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Committee Cuts Funds Request For Harvey Point Base

The House Appropriations Committee on Tuesday, acting upon another committee's authorization for military funds for the current fiscal year, slashed some \$6 million from the amount requested for the Naval Air Station at Harvey Point, Hertford.

Previously, the Navy Department had requested \$11.2 million for construction at the base during the year 1958-59 and this request was given the approval by the Armed Services Committee, subject to the decision of the Appropriations Committee which has final authority in approving funds for government expenditures.

Of the amount cut from the request for funds \$4,830,000 was to go for construction of hangars and \$1,500,000 included other construction. In slashing the appropriations for Harvey Point, the committee, it was reported from Washington, decided construction at the site should be slowed down at least temporarily.

While the action by the committee this week cuts in half funds requested for construction this year, it is believed the backlog of contracts already awarded plus the some \$5 million now anticipated will provide a greater amount of construction work at the base during the year 1958-59.

Overall, the Appropriations Committee slashed some \$611 million from the huge 1 1/2 billion dollars requested for military spending during the year. Meanwhile work at Harvey Point is proceeding on schedule according to reports in Hertford. While the work, presently, is mainly confined to foundation construction, contractors are rapidly moving toward the point where additional building will start within the next 30 to 40 days.

Defendant Waives Hearing On Charge Of Manslaughter

Facing a charge of manslaughter which grew out of a fatal accident which happened on the morning of July 5, Gene Morgan, Negro, of the Edenton Air Station, waived preliminary hearing of the charges in Perquimans Recorder Court Tuesday morning and the case was moved up to the Superior Court. Bond for Morgan was set at \$500.

Other cases disposed of during the court term included those of William Raines, Milton Sevak, Linwood Dilday, Estella Nasse, William Crawford, Robert Cranstun, James Rohrer, Freddie Britton, Negro, Jon Ely and William Gray, each of whom paid the costs of court after submitting to charges of driving on the wrong side of a highway.

Fines of \$10 and court costs were taxed against Roscoe Barnes, Seth Perry and Johnny Wendow after each had submitted to speeding charges.

James Hathaway and William Gregory, Negroes, each paid the costs of court after pleading guilty to charges of driving on the wrong side of a highway.

Leroy Farless submitted to a charge of following a vehicle too closely and paid the court costs. Frederick Spivey was ordered to pay the court costs on a charge of failing to observe a stop sign.

James Dell submitted to a charge of destroying property and paid the costs of court and damages amounting to \$5.50.

James Roberts, Negro, was assessed the costs of court on a charge of failing to observe a stop sign.

Fines of \$100 and costs were assessed against Willie Clements, who was charged with driving on the wrong side of a highway.

Camera Stolen At High School

A 35-millimeter movie camera was stolen from Perquimans High School sometime during the past week-end, it was reported Tuesday by E. C. Woodward, school principal, who discovered the theft early Tuesday morning.

Entry to the principal's office, it was reported by Sheriff J. K. White, who is investigating the break-in, was gained by breaking through a front window. A screw driver, used in forcing open the window, was found by the Sheriff, who stated he is following up several clues left by the burglars.

New Postal Rates In Effect Thursday

New and higher postal rates go into effect at the Hertford Post Office after 5 P. M. on the afternoon of July 31, it was announced today by W. W. White, local postmaster. The new letter rate of four cents is effective following the final collection period next Thursday. Letters mailed after that time must carry four cents postage, White pointed out.

The Post Office Department, however, announced the five-cent penalty for short-paid postage has been suspended for the time being and will not go into effect again until October 1, 1958.

Mr. White announced the Hertford Post Office has a supply of the four-cent stamps, as well as cards and envelopes to be used under the new rate plan.

BPW Club Holds Hamburger Supper

The Perquimans Business and Professional Women's Club had a hamburger supper Thursday, July 17, at the home of Mrs. Miriam Haskett, with Mrs. Haskett and Mrs. Betty Swindell in charge of arrangements.

