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## School Study To Be Made

In order to clear up rumors that there will be a reorganizing in Perquimans County Schools next year, two school officials have made statements on behalf of the Board of Education concerning the proposal.

School superintendent C.C. Walters and assistant superintendent Pat Harrell recently revealed that a thorough study will be undertaken during the school year 1975-76 to see how school facilities can best be implemented to place students of similar needs together. However, the two pointed out that no action to reorganize the schools in Perquimans County will be taken during the next school year. All schools will operate in 75-76 as they have this year.

In order to conduct the study, Walters and Harrell said that beginning in

September, community meetings will be held all over the county in order to allow the Board of Education to present several proposals to the public and in turn, to allow the public to react and have input into the study. Following these community meetings, a decision will then be made.

Officials stated two major reasons why the study was being continued. The first is to get public reaction, and secondly, in order to implement effective programs at all schools, adequate time is needed to obtain fiscal and constructional resources.

Officials pointed out that the Perquimans County Board of Education should be commended for their forward thinking in this matter.



THE HERTFORD FIFES AND DRUMS

## Fife And Drum Corps To Present Program

The Perquimans County Historical Society and the Hertford Fifes and Drums will present a program on Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. in front of the Perquimans County Courthouse. The event is to call attention to the fact that 200 years ago the 1st battle of the Revolutionary War was fought on April 19th. Ray Winslow, local historian and officer of the Historical Society will narrate the part that this area of North Carolina played in the early stages of the War.

The Hertford Fifes and Drums, under the leadership of Drum Major Billy White, will perform several musical numbers of the Colonial period used by the North Carolina Militia. The North Carolina Militia Flag, the only one of its kind in existence today, will be displayed for the first time at this program. The flag was hand made by Mrs. Miriam Haskett especially

for the Hertford Fifes and Drums.

Citizens of the area are encouraged to attend this program as one of the first events of the Bicentennial celebration in Perquimans County.

The Hertford Fifes and Drums is a musical corps of 13 members from age 16 years up. The Fife and Drum Corps was formed in November 1974 to provide martial music for parades and historical civic programs. The purpose of the Corps is to perpetuate the sound of ancient fife and drum music, and to bring to life a part of our colonial history.

The Hertford Fifes and Drums Corps portrays Field Musicks of the Perquimans County Militia of 1775 period by wearing custom tailored Colonial Militia clothes. The Corps

plays authentic handcrafted rope tension snare and bass drums and straight fifes. The Unit carries a hand made replica of the North Carolina Militia Flag used in the Battle of Guilford Courthouse in 1781, also an American '76 stars and stripes flag along with a special designed unit flag. The 13 member corps, the number of the original colonies, is composed of 1 Drum Major, 3 Color Bearers, 6 Fifers, and 3 Drummers.

The members of the Hertford Fifes and Drums are: Drum Major Billy White, Fifers: Tom Applegate, Bill Glover, Jay Matthews, Edgar Lane, Jr., Chas. Skinner, Jr., Drummers William H. Ward, Edward Brown, William L. Tilley, Color Bearers: Keith Haskett, Emmett Landing, Julian E. Winslow, Uniform Designer: Mrs. Miriam P. Haskett.

## Welly White Is Elected Local Jaycee President



WELLY WHITE

The Perquimans County Jaycees elected new officers at their regular meeting last Thursday night held at the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation building.

New officers for the year 75-76 are: Welly White, President; Archie Miller, Internal Vice-President; Parker Newbern, External Vice-President; Bobby Harrell, Recording Secretary; Ed Brown, Corresponding Secretary; Ben Berry, Treasurer; Jimmy Winslow, State Director; and Directors: Lee Brabble, Robert Halsey, Thomas Hurdle, Lee Tunnell, Ray Winslow and Wayne Winslow.

An Installation Banquet for the new Jaycee and Jaycette officers will be held Thursday, April 24 at Hertford Grammar School beginning at 7:30 p.m.

## Board Develops Policy For Viewing School Records

Perquimans County school officials have recently announced the local policy for allowing parents, guardians and 18-year old students to review student school records.

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 has been drawn up locally. Aiding those in the Perquimans school system with this policy was Ms. Susan Allen, legal advisor with the Northeast Regional Educational Center in Grifton, N.C.

