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Christmas Story

Once again, with permission of the copyright holder, we bring you the Christmas story:

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 the 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 Judea, 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 first born 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, good will toward man.

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.

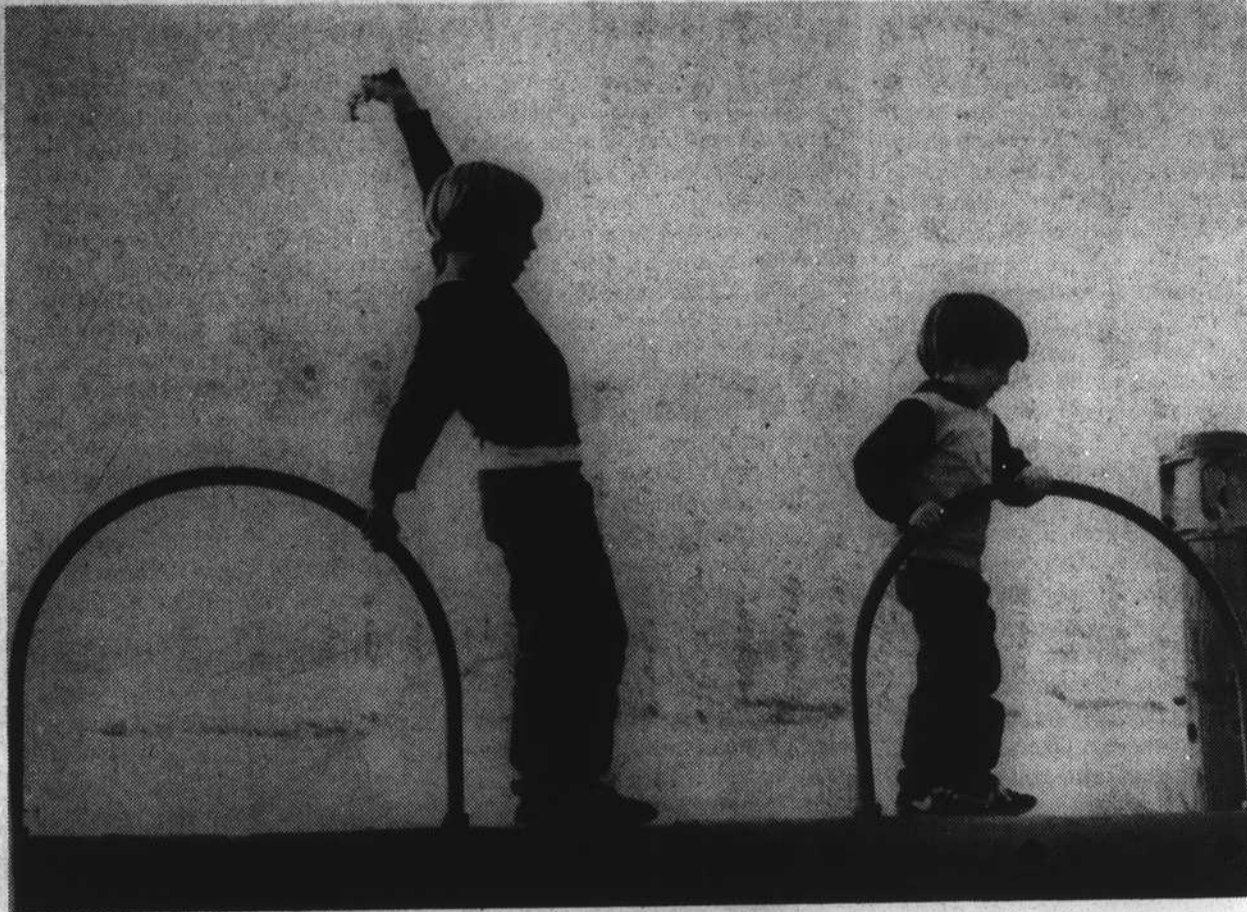
Commissioners To Discuss '85 Goals Package

County Commissioners from across the state will vote to determine their statewide legislative program for 1985 when they convene for the Legislative Goals Conference of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners on January 16-17 at the High Point Radisson.