The following guests and members enjoyed the event: Mesdames Hattie Weaver Perry, Anne E. Harrell, Peggy McNider, Mary Dale Lane, Ballie McN. Lane, Alice Kanoy, Betty T. Swindell, Essie H. Burdage, Miriam Haskett, Dora T. Riddick, Viola Nachman, Marie S. Elliott, Misses Ila Gray McElwan, Thelma Elliott and Hulda Wood.

The regular business meeting will be held August 7 at 8 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Marie S. Elliott.

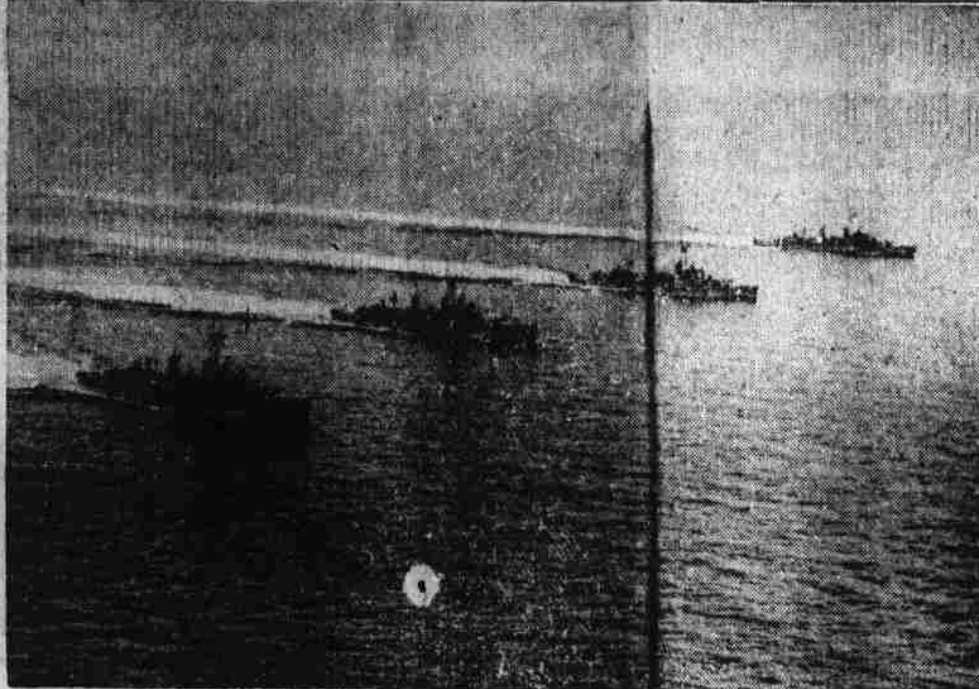
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PIANO RECITAL

Miss Jean Long will present her summer students in a piano and voice recital on August 9 at 8 P. M. in the Bethel Community Center. A reception will follow. The public is invited to attend.

Miss Long and her students will be performing in the recital.



SIXTH FLEET MOVES—The military coup in Iraq overthrew the pro-Western regime of King Feisal caused President Camille Chamoun of Lebanon to appeal to the United States for help. On direct orders from President Eisenhower, the Sixth Fleet, most powerful naval striking force in the world, moved to the Middle East with a detachment of 5,000 Marines. Destroyers of the fleet are shown in a recent photo. The Marines landed peacefully at Beirut, Lebanon.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

The UN Security Council adjourned Tuesday following the Russian veto of Japan's proposal for a settlement of the Middle East situation. The Soviet veto was expected but plans to call an emergency session of the United Nations, for the purpose of hearing debates, were cancelled pending a summit meeting of government leaders.

The United States and Britain agreed to a summit meeting at the UN but France failed to agree and, previously, India said her representatives would meet at a place and time agreed by the Western Allies. Russia had proposed a meeting for Geneva but it appeared the West desired to keep the discussions within the United Nations.

Meanwhile U. S. and British forces in Lebanon and Jordan are carrying out orders to maintain the status quo without apparent opposition from rebel forces in the areas. Reports have stated the presence of foreign troops within the two nations has brought about a rift among supporters of the present governments.

