



The new office and library building for the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina is to be located on a 5-acre site, near the city limits of Raleigh on U. S. Highways 76 and 15-A North. The announcement of the award of the contracts is made by Watson N. Sherrod, Enfield, chairman of the Building Committee. J. M. Thompson, General Contractors, Raleigh is contractor for all phases of the work. The exact amount of the contract was not given (but is understood to be approximately \$250,000). The new facility will allow expansion of the Grand Lodge activities and will fill a long felt need for additional executive office and library space. An informal ground breaking held on Friday afternoon culminated two years of planning and designing. Laying of the cornerstone by the Grand Lodge is scheduled to take place in the early fall, and construction is expected to be complete in the spring of 1956.

## State Commission Plans New Bridge At Belvidere Site

### Application On File With Army Dept. At Wilmington

Application for approval of plans for construction of a bridge across Perquimans River, near Belvidere, 25 miles above the mouth of the river has been made to the North Carolina State Highway and Public Works Commission by the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, in Wilmington.

The plans submitted call for a fixed bridge with a horizontal clearance of 18 feet, 6 inches, and a vertical clearance of 5 feet, 6 inches, or normal water level. The proposed bridge will be constructed at the same location as the present one.

Plans showing the proposed work may be seen at the Wilmington office and at the Post Office in Belvidere.

Persons objecting to this construction, from the standpoint of navigation, or any person, firm or association which may be opposed to this work, may file objections with the Wilmington office, 308 Customhouse, before July 14.

Emmett Winslow, Highway Commissioner for this Division, stated that while the Commission is considering the construction of a new bridge, plans, as yet, have not reached the stage for announcing type of bridge to be constructed, but that it is likely the present wood structure will be replaced with one of concrete.

## Belvidere Youth Seriously Injured In Auto Accident

Stanley Riddick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Riddick of Belvidere, suffered serious injuries in an automobile accident which occurred near South Mills at about 11:30 Monday night.

Riddick was injured as a result of a three-car smash-up, and was taken to Albemarle Hospital for treatment.

Involved in the crash were a 1953 Mercury, driven by James Sterling Davis, 40, of Norfolk, a 1955 Mercury, operated by William Eugene Butts, 23, of South Mills, and a 1955 Chevrolet, driven by Riddick. The 1953 Mercury was headed North and the other two vehicles were going South when the accident occurred.

The investigating officers, State Highway Patrolmen R. P. Cooke and J. J. Carter, reported that the accident happened when a 1955 Mercury came up behind a house trailer and applied brakes. The second 1955 Mercury driven by Butts, which was following the first applied brakes, skidded on the shoulder and turned over on the right shoulder.

The Chevrolet, following Butts, applied brakes, skidded around on the highway and the 1953 Mercury, going North, started for the ditch but did not make it before the rear end of the Chevrolet swung around in front of and collided with the front end of the 1953 Mercury.

Patrolman W. W. Andrews also reported on an accident which occurred on the Harvey Point Road at about 6:40 Monday night in which three cars were involved resulting in damages of about \$250.

Involved were a 1951 Chevrolet operated by Martha Ferebee Winslow, 25, Negro of Hertford; a 1949 Ford operated by David Vandervolt White, 36, of Winfall and a 1940 Ford operated by James Spruill, 33, Negro, of Hertford, Route 1.

White was going South on the road and Spruill was parked, partly on the pavement. The Winslow woman attempted to turn around and in doing so backed into White's car which hit Spruill's vehicle. Total damage was \$250. White was charged with having an expired operator's license, while Martha Winslow was charged with having no driver's license and failure to yield the right of way.

## Fire Causes Heavy Damage Tuesday At Home W. W. White

Damages estimated in excess of three thousand dollars resulted from a fire at the home of W. W. White on Highway 17, south of Hertford, Tuesday night at about 9:45 o'clock.

The fire started during a severe electrical storm when lightning struck the house, igniting the attic and the flames soon spread to areas between the walls of the home.

Firemen were called to the scene at about 9:45 and additional help was called shortly thereafter. The firemen brought the blaze under control at about 10:45.

Considerable damage was also reported to household furnishings caused by water used in extinguishing the fire.

## Meeting Called To Formulate Plans For Farmer's Day

### County Bond Sales For Five Months Reach \$59,793.75

R. M. Riddick, U. S. Savings Bonds Chairman for Perquimans County today announced that the 1955 upswing of U. S. Savings Bonds sales continued to set a pace time record for North Carolina.

