

# THE PERQUIMANS WEEKLY

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## Perquimans Cagers Play Edenton Aces Here Friday Night



**NEW LEADER**—Comdr. R. T. Brinn has assumed command of Airship Squadron Two at Glynco. Comdr. Brinn, a graduate of Duke University, was commissioned in 1941, and since has had duty ranging all the way from tugs to jets.

The basketball teams of Perquimans High School will meet their old rivals from Edenton, in a double bill, in Hertford on Friday night with the Indian Squaws playing the Acelets at 7:30 P. M., followed by the boys' game at 8:30.

The Indians marked up two impressive victories during the past week defeating Ahoskie here last Friday night by a score of 75 to 63 and trouncing Sunbury on Tuesday night by a margin of 50 to 27. Don Baker led the Indian scoring against Ahoskie canning 20 points while Bray hit for 18; Williams got 16 and Matthews scored 10. Newsome was high scorer for the visitors with 23 points.

Ahoskie started fast and jumped into a 16-13 lead in the first period and led 33 to 31 at the half-time, but Perquimans came back strong in the second half, displaying a fine shooting percentage to gain a 55-50 advantage at the start of the final quarter. Ahoskie's offense faded during the latter part of the contest and the Indians chalked up their second conference victory of the season 75 to 63.

Coach Ike Perry used his entire squad against Sunbury Tuesday night, scoring an easy win 50 to 27. Williams was high scorer with 19 followed by Bray with 11, Baker 8, Howell 6, Matthews 4, White 4, Miller and Mansfield with two each and Cherry and Whedbee with one each. Ralph scored 12 points for Sunbury.

The Perquimans Squaws dropped both of their games during the week, losing a thrilling overtime battle to Ahoskie by a margin of 49-48. The local girls held a 26-19 lead at the half-time but Ahoskie's superior height during the final period paid off and the visitors tied the count at 47-all as the game ended. During the overtime Perquimans scored a charity toss to take a one point lead then Ahoskie hit a basket to give them a one point victory. Jo Pat Stokes was high scorer with 27 points while Bazemore led Ahoskie with 22 points.

The Sunbury girls defeated the Squaws by a 37-30 score in a game Tuesday night. Sunbury had a 22-12 edge at the half-time and maintained this advantage throughout the second half. Stokes led the Perquimans scoring with 16 points while Sherlen was high for Sunbury with 19 points.



"... WISH UPON A STAR"—Fairy-tale-romance-come-true is that of actress Grace Kelly and Prince Rainier III of Monaco. Radiating happiness, the couple are shown sharing a toast during a charity ball in New York City. Wedding of the Oscar-winning actress and chief of state of the tiny European principality is expected to take place sometime after the Easter season.

## Boards To Meet On Monday To Start Bond Proceedings

### Tax School To Be Repeated Wednesday

At the request of a large number of individuals who were unable to attend a tax school conducted at the Agricultural Building on January 9, R. M. Thompson, Perquimans County Farm Agent, announced today this school will be repeated on Wednesday night, January 25, at 7:30 o'clock.

Pertinent information on income tax changes for farmers, and information on social security will be explained during the meeting. Mr. Thompson urges all persons who were unable to attend the first school to make plans for attending the one set for next week.

Machinery has been set in motion by Perquimans County officials for holding a special bond election to raise funds to aid in replacing the Hertford Grammar School which was destroyed by fire on Monday of last week.

Permission for conducting the special election was granted the county last Friday by the Local Government Commission, and a schedule of procedure has been set up for carrying out the necessary steps leading to an election.

The Board of County Commissioners and the Board of Education will meet in special session here next Monday for the purpose of investigating the procedure. Following this meeting and publication of notices of intention, a public hearing on the matter will be conducted on Tuesday, February 7, 1956.

A probable date for the special election will be on Saturday, March 24, 1956.

Meanwhile, the Board of Education is continuing a survey for possible new sites for the new building. County officials, while in Raleigh last Friday, were advised by the State Commission of Schoolhouse Planning, the site of the old school is too small for use for a new building. Further announcements on proposed new sites are expected to be made by the Board of Education as soon as the survey can be completed.

