

# THE PERQUIMANS WEEKLY

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## Funeral Services Held Tuesday For Accident Victim

Miss Edith Rachel Spivey, 20, of Route 3, Hertford, died Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident 11 miles south of Edenton on U. S. 17. A lifelong resident of Perquimans County, she was an outstanding senior at East Carolina College, where she was a member of the Chi Omega Sorority. She was a member of the New Hope Methodist Church and was active in the local and district Methodist Youth Fellowship.

She was riding with two companions from Hertford. The group was enroute to Greenville after a week-end at home. Miss Allen Jennette Williams and Miss Shelby Jean Overton were virtually uninjured in the two vehicular crash. They were said to have sustained minor skin injuries and shock.

State Patrolman Phil Bragg, who investigated the accident, reported the car in which the young women were riding was in a collision with a car driven by Mrs. Gertrude Boyce of Edenton, and that Mrs. Boyce had been charged with manslaughter following the patrolman's investigation.

One of North Carolina's top 4-H members, Miss Spivey was a member of the State 4-H Honor Club which is the highest honor a 4-H member can achieve, attended the 4-H Congress in Chicago as a result of being a state home improvement project winner, had received the Horace Layden Award given to the outstanding 4-H member in Perquimans County and in 1959 she served as counselor at the 4-H Club Camp in Manteo.

Surviving are her parents, Carson D. and Mrs. Catherine Bogue Spivey; one brother, Carson D. Spivey, Jr., and her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Sadie Whedbee Bogue, all of Route 3, Hertford.

Graveside services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Cedarwood Cemetery by the Rev. Dan Meadows, pastor of the New Hope Methodist Church, assisted by the Rev. J. A. Auman, pastor of the First Methodist Church.

The casket pall was made of white mums, red carnations and fern.

Pallbearers were Matt Spivey, Jr., Winman Spivey, Watt Winslow, Charles Sharber, Caleb Ives, Jr., and Dr. William Clark.

## This Week's Headlines

President Eisenhower and President-elect Kennedy met for more than one hour in Washington Tuesday discussing the coming change in government administration and the problems confronting the government. Washington reports stated the meeting was a cordial one with Eisenhower informing Kennedy when asked that he was available to serve the nation if called upon to do so.

Meanwhile Mr. Kennedy is fast developing his staff and cabinet. Four posts, including appointment of Governor Hodges as Secretary of Commerce, have been filled and other appointments are expected before the end of this week.

Publication of a communist manifesto this week pointed to some agreement being reached between Russia and Red China following the communist conference in Moscow several weeks ago. The manifesto stated war is not inevitable as has been the opinion of Red China in past years. The report appeared to indicate China has acknowledged Russia as still the leader of world communism.

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## Cotton Vote To Decide Number Of Quota Questions

How farmers vote in the cotton marketing quota referendum to be held throughout the nation's cotton-growing area on December 13 will determine whether quota penalties will apply, and also the level of price support for 1961 crop cotton. The referendum, therefore, is of vital concern to every grower, says L. L. Lane, Chairman of the Perquimans County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee.

The marketing quota program will be in operation for next year's crop, the chairman explains, if at least two-thirds of the votes cast in the referendum are in favor of the program. In that case, price support will be available at not more than 90 per cent of the current market price for the 1961 crop of upland cotton. If the referendum carries, quota penalties will apply to any cotton produced in excess of the allotment.

If more than one-third of the votes are against quotas, there would be no quota penalties, and the price support level to eligible growers would drop to 50 percent of parity.

All farmers who were engaged or considered engaged in the production of upland cotton in 1960 will be eligible to vote in the referendum.

The referendum will be held between the hours of 8:00 A. M. and 6:00 P. M., on Tuesday, December 13, at the following polling places: Belvidere, Charles Layden's Store and L. L. Chappell's Store; Bethel, J. L. Curtis Store and Hertford Livestock; Hertford, Agricultural Building and Milton Dail & Son; New Hope, Rob Turner's Store and Turner & Caddy's Store; Nance, Wink Winslow's Store; Parkville, Fred Winslow's Store and Towe-Pike Grain Supply in Chapanoke.

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It is hoped that a class of up to 20 can be formed as the venture will not be successful if the classes are too small to afford a teacher.

The sponsoring group urges all interested women to investigate this free schooling with prospect for full time employment immediately.

