

Perquimans Cagers Win Double Header From Edenton Aces

Girls' Trounce Acelets 52-25; Indians Defeat Boys' Team 33-30

Perquimans High School's boys' and girls' basketball teams journeyed to Edenton last Friday night for their second cage games of the season and came home on the long end of the score for both games. The Indian Squaws had little difficulty in trouncing the Acelets 52 to 25, while the Indians nosed out the Aces in a nip and tuck contest 33-30.

In the preliminary game the Perquimans girls, led by Janice Perry and Jean Chappell, had a field day, racking up a total of 52 points. Perry tallied 26 points for the Squaws and Chappell scored 25. The local girls led at half time by a score of 30 to 10. Mansfield was high scorer for the Edenton girls, garnering a total of 18 points.

The boys' contest, like all athletic games between Hertford and Edenton, was a renewal of the old school rivalry. Both teams displayed a fine game of ball, both offensively and defensively, but the Perquimans Indians came through at the crucial moment to rack up the victory.

Edenton jumped into a three-point advantage at the close of the first half after the teams had played a see-saw game for the first 14 minutes. The score at half time was 11-8. Russell Wheeler led the Edenton attack, while Bill Pegram was high scorer for the Indians.

Wally Britton, freshman of the Indian team, stole the show from the veterans. Coach Joe Levinson moved the youngster up from the junior varsity for the Edenton game and Britton's ball handling and general floor play was spectacular.

Pitt and Lane showed up well for Perquimans on the offense, while Jordan and Pegram did best on defense. It was anybody's ball game up until the final minutes of play, when the Indians forged ahead into a seven-point lead 22-15, then coasted to victory. The final score was 32-30.

The Indians played their final game prior to the Christmas holidays here Monday night, when the two girls met the South Mills teams.

Traffic Violators Head Court Docket

Traffic violators continued in the majority in cases disposed of by Perquimans Recorder's Court here Thursday. Twenty motorists were charged with various traffic violations.

John Johnson and Nathan Davidson each paid a fine of \$15 and costs on charges of speeding.

Bernard Victor, David Wilke, Sandra Milmed, Alger Ward, James Hare and Lowell Tergueson entered pleas of guilty to charges of speeding and paid fines of \$10 and costs.

Fines of five dollars and costs were assessed against Charles Horal, Michael McKee, Sam Cohen, Vincent LaShaw, George Murray, Harry Schwartz, Anna Goldberg and Gottfried Manisk, all of whom entered pleas of guilty on charges of speeding.

Costs of court were taxed against Anthony Fesio, Dorothy Gweans and Elias Ellorick for speeding.

James Whitfield entered a plea of guilty to charges of reckless driving and paid a fine of \$25 and costs.

Most Stores Open Nights This Week

Most of the stores in Hertford will remain open at nights the remainder of this week for the convenience of Christmas shoppers, it was revealed by a check of the stores Monday. No definite schedule has been arranged by the stores, but some announced they will be open nights from Monday through Friday, while others reported they will start observing evening hours later in the week.

All stores and business houses will be closed Saturday in observance of Christmas.

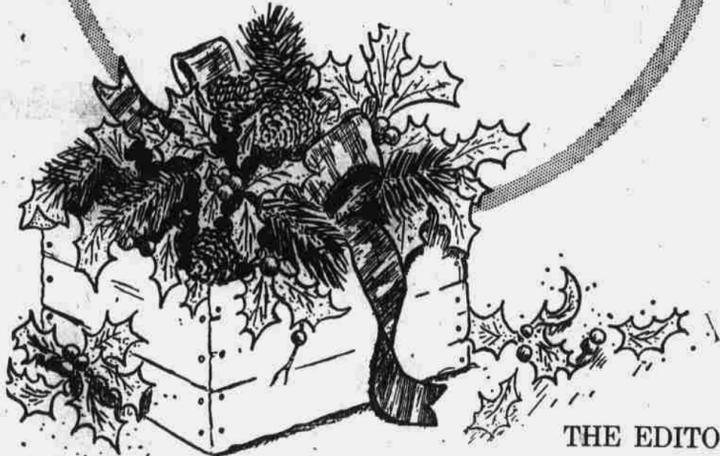
Town Indebtedness Reduced By \$4,000

W. G. Newby, Clerk of the Town of Hertford, announced Monday that the total indebtedness of the Town has been reduced by a sum of \$4,000 last Saturday. This payment was a total of \$129,000 which was paid against the indebtedness and leaves a balance of \$96,000, Newby said.

