

Perquimans Charge Bringing To Close Successful Year

Many Improvements Shown By Report at Conference

The Perquimans charge of the Methodist Church is near the completion of one of the most successful years in its history of growth, it was revealed this week by D. L. Barber, one of the charge officials, who bases his statements upon reports made at each quarterly conference and the summary report now being prepared for the Annual Conference in Elizabeth City next week.

These reports reveal that the pastor, the Rev. J. D. Stott, has met or arranged for a supply person to meet, all preaching appointments during the year. In January meetings of church officials were held, first, one for the charge and later in local churches, to formulate objectives for the year, appoint necessary committees, make assignments of specific tasks and set dates for study classes and other meetings. Included in the early planning were the dates for the five revivals, thus making it possible to secure some of the most able men in the North Carolina Conference to preach in these meetings. Though some of the revivals were not held at the customary dates, each meeting was well attended, three of them running for ten days and two of them including a special homecoming occasion with dinner on the grounds.

As early as January the officials of the charge voted a two-weeks' vacation for the pastor and left it to him to decide on the date for the same, and accordingly set the dates for the summer revivals without conflicts.

Though the four Women's Societies of Christian Service have promoted other very worth while study classes during the year, the top class sessions for the study of Stewardship in February, which attracted general attention, and women, both young and old, at the meetings, were held in homes, all except one, in the charge churches.

Some thirty odd different people prepared special assignments in the text by Dr. Ralph W. Sockman and presented the most effective reports in the classes. D. L. Barber and others report that the discussions which followed these reports on Stewardship were among the most interesting and thought-provoking study class discussions yet held on the charge. Over fifty copies of Dr. Sockman's book were bought and read in homes.

In connection with the observance of Layman's Day in February and in connection with a public speaking contest for the young people of the five churches there has been repeated exchange of speakers in the churches. Sixty or more messages have been given by laymen of the charge, youth and adults, in churches other than their own. Most of these deputations were made by young people, some on Stewardship and others as reports after six of the youths had attended the assemblies at Louisburg.

Wallace L. Wood, the charge lay leader, has rendered most effective service during the year, among other things having arranged for the speakers for Layman's Day, supplied for the pastor in his absence for revival preaching, assisted other laymen to accompany him to the Laymen's Retreat at Louisburg and assisted in the two night of home visitation evangelism in the Winfall community in March, the first night of which eight ministers of the district were present to assist in this visitation.

Three members of the charge who are district officers have spoken frequently in other churches: George W. Jackson as the District Lay Leader; Mrs. Jackson as the District Secretary for the W.S.C.S. and Mrs. J. D. Stott as secretary of the Missionary Personal.

Though 36 new members have been added, there is a net decrease in the total membership of the charge of 273, making the present membership 627, this decrease being due to a revised membership list for each church.

This year's accepted budget represents a 15 per cent increase over corresponding items for last year, and in addition to the regular budget, other amounts have been raised as follows: \$202 by the women's societies, \$780 as mission specials and other benevolent appeals, \$2,200 for property improvements, \$1,200 for the purchase of a new automobile, and an additional \$1,700 in the Sunday Schools, making a total for the year of over \$12,000, more than twice the amount reported to the last Annual Conference.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY TO MEET
The American Legion Auxiliary will meet with Mrs. Kelly White at

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Riots broke out in Paris this week as a result of a political crisis, arising out of an election held last week when followers of General Charles DeGaulle made marked gains at the polls at the expense of the Communist party. Socialist Premier Paul Ramadier, who has headed a coalition government for months, opened a fight to save his government in the face of the DeGaulle advancement.

Control of prices will be one of the chief topics of discussion when Congress convenes in special session November 17. President Truman, it has been reported from Washington, advised Congressional leaders, at a special meeting at the White House, that increased prices will mean additional higher costs of the relief program in Europe. It is reported that the President will ask Congress for price control on certain items at the producer level in order to hold the price line.

Hollywood has moved to Washington. A Congressional committee investigating Communist influence in Hollywood has been holding a hearing in Washington all week. Three Hollywood writers face contempt charges for failing to reveal their stand while testifying to the committee. A large number of Hollywood stars have gathered in Washington, some to testify at the hearing, while the others have gathered to protest the proceedings unless the Congressional committee brings definite charges against named parties.

Campaign On Rats To Start Next Monday

A rat poisoning campaign, announced by the Perquimans Health Department early this month, and being sponsored by the department, is scheduled to begin Monday, November 3, it was announced today by K. J. Eyer, Sanitation Officer. Mr. Eyer stated that the poison ordered by the Health Department has arrived and residents of Hertford may secure the poison at the health office. The poison, according to the health officer, is ready mixed and is distributed by the Health Department at actual cost.

The public is urged to cooperate with the Health Department in this project to rid the town of rats, and dates for placing the poison bait have been set for Monday, November 3, and Tuesday, November 4.

Complaints received by the Health Department spurred the action resulting in this campaign, and to be successful the campaign must receive the support of the entire public through the use of the poison baits. The Sanitation Officer states that the poison should be placed at or close by rat haunts, in and around buildings which provide shelter for rats.

