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## Democratic candidates have good showing in local election

The Democrats maintained a strong hold in the local and state government Tuesday evening as they overwhelmingly defeated Republican candidates in local and statewide elections.

On the local scene there was one County Commissioners race which was contested by a Republican candidate, W.W. 'Welly' White, Jr. (D) incumbent candidate faced opposition from (R) John L. Jennings in the first district.

Mr. White obtained an easy victory over Mr. Jennings with a vote total of 1616 to Mr. Jennings' 395.

Mr. White carried all seven of the county precincts, and made his greatest showing in the precincts of Parksville and New Hope, while Mr. Jennings had his best showing in the Bethel precinct.

In the race for the State House of Representatives from the first district Democratic candidates Pete Thompson of Chowan County, and Vernon James of Pasquotank County led the voting with 1530 and 1504 respectively. Republican candidate Shirley Perry obtained only 693 votes.

Mr. Thompson led all but two of the precincts in the county those being

New Hope and West Hertford which were led by Mr. James. Mrs. Perry had much the same results in Pasquotank and Chowan Counties, but made a good showing in Dare County.

Incumbent Senator Marc Basnight (D) scored an easy victory over Republican candidate Tim Hodges in the race for State Senator of the first district. With a vote total of 1604 votes. Mr. Hodges gained just 366 votes in Perquimans County. Basnight gained the majority of his support from Parksville, while Mr. Hodges greatest precinct of support was

Bethel. In the race for Soil Conservation Supervisor Mr. Matthews defeated Mr. Carroll Williams in a close race. Mr. Matthews obtained 1583 votes to Mr. Williams' 1508. The greatest precincts of contention in that race were Bethel and West Hertford which were separated by five and three votes respectively.

The race for United States Senator was won by Former Governor Terry Sanford. Sanford gained an easy victory over Congressman Broyhill. Sanford led Mr. Broyhill by almost two votes to one in the general elec-

tion, and in the race for the unexpired term there was much the same result.

Sanford had an overwhelming majority of the votes in all the county precincts, and made a similar showing in all the surrounding counties.

Congressman Walter B. Jones retained his seat in congress with his defeat of Howard Moye. Cong. Jones gained 1483 votes to Moye's 583. Mr. Jones greatest support came from the East Hertford precinct, while Mr. Moye's greatest showing came in Bethel.

Other races of interest: The Demo-

crats won all of the races for Supreme Court justices. Sheriff elect Joe Lothian received 1722 votes. Constitutional amendment one was passed by a narrow victory, Constitutional amendment two was voted in, and Constitutional amendment three was adopted.

Overall the evening provided a good showing for democratic candidates locally and throughout the state.

The national elections also provided the Democrats with the majority of wins except for the governors races in some states.

## Tigers win

The Perquimans Union School's football team continued to make history by becoming the second undefeated football team in the middle school's history as it won the school's second consecutive conference championship in football. The Tigers, under head coach, Sid Eley, have won 14 consecutive games and 12 straight conference games. This year's Tigers featured a ball control offense and a superb defense that allowed only 18 points in 6 games and recorded 3 straight shut-outs to end the season.

This year's team was led by several returning starters from the 1985 team. Ronald Coston, a two-year starter at a defensive back and the quarterback, Jamie Flanagan, a 6'1", 315 pound tackle, provided needed experience for the team. Other starters were; Tim Fletcher at fullback and defensive end, Anthony Turner and Clarence Burke at half backs, Willie Parker, Terrence White, Ryan Burke, James Gard, Roland Billups, John Hussong, and Ruston Howell in the line, Roy Lee Ferebee at linebacker and full back, and Marlo Greene at guard and linebacker. Backing up these players were eighth graders Edward Chappell, Jeff Newbern, Shawn Pettiford, and Reuben Thomas and seventh graders Charles Boone, Jody Brickhouse, Michael Chapman, Matt Hobbs, Keith Lane, Andre Mallory and Nakenor White.

The Perquimans County High School coaching staff, who also serve as coaches for the Union team, looks forward to coaching these young men as they enter high school.



Everyone got in the spirit of Halloween on Friday. Seen here are employees of Apricot, Inc., and the Hertford Cafe who joined the festivities of Halloween by dressing up in costume.

Employees at NCNB, and the local schools were also seen throughout the day dressed up for Halloween.

The local kids had some pretty stiff competition for the best costume.



## Pirates defeat Manteo Redskins 26-0

Manteo-Defense was again the name of the game Friday night as the Pirates of Perquimans County High School defeated the Manteo Redskins 26-0.

The Pirate's defense increased its scoreless quarters to 24, and the win Friday night assures that the Pirates will be advancing to the play-offs. The win also clinches at least a third place finish for the Pirates in the Albemarle conference.

