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Three teens sentenced in armed robbery

Three Perquimans County teenagers were each sentenced to three years in jail after being arrested in April for an attempted armed robbery of a Be-Lo grocery store assistant manager making a bank deposit at NCNB in Hertford.

Ronald Lee Skinner, 17, Michael Thatch, 19, and Jermaine Travis McCoy Farrow, 15, pleaded guilty to common law robbery and were sentenced to three years in jail in the September 26th session of Perquimans County Superior Court. The teenagers were also ordered to pay \$3,796.00 in restitution to the Be-Lo store in Hertford.

Skinner had been employee of the store at the time of the robbery.

Hertford Horizons to meet

The HERTFORD HORIZONS Steering Committee invites the public to attend a meeting regarding their three major areas of activity: Downtown Business and Commerce - Industrial Development - and Perquimans River Quality. The meeting will be held October 19, 1988 at 7:30 p.m. at the Perquimans County Courthouse. The purpose of the public meeting will be to discuss progress to date and future plans and activities in the three areas listed above. There will be a display of drawings of the Downtown Revitalization proposal which is a part of the Downtown Business and Commerce Committee. The River Quality Committee will be discussing a Stream Watch Program. We encourage persons interested in the growth and quality of life in Perquimans County to attend so they can be informed to the progress made in these key areas and voice their opinion.

Hertford is one of seven communities chosen to participate in a project called STEP, Strategies for Economic Progress, and receives special assistance from the Division of Community Assistance, North Carolina Department of Natural Resources and Community Development - Washington Regional Office.

Low income energy assistance

Human Resources Secretary David T. Flaherty announced that an estimated 187,000 low-income families in North Carolina may be eligible for special financial assistance through the federal Low-Income Energy Assistance Program.

Flaherty emphasized that Low-Income Energy Assistance provides a one-time payment to help needy North Carolinians pay their heating bills.

"The purpose is to provide families with some relief from the high cost of energy during cold weather," Flaherty explained. "Priority will be given to the elderly and disabled citizens and families with young children."

Mary K. Deyampert, director of the Department of Human Resources' Division of Social Services, said last year more than 159,000 households received assistance under this federal program, with payments averaging \$124.32. The size of a payment a family receives depends upon the number of people in the household, their combined incomes, where they live, and the type of heating fuel they use.

The state expects to spend about \$21.1 million on the assistance program. The Department of Human Resources has been designed as the state agency responsible for administering the program. County social services departments across the state will determine eligibility.

Deyampert said only households that have heating bills are eligible for this assistance. Applicants may also be eligible if their heating bills are included as part of their rent. Persons who live in public housing and are subject to an additional heating charge may qualify for partial payments.

Eligible households must have incomes at or below 110 percent of the 1988 poverty level. The federal poverty level is \$706 a month for a family of two, and \$1066 a month for a family of four.

In addition to these income limits, a household's financial assets must have a total value of \$2,200 or less.

For more information about the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program, contact your local county department of social services or call Care-Line toll free from anywhere in North Carolina at 1-800-682-7030.



Waters named homecoming queen!

On Friday evening during the half-time festivities of the football game it was announced that Christie Waters, representing the senior class, had been named homecoming queen. Derrick Rogers was selected as homecoming king, and Martha Bass was selected as homecoming princess. Also on the court were: Debrah Coston, Kne Evereff, Allison Gregory, Mary Stallings, and Verita Murrill. Pictured above are Kristy Waters and Derrick Rogers.

Perquimans wins homecoming victory over Barons of Gates County Friday

It was homecoming in every sense of the word on Friday evening as the Pirates of Perquimans High School returned to their home stadium, after a long stretch of games on the road, to defeat the Gates County Red Barons.

The score was tied at 22 at the close of the fourth quarter, sending the game into overtime, and according to reports it was the first time in over 20 years that overtime had been played on the athletic field at Perquimans High School. Fans, coaches and players held their breath as the final minutes of the game came to a close.

Gates County won the toss of the coin and elected to play defense first. (In overtime play each team is given the ball on the ten yard line and they have four downs to score a touchdown. If they score then they have the option of kicking a field goal or running for the two-point conversion. If one team scores and the other doesn't than the game is over; however, if both teams score and continue to score after each series, the process is done three times and then the game is complete.)

The Pirates took full advantage of handling the ball first. Tyvoice Coston took a quick pitch from quarterback Derrick Rogers and ran the ball 10 yards for an easy touchdown in the first play of overtime. The score climbed to 28-22.

Following Coston's run the Pirates attempted the two point conversion play failing on their first attempt, but when pass interference was called on Gates, Perquimans got a second chance to make the play. Jevone Coston, taking no chances, ran the ball into the endzone for two points giving Perquimans a 30-22 lead.

