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A REAL MENACE

"Prey on the preying cats," seems to be the word if we expect to keep our abundance of wild life still abundant.

These renegade cats, not house pets and not entirely wild, infest our forests in hundreds, devouring small birds, rabbits and other small creatures of the game breed.

We see them every day, slinking along ditch banks. Every night we catch them on the roads in the glare of our headlights. Thousands of them—and every one must eat every day. Every meal means one less young quail, or rabbit, or probably squirrel, although it's unlikely that squirrels are easy prey for the hunting cat.

County Game Warden J. H. Newbold, while favoring the killing of the renegade breed, wishes a clear distinction between the outlaws and the house pets which are fed at home.

Unless we dispose of the hunting cat, our already thinning game supply will be slimmer than ever this fall. The two cat classes are not hard to distinguish, the house pet variety, even while roaming around, is comparatively gentle, sleek and well-fed. The outlaw is lank, scrawny and skittish.

So hunt the hunting cat and protect our game—but be sure it's not a house pet.

LAST TIME

Just a reminder that Monday night (Labor Day) is the last performance this season of Paul Green's "Lost Colony." So, see it between now and then, or wait until next summer.

REASON FOR SERIOUS THOUGHT

Legalized liquor for Perquimans County? Unless the county needs the added source of revenue, The Perquimans Weekly sees no particular need for an ABC store.

Of course, the county is badly in need of the new source of income, and though the commissioners do not take a definite stand on the matter of the petition now in circulation, they will tell you that the body was hard pressed to keep this year's tax rate at the old level.

It is difficult for this paper to flatter "dry" Perquimans by a comparison with surrounding wet counties, but the situation here under the circumstances is well-handled. For the largest part our bootleggers handle tax-paid stock, but while those who imbibe can get all they want, the county does not come in on the profits for one red cent.

Over in Edenton, the Chowan County store in its first ten months of operation, turned over to the county treasury the sum of \$5,000. Fifteen hundred dollars of that amount, we dare say, rightfully belongs to the treasury of this county, representing approximately what Perquimans County people spent for liquor there. A like amount was probably spent in the Pasquotank store. So there you have it, through our bootleggers, and through the stores of the surrounding counties, Perquimans County gets all the liquor it wants—but the county itself does not benefit from the sale.

What effect the establishment of an ABC store would have on the morals of the vicinity, we are not prepared to predict, but the proximity of the Pasquotank and Chowan stores has not seriously contributed to the evils of this county, or the other two.

We do not attempt to say that the establishing of a county-controlled store is the cure for "nip-joints," bootleggers and all other liquor ills. It probably isn't. But we do say that bootleggers now are prospering through a channel that has been optional to county governments for several years.

To the wet forces, those behind the petition now in circulation, we suggest that they would acquaint would-be supporters with a brief statement of the county's finances, and let them govern their decisions by what they find. They'll find a crying need for new sources of county income without raising the tax rate.

The signatures of fifteen percent of the county's voters affixed to the petition, will bring the matter up for discussion by the commissioners at their next meeting and although the commissioners may call an election at any time, a petition with the required number of signatures makes it the commissioners' duty to request the board of elections to hold an election.

Chewing The Rag

With Lucius Blanchard, Jr.

Little Reginald Tucker is out for our scalp. In no uncertain manner Reggie resents the mix-up that resulted in the omission of his name from among those of several boys who captured a four-foot alligator in the surf at Nags Head recently. Our news account of the capture was simply in error and the over-due apology is hereby tendered young Mr. Tucker.

Gratefully received were a lot of compliments on last week's special edition, but right now we've got a passel of apologizing to do and we start with our correspondents, who didn't see their items in the paper. We went to press a day early in order to get out before Thursday for the bridge opening, and in the rush of things we forgot to notify our correspondents, so when the news came in as usual, it was too late to make the issue. If they'll forgive us this time, we'll try not to let it happen again.

Then to Mattie Lister White, who rushed for us a splendid feature article for the edition, a whole raft of apologies. The article appears in this issue because it was crowded out of our last run. She knows how those things are, however.

Lila Budd Stephens has ended her seventh year as a newspaper carrier in Hertford. She succeeded her sister, Polly, who succeeded her brother, Creighton. The Stephens, sisters and brother, have been carriers for an Elizabeth City paper ever since daily carrier service was inaugurated in Hertford. Lila Budd retired from her job last week to go away to school—at Elon.

