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Police issue remains undecided in town of Winfall Monday

A large group of concerned citizens gathered at the Winfall town hall, Monday to re-hash the issue of a police department for Winfall.

The issue in Winfall has surface because Joe Lothian, who is now Police Chief will step down November 28, 1986 to assume the duties of Perquimans County Sheriff on December 2nd.

As of Monday no replacement for Chief Lothian has been hired, nor has the town council of Winfall taken any official action to make temporary arrangements.

It appears to be the feeling of the majority of the board that the town should engage the Hertford Police

Dept. in a contractual agreement to provide police protection for Winfall; however, the townspeople present at the meeting were against hiring Hertford for anything but a temporary arrangement.

Stating that the board had already approved the money to run the police department, and citing numerous reasons for having their own department the citizens present Monday demanded that some action be taken by the council.

The citizens stated that even though hiring Hertford would provide police protection for the town, it would not be the same services they have become accustomed to over the past three and one-half years.

Joe Lothian stated at Monday's meeting his concern on this matter.

"These people deserve to know something", said Lothian. "They deserve better than they are getting." Lothian also stated that he did not feel they could obtain police coverage for the town for any less expense than they are already paying. Lothian stated that he felt the town of Winfall and the police department have come a long way, and its a shame to let things go down after making so much progress.

Some council members on the other hand seem to feel they will get better protection for less money. Council member William Ray Miller also stated his concern about obtaining

someone qualified to fill the position for the salary they are offering.

Joe Lothian answered that issue stating that if they could combine his salary with part-time money available, he felt they could find someone for the job. Lothian did state however, that he did not feel anyone would come to work for the town without the assurance of a long term commitment from the board to maintain the department.

It is not completely clear exactly when someone will be hired to provide protection of the town but at the conclusion of the discussion the council approved a motion to advertise the position, and make temporary arrangements until someone can be hired and trained.

Also discussed at Monday's meeting was the issue involving Winfall Town Mayor, Lloyd Ray Morgan.

The town council feels that Mayor Morgan has neglected the duties of his office. Walter Edwards, town attorney, citing North Carolina statute 14-230 which covers failure of an elected official to perform duties stated that the board feels Mr. Morgan has not performed the duties of his office. He also stated that action would be taken by the council Tuesday to remedy the situation. Edwards stated that Morgan refuses to do anything and added that the town will be asking the District Attorney's office to investigate this matter.

As of press time on Tuesday, Mor-

gan was not available to comment on the matter.

The town council also voted Monday to postpone the public hearing on the zoning ordinance due to the late hour. A public meeting on that issue will be held Monday, Nov. 24, 1986 in the town hall at 7:00 p.m.

At that time a representative will be present to go over in detail the proposed zoning ordinance. The purpose of the meeting will be to get public input concerning this issue so that the council can make a decision on whether to adopt the proposed ordinance or seek alternative action.

Until the time of the meeting a map and a copy of the proposed zoning ordinance are on display for the public inspection at the town hall in Winfall.

Pirates reach playoffs

The Camden High School Bruins were the first team to score against the Pirate defense on Friday, but the defense rallied back to take control and stop the Bruins.

The Pirates gained what would later clinch the lead on a 12 yard fumble return in the third quarter by Tim White, and the Pirates went into the lead. The win over Camden Friday night also assures them of second in the conference.

White's play which came late in the third quarter decided the game. The Bruins were on their own 22 yard line when they attempted a halfback pass which failed.

