



Public Parade

Still Alive

We want to be among the first to welcome Winn-Dixie to the growing business family in Edenton. The selection of Northside Shopping Center for a handsome new store is further evidence that this is a healthy community.

It was five years ago this week that we moved our family here to meander along the Public Parade. Many changes have taken place, most of them for the good of all citizens.

Winn-Dixie opened Tuesday morning without ceremony, brass band or ribbon cutting.

And with it Edenton became the 797th store in the giant chain, said to be among the 10 largest grocery chains in the country. There are 116 stores in the Raleigh Division, which includes the Carolinas and Virginia.

But Winn-Dixie has not always been big. The chain began as a single store in Miami, Fla., in the mid 1920's and has grown since then, in the typical American way.

Winn-Dixie brings several new families to Edenton. Among them is George Drawdy, a young manager. All will be an asset to the community.

The store is sure to attract new people to Edenton to shop, not only for groceries but other items as well.

So, Winn-Dixie, welcome aboard. Here's hoping you have smooth sailing for many years to come.

Too Good To Turn Down

If there is one right we still possess, it is to determine where stories appear in this newspaper. Never a week passes, though, that some well-meaning person doesn't attempt to usurp this plum of newspaper editorship.

As an editor we try hard to present local news in an unbiased manner. We even, more times than we like to admit, go beyond the old slogan of "printing all the news that's fit to print" and give birth to some that really falls outside this yardstick.

Too, we still like to think we are the best judge as to the value of news articles. This reminds us of the defense attorney who proudly relates that he never represented a guilty person. Then he quickly adds: "Many juries have disagreed."

The following personal note was in our unattended typewriter Tuesday:

"Please try to print my article on the front page or somewhere so that the"

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Yule Parade At 4 PM Today

Finishing touches were being put on plans today (Thursday) for a gala Christmas Parade here which traditionally launches the holiday shopping season. The parade begins at 4 P. M.

Murray Ashley, chairman for the sponsoring Edenton - Chowan Rescue Squad, said units will congregate at 3:30

P. M., at Hicks Field. The parade will move along Broad Street to Water Street.

Immediately prior to the parade the colored lights will be turned on in the downtown area. Electric department personnel has been busy for several days putting up the lights and attractive decorations.

It has been suggested by the Merchants Committee of Edenton Chamber of Commerce that stores close during the hour of the parade.

Ashley said approximately 35 units have been arranged for the parade, including four bands. Of course, Santa Claus will ride in the rear of the parade.

Bands from John A. Holmes High School, D. F. Walker Junior High and Perquimans High Marching Unit are scheduled to appear along with the Elizabeth City State University group.

A feature will also be the appearance of the Portsmouth Girls Marching Unit.

Ashley said it now appears that a good parade has been arranged to open the holiday shopping season in Edenton.

Wood Given Seat On County Board

T. B. H. Wood, an official of Darf Corporation, Monday was named to Chowan County ABC Board. He will fill the unexpired term of the late R. F. Elliott.

Wood will be up for appointment to a full three-year term in June, 1970. He joins J. W. Davis and Hector Lupton on the three-man board.

Wood was one of five people to apply for appointment. It took Chowan County Commissioners and members of Edenton-Chowan Board of Education three ballots to select an appointee.

McDonald Dixon, George Twiddy, Caswell Edmundson and W. B. Shepard were the others to apply. There were four members of the commissioners voting and seven members of the school board.

W. E. Bond was re-elected chairman of the commissioners and J. Clarence Leary was re-elected vice chairman. John Graham was re-appointed county attorney.

Commissioners heard a report of the plan to study the estuaries of North Carolina, as set by the General Assembly. Commissioner C. A. Phillips said this is important to this area and introduced a motion in support of the program. The motion carried.

Robert Hendrix, county director of social services, told commissioners the number of cases in his department had not yet reached the level set in the budget. However, he said medical costs are going up at a rapid rate.

Mrs. Elizabeth Goodwin, tax collector, reported that collections in 1969 had reached 31.2 per cent, as compared with 29.4 per cent last year.

Tax listers were appointed, upon recommendation of Tax Supervisor Sherlon

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4-H Corn Champs

Bill Monds, 17, recorded the top yield in the 1969 Chowan County 4-H Corn Growers Contest and was among those honored Monday night by Edenton Lions Club, sponsors of the contest.

Harry Venters, assistant county extension agent, reported the average yield was 145.2 bushels per acre, a new record for the contest which started in 1952. The first year the average yield was 61 bushels and the previous high was 139.7 bushels in 1967.

