

## John Holmes Dies After 38 Years As City School Supt.

### Passed Away Sunday In N. C. Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill

John A. Holmes, 71, died Sunday morning in N. C. Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill following an illness of three weeks. He served as superintendent of Edenton City Schools for 38 years, coming to Edenton in 1923 to succeed Joe Nixon.

A native of Davidson County, Mr. Holmes was a son of Mrs. Mary Forest Holmes of Graham and the late Rev. George W. Holmes. Before coming to Edenton he was principal and football coach in Raleigh.

Mr. Holmes was very prominent in educational, civic and religious affairs and his death cast a pall of sorrow over the entire community.

He was a charter member of the Edenton Rotary Club and was a past district governor; he was a member of the National Education Association of the United States; the North Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution; a member and past district commander of the American Legion; the Division of Superintendents of the NCEA; the American Association of Schools; a member of the



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## Annual Art Show Scheduled To Be Held March 25-26

### Any Who Desire To Participate Asked To Contact Mrs. Edward G. Bond

The annual Art Show, sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club, will be held at the Barker house Saturday and Sunday, March 25 and 26. Hostesses will be on hand to greet art patrons and parents of Edenton and Chowan County school children between the hours of 10 A. M., and 6 P. M., on Saturday and 2 P. M., to 5 P. M., on Sunday.

A prominent judge will be announced at a later date. Ribbons will be awarded for first, second and honorable mention, and twelve cash prizes of one dollar each will be given to school children whose work is deemed the most outstanding.

A hobby corner — arts and crafts — will be set up to display unclassified entries such as ceramics, photographs, needlecraft, handicrafts, etc. Anyone wishing to participate in this category, or to submit art work in any field, is asked to contact Mrs. Edward G. Bond, phone 3736 for further particulars.

## District Scholarship Contest Scheduled To Be Held March 7

Mrs. R. J. Boyce, Sixteenth District Education Chairman for the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, announces that the District Contest for a \$500 scholarship will be held at Chowan College in Murfreesboro March 7th at 10:30 A. M. All contestants from the Sixteenth District are urged to be on time.

The purpose of the scholarship is to help a deserving senior girl to further her education though handicapped financially.

The contest will be held under the direction of Mrs. Julian Porter of Edenton, N. C., president of the Sixteenth District.

This is in addition to the

## PORTION OF BASE TRANSFERRED TO TOWN OF EDENTON



Aerial view of Edenton municipal airport property covering 812 acres received through a federal grant February 7, 1961. Sixteen aerial photographs of the former Marine Air Base have been turned over to the Edenton Chamber of Commerce by J. P. Ricks, Jr., proprietor of Ricks Laundry. The aerial pix will be a distinct asset to the Chamber's permanent photograph file and are of special value at this time to the Chamber's Industrial Development Committee, according to Bruce F. Jones, Jr., president of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce, in their present negotiations with industrial prospects who are being contacted for plant location

sites on this serious government property. Ricks, whose major hobby is photography, snapped these aerial shots from a height of 3,000 feet above Albemarle Sound and the resulting photographs pinpoint the location of the six and a half miles of roadways, the runways and the various useable and permanent type buildings and facilities that are of interest to industrial engineers and consultants. The aerial photographs given to the Chamber by Ricks would have cost more than the Chamber could have afforded to pay for a professional aerial photograph service, Jones said.

## William B. Gardner Named Town Clerk At Special Meeting



William Stoke, Elliott, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Elliott of Edenton, is enrolled in the two-year-civil technology course at the Gaston Technical Institute in Gastonia. Gaston Tech is a division of the N. C. State College School of Engineering, conducted by the College Extension Division.

## Plans To Fill Vacancy Which Existed Since November 1st on or About March 15th

Meeting in special session Tuesday night, Town Councilmen finally appointed a town clerk, a position which has been vacant since the resignation of Ernest Ward, Jr., which went into effect November 1.

William B. Gardner was appointed to the position following a recommendation of a committee which since Mr. Ward's resignation has been receiving applications and screening the list of applicants. A considerable amount of time has been consumed by the Councilmen in selecting a town clerk and in Mr. Gardner's appointment the general opinion prevailed that he will make an efficient and satisfactory employee of the Town of Edenton.

Mr. Gardner, a young man of 26 years of age, was educated in the Edenton schools, after which he graduated from the University of North Carolina. Continued on Page 3, Section 1

## Large Crowd At CHS Homecoming

## Miss Celia Rae Elliott Crowned As "Miss Chowan High"

Chowan High School's gymnasium was filled to capacity Friday night when the senior class observed homecoming.

