

# Edenton Basketball Teams Win Third Straight Double Victories

By BILL GOODWIN  
The Edenton Aces and Acelets continued to prey on the leading teams in the Albemarle Conference by grabbing their third straight doubleheader with victories over Plymouth's Panthers on the local court last Friday night.

The Aces racked up their third straight win and evened their conference record at 5-2 with a 56-44 decision. The Acelets knocked the Plymouth girls into a three-way tie for first place in the league and tucked in their fourth straight with a 49-42 come-from-behind victory.

The Acelets and the Plymouth and Ahoskie girls are tied for the conference lead with 3-1 records. Scotland Neck, Ahoskie and Williamston's boys are sitting on top of the head in their division with the Aces and Plymouth tied for second. Hertford is currently in the cellar.

The Aces jumped out to a 28-20 lead at the half with some deadly outside shooting and Bryant Griffin's fine rebound work. The Panthers abandoned their zone defense during the second half and managed to stay even with the Aces in the third quarter. But the locals poured on the steam to win going away.

Johnny Phillips again led the Aces' scoring, getting 16 points. Griffin was close behind with 14

and Fred Britton and Jerry Tolley had 8 each. Bill Goodwin 6 and Bobby Stokely 4. Billy Hall with 14 and Buckey Johnson with 12 led the Panthers.

The two girls' squads played along on even terms during the first half. After the first two periods the score was tied at 22-all. Then Plymouth shot out in front 37-29 at the third quarter mark. But the Acelets responded before a roaring partisan crowd of over 250. With Sara Relfe Smith showing the way with 11 points, the locals outscored the visitors 29-5 in the final period to win going away.

Smith led the scoring for the Acelets with 24 tallies. Beverly Morgan added 15, Mary Anne Overton 8 and Sue Bunch 2. Gay Keel had 16, Joan Mizelle 13 and Linda Papineau 10 for the losers.

The Edenton Junior Varsity added a 26-24 triumph to the local string of victories in an afternoon game. The three Edenton squads won a total of eight contests during the week. The Aces and Acelets will be idle the rest of this week due to the examination schedule. A game that was originally planned with Hertford for Tuesday night was cancelled for the same reason. The locals will return to action on Tuesday, January 26, at Ahoskie.

## Weekly Devotional Column

By JAMES MacKENZIE  
The message from our Lord Jesus Christ to the saints at Sardis (continued) The Revelation 3:1-6.

"... thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead." Last week I pointed out that the first characteristic of a dead church is that it rests upon past accomplishments and ignores the challenge of the present. Still another is that it is more concerned with forms than with reality, "having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof." There is always the danger that the symbols of our faith, which we can see, will become more real to us than the faith they symbolize, which we cannot see.

The dead church will love material considerations more than it loves Christ. Throughout history churches have been corrupted by riches. Lack of wealth is, of course, no certain assurance of spiritual vitality—but presence of wealth always seems to result in complacency, apathy and death. Only as we must sacrifice for the Lord's work can we maintain our interest in it. It is almost a general rule that rich churches are dead churches.

The dead church will love ease, comfort, peace at any price. The dead church will be careful to take no stand against sin, to stir no hornets' nests, to disturb no one. It will, in short betray the Lord Jesus Christ rather than lose the good favor of sinful men. Even in New Testament times there were churches like this—when the going got rough they would hand over their copies of the Scriptures rather than be criticized by the pagan mob. These "Christians" were called "Traditors" from the Latin word meaning "to hand over". We get our English word "traitor" from the same source.

The dead church will follow the heathen philosophy that the end justifies the means. Any shady business practice will be defended on the ground that it makes money—and some of the money finds its way into the church treasury (as if the Lord

needed the devil's money). Un-Scriptural methods will be defended on the premise that they do more good than harm. False doctrine will be tolerated because "it brings happiness to those who believe it."

To the dead church at Sardis our Lord addresses both a threat and a word of hope. The threat is that He will come upon them without warning, "as a thief" (3:3). The word here translated "thief" carries the meaning of coming upon them secretly, when they would be unprepared. The word of hope is "Repent, remember, hold fast, and be watchful." The people of Sardis (what did they call themselves? Sardines?) would well understand what Jesus meant by that. One border of their city was a steep cliff, which down through history they considered a natural barrier to any invading army. So confident were they that they had never even bothered to post a sentry there. The Persians took the city by scaling the cliff. Two hundred years later, Antiochus the Great took the city in exactly the same way.

They would well understand what Jesus meant. Where we think we are strongest we are most vulnerable to attack. No church dare ever become proud and complacent, for in so doing it will commit suicide.

## Lunch Room Menu

Mensu at the John A. Holmes High School lunch room for the week of January 25-19 will be as follows:

Monday: Grilled beef patties with gravy, rice, hot biscuits, sliced peaches, green string beans, butter and milk.

Tuesday: Fish sticks, corn bread muffins, cookies, cole slaw, butter, milk and buttered potatoes.

Wednesday: Corn beef with potatoes and gravy, garden peas, apple pie, butter, biscuits and milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti and meat balls, buttered corn, chocolate cake, buttered potatoes, butter and milk.

