

Open Door Plan

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White Oak School in the county.)

Dr. Downum said he saw nothing new in the city's proposal. "Other than some wording it is the same as I understand has existed since 1932," he said.

"If it will help to clear the water between the two boards and the boards and Washington I see nothing wrong with it," he added.

George said he felt the policy was adopted by the city in good faith. "I think we should go a step further and adopt a similar policy," he added.

In discussing the merger and the plan for selecting the joint board, George said it would be good for the schools to give the new administrative unit at least four years to get over the transition with the assistance of an experienced board.

While the county board had felt a five member joint board would be sufficient, Dr. Downum said because of the concentration of the population he felt the seven member board was justified. This was accepted.

Under the plan, the new board would be composed of the existing city and county boards with no new appointments being made unless their number fell below seven. The seven member board would then be elected to take office in January, 1971.

The county board, while not going on record, generally expressed their disapproval to school trips to New York and Washington. The general feeling was that these trips were of no educational value.

"I would like to see our schools stick to education," one member stated.

The board heard reports and transacted routine business.

O. C. Long, Jr., presided with board members Dr. Downum, N. J. George and Eugene Jordan present. Supt. C. C. Walters served as secretary to the board.

inated and the then remaining balance of the rent for the then current 10-year period shall be due and payable."

Also, it was stated that the primary purpose and desire on the part of the Town of Edenton was that the industrial growth of the community be encouraged.

In the employment phase of the lease, it was stated that if a substantial increase in employment "is not realized in three years, the lease is subject to renegotiation."

On October 6, W. S. Privott, town attorney, wrote Lawson L. Lester, company president, that the town intended to cancel the lease on December 1 because "of several breaches of the said contract — which have been heretofore brought to your attention without satisfactory result of a solution."

Then on November 29, Privott wrote Lester's attorney, saying the company "has failed to comply with most of the requirements of the lease with the exception of payment of rent."

Lester contends the firm "has complied with all of the terms and provisions of said lease agreement."

His complaint contends the firm has expended large sums of money in development of the land leased and in reliance with the lease agreement has contracted and intends to contract in the future for further development of the land.

"If the lease is cancelled," the complaint states, "United States Lumber Company will be irreparably damaged by reasons of the large investment which it has made in improvements on the property and proposed future development."

The town says several prospects are in sight, some ready to lease certain portions of the property, if they can cancel the existing lease.

Town, County Give Holidays

Holidays for town and county employees have been established for the remainder of 1965 by officials of the governing bodies.

All city and county offices will be closed December 23, 24, 25 and 27 for Christmas. County offices will be closed December 31 and January 1 for New Years.

The town offices will close only on January 1, 1965 for the New Year's holiday.

Town's Removal

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Town officials entered into a long term lease with United States Lumber Co. on November 30, 1961. This lease says in part that "should United States Lumber Company, through its own decision, discontinue operations of the leased property, the lease shall be term-

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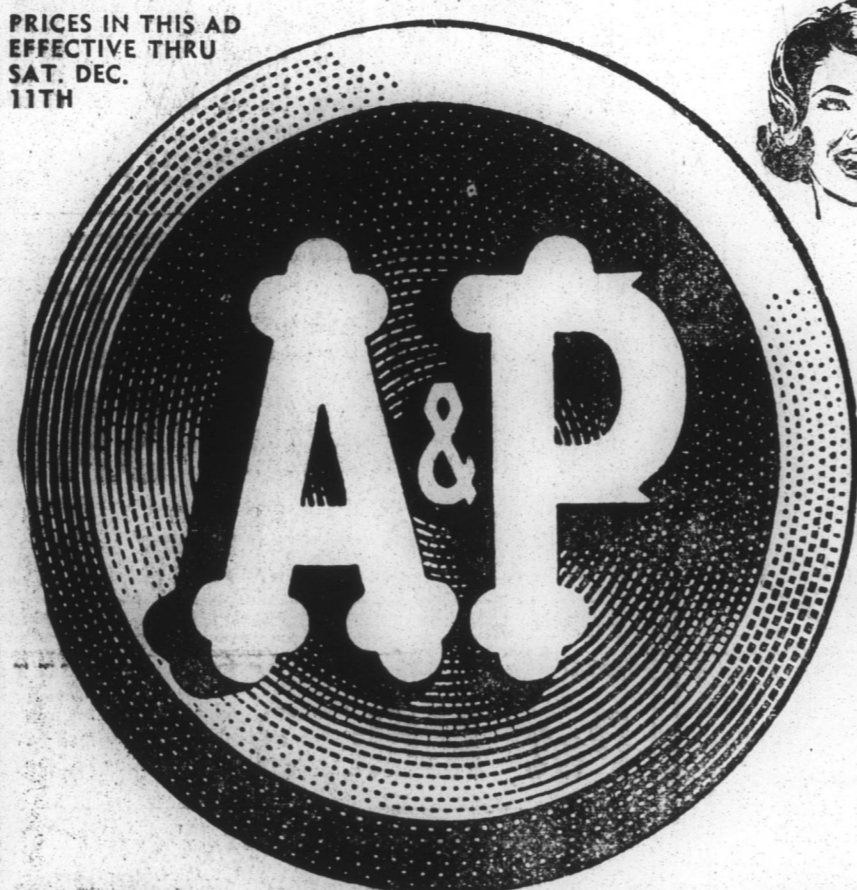
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