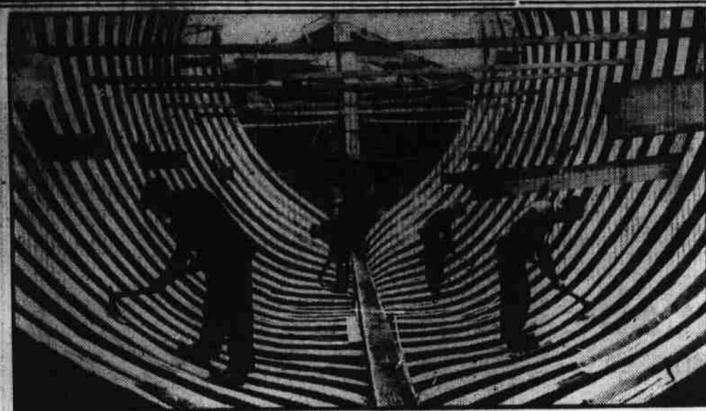


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"PILGRIM'S" SHIP MAKES PROGRESS—Workmen use adzes to smooth ribs of a 20th Century Mayflower as they work on the ship at Upham shipyard in Brixham, Devon, England. Twenty-one men, attired as were the pilgrims of 1620, are scheduled to sail the near replica of the Mayflower to the United States later this year. The 65-foot-long craft is being constructed in much the same fashion as was the original Mayflower.

Proposal On Zoning Ordinance Made To Hertford Board

Representatives of the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce appeared before the Hertford Town Board, meeting in regular session here last Monday night, with a proposal the Commissioners adopt a zoning ordinance for the town to provide a uniform building code for future expansion of Hertford.

Eldon Winslow, president of the Jaycees, presented the proposal, which met with favorable comment on the part of the members of the Town Board. Charles Skinner, Jr., chairman of the Jaycees' civic committee, told the Board about operations and results of similar ordinances adopted by other small towns.

Members of the Town Board voted to write the League of Municipalities for details concerning adoption of such an ordinance and inquire for directions in preparing a code suitable for a town the size of Hertford. The Commissioners also agreed to work as a committee of the whole in cooperating with the Jaycee committee on the proposal.

After discussing the need for a new street sweeper for the Town, and hearing reports on sweeper demonstrations seen during the past week, the Board voted to borrow sufficient funds for the purchase of a new sweeper for the Town. It was pointed out during the discussion that the purchase price is expected to be in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

Town Attorney Chas. E. Johnson was instructed to draw the necessary bond order providing for authority for the town to borrow the money through legal channels.

A letter, from Miss Thelma Elliott, principal of Hertford Grammar School, expressing the appreciation of the school faculty for services rendered by the fire department, was read to the Board during the meeting.

Demonstration At Chappell Farm Sat.

There will be a fitting, showing and judging demonstration under the supervision of Pete Patterson and Jim Butler, Livestock Specialists, at the farm of C. C. Chappell, Belvidere, on Saturday, March 17, beginning at 9:00 A. M.

This demonstration is being held for the benefit of the boys and girls with steers and the judging teams in the seven Albemarle counties. Along with the judging of steers there will be judging of hogs and sheep.

"I believe that those boys and girls with steers will benefit a great deal from seeing the proper way to fit and show steers in our 4-H Club Fat Stock shows. If you can be there at 9:00 and invite your father to attend so that he can observe the proper way to fit these steers you will then be able to put this practice to a profitable showing on your own steer at home," advises R. M. Thompson, County Agent.

There will be a dutch barbecue dinner available at the farm for those wishing to stay for the judging.

Two Candidates File For Offices

With less than one month remaining during which individuals may file as candidates for county offices subject to the Democratic primary, to be held May 26, R. C. Murray, chairman of the local Board of Elections, reported Tuesday that only two persons had filed for office subject to the primary.