The Redskins never crossed the Perquimans 30 yard line, and the Pirates held the Redskins to just 57 yards total offense. Their total yards rushing was minus two yards.

The Pirate defense chalked up eight sacks on Redskin quarterback

Ricky Scarborough, which resulted in a total of 56 yards in losses.

The Pirates scored all of their points in the first two quarters, scoring three of the four times that they had possession of the football.

The Pirates first score came at the end of a drive with a four yard touchdown by Mike Thatch. Anthony Johnson made the two point conversion and the Pirates led the game 8-0.

Thatch and Coston were responsible for the next two Pirate touchdowns which both were two yard runs. Harrell topped the Perquimans scoring with a 50 yard punt return for the score.

Coach Flippen played reserve players on offense for much of the re-

maining first half and for most of the second half.

Thatch led the Pirates rushing Friday night with 106 yards on 15 carries. Anthony Johnson had 82 yards rushing, and Coston added 80 yards for a good showing.

Rodney Welch who returned to play Friday night after being suspended from one game obtained 75 yards rushing in two carries of the football.

Russell Parker and Jevone Coston also sparked the defense with six unassisted tackles.

Ricky Scarborough, the Redskins quarterback completed just eight of 18 passes for 59 yards. Two of his passes were picked off by Xavier Ev-

erett, making Everett's record seven interceptions this season.

Coach Flippen stated that the team was ready to play on Friday night and that the coaching staff was very pleased with the team's effort.

The Pirates host Camden High School on Friday night. The game will decide second place in the Albemarle conference, both squads are 5-1 in conference play, and 7-2 overall. Northhampton West will finish first in the conference, and the game Friday night between Currituck and Manteo will decide the fourth play-off spot

## 1987 FmHA loan guidelines outlined

HERTFORD, NC—Farmers who apply for loans from the Farmers Home Administration will be able to certify that they are in compliance with certain soil conservation requirements related to highly erodible and wetlands, according to FmHA County Supervisor, Melvin E. Howell.

"The 1985 Farm Bill prevents farmers from receiving benefits from USDA programs, including FmHA loans, unless they are in compliance with conservation procedures relating to 'highly erodible' and 'wet' lands," Howell said. "If they are in compliance, they can certify to that effect in the FmHA

County Office. If they are not in compliance, they will have to have a conservation plan developed by the Soil Conservation Service for the highly erodible land before FmHA can make them a loan."

The certification form to be signed by the applicant asks three basic questions dealing with cultivating

highly erodible land not farmed before; wet areas converted for cropland since December 23, 1985; and future plans to convert to wetlands. If the answers show that the farmer is in compliance, and he or she signs the "self certification" form, FmHA can process the loan application.

## Commodities distribution outlined

The Perquimans County Department of Social Services will receive cheese, butter, corn meal, instant milk, honey, flour and rice for distribution to the needy of Perquimans County in November. This will be the last distribution for 1986 and the next distribution of commodities is not scheduled until March, 1987.

The distribution of food will be at the Ice Plant, Grubb Street, and will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and end at 12 noon on November 19, 1986.

Households having four or more members should bring another person with them to help in carrying their commodities to the car.

All households who will not be able to pick up their own commodities may use a representative; however, the household must contact our office before the day of distribution for approval of a representative for their household. There will be no certification of representatives at the Distribution Site.

Applications may be obtained at any of the following offices beginning on November 10th: Department of Social Services, Health Department, Economic Improvement Council, Catholic Social Services and Recreation Department.

Cars may not be driven on the roads leading into or out of the Ice Plant property. Please remember to park only in authorized parking zones as the Hertford Police Department will be patrolling the distribu-

tion area.

The commodities distribution is available to all eligible persons without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, handicap, or political beliefs. Information about regulations against discrimination and how to file a complaint may be secured from the N.C. Division of Social Services, 325 N. Salisbury Street, Raleigh, N.C. or from your county department of Social Services.

### GROSS INCOME OF HOUSEHOLD

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	PER YEAR	PER MONTH	PER WEEK
1	\$6,968	581	134
2	9,412	785	181
3	11,856	988	228
4	14,300	1,192	275
5	16,744	1,396	322
6	19,188	1,599	369
7	21,632	1,803	416
8	24,076	2,007	463
ADD FOR EACH ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD MEMBER	\$2,444	\$204	47

## Open Door week planned

The County commissioners have adopted a resolution proclaiming the week of November 16th thru the 23rd as Open Door of Perquimans County week.

The commissioners adopted the resolution which was requested at their meeting on Monday by Rev. Henry Bizzell on behalf of the Open Door board.

The Open Door of Perquimans County is an agency which assists people in need who are not otherwise eligible for state assistance. The Open Door is supported by 18 churches in the county officially, and unofficially by numerous other churches and individuals. The Open Door operates the food pantry, the thrift store, and the intake office in Hertford.