## High School PTA Hears Community College Plans

The PTA of Perquimans High School held its December meeting with Carroll Williams presiding Thursday night of last week over the business session.

The devotional was a musical presentation by a sextet from the school glee club.

Dr. Harold White, secretary, read the president's message which urged the PTA to stress safety among the students. He also read the minutes of the last PTA meeting.

Mrs. Henry C. Sullivan gave a report on the district meeting held recently at Columbia and Mrs. Jessie Lee Harris announced a study course will be conducted next February. Mrs. Russell Baker reported the PTA had 299 members.

Mrs. Ned Nixon introduced State Senator Elton Aydt of Elizabeth City, who spoke briefly on community colleges and then introduced Charles Gordon, also of Elizabeth City, who explained problems faced on opening of a community college, which ranks favorably as a junior college. Mr. Gordon pointed out the community college in Elizabeth City is expected to open in September of 1961, and it will provide advantages to students desiring to attend such as permitting students to live at home and thus diminishes the cost of college education. He pointed out such colleges must be accredited, and also he emphasized the point that individuals who secure college education can expect to earn \$100,000 more during a lifetime than persons without college education.

It was announced that Mrs. Henry Stokes' room won the attendance prize and the meeting closed with a coffee hour.

The Postmaster appeals to the public to mail cards and parcels early in order to assure delivery by Christmas. He also thanked the patrons for their past cooperation.

## Light Docket In Recorder's Court

A light docket of 11 cases was disposed of during Tuesday's session of Perquimans Recorder's Court, presided over by Judge Chas. E. Johnson.

William Hagen, Negro, submitted to a charge of speeding and paid a fine of \$30. Otis Chappell paid the costs of court after submitting to a charge of exceeding a safe speed.

Prayer for judgment, upon payment of costs, was continued in cases in which Elmer Tarkenton was charged with assault with a deadly weapon and assault on a female.

Costs of court were taxed against William Elliott, who submitted to a charge of passing a school bus while but was unloading students.

Louis E. Taylor paid the costs of court on a charge of failing to report an accident.

Mack Jones submitted to a charge of improper passing and paid the court costs.

Fred Revell, Negro, was fined \$2 and costs after he pleaded guilty to a charge of being drunk.

A nol pros was taken in the case of Worthem Hunter, Negro, charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

Linwood Privott, Negro, was found not guilty on charges of assault and forcible trespass.

Alphonso Lightfoot, Negro, was found not guilty on a charge of forcible trespass.

## MASONS TO MEET

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

## Local Merchants Planning Visit By Santa Claus Dec. 17

Plans for the annual visit of Santa Claus to Hertford are being completed and the event will take place Saturday afternoon, December 17, it was announced by Fire Chief R. C. Elliott and Broughton Dail, of the Hertford Jaycees.

Santa's visit, as in the past, is being sponsored by the Hertford merchants, in cooperation with the fire department and the Jaycees. The latter organizations will assist in directing the program and aiding Santa Claus in distribution of gifts to the children who come to see Santa.

No announcement was made as to the mode of travel Santa will use for his visit here, but he is expected to arrive around two o'clock in the afternoon. He will stop at the Court House, where he will distribute his gifts and talk with the children who wish to visit with him.

The children coming to see Santa Claus are requested to follow the rules and orders of the helpers, thus aiding in a quick and equal distribution of the gifts Santa will pass out to the children.

