant beginning at 8 o'clock, and it is hoped all members of both organizations will attend.

### Enterprise Group Will Meet Tonight

Enterprise Community Development organization will meet tonight (Thursday) at the Zell Ward cabin at 7:30 o'clock. This is a very important meeting and all families are urged to attend.

### Edenton Lecturer

Thomas B. Barnett, associate professor of medicine, University of North Carolina, discussed the classification, recognition and treatment of chronic disabling lung diseases at the UN's Post-graduate Medical Course held at the Edenton Restaurant Wednesday of this week. The next program in the six-week series will be given by Dr. Kenneth W. Warren, General Surgery, Lahey Clinic, Boston, on February 6-7.



### Historical Collection Of Hallmark Valentines At Woman's Club Meeting

### Belk Foundation Plans To Award More Scholarships

A portion of the Hallmark Historical Collection of Valentines will be on display at the February 6th meeting of the Edenton Woman's Club at 1 P. M. at the Edenton Restaurant.

A program on the Valentines will be given by Mrs. James P. Ricks, Jr., program chairman.

Valentines, according to Mrs. Ricks, are believed among the first forms of greeting cards. The antique cards to be displayed were made in England and America and date from the early 1800's.

Commercial Valentines became popular in the nineteenth century in England when well-known printers started to publish sentimental and humorous illustrations combined with verses.

### Seniors Who Are Interested Are Asked To Contact Alton Elmore at Belk-Tyler's

Alton G. Elmore, manager of Belk-Tyler's in Edenton, has announced that the Belk Foundation will award 24 college scholarships worth \$500 each during 1963. The awards will be made to high school graduates who expect to enter college as freshmen during the year.

Mr. Elmore pointed out that this is a continuation of the Foundation's recognition of the growing value of a college education, and its desire to aid deserving students who need assistance.

The Belk Foundation was established in memory of Dr. John M. Belk and W. H. Belk, Sr. During the years since its beginning many churches, colleges, hospitals and other institutions, as well as numerous individuals, have benefitted from the Foundation. The scholarship program is another step in assisting others to a better opportunity in life.

Scholarship winners will be selected by a special committee based on the applicant's scholastic rating, school and community activities, financial need, character and interests, and potentialities for success in college and adult life. Winners will be free to select their own college and course of study.

All local high school seniors who are interested in applying for one of the Belk Foundation scholarships should contact Mr. Elmore for additional details, then fill in one of the application blanks that are now available at Belk-Tyler's.

### Emmett Jones In Drama At ECC

The Wesley Players of the Wesley Foundation, drama organization of East Carolina College students, presented on January 19 and 20, Thornton Wilder's "Our Town." The three-act play was staged at the Methodist Student Center in Greenville before appreciative audiences.

Participating in the presentation of "Our Town" was Emmett Parker Jones of Tyner.

### Band Parents Meet Next Monday Night

Edenton's Band Parents Association will meet Monday night, February 4. The meeting will be held in the band room and Mrs. John Bunch, president, urges a large turnout of members.

### License System Is Being Automated

North Carolina's driver licensing system, which is currently in the process of being automated, needs a touch of human cooperation despite its nimble electronic brainpower, say Motor Vehicle Department licensing officials.

Tar Heel drivers, and two million will eventually be affected by the new system, are being sent a crisp new IEM card which under the new set up will be used at the time of the examination.

The IBM application card is combined with the actual driver's license, enabling examiners to continue on Page 3—Section 1

### Valhalla Produce Company Host To Large Crowd Monday Night At Rocky Hock Fish Fry

Murray Tynch, manager of the Valhalla Produce Company, was host to nearly 300 farmers and Edenton business men Monday night at a huge fish fry held at the Rocky Hock Community Center. The small auditorium was taxed to capacity as many braved the cold weather to enjoy the Tynch hospitality.

A corps of fish fryers devoted the entire day to preparing and frying the fish for the crowd, which won the unanimous comment that it was one of the best fish fries enjoyed locally in a long time.

Mr. Tynch and his son, Murray Tynch, Jr., as well as a group of ladies, saw to it that everyone present had plenty to eat and drink, so that the affair went off very smoothly considering the crowd, some of whom were unable to find a seat to sit down and eat.

Following the meal a film was shown having to do with feed and fertilizer which, too, was very much enjoyed.

Present at the meeting were John Spring of Ahoskie representing the Purina Feed Company; George Fields of Norfolk representing the Reliance Fertilizer Company and Charles H. Wood, Jr., who represented the Olin Mathieson company.

During the evening prizes were awarded which were furnished by Valhalla Produce Company, Purina, Reliance and Olin Mathieson.

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### IBM Cards Must Be Presented When Examined

### Time Very Short

Those who have not yet listed their property in the tax supervisor's office are reminded that Saturday of this week will be the final day to list without penalty. A penalty will be added beginning Monday morning, February 4 to all who have not listed, so that tax official urge listing before Saturday.

### LEGION MEETS TUESDAY

Ed Bond Post No. 40 of the American Legion will meet Tuesday night, February 5, at 7 o'clock. Commander Alexander DeBlois urge a large attendance.

### CIVIC CALENDAR

Edenton Woman's Club will meet at the Edenton Restaurant Wednesday afternoon, February 6, at 1 o'clock.

Edenton Band Parents Association will meet Monday night, February 4, at 7:30 o'clock in the band room.

Saturday of this week will be the final day to list property for 1962 taxes in order to avoid a penalty.

Chowan County Commissioners will meet in the court House Monday morning, February 4, at 9 o'clock.

Nomination forms are now available at Belk-Tyler's.