

COUNTY 4-H CLUB MEMBER WINNER OF STATE BETTER FARM METHODS CONTEST

Horace Layden Wins a Scholarship For His Year's Project

Horace Layden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Layden, Route, Two, Hertford, won a free trip to the 4-H National Congress at Chicago as well as a college scholarship for submitting the best better methods farm electric project at the 4-H Congress held at Raleigh on Monday and Tuesday. As State champion in the year long project, Layden won over boys and girls from 49 counties in the State.

The State award to Layden was presented by John W. Goodman, assistant director of North Carolina Agriculture Extension Service, at a huge barbecue supper, which was part of the two-day program held in Raleigh this week.

In the contest at Chicago he will be eligible for one of the six \$300 scholarship awards and State Club leaders feel that he has an excellent chance to capture one of these awards. He is planning to use these scholarships when he enters N. C. State College in 1950.

Layden's winning of the State contest placed the youth and his county in the limelight of the 4-H Congress. It was the first time in a number of years that a 4-H Club member from Perquimans had carried away first honors in a State-wide contest.

The local boy has been active in 4-H Club work for several years and has an outstanding record for achievement. He has held most of the offices connected with 4-H Club work, and early this year he barely missed being elected as vice president of the State 4-H Council.

Since entering club work in 1941, Layden has completed 44 projects bringing gross income of \$7,800. He has completed the following projects: Baby bee, baby chicks, corn, hogs, peanuts, soybeans, pullets, dairy calf, dairy cow, better electric methods, in addition he has been a winner in all State contests in which he has exhibited all of the 41 county, district and libited work.

Layden was accompanied to the 4-H Congress in Raleigh by Mollie Lee Yeates, who represented this county in the girls' division of the contest; J. K. Butler, Jr., assistant county farm agent, and Miss Lillian Swinson, assistant county home agent. The group returned to their homes here Tuesday night, following the close of the meeting in Raleigh.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

In what was termed to be an effort by private companies to meet competition from the State, an announcement was made in Raleigh this week that the N. C. Fire Insurance Rating Bureau has proposed a reduction on all fire insurance premiums. The proposed savings amount to more than one million dollars.

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner, who returned from a six weeks tour of Europe and the Middle East this week announced in Washington that he was convinced that the United States could cut at least 50 per cent from Marshall Plan expenditures next year. He stated our foreign aid program had saved many parts of Europe from Communist domination but he believed these countries should now aid themselves to a greater extent than in the past few years.

New York, New Jersey and Virginia were in the political spotlight this week with each state holding off year elections. In New York former Governor Herbert Lehman was elected to the U. S. Senate, winning from Republican Foster Dulles, while in New Jersey Republican Alfred Driscoll was leading in the balloting to retain his office. Virginia elected John S. Battle as its Governor and voted overwhelmingly to retain payment of poll tax as a requirement for voting.

Reports from the labor front this week indicate that a settlement is near in the steel strike and a showdown is expected on the coal strike. Several major steel companies have come to terms with unions in that dispute and Government officials are believed to be on the verge of calling a conference between mine owners and John L. Lewis for the purpose of settling the coal walk-out.

MASONS TO MEET
Perquimans Lodge 106, A. F. & A. M. will meet Tuesday at 8 P. M.

STATE WINNER



HORACE LAYDEN
Horace Layden, 4-H Club leader for Perquimans County, was declared winner of the State 4-H Better Farm Methods contest at Raleigh last Monday. As winner of the State contest, Layden was awarded a college scholarship and a free trip to Chicago.

Recorder's Court Had Varied Docket At Session Tuesday

A varied calendar, consisting of eleven cases, was cleared in Perquimans Recorder's Court here Tuesday when court convened following a recess of one week. Three cases were continued by Judge Charles E. Johnson.

A verdict of guilty was returned in the case charging Daniel Hurdle with failure to observe a stop sign and the defendant was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs of court.

James Fleming, Negro, charged with obtaining money under promises to work, entered a plea of guilty and paid the costs of court and refunded the amount he obtained from W. C. Lassiter.

Costs of court were assessed against William Baum, who entered a plea of guilty to a charge of failing to observe a stop sign.

Lester Hurdle paid the costs of court or a charge of speeding with a truck.

Nicholas Rebsam, charged with speeding, entered a plea of guilty and paid a fine of \$10 and costs of court.

John Snell, Jr., was ordered to pay a fine of \$5 and costs of court after entering a plea of guilty to a charge of speeding.

James Kinsey was taxed with the costs of court on a charge of hunting on Sunday.