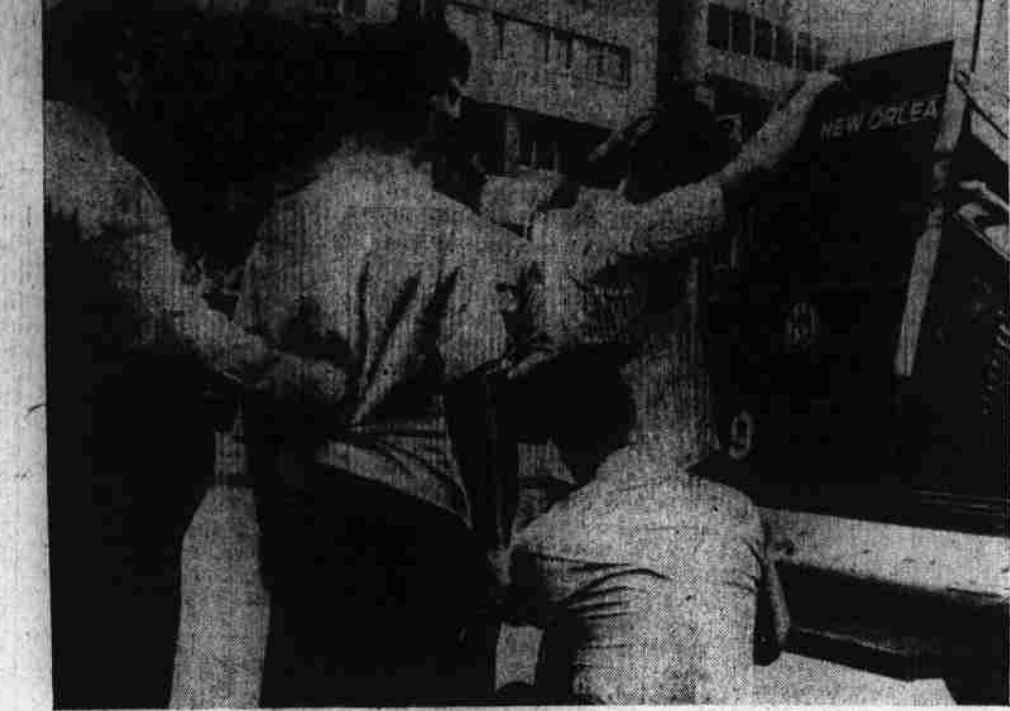
In connection with the visit by Santa Claus, local merchants will offer Christmas shopping displays and specials and invite both adults and children to visit Hertford stores during the event.

## Post Office To Start Holiday Hours

A new schedule of hours for the Hertford Post Office goes into effect starting Monday, December 12, it was announced today by Postmaster W. W. White. The schedule will be effective during the holiday season.

Stamp windows will be open each day, including Saturday, December 17, and December 24, until 6 P. M., for the convenience of the public.

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**BREAKING UP THE CROWD**—New Orleans, La., police search teen-agers as a police wagon stands by to take them to jail. They were picked up in an effort to control anti-integration violence at the city's schools.

## Free Schooling In Industrial Class For County Women

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## Woodville House Destroyed By Fire

A two-story frame house, situated on the back street of Woodville, burned Friday night, and an investigation by firemen revealed the blaze started following children burning sparklers inside the dwelling earlier during the day.

Hertford firemen were called to the scene about midnight but the fire had gained such headway the firemen could not save the building, only prevent the blaze from spreading to a dry area surrounding the house.

Later, firemen went to the scene and determined the cause of the blaze, and further investigation revealed the facts concerning the youngsters who had been in the building. They were cited to the juvenile court by the Fire Department.

## Jarvis Ward New Master Of Masons

W. Jarvis Ward has been elected Master of Perquimans Lodge No. 106, A. F. & A. M. for the year starting next January, it was announced Wednesday by the outgoing Master, Jack Symons.

Other officers elected by the lodge were: Senior Warden, C. L. Brewer; Junior Warden, R. C. Holt; Secretary, C. E. Winslow; treasurer, Jack Symons; Trustee, C. F. Murray; Finance and Budget, R. C. Baker.

Appointed officers for the lodge will be named at a later date by the incoming Master. The new officers will be installed at the first meeting of the lodge next January.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lassiter of Route 1, Belvidere, announce the birth of a son, born December 6 at Albemarle Hospital.

## New County Board Organized; Spivey Named Chairman

Perquimans County officials, elected to office on November 8, were sworn into office and assumed their duties last Monday.

The new Board of County Commissioners, composed of W. W. Bundy, H. W. Winslow, Savage Jolliff, Thomas Nixon and R. L. Spivey, met and organized at 1:00 P. M., naming R. L. Spivey as chairman of the board.

Appointive offices filled by the board included Julian C. Powell as Clerk to the Board; Silas M. Whedbee, County Attorney and Solicitor of the Recorder's Court; W. H. Pitt, Clerk of Recorder's Court; Miss Minnie Lee Winslow and Julian Broughton, deputies to the Recorder Clerk, and T. N. Miller as custodian of the Court House.

Named as tax listers were T. Julian Long, Bethel township; Percy Rogerson, Hertford township; Mrs. Elton Layden, Belvidere township; Mrs. Belle Proctor, Parkville township, and Melvin Eure, New Hope township.

The board also accepted the resignation of R. S. Chappell, Sr., as a member of the County Welfare Board. Appointment of a successor to this position was tabled until a later meeting.

