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## Edenton Youth Dies From Injuries In Head-On Collision

### Perquimans Man, Also Injured With Two Others

Jesse Lewis Nixon, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Nixon of Route One, Edenton, was killed and three other persons were injured in a head-on collision of two automobiles on the Center Hill Road near the Perquimans County line Sunday night about 10:30 o'clock, State Highway Patrolman Clyde Fentress and Charles Payne reported. Deputy Sheriff M. G. Owens also aided in the investigation following the accident.

The injured, who are all patients at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City, where their condition is reported to be "fair" are: William Byrum, Jr., of the Beach Springs section of Perquimans County, Willis Ray Peele and Ralph Peele, both of near Edenton and both of whom were riding with Nixon.

Fentress said Byrum's car apparently was on the left hand side of the road coming toward Hertford and collided with the car driven by Nixon which was en route to Edenton. The three injured youths were taken to Elizabeth City in a Lynch Funeral Home ambulance.

Byrum suffered compound fractures of both legs, it was reported, besides other serious injuries.

Patrolman Fentress stated Monday that manslaughter charges would be lodged against Byrum as the result of the accident.

Funeral services for Nixon were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Rocky Hock Baptist Church, the pastor, the Rev. W. C. Francis, officiating.

During the services the church choir sang "Sometime We'll Understand," "Does Jesus Care" and "Asleep In Jesus."

The casket was covered with a pall of red roses, fern and white mums. Other floral offerings were numerous and beautiful.

Active pallbearers were Melvin Harrell, Edward Byrum, Graham and Buck Byrum, J. D. Peele and Johnnie Harrell.

Honorary pallbearers were R. C. Privott, G. W. Forehand, Eddie Nixon, Miles Bunch, Carter Privott, Gus Hughes, J. E. Peele, C. C. Nixon, Emmett Elmore, H. M. Nixon, J. E. Perry and J. T. Nixon.

Burial was made in the Nixon Cemetery at Rocky Hock near the church under the direction of the Lynch Funeral Home.

Deceased is survived by his parents, five brothers, Thomas, Earl, Murray, J. C. and Leroy, and two sisters, Ada Marie and Mary Lou Nixon, all at home.

## County Man Beaten And Robbed Sat.

It will probably be a long time before Wilbur Stallings of Winfall will stop to give a hitch hiker a ride again. He was badly beaten and robbed last Saturday when he picked up two sailors in Norfolk, obeying an impulse to give the youths a ride. On entering the car of Stallings the two men immediately attacked the driver with a milk bottle and a screw driver. After beating and robbing Mr. Stallings of \$33.18 the sailors forced him from the car.

The sailors were later arrested when discovered tampering with another car and they admitted the attack on Stallings. They told police authorities they had abandoned the Stallings car shortly after the attack. The sailors are being held for action by the Norfolk grand jury.

## Town To Remove Leaves Fridays Only

In order not to disrupt the regular work routine of the street department, the Town Board, at a meeting Monday night adopted a plan whereby leaves will be removed from streets on Fridays only.

In announcing the schedule Mayor V. N. Darden called upon the residents of the town not to place leaves on the streets only on Fridays. When raked into gutters the leaves are scattered, and in case of rains are washed into the storm sewers, causing bad drainage.

Leaves can not be handled by the garbage collectors, and therefore the town will use its large truck to haul away leaves each Friday.

The meeting of the board was a short affair and only the above matter along with routine financial matters were handled during the meeting.

## Junior Class To Present Comedy

The Junior Class of the Perquimans County High School will present a three act comedy, entitled "Aunt Tillie Goes To Sea" on December 5, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the high school.

The cast includes Anne Proctor, Howard Broughton, Peggy Cook, Bill White, Myrtle Elliott, Eugene Hurdle, Anna Faye Copeland, Reggie Tucker, Daphne Winslow, Nan Ward, L. C. Elliott and Eloise Godwin.

Special musical entertainment will be provided between acts.

