

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TO RESURFACE ROUTE 17 THROUGH TOWN OF HERTFORD

### Town Board Orders All Delinquent Taxes Be Advertised and Sold

An additional street project for the town of Hertford appeared to be shaping up this week, according to Mayor V. N. Darden who reported to the Town Board last Monday night that he had been advised by the District Supervisor for the State Highway Department that State funds on hand, allocated to Hertford, will permit the resurfacing of route 17 through the town this summer.

It is expected that Church street, from the Perquimans River to Dobb street, and Edenton Road Street, from Dobb to the Town limits, will receive the major portion of repair. Mayor Darden told the Board members that the resurfacing will be done with hot asphalt.

The Mayor and Town Board have been seeking approval for this project for some time, and it was only this week that the Highway Department announced that sufficient funds, allocated to the Town from the collection of gasoline tax, were available to carry out the work. The project, it was reported, will be handled by the Highway Department crews.

Other business handled by the Board in its regular meeting Monday was the appointment of Mr. G. Newby as Town Tax lister for the year.

The Board ordered Town Clerk W. G. Newby to advertise all delinquent 1948 property taxes for the sale during the month of June and to sell the same at the Court House door in Hertford on Monday July 11.

In connection with taxes, Mr. Newby reported that 1948 privilege taxes are way past due and that 1949 taxes are payable on May 30th. He reminded merchants and other business men that they are liable to court action unless privilege taxes are paid and he urged those who have not paid this tax to come forward and do so before May 30.

## Lions To Sponsor Donkey Ball Game On Saturday Night.

That old saying "There's nothing new under the sun" will be thoroughly discredited, according to Charlie Vann, on Saturday night, May 14, when the Hertford Lions sponsors a donkey baseball game at Memorial Field, beginning at eight o'clock. Vann, acting as chairman of the committee in charge of the event, stated that arrangements have been completed for the game. Of course, the donkey part of the game will be a bunch of patient, bewildered burros expected to be ridden by the players participating in the game. Vann added that the game will be between a team composed of local business and professional men, known as the Hertford All-Stars and members of the Lions Club.

Fun loving people can expect to get plenty of laughs from attending this Lions event Saturday. All of the ball playing burros have celebrity names such as Mae West, Little Abner, etc., and there's always a great rivalry among the riders in getting the namesake of their favorite.

There's plenty of sport in watching dignified citizens take off their coats and play straight soft ball, but when they do it while riding a donkey, boy oh boy that is where the fun comes in.

## Local Man Appointed To Masonic Office

Cecil C. Winslow, past Master and present secretary of Perquimans Lodge No. 106, A.F. and A.M. has been appointed to the office of District Deputy Grand Master, for the First Masonic District, it was announced here this week.

Mr. Winslow was appointed to the post by Grand Master Wilkins C. Horton of Pittsboro. The appointment was made at Raleigh last Saturday.

## Potato Deadline As May 13 Announced

Friday, May 13, is the deadline for Irish potato growers to apply for an application for eligibility for price support under the 1949 program, it was announced today by W. E. White, secretary of the Perquimans ACA committee.

All producers interested in applying for an application must call at the County ACA office before that date and at the same time pay a service fee charged for application.

## Local 4-H Clubbers Have Entries In Show

Nine 4-H Club boys and girls of Perquimans County have entries that will be shown in the Fat Stock Show and Sale to be held on May 17 and 18, it was announced today by County Agent I. C. Yagel.

Youths entering calves in the show are Harry Lee Winslow, Janie Winslow, Dorothy Jean Winslow, Dickie Baker, Shirley Eure, Horace Layden, Clarence Chappell, John Mansfield and Dolan Winslow.

Dorothy Jean Winslow, Shirley Eure and Harry Lee Winslow are participating in the show for the first time. Other local youths have participated in past years.

According to Mr. Yagel, all Perquimans County calves have done well and are expected to compare favorably with calves from other counties.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

General conditions inside Germany appear to be looking up this week. The Berlin blockade was scheduled to be lifted Thursday, and this action is expected to provide for additional foodstuff and raw materials for use in Berlin. The German Assembly, working toward an organization of Western Germany selected Bonn to be the capital of the government. Meanwhile representatives of the Big Four nations are expected shortly to begin talks toward a settlement of the whole German peace. This latter move was part of the conditions agreed to in regard to the lifting of the blockade.

A major strike was in progress in the automobile field this week as thousands of workers of the Ford Company walked off their jobs last Thursday while union and company officials attempted to settle disputes. Negotiations were halted between the officials, when the strike was called but, the talks were scheduled to be resumed Wednesday in an effort to settle all problems.

