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Perquimans Wins Major Part Honors At Fat Stock Show

Clarence C. Chappell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Chappell of Belvidere, showed the grand champion steer and Hassel Winslow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brennon Winslow, showed the grand champion hog at the 11th annual Albemarle Fat Stock Show held at the Scott and Hilliard warehouse in Elizabeth City on Tuesday, May 15th.

Showing the reserved champion steer was Clyde Lane, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lane and the reserved champion hog was shown by C. C. Chappell, Jr., Floyd Matthews, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Matthews, showed the reserved champion pen of three hogs.

Other Perquimans County winners were: Wallace and Donald Baker, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Walton Baker, showing the third place pen of three hogs and third place individual hog. Floyd Matthews showing fourth place hog, Louise Chappell showing third place steer, Thomas Ed Chappell showing champion steer in heavy weight steer division and Louise Chappell showing champion steer in middleweight division.

Other events won by Perquimans boys and girls: First in judging contest and first in county group of steers.

C. C. Chappell, Jr., Louise Chappell, Julian Howell, Clyde Lane, Jr., Thomas Ed Chappell showed prime steers. Other 4-H and FFA Club members showing steers are: Willy Hudson, Willis Williams, Linwood Hurdle, Lloyd Ray Morgan, Cath Mac Morgan, Robert Phthisic, Mary Phthisic, Waldo Winslow, Preston Winslow, Kay Howell and Wayne Howell.

Those showing hogs besides the winners are: Judy Benton, Ed Nixon and Tony Nixon.

The fitting and showing contest was held on Wednesday morning with eight Perquimans boys and girls in the ring.

Prior to the show a barbecued chicken dinner was held on Monday night at the Winfall Community House for the Perquimans 4-H entries, their parents and a number of special guests, which included Perquimans County Board of Commissioners and other county officials, members of the Extension Service, both local and from Raleigh, and local dealers in agricultural products who lend full support to the county boys and girls in carrying out their projects.

Boy Scouts Planning Tour Over Week-end

Boy Scouts from the surrounding seven counties of the Albemarle District will make an educational and sightseeing tour of Washington, D. C., this week-end, May 18, 19 and 20. Scouts who advanced at least one rank in Scouting in the past twelve months are eligible to make the trip. At present there are 90 boys and leaders registered. There is still room for 20 more Scouts and leaders.

The group will leave from the Court House in Elizabeth City on three chartered buses this Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock and will spend Friday and Saturday nights at the Potomac Park Motor Court in Washington. Their tour will include a visit to the U. S. Capitol, the Smithsonian Institute, zoo, and a visit to Mt. Vernon on the return trip Sunday afternoon. The trip will also include visits with several government officials and a program sponsored for Young Americans presented by the National Symphony Orchestra at Constitution Hall.

The Scouts plan to return to Elizabeth City Sunday afternoon around five o'clock.

Post Office Observes Safety Week

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Varied Docket In Recorder's Court

A varied docket of cases was disposed of before Judge Charles Johnson in Perquimans Recorder's Court this week.

Helene Foster and Mary White, charged with using profanity in a public place, each were fined $25.00 and ordered to pay costs of court.

Surley Lee Forehand, charged with larceny, was ordered to pay a fine of $10 and costs and put on good behavior for 12 months.

Robert Lee Thatch, charged with reckless driving, was ordered to pay a fine of $25.00 and costs of court.

Willie Felton, charged with non-support, was ordered to pay $20.00 per month for support of his children.

William Isaac Lowe and Thomas Jenkins, charged with having an affray, Lowe was ordered to pay costs and Jenkins ordered to pay a fine of $10 and costs.

Zollar Van White, charged with failure to obey stop sign, was ordered to pay costs of court.

The following charged with speeding, were fined as follows: Henry GiGenno, paid a fine of $7.00 and costs of court; Harry Cameron Dennis, paid costs of court; Doris Nelson, paid a fine of $15.00 and costs of court; A. S. Rushton, paid costs of court; Louis Charles Heilman, paid costs of court; Percy Francis Kelly, paid a fine of $5.00 and costs; Clifford William Odell paid a fine of $[illegible] and costs; Herman Walter Mayor paid costs of court; Stanley Lafayette paid a fine of $2.00 and costs of court; Abraham Quitte paid costs of court.

No Change In Town Tax Rate

Hertford's tax rate of $1.35 will remain the same for the coming year. This was announced after the meeting of the Town Council on Monday night when the same budget as that of last year was tentatively adopted, subject to minor adjustments by the auditor.