The package of proposed legislative goals includes nine priority items and 41 supplemental goals. The proposed goals were developed by a special committee of County Commissioners and approved by the Association's Board of Directors on December 6. Mr. C. A. Phillips, Chairman of the Chowan County Board of Commissioners, represented the North-eastern counties on this special committee.

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CHRISTMAS BREAK? Brothers Keith, left, and Kenny Knox had quite a good time on the outdoor jungle gym equipment in Edenton's Waterfront Park last week. And with temperatures in the high 60's, they were able to do it without having to wear heavy coats.

Dream Comes True For Baptist Mission

Christmas Eve marked a very special occasion for the sixty-six members of the Albemarle Baptist Mission.

On that night, the congregation gathered for the first service held in their new church building located on Base Road across from Colony Drive. The candlelight-Moravian Love Feast was celebrated in their new Educational building just five months after ground was broken on the building site. Church members

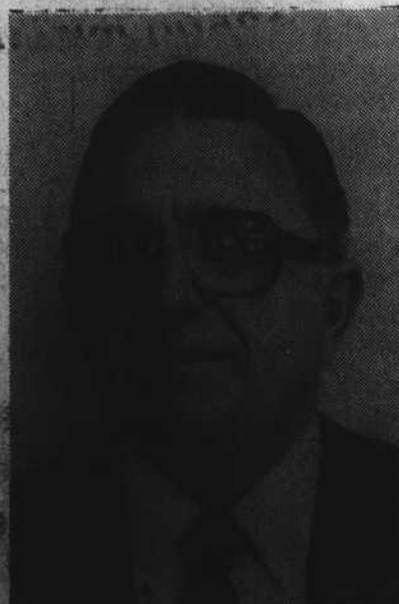
Receives Appointment

Leonard C. Small, Sr. president of Va. Fork Produce Co., Inc. has been appointed to the City Board of Directors for NCNB National Bank in Edenton, according to NCNB City Executive Steve Robertson. Small's appointment is effective immediately, and he will join the Board during its next quarterly meeting after January 1, 1985.

Small is also president of Albemarle Beach Farms, Inc. and Summerset Cukes, Inc. farming operations, and has been active in business and community organizations for many years. He is a 1951 graduate of Wake Forest University with a degree in Business Administration.

He has formerly served as vice president, secretary, and treasurer of the Edenton Jaycees, chairman of the agriculture committee for the Edenton Chamber of Commerce, and advisory director for the NC Agriculture Extension service. A member of the Edenton Baptist Church, Small has served as Sunday school teacher, superintendent, and member of the finance committee.

A native of Edenton, Small is married to Charlotte Leary Small. They have four children.



Leonard C. Small Sr.

hope that the sanctuary will be completed in time for their Easter Sunday service.

Most of the one hundred workers who donated their time and skills to constructing the church were volunteers from the congregation or representatives from seventeen North Carolina Churches and one Virginia Church. Coordination of those volunteers was handled by Rev. Larry McClure, area missionary for the Baptist State Mission.

The mission, sponsored by the Edenton Baptist Church, receives aid from the Church Extension Department of the Baptist State Convention and the Chowan Baptist Association.

The need for the church was determined following a survey made in 1981 which indicated that people in the Cape Colony area were interested in forming a congregation. During the spring of 1982, the Edenton Baptist Church voted to sponsor the mission and called a Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary student, John Stanley, to be a summer missionary. That summer home Bible classes were formed.

The classes attracted such a large number of participants that on July 4th they had to move Sunday morning Bible studies classes into the lobby of the Edenton Airport.

Three months later, on October 6, a morning worship service was begun and the congregation adopted the name, the Albemarle Baptist Mission. Also during that service, John Stanley was called as missionary pastor and the then twenty-six member congregation made a commitment to see the mission grow into a church.

Early Deadline

Due to New Year's Day falling on Tuesday, the Chowan Herald will be observing the following schedule for next week's paper: classified and display advertising must be submitted no later than 10 a.m. on Monday; news items to run in next week's edition must be in our office no later than 3 p.m. on Monday.

The Herald business office will close at 5 p.m. on Monday, and will re-open at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday. The paper will be distributed on Thursday, January 3, 1985.

On Easter Sunday, 1983, the mission began leasing a building on Base Road next to the New Armory and holding Sunday worship service.

