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Crooning a ballad as only he can, Big Slim Drye is shown at the mike. Big Slim also picks a mean bull fiddle in the Bill Pollard orchestra which plays for Saturday night dances at Davis National Guard Armory in Zebulon. The other members of the band are, left to right, fiddling Eddie Lee, Big Slim, Zebulon's own Odie Perry seen vaguely behind Drye, Pollard, and Billy Kelly at the drums.

## Needy Families Might Not See Old Santa Come This Christmas

More than fifty families in and around Zebulon will not be visited by Santa Claus.

These families, many of them within the city limits of Zebulon, will not get up Christmas morning with a happy and joyous feeling.

"There will be no Christmas for them," Mrs. Anne Jones, Wake County welfare case worker who visits Zebulon, said, "unless contributions are made by the local people."

Mrs. Jones issued an urgent call for the civic organizations to give all types of toys, food and other articles that can be used. The toys may be old or used. She said she hopes some civic organization will undertake the project of refinishing old and used toys to be given to indigent families.

Last year, the local churches and Boy Scouts helped recruit Christmas goodies for the needy in this locality, Mrs. Jones said. She hopes these organizations will do the same this year.

"Elderly persons are especially

in need of items for Christmas," Mrs. Jones said. "The check they receive from the government is only enough to meet about 75 percent of their needs."

These elderly persons, as well as the children, are to be pitied, said Mrs. Jones. "It is hard for them not to have anything."

Mrs. Jones said she has been flooded with applications for help this year, especially during the fall and winter.

"We have received more applications for help than in a long, long time."

She said almost all the applications have come from the older persons.

Items that are to be given may be taken to the Town Clerk's office in the Municipal Building. Mrs. Jones will pick them up and see that they are distributed.

"We are seeking the help of the local residents," she said. "Make your own Christmas happier by giving something to those who will not have Christmas unless you help them."

## Mrs. T. E. Hales Makes Effective Education Talk

The following speech was delivered by Mrs. Ed Hales before Wakelon School PTA at its November meeting. Because of its pertinent subject, we present it here for our readers.

### Reading and Library Services

Our theme for the 39th annual celebration of National Children's Book Week is "Explore With Books." Does your child like to read? Do you?

One who does not read is no better off than one who can not read. You know that getting into college is a major worry of young people and their parents today. Year by year this will grow worse because of the greater number wishing to enroll and the limited facilities in both college plants and teaching personnel. Parents who want their children to succeed in entering college must begin now to help them prepare for the competition that will confront them. The future college student will have special need for a broad mental outlook, good language development, facility in the use of ideas, the ability to follow the ideas of an author, skill in the

interpretation of what he reads, creativity, and imagination. Giving a boy or girl a love of good reading is one of the most effective things a parent can do to help his child get ready for college. Good literature is the right of all children and for the college-bound boy or girl it is imperative. The school can teach the skills of literature interpretation and the home can reinforce those skills and give them wide range.

What can we as parents do? We can let children see that we read and enjoy it, too. The parent who is "too tired," or who "can't be bothered" to read is teaching his child, by example, to feel the same way.

We can make it easy to read. Good light, comfortable chairs, plenty of well-chosen books, a quiet room, no interruptions, all invite a child to enjoy reading.

Children's reading tastes and interests vary, so study your child's before making selections or advising him in his own selection. We can establish the library habit early. Parents can make weekly

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## A-1c Odell Tant Winner of Award Given by Air Force

A/1c Odell C. Tant, stationed at Lake Charles Air Force Base, received an award recently. The award read: "Airman achievement award for devotion to duty and meritorious service. Airman 1st Class Odell C. Tant is hereby elected outstanding airman of the 423 2nd USAF Hospital for the period of January 1, 1957 to June 30, 1957."

The award was made by Col. Jacob J. Brogger, USAF commander.

A/1c Tant is associated with the Lake Charles Air Force Base hospital as a dental technician.

Prior to joining the Air Force in January, 1955, he was a member of the local National Guard for more than a year.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Tant of Wilson. His wife is the former Alice Faye Faulkner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Faulkner of Zebulon.

## Wakelon High Band Awarded Third Place In Fall Festival Show

### Director Dedicated Teacher, Musician



HERBERT IRELAND JR.  
director

Wakelon High School Band, under the direction of Herbert Ireland, Jr., received a rating of third place in the annual Fall Festival held in Wake Forest College stadium on November 26.

