

## Parade Ushers In Yule Season Here



Tiny Santas add joy

### Bitter Cold Does Not Daunt Crowd

Santa Claus arrived here Monday night for his annual visit in bitingly bitter cold weather.

A crowd of nearly 10,000 persons braved the cold to await the arrival of Santa and the 45-unit parade.

Long before the parade time of 6:30 p.m. persons started arriving here for the parade. Every available parking space was taken, and many private yards were over-run.

The parade units were greeted by a town decked out in spectacular Yule decorations, installed last week.

First came the prancing horses, some 20 of them, all locally owned. The American flag was carried at half staff by Bobby Allen Pace, mounted flag bearer.

The professional floats, rented by merchants and civic organizations, were graced by pretty girls in colorful evening dresses. Miss Marie Scarborough, Miss Zebulon, rode the lead float, sponsored by the Jaycee and Rotary clubs.

Six bands, Wakelon and Shepard of Zebulon, Wake Forest and Dubois of Wake Forest, Cary High and Spaulding High of Spring Hope, with high stepping majorettes and spirited renditions, had spectators tapping their numbed feet.

A dance was held at the Lions Club following the parade.

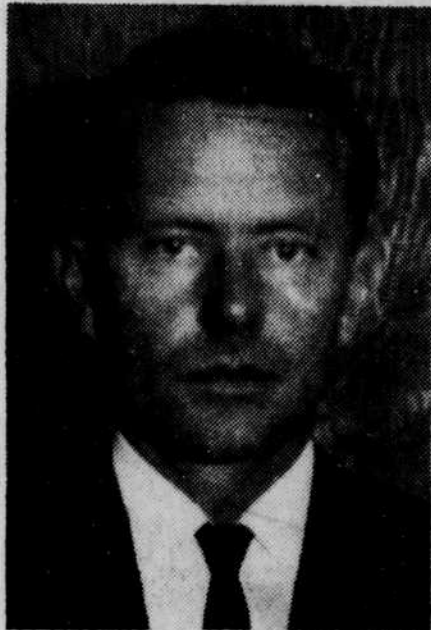
Aaron Lowery, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, was in charge of the arrangements for the parade.



Pretty girls on floats

(Pictures courtesy Raleigh Times)

## Funeral Home To Operate In Wendell; First In 25 Years



Thomas Whitley

Carraway is a native of Wayne County. He presently resides with his family in Fuquay-Varina. His wife is the former Waldine Watson of Lucama. They are the parents of four children, Greg, Tim, Rhonda, and Deborah.

Ray Stephenson is associated with the firm. He is a native of Clayton, and is married to the former Odessa McLamb of Benson. They have no children. He has three years experience in funeral work.

Other personnel associated with the firm are W. T. Barham of the Archer Lodge community and Hubert Long of Wendell. All the personnel have a combined total of over 15 years experience in the funeral business.

The funeral home is complete with office, reception, family, reposing and display rooms. It is furnished with Italian Provincial furnishings with wall-to-wall carpeting. Adequate off-street parking is provided.

The firm will offer 24-hour ambulance service and sponsor The Wendell Mutual Burial Association, Inc.

Dedication and formal opening ceremonies of the Whitley-Carraway Funeral Home, Inc., at 114 W. Third St. in Wendell will be held Saturday, December 14, at 1 p.m. until 9 p.m. and on Sunday, December 15, from 2 p.m. until 10 p.m.

The Wendell Ministerial Association will be in charge of the dedication ceremonies to be held on Saturday, December 14, at 1 p.m.

Wendell has been without a funeral home for approximately 25 years.

Owners and directors of the corporation are Thomas R. Whitley, president; Paul H. Carraway, vice president; Waldine Carraway, secretary; and Kay Whitley, treasurer.

Whitley is a native of Smithfield. He moved to the Wendell area in 1949, and attended Corinth-Holders High School. In October, 1958 he became associated with the funeral profession. He received his license in December, 1961.

He is the son of Mrs. Florence B. Whitley of the Lake Wendell community and the late B. H. Whitley. Married to the former Kay Dennis of Fuquay-Varina, they are the parents of two children, Linda, 4, and Ray 2½. The family resides in Wendell.

## Yule Music Set For Two Churches

The chancel choir of the Zebulon Church will present its annual Christmas concert Sunday evening, December 15, at 7:30 p.m. The choir is under the direction of Charles Horton.

