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Property Annexed By Town Board On Owners Petition

Acting on a petition presented by affected property owners, the Hertford Town Board, during its meeting Monday night, incorporated into the town a tract of land lying adjacent to Charles and Grubb streets at the west edge of the town limits.

Incorporated into the town was five home sites and 12 building lots and the Perquimans County Health Center. The petition presented by the property owners requested inclusion into the corporate limits of the town upon condition the town will carry out a drainage system for the area and curb the west side of Charles street and the south side of Grubb street, adjoining the new town line. The annexation petition also provides the town will furnish the area with all services now available to other residents of the town.

The action by the Board of Commissioners became effective with the adoption of the petition during the meeting of the Board.

The Commissioners also went on record favoring a change in the zoning ordinance providing that property owned by Mrs. C. E. Cannon and situated near the corner of West Academy street, on Market street, being rezoned from residential to business. Part of this property is now zoned for business and the owner requested the entire tract being zoned as a unit.

On motion adopted the Board granted a conditional deed to the Perquimans Library for the land and building now occupied by the library. Under the terms of the deed the property reverts to the Town and Board of Education in the event the site is not used as a library for a period of three years.

Mayor Darden advised the Board plans are being formulated for the installation of a new water well and it is now believed contracts for the work will be offered sometime around the first of June. The town has an option on a land site for the well and also a right of way for laying pipe from the well into the town plant.

Negro Youth Held For Superior Court

A 15-year-old Negro, James Riddick, is being held in Perquimans jail awaiting action by the grand jury at the October term of Superior Court on a series of charges of breaking and entering and burglary.

Riddick was taken into custody by Sheriff J. K. White last Monday after the sheriff had conducted an investigation of robberies at the White Grocery, Fred's Grocery and Winfall Service Station on the night of May 6.

Sheriff White reported he also followed up information on the burglary at the Ocia Whitehurst home in Winfall on the same night.

Riddick, according to Sheriff White, admitted he committed all of the offenses and that he took a small amount of merchandise and money from the stores and later broke into the Whitehurst home, but got scared when he heard Ocia Whitehurst call for her brother.

The young defendant waived preliminary hearing in Perquimans Recorder's Court Tuesday morning and Judge Chas. E. Johnson announced, with the consent of the District Solicitor, he set a bond of \$2,000 for the youth.

Perquimans FFA Entertains Dads

Members of the Perquimans Chapter of the Future Farmers of America entertained their dads and other special guests at a father-son barbecue chicken supper at the high school last Friday night. Some 150 persons attended the event. Free will contributions were given to the school fund.

County Allocated \$102,000 For Use Stream Clearance

The Federal Civil Defense Administration has approved \$102,000 for stream clearance projects in Perquimans County hit by hurricanes in 1955, it was announced from Raleigh last Friday.

The funds will be used to cover cost of clearing the streams which were clogged by debris during the hurricanes. Perquimans County officials made application for the funds two years ago and the allocation was made following investigation by the Army Corps of Engineers, which now has charge of such programs.

All projects submitted by county officials were not approved but allocation of funds was approved for the following: Bright's Millpond \$39,000, Sutton's Swamp, \$8,000, Bear Swamp \$35,000, Yeopim Creek \$5,000, and Perquimans River \$15,000.

It is understood all contracts for clearing the local rivers and swamps will be carried out under the direction and supervision of the Army Corps of Engineers.

Meeting Called To Organize Society

All Perquimans residents interested in the organization of a County Historical Society are requested to attend a meeting to be held at the Perquimans High School on Sunday morning, May 25, at 9:30 o'clock.

For a number of years there has been much talk concerning the formation of a historical society in Perquimans, the purpose of which will be to preserve and develop historical data of and for the people of the county, but up to now little effort has been expended toward the actual organization.

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Saturday Last Day To Register

W. A. White, chairman of the Perquimans Board of Elections, today reminded voters Saturday will be the final day for registration for the primary election to be held May 31. Persons already listed on the registration books need not register again to be eligible to vote in the election, but individuals not registered or who have moved from one precinct to another since the last election must register in the proper precinct in order to vote in the election.

Education Board Approves List Of County Teachers

The Perquimans Board of Education, meeting in regular session on Wednesday night of last week, approved the list of county school teachers as elected by the school committee. The board also adopted a budget for the 1958-59 fiscal year calling for expenditures from county funds amounting to \$333,000.

The board authorized the county superintendent, J. T. Biggers, to have a complete inspection of the electrical system of the Central Grammar School, aimed at providing immediate safety at this building.