Preliminary reports issued in Washington early this week revealed the U. S. budget was in the red by about \$3 billion at the end of the fiscal year on June 30. Officials predict a deficit for the current year running between 10 and 12 billion dollars.

Economic advisers to the President reported Tuesday the nation's economy has definitely swung upward from its recession low of this year. Total output of goods has increased although unemployment records continue spotty throughout the country. The report stated the decline in sales of durable goods such as autos and appliances has halted.

Local Scouts Home From Summer Camp

Eleven Boy Scouts of Hertford Troop 135 returned home Saturday from Camp Darden after spending a week at the summer camp. Classes in swimming, archery and woodcraft skills were enjoyed, as were other advancements in Scouting.

Attending the camp were Carlyle and Charles Woodward, John Stallings, Guy McCracken, Jimmy Bonner, Eddie Miller, Howard and Michael Harvey, Price Mondak, Jerry Sullivan, Clark Harris and C. E. Woodard, counselor.

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County Board Acts To Assure Stream Clearing Program

Carolyn Hilley Weds Joseph Butt

Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church was the scene of a lovely wedding uniting Miss Carolyn Earl Hilley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hilley of Elizabeth City and Joseph Earl Butt, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Butt of Route 3, Hertford.

The vows were spoken at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, July 12, in a setting of white gladioli, palms and candlelight.

Dr. R. W. Kicklighter, pastor, heard the wedding vows. Gordon Sanders played the wedding music and accompanied Bobby Jones, who sang "Because" and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, Ernest Morgan, wore a wedding gown of nylon chiffon over taffeta designed with a V neckline and full skirt. Her veil of illusion fell from a coronet of seed pearls. She carried a white Bible topped with a white purple throated orchid and showered with streamers.

Mrs. Ernest Morgan, sister-in-law of the bride, was her only attendant. She also wore white nylon over taffeta, harmonizing accessories and carried a pink nosegay.

William Ownley of Elizabeth City was best man. Ushers were Cosby Morgan of Washington, D. C., C. D. Barell of Durants Neck, Frank Ownley of Elizabeth City and Charles Smith of Hertford.

Mrs. Mary Huebeck was mistress of the ceremony. For her daughter's wedding Mrs. Hilley wore a navy blue dress with white accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

The bridegroom's mother also wore blue with pink accessories and a corsage of pink carnations.

Employment Office Now Established At Harvey Point Base

The Employment Security Commission has announced that a field office will be established at the Harvey Point Navy Base. The office will be located at the entrance to the base and will be open from 7 A. M. to 4 P. M. Mondays through Fridays.

Charles T. Skinner will be interviewer in charge of this office, which operates for the convenience of both job seekers and contractors. Milton Bass, manager of the Edenton office, stated that having the office located at the base would be a great convenience to the men and women who are working at the base.

Commissioners for Perquimans County, meeting here in special session last Friday night, acted to pave the way for the county to participate in a \$102,000 stream clearance project previously approved by the Federal Civil Defense Administration.

The project is to be carried out under contract with the Army Corps of Engineers, supervising the work.

Local government officials were notified last week that the county, in order to secure this stream clearance program, must grant the right of egress and ingress to areas where the work will be conducted. A rather lengthy resolution set forth this permission was adopted by the commissioners during the special meeting and the resolution has been forwarded to the Corps of Army Engineers at Wilmington.

The program set up for Perquimans County includes five projects and calls for \$39,000 to be spent clearing debris from the Bright's Millpond; \$8,000 at Sutton's Swamp; \$35,000 for Bear Swamp; \$5,000 for Yeopim Creek and \$15,000 for Perquimans River. Invitations have been issued to contractors to submit bids for these projects and bids will be opened at the Wilmington office on August 6.

Persons interested in determining the actual location of the projects may examine maps prepared for the program which are on file in the office of the Register of Deeds.

In acting upon the request of the Army Engineers for the right of egress and ingress, the County Commissioners adopted the resolution in belief all landowners, adjacent to the areas where the work will be carried out, heartily favor the stream clearance program, but it was pointed out any objections voiced by such landowners will mean the project will be abandoned.

Actual work on the program is expected to get under way shortly after the Corps of Engineers award the contracts during the month of August.