D. F. Reed, Jr., has filed his intention of seeking reelection as county treasurer and H. N. Nixon has filed as a candidate for membership on the Board of Education. Individuals must file their candidacy for office with the chairman of the Board of Elections by noon on Saturday April 14.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

A manifesto, signed by 77 representatives and 19 senators, aimed at legally maintaining segregation was presented in Congress during the past week. The document called the 1954 ruling of the Supreme Court an unconstitutional decision, creating abuse of judicial power. Only three representatives from North Carolina, Harold Cooley, Thurmond Chatham and Charles Deane, failed to sign the manifesto.

In the wake of the issuance of this manifesto, the Supreme Court ruled on Monday, tax-supported colleges must admit Negroes to graduate schools without delay. In its ruling the Court wrote it did not imply that decrees involving graduate study present the problems of public elementary and secondary schools.

The Senate, considering farm legislation on Tuesday, voted for 100 per cent parity support on all wheat grown for human consumption in the U. S. but rejected a similar amendment on cotton. Congressional spokesmen say there is dissatisfaction in Congress over the farm bill as it now stands but report from Washington indicate the Administration will likely succeed in securing a measure excluding rigid support prices.

The first Presidential primary was held Tuesday in New Hampshire and early returns revealed Senator Kefauver held a slight lead over Adlai Stevenson for the state's delegates to the Democratic convention. The GOP voters gave President Eisenhower a wide lead for the Republican delegates.

The North Carolina Methodist Conference has announced plans for converting Louisburg College from a Junior College status to a four-year college, and machinery for the change-over is expected to be placed in motion by a special session of the Conference later this year.

PIE SALE

The Cedar Grove Methodist Church will conduct a pie sale on Saturday, March 17 at 10 A. M., next door to the post office in Wintfall.

Peanut Acreage Increase Notices Being Prepared

The peanut growers of North Carolina are urged to be patient just a few more days, announced Joe S. Sugg, Executive Secretary of the North Carolina Peanut Growers Association, this morning. Mr. Sugg pointed out that the state and county A.S.C. Offices are working day and night in an effort to get the notices of the peanut allotment increases mailed at the earliest possible date.

Mr. Sugg further stated that due to the fact that each grade sheet for each producer's sales of peanuts for the years of 1953, 1954 and 1955 had to be inspected that much time has been consumed in computing the individual farm allotment. The reason that the grade sheets had to be inspected, he stated, was because it was the only method by which it could be determined who produced Virginia type peanuts in North Carolina and that those producing the Virginia type peanuts were the only ones entitled to the special increase awarded by the Secretary of Agriculture's Proclamation issued on February 21, 1956. Mr. Sugg stated that a recent conference with the State A.S.C. Office indicated that the notices of increased acreage should be in the hands of the farmers certainly no later than March 30th. This, he pointed out, would give ample time for the farmers to prepare their land, secure seed and do the other things necessary toward producing the crop. There have been many complaints, Mr. Sugg pointed out, on the part of those who have had their peanuts graded "runners" and in some cases the peanuts which graded "runners" were caused by the adverse weather conditions during the 1955 growing season; however, in the majority of the cases this type of peanut was produced because the growers selected inferior type seed and failed to follow good cultural practices.

Mr. Sugg pointed out that the producers can produce Virginia peanuts and receive premium prices for these peanuts if they will only follow the recommended cultural practices and plant seed that would produce the large size peanuts. He suggested that the farmers interested in producing higher yielding, higher quality Virginia type peanuts consult their County Agents or Vocational Agricultural Teachers for the latest recommended varieties and practices.

AUXILIARY MEETS

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Bethlehem Christian Church met Thursday night, March 8, at the home of Mrs. E. Y. Berry with 11 members and one visitor present. It was voted that the Auxiliary have a name sign made to be placed on the churchyard. A very interesting program, "The Great Commission" was given by the members. Mrs. J. B. Perry, Mrs. William Stallings and Mrs. E. Y. Berry sang "Give of Your Best To The Master." The hostess served a delicious jellied salad.

W.M.S. TO MEET

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Hertford Baptist Church will meet Monday night, March 19, at the church.

