

# Edenton Aces Share Eastern 2-A Grid Honors

The Edenton Aces, hampered by injuries and outmanned by opponents most of the season, are co-champions in Eastern 2-A football for the 1967 campaign.

## Wallace Honored

Bill Wallace, splendid fullback for the Edenton Aces and equally as outstanding on defense, is co-captain of the All-East Class 2-A team as picked by the Raleigh News and Observer.

He shares the honor with Southern Wayne tackle Phil Lownes. Lownes, a 252-pounder, became quite aware of Wallace's ability in Friday night's Edenton game.

How did it happen? It was no fluke. Those who had any doubts were made believers Friday night in New Bern.

Coach Marion Kirby had the Aces in excellent condition at the time, and they had the added impetus and desire. They were outwitted as much as 40 pounds per man line against Southern Wayne in the championship tilt. The hard backs of the Vikings rammied, and rammied.

However, the smaller Aces had men enough for the task as they rallied in the second half to a 26-26 tie.

Again the offensive play was sparked by Fullback Bill Wallace, who also led the defense as a linebacker. He scored twice, passed, blocked and put on a real show.

Nevertheless, it was a team effort—the very thing that explains how the Aces went to the finals and came away with a piece of the crown.

Edenton scored first in the opening stanza as the team marched to paydirt the first time they had possession. One of the key plays was a Frank Katkavek to Ronnie Harrell pass to put the Aces ahead. Harrell later rooted over from the one. Frank Neipraschk kicked the

extra point and the Aces led 7-0.

But Southern Wayne roared back. They scored, scored and scored again going into the halftime intermission leading 20-7.

Wallace led a 60-yard Edenton drive that took eight plays before a TD in the third quarter. Bill Perry fell on a fumble on the kickoff and Edenton had another chance. On the next play, Darrell Parker went 34 yards for the score and everything was even again.

Edenton kicked off and John Clifton returned it 74 yards for the go-ahead score. A try for two points was unsuccessful but Southern Wayne led

26-20. With 6:26 remaining in the game, Wallace took a punt, fell in behind his blocking, broke tackles and went 36 yards to deadlock the score.

The Aces ended the season with an 11-1-1 record, losing only to 3-A Elizabeth City early in the season.

The coaches and players were feted Tuesday night at Edenton Restaurant by Edenton businessmen N. J. George, George Alm Byrum, Pat Flanagan, Walter Noneman, John A. Mitchener, Jr., and Chuck Benson. They each gave words of praise to the team for the manner in which they represented Edenton during the season.

## The Public Parade

### An Explanation

A number of news stories and pictures which normally would have been in The Chowan Herald didn't make it. This is because our edition had to be limited to 16 pages.

The page limitation came about due to a delayed shipment of newsprint. It was expected to be delivered Tuesday, but probably got caught in the early December rush.

We are as disappointed as you will be because some stories you expect to read are not included this week. We solicit your understanding.

### Reputation Jeopardized

Edenton's reputation as a town with unexcelled hospitality was jeopardized Monday afternoon. And it is a shame some of the pea shooters didn't choke!

We refer to incidents of participants in the annual Christmas Parade being pelleted as they marched down Broad Street. Most of the foul play seemed to be directed at the splendid Elizabeth City High School Band, an asset to any parade.

Bandmaster Scott Calloway had to halt his band near the reviewing stand and ask that something be done about the pea shooters. Appeals over the public address system were fruitless. The bandmaster even disarmed some of the youngsters himself.

The incident is shameful. Nevertheless, equally as bad is the fact that adults stood idly by and watched it happen without giving a word of discouragement or lifting a finger.

All of this is not in character for Edenton. Those who meander along The Public Parade pride in the friendliness of the area. This has now been questioned by Monday's incidents.

Edenton Jaycettes, working with the merchants committee of Edenton Chamber of Commerce, put together what some believe was the best Yule parade here in decades. There was a wide variety of units. The floats, while small in number, were of excellent quality. The bands and other units gave the thousands who crowded the parade route a real show.

First prize went to Chowan High School PTA with Yeopim Home Demonstration Club claiming second. The third prize float was entered by D. F. Walker High School PTA.

Santa Claus made his official appearance at the end of the 50-unit parade. Many small children were disappointed that he did not hand out treats this year. This practice was abandoned because of the rowdiness of those older, bigger youngsters who have no business getting

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**NEW ADMINISTRATOR** — Thomas M. Surratt this week assumed his duties as administrator at Chowan Hospital. Surratt assumes the post vacated by W. P. (Spec) Jones. The new administrator comes to Edenton from Salisbury where he was assistant director of Rowan Memorial Hospital, an institution with 230 beds.

## On Study Group

W. J. P. Earnhardt, Jr., of Edenton, has been named by Gov. Dan K. Moore to a blue-ribbon highway study commission.

Earnhardt, local attorney and former legislator, and Dewey Wells of Elizabeth City are commission members from Northeastern North Carolina. Gov. Moore named Micou Browne of Raleigh as chairman of the 15-member commission.

He called on a program for Eastern North Carolina similar to the Appalachian program.

