

# THE PERQUIMANS WEEKLY

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## Varied Docket In Recorder's Court On Tuesday Morning Sentences Invoked For Failure To Pay Court Costs

A total of 13 cases, eight of which charged the defendants with speeding, was disposed in Perquimans Recorder's Court in session here Tuesday morning.

Captains were ordered against two defendants, James Jordan and Hersey Lee Phillips, both of whom had failed to comply with court orders on previous convictions. Road sentences were ordered invoked for failure to pay court costs.

Five defendants, all of whom entered pleas of guilty to charges of speeding, were ordered to pay the costs of court. These defendants were Stanley Morris, Louis Giofale, Robert Leonard, Joel Levine and F. J. Planter.

Fines of \$10 and costs of court were assessed against Morton Roberts, Charles Schulman and James Hodas, each of whom entered a plea of guilty to charges of speeding.

Lloyd Moor, Negro entered a plea of guilty to charges of driving without a license. He was given a 60-day sentence, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and costs.

E. J. Tarkington was taxed with a fine of \$25 and costs after pleading guilty to driving without a license.

Walter Cartwright submitted to a charge of driving with an improper muffler and paid the costs of court.

Thomas Foreman, Negro, was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs after pleading guilty to a charge of driving a truck with illegal license.

J. A. Winalow, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to mistreating two horses, and was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs, after informing the Court a shelter had been provided for the animals.

A capias was returned against George Whitehurst, Negro, on a charge of assault and a hearing on the matter was set for next Tuesday.

## Hertford Scouts To Hold Court of Honor On Friday Night

Charles Skinner, Jr., Hertford Scoutmaster, reported today plans have been completed for holding a Scout Court of Honor for Troop 155 at the Hertford Grammar School Friday night, January 26, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Seventeen members of the local troop will receive Scout awards at this Court of Honor, however, Mr. Skinner pointed out, that in order for a Scout to receive his award, some member of his family must be present to make the presentation.

This regulation has been adopted by the local Scout Committee as a method of building up interest in Scouting among the adults and parents of Scouts.

Mr. Skinner stated that the public is cordially invited and urged to attend the Court of Honor.

Scouts who have completed requirements for awards, and who will receive them are: First Class Award: Howard Felton; Second Class Awards: Bobby Matthews, Bobby Brown, Corbin Cherry, Charles Whedbee, Herbert Nixon, Jr., Charles Johnson, Bobby Fisher, Floyd Barnes, Eugene Myers, Carlton Sutton. Tenderfoot Awards: Tommy Matthews, Douglas Coleman, William Diven, Junior Wheeler, Edgar Fields, Jr.

The Court of Honor will be conducted by members of the Hertford Scout Committee.

## HD County Council To Meet Saturday

The Perquimans County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs will meet on Saturday, January 27, at 2:30 P. M. in the auditorium of the Agricultural Building. Mrs. Fred Matthews, president of the County Council, will preside at the meeting.

An important feature of the program will be a report on the district officers' training school held in Elizabeth City on January 16. This report will be given by Mrs. Fred Matthews. A discussion on goals for 1951 and ways of reaching these goals will be discussed. Under the direction of Mrs. Carl Yow, Belvidere Music Appreciation Leader, a group of 4-H girls from Belvidere will render special music.

All members are urged to attend.

## MARCH OF DIMES CAMPAIGN TO CLOSE IN PERQUIMANS NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT

### Solicitors Requested to Complete Work and Make Reports

The annual March of Dimes campaign in Perquimans will come to an official close next Wednesday evening, January 31, it was reported today by Mrs. Alice M. Towe, chairman of the fund raising drive.

Only a few reports have been made to date by county solicitors, Mrs. Towe stated, and collections up to Wednesday amounted to slightly more than \$200. With a majority of the solicitors yet to report, the local committee believes the county quota of \$1,940 will be met by the close of the campaign next week.

Mrs. Towe requests all solicitors to complete the canvass of their territory in time to make full reports to her by Wednesday.