Soloists will be Susan Horton, Nelle Kemp, Vivian Massey, sopranos; Sue Arnold, contralto; and Johnsey Arnold and Elwood Perry, baritones.

Zebulon Methodist Church chancel choir members will present a Christmas cantata, "Music of Christmas" Sunday, December 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of the church. Jimmy Burns is director of the choir and Mrs. Billy Green is organist accompanist.

## Band Concert

The Wakelon Bands and Choir will join in a Christmas Concert Thursday evening, December 19, at 7:30. A program of seasonal music will be presented by the Beginner, Junior, and Senior Bands under the direction of Jimmy Burns; and the Wakelon Choir, directed by Mrs. Robert D. Massey.

The band concert replaces the regular December meeting of the Wakelon Parent-Teacher Association.

No admission will be charged for the concert. The public is invited.

## First Federal Holds Yule Party After Parade

First Federal held a Christmas party in its office here immediately after the parade Monday night for the girls who rode on the firm's float. The girls were Betsy Baker, Anelia Perry, Susie Gay, Dianne Bailey, Jane Vann, Debbie Bunn and Barbara Jo Ray.

Refreshments, which were served from a table covered with a green cloth with an overlay of white lace, were fruit punch, star and Christmas tree shaped sandwiches, mixed nuts, candies and pickles. The centerpiece was holly, pine, cedar flanked with red candles.

Santa Claus was a guest at the party. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker, Joan Baker, Drew Cannady, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Perry, Frankie Perry, Mrs. Jack Gay, Donna Gay, Lutisha Gay, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Bailey, Tony Bailey, Mike Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge Vann, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bunn, Mrs. Wadell Ray and Wendy Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Perry and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith were hosts.

## Wendell's New Municipal Building Dedicated Sunday

Wendell's new \$110,000 municipal building was dedicated Sunday afternoon despite a heavy down-pour of rain and gusty gales.

The 9,000-square-foot structure, built with funds from the sale of bonds, houses the administrative, law enforcement and fire department offices. Previously, the departments had occupied separate offices at different locations in the town.

The building was designed by architect Walter Burgess. The exterior is of classic modern functional design and the interior and furnishings are of modern style.

The building was begun last January and completed in November. It is located at the corner of Fourth and Pine Streets. It was designed to take care of Wendell's administrative needs for the next 30 years.

The interior woodwork is birch paneling painted a pale green inset in exposed stone. Office furniture is of walnut. The exterior is constructed of roman brick.

The court room is 33 x 52, has birch and walnut furniture and furnishings, ceiling-high windows, indirect lights and tile floors.

Leo Britt is mayor of the town.

Commissioners are Curtis Todd, Willard Perry, Mossey Faison, Shelton Bridgers and Dover Hinton.

Other personnel includes Alvin Kornegay, town manager; Mrs. Maude Hocutt and Mrs. Marjorie Woodlief, business office; Clifton Couick, chief of police; Billy Gay, policeman, O. V. Frady, night radioman; S. S. Creech, street and water departments superintendent; and six laborers.

Town Manager Kornegay said "the building is adequate for our needs, and much more comfortable than previous offices."

Rogers Construction Co. of Smithfield was the contractors for the building.

Mayor Britt said at the dedication ceremonies that the consolidation of facilities would result in much greater efficiency in the operation of the town government.

An estimated 125 persons attended the dedication ceremonies held in the court room of the new building because of the inclement weather. Rocky Mount City Attorney James Trotter delivered the dedicatory address. Wake County commissioners and other county officials were present for the ceremonies.

## Pastor Resigns

## To Study In Edinburgh

The Rev. Robert C. Mann, pastor of Samaria Baptist Church, has submitted his resignation to the church's membership. The resignation is effective December 30.

The Rev. Mr. Mann resigned to enter the University of Edinburgh post graduate School of Theology. The university is in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Mrs. Mann will also do post graduate work at the university.

The Rev. Mr. Mann has been pastor of the church for two years. It has shown considerable growth

since that time. The church recently celebrated its 140th anniversary.

The couple, in addition to studying, expect to do extensive traveling in Europe and the Holy Land.

He is a native of Concord and has degrees from Mars Hill and Wake Forest colleges, and the Southeastern Theological Seminary. Mrs. Mann is the former Iris June Mann of Charlotte.

The couple embark for Scotland January 3 on the S. S. France from New York.