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CITIZEN MAFIA?

The emotional cackling for "gun registration" has begun to die down a bit. Those who sought to persuade Congress that sportsmen who own hunting guns, and home-owners who own weapons, are all potential assassins, have talked themselves hoarse enough to listen for a moment, perhaps. They wailed that the National Rifle Association was some sort of citizen mafia, without being able to cite a case when a member assassinated anybody. It is certain that not one of the assassins cited as the reason for gun registration was a member, past or present.

In fact, if the Kennedy-King-Kennedy assassinations were the pressing reasons for registration-and they were so represented-then clearly it would be more effective to register Communists than guns. But in our society the thought of registering Communists is unthinkable; it would violate their "civil rights." It is better to restrict the civil rights of every citizen in the land.

The effect of registering firearms would be nil, nor next to nil, in reducing crimes of violence. The millions of homeowners who own guns did not acquire them to commit crimes; they posse. s them because they no longer trust the authorities to provide protection. Further, can you imagine how many thousands of bureaucrats the federal government would have to employ to enforce gun registration? Truly a national police force.

A realistic argument in the gun controversy would be aimed at the criminal-the punk who operates as a stick-up artist, the bandit at the service station, the liquor store, the bank-the armed robber. Does anyone think that any gun law will keep a firearm out of the hands of these street assassins? The answer has to be a big NO. Too many guns are available to these thugs, guns such as those stolen during the Plainfield, N. J., riots, and never recovered. Instead of gun controls, how about a mandatory sentence of five years or so, with no parole, for any crime involving firearms or any other deadly weapon. in the hands of a criminal. That kind of control would side-step overly lenient judges and give some second thoughts to weaponwielding criminals. Gun registration would not have prevented a single one of the tragic Kennedy-King-Kennedy assassinations.



An interesting visitor in The Herald office late last week was Ernest Hettrick, a native of Edenton but now living at Atlanta, He is making his annual visit in Eden-Ga. Nags Head and Norfolk, and enjoys ton. getting up with some of his young man-hood friends (he's now 82 years old) but about the only one around here now is Jack McMullan, who is a few years older. At any rate it was very interesting for him to recall some of the good old days, one of which was attending the old Edenton Academy, which stood where the Ernest A. Swain Elementary School now stands. In rooting through his papers he came up with a picture of the academy, as well as a pic-ture of the class of 1898. How many do you recall of the following members:

Margaret Pruden, Weldon Page, Sophie Martin, Bruce Brewer, Eliza Drane, Shelton Bland, Lizzie Wool, Lou Brown, Sophie Capehart, Bessie Byrum, Josh Elliott, Em-ma Rea, Liethe Warren, Ihrie Leary, Kate Leary, Sophie Wood, Prof. C. D. Graves, Louise Coke, Mary Robinson, Louise Tay-lor, Rosa Rea, John Wood, Bessie White, Pennie Bland, Brent Drane, Emma Walters, Georgia Bland, William Leary, Mary Bond, Annie Ralph, Beulah Raper, Ernest Hett-rick, John Warren, Jack McMullan, Clifton Byrd, Abram Bonner, Walter Ferebee, Plummer Warren, Jimmie Spruill, William Capehart, Oscar Elliott, Harry McMullan, C. Capehart, Thomas Hedrick, Jule Warren and Ernest Leary.

And speaking about reminiscing, the Missus and I were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. McMullan at their Nags Head cottage over the weekend. Much of the time was devoted to reminiscing which, together with very pleasant weather and very genial hosts, made for a most delightful weekend.

Here's one who could not attend the Aces' game at Northampton Friday night, but it's a safe bet the Edenton side of the field went wild at the start of the game. Al Coston, fleet halfback, grabbed the kickoff and scooted about 80 yards for a touchdown. Well, that's enough to set any crowd of rooters wild and was, no doubt, the spark that caused the Aces to a victory over Northampton. This Friday night the Aces play their first home game of the season on Hicks Field when they butt heads against the Williamston Green Waves. It goes without saying that Coach Kirby and the Aces will be delighted to see a large crowd on hand.

One thing is certain-a fellow will not get all balled up about the time according to the clock on the First National Bank of Eastern North Carolina building. It just cannot tell the wrong time any more because all the hands have been removed.

Mrs. Rufus White is convinced that Herald classified ads pay off. Last week she inserted an ad to sell a piano and hardly before the ink was dried on the paper she sold the piano. And that's not all. Even after the piano was sold she almost wore herself out chasing to the telephone to tell other prospective buyers that it was sold. A lot of folks (including me) wondered Monday why the American flag was waving in the breeze. The calendar didn't list any holidays, but the DAR ladies saw to it that Old Glory was displayed in observance of Constitution Week. Which should remind us all to become better acquainted with the Constitution of the United States.

Rotarians and wives from Edenton, Hert-ford and Elizabeth City enjoyed a joint fish

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chairman, First District Voters Educational Project, pointed out that during the last election there were 80,000 registered Negro voters in the district. Yet only 10,000 took the trouble to vote.

"It is time to stop blaming others for not doing things for us when we can do them ourselves," the high school principal stated.

Rev. George Tharrington of Kadesh AME Zion Church, proclaimed: "It is time for the Negro to produce in such quality that no sane person can reject what you have to offer."

