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Plans Readied For Opening Of County Schools Wednesday

High School Principal Issues Warning on Student Hazing

School bells will ring next Wednesday morning, marking the end of the summer vacation, for some 1,000 Perquimans County school children. John T. Biggers, County School Superintendent, announced Wednesday that plans are completed for the opening of the new school term.

The faculties of the various schools are complete and teachers will meet later this week for review of assignments for the school year.

Mr. Biggers stated that part day sessions will be the vogue for the first two days of the new term. School will open at nine o'clock next Wednesday morning, September 9 and this session will close at 11:15 a. m. On Thursday, the second day, schools will begin at 8:45 and this session will run until 1:30 o'clock.

Beginning Friday, September 10, full sessions will be the order of the day with classes starting at 8:45 a. m. and running through until 3:15 p. m.

Schools equipped with lunchrooms will begin serving students lunches on Friday, September 10th. School lunchroom managers will meet with the superintendent and school principals today for preparation of lunch room operations for the year.

Opening day exercises will be observed at some of the schools but generally no elaborate plans are being arranged.

E. C. Woodard, principal at Perquimans High School, stated that students are urged to report immediately to home rooms upon arrival at the school building. He issued a warning that students hazing, a custom observed for several years, is out and that students participating in any such antics this year will be expelled from school. He added that members of the faculty will be stationed on the school grounds to see that the order is carried out. Students entering high school for the first time, are asked to see that their children come directly to the school building and enroll in their classes without undue loitering between home and school and upon the school grounds after arrival at the building.

The first two days of the new term will be taken up by classes assignments and the issuing of school supplies and full schedules will get underway on the following Friday.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Henry Wallace, Progressive Party candidate for President, completed a vote-seeking tour of North Carolina Tuesday when he concluded the last of several speeches at Asheville. Wallace, according to reports, was heckled at every stop made on the tour and was assaulted with rotten eggs and over-ripe tomatoes. Only at Asheville did Wallace make a complete speech. Other places he was heckled so badly that he left the scene without finishing his message. Despite his reception in this State, Wallace stated he will make his tour of Southern States seeking support for his party.

Military governors in Berlin, representing United States, England, France and Russia, acting on instructions from their governments, opened negotiations aimed at lifting the Berlin blockade, it was reported Wednesday. It was the first time in eight weeks that western allied governors had met with the Russian governor. There was no report on immediate progress but observers felt some agreements had been reached toward settling problems relating to Berlin.

State motorists owning automobiles manufactured prior to 1936, who have not had the cars inspected, received a reprieve on Wednesday when it was announced that patrolmen will cite motorists to an inspection lane for a period of ten days before issuing citations to court for failure to comply with the law. The deadline for inspection of cars of 1936 models and prior years was August 31, but in case you are one of the motorists affected by the new order, it will be best to drive to an inspection lane immediately.

BISHOP DARST DIES
Bishop Thomas C. Darst, retired Bishop of the Eastern Carolina Diocese, died in Wilmington Thursday.

DATES FOR REGISTERING

The selective service act of 1948 requires every male person between the ages of 18 and 26, residing in Perquimans County to register according to the schedule listed below, unless he is a member of any branch of the armed forces of the United States. There is only one registration point in the county, and that is located in the court room at the Court House in Hertford. The remaining schedule for registering is as follows:

September 3.....	Men born in 1924
September 4 and 7.....	Men born in 1925
September 8 and 9.....	Men born in 1926
September 10 and 11.....	Men born in 1927
September 13 and 14.....	Men born in 1928
September 15 and 16.....	Men born in 1929
September 17 and 18.....	Men born in 1930 before Sept. 19

After September 19, youths becoming 18 years of age must register with the Draft Board at its office over the bus station within five days after their birthday. Veterans who fall within the age group 18-26 are required to register and are asked to bring their discharge with them.

