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Three Aces Placed On News-Observer All-Eastern Squad

Downum, Kramer and Overton Singled Out For Honor

Edenton's Aces, 1956 Class A State football champions, placed three players on the annual News and Observer Class A Eastern All-Star team...

The three Aces honored were Halfback Jerry Downum, Quarterback Johnny Kramer and End Henry Overton...

The News and Observer's choice for the first All-Star team follows: Henry Overton of Edenton and Gaylord Perry of Williamston...

Overton was referred to as a fine pass receiver and a linebacker deluxe, playing the best game of his career in Burlington...

Dr. McGuire Explains Polio Vaccine Status

Dr. B. B. McGuire, District Health officer, this week presented some facts concerning polio vaccine...

"Last year when Congress passed the law appropriating federal funds for the purchase of polio vaccine to be used for children whose parents were unable to pay..."

Edenton's Policemen Hold Christmas Party

Edenton policemen, their wives and children enjoyed their annual Christmas party in the fire station on Christmas eve...

This annual party was started back in 1946 by Chief of Police George L. Dall primarily for the benefit of the late John Sutton...

Schools Re-open

Schools in Chowan County will re-open Wednesday morning, January 2, after being closed for the Christmas holidays...

20 Years Ago

As Found In the Files of The Chowan Herald

Chowan County fishermen packed the Court House to meet with a committee of the Board of Conservation and Development...

Bank night prize at the Taylor Theatre reached a total of \$50. Edenton business concerns build up in a movement to secure members for the Farm Bureau Federation...

The United Charities made an appeal for a mattress for a man who was forced to sleep on a set of springs covered only with corrugated paper...

Edenton Masons elected W. M. Wilkins as master of Unanimity Lodge for the year 1957.

Ruth Ren Elliott was reported to show little signs of improvement in Norfolk General Hospital, where she was suffering with pneumonia.

Melvin Layton was named captain of the Edenton High School football team at a banquet held at the Rotary meeting honoring the football team...

Mrs. J. N. Pruden and Mrs. Junius W. Davis won the two cash prizes offered by the Town of Edenton for the most attractive outdoor Christmas decoration.

Patrolman R. L. Pratt returned to duty following his marriage to Louise Simpson.

R. B. Hollowell was elected consul commander of Elen Camp No. 946, Woodmen of the World.

Thirty students at the Edenton High School made the school's honor roll. William Coffield was stricken with an attack of appendicitis while on his way home from The Citadel...

Watch Night Service At Methodist Church

The Rev. Earl Richardson, pastor of the Edenton Methodist Church, announces that a watch night service will be held in the church Monday night, December 31, from 11:15 to 12 o'clock.

An appropriate worship service has been arranged and the Holy Communion will also be observed. The public is cordially invited to attend the service.

TWO CHIMNEY FIRES

Edenton firemen were called out Sunday afternoon about 1:30 o'clock when a fire was reported on West Freemason Street.

Again Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock the firemen rushed to North Granville Street, where another chimney fire was put out without doing any damage.

EDENTON'S FOURTH GRADE BROWNIES



Pictured above are the fourth grade Brownies of the Edenton troop, of which Mrs. M. J. Bowen is leader and Mrs. Pat Spiers and Mrs. Angela Pathcart, assistant leaders...

Installation Of New Officers At Masonic Meeting Tonight

William Adams Will Be New Master Of Lodge

Officers for the year 1957 will be installed for Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., at an emergent communication to be held tonight (Thursday)...

The elective officers to be installed are: William Adams, master; Daniel P. Reaves, senior warden; Ernest Ward, Jr., junior warden; R. E. Leary, treasurer; Louis George Wilkins, secretary; and W. M. Wilkins, trustee for a three-year term.

The officers appointed by the new master and who will also be installed are: McKay Washington, senior deacon; J. A. Bunch, junior deacon; Lonnie Harrell, senior steward; Dr. A. F. Downum, junior steward; W. T. Harry, tiler; J. Edwin Bufflap, marshal and W. A. Harrell, chaplain.

