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Pirates advance to Division II Play-offs

By TERRY WILLIAMS

The Perquimans Pirates, behind the inspired play of the "DEATH SQUAD" defense, forced the Gates County Barons into four turnovers inside the Pirate 10-yard line en route to a 20-6 victory last Friday night.

With the win, the Pirates upped their record to 7-2-1 and advance to the runner-up playoffs this week. Perquimans will play James Kenan High School, runner-up in the East Central Conference, Friday night in Hertford. Kenan's record on the year is 8-2.

The Pirates took the opening kickoff and moved the ball 70 yards in 12 plays. Richard Thach, the versatile senior fullback, broke two tackles and slashed into the endzone from 12 yards out as the Pirates jumped out to an early 7-0 lead.

Gates returned the kickoff to

their own 39 yard line. On their first play from scrimmage Jeff Privott broke around his right end and outraced the Pirates to the endzone. The point after try (PAT) was no good and the Pirates led 7-6.

Quarterback Teton Reid led the Pirates to their second score early in the second quarter. Starting from the Gates 41, the Pirates scored nine plays later when Reid sprinted 18 yards into the endzone for the score.

Thach kicked his second PAT of the night and the Pirates led 14-6.

The final score of the night was set up when senior Jeff Modlin recovered a Baron fumble and returned it to the Gates 38 yard line. On a fourth down play Thach found junior Johnny "G-Man" Gallop for a 28-yard scoring strike.

It was Gallop's sixth

touchdown reception of the year.

On the night Thach gained 71 yards on 14 carries while Vincent Foster had 36 yards on seven carries. Reid hit two out of five passes for 19 yards, and also intercepted one pass. He also rushed for 24 yards. Thach intercepted two passes and averaged 52 yards punting with no punts returned.

"I felt we played a pretty good ball game," commented Coach Pat Morgan. "We played with a lot of enthusiasm. Our players did a good job of readjusting their goals and reaching the playoffs."

"James Kenan is a good ball club. They are a run oriented team and play hard power football. They play aggressive on defense and it should be a good ball game."

Game time Friday night is 8:00 p.m. Admission price is \$3.00.

Hertford prevails in appeal with Town of Winfall - AEMC

By JANE B. WILLIAMS

Hertford Town Council members received good news Monday night regarding a lawsuit that had been pending since May 1982.

The suit, Thomas S. Morgan, Town of Winfall and Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation Vs. The Town of Hertford; had already been won by the Town of Hertford in the initial court case, and received a favorable ruling in a recent appeal decision sought by the plaintiffs.

The case involves the rights of a municipality to continue providing electrical service within an area recently annexed by a neighboring municipality and potentially serviced by a franchised electric membership.

The case was filed after an annexation in the Winfall community left many Winfall residents receiving electrical service from the Town of Hertford. Other Winfall residents are served by Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation.

At the request of many of the newly annexed residents a court suit was filed to release these customers from the Town of Hertford service line.

The Court of Appeals ruled that the Town of Hertford was a qualified secondary supplier of electrical service, and therefore it has the exclusive right to serve all premises in the annexed area, which were served by it, or to which any of its facilities were attached on March 9, 1981, the date of annexation.

Hertford Council members expressed their relief at the decision, and it was noted that the decision by the Appeals Court was unanimous, therefore the plaintiffs do not have an automatic right to an appeal to the Supreme Court.

Winfall Mayor, Lloyd R. Morgan stated in a telephone conversation on Tuesday morning that he did not know at

this point if the Town of Winfall would pursue the case.

Morgan added that the Winfall Council had not had the opportunity as of yet to discuss the latest ruling with Albemarle Electric officials, and that he could not say whether they would

seek an appeal until all parties had the opportunity to talk the matter through.

Morgan said that the entire process had been "long and drawn out," and that the suit was filed at the request of residents in the Town of Winfall.

Futrell to speak at Farm-City Banquet

A tour featuring cotton production and a banquet at Perquimans County High School will be the featured events next week during Perquimans County's Farm-City Week.

"Cotton—From the Field to the Mill" will be the theme for a tour sponsored by the Perquimans County Extension Service on Monday, November 19th. The tour will begin with a visit to a local cotton field and will enable participants to view cotton being picked by machinery.

The second stop on the tour will be the Ward-Nixon Cotton Gin in Winfall to observe the ginning and baling of cotton. The third stop on the tour will be Edenton Cotton Mills, Inc., where participants will observe the spinning of cotton into thread.

The public is invited to participate in the tour, and a bus will be furnished at no cost. The tour bus will leave the local extension office at 1:30 p.m. and reservations can be made by calling the extension office.

"Agriculture - the Year 2003" will be the title of a talk by Jim Futrell during the annual Farm-City Week Banquet on Tuesday night, October 20.

Futrell is an assistant Vice President of the Federal Land Bank of Columbia and the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Columbia, in Columbia, S.C.

Futrell grew up in Northampton County, and received his B.S. in Agricultural Education from N.C. State

University, where he served as class president in 1962. In 1968, Futrell received his Masters Degree at NCSU.



JIM FUTRELL

He has professional experience as an agriculture teacher, an agricultural extension agent, an insurance and real estate agent and as a banker.

Willard Pettengill, Chairman of Perquimans County Farm-City Week said, "Jim Futrell has a farm and city background. He recognizes the importance of each to the other."

In addition to the regular features of the annual banquet, this year's Perquimans County recipient of the Woman in Agriculture Award will be recognized.

Area residents voice their concerns over water quality

Approximately 40 area residents, including government officials, farmers and environmental scientists gathered at the Albemarle Commission Office in Hertford last Wednesday night for the second of a three-part series of meetings designed to inform the Coastal Resources Advisory Council of public concerns over the water quality issues.

