

## TOWN BOARD AND STATE ENGINEER REACH AGREEMENT ON GRUBB STREET PROJECT

### Highway Department to Aid With Construction Work

Residents of Hertford's Grubb Street, who have been hampered somewhat during the past several months from high sidewalks and driveways due to the street widening project, will get some relief shortly, it was announced early this week by Mayor V. N. Darden, who stated that the Town Board met last Friday in special session with Tom McKim, State Highway Engineer, and plans were made for the immediate construction of new sidewalks along the major portion of the street.

Mr. Darden stated that agreement was reached at the meeting whereby the State Highway Department will furnish labor to break up the present sidewalks and do proper grading for installation of the new concrete. The Highway Department will also furnish all cement necessary for the construction and that the Town of Hertford will furnish labor for actual construction work and sand and gravel needed for the project.

This additional construction work was made necessary because of the grading of the street for the widening project and the agreement between the Highway Department and the Town Board will mean a saving to the Town of Hertford had the Highway Department failed to agree to assist with the construction.

Mr. McKim told the Board that the work on breaking up the old sidewalks and grading of the ground will begin as soon as he can obtain a crew to do the work, and that he believed that can be accomplished very soon. He estimated that possibly four weeks will be needed to complete this part of the construction.

The Engineer also told the Board, according to the Mayor's report, that work on the Grubb Street project will continue until the State accepts the plan from the contractor. Difficulties which have arisen during the course of construction, Mr. McKim pointed out, has hampered the work and slowed down the progress and he added that at the present time he could not say just when the project will be completed.

## Negro Youth Loses Life In Accident

Alfred Brothers, sixteen-year-old Negro youth, of the Burgess section of Perquimans County, was fatally injured shortly after 8 o'clock last Saturday morning, when a twelve-gauge, single-barrel shot-gun in the hands of another Negro boy, David Dempsey, went off accidentally when it was pointed at the Brothers boy in play.

Sheriff M. G. Owens, who investigated the accident, reported that Dr. C. A. Davenport, coroner, pronounced the death of Alfred Brothers due to an accident.

Eye-witness Henry Lloyd Carter, age 12, told Sheriff Owens and Dr. Davenport that he saw David when he pointed the gun at Alfred, and that David was cocking his gun and he saw David's thumb slip off the hammer as he was cocking it.

From the inquiry, it developed that David Dempsey had borrowed his father's gun to go hunting, and that upon coming from the woods, he encountered Alfred Brothers and Henry Lloyd Carter on the highway; that Brothers and Dempsey engaged in some play, when Dempsey pointed the gun at Brothers, with the result that the gun went off accidentally.

### Special Services At Holy Trinity

A special Thanksgiving service will be conducted at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Hertford Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, it was announced Monday by the Rev. E. T. Jilson, rector of the church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Thanksgiving Day Observed By Closings

Practically all business houses, all county offices and the Post Office observed Thanksgiving Day here by closing during the day. Schools were dismissed Wednesday afternoon and will resume classes Monday. Mail at the local Post Office was received and dispatched but no deliveries other than special were made.

### Annual Seal Sale Campaign Under Way

Perquimans County's annual tuberculosis campaign got underway here last week and will close December 24, according to an announcement by Mrs. J. H. Newbold, chairman of the drive, who stated that a large number of seals were mailed out to local residents who are requested to keep the seals and mail in contributions in the self-addressed envelopes which accompanied the seals.

Of the money raised in the county during this drive, Mrs. Newbold said, 75 per cent will be retained here for county tuberculosis control. The remaining 25 per cent will be sent to the National Tuberculosis Association to help support research and other services on a national scale.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

United States Department of Commerce released a report this week announcing that the cost of living has decreased for the first time in seven months. The decrease showed up in the index for consumer prices, but the report pointed out that previous reports also had indicated that the peak of inflation had been reached, only later to see prices continue to rise and, therefore, this report should not be used as a statement that such was the case at present.

President Truman returned to Washington this week after having spent two weeks in Florida on a vacation, following the recent election. The first important matter handled by the President was a meeting with Secretary of State George Marshall, who had returned from Europe to report on the situation there. No comment was released on the conversation, but previously President Truman had stated that he will not go to Europe for a Big Three meeting.

Unusual weather was the rule throughout most of the nation during the past week. High temperatures were reported along most of the eastern seaboard and other parts of the country, while in Kansas and Nebraska a heavy snow storm tied up transportation and isolated many communities. Locally, rain has been falling practically every day and has seriously hampered the harvesting of crops.