Several organizations have sponsored card parties for the benefit of the campaign and the VFW Post will hold a dance on Saturday night at the VFW hall, with the ticket proceeds going to the March of Dimes fund. All of these contributions will be reported with those turned in by solicitors making a house to house canvass.

Collections at the State Theatre, which is also cooperating with the drive, have been reported as good.

Individuals who have not been contacted by solicitors and who desire to contribute to this fund are asked to see their neighborhood solicitor or send the contribution direct to Mrs. Towe at Major-Loomis Company.

Pointing out the great need for funds this year to replenish the polio foundation treasury, which has been depleted due to serious epidemics in the nation during the past two years, the local committee urges everybody to take part in the drive this year by contributing as generously as possible.

A great part of funds contributed here remains in the county to be used by the local committee for polio cases in this county. Fortunately Perquimans has had few cases but the committee stands ready to render assistance at all times and your contributions make this possible. If you have not contributed to the March of Dimes, do so today.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

The U. S. Senate on Tuesday voted 91-0 to ask the United Nations to brand Communist China as an aggressor in Korea. This action follows a similar request made in the UN by the U. S. delegate, Warren Austin. The UN proposed a delay in the action following a report Red China will agree to a cease fire order in Korea. In its action the Senate also opposed Red China's admission as a UN member.

Meanwhile, in Korea, UN forces led by U. S. troops have continued to score small gains in territory against the Reds. Reports from Korea indicate little heavy fighting during the past week. General MacArthur is reported as saying the UN forces can maintain the defense of South Korea.

With Senate approval of the appointment of Eric Johnston as economic stabilizer, public announcement of price controls may be forthcoming late this week, according to reports from Washington. One report stated prices will be rolled back to January 1, when the controls are announced. Wage controls may also be announced but these are not expected immediately.

Congress is still considering defense program plans, one of which is the drafting of 18 year olds into the armed forces. Top military officials have testified before the Congressional Committee in favor of this move. Washington reports also state the plan for universal military training is gaining favor.

## Lions Broom Sale Very Successful Here

A broom sale, conducted here last Saturday by the Hertford Lions Club for the benefit of the Boy Scout Troop was termed a successful event by the Lions Committee in charge of the project.

One hundred and thirty-five brooms and mats were sold, netting the club in excess of \$80. One half of this amount was turned over to the local troop and the remainder was applied to the County's quota of the Tidewater Council Budget for Boy Scouts.

## Holmes Offers Two Bills In Legislature

Two measures, pertaining to Perquimans County, were introduced in the Legislature last week by Carroll R. Holmes, County Representative. The first of the measures would make public drunkenness in Perquimans County punishable by up to 30 days in jail and a fine up to \$50.

This bill is pointed toward including Perquimans County into a statewide statute which makes public drunkenness a misdemeanor.

A second Holmes bill would set dates for both civil and criminal terms of Superior Court in Perquimans, adding at least one additional term to the two court sessions now approved.

## Highway Safety Is Topic At Meeting Of Local BPW Club

Mrs. Alice M. Towe, District Officer of the Business and Professional Women's Club, and B. R. Inscow, of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol, were the principal speakers at the dinner meeting of the local club at the Hotel Hertford Tuesday night.

Mrs. Towe, who is Health and Safety chairman of the Eighth District, spoke on safety, and gave an interesting outline of the diversified programs which have been sponsored or promoted through the State by the numerous clubs. "As your district chairman," Mrs. Towe said in closing, "let me urge that we try to build a healthier, safer and happier state."

Mr. Inscow, who spoke on the subject "The Automobile as a Deadly Weapon," gave some shocking figures comparing the number of casualties of the Korean war with those occurring on the highways, stating that "after all, the Korean war is a small thing compared with automobiles." The patrolman touched briefly on proposed legislation directed at drunken driving and speeding, and spoke of the difficulty of getting jury convictions for drunken driving in some counties. This, he said, had not been true of Perquimans. There have, he said, been five fatalities in Perquimans since the fall of 1948, three of those from traffic violations and two from drunken driving.

