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Tentative Budget Items Considered By Commissioners

County Commissioners were in a long and busy session here last Monday giving consideration to a varied agenda including tentative budget matters for the 1958-59 fiscal year which starts July 1.

During a conference with extension workers Mrs. Nancy Lilley tendered her resignation as county home agent, effective June 15 and this was accepted by the Board. Mrs. Paige Underwood, assistant home agent, was named to succeed Mrs. Lilley and Miss Ha Grey McIlwain of Craven County, who is graduating from Woman's College this term, was elected to the post as assistant home agent.

On budget matters for next year the Commissioners voiced tentative approval for appropriations for the Welfare Department, calling for cash outlay of \$158,854.00 of which the county will provide \$18,400.00; expenditures for debt service will amount to \$58,100, covering payment of county bonds and interest on the bonds.

Indications are the Poor Fund budget for next year will remain about the same as the current year, calling for a two cent tax levy; \$1,396 was approved for assistance to the blind; \$2,250 for forestry service and \$1,400 for the county library.

All of these budget items are subject to reconsideration before final adoption expected at the June meeting of the Board when final action will be taken on the entire budget.

The Board also went on record instructing the Sheriff to advertise all property on which 1957 taxes had not been paid during the month of June and to sell the tax liens on Monday, July 7.

Varied Docket In Recorder's Court At Term Tuesday

A varied docket, consisting of 18 cases, was disposed of in Perquimans Recorder's Court here on Tuesday with Judge Chas. E. Johnson presiding.

Ten defendants, Perry McInturf, James Owens, John Kelly, Ralph Lore, Anthony D'Amico, William Jacques, J. A. Drewry, Bill Green, William Ward and E. J. Murad, entered pleas of guilty to charges of speeding and each paid the costs of court.

Joseph Henry, charged with speeding, failed to appear in court to answer the charges and he was ordered apprehended and held for a \$50 bond.

Oliver Riddick and Dennis Jones, Negroes, submitted to charges of operating trucks exceeding the height limit and each of the defendants paid the costs of court.

Linwood Privott and Archie Boone, Negroes, were found guilty on charges of assault with deadly weapons. Each defendant was given a 30 day jail sentence to be suspended upon payment of fines of \$25 and costs of court.

Ernest Riddick, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to charges of being drunk and disorderly. He was given a 60 day sentence, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$25 and costs.

Linwood Privott, Negro, was given a 30 day suspended sentence and ordered to pay a fine of \$25 and costs after he pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting his wife.

William Carter, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of trespassing. He was ordered to pay the costs of court and a 60 day sentence was suspended on condition he stay away from the residence occupied by his wife.

Cancer Fund Now Totals \$838.33

Contributions to the annual Cancer Fund in Perquimans County have reached \$838.33, it was reported Tuesday by the drive chairman. The committee is hopeful the amount will reach \$1,000 by the time all reports are turned in by solicitors. The committee desires to bring the drive to a close immediately. Therefore, solicitors are urged to make final reports by Saturday of this week.

Negro Home Clubs Observe Nat'l Week

Negro Home Demonstration Clubs are joining others in the nation this week in observance of National Home Demonstration Club Week. Church services were held last Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Hertford and featured the 100 baby contest.

On Tuesday night the clubs conducted a countywide dress revue and a tour of home demonstration club projects was taken on Thursday. A third program on health was held Thursday night and this featured a film on cancer. The Club Council urged all members to join during the week in a clean-up campaign.

Perquimans Girl Captures Honors At Fatstock Show

Perquimans County 4-H Club members have been busy this week in the 13th annual Albenale Fat Stock Show and Sale held at Scott and Halstead Produce Terminal on the Weeksville highway in Pasquotank County.

In the first event of the two day show and sale, the Perquimans County 4-H livestock judging team did the best job of placing and giving oral reasons that they have done since these boys have been judging as a team. Wayne Howell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Howell, scored 274 points; Vernon Winslow, son of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Winslow, scored 269 points; Ed Nixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Nixon, scored 266 points and Ed's brother Billy scored 63 points. The low score is dropped and the three highest make a team of 909 points out of a possible 900. These boys won high individual honors in the order listed. Although Billy's score was dropped, he had the fourth highest score in the contest.

The second place team scored 740 points which was 69 points below Perquimans. Seven teams participated in the contest.