"The same type of program, I feel, should be conducted in Eastern North Carolina. To this end, we have joined with South Carolina and George in forming a Coastal Plains Regional Development Commission," he said. "Plans are already being formulated to request a development program, including highways, for Eastern North Carolina, similar to the Appalachian program."

## Restaurant Closed

The Triangle Restaurant, at the intersection of U. S. 17 and Highway 32, closed Sunday.

The building will be removed and a traffic interchange will be constructed to clear what has been described as one of the worst traffic hazards in the area.

Rose Brothers has the contract to remove the building and make improvements in the intersection as well as along Virginia Road to Filbert's Creek.

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## Hospital Election Date Is Nearing Mrs. M'Mullan To Retire

Saturday is the last day prior to the December 31 Hospital Bond Election for persons to either register to vote or change their place of voting in case they have moved since the last election.

E. L. Hollowell, chairman of Chowan County Board of Elections, said registrars will be at their respective polling places from 9 A. M., to 6:30 P. M., for the purpose of registering voters.

It was pointed out that this is not a new registration. If you have previously registered to vote in Chowan County it is not necessary to register again in order to cast your ballot on December 21. However, if you have moved from one precinct to another since the last election then you should visit your polling place and make the switch.

Challenge Day is December 16 between the hours of 9 A. M., and 3 P. M.

Voters in Chowan County will have an opportunity on Thursday, December 21 to express themselves on a \$1-million hospital bond issue. Also, they will vote on a hospital facility maintenance tax of not more than 10 cents per \$100 valuation. This extra tax would finance the cost of operating, equipping and maintaining the hospital.

Wallace Evans, co-chairman of a Jaycee committee pushing a favorable vote on the issue, said there has been some misunderstanding about the maintenance tax.

"It clearly states on the ballot that

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Mrs. J. H. McMullan will retire December 31 as Chowan County's director of public welfare.

Mrs. McMullan revealed her plans to retire Monday at the monthly meeting of Chowan County commissioners.

Chowan County Board of Public Welfare is currently accepting applications for her replacement. It is understood that interviews have begun.

Mrs. McMullan expressed her appreciation to the county commissioners for their cooperation over the years.

At the same time the board members commended the director for her efficient service to Chowan County.

Mrs. McMullan joined the department in August, 1936, and has served as director since 1942.



**SPEAKING HERE TONIGHT** — Rep. Walter B. Jones of the First Congressional District will be in Edenton tonight (Thursday) to speak to the 12th annual meeting of the Northeastern Area Soil and Water District Supervisors. Also attending will be area and county leaders and district supervisors from throughout the area. About 400 people are expected to attend. The banquet begins at 6:30 o'clock at Edenton Jaycee Community Building on Base Road.

## Merchants Vote Hours For Holiday

The Merchants Committee of Edenton Chamber of Commerce this week recommended the holiday hours for local businesses.

Chuck Benson, chairman, said the committee agreed on the following hours:

Saturday, December 9, open until 8:30 P. M.

Friday and Saturday, December 15 and December 16, open until 8:30 P. M.

From Monday, December 18, through Saturday, December 23, open until 8:30 P. M.

The committee also recommends closing of local businesses on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

The recommended holiday hours are not binding on any merchant. While the majority of downtown establishments will observe the above holiday hours, some stores will do otherwise. The special hours are advertised by the individual store.

## Adult Courses

Three courses for adults are being arranged at Chowan High School, according to E. S. White, vocational agriculture teacher.

White said farm arc welding, small engine repair and farm records and income tax are the courses being made available at this time.

An organizational meeting will be held at 7 P. M., December 14 and all interested in taking one of these courses are urged to attend.

## New Careers Program Dead Here

Chowan County commissioners Monday unanimously voted against endorsement of the New Careers program being promoted here by the Economic Improvement Council.

W. G. Pierce, project director with EIC, explained the New Careers program as one which offers the creation of employment opportunities for the unemployed or under-employed who are 22 years of age or older.

The program involves training, placement and career development.

Under the proposal, trainees would get schooling as well as on the job experience in public agencies.

The first year of the program the trainees would be paid by the U. S. Department of Labor at the rate of \$1.60 per hour. The second year the county would pay one-half the cost and the third year the county would pay the full amount.

After discussing the program, the commissioners voted not to endorse it at this time.

W. E. Bond was re-elected chairman and J. Clarence Leary, assistant chairman, during a brief re-organization of the board.

Board members did endorse a resolution to the State Highway Commission asking for four-laning of U. S. 17 through the Albemarle Area. The resolution asked for cooperation with Virginia.

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**CHRISTMAS PARADE, 1967** — A gala parade through downtown Edenton late Monday afternoon was a huge success as thousands turned out in perfect weather to view the 50 units. Santa Claus was unable to greet the children this year but one of the peppy floats got special treatment. The other pictures show a portion of the big crowd, another jolly clown, the prize winning float entered by Chowan High School PTA, and Miss Patricia Ashley, John A. Holmes Homecoming Queen. She was one of many pretty girls who added to the lustre of the floats, bands and other units who contributed to the successful Christmas Parade, 1967.