J. T. Biggers, School Superintendent, reported steps have been taken to provide safety around the ruins of the old school, but no action can be taken in tearing down the walls of the building until after insurance adjusters have completed their task of inspecting the loss sustained from the fire.

It is the hope of school officials this action will be completed within the next day or two, and additional measures can, then, be taken to safeguard the area around the old building.

## Chappell Funeral Conducted Tuesday

Mrs. Cornelia Bagly Chappell, 81, died at her home near Hertford in Bethel Township after an illness of four years.

She was the daughter of George A. and Mrs. Emma Hoffer Bagly and wife of the late Thomas O. Chappell. She was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church.

Mrs. Chappell is survived by two sons, C. R. Chappell and Roy S. Chappell of Perquimans County; three daughters, Miss Gertie Chappell, Mrs. Preston Long, both of Perquimans County, and Mrs. J. A. Dough of Winston-Salem, N. C.; six grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Bethel Baptist Church by the Rev. J. T. Byrum. The church choir sang "Face To Face" and "Sometime We Will Understand."

Pallbearers were grandchildren of Mrs. Chappell. Interment was in the Bethel Church Cemetery.

## Recorder's Court Handles 19 Cases At Session Tuesday

### Local GOC Alerted For Full Time Duty Beginning Feb. 1st

A total of 19 cases, a majority of which involved traffic law violations, made up the docket of Perquimans Recorder's Court during the session held last Tuesday.

A verdict was returned in the case in which Herman Haynes, Negro, was charged with manufacturing of illegal liquor. Haynes was charged with the offense after officers had found a still situated near his home on December 24.

Eleven defendants, all charged with speeding, submitted to the charges and paid the costs of court and fines as indicated after their names: Cyrus Pierce, Lindsey Baeus, Horace Wiggins \$10, James Reeves, C. H. Heeks, Max Nemiroff, Henry Robertson, Mendel Ochshorn, J. C. Smith, Frank Cuccia \$5 and William Brady \$5.

James Gordon, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to charges of reckless driving. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$50 and costs of court.

Geneva Chappell paid the costs of court after submitting to charges of failing to yield the right of way.

Costs of court were taxed against Henry Brown who pleaded guilty to charges of driving without lights.

Augusta Coffield, Negro, was ordered to pay a fine of \$100 and costs of court after pleading guilty to charges of driving drunk.

Ernest Hardy, Negro, pleaded guilty to charges of assaulting a female. He was ordered to pay the costs of court and a 30 day jail sentence was suspended upon condition he be of good behavior for two years.

Costs of court were taxed against Kay Phelps who submitted to a charge of failing to yield the right of way.

Benjamin Phelps entered a plea of guilty to charges of having no turn signals on a truck. He paid the costs of court.

The Perquimans Ground Observer Corps has been advised by Major Vance R. Corbin, Commander of the Durham Filter Center, that the Durham Air Defense Filter Center Area has been placed on "Skywatch" status, effective February 1, 1956. Starting at one minute past midnight the morning of February 1, the local post will be placed into operation on a continuous 24 hours per day basis.

At the present time, the post has approximately 125 members. In order to operate on a 24 hour basis with two people serving two hour shifts, the post needs a minimum of 168 volunteers. But to successfully operate the post, there is a need for at least 200 to 225 people. There is a particular need for women or men who can serve during the daylight hours. Anyone who can and will join is asked to call 5111.

Until this time, the local post has been operating on a standby status since its organization in November of 1953. The first alert participated in by the post was in February of 1954 and since that time, it has operated in all but two alerts called by Air Defense. At the time of its organization, Mrs. Marion Swindell was appointed Post Supervisor with Mrs. Edla Webb and Charlie Skinner, Jr., being appointed Chief Observers. Team captains later selected were Silas Whedbee, Mrs. J. H. Towe and Jarvis Henry.

In January, 1955, thanks to the contribution of the Town of Hertford, Perquimans County, local and county civic organizations and merchants, and the contributions of money and work of private citizens, work was begun of a structural observation tower on the local Health Center property. The tower was completed in the summer and since that time, all alerts have been successfully held from the tower. Perquimans County and Hertford have been highly praised on having the only known steel tower in the State and for the cooperativeness of its people.