The pressure than moved to the Barons. Gates ran two plays before Elliott scored from the three yard line taking the score to 30-26. Following Elliott's touchdown run, Gates attempted the two-point conversion play to tie Perquimans and move into a second overtime, but Elliott's pass to Thomas Smith was incomplete, and the Pirates reigned victorious.

Friday night's game was a big win for the Pirates, who after losing two straight games on the road to Edenton and Currituck were on the brink of falling out of contention for the conference title. The win moves Perquimans to 3-3 overall for the year and 2-1 in the conference, while Gates County falls to 4-2 overall and 2-1 in the conference.

Coach Spencer White seemed extremely pleased with the team's performance on Friday evening following the game. "It was a good ballgame," said White.

"Gates has one of the finest of offensive ballclubs I've seen in a while," he added.

White stated that Perquimans seemed to have the momentum in the first half of the ballgame, but felt that Gates came out in the second half and controlled the game.

During the course of the regular game, Gates scored first on a four-yard run by Elliott. The Barons missed a two-point conversion leading 6-0.

The Pirates answered the Barons later in the first quarter when quarterback Derrick Rogers scored making a one-yard run. Coston carried for the two-point conversion making the score 8-6.

The Pirates added two touchdowns in the second quarter and

they were on their way to a victory.

The first touch down came when the Barons, forced to punt from their own end zone fumbled the snap. Kenny Waters recovered the ball for the Pirates in the end zone scoring his first touchdown of the season. Tyvoice Coston ran the ball for the two-point conversion taking the scoring 16-6.

The second score in the second quarter came on a three-yard pass from Rogers to Reggie Trueblood. Trueblood's touchdown was his first for the year, and the Pirates lead 22-6. A failed two-point conversion by Perquimans left the score at 22-6.

The second half of the ballgame was controlled by Gates County.

Gates scored in both the third and fourth quarters.

The third quarter score came on a seven yard run by Smith. Smith also caught a pass from Gates quarterback Chuck Small on the two-point conversion making the score 22-14.

During the fourth quarter, Elliott completed a one yard run for a touchdown following a long drive down the field by Gates County. Small hit Smith in the end zone on the two-point conversion pass, tying the score at 22 all and forcing the game into overtime.

The Pirates were led in rushing by Tyvoice Coston with 93 yards on 21 carries. Smith and Elliott led Gates County with 139 and 113 yards rushing respectively.

Gates led Perquimans in rushing, 321 yards to 196. Gates also had 14 first downs to the Pirates 10. Perquimans led in passing yardage with 52 yards to 19.

Next week Perquimans faces arch rival Northampton West at home. Game time is 8:00 p.m.



Bass tournament successful!

On Saturday the Perquimans County Jaycee's Bass tournament was successful despite cold weather. The winners of the tournament were as follows: 1st place: George Ailsbrook and Ronnie Joyner, 18 lbs. 2 ozs., 2nd place: Bob Williams and Barry Tindale, 16 lbs. 15 ozs., 3rd place: Jerry Felty and Bo Callison, 16 lbs. 5 ozs., 4th place: Doug and Bill Clough, 10 lbs 13 ozs., 5th place: Ed Daughtry and Bobby Horl tied with Jack and Brett Visage, 8 lbs. 8 ozs., and the luncheon prize went to Jerry Felty for a fish weighing 6 lbs. 5 ozs.. Door prizes for the tournament were provided by Beech Springs Poultry, Davis Hardware, Jimmy's BBQ, and Hertford Hardware and City Marina.

Hertford Council considers establishing no-wake zone in river

On Monday evening the Hertford Town Council adopted a resolution asking the North Carolina Department of Wildlife to institute a no-wake zone on the Perquimans River.

The resolution passed by the council asks that the zone be established along the river from Missing Mill Park to the second buoy east of the bridge.

The idea of establishing a no-

wake zone was nothing new, the idea has been discussed at both Hertford Town Council meetings and Perquimans County Board of Commissioner's meetings.

Prior to establishing the no-wake zone the wildlife commission will be conducting a public hearing on the matter.

Dates for the hearing will be announced at an upcoming meeting, and will be made public.

Three men arrested in conjunction with area drug investigation

On Monday more than 30 police officers from Elizabeth City, Hertford, and the surrounding sheriff's departments armed with arrest warrants began rounding up suspects in what is being labled as one of the biggest drug bust ever in the Albemarle Area.

The arrests came as the result of several month-long investigation by area depts.

In recent weeks according to reports undercover agents have collected thousands of dollars worth of cocaine through illegal street sales of the drug.

