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County Officials Start New Office Terms Next Mon.

County officials, elected to office in the general election on November 4, will assume their duties next Monday, December 1. Although there will be some changes in offices, only on the Board of County Commissioners the re-elected officials must again take oaths of office before starting their new term.

The swearing-in ceremonies will be conducted by Clerk of Court W. H. Pitt. The officials who will start new terms will be W. H. Pitt, Sheriff J. K. White, Recorder Judge Chas. E. Johnson, Treasurer D. F. Reed, Jr., Representative C. R. Holmes, State Senator J. Emmett Winslow, Coroner Dr. C. A. Davenport.

New commissioners will be incumbents R. L. Spivey and Warner Madre and Harry Winslow, George W. Baker and Elwood Nowell.

The present board of commissioners will conduct its final meeting next Monday morning, concluding all old business before adjourning and prior to a meeting of the new board.

Several appointive offices, those of recorder's clerk and deputies and county attorney, county solicitor and Court House custodian, are expected to be filled by the incoming board of commissioners.

Reorganization of the Board of Education, whose members were nominated in the May primary, will not take place until next April, following their appointment by the General Assembly.

Cub Scout Awards Set For Friday

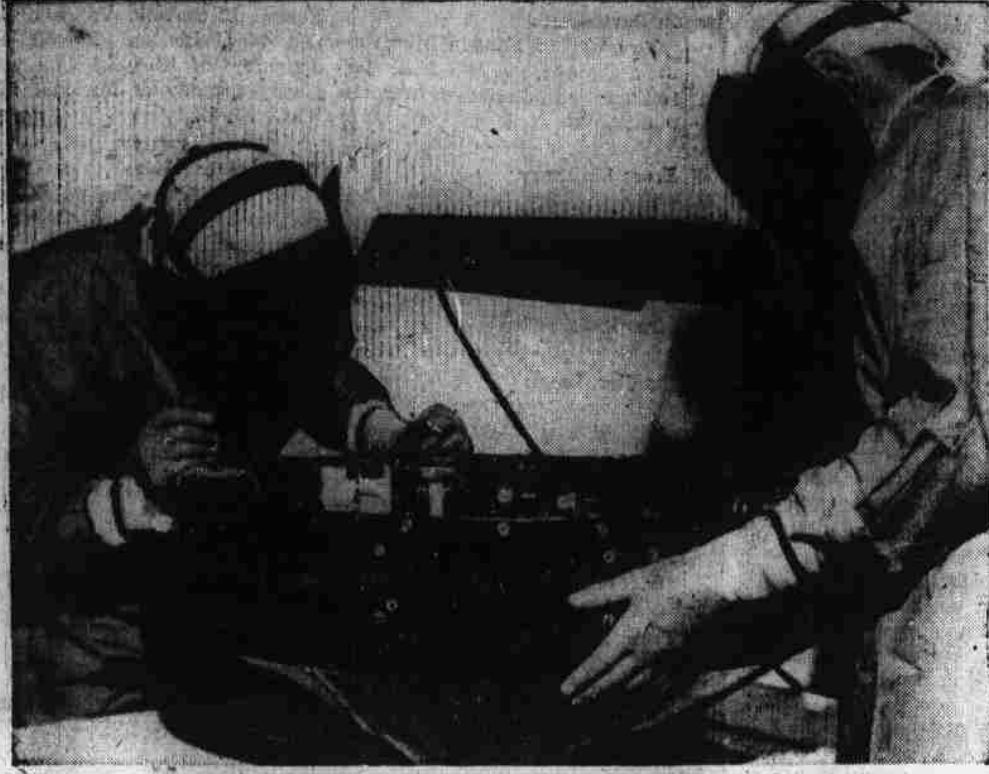
Cub Scout awards for achievement will be presented members of the Hertford units at a meeting to be held Friday night, November 28, at 7:30 o'clock at the Agriculture Building in Hertford, it was announced by D. F. Reed, Jr., Cub Scoutmaster, who will be in charge of the event.

Mr. Reed stated all parents and boys of Cub Scout age are urged to attend the meeting Friday, especially so if the youths are interested in becoming a Cub Scout.

Gates County Man Named Governor Of Ruritan Clubs

Paul F. Edmonds, mayor and banker of Gatesville, was elected governor of the Albemarle District of Ruritan National at the annual meeting held Thursday night at the Grammar School here.