Bruce Quigley entered a plea of guilty to a charge of reckless driving and paid the costs of court.

Robert Jenkins, Negro, was fined \$10 and costs on a charge of driving with insufficient brakes.

Ben Thatch, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to being drunk and disorderly and paid the court costs.

Frank Overton, Negro, charged with possession of non-tax paid liquor, entered a plea of guilty and was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs.

County Board Holds Routine Session Monday

Perquimans County Commissioners meeting in regular session here on Monday authorized additional repairs be made to the roof at the rear of the Court House. Workmen recently discovered the need of these additional repairs and the Board authorized the work be done immediately.

A delegation of Winfall residents appeared before the Board seeking improvement of streets in Winfall and requested the Board to petition the Highway Commission to conduct an investigation of the problems.

Reports were made to the Board by County Agent I. C. Yagel, Home Agent Mrs. Nina White and Welfare Superintendent Edgar White.

EASTERN STAR MEETING

The Eastern Star will hold its regular meeting Monday night, November 14, at 8 o'clock at the lodge room. There will be an official visit of the District Deputy, Mrs. Arvilla Gregory. All members are urged to attend.

Fall Achievement Day Program Draws Large Attendance

New Council Officers Installed at Close of Meeting Here

The Perquimans County Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs held their annual Fall Achievement Day on Wednesday afternoon, November 2, at 2:30 in the Agricultural Building, with 165 attending. Mrs. Earl Perry of Durants Neck Club, greeted the guests at the door and presented each person a corsage of yellow chrysanthemums. The Rev. Carl V. Yow, pastor of Up River Friends Church, gave a brief devotional, after which Miss Dorothy Maynard, County Public School Music Teacher, sang "Smiling Through."

The county report of achievements was written by Mrs. Howard Warren and given by Mrs. Fred Matthews. Miss Lillian Swinson, assistant home agent, introduced the speaker, Mrs. Verona J. Langford, Eastern District Agent. Mrs. Langford gave a very interesting and informative talk on "The Right Way to Conduct a Home Demonstration Club Meeting." Thirty-nine perfect attendance certificates were awarded to club members who had not missed a meeting. Seven reading certificates were awarded to members for reading and reporting on the required amount of books to receive regular and advanced certificates.

After the presentation of awards, Mrs. Nina B. White, Home Agent, installed the following 1950-1951 Council officers:

President, Mrs. Archie White; vice president, Mrs. Fred Matthews; secretary, Mrs. N. D. Chappell; treasurer, Mrs. P. E. Lane.

Many lovely exhibits were displayed throughout the building, with Whiteson Club receiving first place, Durants Neck second and Snow Hill-White Hat third.

After the meeting adjourned, delightful refreshments were served by the Snow Hill-White Hat Club in the form of a tea.

Whiteston Road Location Aired At Meeting Wednesday

Difficulties over the location of a road to be hard-surfaced in the Whiteston community, under the Scott Road Program, apparently were ironed out at a public meeting held Wednesday by officials of the State Highway Commission.

The meeting was called by H. G. Shelton, Highway Commissioner for this district, and W. N. Spruill, district engineer, to determine the desires of the residents of the neighborhood in locating the highway. It had been planned by the Commission to hard surface what is known as the Turnpike Road but since these plans were announced residents living on the Mill Pond Road have petitioned their road be paved instead of the Turnpike.

It was pointed out in the meeting that some 30 families live on the Mill Pond Road while only two reside on the Turnpike. Advocates for paving the Mill Pond Road were of the opinion more people will be served if this road is paved rather than the Turnpike, however, these individuals expressed a desire that the State pave both roads.

A standing vote, among those attending the meeting, revealed that the majority favored the paving of the Turnpike road before the Mill Pond road.

After much discussion on the part of the petitioners and the highway officials an agreement seemingly was reached whereby the original plans for hard-surfacing the Turnpike will be carried out and that improvements will also be made to the Mill Pond road, with a possibility that this road, too, may be paved at a later date.

Farm Bureau Drive Near County Goal

At a meeting of the directors of the Perquimans County Farm Bureau on Tuesday night, it was reported the membership drive had reached a total of 345 members, just 55 short of the goal of 400. Solicitors expressed confidence that the goal would be reached before the November 25 deadline. It was decided at this meeting to postpone the county Farm Bureau meeting until a later date, due to the rush of farm work at the present time.

Board Of Education To Request Bids On Gym Construction

Architect Expects Approval of Plans Next Wednesday

Contractors' bids for the construction of a gym and agriculture building at Perquimans High School will be requested by the Perquimans Board of Education within the next four weeks, it was reported today by John T. Biggers, Superintendent of Schools, following a conference with Raymond Fuson, New Bern architect, in charge of construction of the building.