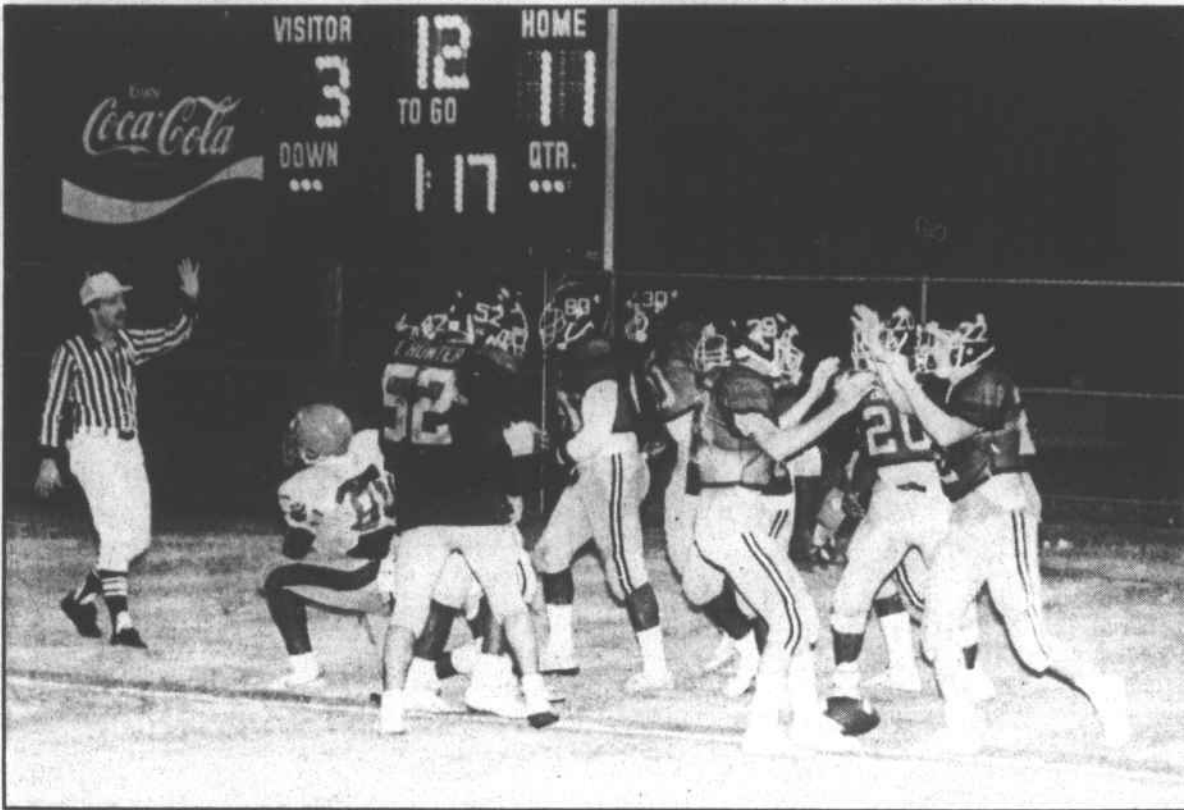
Camden tailback Shawn Bigbie was hit and fumbled the ball as he fell to the ground. White picked up the ball on the 12 yard line and ran into the end zone.

Coach Flippen stated Friday night's game was a good high school football game. "I'd say that even if we lost," said Flippen.

The Pirate defensive pressured Camden's quarterback Scott throughout the game and held the Bruins to just three first downs in two periods.

The Camden offense fell apart and the Pirates controlled the game for most of two quarters. When Camden recovered from the Pirate pressure it was too little too late.

Quarterback Scott Bigbie had a rousing effort in the fourth quarter as the Bruins drove the field with Bigbie passing and Whitehurst receiving.



Members of the Pirate football team are seen celebrating Friday night against Camden as they take the lead in the third quarter.

Their final pass was for the score. Bigbie passed to Marvin Burnham who carried the ball into the end zone. The two point conversion made the score 17-11 with 14 seconds to go in the game.

The Pirates managed to run out the clock and won the game.

Flippen praised both the Camden offense and the Pirate defense for keeping them in check. Flippen stated that the Bruins offense could do more than most other high school

teams.

Flippen also commented that they were the best balanced team the Pirates have played all year.

Perquimans scoring came in the second quarter with a 77 yard drive capped by a 13 yard touch down by Rodney Welch. Harrell added the two point conversion for a 8-3 lead. A 39 yard punt return set up a 27 yard field goal by Everett. This was Everett's first field goal of the season.

The win on Friday helped the Pi-

rates obtain two goals set early in the season. "When we started we had two goals: to make the play-offs, and to play a play-off game at home," said Flippen. The Pirates have achieved both.

The team finished 8-2 overall for the season, and 6-1 in the Albemarle Conference.

The Pirates host Belhaven-Wilkinson Friday. Season tickets can not be used for play-off games Friday. Tickets will be \$3.00 at the game.

Hertford joins system betterment program

HERTFORD—Hertford is one of 56 North Carolina cities participating in a System Betterment Program, a project aimed at reducing costs for the city's electrical distribution system. Mayor Bill Cox, said the project will identify potential cost-saving areas which could help offset future wholesale power rate increases and other anticipated costs.

System Betterment is available to municipally-owned electrical systems in the state that are members of Electricities of North Carolina, Inc. Electricities is a joint municipal as-

sistance agency composed of N.C. cities and towns which own and operate their electrical distribution systems. It provides management and technical services for the state's two public power agencies. Hertford purchases its power from North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency.

The System Betterment program uses the resources of the city, a consulting engineer and Electricities to determine how the city can best improve its system. The consulting en-

gineer, selected by Hertford and contracted by Electricities, works with the city to review its electric distribution system, policies, procedures and physical plant to identify projects. City visits by engineers will begin this month. City costs for the System Betterment program are at a set rate of .00003cent per kWh of retail electric sales. Hertford's estimated annual cost will be \$568.

In February 1987, the city will review the engineer's report outlining specific projects. Electricities will

assist the city in following through with a project, and locating financing for specific projects.