Approved also was the establishment of a driver's education program in the schools during the coming year. Date for opening the fall term was set for September 2.

Teachers approved for the county schools for next year were:

Perquimans High School: R. C. Woodard, principal; Mrs. Eliza

Albemarle League Organized To Play Summer Baseball

After several weeks of indecision, the Albemarle semi-pro baseball league was organized for the coming season at a meeting held in Hertford on Monday night.

The meeting, called by T. P. Forehand, president of the league, was attended by representatives from Edenton, Hertford, Elizabeth City and Camtuck. These four teams will comprise the league this year and each team will play four games each week, two at home and two away.

Following the decision to operate the league this summer, a number of Hertford fans got together and elected Ralph Jordan as president of the local club. He has called a meeting of local fans and players for Friday night, at which time the Perquimans club will be organized and players accepted for the team.

Jordan announced the first practice session for the team will be held Sunday afternoon at the high school field and all players interested in playing for the Indians this summer are invited to attend the practice.

A schedule for the league is now being prepared and play is expected to get under way about the first week in June.

Jordan urges all fans and players interested in fielding a good team here to attend the meeting here Friday night, which will be held in the Court House starting at 8 o'clock.

Drivers' Rodeo At Maple Strip

The third annual rodeo for student school bus drivers, conducted under the auspices of the Governor's Traffic Safety Council will be held in this district at Maple Air Strip on May 20, starting at 9 A. M., it was reported by Mrs. Alice E. Futrell, driver education representative for this district.

Scholarship awards amounting to \$7,400 are offered in the State-wide contest and district winners will be eligible for \$100 scholarships. District winners will compete for the State championships at Chapel Hill.

Those who will represent Perquimans County in the rodeo will be Janice Chappell and Roy Chappell from Perquimans High School and Chester Mallory from Perquimans Union School.

PIANO RECITAL

The piano students of Mrs. R. Ralph White will present a music recital Tuesday night, May 20, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the Hertford Grammar School, and on Thursday, May 22, at 8 o'clock a program will be presented at Perquimans County Grammar School. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Guests include Archie T. Lane, chairman of the Perquimans County Board of County Commissioners and institutional representative of Explorer Post No. 155; Frank McGoogan, member of the Explorer Leaders' Council; and Joe Tunnell, president of the Hertford Lions Club, sponsor of the Post.

A new slate of officers for the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce were installed at a dinner meeting held at the Hertford Grammar School cafeteria last Wednesday night.

Installed as officers for the coming year were Keith Haskett, president; John Beers, vice president; Carl Woodward, secretary; D. A. Carver, treasurer; Jarvis Henry, State Director; Francis Nixon, State Goodwin and Charles Skinner, Jr., directors.

Following the dinner and installation of officers the Jaycees and their guests enjoyed a social hour at the VFW hall.

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ARMED FORCES DAY — 1958. After being airlifted to the site by helicopter, U. S. Marines deploy with rocket launchers, light machine guns, and rifles in an assault demonstration. Marine Corps installations will hold "open house" at which the public may see the men and equipment that provide security for the Nation and POWER FOR PEACE.

Scouts Hold Court Of Awards Monday

Explorer Boy Scout Troop No. 155 of Hertford held a Court of Awards Monday night in which the Explorer Scouts were paid recognition for their achievements.

Senior crew leader Larry Willis presided over the session and led in the pledge of the flag. The court was held at the Agriculture Building in the presence of invited parents and guests.

Explorer Larry Williams and assistant advisor Howard Felton are to receive Eagle awards on June 1 at a special program at Hertford Methodist Church during regular services, it was announced by Post advisor John Beers. He also said that Franklin McGoogan will receive the God and Country award at the same time.

Those receiving awards Monday night, as presented by Joe Tunnell, include McGoogan, Roland Tripp and Charles Barker, whose Explorer rating is apprentice Explorer; Allan Bonner, whose rating is navigation; Guy McCracken, whose rating is vocational and physical fitness; Carlyle Woodard, who received merit badges in nature and firemanship.

Howard Felton, merit badges in public speaking, firemanship, citizenship of the home, citizenship of the community, citizenship of the nation, swimming, life saving, wildlife management, cooking and camping; Larry Willis, Explorer rating of outdoor rating and merit badges for nature, public health, reading, wood carving and life saving.

Dean Britt, Explorer rating bronze award and physical fitness and merit badges in athletics, art, electricity, public speaking and firemanship, and Billy Willis, Explorer rating of apprentice Explorer and merit badges in first aid.

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Jaycees Install Officers Wed. P. M.