## Rev. J. D. Cranford To Preach Sunday In Methodist Church

The Rev. B. C. Reavis, recently returned as pastor of the First Methodist Church in Hertford for the fifth year, announced today that the Rev. J. D. Cranford will preach for him at 7:30 o'clock next Sunday evening. Mr. Cranford has been pastor of the Perquimans Charge for the past seven years, and has done an outstanding piece of work. At the recent meeting of the annual conference in Henderson Mr. Cranford was appointed to the Faison Charge in the New Bern District. He has many friends in Hertford and Perquimans County who will be looking forward to hearing him preach Sunday night. He has announced "Up For Vision, Down For Power" as the subject of the sermon.

Mr. Reavis will preach Sunday morning, his sermon subject being, "Go Forward." There will be a reception of members in connection with the service.

## Perquimans Indians Lose To Plymouth

Perquimans High School football team lost its third straight game last Friday night when a strong Plymouth Panther team, smarting under a stinging defeat handed them by Edenton, outplayed the Indians during most of the game to win a 19-14 victory.

The game was one of those nip and tuck affairs with the outcome in doubt right up to the last minute of play. The Panthers scored first midway of the first quarter after the Indians had won the toss and received the kickoff. The Indians marched down the field chalking up three first downs but the attack bogged down on Plymouth's 10 yard line. Plymouth started a drive toward their goal which was good and a conversion of the extra point made the score 7-0. The Indians came right back and continued to march through the Plymouth line racking up several more first downs to finally score in the early minutes of the second quarter. Joe Nowell carried the brunt of the drive and scored on an end run from the 15 yard stripe. Jack Symons hit the line for the extra point. The half ended with the score deadlocked at 7-7.

Plymouth failed to gain through the Perquimans team after receiving the kickoff opening the third period and punted to the Indians. Nowell returned the punt to mid-field and the Indians started another drive which netted a touchdown when Symons drove through the line from the three yard marker. A pass from Nowell to Holmes was good and the Indians led 14-6. A fumble by the Indians in this period proved costly and set the Plymouth team up for its second touchdown and the score was 14-13 for Perquimans. For several minutes neither team was able to gain and then Plymouth began an air attack which the Indians seemingly could not stop and the Panthers scored again in the final period to make the score 19-14 in their favor.

During the closing minutes of the game the Indians started a sustained drive but time ran out before the local team could cross the goal. The Indians had the ball on Plymouth's eight yard line as the game ended.

## Entertainment At Hertford Grammar School Next Friday

A musical program, sponsored by the Hertford Grammar School, will be presented in the school auditorium at 8 o'clock on Friday night, November 22, it was announced here today by Miss Mary Sumner, principal of the school.

## DAUGHTER BORN

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Brabble announce the birth of a daughter on November 4. Mother and baby are reported doing nicely. Mrs. Brabble before her marriage was Miss Madge Long.

## Fifteen Cases In Recorder's Court Tuesday Morning

### Varied Docket Heard By Judge Johnson In Short Time

Following a two weeks' recess, 15 cases were listed on the docket of the Perquimans County Recorder's Court when court convened Tuesday morning. The docket was varied but little time was consumed in hearing the calendar as more than half of the defendants entered pleas of guilty.

Jewel Shearlock was taxed with the costs of court for driving without a license. Jordan Hurdle entered a plea of guilty to a charge of speeding and paid the court costs.

Roosevelt Campbell, Negro, was fined \$75 and costs of court on two charges, reckless driving and driving drunk.

Ben Harris, Negro, was assessed the costs of court on a charge of being drunk in a public place.

Lloyd White, charged with driving without a license, paid the costs of court.

Sol Blumberg entered a plea of guilty to speeding and paid a fine of \$15 and costs.

Leroy Revels, Negro, was taxed with the costs of court on a charge of fraud.

Arthur Woodhouse, Negro, was fined \$75 and ordered to pay the costs after pleading guilty to driving while drunk.

Eddie Felton, Negro, was ordered to pay the court costs on a charge of speeding.

George A. Johnson, Negro, paid the costs of court on a charge of speeding.

William Felton, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon and ordered to pay the costs of court.