Nine From County Attend 4-H Camp

Nine members of the Perquimans Negro 4-H Clubs attended the J. W. Mitchell 4-H Camp at Swansboro, during the week July 14-19, enjoying the facilities which provided opportunities to develop ideas of the 4-H Club program. Classes offered during the week included electricity, handicraft, recreation and swimming.

Members attending the camp were Sandra Newby, Nellie Zachary, Mary Skinner, Edith Jones, Jan Spruill, Joe Spruill, Jr., Ben Thompson, Jr., Cecil Gustin and Arthur Newby. They were accompanied by Mrs. J. E. Gustin.

Local Committee Named To Assist Service To Aged

The Governor's committee named to evaluate existing services to the aging people of North Carolina has appointed a number of county committees, including Perquimans, to coordinate the program outlined by Governor Luther Hodges.

Named to the local committee were persons representing state agencies and this group met and organized this week. Heading the Perquimans committee is John T. Biggers of the department of instruction, as chairman. Other members are Mrs. Paige Underwood of the Extension Service; Mrs. Charles Payne, department of public welfare and Mrs. S. M. Whedbee, county librarian.

The Governor's committee is interested in organizing 25 one-day county workshops to give further study to existing services offered the aged, identify needs and make recommendations for broadening services to the older residents.

Claude Brinn New Lions Club Prexy

New officers for the Hertford Lions Club for the year 1958-59 were installed at a meeting of the club held last Friday night at the Hotel Hertford. Installations were conducted by Phil Sawyer of Elizabeth City.

Heading the club officers will be Claude Brinn as president. Other officers are R. A. Willis, first vice president; Louis Tarkington, second vice president; John T. Biggers, secretary-treasurer; Ralph White, tail twister, and J. T. Lane, Lion tamer. Directors are Charles Harrell, J. T. Lane, A. T. Lane and T. P. Byrum.

During the business meeting the club voted to contribute a substantial gift to Miss Jean Edwards, N. C. Representative to the Miss Universe contest.

Committees appointed by the new president are: Joe Tunnell and T. P. Byrum, attendance; R. A. Willis and E. C. Woodward, boys and girls; C. T. Eley and A. H. Edwards, education; Sam Long, R. R. White and J. T. Lane, finance; Louis Tarkington and H. W. Winslow, community betterment; G. C. Buck, safety; R. M. Thompson, program; George Bellmon and A. T. Lane, agriculture; Charles Harrell, J. S. Bass and F. A. McGoogan, sight conservation.

Farm Tour Termed Very Educational

By R. M. THOMPSON
County Agent

Twenty-two farmers left Hertford on Tuesday morning, July 15, touring the Eastern Shore and Del Mar, Va., farming and industrial area. The farmers that participated in this tour are as follows: Joel Hollowell, Sr., Ray Godfrey, Warner Madre, Freeland Elliott, Charles White, Jesse White, Johnny Bray, George Winslow, Elmer Wood, Bailey Temple, Tom Banks, Ernest Sutton, Floyd Mathews, Leslie Perry, Philip Trinch, Preston Nixon, Claude Brinn, Melvin Owens, Joe Tunnell, George Bellmon, Marvin Caddy and R. M. Thompson.

It was hoped that there would be around 35 farmers that would participate in this tour, but due to conditions of crops, many farmers that intended to go could not.

Bagley Swamp Church To Hold Revival

A series of revival meetings will begin in the Bagley Swamp Pilgrim Church Friday evening, July 25, and continue through August 3.

The Rev. McCray Holmer of Kanierville will be the evangelist and the Rev. Joseph Crouse of Charleston, W. Va. will be the assistant evangelist and evangelist.

Contract For New Bridge Coming Up During Next Month

Sputnik III Seen By Two Residents

At least two Perquimans County residents viewed the Russian Sputnik Tuesday night of last week when the satellite orbiting around the earth passed across the county. Willis Williams of Route three, who has an interest in things celestial, after reading the satellite was due sometime during the evening, started watching for the Sputnik. At about 8:15 he saw the satellite approaching and called his father, Claude Williams to see the object. Both related the satellite was visible and could be seen turning as it orbited through the skies. They related it was much brighter than a star but there was no noticeable noise.