Inviting questions from the group, some interesting facts were brought out, among which was that teen agers are not the greatest traffic offenders, but the age group from 25 to 30 and a little older.

Mrs. Roxanna Jackson presided and gave the welcoming address, responded to by J. T. Biggers.

Special guests recognized were: Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Biggers, Mayor and Mrs. V. N. Darden, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Snipes, Patrolman B. R. Inscow, Patrolman Rogers, Mrs. R. M. Riddick, III, E. C. Woodard and Mrs. W. E. White.

## Five Days Left For Listing Property

Perquimans County tax listers are expecting a rush of business today and tomorrow as the deadline for listing property for 1951 taxes draws to a close next Wednesday. Reports indicate that the majority of property owners in the county have already listed, but there remains a sufficient number to keep the listers busy during the last five days of the listing period.

The law requires that all property owners list their property for taxes and that all males between the ages of 21 and 65 list their polls. The law does not allow for an extension of time for the listing and persons failing to list by next Wednesday will be charged a penalty as late listers.

Persons who have not listed their taxes, as yet, are urged to see the listers today or tomorrow in order to avoid the rush of the final three days.

Since the list takers have no authority to change valuations, or handle complaints concerning valuation, individuals are advised that the Board of County Commissioners will meet in March as a Board of Equalization and Review to handle matters concerning valuation. All complaints on this matter should be presented at this meeting of the County Board.

**EASTERN STAR TO MEET**  
The Hertford Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will meet next Monday night at the lodge room at 8 o'clock.

## Perquimans Cagers Win Double Header From Plymouth High

### Local Teams Host To Williamston Teams On Friday Night

Perquimans High School's basketball teams, playing before one of the largest crowds of the season, trampled the boys and girls from Plymouth High, in a double header played here last Friday night.

Coach Ellie Fearing's boys, playing flawless basketball, outran, outshot, and outplayed the Plymouth boys, to ring up a conference victory by a score of 54 to 38. Tommy Sumner, high point man for the Indians with 15 points, sparked the Indians attack in the first period which closed with Perquimans leading 20-11. The sharp shooting of the Indians demoralized the Plymouth boys in the opening canto but the visitors came back in the second period scoring 11 points while Perquimans counted for seven. Half time score was 27 to 22.

Sumner, Cannon and Walker were outstanding on offensive play while Towe, Tilley and Sumner controlled Plymouth defensively. The third period was a nip and tuck affair with Plymouth striving to overcome the Indians' lead but two quick shots by Sumner and Morris, who relieved Walker, started the Indians on another drive which gave them a 42-31 advantage at the res. point.

The Indians coasted to victory in the final period with Coach Fearing using his entire string of reserves, all of whom gave a fine account of themselves. Leading scorers for the Indians were Sumner, Tilley, Morris and Walker. Davenport, with 11 points, was high scorer for Plymouth.

In the preliminary contest the Indian Squaws won over the Plymouth girls by a 31-20 count. Marvinna White, with 12 points, and Margaret Simons, who hit for eight points, were high scorers for Perquimans. The Squaws had a 6-2 lead at the end of the first quarter and moved up to a 15-7 advantage at the half. The Plymouth girls got the basket range in the second half and led by Smith, closed the gap to within three points of the Squaws, but Perquimans rallied and finished strong to win the victory.

The Indians will play host to the Williamston cagers in a double header to be played here Friday night. Williamston defeated the Indians earlier this season and local fans can count on a fine ball game as Perquimans will be out to gain revenge for the loss at Williamston.

## Rotarians Hear Talk On Mexico

Jesse Parker Perry, Administrative Assistant of the Rockefeller Foundation in Mexico City, was guest speaker at a meeting of the Hertford Rotary Club held Tuesday night at the Hotel Hertford.