The festivities were preceded by basketball games between the Chowan boys and girls and the Camden outfits. Camden won both games, the boys by a 80-67 score and the Chowan girls came off the court on the short end of a 50-37 score.

Following the games and in a very impressive ceremony Miss Celia Rae Elliott was crowned "Miss Chowan High" by R. H. Continued on Page 3—Section 1

### BAND PARENTS MEETING

Edenton's Band Parents Association will meet Wednesday night of next week, March 1, at 8 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the band room and all members are requested by Henry Quinn, president, to attend.

## 20 Years Ago

W. J. Taylor reported that Chowan County ranked sixth in the state in the number of quarts of vegetables canned per acre under WPA supervision.

Edenton Rotary Club celebrated its 15th anniversary at which J. Edwin Buffal, president, paid tribute to the only three surviving charter members, who were Charles H. Wood, C. E. Kramer and John A. Holmes.

Old residents in Edenton commented on the great number of sea gulls which were flying over this section so early in the year. Continued on Page 6—Section 1

## Hospital Auxiliary To Purchase New Equipment; New Officers

The Chowan Hospital Auxiliary held its February meeting on Friday, the 17th, in the nurses' home with Dr. Ed Bond giving an interesting talk on "How To Keep Your Husband Alive."

Taking care of the heart was the highlight of his talk and it was brought out that what the diet consisted of was most important as well as much needed rest.

New officers for the coming year are Mrs. Richard Elliott, president; Mrs. Joe Thomas, vice president; Mrs. Wesley Chown,

secretary, and Mrs. Herbert Hollowell, treasurer.

The chairmen for the committees are listed as follows:

House—Mrs. George A. Byrum.

Finance—Mrs. Ed Bond.

Hostess—Mrs. Warren Twiddy.

Serving—Mrs. Jesse Harrell;

co-chairmen, Mrs. Zell Ward and Mrs. Ray Hollowell.

Volunteer Services—Mrs. A. B. Harless, Sr.

Publicity—Mrs. Richard Har-

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## Chowan Farmers Seek More Cotton Than Is Released

## Very Interesting Figures Regarding Situation Reported By ASC

With cotton farmers required to decide whether they will plant or release their cotton acreage this week, the local ASC Office has released some interesting figures relative to release and reapportionment of cotton allotment in Chowan County.

According to the figures released, in 1960, 343.9 acres of county allotment was released by farmers that did not wish to plant. This allotment was reapportioned to farmers that made requests for additional acreage. 158 farmers received reapportionment.

Chowan received 447.2 acres from the State Office that was Continued on Page 4—Section 1

## EDWARD WARREN BEY Surgeon-General of N. C. Troops

Dr. Edward Warren was one of Edenton's most distinguished citizens and one of the Confederacy's most able servants. He became surgeon-general of North Carolina troops during the War Between the States. Besides this he held the following titles: M.D., C.M., LL.D., Bey to Khedival Firman, surgeon-in-chief of the War Department of Egypt, Commander of the Order of Osmanich of Turkey, Knight of the Order of Isabella the Catholic of Spain, Chevalier of the Legion of Honor of France, Medical Inspector of the Army of Virginia and founder and professor of the College of Physicians of Baltimore. The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws conferred in 1884 (in absentia) by the university of his native North Carolina gratified him more than all the foreign honors combined.

Edward Warren's adventurous life as told in his autobiography called "A Doctor's Experiences In Three Continents" is the ex-

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## Milton E. Bass Is Reassigned To ECS Office In Raleigh

Milton E. Bass, manager of the Edenton Office of the Employment Security Commission, has been reassigned to Raleigh and will report there on March 6th. A successor is expected to be named within a short time. Bass Continued on Page 3—Section 1

## Lions And Rotary To Play Basketball Game February 27

What should be an evening of entertainment deluxe is scheduled to take place in the John A. Holmes High School gymnasium Monday night, February 27, when Edenton Rotarians are scheduled to lock horns in a basketball game.

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## Four Aces Awarded Athletic Scholarships



The quartet of Edenton Aces pictured above have received full athletic college scholarships and will enter college in September. At left is Bubba Hopkins, who was granted a scholarship at the University of North Carolina. Next is Jimmy White, Jerry Tolley and Leroy Spivey, who have been awarded athletic scholarships at East Carolina College. (Photo by J. P. Ricks, Jr.)

