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Nowell becomes Chairman; White and Caddy sworn into office

By TONY JORDAN

Joe Nowell was elected by the new Board of Commissioners Monday to the chairmanship. Nowell, who has served since 1976, stated Tuesday that he wished to continue the basic good government that the commis-

sioners have given the county in the past. "We are going to continue to give the county good government at a reasonable price, in other words, keep taxes down. We want to increase our tax base, improve our

schools and keep our water system running efficiently and economically as possible."

The new commissioners were installed earlier in the day. They were Marshall Caddy from New Hope and Welly White from the Bethel-Hertford section of the county.

R.S. Monds and Tuck Webb were honored as outgoing commissioners.

In old business, the board decided to make a bid to the owners of the old J.C. Blanchard Building to buy the structure for \$55,000. The board hopes to split the cost into two payments, one at the first of the year and another sometime into the year, if the owners are willing.

The Board received a letter from

the Albemarle Regional Planning and Development Commission, asking them to update their members to commission. Action was taken. Joe Nowell will serve with Lester Simpson as the elected officials, which is required, and R.S. Monds will continue to serve in the capacity of a citizen of the county.

In other news, it was pointed out that the fire departments and the Newbold-White House should not be required to pay for water in the Perquimans County Water System. A motion was approved that tax listers for the upcoming year will receive \$450 each for their January service.



New Commissioners

Bridge may close

PORTSMOUTH, VA. — The Coast Guard is considering changing the regulations governing the operation of the U.S. 17 drawbridge across the Perquimans River to allow periods when the draw will not open for the passage of vessels.

If the proposal is accepted the draw will open on signal, except from midnight to 8 a.m. from April 1 through September 30, and from 10 p.m. to 10 a.m. from October 1 through March 31.

Interested persons are invited to participate in this proposed rule making by submitting written views, comments, data or arguments. Persons submitting comments should include their name and address, identify the bridge, and give reasons for concurrence with or any recommended change in the proposal.

Comments should be submitted to and are available for examination at the office of the Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District, Federal Building, 431 Crawford St., Portsmouth, Va., 23705.

Licenses delayed

According to Edward G. McCoy, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries, due to complications beyond our control, commercial fishing licenses will not go on sale December 1 as expected. Every effort will be made to have these licenses available for sale by December 18.

Commercial fishermen are reminded that 1978 licenses previously purchased are valid until December 31. Licenses can be purchased after December 18 at Hertford Hardware & Supply Company.



Johnson is new Chamber President

Thomas Johnson was installed as the new president of the Chamber of Commerce at their annual banquet held at the Angler's Cove, Nov. 30. Outgoing president, Douglas Layden, pointed out the pleasure working with the Chamber and the honor of working with the fine Board of Directors. Other retiring officers include Anne Young, E. Edison Harris, Mack Nixon and Henry Carney.

"Catfish" Hunter was the guest speaker for the occasion. Hunter's baseball antidotes made for an interesting talk that all enjoyed. "Winning is not important; wanting to win is," Hunter stated. Mayor Bill Cox introduced Hunter.

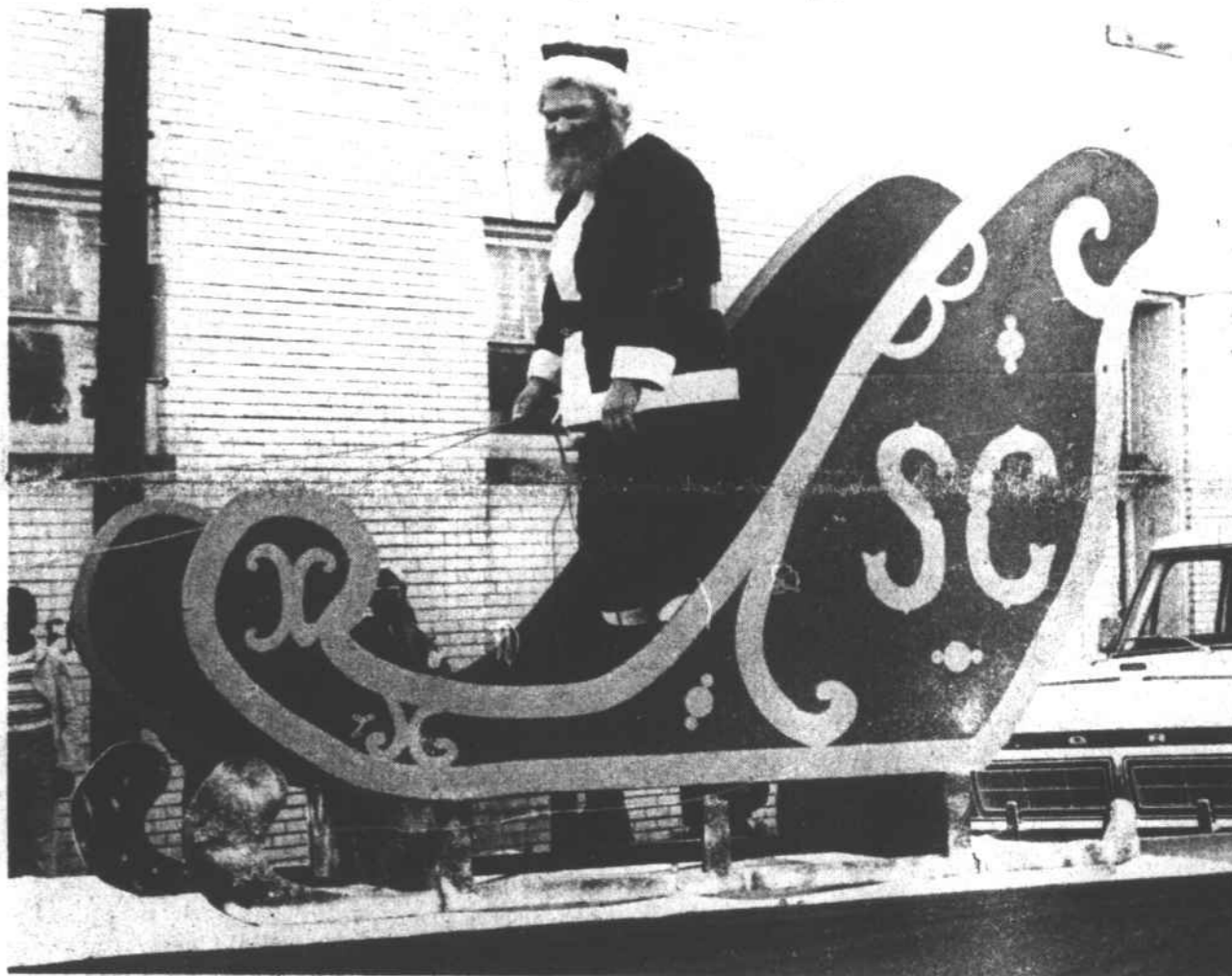
Layden officially ended a very busy year on the night. He pointed out the important role the Chamber plays in the county. "This organization affects each and everyone in one way or another. It promotes the