School officials stated, "The Perquimans County Board of Education recognizes the right of any parent, guardian or student who has reached age 18 to review the school record of the student. The following regulations shall be adhered to in this matter:

1. Prior to the review of a school record a request must be made to the principal to see the student's record.  
2. Notification that the student's record is available shall be made within five days after the request is received.

3. The record shall be reviewed at the school in which the student is currently enrolled. The review shall be in the principal's office.

4. Request for records to be released to another school, agency or individual shall be filed with the principal.

5. Any parent or student who wishes to challenge the accuracy of any information in the record of a student will have the right to a hearing. A written request for the hearing must be made by the parent or the student. The hearing must be held within fourteen days of the receipt of the request in the school's administrative office. The hearing will be before the school principal who will be empowered to correct, delete or modify any information on the record which he decides to be incorrect or inappropriate.

6. Any parent or student who is dissatisfied with the principals decision may appeal to the local

superintendent or to the board of education for a further judgment on his case.

7. At any point the parent or student may choose to appeal no further but may put in the record a letter explaining his disagreement with the contested information. Whenever the information contested by the parent or student is transmitted to another agency or person, a copy of the letter of protest shall be transmitted with the contested information.

Forms for requesting access and granting access may be secured from the principal."

A copy of the act, local school policy and regulations in the matter appears on page 6.

## Parents Should Register

## Six Injured Students In Accident

A two vehicle accident last Thursday morning resulted in the injury of six people. The accident occurred at 9:30 a.m. on U.S. 17 by-pass intersection of rural paved road 1300 in Perquimans County.

The two drivers involved were Johnie Floyd Matthews of Rt. 3, Hertford, driving a late model pick-up truck and Elsie Biggs Edwards of 1710 Crescent, Elizabeth City, the driver of a late model passenger car.

The Matthews truck approached a stop sign at the four-road intersection and pulled out in front of the car driven by Ms. Edwards.

The Edwards car hit the Matthews truck in the side and both vehicles came to rest in the intersection. Matthews was charged with failing to yield right of way.

Matthews, Edwards and four passengers in the Edwards car were taken to Albemarle Hospital for minor injuries and released. Passengers in the Edwards car were Lydia Hale of Camden, Ann Lewis of Elizabeth City, Audrey Tuttle of Elizabeth City and Sandra Anderson of Camden.

Investigating the accident was Trooper Y.Z. Newberry.

Pre-school registration for children entering kindergarten and first grade in the fall will be held Monday, April 21 at both Hertford Grammar School and Perquimans Central Grammar School in Winfall. Registration will be held from 8:30 a.m. until noon and from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Students who need to be registered are those who will be five years old by October 16 (must register for kindergarten) and children who will be six by October 16 and are not currently enrolled in kindergarten (must register for first grade).

Parents of prospective kindergarten students may bring their children to the school in their location at the time of registration to enable both parent and child to see the school, the classroom and talk with teachers.

Parents wanting to register their children must bring the birth certificate and the child's immunization record. Parents whose children of school age have not completed their immunizations must have done so before school enrollment in the fall.

## Attention: Blood Donors

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Hertford at the First United Methodist Church on April 21 from 2 to 6 p.m. The visit is being sponsored by the Perquimans County Jaycees.

This is the first time the bloodmobile will be in Hertford in 1975 because of a lack of anticipated participation on the part of possible blood donors. Therefore, the Jaycees urges the public to please give so this valuable service may be continued in the future.

## Local School Team To Attend Convention

Several members of the Perquimans County School Board of Education will attend the National School Board Convention in Miami, Fla. April 19-22.

Some of the topics to be discussed that have been indicated to be of interest to local school officials are: How to Expand Learning Opportunities in Small Districts; How to Handle Your Board's Responsibility for Curriculum Improvement; Coping with Declining Enrollment; and a list of other school related sessions will be held from Saturday through Tuesday.

Those who will be attending the convention from Perquimans County are: Clifford Winslow, school board chairman; C.C. Walters, superintendent; Pat Harrell, assistant superintendent; Thelma Elliott, board member; and R.S. Monds, county commissioner.

