

Merry Christmas



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Christmas

May the meaning
of this Holiday Season
be deeper
Its Friendships
stronger
Its Hopes
brighter
As it comes to you
this year

Mayo Is Named Superintendent Of Rural Schools

City School Supt. Hiram J. Mayo will take on added duties on January 10, 1966. On that date he will become superintendent of Chowan County schools.

The Chowan County Board of Education met in special session December 15 to name Supt. Mayo as a replacement for Supt. C. C. Walters, who resigned to accept a post in Perquimans County.

At the same meeting the board voted to join the city school board in requesting the State Department of Public Instruction to send a survey team to Chowan County. The team would study the local situation and give recommendations concerning future school buildings in this county.

This survey will be done before any money is spent by the two boards for school construction.

The board's action followed a December 14 meeting by the joint boards where conditions of merger of the administrative units were approved.

Citizens of Chowan County will vote in 1967 on the merger question and with a favorable vote the boards would become one immediately.

The merged board would consist of 11 members—total membership of the existing boards—and they would serve until 1971, when seven members will be elected.

Trustees of Edenton City schools granted Supt. Mayo to take on the added responsibilities of the county schools and the action was approved by state officials.

Jones Gets Big Majority In First District Balloting

State Sen. Walter Jones of Farmville picked up more than 80 per cent of the total vote in Chowan County Saturday as he went on to win the Democratic nomination for the First Congressional District.

Sen. Jones enjoyed 66.1 per cent of all votes cast in the 15-county district as he beat off four opponents for the party nomination. He will now enter the February 5th general election against Dr. John E. East of Greenville, GOP nominee.

West W. Byrum, Jr., chairman of the Chowan County Board of Elections, said 1,409 Chowan County voters cast ballots in this special election.

Jones carried all six precincts by a healthy margin and received a total vote of 1,119.

Mrs. Sarah Small of Williamston, Negro civil rights worker, got 154 votes, picking up all but 11 of them in East and West Edenton precincts.

Roger Jackson of Murfreesboro ran third in this county, as he did in the district, getting 120 votes. Don Langston received 14 votes and Dr. Woodrow Pittman gained two.

Unofficial district returns gave Jones 26,029 votes. Mrs. Small placed second with 6,026 and Jackson received 5,504 votes.

Jones ran against the late Herbert C. Bonner in 1960 and lost by about 7,900 votes. Chowan was one of two counties in the District going for Jones in his first bid for the office. He garnered 985 votes here while Rep. Bonner was getting 797.

The nominee is a former resident of Edenton and is married to Doris Long of this city.

This was one of the shortest campaigns in North Carolina history involving an office of such importance. Jones pitched his entire campaign on his record in four terms of the State House of Representatives and a term in the State Senate. He indicated this week he will wage the same type campaign against Dr. East.



WALTER JONES

Moore Puts Off General Election

The First Congressional District general election has been postponed until February 5, 1966.

This action was taken by Gov. Dan K. Moore Wednesday on recommendation of the State Board of Elections.

When Gov. Moore called for the special primary on December 13, it was announced the general election would be held January 22, 1966, if there were no second primary. State Sen. Walter Jones won the nomination in the first primary.

Had the election been held as scheduled it would have meant registration

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CHOWAN COUNTY'S VOTE

	East Edenton	West Edenton	Rocky Hook	Center Hill	Wardville	Yeopim	Total
Jones	315	385	120	109	131	59	1119
Small	76	67	1	2	0	8	154
Jackson	39	36	28	2	15	0	120
Langston	4	6	0	1	3	0	14
Pittman	0	1	0	1	0	0	2

LOVE IS A GIFT

Love is a gift of the heart,
Be-ribboned or tinselled or empty-handed;
Rich or poor, whatever thou art,
'Tis given freely and never demanded.

Love is a gift of the star
The Wise Men followed so long ago;
And now at Yuletide, near and far,
This gift of love continues to glow.

—WILBORNE HARRELL.

Local Citizens Prepare For Christmas Holiday

As the countdown to Christmas neared the zero mark Edentonians prepared to celebrate the birth of Christ and the arrival of Santa Claus.

The downtown business district has been a bochive of activity both day and night this week as shoppers flooded the area.

A survey of businessmen indicated this has been one of the biggest shopping seasons in history.

The local stores have remained open until 9 P. M., every night this week and will be closed Saturday for Christmas. The Merchants Committee of the Chamber of Commerce voted recently to recommend that stores close only Saturday, December 25 and January 1.

County employees will have off Friday, Saturday and Monday for the holiday. The Municipal Building

will be closed also on Friday, Saturday and Monday.

Town Administrator W. B. Gardner said there would be trash collection throughout Edenton on Friday and Monday. He urged people placing trash on the street to have the container's top properly secured so articles can not be blown into the street.

Both the main office and Consumer Credit Branch of People's Bank & Trust Company will be closed Saturday and Monday.

J. E. White, driver license examiner, said his office will be closed Monday.

The local Employment Security Commission office will be closed Friday.

From all indications about the only activity in Edenton on Christmas will be at Chowan Hospital and the police and fire departments.

