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## Dail Re-elected As Chairman Of County PMA Committee

### Community Members Named; Control of Cotton Voted

Milton Dail was re-elected chairman of the Perquimans Production Marketing Administration Committee by delegates from the six county communities last week.

Other members of the committee elected were John Q. Hurdle, vice chairman and Miss Mae Wood Winslow, member.

This committee appointed W. E. White to serve as secretary of the group and Miss Helene Nixon, treasurer.

Community committeemen named at the county convention were: Belvidere, J. M. Copeland, chairman, Walter Nowell, vice chairman, William C. Chappell, member and N. W. Chappell, alternate.

Nearnor: L. L. Lane, chairman, Gale Winslow, vice chairman, Elisha Winslow, member and Roy Winslow, alternate.

Bethel: E. Y. Berry, chairman, S. M. Long, vice chairman, H. L. Madre, member and C. T. Phillips and Charles Mathews, alternates.

Hertford: J. E. Hunter, chairman; V. C. Winslow, vice chairman, Howard Williams, member, L. G. Howell and Percy Rogerson, alternates.

New Hope: C. A. Butt, chairman; W. A. Chappell, vice chairman, S. D. Banks, member, Seth Long and J. W. Harrell, alternates.

Parkville: W. R. Stanton, chairman; Winford Smith, vice chairman, Ernest Morgan, member, and Haywood Smith, alternate.

Perquimans County farmers cast 172 votes in the cotton referendum held December 15 and voted overwhelmingly for control. The results were 153 votes for control to 19 votes against. W. E. White announced that cotton allotments for next year have been mailed to cotton producers and that information as to county peanut allotments has been received but the PMA committee expects to mail out 1950 peanut allotments early next year.

## Child Victim Of Highway Accident; Funeral Held Monday

Linda Joyce Smith, 5-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Smith of Winfall, died in the Albemarle hospital last Saturday night, about 10:30 o'clock of injuries suffered in a highway accident last Friday afternoon.

Funeral services for the child were conducted Monday afternoon at the Bagley Swamp Church by the Rev. Coy Saunders. Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

According to a report by State Patrolman Carol Petteway, who investigated the accident, the child is reported to have just got out of a car in which she had been riding and was being helped across the road by an older girl, Clara Mae Lane. Linda is said to have darted away from the older girl into the path of the oncoming car, driven by Henry Swayne of near Woodville.

Patrolman Petteway reported that his investigation revealed that the accident was unavoidable.

