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## Recorder's Court Docket Listed 43 Cases On Tuesday

### Numerous Fines Taxed Against Defendants For Violations

Business was brisk in Perquimans Recorder's Court this week, after a recess of one week, with a total of 43 cases listed on the docket.

A majority of the defendants, charged with violation of traffic laws, entered pleas of guilty and thus shortened the activity of the court.

Fines of \$25 and costs were taxed against Joseph Spruill, Negro, and George Winslow on charges of speeding. \$10 fines and costs were paid by Roland Hill, Leamon Woodley and Robert Wentz, each entered pleas of guilty to speeding. Daniel Beas, William Harris, Oscar Stone, George Thomas and William Colcord paid the costs of court on charges of speeding.

Eight defendants were charged with driving overloaded trucks and each entered a plea of guilty and paid the following fines and costs: Henry Jackson, \$10; George Trafton, costs; Larry Alexander, costs; Raleigh White, \$10; Thomas Archer, costs; Clarence Byrum, \$20; Thomas Broughton, \$10; Norfleet Brothers, \$10.

Carroll Baker and Garland Walker each paid a fine of \$10 and costs on charges of driving with improper mufflers.

Lawrence Wood, Jr., Frank Hassell, Negro, each were fined \$100 and costs on charges of driving drunk. Each entered a plea of guilty.

Robert Locke paid the costs of court on a charge of aiding and abetting in a drunken driving case.

Theodore Lee, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to charges of failing to observe a stop sign and driving with insufficient brakes. He was fined \$10 and costs.

Robert Hall was taxed with the costs of court on a charge of driving on the left side of the highway.

Hilda Applegate entered a plea of guilty to passing a car on a curve. She paid the costs of court.

James Randolph, Negro, was fined \$10 and costs on a charge of driving with insufficient brakes.

Louise Sanderlin, Negro, was taxed with the costs of court on a charge of transporting tax-paid liquor.

George Phelps was fined \$10 and costs on a charge of following a vehicle too closely.

Lemuel Boone, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to driving without a license. This was a second offense hearing and he was fined \$50 and costs and given a 60 day suspended sentence upon condition he not drive again without a license.

Robert Allen, charged with possession of non-tax-paid liquor, entered a plea of guilty and paid a fine of \$10 and costs.

Stanley Liebner was found guilty of reckless driving and speeding and failing to observe a stop sign. He was fined \$25 and costs of court.

Dillard Riddick was fined \$2 and costs on a charge of being drunk on the streets of Hertford. Carl Neal, Negro, charged with a similar offense, was also fined \$2 and costs.

A verdict of not guilty was returned in the case in which Rudolph Shannon, Negro, was charged with trespass.

Bobby Elliott was ordered to pay the costs on a charge of driving without a license.

Willie Webb, Negro, was fined \$10 and costs on a charge of assault.

## Grammar School Damaged Slightly By Light Twister

A high wind, sweeping across the fields to the west of the Central Grammar School at about 2:30 P. M., last Friday afternoon, developed into a light twister and caused slight damage to two classrooms of the school when it struck the front of the building.

Superintendent of Schools, J. T. Biggers, reported that the wind caused the ceiling of the two rooms to drop several inches, and some of the ceiling was torn away completely.

Teachers in the rooms reported the pressure of the wind could be felt as the line it rushed into the classrooms through open windows.

The wind could be seen traveling across the fields, picking up dust, dirt and other debris and this was smashed into the building when the wind struck the school.

Damage sustained at the school are covered by insurances, carried by the Board of Education. Mr. Biggers reported.

## VFW Post To Install Officers April 28th

Recently elected officers for the Garland H. Ownley Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will be installed at a meeting of the Post to be held Monday night, April 28, it was reported here today.

Incoming officers for the Post are: C. Edgar White, commander; Cliff Banks, senior vice-commander; Hank Christou, junior vice-commander; Emory White, quartermaster, and Jarvis Ward, chaplain.

A number of appointive offices and committee memberships will be filled by the new commander, following the installation.