Monds' yield was 174.5 bushels and was one of three officially harvested yields. Monds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Monds, was one of two to enter in the 15 years of age and above group.

Jerry Castelloe won the 13-14 age group with a yield of 145 bushels.

Miss Robbin Jordan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Jordan, won in the group of 4-H'ers between the ages of nine and 12. Her officially harvested yield was 166 bushels.

Aces Enjoy Big Victory

The celebration in Goldsboro Friday night could almost be heard in Edenton. For the Aces had won the Eastern 2-A championship with a decisive 48-26 win over South Stanly.

Three trophies have recently been added to the case at John A. Holmes High School. The Aces won the 2-A Albemarle Conference crown, the Eastern 2-A title and the Jayvees also won the conference race.

(Elsewhere in The Herald is a story about the championship game by Bill Cozart, veteran reporter for The Daily Advance.)

The Aces were co-Eastern champions in 1967, having to share the title with Southern Wayne after a tie game in New Bern.

Coach Marion Kirby said this week his team was optimistic about the chances

of obtaining the Eastern title this year. "We knew we had kids capable of being good players," he commented. "It took us some time to get things working together, though."

The coach said Northeastern, the Eastern 3-A title holder, showed graphically how bad the Aces were failing to execute some of the fundamentals. "We started pulling together after that," he added.

Until then the Aces were undefeated in conference play. Coach Kirby said the team had been winning but hadn't played well. "I am real proud of the way they came back after being humiliated by Northeastern," he said. "We said the defeat wouldn't hurt so much after we became Eastern champs."

The Aces showed signs of getting

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HARDWARE FOR ACES—Coach Marion Kirby, center, is shown with six members of the 1969 edition of Edenton Aces, winners of the Eastern 2-A championship. Seated by their coach are Johnny Barrow, left, and Gigi Leary, right, co-captains. Standing, left to right, are: Steve Katkaveck, Sidward Boyce, Elliott Harrell and Earl Chesson. These six players were named to the Albemarle Conference team. The trophies are the one for the conference and one for the eastern title.

Programs Slated By Choral Society

The first series of Fifth Anniversary Programs the Albemarle Choral Society will present Sunday at 8:30 P. M., in the First Baptist Church of Elizabeth City, and Monday at 8 P. M., in Edenton Baptist Church mark an epoch in the society's program of service to talents in the Albemarle area and highlights goals of service to fine arts talents in the years ahead.

Solo and chorister members of the Northeast, Southwest and College of the Albemarle Choral Divisions of the Albemarle Choral Society are reminded of the dress rehearsal with guest instrumentalists scheduled for this coming Saturday at 1:30 P. M., in the First Baptist Church Auditorium, Elizabeth City.

Members are requested to bring robes or arrive early enough to be robed and seated in time for the rehearsal of the Ceremony of Carols with the harpist at 2 P. M. Following this portion of the rehearsal, a picture will be taken and

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Exhibit Planned

Chowan Arts Council is sponsoring an exhibit of Bill Fields' portraits as highlight of activities here during the Albemarle Area Arts Council membership drive.

The exhibit will be in Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library December 9 through December 31.



The current membership drive, being pushed in this area in cooperation with Edenton Jaycees, will culminate December 12 and 13 with an art show and sale at Southgate Mall in Elizabeth City. Memberships are \$1.

Many valuable prizes are being offered by the council to be given at the show.

Fields is a native of Fayetteville and a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he was the first to take a degree in fine arts. Immediately after leaving college he was director of the Federal Art Project Center in Sanford and later headed the center in Raleigh.

Since 1944 he has painted portraits professionally in the Eastern United States and Europe, having maintained a studio in New York from 1945 to 1962. Most of the years 1950 to 1952 were spent in Europe, chiefly in Italy, where he painted portraits of many notables, including the late Pope Pius XII.

He has had one-man shows in Rome, New York and North Carolina. Since 1955 he has spent a large portion of his time in his native state, with headquarters in his home near Fayetteville.

New Parking Lot

The new municipal off-street parking lot on West King Street is expected to be opened Monday, according to Town Administrator W. B. Gardner.

Gardner said street department personnel this week was pouring the entrance and exit and the graveled lot would be ready next week.

The lot will accommodate 50 cars if they are parked properly. Gardner said the lot would be surfaced in the spring.

