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## Judge W. I. Halstead Presides At Chowan Term Superior Court

### Delinquent Tax Listers And Beer Joints Target of Charge

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### Criminal Docket Is Completed By Monday Afternoon

Substituting for Judge R. Hunt Parker, who was elected to the Supreme Court bench, Judge W. I. Halstead of South Mills is presiding over the fall term of Chowan Superior Court which convened Monday morning. After all of the 50 summoned for jury duty were called the Grand Jury was selected and includes the following:

O. B. Perry, foreman, J. A. Webb, Jr., Guy C. Hobbs, R. W. Leary, Jr., Thomas B. Wood, Welton L. Twine, L. E. Bateman, C. H. Parrish, Jr., C. C. Nixon, L. R. Lane, Eugene Baker, Jim W. Griffin, C. R. Satterfield, Seth Cayton, W. R. West, M. P. Perry, Joseph L. Baker and J. Colon Forehand.

In his opening remarks to the Grand Jury, Judge Halstead emphasized the seriousness attached to the duty of a Grand Jury. "Sometimes members of the Grand Jury may forget," he said, "that the Grand Jury is the right arm of support and most important in protection of government. It is a big task to maintain law and order."

Judge Halstead said he differs with some people about so many crimes and criminals. "It is true," he said, "that court dockets are full of cases, but if we stop to think about it we can see that so many more things in this day and time tempt people to violate the law which we didn't have 50 years ago." He pointed out the many misdemeanors caused by motor travel, and that crime, when compared with the population 50 years ago, is proportionately less.

"Pioneers had to resort to different problems," he said. "They had a great many dissensions among the thinkers of the day to establish law and order. In this day and time so many minds go off in a wrong tangent. There are some who think they should have an equal share of the world's goods even if they must get it at a point of a gun or enter establishments to get what they want. Then there are a certain class who believe they have all the rights to the roads, and

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## Jesse F. Perry Loses Life In Automobile Wreck Monday A.M.

### Funeral Held In Rocky Hock Church Tuesday Afternoon

Jesse Franklin Perry, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Perry, died in Chowan Hospital at 5 o'clock Monday morning as the result of an automobile accident which occurred about four hours before about five miles north of Edenton on Highway 32. Perry was driving alone and ran off the highway, completely demolishing his car.

He was a member of the local National Guard unit and the Rocky Hock Baptist Church.

Surviving are his parents and a sister, Mrs. Ruth E. Forehand.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at Rocky Hock Church with the pastor, the Rev. R. E. Gordon, officiating. Burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Guy Russell Byrum, Dick Hare, Billy White, Thomas Ward, James Perry and Billy Stallings, Jr. Honorary pallbearers were members of his Rocky Hock Sunday School class.

## Missionary Society To Hold Homecoming Day Next Monday

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Edenton Baptist Church will meet next Monday afternoon at 8:30 o'clock, when homecoming day will be observed. Each circle is urged to make an effort to have every member present.

Mrs. C. T. Doughtie, chairman of the Social Committee, says a treat is to be served for those who attend, for hot coffee, block cake, salted nuts, sugar coated pecans and mints will be served.

## Closed Thursday

Town and County offices, the Bank of Edenton, the Post Office and practically all places of business will be closed all day Thursday in the observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. The Herald, appearing a day earlier, will also be closed in order to allow employees a holiday.

## Edenton Aces Trim Columbia Wildcats 44-12 Monday Night

### Shivering Fans Witness Final Game For Both Teams

Coach Tex Lindsay's Columbia Wildcats were not much of a match for Coach George Thompson's Edenton Aces on Hicks Field Monday night when the Aces won by a score of 44 to 12. The game was scheduled for Friday night of last week but was postponed until Monday night due to rain and a muddy field.

The game brought the 1952 season to a close for both teams. The Aces' record for the season was four victories and seven defeats, while Coach Lindsay's boys, all young and inexperienced, have not won a game the entire season.

The Aces went on an early rampage and after receiving the opening kickoff marched 65 yards in four plays to score when Lassiter passed to Owens and Owens' kick for extra point was good. A few minutes later the Aces made it 14-0 when (Wright tore through the Wildcat line to score and Owens' again kicked the extra point. Near the end of the quarter Stillely intercepted a Wildcat pass and raced about 40 yards to score. The kick for extra point was blocked so that the Aces were leading 20 to 0 at the end of the first quarter.

At the close of the first quarter Columbia completed a pass which was good for 30 yards and on the opening play of the second quarter another pass clicked, putting the ball on the 10-yard line, from where Ray Gibbs circled end for the Wildcats' first touchdown. The try for extra point was no good.

