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## Varied Docket In Recorder's Court Tuesday Morning

### Fourteen Cases Disposed of By Court; Three Continued

A varied docket consisting of fourteen cases was disposed of in Perquimans Recorder's Court here Tuesday with Judge Chas. E. Johnson presiding.

Three cases were continued until next week's term of court. John Magile and George Rothwell, each pleading guilty to charges of speeding paid fines of \$10 and costs of court.

Russell Spellman and Joseph Spruill, Negroes, were taxed with the costs of court on a charge of failure to observe a stop sign.

George Johnson, Negro, submitted to a charge of passing a car on a curve and paid the costs of court.

Joseph White, Negro, paid the costs of court on a charge of driving with improper lights.

George Whitehurst was found guilty on a charge of stealing a shot gun. He was given a 30-day sentence suspended upon payment of a fine of \$30 and costs, five dollars of which is to be paid to Walter Umphlett.

Elsie Harris, Negro, was found guilty of reckless driving and failure to give proper traffic signals. She was ordered to pay a fine of \$75 and costs; \$50 of which is to be paid J. E. Brantwaite for damages to a car. An appeal was noted in this case and bond was set at \$200.

Nathaniel Whedbee, Negro, charged with driving with improper registration, failed to appear to answer the charges. He was ordered held on bond of \$100.

Court costs were taxed against Eula Thatch, Negro, in the case of Lester Hurdle, Negro charged with assault on a female.

Dan Ferebee and Tim Ferebee, Negroes, submitted to charges of assault with a deadly weapon and each paid the costs of court.

Garland Harris, Negro, paid the costs of court on a charge of assault on a female.

T. J. Bass was found guilty on a charge of being drunk on the highway. He was given a 30-day sentence suspended upon payment of court costs and the condition that the defendant not be convicted of public drunkenness within six months.

Welton Lilley, Negro, submitted to a charge of failure to observe a stop sign and paid the costs of court.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

President Truman and top Congressional leaders are conferring this week, and reports coming out of Washington state that a National Emergency may be declared by the President at the conclusion of the conference. President Truman will speak to the nation, by radio, on either Friday or Saturday night on the trend of national and international events. One report stated that price and wage controls will be included in any steps taken in the event a national emergency is declared.

After a week of bitter retreat from North Korea, United Nations forces, according to reports, are consolidating positions north of Seoul and are expected to make a stand against Communist Chinese troops. U. S. Marines and Army troops, best their way out of a trap in northeast Korea, and reached the port of Hungnam, where many are being evacuated by planes and ships. UN officials state that losses from the fighting in North Korea have been revised downward since units began reporting at assembly points.

Meanwhile the United States and Britain have endorsed a plan, offered by 13 nations, for a cease fire order in Korea. The U. S., however, barred any political discussion on the Far East until the cease fire order is in full effect. The cease fire order, if adopted, will provide for a peaceful settlement of the Korean situation.

Selective Service announced Wednesday that calls for 160,000 men for the Armed Forces will be released during the next two months; the step in induction is necessary, it was reported, to bring the Armed Forces up to the quota assigned by President Truman prior to recent reverses in Korea.

## Registration Books Open For Election

Preliminary steps for holding a special school bond election on January 6, 1951, were taken in the county last Saturday when registration books were opened in the six voting precincts of the county for the purpose of registering eligible voters not already listed on the books.

The registration books will be opened until Saturday, December 23, for registering voters and challenge day will be December 30, it was reported by W. F. Ainsley, chairman of the board of elections.

The special election will be held on Saturday, January 6.

## County Board Names C. C. Banks Clerk Of Recorder's Court

Members of the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners, meeting here in special session on Thursday of last week, appointed C. C. Banks to the office as clerk of the Recorder's Court.

It was announced following the meeting that Banks accepted the position under the terms of the duties of the office as designated by the Board at a salary of \$100 per month, which was a reduction in the salary by \$50 formerly paid the clerk of this court.

Banks, a veteran of World War II, and who is employed by Milton Dail and Son, will succeed W. H. Pitt, who served as clerk of this court for the past 16 years. Mr. Pitt advised the Board he was unable to accept the appointment on Wednesday of last week.

An office for the new clerk has been set up in the lawyer's library at the rear of the court room, and persons having business with the clerk are requested to call at this office or get in touch with Mr. Banks at the Milton Dail and Son Office located on Covent Garden Street.

## Indians Divide Games With E. City

The Perquimans basketball teams divided a twin bill played here Tuesday night with Elizabeth City, with the Indian Squaws winning a 30-14 victory, while the Perquimans boys lost a nine point decision 27-18.

Melvina White, with 14 points, led the Perquimans girls to an easy win over the Lady Jackets. The Squaws jumped into an early 10-2 lead, and held this advantage throughout the contest. Half time score was 20 to 7. Coach Fearing used reserves freely during the contest and gave his squad an opportunity to gain playing experience against the Elizabeth City girls.