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County Motorcade To Campaign For Better Schools

The Perquimans County Citizens' Committee for Better Schools met Saturday night in the Court House for the purpose of discussing plans for the school vote in connection with the May 31 primary.

During the discussion it was pointed out that some people do not realize the necessity for a vote of the people to spend county tax money on schools. The law specifically states that the County Commissioners may not use tax money for "extras" in schools. Therefore, no matter how much tax money was available for schools, it could not be used to pay an additional teacher, for instance. No matter how much an extra teacher was needed he or she could not be paid from tax money without a vote of the people.

Also, the committee decided to remind voters that the request is for a maximum of 30 cents per \$100 valuation and that should the request be granted, the Board of Education would not even approach this amount in its requests for some time, if ever. Next year, should the vote be favorable, only a small amount would be asked for. The tax would be set to cover this small request. Each year the tax would be fixed to meet the urgent need. Taxes would not be set and then spent; the specific need would be stated and the County Commissioners would presumably set the rate to cover the defined need.

Plans were made for a motorcade to cover the main roads of the county on Friday, May 30, to remind voters to go to the polls the next day. The committee requests any person so wishing to join this motorcade to start at the Hertford Grammar School at 11:30 May 30.

The next meeting of the committee was set for Saturday night, May 24, at 7:30 at the Perquimans County Court House.

VFW Installs New Officers For Post

The Garland H. Ownley Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars held installation of officers on Friday night, May 9, at the Post home.

Approximately 40 members, wives and guests were present for the occasion. Miss Betty Brown presented a pantomime which was enjoyed by all.

Past Post Commander Jay Dillon was the installing officer. New Officers assuming duties were Henry C. Stokes, Jr., Commander; Emmett Landing, vice commander; Harry Hollowell, junior vice commander; Emory White, quartermaster; Broughton Dail, adjutant; Jarvis Ward, chaplain; C. C. Banks, trustee and welfare officer.

Invocation will be given by the Rev. James O. Mattox, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, followed by prayer by the Rev. Max Dulin, pastor of Epworth Methodist Church. The school glee club will then sing "Balm in Gilead" and "Go to Dark Gethsemane."

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Earl Redding, pastor of Piney Woods Friends.

Johnny Phillips will then sing "You'll Never Walk Alone," to be followed by benediction by Mr. Mattox.

The second exercise of the program will be conducted on Tuesday, May 27, when the members of the graduating class will hold their annual Class Night program.

Commencement exercises will be concluded on Wednesday night, May 28.

Marshals for the program will be Ray Winslow, chief, Letitia McGoogan, Beverly Tucker, Pauline Baccus, Katherine Sawyer, Linda Bass, Katherine Bonner, Paula Stoltz and Brenda Smith.

Mass Chest X-ray Survey Is Pending

The District Health Department announces that the health district will have an opportunity to have a mass chest X-ray survey from April 4-May 1, 1959, using two mobile X-ray units for the period of 30 days.

This will depend on a comparatively small appropriation from the four counties to pay for postage, clerks and other incidentals in connection with the survey. Further announcement concerning the survey will be made later.

Defendants Waive Hearing On Charge Of Store Robbery

TB Association Names Officers And Committees

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Pasquotank-Perquimans-Camden Tuberculosis Association held last Thursday, the following slate of officers were elected; Mrs. David Fearing, president; Dr. William Wassink, vice president; Edward Davenport, secretary and Dennis Morgan, treasurer.

New members of the board are Mrs. Donald Pugh, Mrs. Tommy Temple, Pasquotank; Mrs. Charles Payne, Perquimans, and E. W. Spence, Camden. The executive members are Dr. A. B. Bonner, Dr. J. H. Bonner, Everett Burgess, Roy Chappell, Archie Lane, J. H. Moore, C. C. Meigs and Paul Penny and R. L. Garrett, representative director.

Dennis Morgan who audited the books of the association, reported them in splendid condition. R. L. Garrett presented the budget for 1958-1959 as recommended by the executive committee, a total of \$6,632.89.

The highlight of the meeting was a program based on the five objectives of the TB Association and its activities, namely Christmas Seals, Health Education, Case Finding, Rehabilitation and Research. Mrs. Vernon James was narrator of the panel.

Mrs. Fearing reported a total of \$8,003.15 was realized from Christmas Seals from the three counties, to be used to carry the work forward year by year.

For 1957, in case finding, Mrs. Donald Pugh reported one death in three counties, 11 new cases, 22 in some TB hospital and 28 home on drugs.

A total of 535 students were tuberculin tested and 3,613 chest X-rays made in the two Health Departments.