The ball see-sawed back and forth until about the middle of the quarter when a pass put the Aces on the Columbia 18. They went to the 10 but were sent back to the 25 on a penalty. Lassiter then passed to Stillely and with Campen blocking out a Wildcat, Stillely crossed the line, but again Owens' kick was blocked, making the score 26-6. Near the close of the half Lassiter connected with Owens, who evaded several Columbia

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## Lions' Christmas Party December 16

### Treble Clef Club Entertain Club Monday Night

A trio from Mrs. Mary L. Browning's "Treble Clef Club" sang for the entertainment of the Edenton Lions Club at their regular meeting Monday night. The trio, composed of Mary Browning, Linda Downum, and Shirley Winslow with Margery Thigpen as pianist, rendered "Deep Purple," "Blue Moon," and "Embraceable You." Dr. A. F. Downum was in charge of the program.

J. Rodney Byrum, chairman of the Christmas Party Committee, announced that the annual party honoring the wives of the Lions Club members will be held on Tuesday night, December 16.

Guests of the club for the evening were Judge W. I. Halstead of South Mills and Mack R. Rogerson of Bear Grass.

## Pvt. Charlie Collins At Fort McClellan

Pvt. Charlie G. Collins of Edenton has reported to Fort McClellan, Ala., for duty with the Station Hospital.

He was previously stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Collins of Edenton.



KIM SAYS "AH" for Army dentist Lt. Robert G. Bedard of North Attleboro, Mass., as he gets his teeth examined at a children's charity hospital somewhere in Korea. Kim Yung Ai, 5, is but one of many Korean youngsters receiving medical attention from Army doctors and dentists serving in Korea.

## James Speaker At BPW Club Meeting On Thursday Night

### Club Plans For Bosses' Night and Christmas Party

Gerald James, principal of the Junior-Senior High School, gave a brief but interesting talk to members of the Edenton Business and Professional Women's Club at a dinner meeting Thursday night at the Hotel Joseph Hewes. The speaker was introduced by Mrs. L. F. Ferguson, chairman of Education and Vocations.

Speaking on the subject "School System," Mr. James outlined a program which would be beneficial to those concerned with the progress of education here in the Edenton schools. He stated that the people should have a voice in school activities, but to maintain a successful school system cooperation must come from several functional sources.

During the business session Mrs. Annie Mills, president, called on committee chairmen for reports. Mrs. Adelaide Chesson reported that contacts had been made with various eating places for future dinner meetings. The club voted to hold dinner meetings every month, beginning February.

Plans for Boss' Night Christmas Party were discussed with the Hospitality Committee.

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## SCHOOL TRUSTEES ARE PUZZLED ABOUT LEAVING NORTHEASTERN CONFERENCE TO AFFILIATE WITH ALBEMARLE CIRCUIT

### Many School Activities Discussed at Trustees' Meeting Thursday Night When Goodly Number of Citizens Were Invited to Attend

School affairs from A to Z were considered Thursday night at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Edenton schools, when a goodly number of both men and women were invited to attend the meeting in the library at the new high school.

Thomas Cheers, chairman of the Board, opened the meeting, stating that the purpose was to frankly discuss school matters and that he was delighted to see so many present.

Richard Baer was chief spokesman for the visitors and asked if and what steps have been taken to secure money to repair and maintain the auditorium at the elementary school. Mr. Baer was informed that what funds were available this year were used to repair floors in the building and removing the lunch room from under the auditorium, and that out of next year's appropriation the auditorium will be painted and necessary repairs made.

The idea of a public school music teacher was advanced and it was explained that about the only way this teacher can be added is by a special tax levy in the school district.

Absenteeism in the schools came in for a share of the discussion, in that average attendance has a bearing on teacher allotment. It was pointed out that while there is some truancy in the schools, the local attendance compares very favorably with other

## County Agent Says More Production Is Way Beat Inflation

### Value of Dollar Reached New Low During August

If you have trouble making cheap dollars pay big bills, you'll be interested in knowing just what the dollar is worth today. The cost of things people buy hit a new high in August, 1952, which means the value of the dollar hit a new low.

In comparison with the 1935-39 period the dollar today is worth 52 cents, says C. W. Overman, Chowan county farm agent for the State College Extension Service. In 1947 the buying power of a dollar was 63 cents and ten years ago the figure was 86 cents.

"This is inflation," says Mr. Overman. "The number of dollars in circulation has increased faster than the supply of things that dollars buy. Inflation doesn't affect all commodities or all people alike. Some gain while others lose. Inflation helps to redistribute the wealth but it does not mean a real gain in the national standard of living.

"The only way to really improve our standard of living," Mr. Overman points out, "is by increasing our production. Production is standard of living. What we produce is what we consume."

## Merchants Remain Open Until 7 O'clock For Christmas Party

### A Correction

In publishing the letter last week of Miss Elizabeth Moore to Mayor Leroy Haskett and Town Council, relative to improving the Court House Green, an error was made in what the editor of The Herald had to say in the opening paragraphs of the story.

It was stated that the purpose of the Woman's Club committee was "to change the walks so that they extend to the ends of the Court House Green."

In reality the committee plans to change only one of the walks to conform with the other, so that the walks across the Green are symmetrical.