County Officials To Request Funds For Drainage Program

Perquimans County officials, acting to participate in a federal program for improving drainage conditions in Northeast North Carolina, met here last Monday morning with F. E. Day, representative of the Stream Gauge department of the federal government to formulate plans for making application for federal funds to carry out the local project.

The program, sponsored in Congress by Representative Herbert C. Bonner, calls for an outlay of more than \$5 millions in some 30 counties in this area and provides for emergency drainage work made necessary by three hurricanes which swept the area last fall.

The local project will be prepared and submitted by the Board of County Commissioners, in cooperation with the Department of Soil Conservation and the Extension Service office. It is the hope of local officials details for the project can be worked up and submitted within the next 30 days. Allocation of funds will be handled through the State office of Civil Defense of which Edward F. Griffin is State Director.

In the meeting here last Monday officials estimated at least \$150,000 will be needed for the local project which will include considerable work in clearing rivers and streams of the county to provide proper drainage of agriculture lands.

The project is expected to include all areas of the county; each Commissioner, working with F. A. McGooan, head of the Soil Conservation Department, and R. M. Thompson, County Agent, will prepare projects with his township after which all work will be included into the one big project for Perquimans County.

Rites Held Monday For Geo. W. Haskett

George William Haskett, 51, died Saturday night at 9:21 o'clock in the Albemarle Hospital after an illness of 18 months.

He was a native of Perquimans County, New Hope section, but had been residing in Elizabeth City for the past 35 years, living at 825 Riverside avenue. He was the son of the late William M. and Nannie Howell Haskett and the husband of Martha Riggs Haskett.

Prior to his death, Mr. Haskett was owner and editor of the Independent Star and was a news commentator for Radio Station WCNC. He was a member of the Berea Christian Church of New Hope and member of Pasquotank Tribe No. 8 Improved Order of Red Men.

Besides his wife he is survived by one daughter, Janet Faye Haskett and one son, William F. Haskett of Elizabeth City; two sisters, Mrs. Maud Corpew of Edenton and Mrs. Harry Broughton of Hertford; one brother, Charlie Haskett of Elizabeth City and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the chapel of the Twiford Funeral Home by the Rev. W. W. Finlator, pastor of the First Baptist Church, assisted by Dr. R. W. Kicklighter, pastor of the Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church. Burial followed in New Hollywood Cemetery.

Board In Special Meeting On Monday

The Board of Commissioners for Perquimans County and the Tax Supervisor will meet in the Court House next Monday, March 19, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M., as a Board of Equalization and Review to handle matters pertaining to 1956 property valuation in the county.

Persons who desire to register complaints, or ask for adjustment in their property valuation are requested to take note of the time and place of this meeting, and to appear before the board at this time as it will be difficult to secure any adjustment or corrections in valuation after the Commissioners adjourn as a Board of Equalization.

Perquimans Opens Baseball Tuesday

Perquimans High will play Chowan next Tuesday in the first game of the 1956 baseball season on the Chowan field, it was reported today by Coach Ike Perry, who has been putting his Indians through pre-season drills for the past three weeks.

Ted Chappell and Jesse Rountree are expected to handle the mound duties while Belmont Perry and Johnny Miller will do some catching. Coach Perry is expected to use many of his large squad in this contest, giving the candidates an opportunity to show their ability against the strong Chowan nine.

Big Benefit Check Given Grammar School Last Thurs.

The March meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Hertford Grammar School was held Thursday night last week with Mrs. Jack Brinn presiding.

A devotional, opening the meeting, was given by Mrs. Henry C. Sullivan.

Mrs. Harry Winslow thanks the grade mothers for the refreshments contributed and sold at the benefit basketball game, which netted the school \$91.30. J. W. Dillon, representing the Perquimans Post of VFW and the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce, presented the principal, Miss Thelma Elliott, with a check in the amount of \$1,736.75, which was raised by the civic organizations to be used in purchasing supplies for the school.

Miss Elliott, in behalf of the school and the PTA, expressed appreciation to the units for the project which was so successful under their sponsorship.