It is the hope of the commissioners and Open Door that observance of Open Door of Perquimans County week will make people in the county more aware of the organizations services and programs.

The county commissioners also heard the monthly agricultural extension report which was given by Stan Winslow.

In his report Winslow reviewed the results of a recent survey conducted by his office. The purpose of the survey was to evaluate how the agricultural extension office can better serve Perquimans County's needs.

Winslow stated that they were very pleased with the results of the survey.

51 percent of the farmers answering the survey stated that they used information provided to them by the office frequently, 32 percent very frequently, and 17 percent stated that they use information occasionally.

73 percent of the people indicated that the information provided was very valuable to their farming operation. The survey results also indicated that most farmers feel that the office is doing a good job in helping farmers in the county address their needs and problems.

## Texas-Gulf tour set

This year's theme for the statewide observance of Farm-City week is 'Agribusiness'. In keeping with the theme the local Farm-City Week committee and the county extension office have organized a tour of the Texas-Gulf Phosphate Mining operation in Aurora, N.C..

The tour will take place on Monday, November 24th. During the tour the group will have the opportunity to see all phases of the operation.

The tour will include a look at the extensive phosphate mining operation, and efforts which are being made to reclaim previously mined land to protect and insure water quality in the area.

Winslow also reported to the commissioners the plans for this year's Farm-City week. Activities planned include a tour of the Texas Gulf Phosphate mining operation in Aurora, N.C. on November 24th.

Randy Keaton also reviewed with the Commissioners a letter from D.R. Conner, Division Traffic Engineer with the North Carolina Department of Transportation concerning installation of railroad signals at SR 1214, SR 1228, and SR 1224 in Perquimans County as requested by Mrs. Patricia Lewis.

Mr. Conner stated that the NCDOT uses a system which gives every railroad crossing an investigative index number. This number is used to create a priority listing of railroad crossings which need signals and improvements.

The system takes into account traffic and train volumes, train speeds, number of tracks, sight distance restrictions, and accidents at the crossing.

In the NCDOT investigation done on October 15th, they found the following improvements needed for the three crossings.

SR 1214: Relocate railroad signs 750 feet in advance of crossing.

SR 1224: One sign is mounted to low and will be raised.

SR 1228: Relocate signs 750 feet in advance of the crossing, and replacement of sign near SR 1214, repaint railroad markings.

Mr. Conner stated that these improvements would be made, but that the crossings did not qualify for signals at this time.

Other business discussed at the meeting included obtaining bids for the Perquimans County tanker truck, support of a Farmers Market to be located in Northeastern North Carolina, and a solution of the Duck weed problem in the Perquimans river.

The commissioners also discussed scheduling a meeting with the Perquimans County School Board to discuss long range capital planning.

## Gov. unveils new plan

RALEIGH—Governor Jim Martin Thursday unveiled a plan to establish the nation's first state-controlled unemployment insurance reserve fund to provide revenues for improving and expanding programs for worker relocation, new job training and improved literacy efforts.

Called "More and Better Jobs for North Carolina," the Governor's initiative will ask the General Assembly to allow a 30 percent special reduction in annual unemployment insurance taxes paid by the state's 121,000 employers.

This 30 percent reduction will free about \$100 million in unused revenues. Strategic use of that savings will accomplish two important objectives:

A) Reduce by about \$50 million the amount of unemployment insurance taxes paid by the state's 121,000 employers—thereby providing an immediate shot-in-the-arm for the entire state's economy that employers can use for profit improvement and job-creation investments.

B) Designate the remaining \$50 million to create a reserve fund. Approximately \$4 million in interest will be earned from the fund in the first year. Those interest earnings can be used at the discretion of the Governor and General Assembly to aid in worker relocation, improvement of job skills, assistance in literacy training and in developing pilot projects in labor force development. As the in-state reserve fund grows by \$50

million-plus each year, interest earnings also will grow to provide more money for training programs.

"During the past three years, we in North Carolina have enjoyed a period of economic stability that gives us a unique opportunity to assert leadership in job protection and job creation," Governor Martin said.

"This program involves the continued prudent administration of unemployment insurance revenues by the Employment Security Commission and an innovative plan for the expanded use of these funds," the Governor added.

The United States Department of Labor already has approved the concept of the state-managed fund with interest earnings dedicated to worker improvement.

Under the guidance of Commerce Secretary Howard Haworth and Employment Security Commission Chairman David Flaherty and the North Carolina General Assembly, North Carolina's unemployment insurance trust fund has grown to \$1,043,000,000. That figure represents the most solvent unemployment insurance fund in the Southeastern United States.

North Carolina employers now pay the highest unemployment insurance tax in the Southeast—about \$80 million more annually than Florida, the next highest state.

For additional information, contact ESC Chairman David Flaherty at 733-7546.