Director Ireland said he was "very much pleased" with the band's performance.

The performance was in the form of a skit, entitled "Director's Dilemma." It depicted the band not being prepared to give a performance. The skit included a formation of a question mark and the number 23, signifying only 23 more shopping days until Christmas.

There are 44 members in the band and five majorettes.

Fuquay High School was awarded the trophy, with first runner-up Cary High School.

Herbert Ireland, Jr., Wakelon High School band director, believes that music teaches discipline, organization, self-control, health factors, concentration and cooperation.

"Percentage-wise, the scholastic average among band members is generally higher than that of the non-band member," he said.

Director Ireland is a stickler for technique. He believes that a lot of time, worry and work are saved by doing everything right from the beginning.

This is Director Ireland's first year at Wakelon. He is very much pleased with the Wakelon band, and sees a great future for them.

"We have some excellent material here," he said. "Of course, there is a lot more to accomplish. Every band director wishes for a lot more. But I am satisfied at present with the progress my band students are making."

Prior to coming to Wakelon, Ireland taught band in the Lenoir County school system.

He is a native of New Bern, the

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## Kids, Santa's Coming

That merry old gentleman with a ho-ho-ho laugh, long white beard and sparkling red suit is coming to Zebulon.

Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive on Friday, December 13, at 4 o'clock. He will be escorted into town by the Zebulon fire truck.

After his arrival Santa will be ready to take Christmas orders from his favorite persons—the boys and girls of the community of Zebulon.

Not only will old Santa be taking orders to be delivered the night of the 24th, the grand old man will be passing out favors to his little friends.

Santa will also be here on Saturday, Dec. 14; Thurs., Dec. 19; Fri., Dec. 20; Sat., Dec. 21; Mon., Dec. 23; and Tues., Dec. 24.

The stores will be open nights until 9 o'clock beginning on or before the close of school, Dec. 20.

## BSU Male Choral Group to Sing Here

An all male choral group will present a sacred concert at the Zebulon Baptist Church at the Sunday evening worship service, the Rev. Arnold Smith, minister, has announced.

The choral group is made up of members of the Baptist Student Union of North Carolina State College. It has sung repeatedly in various church and Brotherhood services in Raleigh, and on November 13 in Durham it brought music to the Baptist Student Union State Convention.

The group is being led for the second year by Dowd Davis, presently minister of music at the Zebulon Baptist Church. Lewis Ballard is president of the choir and Miss Barbara Smith, a Meredith College music major, will serve as accompanist.

## Help Us Reach Our United Fund Goal

### Auxiliary Meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold its Christmas party Friday night, at 8 o'clock, with Mrs. Dabney Gill as hostess. At the party the members will exchange their Pollyanna gifts and draw Pollyanna names for the coming year.

All members of the Auxiliary are urged to be present at this last meeting of the year.

## Turkey Supper

A turkey supper with all the trimmings will be held on December 17 from five to eight o'clock in Wakelon School cafeteria for the benefit of the senior class, Mrs. Claud Dunn, chairman, has announced.

The proceeds from this supper will be used to finance the seniors' annual trip to Washington and New York.

The plates will sell for \$1.00, and tickets may be secured from any member of the senior class.

## Wakefield's Development Program in Full Swing

The newly organized Wakefield Community Development Program is swinging into action.

After two meetings officers and committees have been elected and appointed. These officers and committees have begun making tentative plans for the coming year.

Officers are: Billy Ferrell, president; Mrs. Herman Eddins, vice-president; Mrs. Bobby Allen Pace, secretary; and youth co-chairmen are Tommy Kimball and Judy Green.

The committee chairman are: Bobby Allen Pace, Home Improvement; Mrs. Harold Green, Program; H. H. Eddins, Agriculture; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pippin, Photographic; and Harold Green, Recreation.

For the coming year, the major area in the development program will be home improvement. This is inside, outside, and landscaping.

Each family, it is hoped, in the Wakefield community will do some major improvement job in beautifying their home and its surroundings.

The families in the Wakefield area will be competing against their neighbor in creating a more beautiful and livable home situation. Each family participating in the project will be given a score card with approximately fifty items which may be checked if the projects are completed.

Paul Dew, Wakelon Agriculture instructor who helped organize the development program, said he hopes the residents of Wakefield community will participate in the program 100 per cent.

He said everybody can take part and feel they are a part of the development program. If help or advice is needed, Dew said he and the officers or committeemen will be readily available.