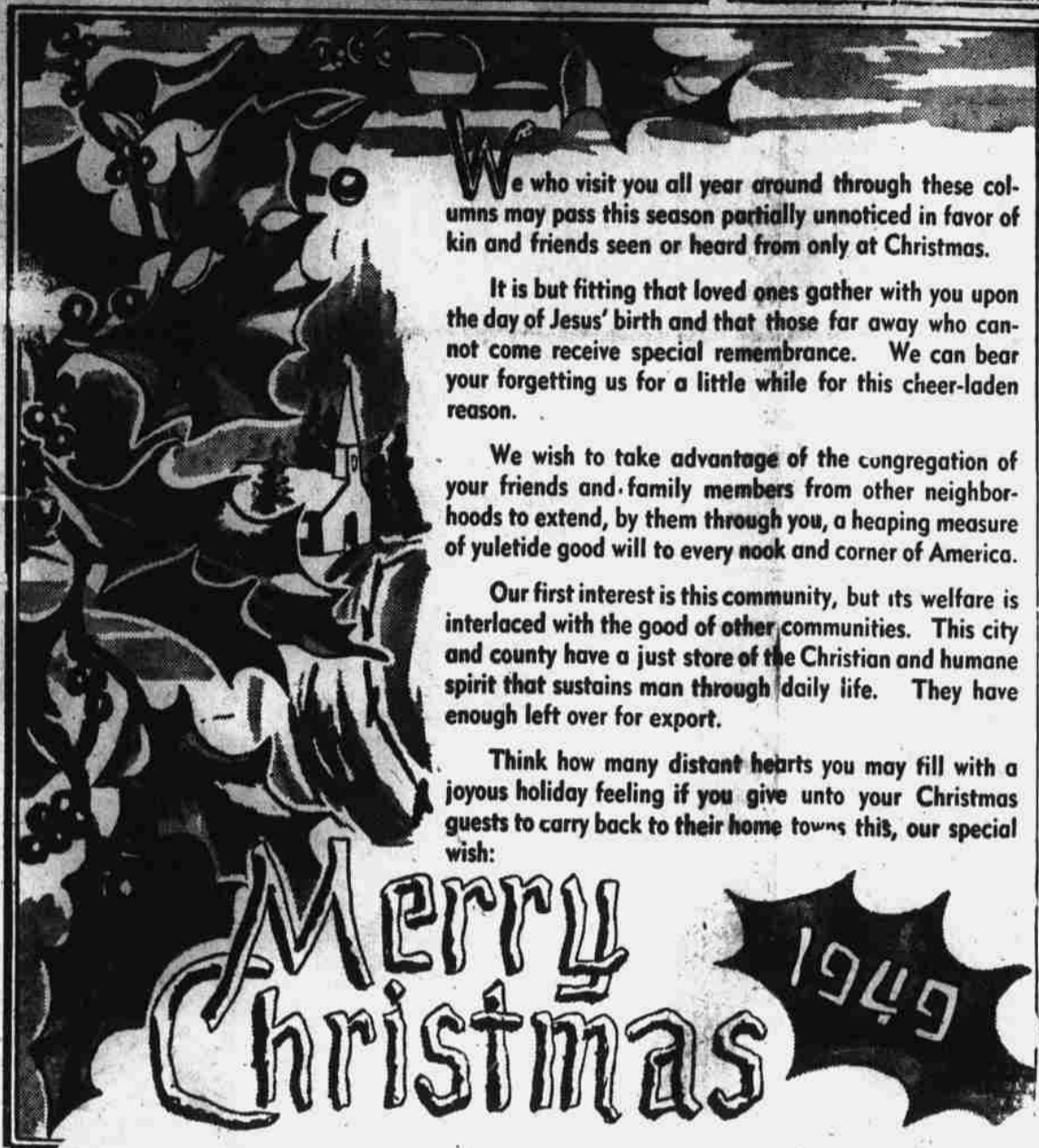
The accident occurred on Highway 88 at the western edge of Winfall at about 5:30 o'clock last Friday. The child was taken to the Albemarle hospital for treatment but failed to recover.

Besides her parents she is survived by one brother, J. H. Smith, one sister, Eva Ann Smith, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Brum and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith.

## Celebrates 60th Anniversary Sunday

Dr. and Mrs. T. E. McMullan, former residents of Hertford, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at a quiet family dinner held at the Hotel Hertford last Sunday. Joining the couple in the celebration were their five children, Mrs. Eva Grimes of Williamston, Mrs. Jessie Tucker of New Bern, Mrs. Bessie Evans of Washington, D. C. Thomas Shelton McMullan and William McMullan of Elizabeth City.

Mrs. McMullan wore a white orchid and the table decorations were similar to those used at the wedding of the couple. A copy of the original wedding toast was read at the conclusion of the dinner.



We who visit you all year around through these columns may pass this season partially unnoticed in favor of kin and friends seen or heard from only at Christmas.

It is but fitting that loved ones gather with you upon the day of Jesus' birth and that those far away who cannot come receive special remembrance. We can bear your forgetting us for a little while for this cheer-laden reason.

We wish to take advantage of the congregation of your friends and family members from other neighborhoods to extend, by them through you, a heaping measure of yuletide good will to every nook and corner of America.

Our first interest is this community, but its welfare is interlaced with the good of other communities. This city and county have a just store of the Christian and humane spirit that sustains man through daily life. They have enough left over for export.

Think how many distant hearts you may fill with a joyous holiday feeling if you give unto your Christmas guests to carry back to their home towns this, our special wish:

## County Resident Arrested For Major Crime In New York

William Riddick, 25-year-old Negro of the Belvidere community, was arrested here Sunday night by Sheriff M. G. Owens and representatives of New York police, and confessed to assaulting and robbing a 71-year-old man in Fallsburg, N. Y., on December 1.

