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## Prospects Bright For Perquimans Team

Forty-five Girls After Berths Vacated By Graduation

### FIVE TEAMS

Coaches Rogers and Everett Pleased With Players' Spirit

Another real girls' basketball team is in the making out at Perquimans High, to take the place of that undefeated team which for two years carried off honors in all games in which they participated, coming out victorious in four tournaments during that time.

Carl Rogers, who, assisted by Miss Edith Everett, is coaching the girls, says he has never seen a better spirit among players in all his experience, and that, instead of using only six players as has been the custom, he is going to use just as many players in each game as possible.

When all but one of the old team were graduated this year, it was generally accepted that the Perquimans High would be out of the picture so far as girls' basketball is concerned.

Coach Rogers says this is far from true. Five separate teams are practicing regularly and the girls are showing unusual determination to carry on in the old style.

No less than 45 girls are out for the team, and include: Sybil Rogerson, Fannie Foster, Margaret Jordan, Hattie Pearl Nowell (only veteran), Helen Coffield, Sarah Ward, Mertice Godsey, Hilda Hobbs, Florene Hurdle, Mattie Butler, Thelma Baccus, Ellie Mae White, Cella Blanche Dail, Mary Feild, Eugenia Gregory, Margaret Mayes, Addie Butt Morgan, Alice Roberson, Annie Lee Stafford, Lila Budd Stephens, Mattie Anderson, Blanche Chappell, Ruby Smith, Mary Burgess, Inez Stokely, Nita Newbold, Maywood Pierce, Dorothy Strange, Elizabeth Trueblood, Eula White, Catherine Campen, Katherine Leigh, Margaret Ward, Nancy Coke Darden, Florence Darden, Wilma Godfrey, Ruth Hollowell, Ruth Winslow, Dixie Chappell, Mattie C. Reed, Dalton Strange, Geneva White, Lizzie Lee Hoffer, Shirley Elliott, and Ruth Hendricks.

Better Have Lights On Horse-Drawn Vehicles

The kerosene oil burned out of Will Gregory's lantern on Friday morning while the mules were being hitched to the street sweeper which Will operates for the Town of Hertford, but Will took a chance that he wouldn't encounter any cars on the streets between five o'clock and dawn, as a result of which he narrowly missed being killed in a collision with a milk truck and he had to pay the bill of costs amounting to \$15.25 in Recorder's Court on Tuesday when he was called to answer to the charge of driving a horse-drawn vehicle on the streets without proper lights.

"It would have been cheaper to have bought five cents worth of oil," Judge Oakley told the Negro who pleaded guilty to the charge, and who promised to keep a lantern on the sweeper in future.

It developed that Gregory had been warned recently by Night Officer M. G. Owens in reference to driving the sweeper without lights, and Will admitted this. The prosecuting witness, Leslie Sumner, testified that he was forced to drive his milk truck up on the sidewalk to avoid striking the sweeper and that he ruined two tires of his truck and damaged the truck otherwise.

Only one other case was tried during the very brief session of court on Tuesday, S. B. Smith was tried for reckless driving, the case being dismissed upon payment of the court costs.

More Cotton Ginned In County This Year

W. M. Harrell, special agent for the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, reports that there were 860 bales of cotton ginned in Perquimans County from the crop of 1936 prior to October 1 as compared with 589 bales ginned to October 1 of the crop of 1935.

AT THE FAIR  
Miss Ruth Davenport and Miss Mary Helene Newby spent Wednesday and Thursday in Raleigh, attending the State Fair.

Canning Contest In Court House Saturday

Some Perquimans housewife is going to receive a prize of five dollars on Saturday, provided there are forty of them who enter the contest, and others will receive prizes of fruit jars.

The Kerr and Ball Canning Contest will be held in the courthouse. Those entering the Ball Contest are requested to bring a canned quart of soup mixture and one quart of snap beans, using any kind of jars and lids.

Those entering the Kerr Contest are requested to bring either a quart or a pint of fruit, the same of vegetables and the same of meats.

Miss Gladys Hamrick, under whose supervision the contest is held, is expecting many of the club women of the county to bring canned goods to be entered in the contest.