The next events were the official judging of the individual hogs and pens of three hogs. Louise Chappell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chappell, showed the individual champion hog. Vernon Winslow showed the third place individual and Bryant Miller, Jr., showed the fourth place individual hog.

In the steer division, Louise Chappell showed the grand champion. Sebie James, son of S. R. James of Pasquotank won reserve champion steer.

The best county three was won by Pasquotank County and Perquimans placed second with steers shown by Louise Chappell, Clyde Lane and J. A. Bray.

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Four outstanding North Carolina farm youths have won the state's highest 4-H Club award—an expense paid trip to Washington, D. C., and the 28th National 4-H Club Conference, June 14-20. L. R. Harrill, state 4-H Club leader, announced winners of the coveted award as Charles E. Graham of Polkton, Rt. 2, Jean Edwards of Hertford, and Manly Wilder of Middlesex, Rt. 2.

Each of the delegates has an outstanding record of 4-H Club work, including achievement, leadership and community service. Miss Edwards, 18, has attended National 4-H Club Congress previously. She attended the Chicago event as an official delegate following her triumph in 1956 as state health winner. She is now a senior at Perquimans County High School. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ed-

wards. "The trip to the Nation's Capital and National 4-H Conference will come as a highlight to years of diligent work in the 4-H program, both with their own projects and with younger club members," declared Harrill. "The entire state should be proud that we have such outstanding young people among us."

A great deal more than just a sight-seeing tour of Washington, the trip will afford many new opportunities for the four young people. They will visit places of interest, confer with national leaders and associate with fellow 4-H'ers from other states. Theme of this year's conference is "Focus on the Future." The delegates' program will be planned to help young people gain a clearer perspective of the multiple influences affecting their lives in these rapidly changing times.

Wilkinson gave many illustrations of the need to improve educational standards in North Carolina, especially in counties which do not provide additional support for education such as Perquimans County will have an opportunity to provide by voting on May 31. After his address, Mrs. H. C. Sullivan, co-chairman of the Citizens' Committee, led a discussion period, with questions and answers from the audience.

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Safe crackers looted a bank in Canada during the past weekend and made away with more than \$2 million in bonds, checks and cash. However, one of the robbers dropped a bank book amid the debris made by the looters and this led police authorities to a man who was apprehended with two suitcases containing most of the loot.

President Eisenhower on Tuesday called for approval of the Administration's plan for reorganization of the military. Congress has been conducting hearings on the plan and reports from Washington indicate sentiment is divided fairly equal on the program. It appears the Congress will consolidate the services into a more compact unit but will leave actual operations pretty much as they now exist.

Damage to the truck was said to be "severe" with an estimate of \$1,000 to \$1,500 being offered. The car was a "complete loss," Incoe said. After the collision the truck went into a ditch on the right side of the road. Investigation is continuing.

John H. Satchwell, 83, died on Thursday morning at about 3 o'clock after an illness of five months. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lucile Nixon Satchwell; one son, Thomas Satchwell of New York; two daughters, Mrs. Dan Morrill of Mantoe and Mrs. Jesse Meeks of Craddock, Va.; one sister and six grandchildren.

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Committee Seeks Favorable Vote For Better Schools

The movement for better education in Perquimans County is an inspiring example that may point the way for other counties in the state. At least that is the opinion of Governor Luther Hodges, as reported by Ray Wilkinson of Rocky Mount in his address last week in the Perquimans High School auditorium. The meeting was sponsored by the Perquimans County Citizens Committee for Better Schools in the interest of securing a favorable vote of the people for better schools on May 31.

Insisting that a good education is not a luxury, but a bare necessity for mere survival in the modern world, Mr. Wilkinson challenged his audience with the statement, "You are never too poor to teach your children to survive." As he began his talk, he called attention to the increased interest in American education which has led to much discussion of means to improve our schools. "People are beginning to realize," he said, "that our schools are our means of teaching our children to survive, just as primitive man in the dawn of human history taught his children to protect themselves from wild beasts and to pitch their tents in places where their flocks and herds would be safe. The skills which men need for survival change from age to age, and hence education must keep pace with present needs, or it will fail to teach the coming generation to survive in a highly scientific and industrialized age."