With more gratitude than we know how to express, we say to you, our friends

MERRY CHRISTMAS

We appreciate your friendly associations and wish you all of the true happiness that the Christmas season can bring



THE EDITOR

MARCH OF DIMES CAMPAIGN QUOTA FOR PERQUIMANS COUNTY DOUBLED FOR YEAR

Seal Sale Drive Closes December 24

Perquimans County residents who have not as yet contributed to the annual Christmas Seal campaign still have a few days to do so, it was announced today by Mrs. J. H. Newbold, chairman of the county committee handling the drive.

Friday, December 24, is the closing date for the campaign, Mrs. Newbold stated, and indications are that the county will reach its goal of \$500. Total reports turned in to date show only a few more dollars are needed to oversubscribe the quota.

As the deadline for the campaign approaches, Mrs. Newbold urges all residents who received seals through the mail, and who have not returned their contributions or the seals to kindly do so before Friday evening of this week.

Draft Board Orders Ten Men To Report

Ten Perquimans County young men received Selective Service orders this week to report for physical examinations on Wednesday, December 29, it was announced by Mrs. T. B. Sumner, clerk of the local Draft Board.

The selectees, Mrs. Sumner said, will be sent to Durham to undergo the examinations. She added that county men ordered for induction are now sent to Raleigh.

The local Board has no orders on file for induction, according to Mrs. Sumner. Reports have been made that Selective Service will cut its January induction orders but thus far no official word of such action has been received here.

B & L Office To Be Closed Saturday

The office of the Hertford Building & Loan Association will not be opened during the usual hours Saturday night, December 25, Max Campbell, secretary, announced today. The office will be closed in observance of Christmas.

On Saturday, January 1, the office will be opened as usual during the evening hours, Mr. Campbell stated. Patrons of the Building and Loan Association are requested to take note of this announcement.

Special Services At Holy Trinity

The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Hertford at 10 A. M. on Christmas morning, it was announced today by the Rev. E. T. Jilson, rector of the church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Goal Is Approximately \$2,000; Committee to Name Chairman

The annual March of Dimes campaign will swing into action in Perquimans County about January 14 and will continue through the month, it was announced today by Dr. T. P. Brinn and Silas M. Whedbee, county co-chairmen of the drive. They have announced that the quota for Perquimans for 1949 has been doubled over last year and this will mean that approximately \$2,000 will have to be raised to meet the goal.

The people of North Carolina and Perquimans County should be polio conscious this year for they have suffered a staggering blow—an epidemic three times as severe as that of 1944. Added to the tragedy in suffering and lives lost in the infantile paralysis attacks of the past summer is the economic side of the picture. Tourist trade alone is estimated to have suffered the staggering loss of \$40,000 attributable directly to the polio epidemic.

Full details of the campaign are not yet ready for release, but the directors are working on plans for the drive and a county wide campaign manager is expected to be named to handle the direction of the fund raising job. Community and neighborhood solicitors will be appointed following the naming of the drive chairman.

Perquimans County oversubscribed its quota for the 1948 March of Dimes by several hundred dollars, but the total collected was not equal to the amount asked to be raised this coming year and, therefore, the public is requested to bear in mind the tremendous need for funds used against infantile paralysis and to be prepared to increase contributions accordingly.

\$600 Raised To Date In Band Fund Drive

Slightly more than \$600 has been reported to date in the campaign to raise funds for the Perquimans High School Band, it was reported Monday by J. H. Towe, chairman of the PTA Committee, heading up the drive.