Mr. Perry gave an interesting account of the work being carried out in agriculture in Mexico by the Rockefeller Foundation. The Foundation, at the request of the government of Mexico, started research there in 1945, and have developed a number of solutions for the increase in production of corn, beans and wheat the principal crops of Mexico.

Pointing out that the nation depends largely on corn as a food crop, Mr. Perry stated that through the efforts of the Foundation, Mexican farmers have been able to increase production by about 35 per cent. Much progress has been made also with beans and wheat.

Chief problem of the Mexican farmer, Mr. Perry said, was the lack of water for crops, and the terrapin, which is very hilly. Rain falls around Mexico City only during June, July and August and early September, with no rain at all during the remaining eight months.

Herbert Nixon, president of the club, announced that arrangements have been made for the Rotarians to hold all meetings at the Hotel Hertford and the club will meet there each Tuesday at 6:15 P. M.

## Mrs. Hollowell Named Acting Postmaster

Mrs. Willie G. Hollowell has been appointed as Acting Postmaster for the Winfall Post Office, according to an announcement made here this week.

The appointment was made by the Postmaster General, Washington, D. C., to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Willie G. Hollowell, who had served as Winfall Postmaster for a number of years.

## CIVILIAN DEFENSE DIRECTOR NAMES CHAIRMEN OF SIX COUNTY COMMITTEES

### Firemen Answer Two Rural Calls

Two rural fire calls were answered Sunday night by the Hertford Fire Department, the first alarm was sounded about 8 P. M., when the firemen went to the Nixon farm on Route three to extinguish a blaze in a tenant house located on that farm. Damage from the fire was estimated between \$50 and \$100.

At about 12:30 the firemen were called south of Hertford on U. S. 17. This fire was a burning 1947 Pontiac sedan owned by Kermit Mizelle. The blaze, believed starting from defective wiring had gained such headway the firemen were unable to save the car from being destroyed by the flames.

## Hertford Jaycees To Present Home Talent Show Feb. 2

An old-fashioned blackface minstrel show will be presented at the Perquimans High School auditorium next Friday night, February 2, by the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce.

George Fields, Jaycee Publicity manager for the show stated today the cast, composed of all local talent, under home direction, has been practicing for some time to provide an evening of good entertainment for the people of this area. He stated "if you want an evening of plain old good time and plenty of laughs, you must come out and see the show."

The Jaycees have organized this show and it is being directed by Mrs. B. G. Koonce. No outside organization is connected with the minstrel in any way and all proceeds from the show will be used locally by the Jaycees for community betterment.

Francis Nixon will play the part of Interlocutor with Charles Skinner, Jr., Billy White, Emmett Landing and George Fields as End men. Miss Dorothy Maynard is pianist.

A number of specialty acts have been included in the show and these include songs by Ruth Tucker, Peggy Felton Stephenson, Vernon and George Perry, Wayne Lambkin, Talmadge Rose, James Snipes, Nona Lou Lane and Bonita Hutchinson.

Song and dance acts will be given by Bobby Jordan and Mary Dunsmore; Edgar White and Mrs. Polly Hollowell.

Other special acts will be rendered by Town Clerk W. G. Newby, Mrs. C. F. Sumner and Mrs. William Cherry.

A feature of the show will be a musical presented by a mixed chorus of 20 voices.

Tickets for the minstrel are now on sale and may be purchased from any member of the Hertford Jaycees and school children. Admission tickets will also be sold at the door on the night of the performance.

## Wednesday Is Deadline For Auto Licenses

The deadline for purchase and display of 1951 license plates for motor vehicles is next Wednesday, according to an announcement made by State License Bureau officials today who reminded all motorists who have as yet to purchase new tags that it is a violation of the law to operate a vehicle after midnight Wednesday without 1951 tags.

Many cars and trucks are to be seen still using old tags and motorists will avoid long waiting lines by making immediate purchase of new licenses.