## HD Members Choose District Officers At Meeting Here

Highlighting the morning session of the Federation meeting of Home Demonstration Club women in Chowan, Gates, Pasquotank, Camden, Currituck, Dare and Perquimans counties, District 25 in Hertford on April 16, was the address given by Dr. Bessie McNeil, Head Home Economics Department, at East Carolina College. Dr. McNeil spoke on "Families, Our Most Important Resources." Also on the morning program was a talk by Miss Ruth Current, State Home Agent.

The Federation meeting was presided over by Mrs. J. W. Halstead of Camden County. Dr. McNeil was introduced by Mrs. Edwin White of Perquimans County. About 425 women registered for the meeting. The gavel was won by Pasquotank County, based on largest percentage of enrollment present. The devotional was given by Mrs. Hanford Spivey of Gates County and words of welcome by Mrs. John Hurdle and Mr. Archie Lane of Perquimans County.

The District Achievement and accomplishment report was given by Mrs. Guy Gregory of Camden County. Both Chowan and Perquimans Counties Choruses rendered special music during the morning session.

Taking the spotlight during the afternoon period was Entertainment by the Pasquotank County Chorus. The District Winner in the Homemakers Creed contest was announced by the Chairman with Mrs. W. W. Bundy of Perquimans County taking first place. Portions of this creed will be used in compiling a creed to be used in the Home Demonstration Clubs throughout the state.

Officers for 1952-53 for District 25 were installed by Mrs. Verona J. Langford, Eastern District Agent. Those taking the oath were Mrs. Wallace Goodwin, Chowan, Chairman; Mrs. J. P. Morgan, Currituck, first vice-president; Mrs. Fred Mathews, Perquimans, second vice-president; Mrs. Carol Jackson, Pasquotank, third vice-president; Mrs. Hayes Carter, Gates, fourth vice-chairman; Mrs. Lee Perry, Dare, secretary, and Mrs. Guy Gregory, Camden, treasurer. Ushers for the day were 4-H Club members, Myrtle Gordan Williams, Shirley Eure, Mary F. Eure, Lina Ruth Proctor, and Delma Ann Hurdle and La-Claire Winslow.

Group singing was led by Mrs. J. D. Yeates, with Mrs. Fred Mathews, pianist, both of Perquimans County.

## Student Council To Elect Officers

The Student Council of Perquimans High School will hold its annual election of officers on Thursday, May 1. The campaign speeches will be given on Wednesday, April 30th. The president of the Student Council for the 1952-1953 school year is elected from the rising Senior Class, the vice-president is elected from the rising Junior Class, and the secretary from the rising Sophomore Class. The other officers are elected from the school at large. The candidates are:

President—Mollie Lu Yeates, Mabel Martin Whedbee, Billy Chappell; Vice-president—Marshall Winslow, Tison Chappell, Clarence Chappell; Secretary—Emily White, Julia Ann Stokes, Billie Carol Divers; Treasurer—Marilyn Baker, Faye Butt, Nan Ella White, Susanne Towse; Kay White Stanton; Sergeant-at-arms—John Holmes, Pete Mathews, Howard Williams; Song Leader—Roy Evans, Tommy Mathews, Carey Stallings, Katherine Nixon, Nonie Lou Lane, Peggy Stokely; Pianist—Lina Ruth Proctor, Jack Phillips, Jean Long, Patricia Biggers, Cliff Towse, Marian White.

## PARTY POSTPONED

Announcement was made today that the benefit card party, planned by the BFW Club for next week, has been postponed because of revival service at the Hertford Methodist Church. A date for the party will be announced later.

MASONS WILL MEET TUESDAY Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & M. will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. All Masons are invited to attend.

## Baptist Church Host To Pastors Of Area Last Monday Night

### Dr. L. H. Dawson Accepts Call to Virginia Pastorale

On Monday at 6:30 o'clock the Hertford Baptist Church entertained the Pastors of the Chowan Association and their wives at a fish fry on the lawn back of the church.