Following clues uncovered in Fallsburg, Sgt. Robert Denman, New York State Police, and Chief of Police Carl Kaplan arrived in Hertford Sunday afternoon and consulted with Sheriff Owens regarding the crime and possible apprehension of Riddick. The youth was found and arrested while attending church services near Winfall.

In a confession to the officers, Riddick stated that he had seen the Fallsburg man, Irving Berger, flash a large sum of money and that on the night of December 1, he, Riddick, hid in a woods near the man's two-room cottage, and later assaulted him with his fists and struck him twice with a stick of wood. He took approximately \$1,000 from the man's clothing. The New York police informed Sheriff Owens that Berger is in a serious condition and may not live.

Riddick told the police that he had spent most of the money on clothing and jewelry for himself and his wife and had banked \$240 of the money in the Hertford bank. He had withdrawn \$25 of this amount and the police recovered \$215 from the bank prior to returning Riddick to Fallsburg Monday.

Riddick had been arrested previously in Fallsburg, and the police there missed him after the robbery and investigation led the New York police to begin a search for him in this county.

The youth waived rights of extradition and was returned to New York, where he will be charged with assault and robbery.

## Mary Alice Cohoon Bride Of Tim Brinn

Miss Mary Alice Cohoon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Cohoon, of Columbia and Lt. Comdr. Rufus Timothy Brinn, son of Mrs. R. T. Brinn and the late Mr. Brinn of Hertford, were married September 11 in St. Paul's by the Sea Episcopal Church, Jacksonville, Fla., according to an announcement made this week.

The bride is a former member of the faculty of Perquimans High School. Mr. Brinn is a graduate of Perquimans High School and Duke University. He received a commission in the U. S. Navy in 1940 and attended the Naval Academy prior to being assigned to active duty.

A reception for the couple was given at the home of the bride's parents in Columbia on Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. Brinn are residing in Jacksonville, Fla.

## Weekly Office To Be Closed Next Week

The office of the Perquimans Weekly will be closed for the Christmas holidays all next week.

Editor and Mrs. Max Campbell left yesterday for Shelbyville, Indiana where they will spend Christmas with Mr. Campbell's father. They will return to Hertford on Saturday, December 31.

The office of the Weekly will be open again starting on New Year's Day.

## Insurance Claims Deadline Dec. 31st

Operating for the first time in Perquimans County, Crop Insurance has proved to be a great aid to the farmers this year, C. R. Vann, agent for the Crop Insurance, said today. From all indications, according to information now available, more money will be paid out in loss claims than the premium income will be. The Federal Government will pay the difference between the two sums, Mr. Vann said, and it does not necessarily mean that the premium will be raised.

All insured farmers having claims should file them immediately, Mr. Vann stated, as December 31, 1949, is the deadline for filing loss claims. No adjustment can be made on claims not reported to the county office before the deadline.

Plans are already underway for a better and stronger program in 1950 and an even greater participation is expected next year. There were 220 farmers in Perquimans taking advantage of the protection this year, Mr. Vann reported. The multiple plan of insurance is rapidly gaining favor in the United States and a number of new counties are being added to the program next year.

## Robert L. Stallings Died Wednesday A. M.

Robert Lee Stallings, 74, died at his home on Route Two, Wednesday morning about four o'clock, following a lingering illness. He was the son of Timothy and Martha Hurdle Stallings.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Laura Smith Stallings, five sons, Emmett, Robert F., Wilbur C., Roscoe C., and Timothy Stallings, one daughter, Mrs. Mabel S. Copeland of Belhaven, two brothers, E. P. Stallings of Elizabeth City and R. T. Stallings of Great Bridge, Va., three sisters, Mrs. D. H. Twine, Mrs. J. J. Watson of Elizabeth City and Mrs. S. C. Ferrell of Hickory.

The body was removed to the Lynch Funeral Home pending funeral arrangements.