Local Car Dealer Given Area Post

R. L. Hollowell of Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Inc., Hertford, has been appointed an Area Chairman by the N. C. Automobile Dealers Association.

As such, Hollowell will be the liaison man between new car and truck dealers in Perquimans County and both the state organization and the National Automobile Dealers Association, reports Joe A. Watkins of Oxford, president of the state dealer group.

Watkins said Hollowell will keep the two associations informed on local happenings and opinions and will advise local dealers of state and national matters affecting the retail automobile business.

He also will conduct a joint membership drive of both organizations in the fall.

MASONS TO MEET

The Perquimans Masonic Lodge No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

Hertford Indians Continue To Pace Albemarle League

Hertford Indians continued to set the pace in the Albemarle League during the past week, winning games from Elizabeth City and Edenton, thus maintaining their 4 1/2 game lead in the league. Two games were played last week and will be played later.

Parker Chesson and McKay Riddick pitched the Indians to a 16-9 victory over Edenton here on Tuesday night. The Indians clobbered four Edenton pitchers for a cluster of hits while D. A. Carver and Johnny Morris both collected home runs. Edenton was no match for the hitting strength displayed by the Indians.

Last Friday night Hertford rallied to defeat Elizabeth City 14-6. The Indians exploded in the eighth inning to score 11 runs. An error by the Tars, with two men out, led to the rally started by Hertford.

Welly White and McKay Riddick did the pitching for Hertford, while Jim Curtis and Larry Barker held down the mound duties for Elizabeth City. The Tars scored two runs in the second, Hertford tied the count in the third, then Elizabeth City added two more in the sixth and eighth, holding a 6 to 3 advantage when the roof fell in and the Indians chalked up victory number 14 for the season.

Next week will mark the final round of play in the league for the regular season schedule, which finds Hertford playing at Elizabeth City on Tuesday and to Edenton on Thursday. Elizabeth City plays in Hertford on Friday.

Plans for construction of a new heavy-duty bridge across Raccoon Creek at the south edge of Hertford are proceeding rapidly, according to Mayor V. N. Darden, who announced on Tuesday afternoon he had been informed by a representative of the State Highway Commission bids for the new bridge will be offered during the August letting by the Commission.

Specifications for the bridge have not been revealed, but the official here Tuesday stated the approach to the bridge from Hertford will be filled and raised about four feet and that ditches now running alongside the road will be eliminated.

The project will be part of the plans of the State Highway Commission to provide heavy duty access roads to the Naval Air Station at Harvey Point. Governor Luther H. Hodges recently allocated a \$75,000 from his emergency fund toward completion of this bridge, and other funds will be provided by the state and federal governments.

Plans for the highways, as revealed by W. N. Spruill, resident engineer for the First Highway Division, calls for a four-lane highway to be constructed from a point near Burgess into the Navy base. Two highways, one leading from Hertford and the other beginning on Highway 17 near Light Nixon Fork will converge into the highway at Burgess.

At the present time trucks carrying heavy loads of materials for construction at the base are being detoured via secondary roads in Bethel Township due to the load limit on the bridge at Hertford. It has been reported these secondary roads are deteriorating due to excess loads traveling the route and for this reason local officials are urging a speed-up on construction of the highway leading from Hertford to the base.

Revival Meeting At Center Hill Church Begins August 3rd

Revival services are planned for Center Hill Baptist Church, Tyner, to begin August 3rd with the 11 o'clock service and to run each evening during the following week with services beginning at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. J. C. Meigs of Pageland, S. C., will be the guest evangelist. The music will be directed by the pastor of the church, the Rev. Henry V. Napier, with special music supplied by different churches in the community.

On Sunday night, August 3rd, the Great Hope Baptist Church choir of Hertford, will bring special music. On Monday, August 4th, the Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church choir of Tyner will have special music; on Tuesday, August 5th, Macedonia Baptist Church choir will bring special music; The Center Hill Baptist choir will also bring special music during the week.