The board also set December 19 as a date for a special meeting, at which time it will confer with the tax listers for the listing of property for taxes for 1961.

Other officials assuming duties were State Senator J. Emmett Winslow, County Representative Archie T. Lane, Sr., Julian C. Powell, Register, of Deeds; Chas. E. Johnson, Recorder Court; D. F. Reed, Jr., County Treasurer.

The outgoing Board of Commissioners met Monday morning to conclude all outstanding business and certified the results of the school bond election held November 8, a preliminary measure necessary before action can be taken to proceed with the sale of the bonds to be used for school construction.

J. T. Biggers and C. C. Chappell, Sr., representing the Board of Education, appeared before the board to discuss the bond sale and construction program, but tabled any proposals to be made until the commissioners' meeting on December 19.

The board also voted to purchase a \$1,000 membership in the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce, the funds for this to be made available from money received from the sale of beer and wines.

Commissioner H. W. Winslow was authorized to purchase some smoking stands for the lobby of the Court House and Sheriff J. K. White was authorized to have necessary repair made to the Court House heating system.

## Highway Accident Results In Death Of Norman Layden

Norman Floyd Layden, 50, of Route one, Belvidere, was killed in a highway accident on the causeway near Hertford at about one o'clock Thursday morning.

According to Highway Patrolman Riddick, who investigated the accident, Layden, along with John W. Chappell and Wayland White, Jr., were riding in a 1952 model car headed north from Hertford. Riddick reported the car apparently went out of control after crossing the Perquimans River Bridge and went over to the left shoulder of the road then swerved back to the right side, striking a tree and overturned into the river.

Mr. Riddick said Chappell and White suffered injuries, the extent of which had not been determined. He is continuing an investigation of the accident.

Mr. Layden was a lifelong resident of Perquimans County; a member of the Whiteville Grove Baptist Church, and operated Layden's Service Station. He was the son of the late Dallas William and Mrs. Alethia Cartwright Layden.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Clara Nixon Layden; three daughters, Mrs. Leslie Jordan of Rt. 1, Belvidere, Miss Pamela Layden and Miss Rita Layden, both of the home; three sons, William Layden of Belvidere, Lawrence Layden and Ambrose Carroll Layden, both of Rt. 1, Belvidere; one sister, Mrs. Elton Ward of Tyner; four brothers, Charles Layden and Elton Layden of Route 1, Belvidere, Martin Layden of Route 3, Elizabeth City and Sgt. Davis Layden of Fort Bragg, N. C.; two grandchildren.

The remains were removed to the Swindell Funeral Home pending completion of funeral arrangements.

## Seal Chairman Reports \$365 In Contributions

Tommy Maston, Chairman of the Perquimans County for 1960 Christmas Seals, announced that \$365 had been sent in by Perquimans citizens for Christmas Seals during November.

Maston said Christmas Posters are in the business area, posters in schools, book marks in libraries; also for all students; color sheets, a replica of twin Christmas Seal, given to first, second grades, also Perquimans kindergarten.

Mr. Maston said Christmas Seal funds are used to protect you and yours from this ever-present danger of tuberculosis. Christmas Seal money helps to inform people about TB and about the need to have tuberculin tests and chest x-rays; Christmas Seals help to get active cases into TB hospitals and out again cured; Christmas Seals are behind the search for better drugs and better methods of prevention. Everyone should use all their Christmas Seals, received, said Maston, on their cards and letters and to decorate their gifts, to show that each citizen is helping in the overall fight against TB.

Financial Report Given To Board

Perquimans County's financial operations for the first five months of the current fiscal year were outlined to the Board of Commissioners during its meeting Monday by County Accountant Max R. Campbell.

The report showed the county is operating well within its budget, which was adopted last June. Total income for the five months period amounted to \$154,801, while the total expenditures were \$150,379. About 42 percent of the total \$428,460 budget was expended during the period.

Tax collections for the same period amounted to \$48,395 out of the total of \$175,000 which was levied for the fiscal year.

Total cash balances on hand in all county funds as of December 5 amounted to \$81,649.

CLASS TO MEET

The Judson Memorial Sunday School Class will hold its annual Christmas supper and meeting Tuesday night, December 13, at the home of Mrs. I. A. Ward, the teacher. A Christmas program will be presented and gifts exchanged. All members are invited to attend.