Police of Roanoke, Va., solved a brutal murder case this week when they charged a 16-year-old high school boy with the murder of Dana Marie Weaver, a high school junior. The murder occurred in a church parish house. Police reported the youth admitted the murder after several hours questioning but no motive was given.

An election should have been held over in Columbia last week, with officers for the town being elected, but the election failed to come off when it was forgotten and was not ordered held. There were no candidates, either, for it seems everybody had forgotten it was the year to hold the town balloting.

## Bond Forfeited In Speeding Case Tuesday

A \$50 bond, posted in Perquimans Recorder's Court by Joe Ballance, Jr., was ordered forfeited at Tuesday's session of Court by Judge Chas. E. Johnson when Ballance failed to appear to answer charges of speeding at 75 miles per hour.

Other cases disposed of at this week's session of court included that of Hous Blum who entered a plea of guilty to charges of speeding and paid a fine of \$10 and costs.

Ray Sims, also charged with speeding, entered a plea of guilty and paid a fine of \$15 and costs.

Haywood Goodwin entered a plea of guilty to a charge of being drunk in a public place. He was ordered to pay the costs of court and also ordered to pay a previous fine and court costs within 30 days.

Prayer for judgment was continued in the case charging Ben Thatch, Negro, with non-support. Thatch had entered a plea of nolo contendere, and the case reached an agreement during the hearing.

Prayer for judgment was also continued in the case of James Fletcher, Jr., Negro, charged with non-support.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON MAY 19

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist Church will meet Thursday, May 19, at 8 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Charles Johnson, with Mrs. Raymond Holmes as joint hostess. All members are urged to attend.

## Air Station Officer Speaker At Meeting Of H. D. Federation

### Event Marked Close of Home Demonstration Observance

Raymond E. Hooper, commanding officer of the Edenton Marine Air Station, was the principal speaker at the Perquimans County Home Demonstration Clubs Spring Federation meeting held at the Agricultural Building last Friday.

The Spring Federation combined with the third in a series of citizenship meetings being conducted throughout the county were held by the local federation in conclusion to a number of outstanding events presented last week in observance of National Home Demonstration Club Week.

The Rev. E. B. Edwards, pastor of Winfall Methodist Church, and the preliminary speaker at last Friday's meeting, contended that the main factor in good citizenship was obeying of the laws of Christ.

He added that people in order to get along well in this world should, so far as they could, shoulder their own individual responsibilities and burdens and those that are strong should help with the burdens of the weak.

Mrs. Ashby Jordan, vice-president of the County Council, introduced Colonel Hooper, who is a graduate of Mississippi State College in the field of agricultural extension work and called himself a farmer at heart while telling the club women that they played a great part in the mounding of future citizens.

While speaking along the lines of world citizenship, Colonel Hooper said that a citizen of the United States is guaranteed a great amount of citizenship in the 10 commandments and that the law requires a person to respect the rights of others such as the freedom of speech, religion, press and many others which is a main factor in good citizenship.

Speaking directly to the club women he brought out the old saying, "the hand that rocks the cradle rules the world," as it is the Mother who first teaches her child and given him his first ideas of citizenship. He further contended that a mother should mold her child's mind while it is young and should teach it to respect the rights of others while demanding that others respect his rights.

The Colonel added that many people throughout the world do not have a chance to be good citizens due to the lack of freedom of action. In general the world would be a much better place in which to live if the individual had never rights and a country of more democratic way of life.

Special music was presented during the meeting by Mrs. Thomas Thompson, accompanied at the piano by Miss Mary Ellen Barr, both of Elizabeth City.

Mrs. Howard Hunter, president of the County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs, presided during the meeting.

## Funeral For Sidney Reed Held Tuesday

Funeral services for Sidney M. Reed age 66 who died at his home on Grubb street in Hertford about noon Monday from a self-inflicted gun shot wound, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock at the Lynch Funeral Home by the Rev. D. L. Fouts, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church.

Mr. Reed, who had been in ill health for the past five years, was alone in the house at the time with the exception of a Negro cook. He was found in the living room of the home.

Son of the late Wilson C. and Manie S. Reed, he had taught school at Weeksville for approximately 18 years and had returned to Hertford to make his home in recent years.

He is survived by five brothers, E. L., C. F., Wilson, Corporal and Daniel Reed all of this community.

Interment was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

## Late Blight Causing Harm To Potato Crop

I. C. Yagel, county agent, reported today that late blight is causing harm to the potato crop in this area and urged local growers to take steps to protect their crop from this disease.

He added that weather conditions are now favorable for the growth of late blight and unless proper steps are taken to protect the crop, it may be destroyed within the next ten days.

He urged local potato growers to use proper insecticides immediately as a prevention against the blight.