A Letter From the Editor—Our opinion may appear to differ from yours on the question of legalized liquor for Perquimans County. If it does—or if it does not—let us hear from you. Space in The Perquimans Weekly is always available for "Letters To The Editor," and no matter where you stand on the subject, if you want your viewpoints made public, write a letter to the editor. Sign it, but specify whether or not you wish your name used. Anonymous messages cannot be accepted for publication, so don't be shy. If you are a citizen you've a right to be

EXECUTIVE GROUP MEETS

The Executive Committee of the Hertford Baptist Woman's Missionary Union met with Mrs. J. F. Stegall on Monday afternoon, with Mrs. I. A. Ward, president, in charge.

At the close of a brief devotional period, followed by the business session, the hostess, assisted by her mother, Mrs. Ringold, served dainty refreshments.

Those present were Mrs. I. A. Ward, Mrs. G. R. Tucker, Mrs. L. N. Hollowell, Mrs. Charles E. Johnson, Mrs. Charles Johnson, Mrs. J. J. Fleetwood, Mrs. Mark Gregory, Mrs. J. E. White and Mrs. V. A. Holdren.

CIRCLE NO. 2 TO MEET

Circle No. 2 of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Hertford Baptist Church will meet on Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. R. A. Sutton.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Chappell announce the birth of a son, William Nixon, on Thursday, August 28. Mrs. Chappell was formerly Miss Annie Belle Hollowell, of near Hertford.

Sound vibrations, used to age whiskey, are said to produce in seven hours the equivalent of four years aging in wood.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Bateman, of Cross Roads, announce the birth of a son on August 23rd. Mother and baby are getting on nicely.

WHITESTON NEWS

Misses Lillian, Jessie Bell, Sybil and Florence Winslow and Jasper Winslow spent a few days recently in Burlington, Winston-Salem and the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Miss Lillian Winslow has returned to Washington, D. C., after spending the past month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Luther Winslow.

Miss Lucille Lane has returned after a visit with her aunt, Mrs. Beulah Phillips, in Norfolk, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Asa Winslow and son, Donald, and Charlie E. Winslow, Jr., of Norfolk, Va., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Winslow, Sr.

Miss Winnie Winslow attended the Friends Yearly Meeting in Woodland on Sunday, August 18th.

Misses Pearl White, Marjorie and Thelma White are visiting relatives and friends in Burlington and Winston-Salem.

Miss Margaret Jolliff, of Gatesville, has been a recent guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Ella White.

Miss Helen Baker has returned from Murfreesboro, where she spent a week with her cousin, Rebecca

heard, especially on a subject of such magnitude as to affect you and every other citizen in the county.

A champion . . . that's the distinction Cecil Winslow claims, a champion ice cream eater—and he challenges all comers for his title. He often eats half a gallon after dinner when he isn't even hungry, so if a contender's limit is only a quart or so, he'd better not make any wagers on the outcome.

"Quebec Village Bans Shorts As Men's Attire," reads a headline. Wilbur and I think the idea's O. K., if they'll carry it just a little further. We agree with the Canadian authorities, the sight of the average male limbs—uncovered—is not a spectacle of beauty. But the Quebec ban should also "cover" the unattractive female members of the shorts-wearing clan. While, by all means, shapely limbs should be exposed with shorts as short as decently possible, it is our suggestion that the lady possessors of spindly, unshapely, knobby knees and calves, be relegated to the "Slacks-for-Comfort-Without-Exposure-Society."

If the Quebec village voted a ban along these lines, Wilbur and I wouldn't care for the job of deciding which ladies could qualify under the shorts-wearing code, not to mention the ones who could not. We could qualify for the position, but our requirements would be too rigid for our own safety . . . and nobody would dare to protect us from the ladies on the "rejected"—list.

Alvin Karpis, public enemy number one a while back, (just after the Dillinger boys) is serving a life sentence on Alcatraz Island. We read recently where he had been granted permission to buy several items of fishing equipment and two books on angling. If the fishing is good on Alcatraz, Alvin isn't in such a bad spot—and he won't be cramped for time.

Little Herbert Nixon, Jr., made national news this week when Newsweek Magazine gave space to young Mr. Nixon, the nation's youngest Social Security Account Number holder. Little Herbie was six hours old when his father applied for the registration, listing his son as "unemployed."

Dail

Among those who attended performances of "The Lost Colony" at Fort Raleigh recently were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Baker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Winslow, Mrs. Earl Winslow, Miss Edna Winslow, Alvah Winslow and Carroll Williams.

The Young Peoples' C. E. Society enjoyed a picnic at Camp Perquimans one afternoon recently.

Allen White, of Philadelphia, Pa., is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. White.

Mrs. Cornelia Perry has returned to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mark Hathaway, in Hertford, after visiting Mrs. Elizabeth White and Mrs. Mary Jane White.