Only a brief session was held, the only other item of business acted upon being that of the re-employment of Mrs. Margaret Sullivan for making up the tax books this year.

Hertford Group At Jaycee Convention

Seven members of the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce left on Thursday to attend the State Jaycee Convention in Charlotte. They returned Sunday night. Those attending were George Fields, Henry Stokes, Emory White, Hilton White, Charlie Skinner Jr., Billy White and Francis Nixon.

FAMED 'RESCUE STREET' of the Federal Civil Defense Administration's Olney, Md., rescue school, a $250,000 collection of carefully-designed ruins similar to the various structures civil defense rescue workers would face back home in extricating victims of bombings. Up to 70 students are checked out on the built-in obstacles during each week or two-week course. (FCDA Photo)

Tar Heel Traffic Paced By Scientific Equipment

In North Carolina the State Highway Patrol bears down on wilful speeders aided by scientific speed devices known colloquially as "whammies."

Extensive use of the sensitive instruments along North Carolina's 70,000 mile road system give occasional rise to accusations of "speed trap" and the like from irate motorists who run afoul of the speed law.

Some tourists and some natives complain that it isn't cricket for patrolmen to hide their electric tattle tales. In North Carolina state law permits troopers to conceal the devices from public view. But their furtiveness is easily explained. Patrol officials say knowingly that if whammy stations are pin pointed, 70 mph speeders would have only to lift their foot a mile away and glide smugly across at legal speed. The law abiding motorist, they say, gives not a hoot where the whammies are or may be.

The hidden ball tactics occasionally bring on speed trap complaints, too, mostly from out-of state motor club patrons. Speed trap, a phrase abhorred by enforcement officials, seems a matter of definition to Tar Heel Motor Vehicles Commissioner Ed Scheidt. "It it not a speed trap," says ex-FBI Agent Scheidt, "unless an officer intentionally lures a motorist into a violation and then arrests him."

In the Tar Heel state no road—even lightly traveled ones—could be considered lures. All are conspiculously posted with caution signs reading "SPEED ELECTRICALLY TIMED." And few Tar Heel troopers have the time or the inclination to goad travelers into a violation. Charges of "arrest quotas" are complete fiction says patrol headquarters.

Most North Carolina newspapers share the opinion of enforcement officials that speed trap accusations originate largely from arrested speeders as a sort of retaliation effort. Saving face the Orientals call it.

And that would seem to suggest some formula to avoid arrest—or losing face. Tar Heel safety authorities, to a man, suggest: "Always drive at legal—and common sense—speeds."

Those whammies. They first came to Tar Heel highways in 1952. Patrol officials, ordered by Scheidt to stop speeding, put them to immediate use. The electric timing gadget (whammy) is familiar to motorists traveling Tar Heel roads. The highway patrol operates 60 such pieces of equipment, which are switched at random on roads throughout the State.

The first sign of a whammy is a quarter-inch black rubber cable stretched across the highway and anchored at each end by a slab of metal. One hundred and thirty two feet down the highway (1/40 of a mile) is an identical cable. Linking the two is an electric cord attached through mercury switches to a recording head located some distance from the set up. The black box, about the size of two cigar boxes, contains the whammy's brain. Set in the middle of the box is a stop watch and around the perimeter of the watch are graduations in miles per hour.

An approaching vehicle striking the first cable starts the watch ticking. When the vehicle strikes the second cable the watch is stopped. Its hand points to 50 mph, 63 mph, 90 mph or what have you and troopers go into action if the hand is over 55 mph, the State's legal speed limit.

The watch's accuracy is unaffected by the weather. Where manufacturers permit variances of seven to 10 per cent in auto speedometers, the whammy is calibrated to within a fraction over one per cent accuracy. The stopwatch is inspected, cleaned and regulated once a month by a railroad watch inspector. Periodically, it is further checked by radio with the Bureau of Standards master time signal in Washington, D. C.

Though still a bitter pill to the motorist who drives at illegal speeds, the Tar Heel whammy remains at its concealed post, its influence applicable only to the lawbreaker.

Summer Activities For 4-H Members

There are lots of places to go and big things for 4-H'ers to do this summer. To start the summer activities there will be the talent show and health pageant which will be held at the Agricultural Building June 7 at 8 P. M. All 4-H members possessing talent are urged to enter the talent contest.

On June 8 all 4-H members are invited to attend a picnic which will be at Sandy Point. There will be plenty of food and recreation for all.

On June 28th 4-H girls will model garments they have made for the 4-H dress revue and demonstrations will be given also. This is on the county level. Then those county winners will go to Washington for district elimination day on July 6th.