Mr. Adams has also made the following committee appointments: Finance and Budget: W. M. Wilkins, H. A. Campen and J. Edwin Bufflap.

Reference: J. A. Curran, Frank Holmes and C. W. Overman. Masonic and Eastern Star Home: William Holmes, E. W. Spires and R. A. Tarkington.

Charity: William Adams, Daniel Reaves and Ernest Ward, Jr. Masonic Education: W. P. Goodwin, W. M. Rhoades and H. A. Campen.

Ways and Means: W. M. Wilkins, Richard P. Baer and Frank Holmes.

Refreshment: Ernest Ward, Jr., Lonnie Harrell and Dr. A. F. Downum.

Flowers: Raymond Mansfield and R. T. Pickler.

House Committee: William Adams, Daniel Reaves and Ernest Ward, Jr.

Fish Film Shown At Rotary Meeting

Robert S. Marsh, assistant county agent, presented a very interesting film at last week's Rotary meeting. The film, sponsored by the North Carolina Wildlife Commission, had to do with sports fishing in the state.

Potter, Wells, Pratt No Longer Members Of Local Draft Board

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G. B. Potter, E. L. Wells, Jr., and Robert L. Pratt are no longer members of the Local Board No. 21, Selective Service System. Mr. Potter has served with this board since 1948 and as chairman since 1950. Mr. Wells and Mr. Pratt have served since 1950. These men deserve public appreciation for their long years of uncompensated service.

Any business with the Selective Service System can be transacted with the clerk at the office. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 A. M. to 1:00 P. M. Any business that cannot be attended to during these hours, please call the clerk, Mrs. Maybelle Sexton, at 2292.

ON DEAN'S LIST

Clinton Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Divers, won scholastic honors as a student at East Carolina College during the first quarter and made the dean's list of honor students.

SANTA CLAUS AT NAAS.



In picture above Santa Claus is seen meeting some of the children at a Christmas party held at the Edenton Naval Auxiliary Air Station for children of military personnel.

86,902 Acres Of Land In Farms Of Chowan County

Preliminary Report of Farm Census Just Released

According to a preliminary report of the 1956 farm census survey, Chowan County had a total of 86,902 acres of land in farms in 1955.

Other information revealed in the report included: 34,986 acres from which crops were harvested in 1955; 261 acres used only for soil improving crops and crop failures; 231 acres on which no crops were planted or harvested; 2,727 acres in improved pasture; 492 acres unimproved open pasture; 48,205 acres of other land, woods, waste, cutover and home sites; 14,500 acres of corn grown for all purposes; 2,529 acres of cotton harvested; 764 acres of tobacco harvested and 6,748 acres of peanuts grown for all purposes; 185 acres of wheat; 131 acres of oats; 21 acres of all other small grains; 708 acres of milo and other sorghums; 4,835 acres of soybeans; 45 acres of lespedeza; 95 acres of soybeans cut for hay; 30 acres all other hays; 54 acres Irish potatoes; 337 acres sweet potatoes; 3,932 acres other vegetables grown mostly for sale; 198 acres all other crops harvested; 10 colonies of bees; 9,145 tons of fertilizer used; 1,954 sows and gilts kept for breeding; 165 cows kept mainly for milk; 838 cows kept mainly for beef; 22,650 hens and pullets of laying age; 74 ponds on farms; 956 acres which could have been irrigated; 5,072 people of all ages living on farm land.

Red Men Will Elect Tribe Officers Monday

Members of Chowan Tribe No. 12, Improved Order of Red Men, will elect officers at a meeting of the tribe Monday night, December 31, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. C. D. Sawyer is the outgoing sachem of the tribe and he urges a full attendance to take part in this important item of business.

JAYCEES MEET TONIGHT

Edenton's Junior Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock in the Penelope Barker House. President Dick Dixon urges a full attendance due to the fact that the March of Dimes drive, sponsored by the Jaycees, will be considered.