One of the highlights of the trip will be a visit on April 21 to some of the schools in the Dade County, Fla. school system. Board members, superintendents and others from the northeastern North Carolina area who are

members of the Alliance for Progress will be making the visit. This will include members from Perquimans County. The visit has been organized and will be conducted by Dr. Johnny Jones, deputy superintendent of Dade County Schools. The visit will include bus tours and classroom observation. Things to be observed in the school system include unique building structures, cultural arts programs, secondary occupational programs and an elementary school with special emphasis on gifted and/or talented students.

## Board Of Education Selects Architects

The Perquimans County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, April 7, at 8 p.m. in the Superintendent's office. All members were present.

The Chairman called the meeting to order. The minutes of two previous meetings were read and approved.

Plans for improvement of the lighting system on the athletic field at Perquimans High School were discussed by the Board. Final plans for sending a delegation to the Annual Convention of the National School Boards Association were discussed. The Board scheduled meetings for Tuesday, April 8th, and Thursday, April 10th for the purpose of evaluating personnel for continued employment.

After a thorough discussion of the matter, motion was made, seconded and passed to employ the firm of Newberry, Ashford and Associates of Raleigh to serve as Architects for the Board. This firm will work with the Board in development of a master plan for the effective use of suitable present facilities, and make recommendations for the replacement of inadequate facilities.

In other business, the Board approved an amendment to the ESEA Title I Program which brings that program in line for the total expenditure of \$164,019 for the year.

Motion was made, seconded and passed

electing C.C. Walters to serve as Superintendent of Schools for a new four year term beginning July 1, 1975. Motion was made, seconded and passed electing James P. Harrell to serve as Assistant Superintendent and ESEA Title I Director for a new one year term beginning July 1, 1975.

The Board approved a policy which deals with the Privacy Rights of Parents and Students. A copy of this policy is on file in the central office and in the school office at each school.

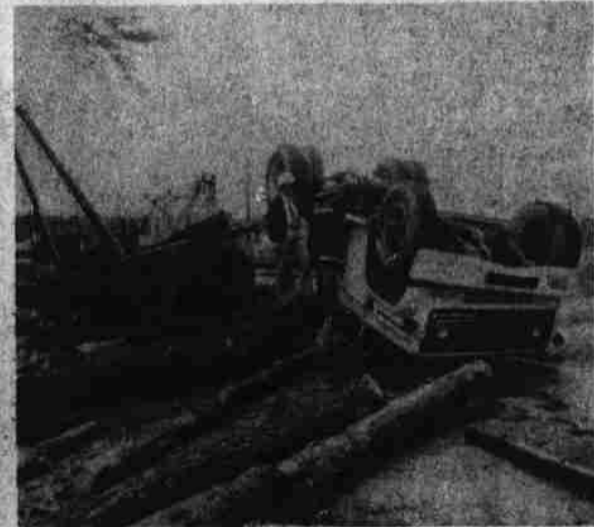
In other business the Board approved an OSHA Policy for the school system. This policy is designed to promote safe working conditions for the employees of the Board of Education.

On motion duly made, seconded and passed the Board voted to hold a Teacher Appreciation Dinner for the county teachers. A report on program and staff activities was given to the Board.

There being no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

### CLEAN-UP DAY

Work will soon resume on the U.S. 17 Park project. According to Ann Young, project chairwoman, a general clean-up day will be held Saturday, April 19. Men, women, teen-agers, and all civic clubs are urged to help.



### DRIVER NOT INJURED

Two different one-vehicle accidents occurred Monday in Perquimans County. The log truck (pictured above) received an estimated \$3,000 damage when driver Eugene Perry of Rt. 1, Colerain, N.C. lost control of the truck belonging to Lassiter Logging Company of Colerain and it turned over. The driver received no injuries and was charged with driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor. The accident occurred around 3 p.m. Monday just south of Hertford on U.S. 17. The Hertford Volunteer Fire Department was called to wash down the road where gas had spilled. Investigating trooper was Y. Z. Newberry.

Another accident occurred Monday at 7:55 a.m. at Whitehat Road in Perquimans County when Clyde Leon Russell of Rt. 3, Hertford driving a truck used to carry farm chemicals came to a T-intersection. The truck's brakes failed and Russell crossed the intersection and the truck overturned across the road into a field. Russell was taken to Albemarle Hospital for treatment of a broken collar bone and lacerations. Investigating trooper C.H. Mims.



## Bloodmobile To Visit Hertford Monday