Visiting ministers and their wives present were: Rev. and Mrs. Paul F. Burke, Belcross; Rev. and Mrs. R. N. Carroll, Edenton; Rev. and Mrs. Ralph W. Knight, Ballard's Bridge; Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Finlator, Elizabeth City; Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Johnson, Shiloh; Rev. and Mrs. Lee A. Phillips, Tyner; Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Outlaw, Elizabeth City; Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Singletary, Elizabeth City; Rev. and Mrs. W. V. Brown, Hobbsville; Rev. W. E. Pope, Columbia; Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Kicklighter, Elizabeth City; Rev. Bennie Crawford, Hertford; Rev. Caleb W. Goodwin, Jr., Corapeake; Rev. and Mrs. E. G. Gordon, Rocky Hook; Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Ratledge, Salem; Rev. Horace E. Jones, Currituck; Rev. O. S. Edmonds, Swanquarter, and Rev. W. D. Whisnand, Camden.

Dr. and Mrs. L. H. Dawson and family were guests of honor, this being the last meeting Dr. Dawson would attend before going to the Pastorate of Deep Creek Church in Virginia. Rev. W. W. Finlator spoke in appreciation of the life and work of Dr. Dawson as he had worked as Missionary in the Chowan Association since his coming with us on March 1, 1949. Dr. Dawson responded with fitting remarks.

Dr. Dawson has accepted the Pastorate of the Deep Creek Church in Virginia, and will begin his work there May 1. Mrs. Dawson and the family will remain in Hertford until school closes.

Those acting as hostesses in behalf of the local Baptist Church were: Mrs. Tom Perry, Mrs. Robert Elliott, Mrs. Joe Ward and Mrs. Tom Madre.

## Indians Top Ahoskie In Conference Game

Perquimans High School's baseball team moved a notch nearer the district championship last Friday afternoon when the Indians triumphed over Ahoskie by an 8-1 margin.

While the Indians were winning Gatesville lost a decision to Windsor which left Perquimans at the top of the district standing in games won and lost.

Vernon White did the pitching for the Indians at Ahoskie and allowed only three hits while striking out 15 Ahoskie batters. Clyde Lane led the Indians in batting getting three hits out of four attempts including a double.

Ahoskie took a 1-0 lead in the first inning but the Indians moved ahead with two runs in the second, collected three more in the fourth and seventh for a total of eight runs. Perquimans got 14 hits off the Ahoskie pitcher, and committed two errors.

On Tuesday afternoon of this week the Indians played a return game with Windsor and won by a 6-0 score. Vernon White pitched for the Indians and was in fine form, allowing only one hit in the seven inning contest. He struck out 13 Windsor batters and gave no bases on balls.

Clyde Stallings and A. L. Lane led the Indians on the offensive, each getting two hits. The Indians scored two runs in the fifth inning and four more in the sixth.

The Indians will play Ahoskie here Friday afternoon in the final game of the conference and a victory will assure the local team of moving up to the district play-offs in the State Elimination Play-offs.

## Miss Nellie Fields Weds Nelson Oberst

Miss Nellie Fields, of Hertford, and Nelson Oberst, of Homestead, Fla., were married Saturday, April 19, at 7 o'clock in the evening, at the Methodist Parsonage in Hertford. The Rev. A. L. Chaplin, pastor, performed the double ring ceremony. Only the family and a few intimate friends were present.

The bride, who was unattended, wore a wool gabardine suit of plum, with natural accessories, and an orchid corsage.

The couple left immediately after the ceremony for a short motor trip. Mrs. Oberst is the daughter of Mrs. G. E. Fields and the late Mr. Fields of Hertford. She is employed as secretary to the Superintendent of Schools of Perquimans County.

Mr. Oberst is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Oberst of Berwick, Pa., and is in business in Florida.

## Legion Post Will Compile Roster Of Buried Veterans

### Election of Officers Is Planned For Meeting Thursday, May 1

The Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion will meet next Thursday night, May 1, at 8 P. M., at the Agriculture Building in Hertford and a number of important matters will be handled in the meeting.

A nominating committee, composed of C. F. Sumner, F. T. Johnson and C. C. Banks will name their slate of officers for the Post for the coming election, and the election of officers will follow this report.

Action will also be taken on the Post plans to conduct a continuing survey of cemeteries to make a complete list of veterans of the two World Wars and the Korean War buried in them.

Post Commander B. C. Berry stated the Graves Registration Committee has done some work on this survey but the list is incomplete and it is destined that a complete list of all veterans may be secured through the working efforts of all members of the Post.