Miss Rebecca Colwell, Home Agent of Chowan County, will be the judge.

North Carolina Leads In Vegetable Growing

North Carolina leads all other states in the value of garden vegetables grown for home use.

That is the conclusion reached by M. E. Gardner, extension horticulturist at State College, after studying figures recently released by the bureau of the census, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The figures did not cover Irish and sweet potatoes, but they included the other principal vegetables grown in American gardens. Mississippi stood next to North Carolina, and Tennessee ranked third.

The value of North Carolina's crop of vegetables grown for home use was placed at \$9,631,010. The Mississippi and Tennessee valuations were between eight and nine million dollars.

In 1935, North Carolina farmers also raised 95,684 acres of garden vegetables for sale, not counting Irish and sweet potatoes, Gardner observed. This acreage was divided thus: Beans, 22,009 acres; cabbage, 8,518 acres; sweet corn, 9,619 acres; tomatoes, 5,420 acres; watermelons, 20,240 acres; and other vegetables except potatoes, 29,878 acres.

Gardner pointed out that the increased production and consumption of garden vegetables over the nation indicates a change in the dietary habits of the American people.

This is particularly true in North Carolina, he went on, where the people are paying more attention to a balanced diet and where farmers are seeking to live at home by producing on the farm as much of their food requirements as possible.

The greater consumption of garden vegetables is not only conducive to better health, he added, but it is also providing many families with another welcome source of cash income.

Examination Called For Postoffice Sub

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination for the position of substitute clerk-village carrier for filling vacancies in the Post Office at Hertford, North Carolina.

Applications for this position must be on file with the Manager, Fourth U. S. Civil Service District, Washington, D. C., not later than October 24, 1936.

The examination is being held to fill a vacancy in the Post Office service.

Competitors will be required to report for written examination, which will be held approximately 15 days after the date set for the close of receipt of applications. Full information and application blanks may be obtained from the Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, Post Office, Hertford, N. C.

County Is Allotted Another Teacher

Perquimans County has been allotted one additional elementary school teacher by the State School Commission. The extra teacher is allotted by reason of the geographical condition of the county. It is necessary, because of this condition, to maintain schools in places where there is low attendance.

Superintendent F. T. Johnson will make an effort to secure an additional teacher for the Perquimans High School, where another teacher is much needed.

Tiny Horse Has Giant Godfather



"Tiny" is the smallest horse in the world, was christened at the Texas Centennial Exposition recently. The 22 pound pony was chosen mascot for the Southwestern All Stars in their game against the Chicago Bears at the Exposition. "King," 2,400 pound Clydesdale international champion, one of the biggest horses in America, acted as godfather. He is owned by Thomas E. Wilson, Chicago packer. Ann Combs, who named "Tiny," is shown holding him in the picture.

REVIVAL BEGINS AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY MORNING

Rev. H. T. Stevens of Newport News Will Be the Preacher LASTS ONE WEEK

Special Music Arranged For Both Services on Sunday

A series of meetings will begin on Sunday morning at the Hertford Baptist Church which, announces the pastor, the Rev. D. S. Dempsey, it is hoped will result in a revival meeting and a great ingathering of souls. The Rev. H. T. Stevens, pastor of Orcutt Avenue Baptist Church, Newport News, Va., will be here on Sunday night for the first service and will remain through the week, his last service being on Sunday morning, October 25.

There will be two services daily throughout the week, at 7:45 in the morning and at 7:30 in the evening. The morning services have been carefully planned with the school children in mind. Plenty of time will be given for the children to reach school on time.

Special music has been arranged for both services on Sunday. The quartet from the Windsor Baptist Church will sing at the Sunday evening service.

A welcome awaits every one at all the services.

Weekly Finds Owner Lost Week-end Bag

The owner of the week-end bag found by N. H. Stallings on the road between Hertford and Edenton some weeks ago has been found. The bag was lost by Miss Margaret Gilliam Jarvis, of Moyock. Miss Jarvis, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jarvis, of Moyock, and a niece of J. M. Jarvis, former Hertford resident, lost the bag while on her way to Greenville to enter E. C. T. C. It was picked up on the road by N. H. Stallings, of Belvidere, who left it in Robinson's Drug Store and advertised the loss in The Perquimans Weekly.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jarvis came to Hertford on Wednesday and identified the bag satisfactorily. They were naturally very happy to find the lost bag and extremely grateful to Mr. Stallings and those who helped to trace the owner.