In addition to placing the poison the public is urged to eliminate food sources for rats, using proper retainers for garbage and seeing that all refuse is placed in tightly covered receptacles.

Holds Annual Dinner Perquimans Lodge

Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., held its annual banquet for Masons and their wives and members of the Eastern Star in the dining room of Hotel Hertford Thursday night, with 85 persons present. C. E. Holmes was toastmaster.

Past Grand Master of North Carolina and Potentate of the Shriners, William J. Bundy of Greenville, was guest speaker for the banquet, discussing Masonry and the Order of the Eastern Star.

H. A. Campen of Edenton, deputy grand master of the second Masonic district, who holds an honorary certificate with the Perquimans lodge, presented Mr. Bundy with an honorary membership certificate in the Perquimans lodge.

Past master jewels were presented to the following past masters of the lodge: F. T. Johnson, G. C. Buck, J. S. Vick, A. L. Skinner, G. W. Jackson, A. T. Lane, C. C. Winslow, Claude White and D. J. Fritchard.

W. M. Smith, district deputy of the first Masonic district of Elizabeth City, was present and passed the word of the first district and presented the members of the district.

Indians Turn Back Williamston Green Wave By 18-6 Score

Perquimans Host to Manteo Gridders In Game Here Tonight

Perquimans High School chalked up another football victory last Friday afternoon when the Indians turned back the Williamston Green Wave by a score of 18-6. The game was played at Williamston, and Coach Joe Levinson, of Perquimans, used practically his entire squad during the contest. The Indians tallied twice during the same period. The Indians crossed the goal line again in the final period. The local team scored first on a sustained march down the field and John Ward carried the ball over on a 20-yard run. Chester Winslow intercepted a Williamston pass to score the second tally for the Indians and the third touchdown was made when Pitt broke through the Williamston defense to snag a lateral pass and race over the goal for six more points.

The victory, third out for four games in the Albemarle Conference, was a sweet one for the Indians, who had been racked with injuries most of the week, and indications prior to the game pointed toward Williamston winning the contest. Several of the local players are still listed on the injured list, but no doubt will see some action in the game here tonight. Perquimans is host to the Manteo High School team in the game to be played on Memorial Field. Manteo is not a member of the Albemarle Conference, so the game will not count in conference standings. Manteo has not had a very successful season and indications are that the Indians will have little trouble in marking up another victory.

Reporting on the game at Williamston, Coach Levinson highly praised the entire squad and stated he was satisfied with the showing made by the local boys, considering several of the starting members were handicapped by injuries. The team played well both on offense and defense and out-manuevered the Williamston team in most departments of the game.

Red Cross Chapter Adopts '48 Budget

Officers and committee chairmen of the Perquimans Chapter of the Red Cross held a quarterly meeting, in the Courthouse, last Friday night. Rev. B. C. Reavis, chairman of the chapter, presided over the business session, which included reports by the committee heads and the adoption of the chapter budget for 1948.

Officers present included Mr. Reavis, Mrs. Marie Britton, secretary, Mrs. Ben Thatch, Mrs. Lawrence Towe, Miss Frances Maness, Mrs. R. A. Applewhite and J. H. Towe.

After some discussion as to the needs of the local chapter for next year the group adopted the budget for the year. The amount being the same as in 1947.

Mr. Reavis displayed a special certificate of award made the local chapter, by the American Red Cross for achieving its 1947 campaign fund goal. A certificate of merit was also awarded Miss Frances Maness, who served as chairman of the fund campaign.

CRIMINAL DOCKET OF SUPERIOR COURT CONCLUDED HERE TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Recommendation

A far-reaching recommendation was made by the Grand Jury during the October term of court, which will mean, if the recommendation is carried out, that a continuing Grand Jury will be established for Perquimans County. The Grand Jury recommended that the Board of County Commissioners request the County Representative to offer a bill at the next General Assembly establishing a continuing Grand Jury service here. A jury of 18 would be selected to serve for one year, nine members being relieved of duty after having served on the jury for at least twelve months.

The report stated the jury had made the customary inspection of county buildings and offices and found all to be in good condition, with some exceptions to some of the school buildings. Several school buses were found to be in unsatisfactory condition.

Miss Evelyn Long Weds Elliott Layden In Church Ceremony

On Sunday afternoon, October 26, at 4:30 o'clock at Bethel Baptist Church, Miss Florence Evelyn Long, daughter of Mrs. Preston Long and the late Mr. Long, became the bride of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson E. Layden. The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. John T. Byrum, pastor of the bride.

The church was decorated with palms, ferns, white gladioli, dahlias, chrysanthemums and magnolia leaves and lighted candles.

Miss Eunice Everett of Norfolk rendered a program of nuptial music preceding the ceremony. She wore a rose crepe dress with black accessories. Her flowers were a shoulder corsage of pink roses. Leslie Winslow of Hertford sang "Always" and "Because" during the musical program.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Julian Long, wore a street length two-piece dress of blue gabardine. Her accessories were black. She carried a white prayer book, centered with white roses and ribbon with snapdragons.