## B. C. Berry, Jr. Named To Attend Legion Event At Chapel Hill

### Local Post Proposes Construction of Memorial For Heroes

B. C. Perry Jr., Perquimans High School junior, will attend Boys State at Chapel Hill on June 12 to 19, under the sponsorship of the William Stallings Post 126 of the American Legion, the post voting at the May meeting held Friday night at the court house, to send him.

Young Berry had already received the approval of the school faculty and met other requirements. It was voted that in case the high school student that in case the high school proposed sending an additional student to Boys State not sponsored by some other organization, that the Legion would pay half the expenses of one boy, rather than total expenses of one boy.

American Legion awards of merit, in the form of two medals, to be presented at the high school commencement exercises to a boy and girl of the student body, selected by the school faculty, for outstanding leadership and courage, were displayed at the meeting.

Among the important matters under discussion with action to be taken at the June meeting, included that of the erection of some appropriate memorial, in the form of a monument to be the memory of Perquimans heroes of both World Wars.

The proposal, made by B. C. Berry, and approved by the membership, would cause a petition to be drawn up, asking the county commissioners to provide money which would be a nucleus for a fund, to finance the project. The matter was discussed informally prior to the approval of having a petition drawn, and further discussion and a vote on the petition itself, will be one of the subjects to be voted upon at the June meeting.

It was also approved by the members of the Post that nominations for officers of the Post will be made from the floor, at the June meeting. No nominating committee, which has served in this capacity in the past years, will be named this year.

## PTA Picnic Supper Next Monday Night

The last meeting of the Perquimans Grammar School PTA this school term will be held Monday night, May 16, at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Walker Perry of Elizabeth City will conduct the devotional. Special music will be given by the Glee Club of Elizabeth City Bible College. Mrs. Wendell Mathews will speak on "Happy Children Make Good Adjustment In School." All parents having children enter school for the fall term will find this a profitable meeting.

Prior to the PTA meeting, a picnic supper will be served at 6:30. All patrons, members of the Grammar School Committee, Board of Education and County Commissioners are cordially invited to bring baskets. Following the picnic, open house will be held, featuring art exhibits in all the class rooms. From 7:30 to 8 o'clock Bert Ainsworth will present a program of music by Grammar School pupils.

## Trouble Averted At Mill Last Friday

Quick action on the part of Sheriff M. G. Owens averted what might have developed into serious trouble at Oak Point Grill last Friday night. According to reports, about 20 sailors from Weeksville were enroute to the grill to engage in a fight with Marines from Edenton, to avenge a pair of sailors reportedly beaten at the grill the previous night.

Sheriff Owens learned of the pending trouble and immediately got in touch with commanding officers at the Weeksville station and the Edenton Marine station. He requested the grill to be placed off limits for the service men.

This request was ordered and Shore Patrol came here to help the Sheriff maintain order. The sailors arrived at Oak Point but were ordered away by the law enforcement officers, then shortly thereafter a large number of Marines came upon the scene. They likewise were advised to return to their station.

A Naval spokesman stated that the "off limits" rule for the place will remain in effect until some official order concerning the grill is made by higher officials.

## Commencement Plans For Perquimans High School Announced By Principal

### Rotarians To Hold Ladies' Night Tuesday

Plans were completed by members of the Hertford Rotary Club at their meeting this week to hold their annual Rotary-Anne party at the Officers Club at Harvey Point next Tuesday evening, beginning at 6:30 o'clock. W. F. Ainsley, president of the club, named Robert Hollowell as chairman of the program committee. Tim Brinn as chairman of the decorating committee. Charles Henc and D. E. Hervey head up the favors committee.

Dinner will be served by members of the Bethel Home Demonstration Club.

At the meeting Tuesday members of the club named R. S. Monds, Jr., as the club's delegate to the Rotary International Convention to be held in New York during the first week of June. A. W. Hefren was named alternate. Other members of the club planning to attend the convention are C. P. Morris and Dr. C. A. Davenport.

## Hertford Baseball Team Plans Released At Meeting Tuesday

If present plans are realized, Hertford will have a fast and aggressive baseball team entered in the Albarle League during the coming summer, it was the consensus of opinion among fans who attended a meeting last Tuesday night at which time Edgar Morris, business manager of the club, reported arrangements that have been made to date.

The meeting opened with a discussion on finances and Archie T. Lane, chairman of the Finance Committee, reported approximately \$1,700 has been contributed or pledged toward the \$2,500 goal needed to be raised. This Finance Committee will meet again next Wednesday night and map plans to complete a drive from which it is hoped the remainder of the money will be forthcoming.