REPORT OF DEAD HOBO AT YEOPIM EXCITES OFFICERS

Sheriff and Others Rush To Scene to Make on Investigation IMAGINATION

Indications Were That Nobody Had Been In Abandoned Station

It was possible that death resulted from natural causes, but there was also a probability that the man reported found in the abandoned railroad station at Yeopim had met with foul play. Sheriff J. E. Winslow took along Dr. T. A. Cox, the coroner, when he was called to investigate the matter.

Deputy Sheriff F. C. Winslow and others also went along, including the alert young newspaper reporter, Lucius Blanchard.

W. K. Moore, of Yeopim, reported the matter to Sheriff Winslow around noon on Tuesday, some children in the neighborhood having told Mr. Moore of seeing the dead man in the railroad station.

It is quite a little drive to Yeopim, and the men had time to speculate a good deal as to the case. The theory was advanced that the dead man had been a tramp, a hobo who had probably alighted from the train at this point and gone into the abandoned station to sleep. He might have died suddenly or it was possible he had been sick for some time before he died in the lonely, out-of-the-way place.

A death-like quiet reigned over the little house, as officers and men drove up, but there was nothing to indicate that a man lay stark and cold in death in the shabby little old building at the side of the tracks. Pushing their way through the dense weeds which grew about the door, they went in.

Coming from the bright sunlight into the dim lit interior of the building the men peered into the gloomy corners in a vain search for the gruesome sight they expected. No dead man was there. There was nothing there, except some spiders, which, interrupted in the weaving of their lacy webs to make a curtain for the broken windowpane, scurried to cover as the men advanced, and a mouse, engaged in storing its winter supply of peanuts beneath the floor, which also made a hasty retreat. Outside, a cricket chirped cheerfully. There was nothing to indicate that a man had been there. The heavy

## Loafers In Hertford Must Work Or Else

HIT OR MISS

By M. L. W.

It didn't make any difference to Queen that the little waif was a pig. It was motherless and alone and Queen, the big Airedale belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Best, near Winfall, is a natural mother.

The squealing, grunting little pig arrived, with a lot of others, on the wings of the storm three weeks ago. All of the litter except two died from cold and exposure, and to save these Mrs. Best carried the poor little creatures up to the house. Afterwards their own mother wouldn't have them back. She disowned her babies and shed all responsibility for them. So Mrs. Best had a problem, which was only half solved when one of the little pigs died. The other was placed in the dog house and a hot flatiron wrapped in rags was placed near the shivering little body.

Then Queen came home and went into her house. Queen's babies are all grown up and out of the way. This alien waif, by no stretch of the imagination, could lay any claim to a relationship to Queen. But the instinct of motherhood, which by the way often has nothing whatever to do with the physical relationship, was strong in Queen. Some sixth sense must have told her that the little pig needed mothering. She sniffed the motherless little creature, sniffed and sniffed, and then lay down beside him and literally took him to her heart.

And the little old pig just nestled right up to the dog and immediately made himself right at home, making a desperate effort to extract sustenance for himself from the body of his adopted mother.

So the little pig abandoned by its mother and the dog whose pups are grown up are living in the dog house out at the Peter Best farm in a relationship which is apparently highly satisfactory to both.

Heaven is not reached at a single bound, But we build the ladder by which we rise From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies, And we mount to the summit round by round.

—Selected.

Surprise Party For Rev. and Mrs. Butler

Rev. A. A. Butler and Mrs. Butler were given a delightful surprise on Saturday night when a number of their friends, members of Whiteville Grove Baptist Church, of which Mr. Butler is pastor, called at the home bringing numerous gifts of all kinds of good things in the way of food.

There were hams and chickens and other good things from the farm, as well as all kinds of fancy and staple groceries found at the stores.

District Meeting In Gatesville Saturday

A number of women from the Hertford Woman's Club will attend the annual district meeting of Women's Clubs of the Sixteenth District at Gatesville on Saturday.