Hertford Stores To Observe Labor Day

Hertford stores and business houses will observe Labor Day next Monday by being closed all day, it was announced here this week. No special plans have been made to celebrate the observance other than the holiday on Monday.

S. M. Whedbee, postmaster, stated that the post office will observe the holiday and no deliveries will be made. However, mail will be received and dispatched on regular schedule.

Raymond Skinner Dies At Hospital; Funeral Wednesday

Raymond Carlton Skinner, 50, died at the Albemarle Hospital Sunday morning at 11:30 o'clock after an illness of two months. He had undergone an operation on last Friday.

He was a native and life-long resident of Perquimans County and a member of the Methodist Church. Engaged in business in Hertford, he was widely known throughout the county and his death was a shock to the entire county.

Surviving besides his wife, Mrs. Blanche Sawyer Skinner, are his mother, Mrs. Steve Elliott, five daughters, Mrs. Blanche Decker of Nebraska, and Sybil, Mildred, Billie and Shirley Ann and one son, Raymond, all of Hertford; three brothers, Ben Skinner of Florida, Cecil Skinner of Texas, and Will Skinner of Edenton; two half brothers, Will Elliott of Hertford and Lloyd Elliott of Wilmington; one sister, Marine Long of Hertford.

Funeral services were conducted at the Lynch Funeral Home Wednesday afternoon by the Rev. D. L. Fouts, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church.

Pallbearers were A. D. Thach, C. R. Chappell, Josiah and Norman Elliott, Jacob L. White, Seth Long, J. D. Chappell and W. S. Evans. Interment was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

County Board Will Not Meet Monday

The regular meeting of the Perquimans Board of County Commissioners, scheduled for next Monday, has been postponed, it was announced Wednesday by J. W. Ward, clerk to the Board.

The meeting was postponed for one week in observance of the Labor Day holiday next Monday. The Board will meet at the Court House on Monday, September 13, for the regular September meeting.

Special Services At Baptist Church

A series of special services will be conducted at the Hertford Baptist Church beginning Monday, September 5, and continuing through September 12, it was announced today by the Rev. C. W. Duling, pastor of the church.

Services will be held each day at 8:30 A. M., and at 8 o'clock each evening. The Rev. J. Lester Lane, pastor of the Suffolk, Virginia, Baptist Church, will deliver the sermons.

Legion Meeting Set For Friday Night

Members of the Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion will meet Friday night, September 3rd, at 8 o'clock at the Agriculture Building in Hertford, it was announced today by Francis Nixon, Post Adjutant.

All members are urged to be present as plans for the opening of the Legion club house at Harvey Point will be made. Plans for the annual membership drive will also be discussed.

Heat Wave Broken By Shower Tuesday, Hurricane Misses

An intense heat wave which had gripped this area since last Thursday was broken Tuesday afternoon by thunder showers that struck Hertford about mid-afternoon. The rain storm was an anti-climax of the expected hurricane which had lingered off the Carolina coast for two days and which had caused local Red Cross committees to be alerted for possible disaster.

Practically all of Northeastern North Carolina had been alerted for what was expected to be one of the worst hurricanes ever to strike this area. Red Cross officials had mobilized forces in larger towns in preparation for any eventualities and locally Herbert Nixon, chairman of the Perquimans chapter of the Red Cross was advised to alert local committees to render aid if needed.

Mr. Nixon contacted his Red Cross committees and arranged for use of the Hertford Grammar School and the Court House to be used as storm shelters, if needed. Headquarters were set up in the Sheriff's office at the Court House and the local Red Cross was prepared in case the storm struck.

Fortunately, the storm, which lingered about 110 miles off Hatteras for more than a day, picked up speed and veered its course northeast but into the open sea. Weather Bureau advisors reported about noon Tuesday that danger from the storm had passed.

A second hurricane had been reported in the making about 1,800 miles southeast of Florida but definite reports on this storm were not available at press time.

Mr. Nixon announced that the local Red Cross committees will continue to be alerted during the present hurricane season and that arrangements for use of public shelters, if needed, have been made.