Edmonds, who succeeds John Biggers of Hertford as district governor, formed the first Ruritan Club in North Carolina in 1934 and since that time has been very active in all of the organization's projects. In assuming his post Edmonds said:



SPACE DOCTORS—Using ultraviolet rays, these two scientists sterilize the recording instruments of the Pioneer moon rocket. The precaution was taken to insure that the rocket, had it reached the moon, would not have contaminated the planet's surface, which could hinder future studies.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Post Office Being Geared To Take Care Of Holiday Rush

Postmaster W. W. White is pleased with the prompt response to his recently announced "Mail Early For Christmas" campaign. He says, "The biggest single factor in getting all mail delivered before Christmas is the full cooperation of the public in early mailing of all Christmas cards and gifts. Post Office facilities have been expanded, extra personnel will be available, and everything is geared up to handle a record Christmas mail in the Post Office this year."

With Christmas only a month away, the Postmaster says it's not a bit too soon to start following these three simple rules to insure delivery of gifts before Christmas: Wrap them securely, address them correctly and mail them early.

The Postmaster says no chances should be taken on mailing poorly wrapped packages. Use corrugated mailing cartons, plenty of heavy brown wrapping paper, and be sure that every package is tied with strong cord. Cartons containing several gift packages should be stuffed with tissue or old newspapers to cushion the contents.

The Postmaster also reminds that size and weight limitations for Parcel Post packages vary according to place of mailing and destination. He suggests securing Pamphlet No. 2 at the Post Office, which tells all about packaging and wrapping parcels. Always include an extra label with return address and the recipient's address inside the carton or package before it is wrapped.

"Careful addressing of your Christmas cards is equally important," Mr. White says. "Bring your Christmas card mailing list up-to-date and be certain that you have the complete name, address, zone number, city and state for everyone on your list. Always send your Christmas cards by First Class Mail. They will be processed and delivered quicker and they'll be forwarded or returned, if it becomes necessary. Christmas cards sent by First Class mail may carry written messages; whereas, cards sent with Third Class three cent postage may only have a written signature."

Two Indians On Conference Team

Two players on Perquimans High football team were selected for conference honors by coaches and players of the league. Proctor was named right tackle and Bev Tucker received the post as right end. The Albemarle Conference team was composed of the two from Hertford, three from Edenton, three from Ahoskie, two from Williamston and one from Plymouth.

Choir To Present Musical Program

The choir of New Hope-Woodland Methodist Churches will present a musical program, "Sermon in Song," at the New Hope Church on Sunday night, November 30, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

Patrol Asks For Safer Highways

With the holiday season at hand, Highway Patrolmen of this district under Sgt. Logan Lane, are increasing their efforts to hold down the mounting toll of highway deaths due to accidents. In recent weeks the accident rate has shown a steady climb and the patrolmen urge motorists to give them assistance by using increased caution while driving on the state highways.

Alarmed over the sudden jump in the accident rate, the patrolmen will work diligently to reduce this trend.

Board Of Education In Meeting Monday

Perquimans Board of Education met here in special session last Monday night to consider a number of matters pertaining to the county school system. The board voted to purchase five extinguishers, as recommended by the Division of Insurance, State Board of Education. These fire extinguishers are to be placed in the county schools adding to existing fire protection. Purchase of the extinguishers, it was reported by J. T. Biggers, superintendent, will result in a lower rate for fire insurance on local schools.

Clarence C. Chappell, board chairman, and Mr. Biggers were named by the board to appear before the County Commissioners next Monday to give a report on school construction and needs for additional construction as planned by the Board of Education.

No action was taken by the board in filling vacancies on the faculty at Perquimans High School and Hertford Grammar School, the vacancies to occur at the Christmas holidays.

Another Cancer Clinic December 5

The Northeastern Cancer Clinic will be held on Friday afternoon, December 5, with registration beginning at 1 o'clock. A free chest X-ray will be given to anyone wishing it along with the examination of the five areas of the body where cancer is most easily found and cured. There are no limitations as to sex, race, physical or economic status at the center. However, women should be 35 or more; men should be 40 or over unless referred by a doctor, or unless one of the "Seven Danger Signals" or "Symptoms" are present.