Jaycees Fete 27 Children

Twenty-seven local children are to be feted tonight (Thursday) by Edenton Jaycees at the traditional children's Christmas party.

Jim Jenkins, chairman of the Jaycee committee planning the party, said the function will begin at 7 P. M. at the Barker House.

The children will be treated to hot dogs with all the trimmings as well as gifts and bags of fruit. Naturally, Santa Claus will be on hand to greet the children and give out the presents which have been purchased by the Jaycees.

Jenkins had high praise for local merchants who have donated items to provide the treats. Other merchants have given the Jaycees a discount on merchandise purchased for the children.

Sam Cox, Jaycee president, said this party is one of the high points in the club year.

Motorists Told: 'Take It Easy'

Motorists planning trips over the holidays are asked by local and state highway officials to be extremely careful.

Traffic over the long holiday period is expected to be heavy and although the weatherman is calling for clear weather, there will be many mishaps.

Yule Message Made By Moore

RALEIGH — Gov. and Mrs. Dan K. Moore this week issued a Christmas message. The governor's statement stated:

"In this season, Mrs. Moore and I extend our greetings to the people of North Carolina and wish for each of you the traditional joys of Christmas and the best of everything for the New Year. "Since we are confronted by armed conflict overseas and by domestic problems at home, it may not be entirely possible for all of us to have a carefree Christmas.

"But since it is essentially a spiritual observance, we do wish for you and yours a Merry Christmas, and we extend prayerful wishes for a better future in the New Year."

Revenue Agents To Be Employed

GREENSBORO — The Internal Revenue Service announced this morning that it is seeking to employ nine internal revenue agents between now and January 31, 1966. The positions will be located throughout the state of North Carolina.

Beginning salaries range from \$5,181 to \$8,132 per year, depending on qualifications and past experience. Minimum qualifications include 24 semester hours of accounting or three years experience in accounting work. The experience will be evaluated on the basis of its comparability to a full four-year professional accounting curriculum, both as to quantity and quality of work done. Combinations of education and experience may be acceptable as minimum qualifications.

Applications for employment should be submitted on Form SF-57, which can be obtained from local post offices and mailed to District Director of Internal Revenue, P. O. Box 1978, Greensboro, N. C. 27402, attention: Personnel Branch.

The Public Parade

CHRIST IS BORN — The Christmas season means different things to different people. But one thing that is universal is the beauty of the story of Christ's birth.

So, at this time we especially like to read the old King James Version and the story according to St. Luke: And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David.)

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from

them into heaven the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

GOOD SHOW—There are a lot of things we haven't been able to develop an appetite for — like collard greens, raw oysters and opera music. The singing cook at our house now has changed some of this.

Last week's College of The Albemarle presentation of "The Bartered Bride" had a definite Edenton flavor that contributed heavily to the production's smashing success. We say this knowing full well some will think the statement is prejudiced by our gift to the cast.

To say we reluctantly went to Elizabeth City to see comic opera would be something of an understatement. We found some comfort when we found the gymnasium filled to capacity.

And we were entertained from the time Charlie Overman as the innkeeper and his customer, Garth Ferguson strutted onto the beautifully arranged stage until the entire cast returned for three well deserved curtain calls.

The local talent displayed in this difficult work turned out by Bedrich Smetana was just a mile short of perfect. The costumes and sets deserve equal recognition.

Sam Braswell and Emily Amburn headed the local contribution to the opera. Although we had heard portions of one part coming

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Vandals Open Fire Hydrants

A reward has been posted for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons responsible for turning on local fire hydrants.

Town Administrator W. B. Gardner said six hydrants have been found open in the past few days. He said an unknown amount of water has been wasted due to this vandalism.

"This is a very dangerous situation," the administrator said. "If a hydrant runs for an extended period of time it is conceivable that we would not have sufficient water to extinguish an early morning fire."

Gardner asked anyone seeing persons messing with a fire hydrant to contact the local police or fire department immediately.

He said this is being done by pranksters who obviously don't realize the seriousness of their action. He added that anyone caught turning on a hydrant will be prosecuted.

Young Farmer To Be Honored

Marvin Ashley, chairman of agriculture committee for the Edenton Jaycees, reports that the Jaycees are now looking for Chowan County's Outstanding Young Farmer.

The local Jaycees sponsor the program annually to give recognition to some outstanding young farmer in our county. It is also sponsored to emphasize the importance of agriculture and young leadership in our community.

Nomination blanks will be distributed to the various stores in town and the county in a few days. They are also available from the Jaycees.

A banquet will be held February 10, at which time the recipient will be announced and the award presented. An outstanding speaker will speak at the banquet.

This banquet is held in conjunction with one of the Jaycees' regular membership meetings.



PRETTY DECORATIONS — The front door at the office of Dr. Richard Hines has drawn a lot of attention during the holiday season. Miss Jean Peelle, an office assistant for Dr. Hines, spent some 14 hours painting this attractive scene. The door frame was decorated with candy canes which, much to everyone's surprise, lasted through the season.