A. W. Hefren, president of the club, and Mr. Morris attended a league meeting at Windsor on Thursday and formally entered Hertford in the league for this season.

In discussing team plans for the season, the business manager reported that the club had signed Bill Berenson and Sires, both of Duke University, who played here last season. Headman, an outfielder at William and Mary College, is expected to play here, and pitchers lined up are Hatzell, Collins and Eller. Mr. Morris was in touch with David Fuller, baseball coach at Florida University, this week and indications are that Hertford will sign two pitchers and an outfielder from the Florida team. Local players expected to participate include Manager Bud Cayton, Red Kimbrell, Harmon Young Joe Nowell, Hank Christgou and George Wood.

A number of players who have applied for jobs with the local team are expected to come here this week to play in two exhibition games, one Saturday and one on Sunday. Both of these games, Mr. Morris stated, will be played out of town. The team will play in Elizabeth City on Saturday and arrangements are being made to play in Plymouth on Sunday afternoon. The local team will not, as has been reported, play an exhibition game in Hertford this week. Games will be played here at a later date.

## Western Union To Equip Local Office

Complete Western Union service will be resumed in Hertford by the end of this week, according to W. T. Owens, district supervisor for the company, who was in Hertford early this week making preparations for the installation of a teletype machine at Roberson's. The local store will act as Western Union agent according to Henry C. Sullivan, who completed arrangements for the agency on Monday.

The new equipment the company plans to install here handles telegraph messages in a highly efficient manner and gives fast service. Local business men and other residents have expressed themselves as being pleased that the full communication service is being resumed after being on temporary basis for some three months.

MASONS MEET TUESDAY  
Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

## Graduation Exercises on May 30th; Speakers Are Secured

Summertime vacation for Perquimans school children will start this year on May 31, it was announced today by E. C. Woodard, principal at Perquimans High School, who released arrangements for commencement exercises at the school.

Commencement activities will get under way at the school on Friday night, May 27, when Class Night will be presented at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the school.

Both the baccalaureate and graduation exercises will also be staged at the school this year. Baccalaureate services will be held on Sunday night, May 29, at 8 o'clock, with the Rev. M. W. Lawrence, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Elizabeth City delivering the sermon. Commencement exercises will be held on Monday night May 30, at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Fred Laughow, pastor of the Talbot Park Baptist Church of Norfolk has been secured to deliver the graduation address. The Rev. Mr. Laughow is a distinguished speaker and is highly recommended to the committee in charge of securing the speaker for the commencement program.

School will close for the summer officially on Tuesday, May 31, Mr. Woodard stated, and one of the final exercises will be the presentation of certificates to members of the 8th grade. These certificates will be presented Tuesday morning, May 31, at 9:30 o'clock.

Perquimans High School has one of its largest graduating classes this year, according to Mr. Woodard, the senior class is composed of 51 students and practically all of these are expected to complete the necessary work entitling them to diplomas.

Most of the plans for closing exercises have been completed, however, the committee still has parts of the program to fill in and fuller details will be announced as commencement draws nearer.

## Mrs. Alice M. Towe Re-elected President Perquimans BPW

At a recent meeting of the BPW Club, the nominating committee, composed of Mrs. Dora T. Riddick, chairman, Miss Thelma Elliott and Miss Audrey Umphlett, presented the following officers to the club, which were unanimously accepted:

President Mrs. Alice M. Towe, re-elected; vice president, Miss Elizabeth Fowler, re-elected; recording secretary, Miss Mary Inez Chappell; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Roxanna C. Jackson, and treasurer, Mrs. Elizabeth S. Thach. These officers will be installed at their dinner meeting in May. Mrs. Catherine Walsh, of Greenville, Seventh District director, will have charge of the installation service.

During the meeting Miss Mary Inez Chappell, public affairs chairman, read a letter from Western Union headquarters for this area, giving a favorable report for continued telegraph service.

Mrs. Towe was appointed delegate to the State Convention of the North Carolina Federation of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs which will be held in Morehead City in June.

## Surplus Potatoes Available To Farmers

Surplus Irish potatoes to be used as feed for livestock are again available for farmers in Perquimans County, it was reported today by W. E. White, secretary of the County ACA committee. All farmers interested in securing surplus Irish potatoes must file an application at the AAA office before May 25.

There will be a small charge for the potatoes this year, Mr. White stated, and this must be paid at the time application is filed at the AAA office. All potatoes will be dyed with vegetable dye which is harmless to livestock.

## Musical Playlet At Central School May 19

A musical playlet, "We're In the Navy Now," will be presented by the piano students of Mrs. R. Ralph White next Thursday evening, May 19, at 8 o'clock at the Perquimans Central Grammar School. The public is invited to attend.