Street And Roads Projects Advancing

Work on improvement of highways and streets in Hertford and this county is progressing rapidly, according to reports made this week. Crews of the W. L. Cobb construction firm, which is surface treating the new stretch of the Hertford-Center Hill road, are expected to finish laying of asphalt within the next week or two and they are then scheduled to begin pouring concrete curb and gutters for the improvement and widening of Grubb Street.

Employees of the Town of Hertford have all but completed their task of preparing the street right-of-way for the Cobb employees to lay the curb and gutters and then later surface treat the roadway with asphalt.

Another construction company has its crews working on the improvement of Route 17 between Hertford and the Chowan County line. The highway has been widened and foundation placed for asphalt treatment which will make that portion of highway 17 twenty-two feet in width.

Case Worker Resigns From Welfare Dept.

Miss Davey Jo Lumsden, case worker of the Perquimans Welfare Department for the past two years, has resigned her position with the local department, effective immediately, it was announced Tuesday by C. Edgar White, superintendent of public welfare.

Miss Lumsden left Hertford Tuesday. She plans to enter the University of North Carolina this fall to continue her studies in social work. While here Miss Lumsden took an active part in the activities of the community and was one of the charter members of the Perquimans Business and Professional Woman's Club.

Funeral Services For Drowning Victim Conducted Sunday

Otis Winslow Drowned On Outing at Base Last Friday P. M.

Funeral services for Otis Marshall Winslow, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Winslow of Belvidere, who was drowned at 4:30 P. M. last Friday afternoon while swimming at Harvey Point, were conducted at the Up River Friends Church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock by the Rev. Mrs. Lizzie White, assisted by the Rev. Mrs. Bertha White.

During the services, which were under the direction of the Lynch Funeral Home, the church choir sang "Sometime We'll Understand" and "Asleep In Jesus." At the graveside the choir sang "Good Morning" and "Good Night."

Pallbearers were Harry Lee Winslow, Lester Baker, Dolan Winslow, Clarence Winslow, Archie Riddick and Eugene Winslow. Honorary pallbearers were members of his Sunday School class and the Young Ladies' Class.

Interment was in the church cemetery.

Winslow was swimming with friends from Belvidere and waded out approximately 80 yards from the shore line near the old oil pier and evidently stepped off into the channel that had been dredged out by the Navy during the war.

It was reported that no one in the immediate vicinity of Winslow could swim and other members of the party were called immediately, but because of the depth of the water were unable to find the body until 5:50 when Bobby Jordan of Hertford located it by diving!

Artificial respiration was administered by Jordan, Sheriff Melvin Owens and Elihu Winslow for 45 minutes without success.

Members of the swimming party at the time of the tragedy were Lester L. Baker, Dolan Winslow, Elihu Winslow, Clarence Winslow, Harry Lee Winslow, Clinton Winslow, Faye Lassiter, Lucille Lane, Marjorie White and Elsbury Lane.

Winslow was an outstanding member of last year's junior class in Perquimans County High School and took part in many school activities.

Sheriff Owens and acting Coroner Dr. T. P. Brinn investigated the accident.

School Supt. Speaker At Opening Exercises

Superintendent J. T. Biggers will speak at the formal opening exercises of Perquimans Central Grammar School on Friday, September 10, at 10 A. M., it was announced today by J. P. Snipes, principal. Due to the lack of seating space, there will be no assembly in the auditorium on opening day, September 8.

Students will report to the following teachers for home room assignments on September 8:

- Grade 1—Mrs. Ruby S. Winslow.
- Grade 2—Miss Johnnie White.
- Grade 3—Mrs. Francis Jessup.
- Grade 4—Mrs. Bertha Lane.
- Grade 5—Mrs. Lucille Long.
- Grade 6—Mrs. Eunice Riddick.
- Grade 7—Miss Margaret White.

The lunch room will serve the first meal on Friday, September 10.