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Navy Accelerates Program At Harvey Point; Requests \$11.5 Million For Next Year

In a communications with The Weekly on Thursday of last week, Congressman Herbert C. Bonner reported the Navy has requested a huge \$11.5 million for construction work at Harvey Point, NAS, Hertford, for the fiscal year starting July 1, 1958. Congressman Bonner advised this reporter there is every indication that the proposed construction will be authorized by the Congress.

According to reports, it appears the Navy plans a speed-up on the reactivation of the local base which will be the home port for the Martin SeaMaster plane, now undergoing tests by the manufacturer and Navy crews. The request for additional funds for Harvey Point was included in the over-all military construction program for the coming fiscal year. Projects for Harvey Point NAS, as set out in the request for authorization, included aircraft parking area, navigation aids, seadrome lighting, mooring buoys, training building, hangers, dispensary, administration building, barracks, mess hall, bachelor quarters and ground drainage.

Hearings on the proposed construction will be conducted by the Armed Services Committees of the House and Senate after which, providing the authorization is approved, appropriations to carry out the building program will be sought.

Three construction projects are now underway at the local base and bids for three more projects, estimated to cost around \$3.5 million will be received by the Fifth Naval Office late this month.

The size of the 1959 request for Harvey Point indicates the Navy is giving the Harvey Point base priority in its construction program. The base is designed primarily for the operation of the Martin four-jet plane now in a third series of pre-operational tests.

It has been reported the Martin Company has six models of the test and evaluation SeaMaster under construction and 18 of the operational production models are being built.

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er than had been anticipated. It has been reported the over-all costs for the reactivation of Harvey Point NAS will run close to \$40 million.

This reporter also learned this week that engineering crews from the Navy have been carrying out surveys at the base site during construction at the Hertford base apparently is geared to an expectation that the SeaMaster planes the past 10 days in preparation

for the program plans for the next 12 months.

The Commandant of the Fifth Naval District has designated Thursday, June 12, as a date when official groundbreaking ceremonies will be conducted at Harvey Point. A number of Navy officers, Congressman Herbert C. Bonner and other special guests will be present for the occasion and the ceremony will be open to the public.

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Indians Play Aces Here Friday Night

Baseball fans will have the opportunity of attending the first night game of the season when the Edenton Aces play Perquimans High on Memorial Field in Hertford Friday night. Game time is eight o'clock. The contest will be important for the Indians. By winning, Perquimans can tie for the Albemarle Conference title with Williamston.

The right to participate in the state play-offs will be determined by a drawing in the event the conference ends in a tie for the championship.

After losing to Ahoskie last week the Indians moved back into the conference title picture by defeating Edenton 8-2 in a contest played in Edenton last Friday afternoon. Parker Chesson limited the Aces to three hits as his teammates collected eight safeties off the Edenton pitchers, Bunch and Harrell.

Chesson relieved Wellie White in the first inning after Edenton had tied the score at one-all.

A hit batsman, a walk and White's single to center gave Perquimans a run in the first, one the Aces matched without benefit of a hit. It came on walks to Buck Wheeler, Claude Barrette, Marvin Ashley and Henry Overton.

Perquimans got another in the second when Tommy Tilley doubled off the left field wall and scored on a sacrifice fly. In the third the Indians took advantage of Edenton's defensive lapse to plate five runs. Three big errors figured in the scoring and Chesson's double, a drive that was handled poorly, plated two of the markers. The final Indian run came in the fifth on Wheeler's single, an error and Chesson's single to left.

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Methodist Church Holds Conference And Elects Board

Officers and committees for the First Methodist Church, Hertford, were selected for the year 1958-59 at the fourth quarter conference of the church, held here last Friday night with the Rev. C. Freeman Heath, presiding.

Elected to membership on the Official Board were: Stewards, V. N. Darden, J. W. Dillon, Jarvis Henry, J. R. Jarvis, Francis Nixon, W. H. Pitt, R. M. Riddick, Jr., Henry C. Stokes, Jr., A. H. Williams, Jack Brinn, Fenton Britt, John Decker, Charles Harrell, Moody Mathews, Jr., Jimmy Stallings, Marion Swindell, Joe Tunnell, Emory White, Max Campbell, Elton Hurdle, W. D. Landing, G. R. Tucker, Billy White, G. A. White, Kelly White, W. W. White, H. W. Winslow.

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