Mrs. Brinn named Mrs. Jesse Lee Harris, Mrs. W. D. Cox and W. Ray White as a nominating committee for selection of new officers for the PTA during the 1956-57 school year.

As program chairman, Mrs. Sullivan presented a short talk on the subject "Learning to read" and a film on the topic was shown as a supplement to the talk.

Highway Slaughter In '55 Second Worst In Traffic History

The Motor Vehicles Department just completed its final summary of traffic deaths and injuries for 1955.

The totals: 45,054 accidents; 17,875 injuries; and 1,165 fatalities. It was the second worst year in Tar Heel traffic history, the agency said. Accidents killed 1,289 in 1941, the bloodiest year since records have been kept.

Wake County, with 56 deaths for the year, led the fatality list. In a three-way tie for second place was Guilford, Mecklenburg, and Robeson counties with 34 each. Cumberland, with 30 deaths, was in third place, Nash with 29 in fourth place, and Columbus and Randolph in a tie for fifth place with 28 each.

Fatality goose eggs were reported from Avery, Clay, Graham and Transylvania, Alleghany had the fewest accidents—16—but reported three deaths. Guilford had the greatest number of mishaps—3,232, which hurt 993 persons, tops in the injury column.

Of the county fatalities, Chowan County had only one listed.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Mr. and Mrs. James Carroll Riddick of Portsmouth, Va., announce the birth of twin girls, February 23, in King's Daughters Hospital. They will be known as Pamela Fay and Patricia Kay. Mrs. Riddick is the former Miss Helen Layden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Layden of Hobbsville.



GESUNDHEIT—That's what little Linda Lee Burroughs says after spotting this California license plate in San Francisco. And her remark is nothing to sneeze at. It's especially appropriate because auto sporting the unusual plate is a German Volkswagen.

2500 Population Gain Seen Through Harvey Point Plans

School Plans To Be Reviewed March 20

J. T. Biggers, superintendent of Perquimans County Schools, is scheduled to meet in Raleigh on March 20 with the Review Panel of the State Department of Education at which time a review of school building plans for this county will be made, concerning the local plans for expanding state funds allocated to Perquimans from school bond resources.

Nine Cases Heard At Special Term Of Superior Court

Nine cases were disposed of in Superior Court here this week, in a special term scheduled to hear civil actions. Court opened Monday with Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn presiding and the term was concluded late Tuesday afternoon.

A compromise was reached in the case of R. B. Thach vs. Washington Lumber Company, the first case listed on the calendar.

A jury returned a judgment of \$400 in favor of Sanford Stallings who sought damages from Alton Winslow as a result of an automobile collision. The court then recommended a settlement of the case for actual damages resulting from the wreck.

After hearing the complaint and answer in the case of Jack Sawyer vs. Robert Ivey, the court referred the matter and Attorney W. H. Oakley, Jr., was named as referee in the hearing.

A consent judgment was entered in the case in which National Cash Register Co. sought damages from J. M. Spruill.

A consent judgment was entered in the matter in which Washington Lumber Company sought damages from Ed Lee Jennings.

Attorneys in the case of George Riddle vs. Theodore Hulse reached a compromise prior to the case being called for trial.

The last case heard during the special term of court was one between Dorothy, Dianne and Howard Lightfoot against William V. Russell. A compromise was reached in this matter, between the attorneys, after evidence had been presented by the plaintiffs.

A number of cases listed on the calendar for action at this term of court were continued. These were: Amy Thompson vs. Milton Dail, Jr.

Washington Lumber Co. vs. Ed Lee Jennings.

Mariah Jordan vs. N. E. Chappell.

Richard McDonough vs. Noah Felton, Jr.

Ethel Hayden vs. Noah Felton, Jr.

Ethel McDonough vs. Noah Felton, Jr.
George McDonough vs. Noah Felton, Jr.
Seth Perry vs. Ruby Tant.
H. D. Hardie vs. J. Van Roach.