"We're excited that 56 of our 64 cities volunteered participation in this pilot project. System Betterment should help ensure the continued ability of cities to maintain competitiveness on retail rates in the future," said Jim Bobo, Electricities' general manager. "The program should also assure city retail rate payers that the city is making a significant effort to hold down power costs."

Museum program planned

ELIZABETH CITY, NC—The North Carolina Museum of History Associates will present a program on Traditional Christmas decorations at the Museum of the Albemarle on Sunday, November 16th at 2:00 p.m.

Renowned floral artist, H. Grady Wheeler, Jr., of Beaufort, NC who conducted the 1985 workshop will return this year by popular demand!

Pirates win

The Perquimans County Junior Varsity football team finished their season last Thursday evening capturing the Albemarle Conference with a 32-0 win over the Bruins of Camden high school.

The Junior Varsity finished undefeated in the conference with an 8-1 record overall for their season.

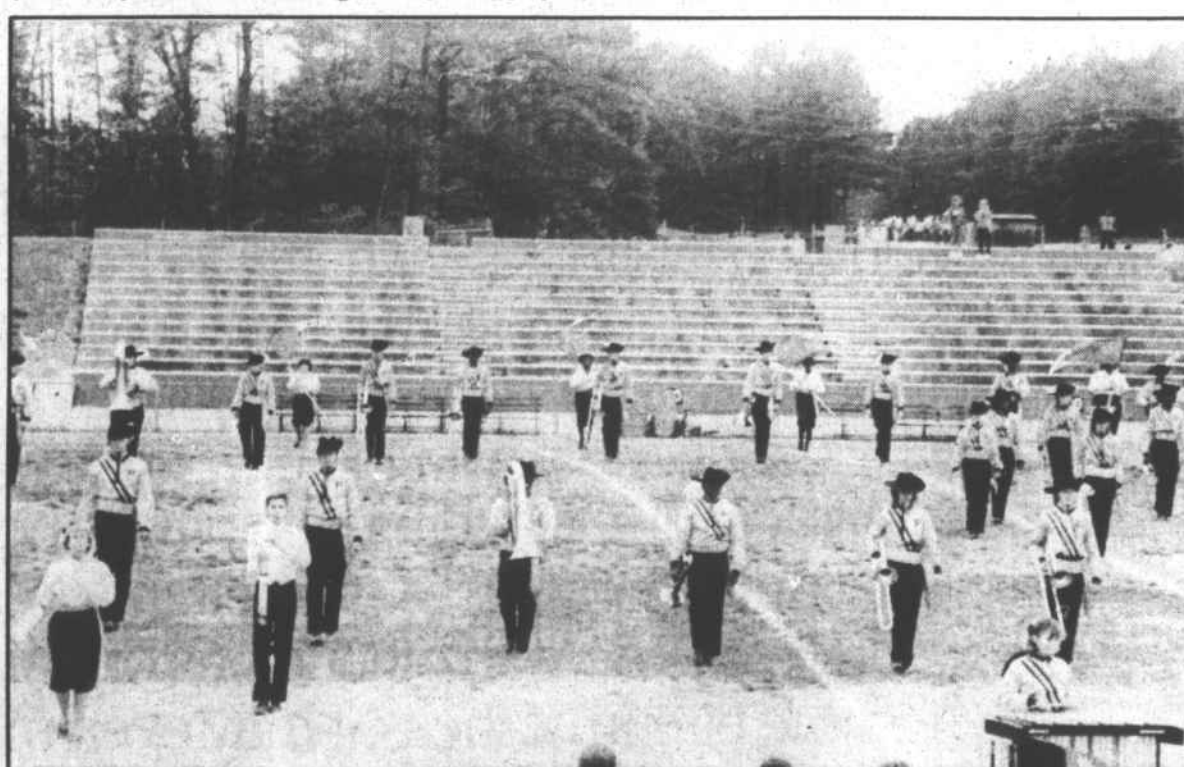
The J.V. Pirates only loss this season came at the hands of the Eagles of Northeastern High School.

The scoring for the J.V. Pirates was as follows:

Bennie Everett scored on a 17 yard touchdown pass from quarterback Derrick Rogers.

Cetric Felton had a 12 yard touchdown run and Ronald Skinner made the two point conversion to make the score 14-0. Jeff Felton had a 27 yard touchdown run and Bennie Felton made his second touchdown of the evening when he intercepted the ball and ran 33 yards to score.

The final touchdown of the game came on a 9 yard touchdown run by Cetric Felton, his second of the evening.



Members of the Perquimans marching Pirates are seen here as they competed at Hillsborough on Saturday. The band took six awards including Grand champion band in their class, 1st place percussion line, top score for music, top score for marching, and 1st place for overall effect of their performance.



Parade set for Dec. 6th

"We Believe in Christmas" will be the theme of the 1986 Christmas parade sponsored by the Perquimans County Jaycees with the assistance of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce.

