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Local Baseball Club Reorganized Last Thursday Night

Plans Drawn For Next Season; Officers and Directors Named

Perquimans County's baseball club was reorganized and plans were drawn for participation in the Albemarle League during the 1948 season at a meeting of baseball fans held last Thursday night at the Court House in Hertford. Approximately forty fans were present at the meeting.

The meeting opened with a discussion on the financial condition of the club following the close of the season this year. Edgar Morris, who served as business manager and W. H. Pitt, treasurer, reported on operations and revealed that the club closed the season with a deficit of approximately \$700.

A. W. Hefren, who acted as chairman of the meeting, named a nominating committee for the purpose of selecting officers of the club for the next year. The committee reported as follows: Fred T. Mathews, president; E. H. Cannon, vice president; Julian A. White, secretary, and D. S. Darden, treasurer. Directors named were A. W. Hefren, V. N. Darden, Henry Clay Stokes, J. H. Newbold, R. M. Riddick, Jr., W. H. Smith, C. C. Chappell, E. M. Perry, C. P. Morris and Tom Eason. Each of the five townships of the county are represented on the board of directors.

In order to properly finance the club for next season, the officers and directors voted to sell stock in the local club, each share being sold at \$25. It was also decided that in the event the club should be successful in the season, stockholders will be reimbursed on their investment, or if it was desired, the balance left would be held over to carry on the club through the following season.

Members of the board of directors will begin the sale of the stock immediately.

The board moved and voted that the ball club, henceforth, would be known as the Perquimans County Baseball Club.

4-H Clubs Organize For New Year And Select New Officers

The 4-H clubs of Perquimans County held their first meeting of the school year this week with a large number of new and old members attending.

The purpose of 4-H clubs and the expectation of each club member were emphasized, and the goal this year as before is "To Make the Best Bet."

Plans were made for exhibits in the six county fair to be held in Elizabeth City October 6-11. Plans were also started for the annual Achievement Day to be held in the Agricultural Building on Saturday, November 8th, at which time club members will exhibit project work.

The following officers have been elected for the coming year:

High School: President, Horace Layden; vice president, Carolyn Hurdle; secretary and treasurer, Dickie Baker; song leader, Virginia Long; program committee, Harry Lee Winslow and Amy Vann Roach.

Fifth Grade: President, Billy Baker; vice president, Eva Russell; secretary and treasurer, Mary Frances Eure; song leader, Phyllis Trueblood; program committee, Roger Mathews and Emily White.

Sixth Grade: President, John Earl Hollowell; vice president, Barbara (Continued on Page Eight)

Girl Scout Troop To Sponsor Tea Friday

Members of the Girl Scouts of the Hertford Troop will sponsor a tea, Friday afternoon, between 4 and 5:30 p. m., at the Hotel Hertford. It was announced here today.

All parents, friends and persons interested in girl scouting in Hertford are urged to attend. Refreshments will be prepared and served by the Girl Scouts.

The program includes an exhibit of the Scout Quilt Project.

Deadline Near For AAA Peanut Survey

W. E. White, secretary of the Perquimans AAA Committee, issued a final warning to peanut producers of the county today in regard to the filing of the peanut questionnaires mailed to producers recently. The AAA Committee urges all peanut growers to fill out this questionnaire and return it to the AAA office by October 1, which is the final date for filing the return.

Mr. White pointed out that if any producer had failed to receive one of these questionnaires he is urged to drop in the AAA office and fill out one of the forms.

State Prepares For Auto Inspections To Begin Jan. 1st

Plans for North Carolina's motor vehicle mechanical inspection program which will go into effect next January 1 are well underway. Arthur T. Moore, chief of the Mechanical Inspection Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles, announced today.

Moore said in addition to placing an order for the \$80,995 worth of testing equipment, the Department was in the process of hiring competent personnel for the job.

Under the program, 40 inspection stations will be established throughout the State. Thirty-six of these units will be permanent, and the other four will serve as replacements and supplementary units. Each station will be equipped with a trailer which will serve as an office. The exact locations for all the stations has not yet been worked out, Moore said, adding that they would be determined on the basis of motor vehicle population in specified areas.

Under a law passed by the 1947 General Assembly, every motor vehicle registered in North Carolina must be inspected once during 1948 and twice a year thereafter. An inspection fee of \$1.00 will be charged during 1948 and 1949 and thereafter 75 cents will be collected.

Moore said each of the stations would have one supervisor and at least four inspectors. Explaining how the inspection program will operate, he said as vehicles enter the inspection lanes, which are 160 feet long, each driver will be checked at the entrance for his driver's license and registration certificates. There the driver will pay his inspection fee and the inspector will fill out an inspection card, which will be checked for all types of mechanical defects, such as horn, mirror, windshield wiper, steering alignment, steering assembly, exhaust system, tires, tail lights, headlights and brakes. This inspection card becomes the personal property of the vehicle owner, and will be used later to aid garages and repair shops in correcting defects on the car.

