



Merry Christmas



Public Parade

Christmas 1982

Hard as one may try it is impossible to improve on the Bethlehem scene as described in the Gospel according to St. Luke:

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear Not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came hasty, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

Citizen Cooperation Urged In Reducing Fatalities

N.C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety Secretary Heman R. Clark today called on all motorists to refrain from drinking and driving during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

"Drivers under the influence of alcohol were involved in 8 of the 15 fatal accidents that claimed 16 lives last Christmas and New Year's."

State Highway Patrol Commander Colonel John T. Jenkins joined Clark in the appeal for sobriety. "We need the help of all citizens to make North Carolina's streets and highways safe for the holiday travel," Jenkins said.

I hope party hosts will limit the drinks where alcoholic beverages are served and not permit any of their guests to drink excessively. Any guest who had too much to drink should be afforded a place to

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Town Council Discussed Bids For Police Vehicles

The Edenton Town Council called a special meeting on December 21 to discuss three orders of business.

The first order of business was to discuss bids received from two local merchants; George Chevrolet and Albemarle Motor Company, for the purchase of two new police vehicles.

The bid George Chevrolet submitted was \$20,624 plus \$240 sales tax with the exception of not having the rear floor mats as specified the Council.

The bid from Albemarle Motor Company was \$20,200 plus \$240 sales tax with the exception of having a two barrel carburetor which The Ford Motor Company feels is comparable to the four barrel carburetor specified by the Council.

Contata Rescheduled For December 29th

The Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church Adult Choir will be presenting their annual Christmas Contata, "Christmas Rhapsody", on Sunday, December 26, at 7 P.M. The Contata was to be held on December 19 but due to unforeseeable events it has been rescheduled to the above date and time.

The public is cordially invited to attend the Annual Contata.

Entrepreneur Dispenses Cheer

Bill Gardner, well known local entrepreneur and a driving force in the Edenton Chapter of "FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO RETIRING TEACHERS has been devoting much time from his busy Christmas schedule appearing before, and dispensing cheer at numerous rest homes throughout the area. Wherever he has appeared it has been a heartwarming scene as many of our aged and less fortunate will attest to.

When contacted, Mr. Gardner said it had been a very moving and rewarding personal experience for him and would continue to appear wherever invited if it did not conflict with his busy holiday appearances already spoken for.

Those interested in securing the services of the genial fellow should call 482-3458 for more information.

buretor specified by the Council.

The Council discussed the bids at length until Councilman Privott made the motion that the Council stick to the items specified by the Council at its previous meeting and award the contract to George Chevrolet. The motion was not seconded, however, and discussion continued.

Councilman Hampton moved that the council accept the bid of Albemarle Motor Company and his motion was seconded. Discussion followed on the Albemarle Motor Company's bid.

Councilman Hollowell made a motion that the specs be rewritten and rebid.

A vote was held after more discussion on the Albemarle Motor Company's bid on the motion to accept the bid it submitted. The results were two for the bid from

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CHOWAN HOSPITAL—Ten new beds and four current I.C.U. beds will be in the newly expanded area behind the hospital. "Every department will be expanded also" said Charlotte Baker, Administrative Assistant at Chowan Hospital. (Photo by Clay Roberts)

The Road To Bethlehem

By Rev. Preston Cayton

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; because he was of the house and lineage of David.

It happened near Harrisburg, Pa., last summer while this family were on a vacation jaunt to New England. They stopped at a service station and asked the attendant, "How far is it to Bethlehem and how do I get to Highway 22." The motorists referred, of course, to Bethlehem, Pa. We are asking the question of course, "How far is it to Bethlehem of Judaea."

The Old Testament prophets declared the road to Bethlehem to be a long one. The journey to Bethlehem was not far for Mary and Joseph. The journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem, according to the route probably chosen, was a matter of less than ninety miles.

It was not too far for the shepherds, because they were inspired by the singing of the angels as they watched their flock by night.

It was not too far for the Wise-men. Because they found the distance to Bethlehem measured by the light of a star.

The distance to Bethlehem is an impossible distance for the unbeliever. Some people never do get to Bethlehem. The main reason is that they do not care to arrive.

The traveler was worn and weary, and the heat of the day was intense. He paused for a drink at a wayside stream. As he rested, an elderly man approached. Said the traveler to the venerable one, "How far to the city? The reply he received was this, "Walk. How far to the city of God? Walk. Walk in faith. Walk in obedience. Walk in victory. Walk in glory."