### TO PRESENT PROGRAM

The Young People of the Bethany Sunday School will present a Christmas program on Christmas Day at three o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

## Service Officer Points Out Benefit Plan For Veterans

Many North Carolina veterans being treated regularly by their own physicians for service-connected ailments at their own expense are unaware that they are entitled to such treatments at government expense, it was pointed out today by C. C. Banks, Perquimans County Veteran Service Officer.

This benefit, Mr. Banks added, applies to only those veterans who have filed a claim and have been granted service-connection for a disability even though they did not receive a compensable rating for compensation.

A large number of veterans have been granted a service-connected "zero" rating making them ineligible to receive compensation but entitling them to out patient treatment at government expense.

Veterans who have compensable rating but have established service-connection and who desire treatment at other than their own expense are requested to contact the North Carolina Veterans Commission office in Elizabeth City or C. C. Banks, County Service Officer, in Hertford, for assistance in making application for treatment.

## Varied Docket In Recorder's Court

A varied docket of seven cases was disposed of in Perquimans Recorder's Court here Tuesday.

Norman Tadlock entered a plea of guilty to a charge of speeding and paid the costs of court.

King Byrum was taxed with a fine of \$25 and costs of court on a charge of driving without a license.

Robert Quinn entered a plea of guilty to a charge of speeding and paid a fine of \$5 and costs of court.

A verdict of not guilty was returned by Judge Charles E. Johnson in the case charging Hugh Downs with driving drunk.

Clarence Burndette, Negro, was found guilty on two counts, larceny and carrying a concealed weapon. He was given a 90 day sentence suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and costs of court. Burndette, janitor at the Court House, was found guilty on a charge of stealing a gun from the office of Sheriff M. G. Owens.

A verdict of not guilty was returned in the case charging Alphonso Chappell with non-support.

Probable cause was found in the case charging Lloyd Felton, Hershey Phillips and Charlie Foreman, all Negroes, with robbery. They were ordered held for action by the Grand Jury at the next term of Superior Court and bond was set for each at \$500.

## ANNOUNCED THIS WEEK BY FARM AGENT WINNERS IN COUNTY PEANUT CONTEST

### Nearing Goal

Mrs. J. H. Newbold, chairman of the Perquimans Committee on TB Seal Sales, reported today that the county quota of \$800 is expected to be reached within the next few days. The chairman stated that a total of \$732.30 had contributed to the fund up to Wednesday of this week.

"The generous response on the part of the public to our appeal for the purpose of Seals is indeed very gratifying," Mrs. Newbold said, "and I want to take this opportunity to thank everybody who has had a part in making this drive the most successful seal sale campaign ever conducted in Perquimans."

Part of the funds raised through this drive will be used to help defray expenses of the mass chest X-ray survey, and a part of the remaining funds will be retained here to help the local committee carry on its work against tuberculosis.

## Girl Scout Troops Closing Program For Past Year

The three troops of the Girl Scouts of Hertford are bringing to a close a most successful year, according to the leaders of the troops. Sponsored by the Business and Professional Woman's Club and the Hertford PTA, each of the troops have completed registration for the year and show an excellent membership.

Troop No. 1 has just completed the making and dressing of dolls for the Joy Fund baskets and are planning for a Christmas party this week. On committees for the party are Susanne Towe, Mabel Martin Whedbee, Audrey Jackson, Margaret Banks, Mary Frances Winslow and Kacky Nixon. Members of this troop are Mrs. James Lee and Mrs. Bobby Elliott, leaders, Mrs. Joe Towe, Miss Thelma Elliott and Mrs. Silas Whedbee, committee members, Margaret Ann Banks, Audrey Jackson, Katherine Nixon, Sally Overton, Shirley Skinner, Frances Sutton, Susanne Towe, Katherine Ward, Mabel Martin Whedbee, Mary Frances Winslow and Joanne Lane.

Troop No. 2 held its Christmas party on December 9, and has collected clothing for the needy families for Christmas. Several members of this troop have received letters from girls in Greece expressing their appreciation for clothes and gifts sent last Christmas. Members of this troop are Patricia Biggers, Marjorie Brinn, Mary Elliott Brinn, Anne Burke Chappell, Mary Chappell, Alice Dawson, Billie Carol Divers, Evelyn Elliott, Juanita Elliott, Barbara Ann Edwards, Peggy Harrell, Alice Jean Jackson, Joan Madre, Patricia Rush, Jo Pat Stokes, Julia Ann Stokes, Sue Perry White and Joanna Williford. Troop leaders are Mrs. J. T. Biggers and Mrs. Charles Williford, troop committee members are Mrs. T. P. Brinn, Mrs. Julian White and Mrs. Henry Clay Stokes.