## Election Dec. 1 To 6 To Name Member As Soil Supervisor

### Three Are Nominated as Candidates In County Election

The annual Soil Conservation Supervisors election will be held during the week of December 1 to 6. The election in Chowan County will be held for the purpose of selecting a member of the Chowan Committee of Soil Conservation Supervisors.

Lloyd C. Bunch, Chairman of the Chowan Committee, announces that ballot boxes will remain at the various polling places during the entire week. Every legally qualified voter is urged to visit the polling place in his community and cast his ballot for the candidate of his choice.

A Vernon Asbell, Tommy A. Berryman, and Robert H. Hollowell have been nominated as candidates in the election. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will serve on the Chowan County Committee for a period of three years. He will fill the vacancy to be caused by the expiration of R. H. Hollowell's term of office on December 31, 1952.

According to Mr. Bunch, ballot boxes will be placed at the following places in the county:

Yeopim—Harry Perry's Store and at Levy Williams' Store.

Edenton—At Byrum Hardware Store.

Cowpen Neck—At Grover Cale's Store.

Rocky Hock—At Henry Bunch's Store and at Elbert Peele's Store.

Ryland—At A. M. Spivey's Store.

Small's Cross Roads—At Melvin Evans' Store.

Center Hill—At J. T. Boyce's Store.

Gliden—At Lloyd Briggs' Store.

Vote for only one candidate in this election, Mr. Bunch stated.

The Albemarle Soil Conservation District is composed of Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Pasquotank and Perquimans counties. Elections will be conducted in all of the counties during the same week.

## Rotary Club Plans To Hold Christmas Party

### Time and Place Will Be Announced at Next Meeting

Edenton Rotarians at their meeting last week voted to again hold the annual Christmas party. No date or place was decided, but a committee appointed to handle the affair will report at the next meeting of the club Thursday, December 4.

Last year's party was about the best ever staged by the club, and it is expected this year's party will be equally as successful.

### Methodist Ladies Plan Chicken Salad Supper

Ladies of the Methodist Church will sponsor another chicken salad supper Thursday, December 4. As in previous suppers sponsored by the ladies, plates will be delivered to houses in time for the evening meal. Tickets are now on sale by ladies of the church.

### Gala Affair Expected to Be Held Friday Afternoon, December 5

### PARTY ON GREEN

### Santa Claus Scheduled To Arrive By Bus at 3:30 O'clock

Mrs. Percy Smith, chairman of the Edenton Business and Professional Women's Club Christmas party on Friday afternoon, December 5 stated early this week that for the party Edenton merchants will remain open until 7 o'clock. In the various stores reasonable merchandise will be on display and Christmas decorations will adorn show windows in order to attract shoppers. They invite families to visit the store and plan for their Christmas shopping.

In connection with the holiday season, various merchants will give away a gift which will go to someone who registers in the stores. The drawings will take place Wednesday, December 24, when the winners will be announced. It will not be necessary to be present at any drawing, for winners will be posted in show windows.

Mrs. Smith also announced that window decorations will be on a competitive basis, with judges announcing the winner of the best window on Monday, December 15.

Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive by bus at 3:30 o'clock at the Bus Station. He will be immediately escorted by the police to Hicks Field, where he will jump on a specially built float to lead the parade which is scheduled to start shortly after 3:30. The parade will move down Broad Street from Hicks Field to Water Street and east on Water Street to the Court House Green. On the Green Santa Claus will interview children and members of the local National Guard Unit will help in distributing bags to the white children and members of the Junior Colored Woman's Club will assist in the colored lane.

Court Street and Colonial Avenue will be roped off with white children using one street and colored children the other, both groups entering from Water Street and making an exit on King Street.

All floats and walking units are requested to assemble at Hicks Field by 3 o'clock in order to be ready for the parade which will start shortly after 3:30. Mrs. Smith said children who participated in the recent Tom Thumb Wedding have been especially invited to be in the parade and transportation will be provided for them.

Plans are shaping up nicely for the party, which those in charge believe will be as successful as in previous years. Edenton friends have been very cooperative in furnishing the gifts which will be distributed among the children who attend the party.

## Week Of Prayer At Baptist Church

### Programs Arranged For Meetings From Dec. 1 To Dec. 5

A week of prayer for foreign missions will be observed by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Edenton Baptist Church December 1 through December 5. These meetings will be held each afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the church. Interesting programs have been arranged and it is hoped all members will attend.

Those who will have charge of the programs are:

Monday—Mrs. C. W. Overman.  
Tuesday—Mrs. Scott Harrell.  
Wednesday—Mrs. J. W. White.  
Thursday—Mrs. M. A. Hughes.  
Friday—Mrs. W. J. Berryman.

## Pvt. Walter Hucks Graduates In Japan

Recent graduates of the Army Specialist School in Eta Jima, Japan, include Pvt. Walter Hucks, Route 3, Edenton.

He completed a four-week course for medical aidman.

Private Hucks was a member of the Anti Aircraft Artillery, Fort Bliss, Texas, before assigned to the Far East in April, 1952.