Three Hertford residents were arrested in conjunction with the B-Rock investigation.

Arrested were: Stanley Lee Jones, age 31, Route 2, Box 106 T, Meads Trailer Park, Hertford.

Jones was charged with two counts of possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine, Damone Kee, age 25, 110 Railroad Avenue, Hertford. Kee was charged with one count of possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine, and also arrested was William Lloyd Thatch, age 39, Rt. 2, Box 114-T, Meads Trailer Park, Hertford. Thatch was charged with one count of possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine.

All three men were placed in the Albemarle District Jail on Monday following their arrests under \$10,000 secured bond each.

The arrests were made Monday evening by a party made up of Hertford Police Officers, and members of the Perquimans County Sheriff's Department.

AIDS prevention week proclaimed

Governor Jim Martin has designated October, 1988, as "AIDS Prevention and Awareness Month in North Carolina" to increase public awareness of AIDS risk factors and prevention.

"AIDS has swiftly become a major health problem for our nation and state," Governor Martin said when signing the proclamation. "Until scientists develop a vaccine or cure, education will remain the best way to prevent the spread of this disease."

"Immediate effective programs of public information are essential, both to educate individuals about how they can avoid contracting AIDS and to allay fears about transmission of the disease," the Governor continued.

During AIDS Awareness Week, local health, civic, government and business leaders are asked to sponsor

community activities to get the facts out about AIDS—how AIDS is an is not transmitted, how AIDS can be prevented, and what precautions can be taken to avoid contracting the disease.

Information concerning these and other aspects of the disease can be obtained from the AIDS Program in the North Carolina Department of Human Resources. That information also includes suggested ideas to be adapted locally such as community forums and town meetings, information booths in shopping malls, bike-a-thons for AIDS, and presentations to civic organizations, youth groups, churches and business organizations.

At present, 629 cases of AIDS have been reported in North Carolina, and 351 have died from illnesses associated with the virus.

Fall Fun Festival kicks off Saturday

Get ready because this Saturday The Perquimans Central School PTA's annual Fall Fun Festival is scheduled from 10:00 until 3:00 p.m. on the school's grounds.

The activities of the festival will feature all kinds of fun and exciting things to do for the kids and adults too.

Face painting, pony rides, and all kinds of games will entertain festival visitors throughout the day.

In addition to the games and activities there will also be a number of items for sale, and once again

this year the festival will feature the haunted house.

Area craftsmen will also bring their many talents to the Fall Fun Festival, and festival visitors will have an opportunity to do some early Christmas Shopping.

So on Saturday, October 15th, no matter where your interests lie, the Perquimans County Central School PTA's Fall Fun Festival will offer something for your enjoyment.

Mark your calendars, and we'll see you Saturday at Central School.

Baby Pirates remain undefeated

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Hertford—Clarence Burke, Marlow Green and Willie Parker each scored touchdowns to lead Perquimans County over North Edgecombe in junior varsity football Thursday.

Burke scored on a six-yard run, then added a two-point conversion run. Green added a nine-yard scoring run, then scored the two-point conversion. And Parker, a middle linebacker, returned a fumble 30

yards for a touchdown. Green ran for two points on the conversion.

Anthony Turner led the Perquimans rushing attack with 72 yards on two carries.

The Baby Pirates, who haven't lost a home game in three years, are now 4-1 overall and 2-0 in the Albemarle Conference.

"The team played a great defensive game," said coach Harrell Thach.

New 1988-89 NCLM officers elected

Raleigh, N.C.—Nags Head Mayor Donald W. Bryan has been elected President of the North Carolina League of Municipalities for 1988-89. Elections of League officers and members of the NCLM Board of Directors were held Tuesday, Oct. 4 during the business meeting of the League's 1988 Annual Convention held in Asheville.

The following were re-elected to a second, one-year term on the NCLM Board of Directors: NCLM District 1, Mayor William D. Cox, Hertford; NCLM District 2, Mayor Derryl Garner, Newport; NCLM

District 3, Mayor Edith L. Greene, Bolton; NCLM District 5, Councilmember Kappy Dornseif, Nashville; NCLM District 7, Mayor J. L. Dawkins, Fayetteville; NCLM District 8, Mayor Roy Maness, Troy; NCLM District 9, Mayor Roy B. Culler, Jr., High Point; and NCLM District 11, Mayor Pro Tem Hal W. Kaylor, Conover.

Re-elected to one year terms as at large members of the NCLM Board of Directors were the following: Alderman Mary Lloyd Frank, Asheville; City Manager Dee A. Freeman, Brevard.