needs of the county as well as the general interest of its people."

New president, Johnson, informed the gathering, "With the new Board of Directors and the new slate of officers, 1979 should be a growing year for the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce." The new Board includes the following: Fenton Eure, Marion Swindell, Ed Nixon, Irvin Bibb, Dan Nixon, L.E. 'Teenie' Pierce, Thomas Dale, Pete Overman, Mary Ruth Smith, Henry Carney, and Johnson.

The Hertford Post Office will be open on Saturday, Dec. 9 and Dec. 16 from 9 a.m. till 12 noon to better serve the public. In order for us to give you the service you deserve, please help us in the following ways: mail early in the day, be sure to use Zip Code, and be sure stamps are on all of your mail items.

Lovely day for parade



By EDGAR ROBERSON,
1978 PARADE CHAIRMAN

December 2 was a beautiful warm day; perfect weather for a parade. There were 44 units in the lineup. As for the floats, they were all winners, as they all showed the efforts of long hard hours of work and dedication. We, as the Jaycees and the Chamber of Commerce have you, the entries

to thank for such a fine parade, that truly demonstrated "The Real Meaning of Christmas." The smiles and happiness on the faces of the children, both young and old, made the efforts as chairman of the Christmas parade, and the efforts of those involved more meaningful. We again thank all those who participated. We hope somehow that we

provided a special memory for your 1978 Christmas.

Many thanks are also due to people in the community for their help in the parade: Chamber of Commerce, with a special thanks to Nan Reynolds for her added efforts; Blanchard Lawn and Garden, for the

(See Parade, page 7)

"Christmas Ramble" planned in Perquimans

"Christmas in the Country — 1978 Ramble" sponsored by the Perquimans County Extension Homemakers will feature homes of Mr. and Mrs. J.F. (Jimmy) Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis H. Stallings, and Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Stallings, Jr., all of Route 1, Belvidere, on Thursday, December 14, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The Belvidere Extension Home-

makers will be hostess to Open House at the Belvidere Community Building located on N.C. Highway 37, where refreshments will be served, demonstrations presented and other surprises planned.

"This annual event is a festive and holiday occasion where you will see many ideas, lovely decorations and furnishings. The owners are very

gracious and generous to share their homes at this time of year with the public," states Mrs. Paige Underwood, Home Economics Extension Agent. "We are very grateful to each family for making this tour possible and encourage the residents of Hertford and Perquimans County, and surrounding counties to take part in this event."

You may plan the starting point of your tour at any one of the homes or at the Belvidere Community Building.

To reach the homes and the community building, from Hertford, go to Winfall and take State Highway 37 to Belvidere. Turn right on State Road 1001. Eason's Store is on the corner. Ann Lane's house is about a

mile down the road. Joan Stalling's house is about six miles down the same road.

To reach Georgia Kaye Stalling's house, at Nicanor, take State Road 1204. Turn left as if you were going to Joppa. Make another left at the C.J. Stallings and Son's Grocery and the house is the second house on the right.

To reach the Belvidere Communi-

ty Building, take a right from the Stalling's home and turn left on State Road 1202, the first road on the right. This road leads to Charles Layden Store. Turn right and the community building is one quarter of mile away.

Admission is free and it should be an enjoyable evening for all who attend.



Mrs. Georgia Stallings



Mrs. Ann Lane



Mrs. Joan Stallings