The monthly sales report released by North Carolina Savings Bonds Director Walter P. Johnson, showed that for the seventh consecutive month, U. S. Savings Bonds for North Carolina have increased from 17 per cent to 35 per cent over the corresponding months of the previous year. The combined sales of Series E and H bonds totaled \$4,606,054 for the month of May representing a 35 per cent increase over the same month of last year.

The cumulative sales for the first five months of this year amount to \$24,739,630.75 which is 42 per cent of the 1955 quota and (Continued on Page Six)

Preliminary plans for the second annual Farmers' Day, tentatively scheduled to be held in Hertford sometime during August, will be discussed at a meeting to be held next Monday night at 8 o'clock in the Agriculture Building, it was reported by R. M. Thompson, County Agent.

Arvin Hudson has been named to serve as chairman on arrangements for the project this year and Mrs. Essie Benton is co-chairman.

Presidents of all civic organizations throughout the county have been invited to attend the meeting Monday night and help formulate a plan and program for the 1955 event.

The success of the 1954 Farmers' Day, which proved to be one of the best promotional events staged in this community in some time gave the leaders of the Perquimans Extension Service, which sponsored the program, hope that a bigger and better Farmers' Day might be produced every year.

More than 2,000 people turned out for the all-day program last year which featured numerous exhibits for farm and home and demonstrations of farm methods and equipment.



Governor Luther C. Hodges (center) is shown accepting from W. H. Andrews, Jr., Greensboro, a certificate naming him Honorary Chairman of U. S. Savings Bonds Program in North Carolina. Andrews, officially representing Secretary of U. S. Treasury George M. Humphrey, is Chairman of the Bonds Program in the State. Looking on is Walter P. Johnson, North Carolina Director of Sales for the U. S. Treasury Savings Bonds Division. The picture was made in connection with the state government's installation of the Payroll Savings Plan. Governor Hodges has informed all department heads of the state government that it is his desire that each state employee be given the opportunity to voluntarily join the Payroll Savings Plan. A canvass of all employees of the North Carolina State Government is scheduled to take place this summer.

## Edenton Colonials Play Indians Here Friday Night 8 P. M.

Manager Ike Perry's Indians will be gunning for a victory over the Edenton Colonials when the two teams tangle here Friday night at 8 o'clock in an Albemarle League contest which can have an important bearing upon the standing in the league race. Edenton nosed out the Indians in a game played last week in Edenton and the local nine will be out to revenge this loss. One of the largest crowds of the season is expected to turn out for this game.

Losses last week to Columbia and Edenton dropped the Indians from the top of the standing to second place, but the local team is determined to regain the top position.

In one of the best played games thus far this season Colerain won a 3-7 decision over the Indians Thursday night of last week. Colerain's Belch bested Ted Chappell in a tight pitching duel. Belch gave up six hits while Chappell allowed seven. Colerain scored two runs in the first inning and added a third in the seventh inning while the Indians tallied their lone run in the seventh.

The Indians bounced back into the victory column on Friday night when Paul Matthews set a league strike out record when he fanned 23 NAF batters while his teammates racked up a total of 16 runs. The final count was 16-4.

Matthews struck out the first nine batters in the game and allowed only five hits. The Indians jumped three NAF pitchers for a total of nine hits and 16 bases on balls. McKay Riddick led the Indian batting attack with four singles and drove in four runs.

Rain interrupted the game Tuesday night between the Indians and Elizabeth City; the contest being called at the end of four and one half innings with Perquimans leading by a score of 6 to 3. Ted Chappell pitched the four innings for the Indians while Elizabeth City used three hurlers, Morgan, Davis and Paul. This contest will be replayed in Elizabeth City next Monday night.

Games scheduled for the Indians during the coming week are as follows: Tonight, Edenton here; Monday, Elizabeth City there; Tuesday, Colerain there; Thursday, NAF here, and Friday, Elizabeth City here.

## Highway Employees Hold Fish Fry Here

Members of the State Highway Employees Association of Perquimans and Gates counties held a meeting in Hertford at the Highway Commission Shop on Thursday night. Following the meeting the group enjoyed a fish fry.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Willford of Rich Square announce the birth of a son, Richard White Willford, born Tuesday evening at the Abolite Hospital. Mrs. Willford is the former Miss Dorothy White of Belvidere.