Mr. Towe stated that the committee and solicitors have not, as yet, begun a concentrated effort to raise the \$3,000 goal, because of weather conditions and other factors involved. He said, however, that the campaign will get in full swing immediately following the holidays.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph F. Harrell of Route Three announce the birth of a daughter, Vera Louise, weight 9 1/2 pounds, on November 25, at 10:00 P. M. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Peanut Drying Plant Being Installed At Harvey Point Base

A peanut drying plant, similar to ones which have been in operation in Georgia and other Southern States during the past few years, is now being installed at Harvey Point by Dr. T. P. Brinn and Jack Brinn. The two local men are hopeful that by setting up this plant here they will be able to help peanut producers save their crops from weather conditions.

The plant being installed here is an improvement over those used elsewhere. Agricultural officials at N. C. State College, after spending considerable time in Georgia watching similar machines in operation, carried out a number of experiments concerning operation of a drying machine and the information gathered from these experiments have been incorporated into the machine being readied here by the Brinn brothers.

Installation of the local plant is practically completed and the operators invited all interested parties to go to Harvey Point and inspect the machine and the operation. The plant is located in the hangar building at the Harvey Point Station, 11 miles south of Hertford.

Dr. Brinn, in announcing the installation of the plant here, stated that the machinery is so constructed that it can dry peanuts damp or wet from rain or other weather conditions and it can also dry peanuts some 24 hours after they have been dug. This latter operation would mean considerable saving in time for producers. By using the plant they would need no longer to shock the peanuts for drying and curing purposes.

He also stated that the officials at N. C. State College reported that surveys conducted in Georgia revealed that peanuts dried by similar machinery brought a premium price over peanuts, sold there, harvested by the old methods.

The drying process of the machine works by having the peanuts placed on an A frame, and through this frame hot air, at proper controlled temperatures, is blown and thus the peanuts are dried thoroughly and readied for the market.

High School PTA Met Last Thursday

Members of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Perquimans High School held their December meeting at the school building last Thursday evening, with the Rev. C. W. Duling presiding.

A round table discussion of school activities and problems headed the program, which was in charge of Silas M. Whedbee. Parents directed questions regarding school problems to teachers and Principal E. C. Woodward, who in turn discussed the points with the parents.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE FILED AGAINST DRIVER OF CAR IN FATAL ACCIDENT SAT.

Girl Scouts To Sing Carols Christmas Eve

Members of the four troops of Girl Scouts of Hertford will sponsor a Christmas carol sing on the Court House Green in Hertford Friday night, December 24, between the hours of 7 and 8 o'clock, it was announced today by Mrs. T. P. Brinn, director of the Girl Scouts.

The two Brownie troops and the two regular troops invited parents and friends to join with them in the song festival. The Scouts also are hopeful that the public generally will turn out for the carol singing.

Commissioners And Tax Listers Meet On Monday Morning

Members of the County Board of Commissioners and the five tax listers of the county will meet in a special session at the Court House in Hertford Monday morning, December 27 to review plans for carrying out the listing of property for 1949 taxes, it was announced today by J. W. Ward, clerk of the Board.

The Board will also draw a list of jurors to serve at the January term of Superior Court, which is scheduled to open here Monday, January 17, with Judge Luther Hamilton as the presiding judge.

Tax listers, appointed by the Board at the meeting this month, are John O. White, Jr., for Hertford Township, Julian Long for Bethel Township, C. V. Ward for Belvidere Township, Raymond Stanton for Parkville Township and Seth Long for New Hope Township. These officials will receive instructions as to the listing of property for taxation and their supplies at the meeting Monday. They will begin their duties at various locations throughout the county on Monday, January 3rd.

Fourteen cases are listed thus far on the calendar by the Clerk of Superior Court for the January term, and of this number six are divorce actions, while the remaining cases are of civil procedure.

Post Office Here In Midst Of Rush

The Hertford Post Office is a scene of busy activities these days. The rush mailing season reached its peak for Christmas cards and parcels about the middle of this week, and is expected to last right up to Christmas eve.

S. M. Whedbee, postmaster, stated that incoming cards and parcels picked up considerably over the weekend and that delivery is being expedited as rapidly as possible.