Mrs. W. W. Stinemates, of Elizabeth City, District President, will preside and will make an address. The principal speakers will be Mrs. Geo. E. Marshall, of Mt. Airy, State President, and Mrs. John D. Marshall, of Wallace.

An interesting program to include special music has been prepared, the topic of which is "Education for Living."

The Sixteenth District is made up of ten clubs, representing eight counties, as follows: Elizabeth City, Camden, Chowan, Moyock, Hertford, Murfreesboro, Winton, Ahoskie, Mantoo, Gatesville, and Elizabeth City Junior.

Luncheon will be served by the Home Demonstration Clubs of the Gates county.

coat of dust which covered the floor was proof that the place had long been untenanted.

The dead man had existed only in the over-active imagination of children who probably became frightened as they passed the abandoned house in the late evening as they returned from school, and peeping through the window they thought they saw in the dim shadows a man, a dead man.

Will Be Refused Help When It Is Needed Later on

### PLENTY JOBS

Oakey Threatens to Put Some Where They Will Work

Loafers who won't work when they are offered jobs on the farm are going to stand a poor show next winter when they apply for relief, if the efforts of Recorder's Court Judge Walter H. Oakey, Jr., are productive of results.

"A man who won't work in October need not expect to get help later on," said Judge Oakey, in referring to the fact that the farmers of Perquimans are in need of laborers just now in the harvesting of the crops. Very prompt action is necessary to save the crops and the demand for cotton pickers, peanut diggers and other harvesters is very great.

Information came to Judge Oakey a few days ago that the farmers were having considerable difficulty in inducing men and women to work. Word went out that such as would not work and who had no visible means of support were going to be picked up on vagrancy charges.

That the usual crowd of spectators in the court was conspicuous by their absence on Tuesday morning would seem to indicate that the grapevine telegraph had conveyed the information where it was most needed.

From the bench Judge Oakey made the statement that he wished any farmer who has any difficulty in getting labor, who offers jobs which the unemployed will not accept, to report such refusal to work to him or to the police officers, promising that something would be done about the situation.

"If a list of the names of these persons who refuse to work is kept," said Judge Oakey, "I will see that the list is turned over to the relief agencies and they shall not receive help."

Judge Oakey then called attention to the fact that there was a shortage of labor on the farms of Perquimans. "There are," he said, "a great many persons being helped who will not work, and I expect to send some of these over to Williamston, where they will have to work."

Handing a paper containing a list of names to an officer, he said, "Here is a list I wish you to check on. If you find any of these men not working, who have not been working for the past month, I want you to bring them in here. Bring them in court and I will send them on the roads."

When Judge Oakey was informed that there were men refusing to go to work allegedly because they were sick, he said, "All right, but they must have a doctor's certificate to that effect."

Funeral Saturday For Whit Mathews

Funeral services for Whit Mathews, 75, of Burgess, who died in the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City on Thursday afternoon, were held at the Hertford Methodist Church on Saturday afternoon, with the Rev. D. M. Sharpe, pastor, officiating, and burial took place in the Mathews family burying ground.

Mr. Mathews, who was a prominent farmer, is survived by his wife, Mrs. Alpine Mathews, and the following children: Moody Mathews, Thos. Mathews and Mrs. Matt Mathews, of Hertford; Mrs. Preston Dennis, of Parsonsburg, Md.; Mrs. George Parsons, of Salisbury, Md.; Mrs. George Bateman, of Elizabeth City; Woodrow Mathews, of Maryland; and James M. Mathews, of Elizabeth City. Two brothers and three sisters also survive as follows: E. D. Mathews, W. E. Mathews, Mrs. Geo. Benton and Mrs. Anderson Russell, all of Perquimans County, and Mrs. J. B. Williams, of Elizabeth City.

### ATTEND FAIR

Miss Gladys Hamrick, accompanied by Mrs. L. W. Anderson and Misses Blanche Everett and Helene Nixon, attended the State Fair on Thursday. Mrs. Anderson is remaining in Raleigh for a few days.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT  
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Byrum, of Chapanoke, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, on Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1936.