Vehicle owners residing within the Town of Hertford must also purchase and display town tags by the same date, according to W. G. Newby, Town Clerk, who this week announced a penalty will be taxed against motorists who purchase the tags after the deadline.

### SLIGHT FIRE DAMAGE

Hertford Fire Department was called to the Hertford Furniture Store at 12:45 P. M., Tuesday to extinguish a fire in a trash pile at the rear of the store. Cause of the fire was not determined and damage was estimated as slight.

### CLUB SPONSORS SUPPER

An oyster supper will be served at the Bethel Community House Thursday, February 1, it was announced today. Tickets may be secured at C. T. Phillips, Wade Jordan and Hertford Cleaners. Proceeds will be used by the Bethel club to pay for a piano.

## Survey For Needs To Be Conducted; Next Meeting February 15

Perquimans County's Civilian Defense program moved a step nearer organization at a meeting held last Thursday night, during which Silas M. Whedbee, County Director, named local residents as chairmen of a number of committees which will function under the program.

A large number of local civic organizations had representatives at the meeting last week and all pledged full cooperation with the program. Represented at the meeting were the County and Town governments, the Fire, Water and Police departments, Health Department, REA, American Legion, VFW, Medical Profession, Schools, Rotary, Lions, Ruritan, Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Whedbee named A. T. Lane, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, V. N. Darden, Mayor, to serve with him as co-chairmen of the County Committee.

Chairmen of various units of the County Committee were then named as follows:

Hospital and Medical Resources, Dr. T. P. Brinn, Miss Audrey Umphlett, Robert Hollowell and J. T. Biggers.

Fire fighting committee: C. F. Sumner and B. C. Berry.  
Light and power resources: Fenton Britt, J. D. Costen, W. F. Ainsley and Clinton Ely.

Warning and Police Committee: J. P. Snipes and Broughton Dail.

Evacuation Committee: C. P. Morris and A. W. Heffren.

Publicity Committee: Max Campbell and Mrs. W. E. White.

A discussion of the various needs of each committee was conducted and each group was authorized to select other citizens to complete the membership of each committee. Full reports on the needs and membership of these committees are to be made at a meeting of the county group on Thursday, February 15.

## Chowan County Man Charged With First Degree Burglary

John Grant, 50, Chowan County white man, is in Perquimans County jail, charged with first degree burglary, and Mrs. Myrtle Lane Harrell, 45, is free on a \$1,000 bond, charged with being an accessory after the fact as a result of an alleged break in of the Pine Park Service Station, located on U. S. 17, five miles south of Hertford, last Sunday morning at about 3 A. M.

Sheriff M. G. Owens, who investigated the incident and placed the man and woman under arrest, stated the case was reported to him early Sunday morning and he immediately started his investigation. Elsberry Boone, 19-year old Negro, told Sheriff Owens he was asleep in his room at the station, when he heard a noise as though somebody was breaking into the place. Boone told Sheriff Owens he got a rifle and fired once at a white man, then told him to halt. Boone stated he recognized Grant and ordered him to leave the station, which Grant did, going out the front door and then walking toward Hertford.

Sheriff Owens stated his investigation revealed that the Harrell woman had aided Grant in leaving the scene and after securing a warrant for her, he placed the woman in jail. She was freed on bond Tuesday.

Grant left the county, according to Sheriff Owens, whose investigation revealed Grant had gone to Virginia Beach. Owens went there Monday afternoon and located Grant in a cafe, where he was placed under arrest. Grant was returned to Hertford and placed in a local jail, charged with the capital crime.

A preliminary hearing will be given both defendants in Recorder's Court next Tuesday.

## Veterans To Hold Joint Meeting Feb. 1

Members of the Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion and the Garland H. Onley Post of the VFW will hold a joint meeting at the Agriculture Building in Hertford on Thursday night, February 1, at 7:30 o'clock for formulation of Civilian Defense plans, it was announced today.

All members of the two groups are urged to be present for this important meeting.