Winn-Dixie Opens Store In Northside Center Here

Winn-Dixie, one of the 10 largest food chains in the country, opened in Northside Shopping Center Tuesday morning and is now in the midst of a gala grand opening.

George Drawdy is manager of the spa-

cious new store, the second unit to open in the center. Sears became the first store in the center last April. A Koretizing dry cleaning establishment plans to open shortly after January 1, 1970, and construction of a fourth store is expected

to begin soon.

W. D. Townson owns the complex which will feature five stores.

Drawdy said Winn-Dixie will be open from 9 A. M., until 9 P. M., during the grand opening which is expected to last for several weeks.

You can now get everything from good old fashioned molasses to Mexican Tacos in one single food store here. Winn-Dixie carries such a variety of merchandise.

The store, with over 13,000 square feet of space, is both colorful and convenient and fully-stocked with every food item any person could want. The store is as colorful and as modern and convenient as modern architecture and interior design can allow.

There are wide aisles between the rows of fully-stocked merchandise with each row labeled by small signs which hang from imitation black lamps. Panels of orange, yellow, purple and green decorate the walls.

Even the cash register centers are colored in these blending, modern shades. A "Sweet Shop" full of candies is located at the rear of the store and is decorated in purple and light pink.

There are five check-out lanes to provide efficient, fast check-out service.

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Peak Area Employment Is Enjoyed

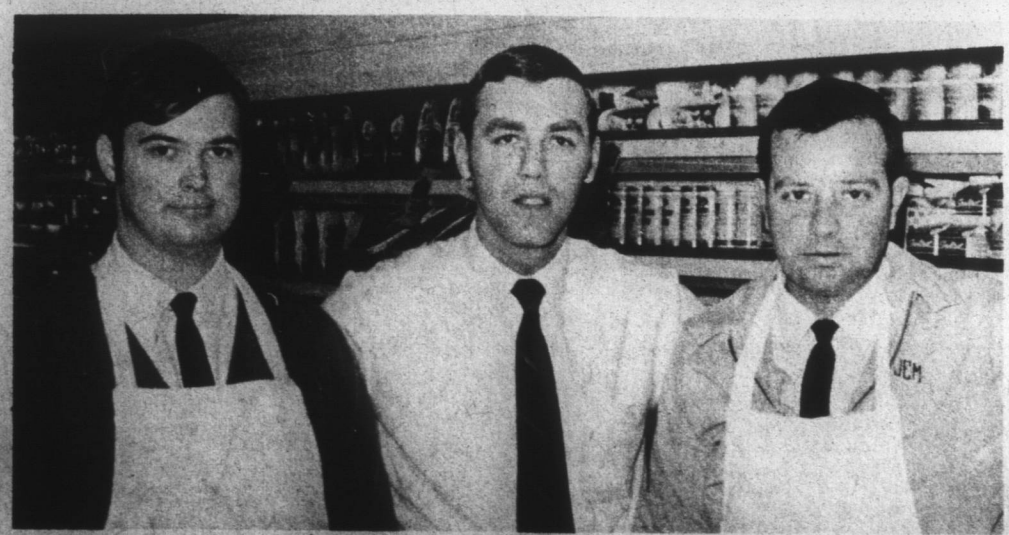
All activities increased in the Edenton Employment Security office during the month of November, according to Neil E. Thagard, Edenton office manager.

There were 127 new applications from job seekers. There were 241 persons referred to 177 job openings and 158 persons were placed on jobs as the result of these activities. Of these 20 were Veterans and five were handicapped.

Unemployment Insurance claims continued at a very low figure as nearly all plants are operating at peak capacity

and retail stores are using extra help for the holiday season. There were 349 weeks of unemployment insurance processed by the Edenton office during the month and more than 200 of the claims taken were outside Chowan County.

On or near December 15 courses will begin in Edenton for automobile mechanics and farm equipment mechanics. These courses will be under the Manpower Development Training Act. Any person interested in this training is urged to contact the Employment Office at 709 North Broad Street, Edenton.



HAVING GRAND OPENING—Winn-Dixie opened a new grocery store in Northside Shopping Center here Tuesday morning and hundreds of local people turned out to view the store and shop the specials. The picture at left above shows the crowded parking lot shortly after the store opened. George Drawdy, store manager, right, goes over the Top Value Stamp booklet with William E. Bell, district supervisor. Three department heads are shown above, left to right: Eddie Petway, produce; Albert Yelverton, grocery; and James E. Moore, meat. The new store will be open from 9 A. M. until 9 P. M. during the grand opening.