In the boys' game, Elizabeth City showed a strong comeback in the second half, after battling the Indians on even terms during the first two quarters, and took a 20-12 lead which the Indians failed to overcome.

Perquimans led at the end of the first period 5-4 and at the half, the Jackets held a 11-10 advantage. Foreman and DeMargee sparked the Jackets in a nine point scoring spree in the third quarter which gave them the victory. Ben Thatch, rangy center for the Indians, collected 11 points for high scoring honors of the game.

## Santa Claus Coming To Town Saturday

Santa Claus is coming to town. Yes, kiddies, Old Santa, all dressed up in his red and white suit, will greet Perquimans County children Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock when he arrives in front of the Court House in Hertford.

All arrangements for Santa's visit to Hertford were worked out at a meeting of the Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion, whose members, in cooperation with the merchants of Hertford will make this Santa Claus party possible.

A committee of Legionnaires, headed by W. F. Ainsley as chairman, will handle all details of the event, which will mark the formal opening of the Yuletide season in Hertford.

As usual, Santa will have favors to distribute among the children, all of whom are invited to the party celebrating Santa Claus' arrival here.

**AUXILIARY PARTY TONIGHT**  
The Auxiliary of the Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion will meet and hold its annual Christmas party Friday night at the home of Mrs. J. R. Webb. All members are urged to attend.

## Community Gains In Wildlife Program Rotarians Are Told

### Game Protector Gives Club Outline of Activities

A five point program being carried out by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission offers an opportunity for gains in this community, it was pointed out to members of the Hertford Rotary Club Tuesday night by Eldon Winslow, County Game Protector, who was a guest speaker at the civic club meeting.

Reporting that between 40 and 50 non-residents sportsmen come into the community each week, about eight months in the year, to participate in hunting and fishing offered in Perquimans. Mr. Winslow stated that it is necessary that this county cooperate in the Wildlife program to maintain the game and fish, which these sportsmen seek.

"The rivers in this area are big drawing cards to hundreds of fishermen from other parts of this State and Virginia," Mr. Winslow said, "and the fine sport they find here draws others."

Reporting on the Wildlife program, the Game Protector stated that the State Commission is divided into 10 districts, and each district receives attention from the Wildlife Commission to advance, its five point program of Regulations, Law Enforcement, Management, Education and Research.

Regulations on hunting and fishing according to Mr. Winslow, are worked out at meetings conducted in each of the 10 districts and that the game protectors are authorized to carry out the enforcement of the regulations. The Commission seeks through education, which is carried on through Wildlife Clubs and the schools, the preservation of game and fish. Much research is done annually by the Commission as a means to maintain and to increase the State's wildlife.

At the closing of his talk, Mr. Winslow answered questions pertaining to the program, asked by club members. He stated that the influx of sportsmen, into this community, especially on week-ends, is constantly increasing and this community has much to gain through cooperation in the Wildlife program.

## Fifty-seven Listed On H. S. Honor Roll

A total of fifty-seven students of Perquimans High School was listed on the honor roll for the second grading period, which closed last Friday, it was announced today by E. C. Woodard, principal of the school.

The eighth grade, with 22 students, led all other classes with the number of students winning scholastic honors.

Listed on the honor roll by grades were:  
Eighth Grade—Joseph Butt, Charles Smith, Barbara Edwards, Lois Jane Kirby, Emily White, Joanne Willford, Bobby Fisher, Ray Lane, Ann Burke Chappell, Mary Frances Eure, Joan Madre, Evelyn Ann Stanton, Julia Ann Stokes, Sue Perry White, Daryl Allen, Billie Elliott, John Hill, Joseph Layden, Patricia Biggers, Billie Carol Divers, Alice Jean Jackson and Colin White.

Ninth Grade—Tilson Chappell, John Morris, Jean Butt, Mattie Rae Morse, Leo Dail and Hudson Fisher.

Tenth Grade—Emily Ann Sumner, Mollie Lu Yeates, Nan Ella White, Mable Martin Whedbee, Faye Butt, Shirley Eure and Janie Winslow.

Eleventh Grade—Ben Miller, Amy Van Roach, Billie Skinner, Tommy Sumner, Pauline Burbage, Marguerite Butler, Kathleen Hurdle, Margaret Symons and Melvina White.

Twelfth Grade—Calvin Butt, Lewis Dawson, George Eure, Tracy Kirby, Melvin Lamb, Percy Rogerson, Doris Fale Allen, Anne Bray, Norma Butt, Mary Sue Cook, Virginia Gays, Catharine Goodwin and Christine Thatch.