## Heart Sunday Will Be Observed In Edenton Feb. 26th

## Group of Canvassers Will Tour Residential Section to Secure Contributions

Heart Fund volunteers will tour the residential sections of Edenton next Sunday, February 26, to distribute health-saving information about the heart diseases and to collect Heart Sunday contributions with which the American Heart Association can help speed the fight against the nation's Number 1 health enemy.

The pamphlet to be distributed by volunteers tells how to protect children against rheumatic fever, forerunner of rheumatic heart disease, and deals with the latest knowledge about high blood pressure, heart attacks and strokes. Contributions collected by volunteers will Continued on Page 4—Section 1

## National Guard Muster Day Is Observed At School Program

With February 22 declared as National Guard Muster Day, the local National Guard Unit conducted a program at the John A. Holmes High School at 10:50 A. M. Visiting speaker was Major Morton S. Modlin, from Headquarters, 2nd Battle Group, 119th Infantry, Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

The local National Guard unit had an outstanding record during 1960. The unit received the Commander's Trophy as the most outstanding unit in its battle group during summer en-

## Mission Study At Macedonia Church

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Macedonia Baptist Church will sponsor a mission study course at the church Monday and Tuesday, February 27 and 28. The study will begin at 7:30 o'clock each night and the public is invited to attend. The subject of the study will be "The Dreamer Cometh," and will be taught by the pastor, the Rev. Gordon Shaw.

## RED MEN MEETING

Chowan Tribe No. 12, Improved Order of Red Men, will meet Monday night, February 27, at 7:30 o'clock. Bill Harris, sachem, is very anxious to have a large turn-out of members.

## Edenton Jayvees Hang Up Envious Record For Year

## Youngsters Have Won 14 Games and Lost Only One Contest to Windsor

Edenton's Jayvee basketball team, under Coach Billy Hardison, has an enviable record thus far this season and now sport a record of 14 victories to only one defeat. The defeat was at the hands of Windsor by a 32-30 score.

Teams which fell victim to the Edenton aggregation are: Hertford 43-25 and 43-32; Chowan 38-18 and 55-15; Plymouth 42-28 and 46-26; Windsor 36-34, 39-21 and 30-28; Aboskie 29-26 and 38-34; Williamston 41-23 and 35-30. Continued on Page 3—Section 1

## LOCAL WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET NEXT WEDNESDAY

Edenton Woman's Club will meet on Wednesday afternoon, March 1, at 1 o'clock at the Edenton Restaurant. Mrs. J. D. Elliott, president, urges all members to be present.

## E. L. Pearce Again Sponsoring Pumpkin Contest In Chowan

Harry Venters, assistant county agricultural agent, announces that a pumpkin growing contest will be sponsored by E. L. Pearce, seedsman distributor for Corneli Seed Company. All boys and girls in Chowan County between the ages of 6 and 15 are invited by Mr. Pearce to enter the contest. Entry forms may be secured from county agricultural and home economics agents, vocational agricultural and home economics teachers and from Mr. Pearce. Seeds will be given to all that enter the contest.

Prizes for the largest pump-

## Hardin President Of Varsity Club

## New Officers Chosen At Meeting of Club Monday Night

At a meeting of the Varsity Club held Monday night at John A. Holmes High School, officers were elected and will take over their duties immediately.

Dr. Richard Hardin was elected president of the club and will succeed Al Phillips. The other officers elected were: George Lewis, vice president; A. B. Harless, Jr., treasurer, and Hiram J. Mayo, secretary.

Committees were also appointed for the Varsity Club banquet which will be held the last week in April. These are:

Door Committee—George Lewis, Medlin Belch and Bill Easterling.

Speaker Committee—Hiram J. Mayo.

Banquet Hall Committee—Dr. Louis Ferguson.

Publicity Committee—Nick George.

Awards Committee—Joe Thorud and Bill Cozart.

Ticket Committee—Jess Harrell.

Gifts Committee—Al Phillips and A. B. Harless, Jr.

## CIVIC CALENDAR

The 1961 Pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton and Countryside will be held April 14, 15 and 16.

Edenton's Rotary Club will be hosts to the 4-H Club peanut growing contestants at a banquet tonight (Thursday) in the Parish House at 7 o'clock.

Annual art show sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club will be held in the Penelope Barker house Saturday and Sunday, March 25 and 26.

Family Night will be observed at the Edenton Methodist Church Sunday, February 26, with a covered dish supper beginning at 6 P. M. Continued on Page 7, Section 1

Awards for the largest and best pumpkins will be presented at the Chowan County Fair. All boys and girls entering the contest are required to enter their best pumpkin in the fair this fall.

The rules for the contest are as follows:

1. This contest is open to any Chowan boy or girl between the

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