He added: "We must think about giving."

James L. Draper of Washington, North Carolina supervisor, said federal programs focus on the causes of povertypoor education, poor housing, etc.

"When poor people get together and decide that they want to do something, then interesting things begin to happen," he said.

Yet, unless human problems are solved, until there is no more of this nonsense of discrimination on the basis of skin color, you'll not solve the problem of poverty.

"The federal and state governments can give technical and financial assistance and guidance, but you people have to solve the problem of poverty," he said. "No one else will do it for you." It is refreshing to hear this type advice given by top officials. Community

Action programs in this area have gone along this line and their success is well known. And those who are being helped have helped bring it about.

Special Sermon

Rev. Hunley A. Elebash, executive secretary of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina, will preach at the 11 o'clock service Sunday at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Mr. Elebash is Bishop-Coadjutor-elect of the diocese and will be consecrated October 2 at St. James Church in Wilmington, where he is now residing.

Rev. George Holmes recently returned from Alaska will celebrate Holy Communion Sunday at 8 A. M., and morning prayer at 11 A. M.

WITNESS IS JAILED

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fine and costs, make restitution of \$20 to Ross Jewelers and not issue another worthless check during time of suspension

Lillie Britt, discharging firearms in Town of Edenton, 60 days, suspended upon payment of \$50 fine and costs and surrender gun.

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Burroughs Chosen

Gil Burroughs, a faculty member in Edenton-Chowan Schools, has been appointed supervisor of adult classes sponsored by the Continuing Education Division, College of the Albemarle.

Ted Rollins, dean of the division, said Burroughs will be responsible for coordinating and supervising the adult program in Chowan County. He will cooperate with local school officials in the performance of his duties while promoting and supervising adult programs of adult education for the entire county.

Registration for the series of adult academic and interest courses is taking place all this week in public school facilities within the county. Interested adults 18 years of age and older not enrolled in a public school, are encouraged to register at the building formerly occupied by R. Elton Forehand Agency on South Broad Street, day or night this week

Rollins said classes, to be held at John A. Holmes High School and Chowan High School, will begin the week of September 23.

fry at Snug Harbor Wednesday evening. Of course, it's too late to remind Edenton Rotarians about the affair, but it's not too late to remind any not to ramble around to the Parish House Thursday afternoon for the regular meeting. The fish fry took the place of today's meeting.

The quartet of Edentonians who went to Alaska are all back home now. Ernest Ke-hayes was the first to get back to Edenton. Then Doc Dick Hardin and Joe Thorud arrived and finally Rev. George Holmes made it back home. It was a beautiful and uneventful trip to Alaska, but not so on the return. It so happened that a heavy snow storm was encountered so that Doc Hardin had to land on a snow covered highway, in the course of which the plane was damaged. All four of 'em returned by jet plane. And Mr. Holmes was true to his word. He promised to bring me an Alaskan snowball, which he did. He put it in a jar but when I got it, it was a jar full of water.

Shriners in Chowan County organized a Shrine Club Tuesday night with Kermit Layton as president. At the meeting a check for \$900 was turned over to Shrine

officials for the crippled children's home. The check represented profits from the recent fish fry and as a feature of the presentation Mrs. Ruth Shackelford printed a large facsimile of the check on a piece of cardboard several feet long and a couple feet in depth. Of course, this check cannot be cashed, but one was given which can be cashed.

Mrs. J. W. White, who lives in Newport News, Va., sent in her renewal to The Herald and with it this note: "How I enjoy the home town news! My only complaintyour 30-20 Years Ago column makes me know I'm getting older."

Crafts Fair Slated

ELIZABETH CITY — Corn shucks will be used to make dolls and chair bottoms, pine cones will be fashioned into wall plaques and table appointments, candle holders and compotes will be carved from wood, and beautiful articles will be shaped on the potter's wheel.

For more than 40 adult artists and craftsmen from the Albemarle counties will be demonstrating various crafts at the Albemarle Craftsman's Fair to be held in the National Guard Armory in Elizabeth City, September 25-27. second offense, six months, suspended upon payment of \$300 fine and costs. Notice of appeal given and bond fixed at \$200.

Hubert Preston Dail, Jr., improper muffler, 30 days, suspended for 12 months upon payment of costs.

Wesley Earl Rogers, speeding, \$10 fine and costs.

EXPANSION OF UTILITIES

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water storage facilities.

Harrell said a detailed survey and engineering study will be needed before progress can be made on any of the projects. Council authorized these studies.

W. B. Gardner, town administrator, said the town has already applied for a federal grant to assist in this work as well as a loan. Also, Mayor Mitchener will appoint a committee to meet with the Local Government Commission to determine the best course of action toward financing the projects.

"We are having growing pains and they are going to be costly," one member in attendance stated and it was echoed by others at the meeting.

ACES HOSTS

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cited as lineman of the week. Two players will be picked for the honors each week and presented Quarterback Club certificates.

The Aces took the advantage Friday when Alfred Coston returned the kickoff 80 yards for a score.

Other Edenton scores came from Earl Chesson on a 24-yard run; Gigi Leary on a 40-yard pass from Al Partin and John Sutton on a 59-yard run. Frank Nie-prachk kicked four points after TD's.

Most parents take credit for the good points of their children and wonder where the perverse symptoms originate.

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