General Douglas MacArthur on Wednesday upheld the sentences imposed on 25 former Japanese leaders who were found guilty of war crimes. A number of the leaders, including Hideki Tojo, former Premier, received death sentences for their part in World War II.

### Basketball Practice To Start Next Monday

Closing up their football season Thursday against Elizabeth City, athletes at Perquimans High School will begin practice of basketball next Monday, according to Coach Joe Levinson, who announced today that the Indians will compete in the Albemarle Conference during the 1948-49 season and will meet such teams as Asheboro, Plymouth, Williamston, Robersonville, Windsor, Columbia and Scotland Neck. He also stated that non-conference games are expected to be arranged with Edenton, Elizabeth City and Central.

Preliminary practice sessions have been going on at the school for the past two weeks for players not engaged in football but the court squad is expected to be swelled considerably when players like Pitt, Layden, Lane, Jordan, Pegram, Elliott and others join the practicing next week.

Coach Levinson estimated that some fifty to sixty boys are expected to report for try-outs for the team this coming season.

### Street Decorations Going Up Next Week

Street decorations for the holiday season will be installed along Church and Market streets beginning next week, it was announced today by Mayor V. N. Darden, who stated that all wiring and light bulbs are ready to be installed but it might be about December first before Town employees will get the work completed.

The colored lights will be turned on slightly shortly after installation and will be burned each night throughout the holiday season.

## Perquimans Indians Close Grid Season In Game This Week

### State Theater Trophy Presentation Will Be Held Next Week

Rain forced the cancellation of the scheduled Perquimans-Manteo football game last Friday night and Coach Joe Levinson's charges closed their season this week with the final game being played at Elizabeth City against the Yellow Jackets on Thanksgiving Day. The Turkey Day contest, the first of a series of games to be played between the two schools each year, got underway Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Coach Levinson stated that the entire Indian squad was in excellent condition for the final game of the season and the team was anxious to play their neighborly rivals, who have shown vast improvement in play during the past two months.

With the close of the season this week, each member of the team is giving some thought to the selection of the best all-around player on the squad. The team members will vote for this player early next week and the player receiving the greatest number of votes will be awarded the State Theater trophy, given each year to the Perquimans player judged to be the best of the team by his teammates. B. L. Gibbs, manager of the State, has had the trophy on display in the lobby of the theater for the past five weeks and he announced that the presentation of the trophy will be made Friday evening, December third.

The Indians closed their 1948 season in second place in the Albemarle Conference. Asheboro won top honors and Williamston and Plymouth finished in a tie for third place. Scotland Neck was fourth, Columbia fifth and Robersonville sixth. The Indians won four conference games while losing two, and their over-all record, prior to the Thanksgiving game, was five victories to three losses.

Selection of all-conference players, which is now being made by the coaches of the conference and newspapermen in conference towns, will be announced as soon as tabulations are completed.

## County Corn Contest Winners Announced

The Perquimans County Corn contest has been completed and all fields checked by the corn committee, it was announced this week by I. C. Yagel, county agent. The winners in the contest were as follows: J. C. Bundy, Rt. 3, won first prize of \$100.00 with a yield of 130.42 bu.; Ronald Harrell, (4-H Club member) Rt. 3, second prize of \$80.00 with a yield of 127.67 bu.; Milton Dail, Jr., Rt. 1, third prize of \$60.00 with a yield of 116.65 bu.; S. M. Long, Rt. 1, fourth prize of \$40.00 with a yield of 113.47 bu.; J. Luther Winslow, Rt. 1, Belvidere, fifth prize of \$25.00 with a yield of 107.56 bu. Only five prizes were offered in the contest, however, three other contestants produced over 100 bushels of corn per acre. These were Joe Perry, Jr., Rt. 1, Hertford, C. C. Chappell, Jr., (4-H Club member) Belvidere, and Crafton Winslow, Rt. 1, Belvidere.

Due to the fact that corn over the county was slow coming up and a poor stand was quite common only eleven farmers entered the contest. However, eight of those produced above 100 bushels of corn per acre.

The Bethel Ruritan Club, the sponsors of the contest, will entertain all contestants at their December meeting at which time the prizes will be awarded.

## County And Town Get \$8,463 In Beer Taxes

Perquimans County and the Town of Hertford benefited from the distribution of beer-wine taxes by a sum of \$8,463.10, according to a report released early this week. Perquimans County received the sum of \$6,788.44 while the Town of Hertford received \$1,724.66.

The money was forthcoming from the State, which had collected beer-wine taxes during the past 12 months under a law passed by the 1946 General Assembly.

Taxes amounting to \$2,979,115 was divided among 98 counties and several hundred towns throughout the State.