Members of Troop No. 4 listed the following members, Lura Lee, Lillian Anne Hoffer, Joyce Owens, Sandra Hutherson, Mable Keel, Jennette Williams and Shirley Byrum. The Troop leader is Mrs. W. C. Cherry. This troop has raised money for a Christmas party to be held December 27 by selling magazines subscriptions and candies and is also planning to send a basket for a needy family on Christmas.

Closing dates for Hertford merchants for the holidays have been released by a spokesman for the merchants, following a survey made here Monday.

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## Christmas Services At Holy Trinity

Services will be held at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Christmas day as follows: Holy Communion, 9 A. M.; Holy Eucharist and address at 11 A. M. The public is cordially invited to attend these Christmas services.

## Broughton Dail Cops First Prize; Five Submit Reports

Final results in the peanut contest conducted among the Perquimans County farmers during the past crop season was announced this week by I. C. Yagel, Farm Agent.

The contest was sponsored by Hollowell Chevrolet Company for the purpose of stimulating peanut production in this county, and \$100 in prizes were offered by the Company as awards to the winners.

Production for the contest, was judged on yield and quality, and the winners were selected on this basis.

Eleven peanut farmers entered the contest and Mr. Yagel reported five of the number turned in reports on yield and samples of their production for final judging.

Broughton Dail was judged as winner of the contest and received first prize of \$60 in cash; J. L. White won second place and a cash prize of \$25 and Warner Madre won third prize and a \$15 cash prize. Other entrants who submitted reports were Roy Winslow and Ed Benton.

Yields produced on the one acre plots by the three contest winners were reported as follows: Broughton Dail, 2,230 pounds; J. L. White, 2,019 pounds and Warner Madre, 1,809 pounds.

In announcing the results of the contest Mr. Yagel stated much interest in peanut production resulted from the contest and he hoped that the contest can be made an annual one.

He also stated that plans are being made to hold a one day peanut school in the county sometime during January at which time specialists from State College will come here for the purpose of leading discussions on practices valuable in peanut production.

Further announcements concerning the school will be made as the plans are completed.

## Six Needy Families Still Available On Local Joy Fund List

"We have at least six needy families who face a dismal Christmas unless additional funds are forthcoming to swell the total already in the county Joy Fund," C. Edgar White, Superintendent of Public Welfare said today.

Mr. White pointed out that the joy fund list, made up by his department, was composed of 41 needy families and individuals who, unless aided by those more fortunate, will have a joyless holiday. He stated that a number of these families will be provided with baskets of food donated by the local VFW Post, the Salvation Army, local churches and individuals, but the most recent check showed that at least six more donors are needed to take care of the entire list.

The Joy Fund in Perquimans County is supervised each year by Mr. White and his department workers. It is outside of the department's usual work but these officials do the job to help others to provide a joyful Christmas for the needy.

Individuals who desire to contribute toward this fund are requested to contact Mr. White at the Welfare Office in the Courthouse.

## County Club To Hold Turkey Shoot Mon.

The Perquimans County Coon Hunters Association will hold a big turkey shoot, next Monday morning, December 26, beginning at 10 A. M., at the Hertford Livestock and Supply Company plant on the Hertford-Edenton Highway, it was announced today by Herbert Nixon.

According to Mr. Nixon a truck load of turkeys, geese and chickens has been purchased as prizes. The Coon hunters Club will furnish shells for the contest. All contestants are asked to bring in a shot gun.

The turkey shoot, Mr. Nixon said, is open to any and all contestants and the public is invited to attend.

### EASTERN STAR MEETING

The Hertford Chapter of the order of Eastern Star will hold its regular meeting next Monday night, December 25, at eight o'clock, at the lodge rooms. All members are urged to be present.