The group that assembled for the meeting concluded that groundwater should receive close scrutiny from government agencies. The group added that groundwater is a precious resource and that its quality and quantity in the area is threatened.

Among the concerns cited by those in attendance were saltwater extrusion and depletion of aquifers.

The input given by those in attendance will be used for research and regulation needs of coastal water resources.

Jim Mulligan, regional supervisor of the state Division of Environmental Management stated that, "this needs to be a very high priority area."

Coastal groundwater is especially vulnerable to saltwater extrusion as the freshwater table falls, and that table has fallen 100 feet in the last 40 years, according to information given by scientists present at the meeting.

Development, especially in southeastern Virginia, was blamed for the depletion of the resource, and Mulligan said that steps to check the groundwater drawdown or to replenish it should be implemented.

"Sometime in the long-term future, someone might have a heavy need for groundwater in the Albemarle area, and it may not be there," Mulligan said.

Agricultural irrigation was also noted as a culprit in the draining of groundwater, and agricultural officials said that concern, combined with the cost of drilling deep wells had prevented many farmers from implementing irrigation systems.

Several regulations are already in place to preserve and protect groundwater, and according to Mulligan, more are being developed. Even though these regulations are in effect, many of the participants at the meeting expressed concern that the regulations should be enforced.

Other water quality issues discussed included agricultural runoff, basinwide pollution of an estuary, and coastal development density.

The participants agreed that programs already in place to check agricultural runoff adequately address that problem, and one official had an encouraging report on the educational aspects of the programs.

"There's been a tremendous change in the attitudes of farmers in the last few years. They're more concerned with environment," said Sam Cox, an area soil conservationist from Edenton.

The Coastal Resources Commission's effectiveness with dealing with basin-wide pollutant loading, however, received a

discouraging assessment because of the wide geographic spread of coastal river systems. Many of these systems begin in the Piedmont, such as the Neuse River basin, and some, like the Chowan, have headwaters in another state.

"The CRC can encourage other agencies to check pollution both through research and management techniques," said George Everette, an environmental scientist with the Water Quality Section of the DEM.

The recommendations made at the meeting will be passed on to the CRC to aid in prioritizing research and recommending regulations.

The third of the scheduled meetings will be held on December 5 at the Albemarle Commission Office.

White selected Outstanding Economist

High honor was paid to Ila McIlwain "Ila Grey" White of Hertford recently when she was chosen as the Outstanding Home Economist in North Carolina by the North Carolina Home Economics Association on November 3, in Pinehurst, N.C.

Mrs. White is an Area Home Economics Extension Agent, EFNEP, employed by the Agricultural Extension Service, North Carolina State University.

The award was based on Mrs. White's ability to provide service and leadership in home economics, which has been demonstrated through her performance as an employee of NCSU and as President of the North Carolina Home Economics Association.

Mrs. White was nominated for the honor by the Northeast Region Home Economics Association, and she was recognized for continuing service and leadership in home economics at local, state and national levels.

Criteria for the award included outstanding personal performance in employment and in the profession, evidence of impact on the home economics profession, developing and interpreting the basic concepts and philosophy of home economics as a profession in innovative and creative ways.

Mrs. White is presently employed as an agent in the

Northeast District. She has 25 years of service with the NCSU Agricultural Extension Service. She currently is a supervisor and conducts educational programs in foods and nutrition for EFNEP program aides in cooperation with County Extension Staffs. She has worked in Perquimans County as Home Economics Extension Agent (1958-1970). She also was a home economics teacher for Perquimans High School during the 1970-71 school year.

Among her outstanding accomplishments are various memberships and leadership roles including: a 26-year member of the American Home Economics Association, in which she has participated in numerous activities; a 26-year member of the North Carolina Home Economics Association, where she served as President in 1982; a 26-year member of the Northeastern Regional NCHEA; a 26-year member of the National Association of Extension Home Economists; a 26-year member of the North Carolina Association of Extension Home Economists; and a 26-year member of the Northeastern District Association of Extension Home Economists, where she has held many offices including President in 1984.

Mrs. White has also served on many home economic related, fraternal and civic

clubs and committees.

Mrs. White has been awarded numerous awards and honors including: the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of Extension Home Economists, 1978; Certificate of Merit from N. C. Department of Public Instruction for improving the quality of life for Indian Children, 1983; Certificate of

Appreciation, Eastern Carolina Health Systems Agency, 1981; Listed in the 1970 Edition of "Personalities in the South"; H.E. Foundations Board at UNC-G; and Past President, NCHEA.

Mrs. White resides in Hertford with her husband, W. A. "Billy" White and their two children, Alice and Andy.



ILA M. WHITE

HPD issues warning

By JANE B. WILLIAMS

Hertford Police Chief, Marshall Merritt, stated this week that town residents should be especially careful about leaving valuables in their automobiles, due to a rash of

Early deadline

An early holiday deadline will be observed by the staff of The Perquimans Weekly for the Thanksgiving Edition of the paper next week. The deadline for all news and advertising will be at 5:00 p.m. Friday, November 16.

The deadline for the paper during Christmas and New Year's weeks will also be at 5:00 p.m. on Friday prior to the publication date of each paper.

break-ins in the Hertford area.

Merritt stated that since approximately the first of November many cars have been the subject of breaking and entering and larceny, along with some homes in Hertford.

Merritt said that the culprit of these crimes is seemingly looking for money when entering homes, since items of high value have not been taken. Merritt added that items of value have been taken from cars that were ransacked.

According to Merritt there have been several recent incidences of cars parked in yards that have been entered with items taken and there have also been occurrences at church meetings where numerous cars have been ransacked.

With the Christmas season nearing Merritt said that residents should be careful not to leave packages in their automobiles to attract thieves.