Only 30 people can be seen at the center each month due to limited facilities, so it is suggested that anyone who wishes to be assured of an appointment should write the Cancer Center, Health Department, Elizabeth City, N. C., for a priority. Examinees are asked to bring a robe or housecoat with them.

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

Heavy Docket In Recorder's Court Here Last Tuesday

A busy session of Perquimans Recorder's Court was held here last Tuesday when 33 cases, most of them of the traffic violation variety, was disposed of during the term.

Sixteen defendants, all of whom submitted to charges of speeding, paid the costs of court plus fines as indicated following their names: Merlin Miller \$14.25, Frederick Douglas \$14.25, Donald Nunzio \$18.25, Jerry Nixon \$55, William Gregory \$5.25, John Von \$5.25, Lester Revell, Erwin Wright \$10.25, Martin Bruno \$16.25, Daniel Clarke \$10.25, Robert Thomas \$24.25, Joseph Bate-man \$6.25, William Hedgebeth \$10.25, Julius Ferebee, Norman Truitt \$9.25, Dorothy Dempsey \$9.25.

Verdicts of not guilty were returned in the cases in which Carl Barber was charged with speeding; Willie Bowe, Negro, was charged with driving drunk and Dallas Gilliam, Negro, was charged with non-support.

Fines of \$2 and costs were meted out to Levi Revell, Negro, Neal McDuffie, Negro, Clarence Riddick, Negro, Joseph Butt, Negro, each of whom entered a plea of guilty to charges of being drunk. George Bembury, Negro, paid the costs on a charge of failing to dim his car lights.

Costs of court were taxed against Louis Billups, Negro, for failure to observe a stop sign. Joseph Kinderman submitted to a charge of failing to report an accident and paid a fine of \$25 and costs of court.

Costs of court were charged against Leon Eims who pleaded guilty to a charge of improper use of his car lights.

The case of Wilbur Copeland, charged with driving drunk, was moved up to the Superior Court on the defendants motion for a trial by jury.

Theda Brickhouse pleaded guilty to a charge of driving drunk and paid a fine of \$150 and court costs.

L. D. Hobbs, Negro, was fined \$25 and costs after he was found guilty of possessing non-tax-paid liquor.

Arthur Jones, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to charges of driving drunk. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$125 and costs of court.

James Copeland, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of improper operation of his truck, resulting in an accident. He was fined \$10 and costs.

Luke Burke, Negro, was taxed with the court costs on a charge of using an improper muffler.

Class To Conduct Beauty Contest

The Junior Class of Perquimans High School is sponsoring a "Miss Perquimans High Beauty Contest" Wednesday, December 3, at the high school in Hertford. Twelve young ladies will vie for this honor based on beauty, personality, poise and talent.

Those selected by their fellow classmates as contestants are: Lois Byrum, Paige Anne Chappell, Pete Cook, Diane Divers, Becky Gregory, Phyllis Hendren, Joyce Owens, Beverly Rose, Brenda Kay Smith, Sarah Ward, Betty York and Becky Burton.

The theme for this event will be Perquimans own "Carolina Moon" and music will be furnished by Johnny Broughton's Dixielanders. Students from the grammar schools and others will render several numbers.

The highlight of the evening will be the presence of Miss Betty Lane Evans, Miss North Carolina, who ranked fourth in the Miss America Contest at Atlantic City. She will crown "Miss Perquimans High" and serve as mistress of ceremonies along with Frances Nixon, who will act as Master of Ceremonies.

Judges will include Mesdames Sylvia Mathews and Mildred Auman and Keith Haskett, together with Warren Twiddy and Caswell Edmondson of Edenton.

Door prizes furnished by various Hertford merchants will be awarded to those holding lucky tickets.

Bonner States Base Plans Unchanged Despite Plane Cut

High School PTA To Meet Dec. 4th

The Parent-Teacher Association of Perquimans High School will meet in the school auditorium on Thursday night, December 4, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. All parents of primary, elementary and high school students are urged to attend.

The program for the meeting will consist of a panel study on the subject of school curriculums. The panel will be composed of representatives from the high school as well as Hertford and Central Grammar Schools.

Chairman Reports On TB Seal Sales

Thomas Maston, chairman of Christmas Seals for Perquimans County, reported that a total of \$204.25 had been received from county citizens thus far for 1958 Christmas Seal Sale.