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Perquimans VFW To Sponsor Band

Members of the Perquimans Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, meeting in their regular session on Monday night, voted to sponsor the Perquimans High School Band and to raise funds needed for the band to carry on its fine program during the school year.

The first step taken by the veterans was a decision to use the proceeds of the play, "Corns A-Poppin," a home talent show which the vets will present here on the nights of October 16 and 17, for the use of the band instead of veterans' relief as originally planned.

Various other projects will be carried out by the VFW Post during the year to raise additional funds for the use of the band.

Rehearsals for the home talent show, "Corns A-Poppin," are expected to get under way about the first week in October. The VFW has secured the services of a nationally recognized organization to plan and direct the production to be presented here. The cast for the play will be selected at try-outs to be conducted on the arrival of the director.

MASONS MEET TUESDAY NIGHT Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & M. will hold its regular meeting Tuesday night in the lodge room in the Court House. All members are urged to attend. Visiting Masons are cordially invited.

Indians Lose First Football Game To ECHS Yellow Jackets

Resume Schedule In Game With Edenton Aces Friday Night

Before one of the largest crowds ever to witness a football game on Memorial Field, the Perquimans High School Indians dropped their opening game of the 1947 season to the Elizabeth City Yellow Jackets by a score of 20-0. The play of the local team in the opener revealed several weak spots in the Indian lineup and Coach Joe Levinson has been putting the Indians through some hard drills this week, ironing out these weaknesses in preparation for the Indians' game with the Edenton Aces scheduled for Friday night at Hicks Field in Edenton.

Considering the fact that the Indians have been busy learning a new system of play, under the direction of their new coach, Joe Levinson, the exhibition given Friday night was not too bad. Elizabeth City, with its ample reserves, had a decided edge over the Indians and outplayed and out-maneuvered the Indians throughout most of the game. However, at times the Indians showed some superior work over the Jackets.

Coach Levinson used 18 players in the game against Elizabeth City, attempting to discover the possibilities of most of the candidates out for this year's team. Kirby, Pitt and Emmett Elmore showed up best in the line play for the Indians, while John Ward, Bill Boyce, L. C. Elliott and Jack Symons bore the burden in the backfield. Earl Winslow did the best punting for the Indians.

Elizabeth City controlled the ball during most of the first half, scoring first a few minutes after the opening of the second quarter and then pushing over another touchdown before rest time. One conversion after scoring gave the Jackets a 13-0 lead at half time. The visitors scored again in the third period and converted the extra point to make the final score 20-0.

The Indians will journey to Edenton Friday night to renew football rivalry between these schools, and the local players are hopeful of bringing back a victory over the Aces. Edenton lost its first game last week to Kinston by a 25-12 score.

Rotary Club To Give Band Bus For Travel

Members of the Hertford Rotary Club, at their regular meeting Tuesday night, voted to sponsor a project for the purpose of securing a bus for the use of the Perquimans High School Band. The bus, a 1939 Chevrolet, which has been in use as a school bus, has already been purchased and will be brought here within the next few days to undergo complete repairs to put it in first class condition for the use of the band.

The Rotarians raised the fund needed for the purchase of the bus Tuesday night and Wednesday and are now raising additional money to pay for the repairs and the cost of painting the bus in the Perquimans High School colors of gold and blue.

W. H. Pitt, Edgar White, William Ainsley and Robert Hollowell head the committee of Rotarians in charge of raising the funds for the project.

The bus will be used by the band to travel to out of town football games and to fill engagements in other towns when the local band is sought to provide musical programs for special occasions.

Manslaughter Case Set For September 30

Charges of manslaughter, reckless driving and hit and run have been filed against Robert Lee Allen, Hertford resident, following the death of Archie Benby, 30 year old Negro, who died in the Chowan County Hospital September 18 of injuries sustained early Sunday morning, September 14.

Allen has been released from custody on bond of \$3,000. He will be given a hearing on the charges in Perquimans Recorder's Court next Tuesday, September 30.

The accident which proved fatal to Benby occurred early Sunday morning on a secondary road leading from Route 17 toward Bethel.

Traffic Violations Make Up Docket In Recorder's Court

Twenty-one Cases Disposed of In Session Tuesday

Traffic violations made up most of the docket in Perquimans County Recorder's Court here Tuesday, when 21 cases were disposed of during an all day session.

A number of the cases including those of Roy Sutton, Frank White, Oscar McDonald, Charles Thompson, Alexander Sutton and William Skinner, all colored, were charges of driving with insufficient brakes. Each of the defendants entered pleas of guilty to the charges and paid fines of \$10 and costs of court.

Walter Swain, Negro, was fined \$25 and ordered to pay the costs on a charge of driving without a license. Clarence Felton, Negro, was fined with the costs of court for driving with improper lights.

Oscar Modlin was fined \$10 and costs for driving with insufficient brakes.

Will Sullivan entered a plea of guilty to driving drunk and paid a fine of \$100 and costs of court.

Thomas Oleheski and Jeffrey White submitted to charges of driving without licenses and each paid a fine of \$25 and court costs.