Friday: Creamed chicken on rice, green string beans, hot rolls, vanilla ice cream and milk.

## Recent Williamston Bride



Miss Blanche Hodges Manning and Gaylord Jackson Perry were united in marriage Saturday, December 26, at the First Christian Church at Williamston. A reception at the Roanoke Country Club was given by the bride's parents.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Asa James Manning. Mrs. Manning is the former Miss Marie Spruill of Edenton. A 1958 debutante, the bride is a junior at Duke University, where she is a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Evan Perry, is a student at Campbell College. He is associated with the San Francisco Giants Baseball Association. The couple will live in Raleigh.

Music was presented by Mrs. B. A. Critcher, Jr., organist, and Mrs. Elbert S. Peel, Jr., soloist. The bride, given in marriage

## SCHOOL AND YOUR CHILD

By John Corey, Appalachian State Teachers College

More than 700,000 elementary school children in better than 2,000 U. S. schools now study a foreign language, some beginning in the 5th grade, others in the 3rd, a few in kindergarten.

This is a trend that should become more widespread, according to Mrs. N. L. Gilbert, French professor at Appalachian State Teachers College.

The professor admits that learning a foreign tongue is a complex skill but credits young children with remarkable abilities to learn and retain sound patterns. In fact, she believes picking up foreign words comes naturally to children.

Learning to write them, however, is another thing and comes at a child's later stage in life, possibly the 6th or 7th grade.

Why learn another language? English itself appears formidable enough to many youngsters. Only by learning other coun-

tries' languages can we penetrate deeply into their cultures, opines Mrs. Gilbert. If Americans stand genuinely for peace, they must encourage their children to understand and appreciate foreign cultures.

In today's shrinking world Americans cannot afford to remain an insular people, Mrs. Gilbert advises. Contact must be maintained with other nations.

The best way to learn another language is to keep at it. Once a child has begun the study of say French, he should stay with it each year for several years. Continuity is important.

Language learning periods may be about 25 minutes per day in the 5th or 6th grades but experts suggest only 15-minute sessions for lower grade kids.

Young folks like to speak in other tongues, says Mrs. Gilbert. They delight in greeting friends in a foreign language



**BOTHERED**—Edgar Lee Cox, 17, ponders his fate in Redondo Beach, Calif., police headquarters. He is charged with killing his mother and wounding his step-father with a skin diving knife because they made him study four hours a day. "Now maybe they won't bother me," Cox said.

following instructions or giving commands (get up, sit down), telling what they're doing (I get up) or playing games and singing songs.

Visual impressions aid the children's comprehension. Here motion pictures and film strips helps the instructors. The youngsters enjoy re-enacting scenes they've watched.

Children also catch on quickly by associating sounds with objects. Teachers take advantage of this by bringing "props" to classes like trains, cars, telephones and animals.

By role playing, taking turns enacting the parts of mother, father, teacher, doctor and others, language pupils familiarize themselves with ways other children live.

Native speakers come into classrooms via records or tape recordings. Foreign teachers are engaged in some schools but many state laws prohibit their employment.

The younger the child, states Professor Gilbert, the more readily he learns sounds imitated. Adolescents (12-16 year olds) lose much of this ability. That's the reason Mrs. Gilbert advocates studying foreign languages in the elementary grades.

As for the language most rewarding to a child, Mrs. Gilbert recommends French, Spanish, German or Russian, depending on the children's interest, their background and the teacher's skill.

## Minutes Of Board Of Public Works

Edenton, N. C., January 5, 1960  
The Board of Public Works met this day in regular session at 8:00 P. M., at the Edenton Municipal Building. Members present: Thomas C. Byrum, Chairman, Jesse L. Harrell, Ralph E. Parrish, W. M. Wilkins and James P. Ricks, Jr.

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 1, 1959, were read and approved.

On motion by Jesse L. Harrell, seconded by J. P. Ricks, Jr., and carried, E & W Department bills in the amount of \$60,391.29 were paid; this figure including \$38,683.16 for waterline extension and \$7,882.81 for electric line extension to the Industrial site on U. S. 17 North.

Cennel Construction Company, \$37,557.00; Esso Standard Oil Co., \$234.09; Bill Perry's, \$12.38; North Carolina State Board of Health, \$16.00; King Photo Supply Co., \$23.55; Coastal Oil Co., \$220.22; Bunch's Garage, \$91.59; Carolina-Norfolk Truck Line, Inc., \$6.00; The Norfolk & Carolina Tel. & Tel. Co., \$56.50; The Norfolk Southern Railway Co., \$109.00; Virginia Electric & Power Co., \$9,929.60; Thurston Motor Lines, Inc., \$19.92; Economy Typewriter Co., \$15.00; Coastal Office Equipment Co., \$16.40; Hatcher-Parker Hardware Co., \$18.29; Ernest J. Ward, Jr., \$45.28; The Chowan Herald, \$20.00; Hill Directory Co., \$45.00; Twiddy Insurance & Real Estate, Inc., \$146.36; Postmaster, \$93.55; Galant, Incorporated, \$51.00; The Ford Meter Box Co., \$132.48;

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There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

RALPH E. PARRISH, Secretary

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