Mr. Maston asks that everyone buy the seals, which were mailed out about two weeks ago. The proceeds of the seals provide the only means to carry on the program of the TB Association in its battle to help combat this disease. Maston pointed out that money from the sale of seals is used to pay for films and solutions to make chest X-rays in the Perquimans Health Department; this being a vital part of the early detection program in fighting TB at the local level.

County 4-H Clubs Achievement Day Held Last Friday

On Friday, November 21, 1958, the Perquimans County 4-H County Council held its annual Achievement Day at the Hertford Grammar School. About 150 parents, club members and Adult Leaders attended the annual event.

Ed Nixon, vice president of the County Council, presided over the meeting. Willis Williams led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance after which the group sang "The Ploughing Song". Ruth Harrell led the group in a Thanksgiving Devotional and Beckie Gregory welcomed the group. Greetings were heard from J. T. Biggers, Superintendent of County Schools, and A. T. Lane, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.

Paul Gregory then entertained the group with a tap dance after which Carroll McDonnell called the roll by school clubs. Vernon Winslow recognized the guests that were present. Anne Lane introduced Miss Lunette Barber, N. C. Wildlife Resources Commission, who delivered a very good talk on N. C. Wildlife to the group. Janice Rae Stanton entertained the group by singing "Tammy".

Anderson E. Layden presented the Horace Layden Achievement Award to Donald Gene Madreson of Route 1. Donald won a trip to Chicago with his state winning corn project this year.

The county winners were then recognized and they were as follows: Billy Hudson, senior health king; Lot Winslow, junior health king; Jimmy Perry, safety; Wayne Chappell, boys' garden; Beth Hurdle, girls' garden; Wayne Howell, tractor; Charles Woodard, tree planting; Reggie Webb, tree identification; Charles Combs, home ground beautification; Sandra Thatch, entomology; Waldo Winslow, beef; Ned Nixon, sheep; Judy Long, market pig; Chuck White, fruits; Phyllis Hendren, automobile care and safety; Phyllis Hendren, lunch and supper unit; Sylvia Knight, baking; Eva Ann Smith, dinner unit; Judy Faye Owens, breakfast unit; Anne Lane, senior clothing; Janice Rae Stanton, junior clothing; Margaret Ainsley, crafts; Norma Spear, junior home management; Carroll McDonnell, senior home management; Emily Hurdle, senior better grooming; Sandra Jennings, junior better grooming; Mary Phthisis, senior frozen foods; Faye Long, junior frozen foods; Carolyn Faye Rogerson, senior canning; Beth Hurdle, junior canning; Carroll McDonnell, senior home improvement; Linda J. Byrum, junior home improvement, and Anne Benton, girls' electric.

District winners were Carroll McDonnell, Beckie Gregory, Lois Violet Winslow and Rachel Spivey.

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner, in a telephone conversation with Mayor V. N. Darden last Tuesday morning, stated he does not think plans for construction of the Harvey Point Naval Base will be affected by action taken by the Navy Department in curtailing its order for 24 Martin SeaMaster planes, scheduled to be based at the local NAS.

The Navy announced in Washington on Monday that its jet sea-plane program will end after completion of 14 of the SeaMasters. This represents a cutback of 10 planes from the original order of 24.

The Navy said, in the report, six SeaMasters had been delivered by the Martin Company, and it will receive eight more of the planes.

Mr. Bonner advised Mayor Darden Navy officials had informed him Monday regarding the cut in the plane order but indicated the action will not affect the work program at the base during the 1959 program, since it appeared the Navy has other things in mind for use at Harvey Point.

He told Mr. Darden the Navy was not prepared to reveal these plans at the present time but did discuss the situation with him in regards to the site.

It was reported the Navy will fit out one squadron of SeaMasters to explore the potential capabilities of such planes for bombing sea and targets, in-flight, refueling, mine laying and reconnaissance.

Between eight and nine million dollars in construction work is now in progress at the base, and according to reports received it is indicated the projects are progressing according to schedule.

Recognition was given to the County Activity winners: Janice Rae Stanton and Anne Lane, dress revue; Phyllis Nixon, Irene Elliott, Phyllis Hendren and Eva Ann Smith, Vegetable and Fruit Use Demonstration; Ellen Wood, Anne Nowell, Kay Winslow, Delia Rae Copeland and Anne Lane, Dairy Foods Demonstrations; Wanda Chappell, Corn Meal Puffin Contest; Sylvia Knight, Cherry Pie Baking Contest; Anne Benton, Girls' Electric Demonstration, and Anne Lane, Public Speaking Contest.