## New WSCS Circle Organized For Anderson Church

### Officers Selected and Plans Made to Aid Activities

On Friday evening, November 12, 16 enthusiastic young matrons met at the home of Mrs. Hazel Matthews and organized a Woman's Society of Christian Service circle of Anderson Church of the Chowan charge in the Elizabeth City District. The society will be known as the Blanche Meekins Circle. Mrs. Earl Meekins will act as advisor for this group of active young women and the following will serve as officers:

Chairman, Mrs. Elwood Perry. Vice Chairman, Mrs. Elliott Layden. Secretary, Mrs. Archie Riddick. Conference Treasurer, Mrs. Vernon Lee Perry. Local Treasurer, Mrs. Joseph Rogerson.

Social Relations, Mrs. Hazel Matthews. Assistant Social Relations, Mrs. James E. Perry, Mrs. Alphonso Goodwin and Mrs. John N. Winslow.

Mission Study Chairman, Mrs. Fred Floyd. Program Chairman, Mrs. Joseph Perry. Spiritual Life, Mrs. Wayland Howell. Hostess Chairman, Mrs. John N. Winslow. Membership Chairman, Mrs. Noah Felton, Jr.

Explanation of the duties of the various officers, a leaflet "Why Organize" with three splendid reasons for organizing were given by Mrs. Earl Meekins. The devotional service was given by Mrs. Joseph Rogerson, after which Mrs. Earl Meekins read a very interesting letter from a Christian worker in Korea telling about the mission work being carried on there by the Christian churches.

Plans were made for the December meeting to be at the home of Mrs. Joseph Rogerson on Friday night before the second Sunday in December. The meeting adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Earl R. Meekins. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

## State College Club Hears Dr. Vaughan

A meeting of the Perquimans County State College Club was held last Wednesday night at the Agricultural building in Hertford.

H. W. (Pop) Taylor, Alumni Secretary, from State College introduced Professor L. L. Vaughan, Director of Instruction in the school of Engineering at N. C. State College, who addressed the group. Mr. Vaughan made a very interesting talk, tracing the history of the college from its beginning in 1889 with a student body of 72 to the present time with a student body of 5000. Technicolor slides were shown of the different buildings on the campus as Mr. Vaughan explained when the buildings were constructed and something about the men for whom the buildings were named.

The following members were present: T. B. Sumner, J. H. Towe, E. L. Winslow, A. R. Winslow, G. C. Buck, Emmett Long, A. H. Edwards and Frank McGoogan.

## Lions Club Drive To Close Saturday

The Hertford Lions Club will bring to a close on Saturday its "Be Thankful You Can See" aid to the blind campaign, it was announced today by Dr. I. A. Ward, who is chairman of the drive.

"We are receiving splendid response from the public," Dr. Ward stated, "and we are assured of a successful drive. We want to thank each individual who has contributed to this cause and for helping us to make this campaign the success that it is."

Individuals who have received letters from the Lions committee and who as yet have not mailed in contributions are urged to do so before the drive closes on Saturday.

Funds raised through the campaign, Dr. Ward pointed out, will be used locally by the Lions in their program to aid the blind of Perquimans County.

## DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE NAMES LEIGH WINSLOW AS CANDIDATE FOR ASSEMBLY

### Gone Astray

Several news stories and one legal notice which had been written for publication in this issue of The Weekly are missing from the paper due to the fact that the articles on being mailed to the printing office in Edenton, got lost in the mails and failed to arrive up to late Wednesday afternoon.

Having left our notes on the stories in Hertford, we were unable to re-write the articles but in addition to the usual court report an important item on the election of Community Committeemen and delegates to the AAA County Convention, scheduled for December 2, by force, are omitted. Regarding the AAA election, all eligible voters are urged to cast their votes next week and polling places for this election were announced by W. E. White, secretary of the AAA, as being at Bethel, Hertford, Winfall, New Hope, Belvidere and Nicaux.

## County Sportsmen Welcome Opening Of Hunting Season

Thanksgiving Day was a red letter day for sportsmen of Perquimans County because it marked the opening of the real hunting season for most of them. The season opened Thursday for the taking of quail, rabbit and turkeys, and many local hunters spent the holiday tramping the fields in quest of game.

The season is shorter this year, closing on January 10, 1949, but there are no "lay days" which is equivalent to a longer season.

Hunters should take careful note of one regulation announced by the Wildlife Commission and that pertains to the killing of turkey gobblers only. Killing of a turkey hen may make a hunter liable to prosecution.

"Lay days" have been completely eliminated this year, the first in several seasons for this section. Last year quail and rabbit hunting were permitted only on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and the season remained open until January 31. This year the season ends January 10, but hunting is permitted every week-day.