## To Speak Here



The Rev. W. P. Biggerstaff, Associate Director of the Allied Church League, Inc., will be guest speaker at a meeting of the Hertford Baptist Brotherhood next Monday night at 8 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the lower auditorium of the church.

## League Director To Address Baptist Brotherhood Meet

The men of the Hertford Baptist Brotherhood will have the privilege of hearing one of North Carolina's outstanding Baptists, it has been announced by W. F. Ainsley, program chairman. He is the Rev. W. P. Biggerstaff, Associate Director of the Allied Church League, Inc. This is an organization that strives through a program of re-education and education to abolish beverage alcohol and promote civic righteousness. It is supported actively and financially by the leading denominations of the state.

Mr. Biggerstaff is a native South Carolinian and attended Furman University in Greenville, where he also served as pastor in one of the Baptist Churches. For nearly ten years he served Baptist churches in and around Shelby, North Carolina. Then for many years, and prior to his coming to work with the League, he went to High Point to become pastor of the English Street Baptist Church. He has been with the League two years.

Recognizing that alcohol is the number one enemy of society, the speaker for the Brotherhood meeting on Monday evening, has not only accepted the challenge to do something about it, but he has won for himself a place of distinction among clergymen and laymen of all denominations by his quiet, sincere and intellectual approach to this menace that threatens the very existence of our way of life.

All Baptist men will want to hear this outstanding and challenging speaker Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the lower auditorium of the church. In addition to the guest speaker, there will be special music under the direction of Otis White, chorister for the group, and Edgar White, pianist.

## MASONS TO MEET

The Perquimans Masonic Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

World diplomats gathered in San Francisco this week to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the United Nations. Opening day speeches by the delegates stressed world peace and it was reported that there appears new encouragement for easing of tensions and the cold war. The opening address of the celebration was made by President Eisenhower who pledged himself to go to the Big Four meeting next month true to the spirit of the United Nations.

Plans for the Big Four meeting between the U. S., Britain, France and Russia, scheduled to be held in Geneva beginning July 18, are being discussed by the foreign ministers during the celebration meeting in San Francisco. According to reports the Geneva discussions are expected to center around co-existence and improvements of world economic conditions rather than war tension.

An attempt to overthrow the Peron government of Argentina failed last week, apparently, when the plotters failed to cooperate. Censored news reports from the South American country said the revolt was led by the Argentine navy, with support, which did not materialize, being promised by the Army. Hundreds were killed and injured during the uprising which reportedly resulted from Peron's dispute with church officials.

Plans for widening social security benefits are being pushed in the Congressional Ways and Means Committee which this week voted down a proposal for open hearings on the proposed amendments to the plan. If adopted the changes, it was reported, will cost an additional two billion dollars annually, which might result in an increase of present social security taxes.

## Wins Prize Offered In Breeding Contest

Joe Tunnell, director of the Perquimans FFA Chapter, announced Monday he is in receipt of a \$200 cash prize to be awarded Clarence Chappell, Jr., who has been declared state winner in a breeding contest sponsored by Sears & Roebuck.

The award is made to the FFA youth who has been judged as doing the best job in promoting stock breeding with a Sears bull.

Mr. Tunnell stated the firm offers steers, each year, to youths interested in the project, and after a period of two years the youth may purchase the steer for himself, or the animal is sold elsewhere. At the present two youths, Clarence and Arnold Chappell, are participating in the program.

## Probable Cause Is Found In Assault Case Heard Tues.

Considerable time was consumed in Perquimans Recorder's Court here last Tuesday, hearing evidence in assault cases which involved five separate warrants. At the conclusion of the testimony Judge Chas. E. Johnson returned a verdict of probable cause in the case against Willard Stallings, charged with assaulting Miles Dail with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, inflicting bodily harm. The Stallings case was bound over for action by the Superior Court. Miles Dail was found guilty of assaulting Stallings with a deadly weapon and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of the costs of court.

Companion cases to the above involved charges against Lloyd Dail who was found guilty of assault on Willard Stallings and Preston Nixon. Prayer for judgment was continued in these cases upon payment of the costs of court. Preston Nixon was found not guilty of assault upon Lloyd Dail.

According to testimony given in the court Miles Dail suffered a broken shoulder, body bruises and cuts on his head when he was hit with a shovel by Willard Stallings. Dail, according to the testimony, assaulted Stallings with a knife but did not inflict a wound on the latter.