The following committees were appointed:

Health Education, Mrs. T. P. Brinn and Mrs. C. P. Morris, Perquimans; Mrs. Victor Finck, Mrs. Fred Haney, Pasquotank; Mrs. Cecil Foster, Mrs. B. C. Cuthrell, Camden. Rehabilitation, Mrs. D. M. Jackson, Mrs. Russell Baker, Mrs. M. B. Taylor for Perquimans; Francis Griffin, Mrs. Lucien Morrisette, Mrs. Sadie Griffin, Pasquotank; Mrs. Vincent Leary, Camden. Telephone Committee, Mrs. T. P. Brinn, Mrs. Charles Payne, Perquimans. Social, Mrs. Victor Finck, Mrs. Cecil Foster, Mrs. Earl Perry and Mrs. Howard Whaley.

Perquimans Gains Play-Off Berth By Defeating Edenton

The Perquimans Indians were eliminated Williamston Friday afternoon.

Chesson fanned 10 Edenton batters and gave up three hits and one walk while his teammates collected six hits off Edenton pitcher, Harrell, along with two walks to score four runs.

Trueblood singled in the first, stole second and came home when Welly White hit a single and then went to third on a fielder's choice. One hit and one error by Perquimans accounted for the Edenton score in the second inning. Neither team scratched in the third and fourth, but Perquimans scored two more runs in the fifth on hits by Nixon and Wheeler, and two errors by the Aces.

Trueblood had a single and triple, while Wheeler collected two singles to lead the Perquimans batting. White and Nixon each had singles.

Four Negro youths, William Grimes, Bennie Bonds, Maurice Rowe and James Watson, all of Norfolk, waived preliminary hearings in Perquimans Recorder's Court here Tuesday on charges of breaking and entering the Ronald Bateman store at Woodville on the night of May 4 and also stealing a large amount of merchandise and cash. The defendants were bound over to the Superior Court for action by the grand jury at the October term of court.

Other cases disposed of by the court at this week's session included those of Dennis Jones, William Modlin and Cecil Graze, Negroes, each of whom paid the court costs after pleading guilty to charges of driving trucks exceeding the height limits.

Submitting to charges of speeding, Alphonzo Dail, Jr., paid a fine of \$10 and costs and Robert Spruill, W. L. Daley, William Hobbs, James Dubose and Willie Bunham each paid the costs of court.

The state took a nol pros in the cases in which Curtis Moore and William Smith, Negroes, were charged with using improper car registrations.

Royce Meekins and Arthur Bateman each paid the costs of court after submitting to charges of failing to yield the right of way.

Charlie Mullen, Negro, was ordered to pay the court costs after pleading guilty to a charge of driving on the left side of a highway.

William Moody Haskett and Charles Kilpatrick entered pleas of guilty to charges of driving drunk and each was ordered to

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County Democrats Hold Convention Perquimans High

The Democratic Party in Perquimans County was reorganized for the coming two years at a county convention held last Saturday afternoon in the Court House in Hertford and delegates named to the State Convention in Raleigh this week.

On motion duly adopted all officers and committeemen were re-elected at the County Convention and all Democrats in good standing were named as delegates to the State Convention if they desired to attend.

Heading up the county committee will be W. F. Ainsley, chairman; Mrs. Irene F. Towe, vice chairman; Max Campbell, secretary. Precinct chairmen are Charles E. White, Bethel; Joe H. Towe, Hertford; G. W. Jackson, Parkville; W. E. Dail, New Hope; C. C. Chappell, Sr., Belvidere and R. M. Baker, Nicanor.

Named to the State Executive Committee were J. Emmett Winslow, Congressional Executive Committee; W. F. Ainsley, J. H. Towe, Judicial Committee; C. R. Holmes, W. G. Edwards, State Senatorial Committee, W. H. Pitt; Solicitorial District Committee, Charles Johnson and S. M. Whedbee.

Lions Governor Speaker For Rotary

Robert Langley, District Governor of Lions International, District 31-J, will be the guest speaker at the 19th Anniversary party and ladies' night to be observed by the Hertford Lions Club at the Hotel Hertford on Friday night, May 16, at 7 o'clock. Langley will be introduced by Deputy Governor Phil Sawyer of Elizabeth City.

New officers for the local Lions Club were announced this week as follows: Claude Brinn, president; Russell Willis, first vice president; Louis Tarkington, second vice president; John Biggers, secretary-treasurer; R. R. White, tall twister; J. T. Lane, Lion tamer, and directors will be J. P. Byrum, A. T. Lane, Charles Harrell and J. T. Lane.