The daily bag limit on quail is 8, with a possession limit of 16 and a season limit of 100. The daily bag limit on rabbits is 7, with a possession limit of 14, and no season limit. One wild turkey gobbler may be killed daily, with a possession limit of two and a season limit of six.

According to most observers more birds and rabbits should be found this year than for several years past. Heavy rains during the early spring for the past three or four years have drowned many of the young birds and rabbits, while the season was much more favorable this year.

## Farm Bureau Makes Last Call In Drive

Perquimans County Farm Bureau today issued a final call in the membership drive which comes to a close November 30.

Fred T. Mathews, president of the local Farm Bureau, has requested all solicitors handling membership cards to complete the task of calling on last year's members for their renewal for next year. He has called a meeting for Monday, November 29, at 8 o'clock at the Agricultural Building in Hertford, at which time a final check will be made on the campaign. He urges all solicitors to attend this meeting next Monday in order that a full record can be made up and mailed to State headquarters of the Farm Bureau.

Mr. Mathews also urged all members who have not renewed their membership as yet to do so in order that Perquimans County can report its total quota of 500 members for 1949.

## Supply Of Bream Placed In River

Eldon Winslow, County Game Protector, reported Monday that 10,000 bream were received here last week and placed in the Perquimans River. The fish were shipped here by the State Wildlife Commission to replenish the supply in the local stream. The shipment came from the hatcheries at Fayetteville.

### Special Election on November 30 to Fill Vacancy In County

At a meeting of the Perquimans County Executive Committee of the Democratic Party, held at the Court House last Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, E. Leigh Winslow was named as the Democratic candidate for the office of Representative for the special election called for November 30 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Clarence W. Phillips.

The committee, composed of C. P. Morris, chairman, Mrs. E. M. Perry, vice chairman, W. E. Dail and Charles E. White voted unanimously for Mr. Winslow to be the Democratic candidate. A. R. Winslow, Jr., the fifth member of the committee was not present at the meeting.

An announcement was made last week by Cecil C. Winslow, chairman of the Perquimans Republican Committee that the GOP will not name a candidate for the special election.

The special election was called for Tuesday, November 30, by Governor R. Gregg Cherry, who notified A. W. Hefren, chairman of the local board of elections, that the procedure must be followed in filling the vacancy. Each party was given the privilege of naming a candidate and, of course, voters are also privileged to write in a candidate if they desire. According to reports and indications Mr. Winslow, who served as representative during the past two years, will be elected without opposition.

Mr. Phillips won the nomination for the office in the primary held in May and was elected to the office in the general election November 2, however, he had not been sworn into the office, nor would he have been sworn in until the first Monday in December, therefore the office is vacant and can be filled only by the special election procedure.

Mr. Hefren, as chairman of the board of elections, stated early this week that the same procedure will be followed in holding the special election as was followed in the primary and general elections. Polling places will be open at Hertford, Parkville, Belvidere, New Hope, Bethel and Nicaux next Tuesday from 6:30 A. M. to 6:30 P. M. and all registered voters are eligible to cast ballots.

## 1949 Auto Licenses Go On Sale Dec. 1st

Miss Goldie Layton, branch manager for the Carolina Club, announces this week that 1949 automobile licenses will go on sale at her office, Eden Street in Edenton, Wednesday, December 1. As in past years, Miss Layton will issue licenses for passenger cars, trucks, trailers and motorcycles.

Miss Layton desires to remind automobile owners of the usual last minute rush, so that she urges early purchase of all licenses.

## THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee that there still remains today in our beloved country, people who do not take their American freedom and liberties for granted. We thank Thee that they remember the blood and sweat and tears that have made this country great, from the days of Valley Forge to Iwo Jima. The very land we tread upon, the houses we seek shelter within, yes, the very air we breathe, all parts of this land of liberty and freedom.

In our midst, oh Lord, remain men who have fought, shed blood, and saw their dearest friends give their lives that we might remain strong and free. May we never forget that we, who today take our way of life for granted, should stop and give thanks to Thee for all our blessings and to those who laid down their lives that our way of life could be preserved for our children and generations yet unborn. May we feel within ourselves something larger than we, something that swells our very hearts with pride, when the name "America" is pronounced.

Bless, dear God, those peoples of the world upon whose doorsteps have been piled the agonies of war. May we as Americans share our all, that they, less fortunate than we, may take hope and some day feel within their bosoms what all true Americans feel as Old Glory passes by. Amen. GARLAND H. ONLEY POST, Veterans of Foreign Wars of U. S.