**Final Date Given For New Allotment**

The final date in which a producer may file an application for a new growers peanut farm allotment at the County ASC office is February 15, 1956, announced Helene W. Nixon, Perquimans County ASC office manager.

To be eligible for a new growers peanut farm allotment the following conditions must be met: No peanuts were produced on the farm in 1953, 1954 and 1955; the operator of the farm must have had experience in growing peanuts during two of the past five years; the farm operator is largely dependent on the farm for his livelihood; and the farm covered by the application is the only farm owned and operated by the farm operator or the farm owner for which a farm peanut allotment is established in 1956.

**County Girl Leads Va. Nurses Group**

Mary Frances Eure, Hertford Route three, a student nurse at Norfolk General Hospital, has been elected president of District 1, Student Nurses' Association of Virginia. Miss Eure was a member of the 1955 class at Perquimans High School and was sanitarian of the class.

## Com. Brinn Named Squad. Commander At Glynco Station

Comdr. Rufus T. Brinn, USN, son of Mrs. R. T. Brinn and the late R. T. Brinn of Hertford, assumed command of Airship Squadron TWO Glynco, relieving Comdr. Charles M. Robertson, USN, who has departed for duty aboard the USS Floyd's Bay in the Far East.

Comdr. Robertson was formerly commanding officer of NAF Weeksville, N. C., from 1950 to 1952.

Comdr. Brinn had been the executive officer of ZF-2 since August of last year, following LTA flight training with the Airship Training Unit and a four-month tour of duty with Fleet Airship Wing One, Weeksville, N. C.

The new commanding officer of the squadron has had a very colorful Naval career. The versatility of the new squadron commander, who is 36, can be illustrated by his varied types of duty which includes "from tugboat skipper (commanding officer USS Nawat) to jet pilot" (Flying the F2H McDonald Banshee).

Comdr. Brinn graduated from Duke University with an "AB" degree in 1940 and received his commission in the Navy in 1941.

While serving as executive officer of the USS Hopping, he was ordered to heavier-than-air flight training in 1944 and received his wings in June of 1945. Following a tour of duty in the Pacific which included "Operations Crossroads", Comdr. Brinn reported to NAS Jacksonville, Fla., as executive officer of Fighter Squadron 12, which was based aboard the USS Philippine Sea.

Prior to his arrival at Glynco to begin his lighter-than-air training in 1954, Comdr. Brinn studied at McGill University, Montreal, Canada and Naval Schools in Great Britain, and served in air intelligence with the Air Force in Washington, D. C. Among his service ribbons, Comdr. Brinn wears the Navy Silver Star and the Order of the Russian Red Star, for service in the Armed Guard "Suicide run to Murmansk" in early 1942.

Comdr. Brinn resides at Brunswick, Ga., with his wife, the former, Mary Alice Cahoon, daughter of Marshall and Mrs. B. Ray Cahoon of Columbia, N. C., and their three children, Harriet Lee, Timothy and Ray.

## License Deadline Is February 15th

Vehicle owners who have not yet purchased their 1956 auto tags are reminded that February 15 is the deadline for securing and displaying the new tags on all vehicles.

Car owners are advised the license offices are now issuing tags without delay, and motorists will be wise to buy tags now and avoid the rush of business which is expected as the February 15 deadline draws nearer.

## 1954 Farm Income Shows Small Gain Over Previous Year

Total net farm income to North Carolina farmers in 1954 amounted to 577 million dollars, according to State Crop Reporting Service which released the figures this week.

The figure is slightly higher than the 569.6 million dollars received in 1953 but is far below the record 707.5 million dollars received by state farmers in 1951.

Total net farm income for 1954 represents 51.2 per cent of the gross farm income of \$1,126,400,000 for the year. This was exactly the same percentage as in 1953, whereas net farm income in 1951 amounted to 60.6 per cent of gross income.

Farm inventories in North Carolina, the Crop Reporting Service said, have shown a loss in each of the years 1949 through 1954. The loss in 1954 was 17.6 million dollars.

Net income was determined by adding production expenses and inventory losses, and subtracting this total from gross income. Production expenses for Tar Heel farmers in 1954 totaled 531.9 million dollars, compared with 528.1 million the year before and only 495.3 million in 1951.