ROTARY MEETING CALLED OFF

Due to the Christmas holidays, Edenton Rotarians will not meet today (Thursday). The club will meet Thursday of next week at 1 o'clock in the Parish House, at which time Elton Forehand will be in charge of the program.

Thomas Harris Relieved of About \$50 Friday Night

Two white men spent Christmas in the Chowan County jail and are awaiting trial on a charge of armed robbery. The two are Charlie Sawyer, 20, of Route 1, Plymouth, and Calvin A. Downs, also of Plymouth.

According to the police the two white men held up Thomas Harris, a colored man, Friday night and relieved him of in the neighborhood of \$50. The holdup took place on East Church Street between Oakum Street and the Norfolk Southern Railroad.

The two men are also charged with an assault on Miss Violet Alexander. According to the police, Sawyer and Downs grabbed Miss Alexander by each arm on East Queen Street between Court and Oakum Streets and told her to keep her mouth shut. However, Miss Alexander screamed about the

Authorities Break Theft Ring In Raid On Marine's Trailer

CIVIC CALENDAR

A watch night service will be held in the Methodist Church Monday night, December 31, beginning at 11:15 o'clock.

Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will install officers for the year 1957 at a meeting to be held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock.

The Northeastern Cancer Clinic will be held in the Health Center in Elizabeth City Friday afternoon, January 4, beginning at 1 o'clock.

Edenton Woman's Club will meet Wednesday afternoon, January 2, at 1 o'clock in the Parish House.

Schools in Chowan County will reopen Wednesday, January 2, following the Christmas holidays.

Revival services will be held in the Methodist Church the week of February 3, with Dr. Clovis Chappell of Waverly, Tennessee as the evangelist.

Chowan Tribe of Red Men will elect officers at its meeting Monday night, December 31, at 7:30 o'clock.

Edenton Jaycees will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock in the Penelope Barker House.

Chowaroke Council No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas, will elect officers at a meeting to be held Friday night, December 28, at 8 o'clock in the Red Men hall.

Edenton's Parent-Teacher Association will meet Tuesday night, January 15.

Adults who have daughters interested in joining the Girls Scouts are requested to telephone Mrs. Ellen Case at 118-W.

A joint meeting of the Methodist Men's Club and the Committee on Membership and Evangelism will be held at the church Wednesday night, January 2, at 7:30 o'clock.

POCAHONTAS MEETING

Chowanoke Council No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas, will meet Friday night, December 28, at 8 o'clock in the Red Men hall. Mrs. Dorothy Pavlich, Pocahontas, urges every member to be present to take part in the election of officers.

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Cancer Clinic Will Be Held January 4

The Northeastern Cancer Clinic will be held in the Health Center in Elizabeth City Friday afternoon, January 4, with registration beginning at 1 o'clock.

A free chest X-ray will be given anyone wishing it along with the examination of the five areas of the body where cancer is most easily found and cured. There are no limitations as to sex, race, physical or economic status at the center. However, women should be 35 or more; men should be 40 or over unless referred by a doctor, or unless one of the "Seven Danger Signals" or "Symptoms" are present.

Only 30 people can be seen at the Center each month due to limited facilities, so it is suggested that anyone who wishes to be assured of an appointment should write the Cancer Center, Elizabeth City, N. C., for a priority. Examinees are asked to bring a robe or housecoat with them.

Large Crowds Enjoy Christmas Programs

The Christmas story in music was portrayed at the Episcopal and Methodist Churches Sunday morning and at a 5 o'clock service Sunday evening at the Baptist Church. The choirs in all three churches presented the programs and all three services were very well attended and enjoyed by those who were present.

Police were informed that Downs was a deserter from the U. S. Army since November and after being arrested Friday night it was learned that both he and Sawyer were wanted in Plymouth on charges of breaking and entering, larceny and armed robbery.

Both men at first denied holding up Harris when questioned by police, but later when their stories did not jibe, they admitted the crime.