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ElectriCities Energy Cost

In 1879, Thomas Edison revealed his new invention, the incandescent light bulb. It burned only 40 hours and produced the light of one candle. Only three years later — when Fairfield, Iowa, illuminated its entire business district — public power was born.

In the United States today, there are more than 2,200 local, publicly owned electric cooperatives, and about 275 investor-owned electric utilities. North Carolina is one of nine states with the greatest number of publicly owned electric systems.

"We're proud to be part of the public power industry," says Utility Director William Crummey adds that public power systems benefit their customers in many ways.

First, the latest statistics from the U.S. Energy Information Administration show that nationally, public power consumers generally pay less for energy than other consumers. "Those statistics also shows," says Crummey "that

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Emergency Management Activity Funds Allocated

Chowan County will receive \$8,115 to support its emergency management activities for 1985, according to Heman R. Clark, secretary of the North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety. The money is part of an allocation of \$990,258 to support emergency management activities in 86 counties.

Clark said, "We are pleased to be able to offer this support to the county emergency management agencies so that they will be more able to assist their citizens in a time of disaster."

The funds are part of a \$1.3 million Emergency Management Assistance grant made available to the state by the federal government.

Tom Pugh, director of the department's Division of Emergency Management, said, "We are particularly pleased that this year as a part of our continuing efforts, we have been able not only to increase the total dollars available to the counties but also provide a greater percentage than before."

"This increased level of funding is indicative of the state's commitment to the emergency management agencies at the local level," he said.

Almost 72 percent of the federal EMA allocation is being made to the local governments. This is a .53 percent increase over last year. The funds are used to provide administrative support, personnel, and increase the operational capabilities of the local govern-

ment's emergency management program.

Pugh also commended the emergency management personnel in both the state and local agencies for their excellent work this year. "The tornadoes in March and Hurricane Diana in September really tested emergency management personnel. They met that challenge and I am proud of them," said Pugh.

Winners Announced

The Garden of Eden Club announces the following winners of their Outdoor Christmas Decorating Contest.

Traditional - Use of Live Materials: (1) Webster Simons - 207 West Queen St.; (2) Richard D. Dixon - West King St.; (3) Warner Perry - 108 West Church St.

Special Use of Lights: (1) Allen B. Harless - 201 North Granville St.; (2) Henry Quinn - 915 West Queen St.

Honorable Mention (and former winners): T.C. Byrum, Jr.; Tom Hungate; Mrs. Jack Mooney; Keith Johnson; Cam Byrum; Robert L. Bunch, Jr.; Rodney Harrell, Jr.; Robert Thomas; Henry Brabble; Bruce Jones; Frankie Edmundson; Wesley Chesson; Marion Throwing; April Lane; Clarence Shackelford; Erwin Griffin; Fred Keeter; Joseph Thorud.

Doors: Bill Whichard; Wallace

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Elementary And Junior High Schools Gain Accreditation

ATLANTA, Georgia—The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, through its Commission on Elementary Schools, has awarded accreditation to White Oak Elementary School and Chowan Junior High School. The announcement was made by Dr. Madeline Tripp during the Association's 89th Annual Meeting here December 9 - 12, 1984.

The accreditation of schools and systems is based on an evaluation of each school to determine if it meets not only the needs of the students and community, but also the standards of quality of the Commission. The evaluation process includes self-study by the school and review by a visiting committee of professional educators representing the Association's member

elementary schools and systems.

Founded in 1895, the Southern Association is a voluntary, nongovernmental agency composed of more than 11,000 colleges and universities, occupational institutions, secondary, middle, and elementary schools. Headquartered in Atlanta, it is one of six regional accrediting associations in the United States and encompasses 11 southern states from Virginia to Texas.

The purpose of regional accreditation is to improve the quality of education. Each member school and system must carry on a continuing program of improvement and, to maintain its accreditation, must submit annual reports and undergo periodic reevaluation.



RECOGNITION—Ethelene Rascoe, left, librarian, Chowan Jr. High, and principal John Guard accept a certificate of special recognition for their school from Dr. Madeline Tripp during the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools' 89th annual meeting in Atlanta, Georgia held December 9-12.