For the United States as a whole net income per farm after allowing for inventory changes was \$2,433 in 1954, compared with \$2,445 in 1953 and \$2,919 in 1951. That's a drop of 17 per cent in the three-year period 1951-54.



**HOW FAR YA GOIN'?**—Mrs. William Stanton, of Leavenworth, Kan., ponders the permits Kansas State truckers may choose from when buying their license plates for '56. "18 M" above main auto plate is sample of load-tax tab, in this case 18,000 pounds. Below plate are, in order: a tag for farm vehicle use only; commercial carrier permit; tag for trucks used within 25-mile radius of owner's place of business; permit for 6000-speedometer-mile use limit of a truck.

## Perquimans March Of Dimes Campaign Getting Underway

Perquimans County's annual March of Dimes campaign, to raise funds for the National Foundation to conduct research and combat infantile paralysis is under way throughout the county, it was announced this week by Mrs. Charles Williford, fund chairman.

The chairman announced no special quotas have been assigned to this county to be raised during the current campaign, but she pointed out the National Foundation is hopeful more funds will be contributed this year than in 1955 to assist in financing the costly research and rehabilitation of victims of polio.

Mrs. Williford said there is an urgent need for funds for the National Foundation because during the past year practically all surplus money was used in fighting epidemics and financing inoculations of the Salk Vaccine.

This year's campaign is being conducted along lines similar to previous drives; house to house canvasses are being conducted in Hertford and the county and the schools are also participating in the fund raising.

The Perquimans VFW Post will hold a dance on Saturday night, January 21, at the VFW Hall with the proceeds going to the March of Dimes fund. The State Theatre, as usual, is also aiding the local chapter with collections to be taken up at the theatre.

Mrs. Corbin Dozier, chairman of the county chapter, announced that Henry C. Sullivan has accepted appointment to the post as treasurer for the fund drive, succeeding George Fields, who resigned.

All home demonstration clubs of the county are assisting in the campaign with a member of each club volunteering as a solicitor of funds. Negro churches of the community will direct collections for the March of Dimes among the Negro residents in Hertford.

Volunteer solicitors for the 1956 March of Dimes have been announced by the chairman, Mrs. Williford, as follows:

Business district of Hertford, V. N. Davidson, W. W. White and Claude Brinn.

White division, Hertford, Mrs. Clara Matthews, Mrs. J. T. Biggers, Mrs. Nita Miller, Mrs. Nita Howell, Mrs. Elizabeth Skipsey, Mrs. S. Kenton, Mrs. Charles R. L. Hollowell, Mrs. G. L. Sutton, Mrs. G. L. Sutton, Mrs. James Lee Harris, Miss Ruth Fisher, Miss Lillian Hoffer, Mrs. Blain Shillings, Mrs. Norman Elton, Mrs. James Sawyer, Jr., Mrs. L. L. Lane.

White division, Mrs. Charlie Dall, Mrs. Willie Ladd, Mrs. Beulah Ladd, Mrs. Alice Landon, Mrs. Lillian Brinn, Mrs. Lillian Brinn.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Prospects for a balanced budget for the federal government was revealed by President Eisenhower this week when he presented Congress with a proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1. Small surpluses were predicted for the current year as well as the year 1956-57. However, the President cautioned Congress a tax cut should not be voted unless the action can be done prudently. The new budget calls for an increase in government spending to be offset by increased revenues.

The budget message was received with mixed reaction, some members of Congress expressed opinions that proposed expenditures were too high and should be cut to allow tax cuts on individual incomes. There are predictions from Washington a tax cut will be voted in this election year for individuals but the present tax rates will prevail on corporation and excise taxes.

Politics will play an important part in the actions of Congress during the early part of the session, especially as both parties prepare for national conventions to be held in August. Adlai Stevenson appears at this time to be the leading Democratic candidate for President while the hopes of the GOP rest upon the decision to be made by President Eisenhower as to his seeking reelection.

A Washington report this week forecast a slight decline in spending on farm aid program this despite federal efforts to boost rural income. Heavy losses are also predicted as government crop surplus during the year.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Mr. and Mrs. Luther Chappell announce the birth of a daughter, born Monday, January 9, at the Swan Hospital.