The 4-H'ers are looking forward to camp this summer at Manteo July 16-21. There they will have classes of instruction and recreation.

The annual 4-H Short Course at State College, Raleigh, will be July [illegible]. [illegible]

Safety Check Lane Planned For Hertford

Plans have been completed for a safety check of all automobiles in this area through a voluntary safety check lane in an effort to cause the vehicles traveling upon the streets and highways to be more safe.

Melvin G. Owens has been appointed as coordinator of the automobile safety drive and he stated every vehicle owner of Perquimans County is urged to have their car checked. Owens said that defective cars are responsible for a great per cent of the serious accidents on the streets and highways.

This voluntary safety check lane is a part of the national safety program that will be held here in Hertford which will be conducted on Grubb Street near the Municipal Building on May 24 to 26 inclusive.

Mayor V. N. Darden stated that the Town of Hertford and Perquimans County have made necessary arrangements for the equipment to be used in making the safety check lane possible.

There will be no charge to the motorist for this service, according to Mr. Owens.

Bobby Smith Marshal For Commencement At State College

Bobby Smith, 20 year old sophomore from Belvidere, has been named as a marshal for the commencement exercises of North Carolina State College on May 28 and 29.

Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, will represent his sophomore class. The marshals for the commencement are chosen on the basis of leadership, character, scholarship and school spirit. Announcement of Smith's selection was made by State College Dean Banks Talley, and Roger Hill, President of the Senior Class.

The marshals will lead the graduating parade and also assist in the Chancellor's Tea which is given annually by the Chancellor of State College in honor of the Seniors and their parents.

Carolyn Gay Howell Essay Contest Winner

Carolyn Gay Howell, class of '57 of Perquimans High School, is one of the ten top winners of the 1956 High School Essay Contest sponsored by the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina.

The topic of her essay was "The Advantages of Private Medical Care."

Carolyn Gay is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carson Howell of Route 2, Hertford.

Furniture Store To Honor Senior Girls

W. M. Morgan Furniture Co., of Hertford, as has been the custom for a number of years, will again honor girl graduates of Perquimans High School and Perquimans Training School by presenting each girl graduate with a miniature Lane Cedar Chest.

The gifts are now in display at the local store and the honorees may secure their gifts upon graduation.

County Democrats Form Organization Officers Reelected

The Perquimans County Democratic Convention was held Saturday afternoon at the Court House.

W. F. Ainsley was re-elected as chairman of the Executive Committee for the county, with Mrs. Irene Tyre as vice-chairman and [illegible] was re-elected as secretary.

For Hertford Precinct, Charles E. Hill was named chairman, with Mrs. Florence Lane vice-chairman and [illegible] secretary.

For Bethel Township, F. H. Chappell was named chairman, with Mrs. Ethel Lane vice-chairman and [illegible] secretary.

For Parkville Township, [illegible] was elected chairman, with Mrs. Nettie Symons as vice-chairman and J. P. Hollowell, secretary.

For Perquimans Township, G. W. Jackson was elected chairman, with Mrs. Nettie Symons as vice-chairman and J. P. Hollowell.

W. E. Ball was named chairman for New Hope with P. H. Gwaltney as vice-chairman and N. C. Spivey, secretary.

C. C. Chappell was elected chairman for Belvidere Precinct, with Willis Winslow, vice-chairman and L. L. Chappell, secretary.

In Monroe Precinct, E. M. Baker was named chairman, Mrs. R. R. White, vice-chairman and T. M. Lane, secretary.

All candidates in their respective precincts for the county supervisors of elections, registrars and judges of election in the May primary election were endorsed by the convention.

Unpledged delegates to the State Convention were named as follows: W. F. Ainsley, Mrs. Irene Tyre, Mrs. Florence Lane, Mrs. Ethel Lane, Mrs. Nettie Symons, Mrs. Ruth Burden, Mrs. Annie P. Asbell, Mrs. Lessie L. Winslow, Miss Lelia Lee Winslow, Mrs. Atha Tunnell, Mrs. Ruth Hollowell, Mrs. Ruth Chappell, Mrs. Ruth Hill, Mrs. Ruth Copeland, Mrs. Ruth Lane, Mrs. Ruth Nixon, Mrs. Ruth Stallings, Mrs. Ruth Winslow, Mrs. Ruth Jackson, Mrs. Ruth Symons, Mrs. Ruth Tyre, Mrs. Ruth Umphlett, W. H. Pitt, W. Ray White and W. F. Ainsley.