## Jaycee Paper Drive Postponed

A paper drive, scheduled for last Sunday by the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce has been postponed until next Sunday, December 17, it was announced today by D. F. Reed, Jr., president of the Jaycees.

Mr. Reed stated that members of the Jaycees will make a house to house canvass, collecting old papers, starting Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, and request is made of local residents to save paper for the Jaycees.

## Former Scouts Plan Construction Of Hut For Hertford Troop

### Request Site on Town Lot Near River; Plan To Build Soon

Former members of the Hertford Troop of Boy Scouts have worked out plans for construction of a Boy Scout Hut, for the local troop, and have requested permission to place a temporary structure on the Town lot, it was reported here Monday night.

Charles Skinner, Emmett Landing and Billy White appeared before the Town Board seeking permission for constructing the hut on the town lot. The representatives told members of the Town Board the building will be 20 feet by 30 feet, and so built as to be removable in case the Town required the space the Hut will occupy near the river.

According to the plans presented to the Town Board the Hut will be constructed on wood, it will provide a meeting place and play room for the Hertford troop of Boy Scouts, and will be attractively painted when finished.

The group told Board members that all former members of the Troop will be solicited for donations to help defray the cost of the building, and lumber mills will be asked to donate lumber for the structure. The former Scouts and some volunteers will do the actual work of the building of the structure.

In requesting permission to place the Hut on Town property the committee pointed out to Town Commissioners that the Boy Scout troop, at present, has no meeting place, nor suitable recreational facilities, and it was the desire of the former Scouts that the present troop be provided with a headquarters which will be useful in building up Scouting in this community.

The request for constructing the building on town property was taken under advisement by the Board and a decision on the matter will be made as soon as the Board investigates the position desired for the building.

## T. B. Seal Sales At Half Way Mark Here

With only 10 days remaining of the annual T. B. Seal campaign, Mrs. Frank McGoogan reported today that the county has reached the half-way mark toward its quota. She stated that a large number of residents still have to reply to letters mailed out, containing T. B. Seals, and the committee urges all residents who have not mailed in contributions to do so before the close of the drive on Christmas Day.

Special self-addressed envelopes were enclosed with the seals, and Mrs. McGoogan, chairman of the drive, requests individuals to use these envelopes in mailing back contributions or for returning the seals. She pointed out these envelopes are so marked as to give the individual credit for the contribution or the return of the seals. Some residents have used other envelopes in returning the seals, and the committee, thus, has no way of knowing the identity of the sender.

Individuals who have not replied to the appeal for help toward raising funds for the fight against T. B. will shortly receive a reminder from the Committee, and the chairman stated in some cases, because of the use of other envelopes some persons may receive a reminder who has already contributed and these persons are asked to ignore the notice. Persons who have not contributed nor who have not returned the seals are urged to do so at once.

## Benton-Chappell Vows Spoken At Winfall

The wedding of Miss Evelyn Susan Chappell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McEllroy Chappell of Hertford and Albert Lee Benton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Benton of Route Three, took place at 5:30 o'clock, Saturday evening, December 2, at the Methodist parsonage in Winfall.

The Rev. J. S. Craffin, pastor of the church officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an aqua suit with navy accessories and a corsage of white rose buds.

Immediately following the ceremony the couple left for a short wedding trip, after which they will make their home in Edenton.

## PERQUIMANS INDIANS TROUNCE EDENTON BASKETEERS IN DEDICATION GAME HERE

### Central PTA To Meet Monday Night

The Parent-Teacher Association of Perquimans Central Grammar School will meet Monday evening, December 18, at 7:30 o'clock.

The program theme for this meeting is "Love Grows And Grows." An interesting program has been planned with music being furnished by the High School Glee Club and band. The devotional will be conducted by Mrs. Graham Wood, and Mrs. Will White will give the reading.

All parents and friends are invited to attend.

## Local Post Office To Remain Open Saturday P. M.

For the convenience of local patrons, the Hertford Post Office will be open on Saturday afternoons, starting December 16, and continuing through December 23, it was announced today by W. W. White, Postmaster.

The opening of the stamp, parcel post and money order windows on Saturday afternoons will be for the benefit of the many patrons having extra business with the Post Office because of the holidays.

Mr. White reminds patrons of the office that in order to assure prompt delivery of Christmas mail and parcels these items should be mailed early. The earlier, the better, for as usual, the local Post Office is expecting a heavy increase in business during the next two weeks.

Christmas cards and letters should be properly addressed and carry sufficient postage, Mr. White stated, and parcels should be securely wrapped and tied, plainly addressed, for early delivery.

## Farm Bureau Names Officers For 1951

Perquimans County Farm Bureau met Tuesday night at the Agriculture Building and elected officers for the year 1951. Named president was Elwood White of Star Route, Winfall; vice-president, John O. White, Route 1, Hertford; secretary-treasurer, Jacob L. White, Route 1, Hertford, and directors named were Milton Dail for Hertford Township, Colin Jackson for Bethel Township, George S. Caddy for Parkville Township, Wallace J. Benton for New Hope Township, and Herbert Williams for Belvidere.