The parade date has been set for Saturday, December 6 at 2:00 p.m., and at this time Don Slater is scheduled to be Grand Marshall.

This year's parade will include floats, bands and other marching units which will be judged and prizes are to be awarded.

Floats will be awarded cash prizes in two categories. The first category is for schools and the second is for civic and church groups. A \$25.00

cash award will be given to the first place winners in each group, with \$15.00 given to second place, and honorable mention for third place.

Bands and marching units will be judged in two categories. A first and second place trophy for the best band with 60 or more members.

A first and second place trophy will also be awarded to marching units with 60 members or less.

All area civic groups, churches and other organizations are encouraged to participate in the parade. Anyone interested in participating should submit an entry form no later than November 28, 1986. An entry form can be found on page 8 of this publication.

Jason Harrell wins national award

RALEIGH, NC—Jason Harrell, Rt. 1, Hertford, N.C., won a grand national award in the marketing demonstration contest here Oct. 31—Nov. 3 during the 52nd Annual National Junior Horticultural Association Convention.

Harrell was one of some 375 youths and adults from 22 states attending the convention. His demonstration, titled "Kernel Korn" discussed the steps involved in marketing sweet corn. Harrell, a member of the Town 'n Country 4-H Club is a senior at Albemarle Academy and the son of Tommy and Sherry Harrell.

Delegates competed for national honors in a horticulture contest and such areas as environmental horticulture, speaking contests, gardening, plant propagation, achievement and leadership.

In the horticulture contest, they judged vegetables, fruits, flowers and ornamentals, took a written test on a variety of horticultural topics, and identified 100 specimens.

Other program highlights included tours and workshops.

No bad treats found

A host of creatures-creepy and cuddly-came to Albemarle Hospital Friday night to take advantage of the free safety checks of candy offered.

This was the third year for the hospital to screen Halloween treats in its Radiology Department. No bad tricks were found this year, as in the past.



Membership in NJHA is achieved by enrolling or participating in a NJHA project or activity. 4-H and FFA members and other youths up to age 22 participate in various NJHA projects, demonstrations and activities but only those 15 or older are eligible to attend the national convention.

The NJHA organization is financed through contributions from corporations, and agencies and individuals.

Local members to meet

Over 800 local school board members and superintendents including Pat Harrell, superintendent of Perquimans County Schools and Clifford Winslow chairman of the Board of Education, will meet in Winston-Salem, N.C. November 13-15, 1986 for the 17th Annual North Carolina School Boards Association (NCSBA) conference. Meetings will be held in the Winston Plaza, the Hyatt Hotel and the Benton Convention Center—all in downtown Winston-Salem.

Governor James G. Martin will provide opening remarks on Thursday, Nov. 13 at 2:00 P.M. Lt. Governor Bob Jordan will speak at the Saturday, Nov. 15 8:30 breakfast meeting. Other speakers include Dr. Samuel Proctor, a Martin Luther King Professor Emeritus at Rutgers University at 12:30 PM on Friday. Dr. Bill Cook from Alabama will provide entertainment for the 7:30 Fri-

day evening Banquet.

During the legislative work session on Friday, four key legislators will serve on a panel—they are Senators Tony Rand, Marvin Ward, Representative Billy Watkins, and Representative Bobby Etheridge. Later that afternoon, during the Delegate Assembly, the NCSBA legislative program for the 1987 General Assembly will be established as well as the election of NCSBA Officers and Directors.

Donna Oliver, 1986 Teacher of the Year will speak at Saturday morning breakfast meeting prior to the passing of the gavel to the new NCSBA President. NCSBA Executive Director Gene Causby will offer closing remarks on Saturday morning.

Pennie Batle of Gates County is a nominee for 1987 NCSBA President. A variety of special interest clinics will be offered on Thursday and Friday afternoons.

Removal project to begin

North Carolina Natural Resources and Community Development Secretary S. Thomas Rhodes today announced that the State of North Carolina has approved \$24,000 in financial assistance to the Town of Hertford to remove 2,000 pilings and other debris from the Perquimans River.

The Town of Hertford and Perquimans County, project sponsors will supplement the State funds with \$12,000 in town and county funds and in-kind services.

These pilings are located on the southern bank of the Perquimans River, from the Town boat ramps east to the Southern Railway Bridge, a distance of one-half mile.

The Town and county are planning to hire a private contractor to do the work. Bid proposals have been sent out according to Mayor Bill Cox, and scheduled to be opened on Friday, November 14th. The contractor will use barge-mounted equipment to remove pilings and debris from the river. The material removed from the river will be transported to a land disposal site owned by the Town of Hertford. All work will be supervised by the Town of Hertford.

State funds for the Perquimans River Piling Removal Project are provided through the civil works program of the Department of Natural Resources and Community Development's Division of Water Resources.