Other cases heard by the court during the session included those of Herbert Harrell, Anthony Martone and Ellis Hughes, each of whom paid the costs of court after pleading guilty to charges of speeding. Wade Harris, charged with speeding pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$10 and costs.

The court ordered a capias issued for Geneva Johnson, prosecuting witness who failed to appear in court to give evidence against Herman Johnson, Negro, charged by the witness with assault and destruction of property. The woman was ordered held in jail for contempt of court for failing to appear after having the warrant issued.

Costs of court were taxed against Charlie H. Elliott who submitted to charges of failing to observe a stop sign.

James Stallings submitted to charges of being drunk and paid the costs of court.

Shirley Clifton was found guilty on two counts, failing to yield the right-of-way and hit and run. He was sentenced to jail for 60 days, sentence to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and costs and the sum of \$146.40 to Jesse Bass for damages done a car owned by Bass.

Elbert Robbins entered a plea of guilty to charges of assault with a deadly weapon. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs of court.

## Plans For Wheat Referendum Given By ASC Chairman

On June 25th, at the Agricultural Building in Hertford, wheat growers of Perquimans County will vote for or against marketing quotas for the 1956 crop.

The referendum, according to L. L. Lane of the Perquimans County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, will determine whether or not the quota program now in effect will continue for next year's crop.

Two-thirds of those who vote must approve quotas before they can be put into operation. The current program, which was voted on a year ago, was approved by 84 per cent of the North Carolina voters—1,372 to 265.

Chairman L. L. Lane urges every eligible wheat grower in Perquimans County to vote. A producer is eligible to vote if he will have more than 15 acres of wheat on his farm for harvest in 1956. In other words, he can vote if he would be affected directly by quotas, which apply only to farms with more than 15 acres of wheat.

If quotas are approved, there will be marketing penalties on any "excess" wheat—produced outside the acreage allotment—and the full level of price support authorized for 1956 will be available for those who comply with their allotments. If quotas are not approved, there will be no quotas or marketing penalties, and price support for those who stay within their allotments will drop to 50 per cent of parity.

Farm allotment notices, as well as an explanatory leaflet giving the essential facts of the 1956 program, were sent out on June 2, 1955 to Perquimans County wheat growers of record. The one voting place in the county will be open, from 8:00 A. M., to 6:00 P. M., on Saturday, June 25th.

## C. P. Quincy Named To Welfare Board

C. P. Quincy, Route three, Hertford, has been named as a member of the Perquimans Welfare Board, succeeding S. T. Perry, of New Hope, whose term will expire July 1st.

## SERVICES ANNOUNCED

An all day meeting will be held Sunday, June 26, at Christ's Sanctified Holy Church at Belvidere. Services will start at 11 A. M., with dinner being served on the church grounds. The meeting will continue throughout next week with services nightly at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

## To Lead Revival



Rev. and Mrs. Carl N. Hall, Alentown, Pa., will lead revival services to be held at Bagley Swamp Pilgrim Church July 1 through the 10th, it was announced by the Rev. Coy S. Saunders, pastor. Special music will be rendered each evening with services beginning at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

## Loans Available For Farm Drainage Through Local FHA

That better farm drainage systems would increase the efficiency of many farms in Perquimans County has already been proven by those farmers who have worked out good drainage, according to E. F. Morgan, county supervisor of the Farmers Home Administration.

Interest in farm drainage and other soil and water conservation measures has heightened among Perquimans County farmers and farm leaders because of the soil and water conservation loan program now being administered by the Farmers Home Administration.

Soil and water conservation loans may be made from insured or appropriated funds to pay the cash costs of making improvements directly related to soil conservation, water development, conservation and use, forestation, drainage of farm land, and related measures. Practices for which loans may be made are limited to those in accord with Extension Service and Soil Conservation Service recommendations.

Practices or installations include building or repairing terraces, dikes, ponds and tanks, ditches and canals for irrigation and drainage, waterways, erosion control, sodding, lime and fertilizer for establishing or improving permanent pastures, land leveling, brush removal, tree planting, wells, and the purchase of pumps, sprinkler systems, and other irrigation equipment.

The Farmers Home Administration can make insured or direct soil and water conservation loans to individual farm owners or operators who cannot obtain the necessary credit on reasonable terms and conditions from private or cooperative sources. Under the same conditions, the borrower may be a non-profit organization or association (Continued on Page Five)

## ROTARIANS MEET TUESDAY

The Hertford Rotary Club will meet Tuesday evening at 6:15 o'clock at the Hotel Hertford.