BELVIDERE ROUTE 1

Miss Agnes Ward has returned home after spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. F. C. Jenkins, at Potocasi.

Elias Chappell, of Wilmington, Del., left Sunday after a week's visit with his sister, Mrs. J. A. Rountree.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Ward and children, Agnes and John, Mrs. J. A. Rountree and Elias Chappell spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lane and family, at Burgess.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Chappell attended the opening of the Albemarle Sound Bridge Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nixon Hollowell, from near Beech Spring, visited Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Chappell Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Long spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rountree.

BURGESS NEWS

Miss Anne Tucker and Miss Addie Reed, of Hertford, were house guests of Mrs. N. C. Spivey recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Spivey and C. D. Spivey, of New Hope, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Spivey, of Richmond, Va., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Basnight on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dail, of Edenton, were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Matthews on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Harris, of Norfolk, Va., spent Friday with Mrs. Mollie Blow.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Strickland and Mrs. Allee Hopkins visited George Parker on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Boyce, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas White, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Matthews, Lloyd Matthews, Glenn Matthews and Mrs. J. B. Basnight were among those from this section who attended the Albemarle Sound bridge celebration Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Lane spent Sunday with Mrs. Lane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jordan.

Miss Velma Overton, of Norfolk,

Va., was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Overton, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Walton Lane spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Lane.

MT. SINAI SOCIETY MEETS

The Woman's Missionary Society of Mt. Sinai Church met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. T. E. Madre at her home near Hertford. The meeting was opened by singing "The Woman's Hymn", followed by prayer led by Mrs. Junior Miller. Mrs. T. E. Morgan was in charge of a very interesting program with the following members taking part. Mrs. Junior Miller, Mrs. Charlie Umphlett, Mrs. Clifton Morgan, Miss Mamie Stallings, Mrs. E. U. Morgan. Miss Carmen Morgan led the devotional. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Members present were: Mesdames T. E. Madre, Warner Madre, Leonard Madre, E. U. Morgan, T. E. Morgan, Clifton Morgan, David Miller, Effie Miller, George Roach, J. V. Stallings, Ernest Stallings, Charlie Umphlett, J. W. Ward, Wallace Morgan, Harvey Stallings, W. D. Rogerson, Junior Miller, Misses Mamie Stallings and Celesta Godwin. Visitors were: Mrs. Beulah Forehand, of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. W. F. Madre, Jr., Mrs. E. W. Morgan, Miss Carmen Morgan, and Miss Virginia Umphlett.

CUMBERLAND NEWS

Miss Louise Churchill, of Portlock, Va., is the guest of Mrs. Effie Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. Morgan are visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Charie Umphlett and sons, of Winfall, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Morgan Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Davenport, of Elizabeth City; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Roach, Mrs. Effie Miller, Miss Mary Elizabeth White, Harold Hurdle and Ervin Perry were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Godwin Sunday.

Mrs. Beulah Forehand, of Norfolk, Va., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Effie Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Corpew and William Pierce, of Camden, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Perry Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Mary Louise Chappell, of Norfolk, Va., is the guest of Miss Mary Elizabeth White.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. J. E. Morris entertained a number of the young friends of her daughter, Pat, on Tuesday night, honoring Pat's seventh birthday. The boys and girls enjoyed a theatre party early in the evening at the State Theatre, after which the pretty birthday cake with its seven glowing candles was cut and served with ice cream at the Morris home. The honoree received a number of lovely gifts.

Those attending were Lindsey Reed, Bettie Ruth Chappell, Carrol Berry, Carlton Davenport, Catherine Anne Holmes, Francis Nixon, Elizabeth Darden, Penelope Whedbee, Mary Annette Cannon and John Morris.

Oldest In The Albemarle?

(Continued From Page One) ye gran court house for the precinct of Perquimans ye second Tuesday in October, 1701." The very next court record, and many thereafter, show that the courts were for a long time held in various homes of the citizens of the precinct.

In the year 1722 an act of the Assembly was passed providing for settling the precinct courts and courthouses, and the courthouse for Perquimans, one of the four original precincts of Albemarle, was ordered to be built on "Jonathan Phelps Point." Just how long it was before the courthouses were built it would be hard to say. The earliest authentic record which shows that a courthouse was built at this point, which is now Hertford, is contained in an original court summons, written in legible script, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court in Hertford, which reads as follows:

"Perquimans precinct. George the Second King of Great Britain
"To the Provost Marshall Deputy Greeting. We command you to take the body of John Pratt iff to be found in your balliwick and him safely keep so that you have him before our justices at the court house on Phelps Point the third Monday in July next and there to answer unto the plaint of Edward Mosley or his attorney in an action of the case. Damages six pounds and have you them and there this writ. Date at the clerks offs this 4th day of May 1733."