But walk to the city of God.

Alexander Completes Course In Home Health Aid

Hazel Alexander, Community Health Technician for Home Health Services which is a part of the District Health Department, recently received a certificate marking the completion of course

work she has undertaken.

The course was entitled "Homemaker Home Health Aid" and consisted of 75 hours of classroom training. The course was a model course approved by the

Gov. Gives Posthumous Award To Luke Amburn For Bravery

Gov. Jim Hunt paid special tribute last Thursday to L.F. (Luke) Amburn, III, of Edenton, who died in a fire at his residence after saving the lives of three other family members.

Gov. Hunt presented Amburn

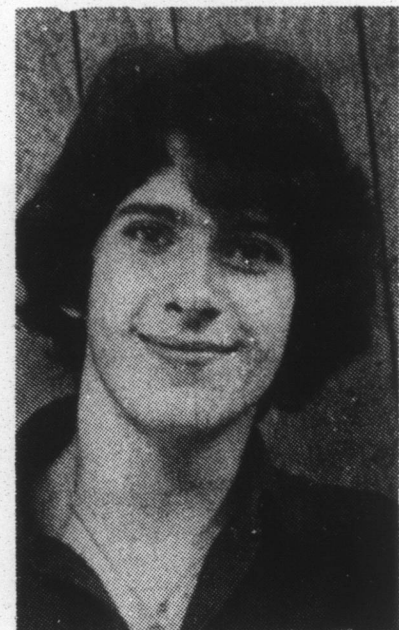
with the Governor's Award for Bravery and Heroism, posthumously. His mother, Emily G. Amburn, and his brother, Paul, were present to accept the honor.

On the morning of July 13, 1981, Amburn had fallen asleep watching TV in a downstairs room. When he was awakened by heat from fire shortly after 3 A.M., he ran upstairs shouting warnings. His father, mother and brother escaped through the back door.

Unaware that his sister, Greer, was away for the weekend, Amburn was searching for her. He was found by firefighters minutes later, but emergency treatment was unsuccessful.

"There is no greater courage than that Luke displayed during this tragic accident," said Gov. Hunt. "His bravery is to be commended and his heroism never forgotten."

L.F. Amburn, Jr., Luke's father and the editor of The Chowan Herald in Edenton, was unable to attend the ceremony due to illness.



(Luke) Amburn, III

Accident Causes Serious Damage

by Clay Roberts

A car accident at the intersection of Coke Avenue and Broad Street caused serious damage to two cars.

Minnie Ludford Cameron, of Columbia, driving a 1966 Chevrolet Malibu, was charged with Unsafe Movement, when she turned left going into Coke Avenue into the path of Kenneth Russell Dunbar of Chesapeake, Virginia.

Cameron was driving south on Broad Street and Dunbar was driving north.

George Roulac, an eyewitness several cars back said, "I saw her turn left and then I saw his hood bend up".

Dunbar was driving a 1980 Chevrolet Monte Carlo. The most damage was to the front of Dunbar's car.

Cameron's car had the most damage to the right side. Neither car was moveable.

There were no serious injuries in the accident.

'sleep it off' or provided transportation home by a sober driver."

Jenkins also requested motorists who spot a vehicle which possibly may be operated by a drinking driver to record the license number and as much descriptive information of the vehicle as possible and call the nearest law enforcement agency or the Highway Patrol.

"With everyone's cooperation and assistance, this holiday season can be the safest on record," Jenkins concluded.

According to the Patrol, the Christmas holiday period begins at 6 P.M., Thursday, December 23 and ends midnight, Sunday, December 26. The New Year's holiday period will run from 6 P.M. Thursday, December 30 to midnight, Sunday, January 2.



CERTIFICATE PRESENTED—Hazel Alexander is shown being presented a certificate denoting the completion of course work by Kay Whedbee, R.N. and Home Health Coordinator for the District Health Department. Also shown is the County's District Health Nurse.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. It was sponsored as a joint effort of the three District Health Departments of North-eastern North Carolina.

The purpose of the course was to help train technicians in community health. As a result of this training they can assist people out in the community particularly the elderly to prevent these people from having to become institutionalized.

The technicians work under the supervision of the Department's nurse.

Mrs. Alexander when asked for feelings on the subject said, "I enjoy working with the Health Department... I like helping people."

Mrs. Alexander has been working with the Health Department in Chowan County for nine years. She is married to Erwin Alexander and has three children: Lamont, Michele and Marlene.