Local patrons of the Post Office are being helpful, Mr. Whedbee stated, by separating their cards into local and foreign packages and placing them in the separate slots at the Post Office. However, there is the usual number of cards and packages having wrong addresses, which have delayed delivery in some cases.

The Christmas rush always increases mail heavily, but the employees of the local Post Office, as in the past, are doing an admirable job in handling the increased business.

Overton Funeral Held Last Thursday

Funeral services for Pattie Overton, 11 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Overton, of Winfall, who died last Wednesday morning in an Elizabeth City hospital, were conducted at the Lynch Funeral Home last Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Rev. E. B. Edwards, pastor of the Bethlehem Methodist Church. During the services the church choir sang "Rock of Ages" and "We Shall Sleep, But Not Forever."

The tiny casket was covered with a beautiful pall consisting of pink rose buds and white carnations. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Consolidation Of Schools Announced

John T. Biggers, County Superintendent of Schools, announced today that, effective January 3, 1949, the Winslow Grove and Nicanor Negro schools will be consolidated. The students of the Winslow Grove school will attend the Nicanor school on and after that date, Mr. Biggers said.

Kenneth Jordan Dies Of Injuries; Norfolk Man Injured

Kenneth Jordan, 30, native of Perquimans County, recently of Norfolk, died in the Albemarle Hospital at 12:10 Sunday morning and Thomas Fann, 31, of Norfolk, is in the hospital critically injured, as the result of having been struck by a car driven by Jackson Coston, Negro, of Hertford, Route One, at 6:15 Saturday night while they were trying to get their stuck car out of the ditch.

Their wives and a child belonging to one of them were with them at the time.

The left leg of Fann was so badly mangled that it was necessary to amputate it just below the knee.

So badly were the two injured it was necessary to keep them in the operating room at the hospital for nearly three hours.

Costen had been arrested earlier in the afternoon by Patrolman Byerly of Edenton in Perquimans County just across the line from Chowan for driving without a driver's license.

According to Highway Patrolman B. R. Inesco, who made the investigation with Patrolman H. L. White, the Virginia car was proceeding toward Hertford on the shortcut when the lights went out. The driver lost control, went across the road and ran into the ditch from where he was unable to get the car out under its own power.

A car being driven by Worth Hare, traveling toward Elizabeth City, was hailed and Hare asked to lend assistance in pulling the stuck car out. Hare turned his car around and apparently had fastened the two cars together and was just about ready to start pulling, when the car driven by Costen approached.

Costen is said to have swerved his car when he saw the tow car, which was off the pavement and on the dirt shoulder. His car then ran head-on into the car that was in the ditch, jamming one of the men between the two cars and striking the other who was helping with the operation in getting the stuck car out.

The two women and the child apparently inside the car at the time were not seriously injured. Costen was arrested immediately on charges of driving drunk, and charges of manslaughter were also filed against him following the death of Jordan.

VFW Club Committee Pushing Plans For New Year Eve Dance

Members of the Garland H. Onley Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars of Hertford completed plans for their New Year's Eve dance that will take place at the Harvey Point Officers' Club, at a meeting held last week.

Johnny Broughton, a former Hertford boy, and his orchestra has been secured to play for the dance. The orchestra is widely known throughout Tidewater Virginia and will come here highly recommended to help carry out what probably will be the most successful social event in recent history of the county.

Members of the club have been appointed to serve on various committees so everything will be in readiness when the outstanding holiday event rolls around. Also plans are being made concerning a king size door prize.

Although the most important business matter presented at the meeting was that of making final plans for the dance, many other matters received close attention from the large group of attending members.

It was decided that Christmas will be observed by the club by holding open house for the three days preceding Christmas and that a small admission fee will be charged non-members wishing to visit the club Christmas eve.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Dillon announce the birth of a son, born Sunday, December 19, at the Medical Center, Elizabeth City. Mrs. Dillon is the former Miss Blanche Moore Berry.

O. E. S. MEETING

The regular meeting of the Hertford Chapter, No. 137, Order of Eastern Star, will meet Monday night, December 27, at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.