Richard Hurdle charged with trespass was allowed a motion for a non suit in the case.

The State took a nol pross in the case charging Joe Dilard with larceny and trespass.

Henry Parker, Negro, was taxed with the costs of court on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

The State took a nol pross in the case charging Laura Woodhouse with larceny.

## Father Of Editor Very Ill In Indiana

Max Campbell, editor of The Perquimans Weekly, and J. G. Campbell of Wilmington, were called to Shelbyville, Indiana, on Wednesday due to the serious illness of their father.

During the absence of the editor, Miss Virginia White will handle the reporting and editing work of the newspaper.

The Building and Loan office, which is located at The Weekly office; will not be open to receive payments on Saturday of this week.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

President Truman closed out OPA control on all merchandise except sugar, rice and rents, with an order effective last Sunday morning. The action followed a report by OPA head, Paul Porter, who it is reported, told the President so few items were now under control, OPA was no longer necessary. President Truman stated, in his order, that present conditions would be served better by letting prices be adjusted by supply and demand. Effect of the order was noticed Monday when prices were reported climbing in many spots in the nation, although it was not noticed locally. Automobiles was one of the articles that jumped quickly in prices, but by Wednesday reports of buyers' strikes were received and it is believed by authorities that conditions will soon settle to stable levels.

Republican leaders of the new Congress, which will convene in January, have issued statements promising full cooperation with President Truman on all matters vital to the nation's economy. They state, however, a cut in income taxes will be voted, plus the end of some excise taxes. Some observers state official end of the war will be voted which will terminate the President's war powers.

Unrest has been reported in England due to the immigration situation in Palestine, and dispatches this week stated additional safety for the king has been ordered. No violence had been reported to mid-week.

## Youth Escapes From Training School; Faces Prison Term

Johnnie Myers, youthful escapee from the State Training School, was apprehended Monday night about four miles from Belhaven by Deputy Sheriff M. G. Owens and State Patrolman Charles Payne. The local officers had received word the youth was at the home of his grandmother, near Belhaven, and arrested the boy upon their arrival there.

John Myer, 14 year old county youth, escaped from the N. C. State Training School last week and faces a prison term when apprehended by authorities, it was reported by W. H. Pitt, clerk of court.

Mr. Pitt was notified last Friday that the youth, convicted on five counts of breaking and entering and larceny at the October term of Superior Court, had escaped from the Training School. Local officers are on the lookout for the boy.

After pleading guilty to the charges returned by the grand jury, the youth was sentenced to two years in prison, this sentence was suspended upon provision he did not leave the Training School until he was of age.

Commitment papers, placing the youth in State prison, have been drawn and will be executed upon the apprehension of the youth by any State police officials.

## Health Association Back State Program

One of the greatest crises North Carolina faces today is the shortage of doctors, nurses and medical facilities. Dr. Hamilton McKay, of Charlotte, told 60 of the State's leading doctors who gathered to attend a dinner meeting held under the joint sponsorship of the Good Health Association and the State Medical Society.

Dr. McKay told the assembled doctors that in his opinion the Good Health Program being advanced by the Good Health Association is the "answer to the health needs of our State."

Dr. McKay, named by the Medical Society to serve as liaison officers with the Good Health Association, declared that the Good Health Plan must become a reality "in its entirety." Any action to split the program would prove catastrophic, he asserted.

The problem of too few doctors in the rural areas of the State would be solved through the student loan fund stipulation of the proposed Good Health Program, Dr. McKay pointed out, observing that in Tennessee the number of doctors practicing in rural areas has been sharply increased through a similar plan.

Decrying the belief that modern medical school graduates will practice only in urban areas, Dr. McKay stated that doctors will practice "where they are needed" so long as three determining factors are observed. He listed the three factors as good living conditions, proper facilities to work with, and sufficient compensation to live a good life.

People are more health conscious now than ever before, Dr. McKay continued. He noted that twelve different national surveys conducted by medical experts show that the present strain on hospital facilities is no temporary problem and that "hospitals will continue to be crowded and facilities overtaxed 10 years from now, the same as today."