Mr. Fuson was in Hertford Tuesday conferring with members of the Board concerning the plans for the building and he stated he expects approval of the plans by State Boards not later than next Wednesday. Immediately upon approval of the plans the local Board of Education will advertise for bids for the construction and these bids will be received and opened possibly on December 6 or 7.

Plans for the building, according to Mr. Fuson, call for construction to be of brick and cinder block. The building will be 85 feet wide and 214 feet long. The gym portion of the building will be 85 feet wide and 120 feet long, and a seating capacity of about 1,100 is planned for the gym. The gym department will contain a class room and shop, being so constructed to give class members the latest developments in the vocational studies.

The gym department will be situated at the front of the building, which will face Highway 17. The gym will be at the rear of the ag department, running back to within 20 feet of the fence surrounding the athletic field. The gym will contain an office and storage room for the athletic director and will have four dressing rooms for the students of the school in addition to two rest rooms for the public.

Mr. Biggers stated in the event that bids submitted for the building are satisfactory, that construction will begin as shortly after January 1 as the contractor deems advisable under weather conditions.

Veteran Groups To See Film Showing Nuernberg Trials

The William Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion, at its November meeting at the Agriculture Building on Thursday night, saw interesting film on the present program of the American Red Cross.

Following the showing of the film, Legionnaire Doward Jones gave a brief talk on the first scheduled trip to Hertford of the Red Cross bloodmobile on November 22, and all members of the post were urged to sign up in advance as blood donors. Local headquarters for the bloodmobile will be the Methodist Church Sunday School department.

The Perquimans County post has received a citation from the headquarters of the North Carolina Department of the Legion, on membership for the current year, which is now 125.

It was voted that a joint meeting of the post with the Perquimans County Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars be held for the purpose of seeing a film made available by National American Legion Headquarters, on the War Crimes Trials at Nuremberg, Germany. The meeting will be called for a date when the film will be available.

It was explained by Commander F. B. Nixon, that the film, which gives scenes from the trials, also shows flash-backs to actual scenes filmed by occupation forces, of the infamous prison camps of the Axis powers. These pictures have not been released for public consumption, as some of the scenes are described as too horrible for showing to the general public, and are only available through veterans organizations.

B. P. W. C. TO MEET

The Business and Professional Woman's Club will hold its business meeting for November on Friday night, November 11, at 8 o'clock at the home of Miss Elizabeth Fowler.

GARDEN CLUB TO MEET

The Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting at the Agricultural Building Wednesday afternoon, November 16, at 3 o'clock. All people interested in the Garden Club in the county and town are asked to attend.

Two County Road Projects Included In Bids Received By Commission Last Week

Service Officer Will Assist Veterans With Insurance Problems

Disabilities attributable to war service will not be counted against World War II veterans who reinstate their national service life insurance on or before December 31, 1949, C. C. Banks, Perquimans County Service Officer, announced today.

Regulations governing service life insurance require veterans to pass a physical examination satisfactory to qualify for government insurance.

In many instances service incurred disabilities could bar a veteran from obtaining insurance, Mr. Banks said. This limited privilege now gives many veterans the opportunity to obtain insurance and those desiring to do so are requested to contact Mr. Banks at his office at the Reed Oil Company warehouse on Covent Garden Street in Hertford.

In making application for reinstatement the veteran must pay two months' premium and undergo an examination if his insurance has been in a lapsed status more than three months.

Indians Win Second Victory Of Season By Defeating Columbia

Perquimans High School Indians broke into the win column for the second time this season when they turned back the Columbia Wildcats in a game played here last Friday night. The final score was 7-2.

Shackelford pushed over the touchdown for the Indians when he ran through the Columbia line for eight yards during the third period and Joe Towe converted the try for extra point to put the Indians ahead 7-0. Later in the game the Columbia team, battling to break into the scoring column for the first time this year, pushed the Indians' defense back to the goal line, an attempted punt by the Indians was blocked by Columbia and the ball went out of the end zone giving Columbia a safety and two points.

Perquimans had an edge over Columbia in yardage gained and total first downs but the Wildcats carried the battle into the final minutes of the contest and fans were treated to a good game between evenly matched teams.

The Indians travel to Scotland Neck Friday night to play the Scotland Neck gridders in the final conference game of the season. The host team will be slight favorites on the basis of its season record, but the Indians, not discouraged with their record, are working hard at practice this week to perfect their plays and possibly bring home another victory.