It was reported at the meeting that the membership drive of the local Farm Bureau had closed with 233 memberships signed for the year. This is about half the usual number of members signed in Perquimans. The quota for the 1950 membership drive was 400.

## Perquimans Lodge Names Vann Master

Perquimans Lodge No. 106, A. F. & A. M., held an election of officers for the year 1951, and selected C. R. Vann as Master, it was announced this week. Other elected officers named were R. R. White, Senior Warden; J. S. Bass, Junior Warden; J. S. Vick, Secretary; Dr. A. B. Bonner, Treasurer; W. F. Ainsley, member of the Finance Committee three years, and R. C. Murray, Board of Trustees.

Installation of the elected and appointed officers will be conducted by the lodge at an early meeting in January.

## Lions Club To Hold Meeting Friday P. M.

The Hertford Lions Club will meet Friday night, December 15, at 6:45 P. M., at the high school lunchroom for its annual Christmas party. A buffet supper will be served and all members are requested to attend and bring their wives.

Each member is also asked to bring a gift as presents will be exchanged at this meeting.

### FIREMEN ANSWER CALL

Hertford Fire Department was called to the home of George Caddy, Route 3, last Saturday afternoon at about 3:30 o'clock to extinguish a chimney fire. Damage was reported as slight.

## School Officials Preside At Ceremonies Held Friday Night

Perquimans High School's new gym and vocational building was formally dedicated last Friday night with ceremonies conducted by local school officials and a double-header basketball game between the boys and girls of Perquimans and Edenton High School. One of the largest crowds ever to witness a local basketball game was on hand for the dedication.

The events opened with a preliminary game between the girls' teams which was won by the Perquimans Squaws by a score of 23-16. Melvina White with 11 points led the scoring for the Squaws while Downum was high point getter for the Edenton girls. The Squaws gained an 8-3 advantage during the first period and maintained this lead throughout the contest. Halftime score was 12 to 6 in favor of Perquimans.

During the intermission of this game short talks were made by J. T. Biggers, Superintendent of Schools, George Caddy, representing the School Board, Principal E. C. Woodard and Guy Cannon, representing the student body of the school.

A special welcome to the opening of the building was tendered by Mr. Biggers who stated that the building was more than a basketball plant, that it was for use of students in taking physical education and learning to develop their health, and to cooperate with fellow students and teachers. He pointed out that one-third of the building was devoted to vocational shop and industrial arts, which teaches the youth the use of his hands and mind on creative work.

The many spectators who attended the ceremonies were highly impressed with the building and its possibilities to assist the youths of the county in development of physical education and vocational work, as well as affording one of the finest basketball courts in this section of the state.

The dedication closed with the cage game between the Perquimans boys and the Edenton Aces with the Indians chalking up a victory by a score of 33 to 31. This game was a thriller to the audience, with both teams displaying a fine brand of basketball. The Indians were a little sharper on basket shooting than the Aces.

Ben Thatch, tallying a total of 16 points led his teammates in the victory, although the entire Indian squad exhibited fine teamwork to assure the opening victory. Starters for the Indians besides Thatch were Cannon, Tilley, Towe and Sumner. Coach Fearing also used Walker and Morris in the game. Edenton's high scorer was Gardner who collected nine points.

## Town Indebtedness Reduced By \$4,000

Hertford's Town indebtedness was reduced Tuesday, by an amount of \$4,000, members of the Town Board were advised by W. G. Newby, clerk, at the Board's meeting held Monday night. The payment of the four thousand dollars this week leaves a balance owed on Town bonds of \$76,000, Mr. Newby stated.

The present outstanding bonds, Mr. Newby also reported, will be liquidated completely by 1965.

During the meeting of the Board it was voted that the usual Christmas presents, presented to town employees and members of the Fire Department, be given again this year.

The Board named Mayor V. N. Darden and Commissioner B. C. Berry as a committee to investigate on the building of a Scout Hut on the Town lot, and this committee is to report on the advisability of granting permission for this construction.

## Eastern Star Holds Christmas Meeting

The Hertford Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star met Monday night, with each member presenting a Christmas gift to be given to the chapter's guest at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. The members voted to make a donation to the County Welfare Christmas fund, and transacted a number of other business matters. A Christmas program was presented by Sisters Lucille Winslow, Maude Reeves and Ruby White and all joined in the singing of carols.

After the closing of the Chapter a surprise social hour was enjoyed with Mrs. Maude Reeves and Mrs. Ruth Overman as hostesses.

The next meeting of the Chapter will be held on Christmas night, in the lodge room.