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Interest Is Mounting In Observance of Gift Day December 22nd

Free Prizes Will Be Given By Various Edenton Stores

SANTA WILL HELP

Registration Boxes In Stores For Shoppers To Drop Names

Considerable interest is being manifested by the folks of Chowan County as the much looked-forward-to "Gift Day" draws near. The merchants of Edenton will on Saturday, December 22, give away attractive gifts at their stores by means of drawings.

Registration boxes have been placed in all business concerns taking part in the event and each person is urged to register once only. Santa Claus will visit each store where he will draw a name from the box and present the lucky winner the store's prize. The drawings will get underway at 10 o'clock Saturday morning and will continue until 8:30 that night.

The Christmas spirit has already taken hold in Edenton as crowds throng the stores in a shopping spree. The merchants have gone all out this Christmas by having their stores attractively decorated and carrying an abundant supply of children's toys and adult gifts, in an effort to make the big day a success. Groups of children are seen peeking through the display windows as the electric trains go whizzing by and other mechanical toys are in operation. Others are seen around Campen's store window where music is heard through a loud speaker as a doll in choir costume plays the organ.

For the convenience of the public the following is a list of stores taking part in the affair, and the time of drawings by Santa Claus:

Layton's Flower Shop, 10 A. M.; Lula White's Florist, 10:30; Leggett & Davis, 11; Forehand Jeweler, 11:30; Harrell & Leary, 12 noon; Belk-Tyler, 12:30; Bell's Goodyear Store, 1 P. M.; Edenton Furniture Co., 4; Cuthrell's Department Store, 4:15; Quinn Furniture Co., 4:30; Byrum Hardware Store, 4:45; Ralph Parrish Store, 5; Halsey Feed & Seed Store, 5:30; Preston's 6; Malone's 5 & 10 Store, 6:30; The Betty Shoppe, 7; Rose's 5 & 10 Store, 7:30; Hughes-Holton, 8; Mitchener's Pharmacy, 8:30.

An award will be given for the best dressed window by the Edenton Business & Professional Women's Club, co-sponsors of the affair.

Governor Of Rotary In Edenton Today

Olin H. Broadway Will Pay Official Visit to Local Club

Olin H. Broadway of Henderson, Governor of the 278th District will make an official visit to the Edenton Rotary Club at the club's meeting today (Thursday) in the Parish House at 1 o'clock.

Governor Broadway will be at the Parish House at 11:30 o'clock, at which time a club assembly will be held with club officers and chairmen of the various committees. President J. L. Chestnutt urges each one of this group to be on hand to take part in the assembly.

The regular club meeting will begin at 1 o'clock and after the luncheon Governor Broadway will deliver an address. It is hoped every member of the club will be present.

Carols Will Be Sung On Christmas Eve

Public Invited to Take Part on Court House Green at 9:30

Plans have been completed for singing Christmas carols on the Court House Green on Christmas eve at 9:30 o'clock. The general public is cordially invited to come to the green at that hour and join in the singing, which will be led by C. W. Overman.

Mrs. Julian Wood informed The Herald that if the weather is not favorable, the singing will take place in the Court House.

Burton Harrison Is Awarded Trophy By Varsity Club

Exercises Held Tuesday Afternoon In School Auditorium

Burton Harrison, Edenton's sensational halfback, was awarded the Varsity Club's Most Outstanding Player trophy in exercises in the school auditorium Tuesday afternoon.

The presentation was made by a former Little All-American, N. J. "Nick" George, who is a member of the high school faculty here.

Harrison is the 170-pound son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harrison of North Granville Street. His exploits on the gridiron this season earned him the respect of players, coaches and fans all over this area. Probably the finest, hardest running back in Edenton school history since Pete Everett held forth in 1938, Harrison won all but two first place ballots in the Varsity Club voting.

The Aces' halfback, a feared runner all season, did not confine his activities to offensive play alone. He was a linchpin for the Aces and his sterling defensive play at that position was exceptional. Harrison copped a number of votes for the conference's best defensive player this season.

Previous Varsity Club trophy winners were Bobby Byrum, 1947; Russell Wheeler and Gene Spruill, 1948; and Mack Privott, the only two-time winner, in 1949-1950. The trophy is awarded to the player who best fulfills the qualifications of ability, leadership, attitude and cooperation, sportsmanship and performance. All these qualifications were defined by George who made the presentation on behalf of the Varsity Club.

Coach George Thompson, during the exercises, presented to Supt. John A. Holmes two trophies which his Aces won in 1951. One was the Sportsman Trophy from the Northeastern Conference, and the other the Tobacco Bowl Trophy the Aces won for beating Warrenton in Scotland Neck in the bowl game on Thanksgiving night.

In commenting on the Sportsman trophy, Coach Thompson said "This trophy, to me, is one of the greatest tributes to our team and school." He commended his players on their play this season and stressed their fine sportsmanship, something the Edenton coach is a firm believer in.