"Dated at ye Clerks office
"this 1st Charles Denman Clrk."
There is also a record which states "At a court held for the said county at the courthouse on Phelps Point on the third Monday in January 1741."

Also, in the year 1755, a bill was passed in the Assembly to "establish a public ferry from Newby Point to Phelps Point whereon the courthouse now stands on Perquimans River."

Three years after this date, in 1758, the Town of Hertford was chartered by an act of the Assembly, on Phelps Point, and mention is made of the courthouse.

Since this date the records of the

county have been well and systematically kept and it appears reasonably certain that so important a matter as the erection of a new courthouse could not have taken place without some reference having been made of it in some of the records.

The courthouse in Perquimans was erected in compliance with the Act of 1722 and was certainly in use in 1733. It was a small building and when it became necessary, as the population increased, to have a more commodious one for the transaction of the public business, an addition was made. The size and shape of the original unit is plainly discernible, being a part of what is now the main court room.

Further additions had been made many years prior to 1832 when the old courthouse had fallen into ill repair and looked much like other courthouses in the Albemarle, when Mr. Toms, that public-spirited son of Perquimans, at considerable cost, restored the old courthouse to its original beauty, through a committee headed by Charles Whedbee.

It has been decided by the Board of County Commissioners to have placed on the front of the courthouse a bronze tablet with a suitable inscription in acknowledgement of the generosity of Mr. Toms. The matter is in charge of Mr. Whedbee, who is well versed in Perquimans history. Mr. Whedbee has not seen fit to disclose what additional records he may be cognizant of in reference to the age of the courthouse, but it is believed that some reference will be made to the matter.

CENTER HILL

Mrs. Roy Carter and son, Olan, of Richmond, Va., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry.

Dr. and Mrs. Edward Cale and two daughters, Betsy Warren and Anne Meredith, of Richmond, Va., spent Wednesday with Dr. Cale's brother, Rev. Frank Cale, and Mrs. W. F. Cale.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hollowell and children, of Sunbury, were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner Sunday evening.

Students Plan To Leave For College

(Continued from Page One) Sharpe will return to Duke University; Jese Lee Harris, Guy Newby and Louise Payne will return to the University of North Carolina; Joyce Harrell, Prue Newby, Mary Alice Felton and Waverly D'Orsey are returning to East Carolina Teachers College. Claude Brinn, who attended Louisburg College last year, is entering Elon College this year. Ona Mary Stephens and her brother, Creighton, are also returning to Elon. Celia Blanche Dail will go to East Carolina Teachers College.

Perquimans Plays Prominent Part

(Continued From Page One) by professionals would have cost approximately \$300. The other counties' were single truck floats costing \$150 and upwards. It is not possible

of course to list the names of those who contributed to the fund.

Slated also for special mention for the part they played in the actual construction and decoration of the county's motivated historical scene, are: Mrs. Davenport, Mrs. J. E. Winslow, Mrs. J. R. Futrell, Miss Katherine Fleetwood, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. White, Miss Betty Winslow and Lipwood Skinner.

The services of Policemen Robert A. White and C. E. Walker, in construction work and gathering moss and other material, were invaluable to those in charge. The local committeemen are doubly grateful for the assistance loaned them in enabling this county to be so well represented in the celebration exercises.

Elimination of Fire Hazard Urged

(Continued From Page One) provisions of Section 2773, ECCS., and adds materially to the danger of the auditorium section and the second floor class rooms. To relieve this condition it is necessary to separate the furnace room and fuel room areas from the remainder of the building by erecting unpierced, except to the outside, masonry walls at least 8 inches thick around these areas and covering the area thus formed with concrete slab at least 4 inches thick or as per diagram attached.

Thanking you for the courtesies extended the deputy of this Department making this inspection and trusting you will have these changes and additions completed before again using the building for school or assembly purposes, I am,

Yours very truly,
DAN C. BONEY,
Insurance Commissioner

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Small Super Suds	3 for 25c (Blue Box)
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Octagon Soap (Small)	10 for 23c
Octagon Powder (Large)	6 for 25c
Octagon Powder (Small)	10 for 23c
Octagon Toilet	6 for 25c
Octagon Cleanser	2 for 9c
Octagon Chips	2 for 18c
Octagon Granulated	2 for 18c
Crystal White Soap	3 for 14c
Hollywood Beauty Soap	3 for 14c
Creme Oil Soap	3 for 14c

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