Perquimans will be hosts to the Tarboro team here on Memorial Field on November 18, which is the date of the final home game this season. The Indians will meet Elizabeth City on Thanksgiving Day.

Methodist Pastors Assigned To County

One change was made in the Methodist ministerial assignments for Perquimans County at the closing session of the North Carolina Conference held last week at Sanford. The Rev. E. B. Edwards, pastor of the Perquimans charge, was reassigned to this county, while the Rev. D. L. Fouts, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church for the past two years, was assigned to Plymouth.

The Rev. B. O. Merritt was assigned to succeed Mr. Fouts at Hertford. Mr. Merritt will move to Hertford from Robbins, where he has served as pastor of the Robbins Methodist Church for the past five years.

Junior Music Clubs To Meet In Hertford

Hertford's two federated Junior Music Clubs, under the sponsorship of Mrs. R. M. Riddick and Miss Kate Blanchard, will be hosts to 16 clubs of the Northeastern District at a meeting to be held here on Saturday, November 19, from 10 A. M. to 2:30 P. M. State and District officers of the music clubs will be present.

A musical program will be given by representatives of the various clubs and among those on the program from Hertford will be Kay Stanton, Joan Madre and Anne Stallings.

Resurfacing of Church Street In Program; Bids Under Board's Estimates For Jobs

Bids on two special projects in the First Highway Division opened last Friday by the State Highway Commission totaled \$89,608.

The projects covered primary, secondary and municipal road paving in Edgecombe, Pasquotank, Perquimans and Camden counties. Some of the work constitute the first road selections made under the \$200,000,000 bond issue program.

Nello L. Teer Company of Durham was low bidder on the following consolidated projects: resurfacing of sections of N C 170 in Elizabeth City and U S 17 in Hertford; resurfacing of the Camden Causeway on U S 158; hard-surfacing of 2.7 miles of road from US 17 southward to the Hertford-Durants Neck Road in Perquimans County; and hard-surfacing of the following sections of roads in Pasquotank county—(1) From Bob White's Fork south, 2 miles; (2) From Weeksville to Paling Corner, 2.4 miles; (3) From East Slip to Lister Corner, 1.4 miles; and (4) From Okiske to U S 17, 3.3 miles.

The Teer Co.'s bid was \$65,752.50 which was \$11,255 under the Commission estimate for the project.

Dickerson, Inc., of Monroe submitted a low bid of \$23,856 on the second project, covering hard-surfacing of 6 miles of road from Coakley to U S 258 toward Speed in Edgecombe County. This was \$2,556 above the Commission estimate.

State Highway officials, visiting here Wednesday reported that the contract for resurfacing of Church street had been left to the Teer Company and work will probably begin on the project shortly.

Plans Cancelled To Hold Special Term Of Superior Court

Tentative plans for holding a special term of Superior Court in Perquimans County during the week of December 12 were cancelled on Tuesday when it was learned that solicitor Walter Coburn is scheduled to be in court in Washington during that week, and thus the solicitor was not available for a term of court here.

Arrangements for the special term were worked out at the meeting of the County Commissioners on Monday after the Board had been advised by Judge Q. K. Nimocks that he could come here early in December to conclude the court term which adjourned two weeks ago when Judge Nimocks was called to the bedside of his brother, who was ill in Baltimore, Md.

Machinery for holding the special term was set in motion by order of the County Board but when it was learned that the solicitor was not available all plans for the term were cancelled.

Some 20 cases remained on the court calendar here when the November term of court was adjourned suddenly, and local court officials and members of the county bar association believe it will be necessary to hold a special term prior to the regular court term next April.

It was reported on Wednesday that efforts will be made to obtain a special term of superior court during the month of January.

Monogram Club To Select Annual Queen

Members of the Monogram Club at Perquimans High School have opened their annual contest to select a Monogram Queen for the year, it was announced today by Carroll Berry. Sixteen high school girls are competing for the honor and the candidates are Susanne Towe, Katherine Nixon, Irene Hunter, Mary Dunsmoor, Willie Mae Chappell, Doris Allen, Pat Roach, Barbara Benton, Nonie Lou Lane, Betty Mathews, Frances Sutton, Beverly Bright, Gail Lane, Shirley Butt, Janice Sumner and Janice Yagel.

The contest will close on November 18 and the Queen will be crowned at the half time period of the Perquimans-Tarboro football game. This will be the feature attraction for the homecoming event at the local school. The Queen will be crowned by Kay Stanton, last year's Queen. The events of the day will be climaxed with a dance following the football game.