Winners Released In Annual County 4-H Beauty Contest

In the annual 4-H Beauty Contest presented in the Perquimans County High School auditorium last Friday night, Miss Phyllis Bagley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bagley of Wintfall, was crowned "Miss Perquimans High of 1956," by Miss Jean Edwards, who was "Miss Perquimans High of 1955," and Miss Julia Ann Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lane of Hertford, was crowned "Miss Grammar School of 1956" by Miss Sara Dail, who was "Miss Grammar School of 1955." Both queens were presented a bouquet of red roses and a gold cup by Miss Annie Lou Lane, who was co-chairman of the contest committee.

Runners-up in the contest who were presented old fashioned nosegays by Annie Lou, were: In the high school—Second, Mable Frances Keel, and third, Jo Pat Stokes. In the Grammar School—Second, Joyce Faye Owens, and third, Brenda Kay Smith.

Prior to the contest all high school entries voted by secret ballot for "Miss Congeniality" who was Nora Grace Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Cook. She was presented a nosegay by Annie Lou Lane.

The theme chosen for this year's contest was "Beauty in a Ballroom" and the contestants paraded in a setting of a Victorian Ballroom which in its simplicity was an appropriate background for the attractive ladies in their lovely gowns.

Master of Ceremonies was Wallace Baker, who was chairman of the contest committee. A most gracious welcome was given by Thomas Ed. Chappell, president of the 4-H County Council. Musical talent added greatly to the entertainment of the large audience and was presented as a trio by Mabel, Jean and Jane Keel, solo by Johnny Phillips, a quartet by Chas. Jimison, Wayne White, Johnny Phillips and W. N. Matthews, solo by Shelby Jean Overton, and solo by John Fulford.

Crown bearers for the occasion were Linda Boyce and Kim Rose. Pianists were Letitia McGooan and Mrs. Charles Johnson. Ushers were Billy Hudson, Ervin Mansfield, Becky Gregory, Ethel Sutton, Janet Elliott, Lloyd Ray Morgan, Joe Ward Proctor, Nancy Lane and Lois Anne Hurdle. Mr. Thomas Maston was stage director and the contest committee was composed of Wallace Baker, Annie Lou Lane, Jean Edwards and Thomas Ed. Chappell.

Judges, who readily admitted that they had a hard job, were for the high school contest: Mrs. Callie Hardwick—Extension Specialist, N. C. State College; E. L. Norton, Northeastern District Agent, N. C. State College; John Piland—County Farm Agent, Johnston County.

For the grammar school contest: Miss Helen McDonald—Assistant Home Agent, Chowan County; Miss Mildred Morris—Assistant Home Agent, Currituck County; Bill Adams—Assistant Farm Agent of Currituck County.

Contestants were: High School contest—La Rue Chappell, Jo Pat Stokes, Lois Violet Winslow, Judy Winslow, Anne White, Nora Grace Cook, Mabel Keel, Ann Sawyer, Joyce Sumner, Phyllis Bagley, Gail Pierce, Rachel Spivey, Iris Wilder, Dottie Cartwright, Anne Brinn, Gloria Stallings, Shirley Tarkington, Betty Lou White, Patsy Umphlett, Clay Stokes and Lois Byrum.

Grammar School contest—Mary Lou Jordan, Carolyn Rogerson, Betsy Barbee, Becky Felton, Berna Anne Perry, Linda Bass, Linda Bass, Julia Anne Lane, Catherine White, Barbara Divers, Judy Winslow, Mary Frances Baker, Joyce Faye Owens, Linda Ward Chappell, Sandra Hudson, LaVonne Lane, Genevieve Chappell, Jo Ann Hurdle, Celtic Ann Long, Carroll McDonnell, Dianne Chappell, Eva Ann Smith, Faye Wood, Mable Louise Cook, Brenda Kay Smith.

STYLE SHOW TUESDAY

A new Spring style show, sponsored by the Wesley Service Guild, will be presented in Hertford, Tuesday night, March 20, at the Agriculture Building, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.