Reason for the unprecedented demands being made on the hospitals, he said, is not necessarily that more people are sick but that doctors have educated patients as to the value of hospitalization and medical science has advanced so that only in hospitals can a proper diagnosis of many ills be made.

Dr. W. M. Coppridge, president of the State Medical Society, in a brief talk previous to the informal address by Dr. McKay, called on the doctors to assist the Good Health Program in "every possible way."

## Central PTA Meets Monday Night At 7:30

The PTA of the Perquimans Central Grammar School will hold its regular monthly meeting on Nov. 18 at 7:30 o'clock. The Old Neck Community has charge of the program. All parents and teachers are urged to be present, and the public is invited.

WMS MEETS MONDAY  
The Woman's Missionary Society of the Hertford Baptist Church will meet next Monday night, November 18, at 7:30 at the church. All members are urged to be present.

## Rural Basketball Loop Opens Dec. 3rd

E. C. Woodard, president of the Albemarle basketball conference, announced today that the rural schools would begin conference games on December 3. Ten schools are entered in the conference this year and include Perquimans, Columbia, Central, South Mills, Gatesville, Hobbsville, Moyock, Manteo, Poplar Branch and Weeksville.

Schedules for each team are being drawn and will be announced next week. Several of the schools have already started basketball practice but Perquimans and Columbia are still playing football and will not begin basketball practice until after the gridiron season closes.

## Band Contributions Mount To \$1,271

The drive being conducted to raise funds for the Perquimans High School band has netted the sum of \$1,271.50 according to W. H. Pitt, who is acting as secretary of the drive. The project is being sponsored by the Rotary and Lions Clubs.

The amount raised to date has been by contributions only, but a neat sum is expected to be raised by the Lions Club through the sale of tickets good for a chance on an electric refrigerator. The refrigerator is to be given away tonight at 9 o'clock at the State Theater.

Contributions in the amount over \$10 have been received from the following individuals and firms: Major Loomis Co., Woodley Grocery Co. of Elizabeth City, A. W. Heffren, Towne Webb Motor Co., C. R. Holmes, Hertford Banking Co., Miles Clark of Elizabeth City, Pepsi-Cola, Ray Haskett, Hertford Livestock & Supply Co., Hollowell Chevrolet Co., Winslow-Planchard Motor Co., Simon's, Trim Wilson, W. M. Morgan, Southern Cotton Oil Co., J. R. Stokes, Murray Motor Parts, J. Broughton & Bros., Darden Bros., Claude White, Charlie Umphlett, Dr. T. P. Brinn, Hertford Cafe, Herbert Peele of Elizabeth City and J. E. and E. L. Winslow.

Besides the contributions received, the band members earned \$85 through collection of renewals for this newspaper.

The goal set by the civic clubs for this project is \$3,000. All funds to be used in equipping the band with uniforms and instruments for forty members.

## Price Decontrol In High Gear In State

Sewing machines, radios, farm and garden tools, cosmetics, luggage and typewriters are on a long list of recently decontrolled items released by the North Carolina OPA State office.

Most of the items freed in accordance with the President's accelerated decontrol program are either of relative unimportance to the general cost of living, or supplies are fast catching up with demand, District Director Theodore S. Johnson said.

Included on the latest list of decontrolled items are the following:

All cosmetics (but not soap); radios and electric phonographs; small electric appliances, such as heaters, non-automatic toasters, irons, hot plates, electric heating pads and electric shavers.

Household kitchenware and glassware; shower curtains and sets; portable lamps and shades (other than industrial fixtures); dish pans and wash basins; coffee-makers and parts; home canning jars, venetian blinds, window shades and rollers.

Farm and garden tools, metal pails and tubs; wheelbarrows; tool boxes; garbage and ash cans; clothes wringers; washboards and ironing boards; table linens and silverware chests; gun cabinets; automobile seat covers.