Mr. Snipes urges all parents to have their children present on opening day and to attend regularly, as indications now point to the granting of an extra teacher, if attendance is high for the first two weeks.

New Patrolman Is Assigned To County

W. R. Whitehurst of Ayden, one of 47 new State Highway patrolmen graduated from the Patrol School recently, has been assigned to duty in Hertford, it was announced this week by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

No announcement was made as to the date Mr. Whitehurst will begin his duties here.

Recorder's Court Cases Continued

Perquimans County Recorder's Court was in recess this week, while volunteer workers of the local Draft Board used the Court Room for the purposes of registering youths for selective service. All cases listed on the docket of the court were continued until the next term of court.

According to Clerk of Court W. H. Pitt, the court will be in recess until September 14.

DRAFT BOARD REGISTERS 26 YOUTHS ON FIRST DAY OF ACTIVITY OF NEW DRAFT

Base Bathing Beach Has Been Marked

Mayor V. N. Darden, custodian of the Harvey Point Base, announced today that the bathing beach near the spot where Otis Winslow was drowned Friday, has been roped off for the protection of the public.

The roped off area includes the diving board and the beach beyond, and it is requested that swimmers, especially those not familiar with the depth of the water, stay on the inside of the ropes.

Mayor Darden stated that the channel which was dredged by the Navy during the war forms a semi-circle coming into the shore line at the oil docks and circling outward again to allow tankers to unload their cargo, and that any spot near the docks was a very dangerous place to swim.

Mary Pascoe White Weds Lloyd Overton At Methodist Church

Miss Mary Pascoe White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lycurgus White of Hertford, became the bride of Lloyd Edward Overton, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Edward Overton, Sr., of Edenton, in an impressive candlelight ceremony Wednesday evening, August 25, at 7 o'clock in the Hertford Methodist Church. The Rev. D. L. Fouts, pastor of the bride, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The church was beautifully decorated with palms, fern, huckleberry, white gladioli and white asters with lighted cathedral candles and pine forming the background. The entire church was lighted by candlelight.

Prior to the ceremony Mrs. Charles Johnson, soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Fred Mathews, organist, sang "Because" and "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life." During the ceremony Mrs. Mathews played "The Bells of St. Mary," "Ave Marie," "Believe Me" and the traditional wedding marches.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a wedding gown of Chantilly lace and slipper satin fashioned with a nylon yoke, long sleeves extending into calla lily points over the wrist, a fitted bodice with a peplum extending to a point in the back which fell over the satin skirt forming a long sweeping train. Her fingertip veil of imported illusion fell from a Juliet cap of illusion dotted with seed pearls. She carried a bouquet of white bridal roses centered with a purple-throated orchid and showered with stephanotis which were tied with white satin ribbon. Her only ornament was a strand of pearls, a gift from the bridegroom.

Miss Peggy White, sister of the bride, as maid of honor, wore a gown of pink taffeta with a fitted bodice and a hoop skirt with side panniers. She wore matching mitts, and carried a cascade bouquet of fuchsia gladioli centered with pink asters. Her head-dress was a halo of matching flowers with a large bow in the back.

Her bridesmaids were Mrs. Ralph Layden of Elizabeth City and Miss Marion Lee White of Hertford, cousins of the bride. They wore gowns of Nile green taffeta with a fitted bodice, hoop skirt and bustle back. They wore matching mitts and carried cascade bouquets of lilac gladioli centered with purple asters. Their head-dresses were matching flowers identical to that of the maid of honor.

The honorary bridesmaids were Misses Josephine Hunter, Suzanne Towe, Sue Perry White, Mrs. Joe Towe White, all of Hertford, Mrs. John Oliver, Jr., of Edenton, Miss Arline Griffin of Suffolk and Misses Pascoe and Lucy Keen of Norfolk. They wore gowns in pastel shades.

John Oliver, Jr., of Edenton, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, was best man. The groomsmen were Joe Towe White, brother of the bride, Maynard Fleetwood and O. C. Long, Jr., both of Edenton, and Ralph Layden of Elizabeth City.