The bride had as her matron of honor her sister-in-law, Mrs. Julian Long, who wore a dress of pink crepe with brown accessories. She carried a hand bouquet of mixed flowers.

Miss Mary Inez Chappell, cousin of the bride, and Mrs. Archie Riddick, sister of the bridegroom, were bridesmaids. Miss Chappell wore a dress of beige crepe with brown accessories. Mrs. Riddick wore a dress of aqua with black accessories. They carried hand bouquets of mixed flowers.

Dan Tillett, Jr., of Greenville, N. C., cousin of the bridegroom, was best man.

The ushers were Emmett Long and Archie Riddick. Miss Eunice Long, cousin of the bride, was mistress of ceremony. She wore a two-piece dress of brown aralia flannel with matching accessories. Her flowers were a shoulder corsage of pink roses.

The mother of the bride wore a dress of black crepe with matching accessories. Her flowers were a corsage of red roses.

The mother of the bridegroom wore a black wool suit with matching accessories and her flowers were a corsage of red roses.

The couple left immediately after the ceremony for a wedding trip of unannounced points. Upon their return, they will make their home in Hertford.

Farm Bureau Names Officers For Year

Members of the Perquimans County Farm Bureau met last Thursday night and elected officers for the year. Fred Mathews was elected as president; Watson E. Russell, vice president, and A. T. Lane, secretary-treasurer. Directors named were Preston Nixon, H. B. Mathews, C. C. Chappell, G. A. Jordan, W. H. Morgan and L. L. Lane.

A report on the current membership drive was made by Jacob L. White, chairman of the drive, which revealed that 418 memberships had been secured to date. This leaves a total of 74 memberships to be secured in order that the Perquimans Bureau reach its 1947 membership goal.

Three Cases Continued To April Term; Civil Actions Heard

The October term of Perquimans Superior Court opened here Monday morning with Judge Hunt Parker presiding, and shortly after the empanelling of the Grand Jury, the Court moved rapidly to clear the calendar of a number of criminal cases. The criminal docket was concluded early Tuesday afternoon after Judge Parker had allowed a defense motion for a continuance in the case of the State against Robert Lee Allen, charged with manslaughter. Allen was represented by W. H. Oakey, Jr.

Two other cases scheduled for hearing at this term of court were also continued until the April term of court. These cases were those in which Wayland White, Jr., is charged with breaking and entering the smokehouse of H. A. Turner, and in which H. A. Turner is charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants.

Cases disposed of at this term of court included those of the State against Cleatus Saunders, charged on three counts, robbery, theft of an automobile and assault upon Policeman R. A. White. Saunders entered a plea of guilty to the first two counts and was sentenced to State prison for terms of from three to five years on each. He was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon on Mr. White and received a jail sentence of 18 months on this charge.

A verdict of not guilty was ordered in the case charging Roy Sutton, Negro, with larceny.

Iro Jones, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of non-support and he received a sentence of 12 months on the roads, suspended upon payment of costs, five years probation and he was ordered to pay \$5 per week for the support of his children.

Jesse East charged on two counts with the theft of two auto trucks, entered a plea of guilty to both counts. He was sentenced to State prison for from one to two years on both counts, sentences to run consecutively.

The case charging Murray Seaton Smith with non-support was ordered dismissed.

Judge Parker heard two recommendations on revocation of probations and ordered the sentence of 60 days invoked in the case of Dallas Gilliam, Negro, and ordered the case of Jackson Costen continued until the next term of court.

The Grand Jury returned a verdict of not a true bill against Fleet Cooper on a charge of assault with intent to kill.

Several civil actions were disposed of Tuesday when Judge Parker ordered non-suits in two divorce actions and ordered one other dismissed. Two suits for divorce were heard and allowed. Estimates on the duration of several of the civil trials deemed it necessary for the continuation of some of the cases listed for hearings.

Further hearings of the civil calendar were brought to an abrupt ending in court Wednesday when on motion by the plaintiff, the case of Mayes vs. J. C. Blanchard & Co. was continued to the January term of court.

The continuance of this case, which was expected to consume considerable time and which caused the court to continue other cases on the calendar, brought the term to a close Wednesday evening.

4-H Clubs To Hold Achievement Day

The 1947 theme for all 4-H members throughout the United States has been "Working Together for a Better Home and World Community". The results of efforts in carrying out this theme may well be highlighted during the observance of National 4-H Achievement Week, Nov. 1 to 9.

The Perquimans County 4-H Clubs are having this Achievement Day Saturday, Nov. 1, in the Agricultural Building in Hertford at 2:30 P. M. The boys and girls will at this time exhibit their work during the past year, and members who have done outstanding work will be recognized as county winners. The principal speaker will be P. H. Jameson, teacher or vocational Agriculture at Woodland. Mr. Jameson was at one time Assistant County Agent of Perquimans County, and later was county agent in Pasquotank County.

From his experiences, we feel sure that he will give valuable information to the 4-H boys and girls.

All parents and friends are cordially invited to the Perquimans County Achievement Day.