For Parkville Township, G. W. Jackson was elected chairman, with Mrs. Nettie Symons as vice-chairman and J. P. Hollowell.

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Commencement At Perquimans High Begins On May 20

The Rev. Earl Meekins, pastor of the Methodist churches of the Perquimans charge, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon in the first of the series of commencement exercises of the Perquimans High School on next Sunday, May 20.

The Rev. James C. Mattox, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church will assist in the service, which will be held in the auditorium of the school at 8 'clock in the evening. The choir will be composed of the members of the Glee Club.

Valedictorian this year is Judy Winslow and Sarah Sutton is salutatorian.

Class day exercises will be held on Monday night, May 28, and the commencement exercises, when the 53 members of the graduating class will receive their diplomas, will take place the following night Tuesday, May 29.

Goal Falls Short In Red Cross Drive

Mrs. Jack Burbage, chairman of the Red Cross drive for Perquimans County, who today submitted the report given below, states that while the amount received to date, $978.78, falls short in the amount of $425 of the goal of $1,400, she wishes to thank all those who took part in the drive. She also suggests that if there are solicitors who have not yet finished, that their final report be turned in to A. W. Hefren. Red Cross chairman, as early as possible.

Following is the report broken down:

Hertford and surrounding area, businesses	$389.75
Hertford residential area	265.82
Winfall residential	45.14
Home Demonstration Clubs	
Beech Spring	37.95
Snow Hill - White Hat	50.37
Bethel	13.80
Burgess	2.30
Whiteston	54.65
Helen Gaither	4.00
Winfall	6.50
Negro Demonstration Clubs	53.95
Hertford Negro residential area	52.05
Total	$978.78

Student Council Selects Officers

The annual election of officers for the student council at Perquimans High School was conducted last Wednesday and results announced as follows by E. C. Woodard, principal of the school:

President-elect of the Council is Edgar Fields; vice president, Kay Matthews; secretary, Lois Byrum; treasurer, Shelby Jean Overton; sergeant-at-arms, Hazel Matthews; cheerleaders, Beckie Gregory and Gloria Stallings; pianist, Letitia McGoogan; song leaders, Kay Spear and Johnnie Phillips.

Albemarle League Planning To Open Season On June 5

The Albemarle League, last semi-pro baseball circuit, is ready to operate again. That was decided at a meeting held Wednesday night in Hertford at which time six towns announced that they were ready to go.

The league this season will be composed of Elizabeth City, Hertford, Chowan and Colerain from last year's campaign, and Camden and Williamston, newcomers. It had been hoped that two other entries could be secured from Edenton, Plymouth and Windsor but nothing official was heard from those towns and it was decided to proceed on the basis of a six-club league.

A. W. Hefren, of Hertford, was reelected president of the league and Edgar Morris, also of Hertford, as vice-president.

Play will begin on Tuesday, June 5 and each club will play 30 games at the rate of three games a week, contests being scheduled for Tuesday, Thursday and Friday nights except at Williamston which plans to play at home on Saturdays and Sundays instead of two of the earlier week days.

Johnny Pavlich, former Edenton catcher, was named head umpire for the coming season. Other arbiters are Edgar Rogerson, Irvin Seymour, Bud Cayton and Dutch Overton, all of whom saw service in the league last season.

President Hefren said much enthusiasm was shown at the meeting and he was confident that this year's league would be much stronger and would offer the fans of this section plenty of fine entertainment during the summer months.

Those present at the meeting sought to tighten up the league's rules. They decided on a 22 player limit with no changes in team rosters being permitted after July 5. The director also decided that no player could participate in the championship playoffs at the end of the season unless he had appeared in at least five regular season games.

While expressing regret over the loss of Edenton and the Weeksville NAF from last year's circuit, President Hefren said he was glad to welcome Camden and Williamston into the fold. "Things look mighty good for a good season of baseball," he commented.

$150 Raised In Cancer Campaign

It was announced Wednesday that $150 towards the $1,000 goal has been reported to the treasurer, Mrs. F. A. McGoogan with only a few workers reporting thus far in the 1956 cancer crusade.

Every worker is urged to contact those in his or her territory and report to the treasurer at the Hertford Banking Company or to Mrs. J. Elton Hurdle at the Hollowell Chevrolet Company.

"Perquimans has met and topped its goal for seven years," said Mrs. Hurdle, "and I am confident we will do it again this year." She urged everyone who has not been seen by a volunteer worker to mail a contribution to her as soon as possible because as perhaps in no other year has the crusade given such promise. She further stated, "While we patiently inform people of the facts about the disease, facts which may save them, and while doctors increase their tools and skills to eliminate cancer as best they can, determined scientists are searching for the answers. No man can say when these answers will come, or from what source, but they are inevitable. Let us here in Perquimans County do our part to conquer cancer, and fight cancer with a checkup and a check this week."