Willie Jones, Negro, paid the costs of court on a charge of speeding. Jack Liverman was found not guilty on a charge of driving with improper lights.

David Pike was found not guilty on a charge of reckless driving.

Costs were assessed against the prosecuting witness, Grady Webb, Negro, who failed to appear against Willie Webb, Negro, on charges of assault.

The State took a nol pro in the cases of Ashley Hoffer and Malaki Parsons, both charged with driving with improper lights.

A verdict of not guilty was rendered in the case charging Robert Sutton with larceny of a pair of wagon wheels.

John Ed Felton was found guilty on two counts, assault with a deadly weapon and resisting arrest. He was sentenced to 60 days on the roads on each count. An appeal was noted to Superior Court.

Farm Bureau Nears Membership Goal

Perquimans County Farm Bureau membership teams are working toward the goal of five hundred members, and hope to achieve the quota during the next few days, it was reported by F. T. Mathews, president of the Farm Bureau and I. C. Yagel, County Agent.

The local Bureau set its membership goal for 1947 at 492 members, however, at a meeting held last Friday night, reports by various solicitors revealed that 271 memberships had been signed and it was moved that the Bureau attempt to secure 500 members.

Memberships already reported show 239 regular members and 32 associate members.

The County has been divided into the five townships, for the purpose of conducting the membership drive and each township has a team competing in the drive for members. Another meeting has been called for tonight at which time the solicitors will make a full report on memberships signed since last Friday.

Six County Fair To Open October 6th

All is in readiness for the opening of the six county fair to be staged at the Elizabeth City Fair Grounds during the week of October 6, according to Holland Webster, secretary of the association.

The fair, staged for the first time last year, is conducted for Dare, Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Perquimans and Chowan counties. Exhibits will be shown from each of these counties and 4-H Clubs will also have a part in the program.

The Fair officials have announced that all school children of the six counties will be admitted free; the white school children on Tuesday, October 7, and the colored children on Friday, October 10.

Horse racing will be one of the big attractions during the week.

SEEKS SOLICITORS FOR SEVEN WEEKS DRIVE FOR COLLECTING SUBSCRIPTIONS

Campaign Opens Today; \$400 Heads Prize List Consisting of Six Prizes; Every Entrant Benefits on Results Gained

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Youth Fellowship To Sponsor Party

The Youth Fellowship group of Center Hill Methodist Church at Tyner, will sponsor a lawn party on the Methodist parsonage lawn Friday evening, Sept. 26, at 6 o'clock. Bingo will be played, and there will be hot dogs, sandwiches, cake, ice cream, pop corn and lemonade for sale. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Peanut Growers Are Advised On Harvest

Do not stack peanuts after digging until they have been allowed to cure for at least a day and a half or two days, say Extension Agronomy specialists at State College.

Too many farmers in North Carolina dig their peanuts and put them directly out of the ground into the stack without any chance to cure, they say. Since the vines are full of sap at digging time, such a practice causes the peanuts to go through a heat and, thereby, damage the kernels.

W. M. Stephenson of Pendleton, who has been a buyer of peanuts for more than 45 years, said that the 1946 crop of Tar Heel peanuts showed a much larger percentage of damaged kernels than peanuts from other states.

Mr. Stephenson has just completed a tour of the peanut belts of North Carolina and Virginia and says that farmers have the largest growth of vines they have had in several years. This being the case, it is even more important that the farmers let the peanuts cure after digging before they are placed in the stack, he said. Not only will this assure the farmer of better quality peanuts, but it will also prevent dirt from getting in the stack.

Farmers should get a good price for good quality peanuts this year, the buyer said, but in order to get the best prices, he must have dry peanuts of good size, and free of dirt and trash.

County To Dispose Of Land And Timber

Notice was released this week by the Board of Commissioners, through the County Attorney, Charles E. Johnson, that certain land and timber owned by the county and located on the new portion of Route 17, lying adjacent to the County Farm, will be offered for sale to the highest bidder on Saturday, October 18.

According to the notice of sale, the timber, with exception of oak on the land, will be offered for sale first, then the land, which has been surveyed into lots, suitable for building purposes, will be sold as a second sale.

Right has been reserved by the County Attorney, to reject any or all bids made on the property.

American Legion To Meet Next Thursday

The Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion will hold its regular monthly meeting at the Court House in Hertford next Thursday night, October 2, at 8 o'clock.

Jerry Wright, past commander of the Elizabeth City Post, will be the guest speaker for the meeting. He is expected to give the local Legionnaires a full report on the national Legion convention held recently in New York City.

William F. Ainsley, commander of the local post, urges all members to be present.

Chowan Association Met At Columbia

Local Pastor Leads One Discussion During Interesting Program

The 142nd annual session of the Chowan Baptist Association was held Tuesday and Wednesday of this week at the Sound Side Baptist Church at Columbia. A full program was observed with headliners such as former Governor J. M. Broughton giving the principal address on Tuesday afternoon and Robert Lee Humber addressing the assembly on Wednesday afternoon.

The Rev. C. W. Duling, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, led a discussion on religious literature during the session.