Business machines, including typewriters and adding machines; commercial furniture and equipment; safes and cash and bond boxes; floor cleaning and polishing machines; name plates; photographic equipment, accessories and supplies; luggage, clocks and clock-type watches, including all watches and clocks, both imported and domestic.

Household sewing machines and sewing machine cabinets; household dishwashers; household ice refrigerators and cabinets; bathroom scales; bathroom and closet fixtures, except medicine cabinets; hand-operated carpet sweepers; bicycles and accessories; tricycles; velocipedes, scooters, sidewalk bikes and wheel play cars; children's wagons with bodies longer than 18 inches; juvenile furniture, except cribs, chifferobes and chests; artificial limbs; orthopedic devices and materials.

## Indians Losers In Game Monday Night With Edenton Aces

### Final Game of Year on Memorial Field Tonight at 7:45

Perquimans High School football team continued in its slump last Monday night when it lost a hard fought game to their old rivals, the Edenton Aces. The final score was 18-7, but this score does not indicate the hard playing displayed by both teams. The game opened with Edenton receiving the ball but their attempt to drive through the Indian defense was stalled by excellent playing on the part of the Indians, who took possession of the ball on a punt. The Indians opened a drive toward the goal line but lost possession of the ball after racking up four first downs. Neither team showed any superiority during the rest of the first period. Edenton came back strong in the second quarter and after completing two passes and making several good runs around the Indian ends, scored the first touchdown. The try for extra point failed and the score was 6-0 when the first half ended.

Receiving the kick-off opening the second half, the Indians drove into the Aces' territory, and the play remained there until Perquimans tallied on a line back by Symons. Symons hit the line for the extra point and Perquimans led 7-6. The remaining minutes of the third period resulted in a see-saw battle between the two teams, seeking a weak spot in the other's defense. Edenton found this spot early in the fourth period and chalked up its second touchdown to take the lead 12-7. Edenton's backs, Habit and Hollowell, showed the fans some nice runs, but their ability to break away was stopped by the Indian defense. Later in the fourth quarter with Perquimans attempting to score through the air, this attack was broken up with Edenton intercepting a Perquimans toss and running it back for a third goal, making the score 18-7 for Edenton. Perquimans failed to threaten after this point in the game.

The final football game of the season for the Indians will be played on Memorial Field Friday night when the strong Scotland Neck team comes here for a contest with the Indians. The game is scheduled to start at 7:45 o'clock, 15 minutes earlier than usual. Since this is the final game of the season for the local team, a large crowd is expected to turn out and witness the contest. Scotland Neck boasts a strong team and has been beaten this year only by Elizabeth City.

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## Rev. Reavis Returns To Hertford Church

The Rev. B. C. Reavis was re-assigned pastor at the Hertford Methodist church at the annual conference held last week-end in Henderson. The announcement of the return of Mr. Reavis to the church here was welcome news for this community in which he has taken an active part in the church and civic affairs during his four years as pastor of the local church.

The Conference assigned the Rev. J. D. Cranford, pastor at Winfall for the past several years, to the Faison charge near New Bern. The Rev. J. D. Stott was assigned to the Perquimans charge.

The Rev. Arthur Stephenson, pastor during the past five years for the Chowan charge, was assigned to South Camden.

## Prices Increase On Many Items

Prices received by North Carolina farmers for wheat and oats in October averaged \$2.28 and \$1.08, respectively, with wheat being up three cents and oats five cents per bushel.

In releasing the monthly price estimates, the State Agriculture Department said that corn declined eight cents per bushel from September 15 to October 15, averaging \$1.95 per bushel on the latter date. Barley brought \$1.70 per bushel and rye \$2.45.

Chickens continued in good demand, bringing around 33 cents per pound, 3.4 cents more than in September. Eggs averaged 58.5 cents per dozen, up 6.5 cents over a month earlier.

## COTTON HITS NEW LOW

Cotton prices dropped sharply during the middle of last week and hit a low of 27.95 for Middling 15/16 inch on the country's ten leading markets Thursday. Prices advanced 196 points Friday and averaged 29.91 as compared with 32.11 a week earlier and 23.85 a year ago.