The program was adjourned with the 4-H Pledge led by Phyllis Hendren.

County And Town Receive Taxes

Perquimans County and the Town of Hertford this week received their share of the annual distribution of taxes collected within the state on the sales of beer during the past year. The checks were issued by the State Department of Revenue which handles the collections.

Collections this year were somewhat less than during 1957 and thus the amounts distributed to local government units were slightly under the amounts received last year.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bumbarger, Jr., of Hickory announce the birth of a fourth child, a daughter, Betty Horan, born Tuesday, November 18. Mrs. Bumbarger is the former Miss Sarah Ward.

Indians Open Cage Schedule Tuesday With Gatesville

Rites Held Sunday For Thomas Nixon

Funeral services for Thomas Warren Nixon, age 81, who died Friday morning at 8 o'clock in the Chowan Hospital following an illness of six weeks, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the chapel of the Twiford Funeral Home by the Rev. P. M. Porter, former pastor of the Anderson Methodist Church, assisted by the Rev. L. J. Howe, pastor of the Assembly of God Church.

"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" was sung by Charles Skinner, Jr., Talmage Rose, Eldon Winslow and John Beem, and a solo, "We Shall Sleep, But Not Forever" was sung by Edward Jordan. They were accompanied by Mrs. Ellie White, organist.

The casket was covered with a pall of white glads, white mums, red carnations and fern.

Palbearers were Phillip Thach, Hazel Matthews, Elwood Perry, Joseph Perry, Jr., Joseph Rogerson, Jr., and John Newby Winslow.

Burial was made in Cedarwood Cemetery.

Mr. Nixon, a life-long resident of Perquimans County, was the husband of Mrs. Minnie Chappell Nixon and son of the late John Calvin and Mary Elizabeth Perry Nixon. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Assembly of God Church in Hertford.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons, Preston Nixon of Route 1, Hertford, and Calvin Russell Nixon of Norfolk; five daughters, Mrs. Addie Keagan of Hertford, Mrs. Bettie Sawyer of Route 2, Elizabeth City, Mrs. Elizabeth Symons of Route 2, Elizabeth City, Mrs. Miriam Quincey and Mrs. Minnie standard, both at Norfolk; 26 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

CHURCH CHANGED
The Thanksgiving services at the Twiford Methodist Church will be at 8 o'clock on Thursday night, November 27, at 8 o'clock.

Next Tuesday night will mark the opening of the 1958-59 basketball season for Perquimans High School, who, according to Principal E. C. Woodard, will play a total of 15 games, most of the opposition coming from within the Albemarle Conference.

This year's model of the Indian cage machine will boast several veterans from the conference tournament champs of last season. Coach Ike Perry has been carrying out practice sessions since the close of the football schedule, and he points toward the fact the Perquimans team will be a tall one, most of the players being six feet or better.

Candidates for the team showing up best in the pre-season practice include Beverly Tucker, Dave Burton, Parker Chesson, Billy Nixon, John Matthews, Ben Gibbs, Jimmy Sullivan, Welly White, Preston Winslow and Tommy Tarkington.

The schedule of games as released by Mr. Woodard is as follows:

- Dec. 2—Gatesville, there.
- Dec. 5—Elizabeth City, there.
- Dec. 9—Open.
- Dec. 12—Elizabeth City, here.
- Dec. 16—Chowan, here.
- Jan. 6—Williamston, there.
- Jan. 9—Scotland Neck, here.
- Jan. 13—Ahoskie, there.
- Jan. 16—Chowan, there.
- Jan. 20—Edenton, there.
- Jan. 23—Plymouth, here.
- Jan. 27—Williamston, here.
- Jan. 30—Scotland Neck, there.
- Feb. 3—Ahoskie, here.
- Feb. 6—Open.
- Feb. 10—Edenton, here.
- Feb. 13—Plymouth, there.
- Feb. 16—Tournament.

Street Decoration Installed This Week

Town employees were busy this week installing street decorations for the holiday season in the business section of Hertford and are expected to complete the installation within a short time. Mayor V. N. Darden stated the multi-colored lights will be turned on each night.