The Indians disbanded the 1948 team on Friday, the players turning in playing equipment to Manager Joe Levinson. Most of the local players had plans for taking short vacations prior to returning to various colleges which they attend or to their homes. Manager Levinson has shifted his attention to the training of the Perquimans High School football team while other members of the Indian squad have gone various ways. Of course, Bud Cayton, Red Kimbrell, Joe Nowell and Harmon Young, all home boys, have turned to their regular jobs, while Zeke Bella and Bill Bergeron went home to Greenwich, Conn., for a visit before returning to college. Utley will return to State College this fall, while Moe Bauer goes to Wake Forest and Morton returns to Rutgers. Russ Garman returned to his home at Philadelphia, and Leroy Sires went to his home at Charleston, S. C., before returning to Duke.

Edenton and Windsor are now battling it out for top honors for the league championship. The play-off series is set at four games out of seven with the teams alternating games between Edenton and Windsor parks.

Demonstration Clubs To Give Dance Sept. 10

Perquimans County Home Demonstration Clubs will sponsor a public dance at the VFW hall on Friday, September 10, for the purpose of raising funds to be contributed to the Demonstration Club drive for American Overseas Aid to children, it was announced today by Miss Nina Braswell, county home agent.

Advance sale of tickets is being conducted by Miss Braswell and Miss Ruth Tucker. Persons desiring to purchase tickets in advance are asked to contact either of these two young ladies.

Local Board Fully Organized; Offices to Be Located Over Bus Station September 19th

Perquimans County's reactivated Draft Board, assisted by a number of volunteer registrars, swung into action this week and began the task of registering youths 18 through 25 for possible service in the armed forces under the selective service act of 1948.

The local Board, fully organized last week, is composed of R. M. Riddick, Jr., as chairman, William T. Elliott, secretary and Thad C. Chappell. Mrs. T. B. Sumner is the clerk to the Board. Offices of the Draft Board will be located in the bus station building in Hertford, but it is believed that the local office will not be opened until after the registration period which ends September 18.

Registration under the selective service act started here Monday with a total registration of 26, according to Mrs. Sumner, who reported that Rufus Rouse, Negro youth, was the first youth to appear at the Court House and register. The 26th, or last man to register for the first day was William Jordan. Out of the 26 registrars appearing on Monday, Mrs. Sumner said, 12 of the men were veterans of the war. Under present regulations these men will not likely be called for service.

Activity on Tuesday continued at about the same pace as on Monday and the volunteer registrars, who are Miss Ruth Elliott, Miss Mildred Reed, Mrs. D. F. Reed, Miss Nancy Darden, Mrs. C. A. Davenport, Mrs. T. P. Brinn, and Mrs. Cecil White, expected to register between 20 and 30 youths each day. A schedule of the registration period, giving dates by age groups, appears elsewhere on this page.

The first call for men to serve in the armed forces under the new draft act was mailed out to State headquarters early this week. The total number of men expected to be inducted into service for a period of 21 months is ten thousand. However, the local Board has received no notice as to this call and will not know, possibly, until next week if this county is to furnish any selectees for the first call.

For the present time Mrs. Sumner, clerk of the local Board, is located at the Court House in Hertford each day from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M., as are the volunteer registrars assisting with the registration. Youths required to register for the draft must appear at the Court House.

Hertford Baseball Team Disbanded After Game Thurs.

Hertford Indians dropped the fifth game of the play-off series to Edenton last Thursday night, and thereby ended their season of play in the Albemarle League. The score of the game was 7-1. George and Sires started as the battery for Hertford and Morton relieved George in the seventh. Herman and Pratt were the battery for Edenton. The victory placed Edenton in the final play-off against Windsor, winner over Cole-rain.

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MASONS MEET TUESDAY
Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will hold its regular meeting Tuesday in Wilmington Wednesday.