PTA Installs New Group Of Officers

The last meeting of the school year of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Hertford Grammar School was held Thursday night in the lunch room f the high school.

Mrs. Jack Brinn, president, presided, and devotions were conducted by Mrs. Henry Clay Sullivan.

The chief business of the meeting was the installation of officers elected at the last meeting, which was in charge of Miss Thelma Elliott, school principal.

Due to the measles epidemic, the program scheduled to be given by the Cub Scouts was cancelled, since so many of this group were unable to attend.

E. C. Woodard, principal of the Perquimans High School, displayed to the audience the two beautiful flags purchased by the PTA and the Cub Scout organization.

After adjournment the teachers were hostesses at a refreshment hour, following which the parents were invited to visit the various rooms where their children were taught, as well as any other rooms of the high school they desired to see.

Teachers Selected For New Contracts In County Schools

Perquimans County school authorities have completed the task of electing and approving teachers for four of the five county schools for the 1956-57 school term, it has been reported by J. T. Biggers, County Superintendent. No action has been taken, as yet by the Board of Education on the members of the faculty at Perquimans Training School.

J. T. Biggers, Superintendent of Schools, stated several vacancies exist in the teachers' list but he is hopeful these vacancies will be filled within a short period of time.

Teachers elected for the next term are: Perquimans High School: E. C. Woodard, principal, Dr. Harold White, Mrs. Joann W. Stallings, Mrs. Anne E. Jessup, Isaac P. Perry, Jr., Herman H. Gurkin, Miss Nancy Zachary, Mrs. Dorothy W. Barbee, Joseph L. Tunnell, Miss Frances Newby, Miss [illegible] Dail, Mrs. [illegible], [illegible] Joseph A. Williams.

Perquimans Grammar School: Thomas Maston, principal, Miss Margaret White, Miss Johnnie White, Mrs. Myrtle O. Wood, Mrs. Lucile White, Mrs. Bertha Lane, Mrs. Eugenia Beck, Mrs. Ruth Burden, Mrs. Annie P. Asbell, Mrs. Lessie L. Winslow, Miss Lelia Lee Winslow, Mrs. Atha Tunnell.

Hertford Grammar School: Miss Thelma Elliott, principal, Mrs. Grace M. Costen, Miss Mary E. Sumner, Mrs. Mary E. Walters, Mrs. Ira H. Eure, Miss Dorcas Knowles, Mrs. Pat Williams, Miss Mildred Reed, Miss Louise Chalk.

King Street School: LeGrande Summerset, principal, Mrs. Hazel O. Beamon, Mrs. Hattie Riddick, Dewey Newby, Mrs. Cleo Z. Felton, Miss Jessie L. Sharpe, Mrs. Dorothy H. Newby, Mrs. Jessie L. Skinner, Miss Nellie Holley, Miss Elisa S. Perry, Mrs. Geraldine B. [illegible]

Carlton Edgar Cannon Dies Sunday Night

Carlton Edgar Cannon, prominent Hertford grocer, died at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City Sunday night at 11:27 after a long illness.

A son of the late William H. and Blanche Cannon, he was a native and life-long resident of Hertford and a member of the Hertford Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mornie Cannon; two daughters, Mrs. Bob Keaton and Miss Cornelia Cannon, and five sisters, Mrs. Ed Everett, Mrs. Dan Reed, both of Hertford, Mrs. Tom White of Roper, Mrs. Theron Johnson of Smithfield and Mrs. Clarence L. Twiford of Elizabeth City.

Funeral services were held at the Lynch Funeral Home in Hertford at 3:30 o'clock on Tuesday with the Rev. James C. Mattox, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, officiating and burial was made in Cedarwood Cemetery, Hertford.

Music was furnished by members of the choir of the Hertford Baptist Church with Mrs. J. Ellie White at the organ. "Sometime We'll Understand" was sung.

The casket was covered with a pall of red and white carnations.

Pallbearers were Julian A. White, Ernest Long, Raymond Stanton, Durwood F. Reed, George W. Barbee, Howard Matthews and J. E. Morris.

All stores in Hertford were closed during the hour of the funeral.

INJURED IN FALL

Mrs. B. G. Keaney is confined to her home by injuries received in a fall on Tuesday. Though her injuries are not believed to be serious, Mrs. Keaney was very painfully hurt and suffered [illegible]