In accepting the trophies, Mr. Holmes delivered a brief but effective talk on sportsmanship, declaring to the players that they are looked up to by all their fellow students and that they exert great influence in the school. He charged them that winning the trophy, along with playing on the football team, gives them added responsibility in living up to the honor and tribute paid them by coaches and officials throughout the conference.

Library Will Be Closed Three Days Next Week

Mrs. Sidney McMullan, librarian at the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library, announced early this week that the library will be closed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week in observance of the Christmas holidays.

The library will resume its regular hours Thursday, December 27.

BEBE EVANS HONOR STUDENT

Forty-eight students at Peace College in Raleigh were listed on the first-quarter honor roll just released by Francis J. Golden, college registrar.

Among the group was Bebe Evans of Edenton.

Chowan County Farm Summary

According to the 1951 preliminary release of the North Carolina farm census summary, the following information about Chowan County will be interesting to Herald readers:

Total land in farms in 1950 was 86,343 acres. On 32,920 acres crops were harvested in 1950, on 2,284 acres no crops were saved and no grazing was done. For pasture only, 1,747 acres were used. Woods, waste, home sites and non-farm land totaled 49,392.

Total acres grown for corn were 14,975, while there were 2,293 acres of cotton harvested, 734 acres of tobacco harvested, 7,939 acres of peanuts, three acres of wheat, 123 acres of oats, 3,164 acres of soybeans alone and 424 acres grown with other crops for beans.

Soybeans or cowpeas cut for hay amounted to 163 acres, while 33 acres were devoted to other hays.

For Irish potatoes 143 acres were

Tea Party Chapter Names Committees For Coming Year

Regular Meeting Held In Iredell House December 12

The regular meeting of the Edenton Tea Party Chapter, N. S. D. A. R. was held in the James Iredell House Wednesday afternoon, December 12, at 3:30 o'clock, with Mrs. John Kramer, regent, presiding.

Mrs. Kramer called the meeting to order. Mrs. J. M. Jones, chaplain, gave the ritual and prayer. The Flag Salute was led by Mrs. Kramer, followed by group singing, "Silent Night, Holy Night."

At the regular business session the chapter voted to contribute \$5.00 to the Empty Stocking Fund.

The March, 1952, issue of the D. A. R. Magazine will feature North Carolina. A full page of advertising of business firms in Edenton will appear in this issue.

The program for the afternoon was in charge of Mrs. S. M. McMullan, chairman of the James Iredell Association, Incorporated.

Mrs. George K. Mack was called upon to read an explanation of the James Iredell Association, compiled by Lloyd Griffin. Mr. Griffin explained in detail the advantages of a non-stock, non-profit corporation.

Mrs. McMullan appointed the following committees for the James Iredell Association, Inc., to serve for the coming year.

House Committee—Mrs. J. M. Jones, Mrs. Inglis Fletcher, Mrs. R. N. Hines and Mrs. S. M. McMullan.

Garden Committee—Mrs. Wood Privott, chairman, Mrs. J. A. Moore, co-chairman, Mrs. Fred P. Wood and Mrs. George Capehart, Sr.

House Furnishings Committee—Mrs. Inglis Fletcher, chairman, Mrs. W. I. Hart, Co-chairman, Mrs. Philip McMullan and Mrs. John Kramer.

A social hour followed the business and program.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. John Kramer and Mrs. J. M. Jones.

Jaycee Turkey Shoot Scheduled Saturday Day and Night Affair at Mack Ward's Cotton Gin

Sponsored by the Edenton Junior Chamber of Commerce, a day and night turkey shoot will be held Saturday, December 22, from 10 o'clock in the morning until 12 o'clock midnight. The shoot will be held at Mack Ward's cotton gin on Route 32, a short distance from Edenton.

Gobblers and hens will be awarded the successful shooters, with frozen turkeys given upon request. The Jaycees are sponsoring the turkey shoot in an effort to raise funds for their street marker project.

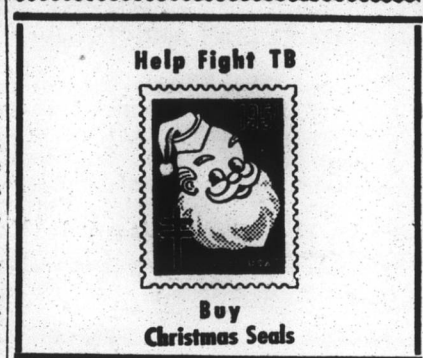
Mark W. Byrum On Heavy Cruiser Salem

It's new duty in the Navy for Mark W. Byrum, fireman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Byrum of Route 1, Edenton, now serving aboard the heavy cruiser USS Salem.

Byrum, who entered the Naval service May 28, received his recruit training at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Md.

The Salem is in Boston, Mass., undergoing a periodic overhaul. She was commissioned in May, 1949.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Gibbs Drown As Boat Capsizes In Florida



Final Drive For Empty Stocking Fund This Week

Money, Food, Clothing And Toys Can Be Used By St. Paul's Group

This week, the Young People's Service League is making its first plea for funds, food, clothing and toys to be given to underprivileged children this Christmas. A good many families have already applied for help from this organization and it is hoped that each individual or organization approached by a representative of the Empty Stocking Fund Committee will give liberally in any capacity they are able.

Local merchants are asked to donate any obsolete or damaged stock which would be suitable for this worthy cause.

Red Stocking Sale Planned Saturday

Proceeds of Sales Will Go to Empty Stocking Fund

On Saturday, December 22, members of the Y. P. S. L. of St. Paul's Church will be on the streets selling small Red Stockings. By contributing to the Empty Stocking Fund anyone is eligible to wear the Red Stocking in the lapel. In case anyone has something to contribute to this fund and have not yet been contacted, they should phone C. H. Wood, Jr., or the Rev. Gordon Bennett, any member of St. Paul's Y. P. S. L., or bring the donation to St. Paul's Parish House.

Any person desiring help from this organization should apply in person to either Mr. Wood or Mr. Bennett.

Large Number Hear Christmas Program

Two School Groups Present Candlelight Carol Service

Edenton High School's auditorium was almost filled Sunday afternoon when at 5:30 o'clock the High School Glee Club and Chorus presented a candlelight service including Christmas songs and carols. The group was led by Mrs. Mary Leggett Browning, with Margery Thigpen as accompanist and Gene Ward, president of the student body, as narrator.

The program, which delighted the large number present, was as follows:

"O Little Town of Bethlehem," Prayer, Choral Response; "Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming," Mixed Chorus; "No Candle Was There and No Fire," Treble Clef Club; "O Quit Your Pastures," Mixed Chorus; "To a Homeless Child in Bethlehem," Treble Clef Club; "The Sleep of the Child Jesus," Mixed Chorus; "Come with Torches Jeanette, Isabella," Treble Clef Club; "Sweet Jesus, Heaven-King," Girls' Chorus; "Jesu Bambino," Mixed Chorus with Frank Hughes, tenor soloist; Benediction and Choral Amen.

Woman's Club Meeting Postponed To Jan. 9th

Announcement was made early this week that the Edenton Woman's Club meeting has been postponed. The meeting will be held Wednesday, January 9, instead of Wednesday, January 2.

Postponement was called due to being so near the New Year's holiday.

Couple Were Returning Home From Visit On Island

ONE RECOVERED

Funeral Of Mrs. Gibbs Will Be Held Today At Baptist Church

This community was shocked over the week-end when it was learned that Mr. and Mrs. James T. Gibbs lost their lives by drowning when their boat capsized near Mondorgo island in Florida. They were caretakers of the 40-acre island, which is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Murray Coggeshall of Canada, and had made their home in Florida for about four years.

According to information reaching Edenton, Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs were visiting friends on a nearby island Saturday night and left for their return home in a small outboard motor boat about 10:30 o'clock, which evidently capsized.

Their fate was not learned until Sunday morning when Murray Coggeshall, Jr., noticed Mr. Gibbs' boat drifting near the island. He went to the cottage where Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs lived to inform them that their boat had torn loose. However, the couple was not in their home, so that a search was immediately begun.

The body of Mrs. Gibbs, who was 37 years old, was recovered Sunday afternoon, but up to Tuesday Mr. Gibbs was not found.

Mrs. Gibbs' body arrived in Edenton late Tuesday night and funeral services will be held this (Thursday) afternoon at 11 o'clock in the Edenton Baptist Church. The pastor, the Rev. R. N. Carroll, will officiate.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah J. Goodwin; two brothers, Noah J. Goodwin, Jr., of Edenton and Miles J. Goodwin of St. Louis, Mo.; and one sister, Mrs. Paul Byrum of Martinsville, Va. Interment will be made in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Lions Club Enjoys Christmas Party

Delightful Affair Held In Lions Den Tuesday Night

One of the most successful years in local Lionism was climaxed by a gala Christmas party Tuesday night, when the men folk did honor to Lionesses and special guests.

The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion and suitable gifts were at the plates of each lady. The Rev. E. B. Edwards offered prayer and the group sang Christmas carols.

Following a sumptuous dinner, President Rodney Byrum turned the meeting over to John Mitchener as master of ceremonies. Mitchener requested W. J. Taylor and Lion Tamer Ben Perry to conduct the initiation ceremonies on Major and Mrs. Louis F. Ferguson as the newest Lion and Lioness of the club.

"The Lions Club is not merely an organization for the purpose of meeting, eating and making jokes, although we do enjoy these features," said Taylor. "We are dedicated to proposition of rendering unselfish service to our community, our state and (Continued Page Eight)"

Two Chowan Boys Honored In Korea

Awarded Combat Infantryman's Badge For Fighting

Two Edenton soldiers have been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge, a symbol of close-quarter fighting with the enemy, while serving with the 25th Infantry Division on Korea.

They are Pfc. Hubert W. Bunch, 218 W. Gale Street, and Pvt. Charlie L. Downing, Route 2, both members of the division's 27th Infantry Regiment.

The badge, consisting of a miniature replica of a Revolutionary War flintlock mounted on a blue background and superimposed on a silver wreath, distinguishes the actual fighting men from rear area and service troops.