The project will be one of the most ambitious undertaken by a veterans' organization here and the plan includes maintaining the records after securing them. The post desired to obtain the name of the veteran, his serial number, address and name of next of kin, date of birth, date of death, branch of service, rank, dates of enlistment and discharge.

One copy of the record will be kept in the files of the local Post and a copy will be forwarded to the State Department of the American Legion at Raleigh.

The aim of the project, according to Mr. Berry, is to have an American Flag flying over the grave of every veteran of World War I and II and the Korean War on Memorial Day and other appropriate days during the year.

The Post will be given assistance with the project by members of the American Legion Auxiliary.

## PCHS Juniors Host To Seniors At Party

The Junior Class of Perquimans High School entertained the Senior Class, the faculty members, and a number of guests at their annual Junior-Senior banquet and dance held in the ballroom of the Virginia Dare Hotel in Elizabeth City.

The ballroom was attractively decorated in green and yellow. A Hawaiian theme was carried out in the decorations with Hawaiian leis used as favors.

The program for the banquet opened with the invocation by J. T. Biggers, superintendent of the Perquimans County Schools, Billy Chappell, president of the Junior Class, gave the welcoming address. Wilma Goodwin, a member of the Senior Class, gave the response. Mollie Lu Yeates, secretary of the Junior Class, gave the toast to the Seniors and Walter Humphlett, president of the Senior Class, responded. Marilyn Baker, treasurer of the Junior Class, gave a toast to the teachers and E. C. Woodward, principal of the high school, responded. Mabel Martin Whedbee, Junior Class vice-president, closed the program with a poem, "Isle of Golden Dreams."

A vocal number, "Blue Hawaii" was given by Miss Janice Yagel, who was accompanied at the piano by Miss Ruth Dawson.

The menu included tomato juice, turkey, dressing, creamed potatoes, may peas, butter and rolls, strawberry shortcake and iced tea.

At the conclusion of the banquet, a dance was held in the ballroom with music provided by Freddie Byrum and his orchestra from Edenton.

Miss Louise Hines and Mrs. Joann Stallings, Junior Class sponsors, were in charge of the arrangements.

## Belvidere Ruritan Hear Forestry Talk

Members of the Ruritan Club of Belvidere heard an interesting discussion on the protection and development of forests at their meeting held on Thursday night of last week.

J. W. Nowell, county forest warden, and the District Warden, of Elizabeth City, were speakers on the program. The State Forestry project was outlined by the speakers and figures given for results achieved since the program was adopted several years ago.

## Eighteen Candidates File Names With Board Of Elections For County Offices

### Music Groups To Give Concert Friday Night

The Perquimans County High School Band and Glee Club will present its annual concert on Friday night, April 25, in the school auditorium, beginning at eight o'clock.

This will be the first public appearance of the band in its new uniforms, purchased through sponsorship of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Directors for the concert are Mrs. Charles E. Johnson, Glee Club; and R. C. David, Band Director.

A splendid musical program has been arranged for the event and the public is invited to attend. No admission will be charged.

## Central Grammar PTA Meeting Held On Monday Night

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Central Grammar School met on Monday evening. The meeting was opened with the group singing "Onward Christian Soldiers," followed by a devotional given by Mrs. Annie Perry Asbell. Two musical selections were rendered by Mrs. Charles Johnson, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Ralph White. Members from the sixth and seventh grades sang two numbers and were accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Charles Johnson. A reading, "Young America Be Strong," was given by Mrs. Elijah White.

After the reading of the minutes, Mrs. E. S. White, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, announced that Mrs. Naomi McDonald will be vice-president for the coming year, instead of Mrs. John Hurdle.

A letter from Mrs. Miriam Morgan Hughes, daughter of Mrs. W. F. Morgan, was read. In this letter Mrs. Hughes expressed her appreciation and gratitude to the association for sending its contribution to the National Headquarters Building Fund, as a memorial to her mother.

The PTA approved a donation of \$5.00 to the County cancer drive.

Mrs. Mathews, president, announced that the Publicity and Procedure Book, compiled by Mrs. Joseph Winslow, will be on display in the hall at the next meeting. This book contains an account of all activities of the PTA for the past year.

Mrs. Jack Benton, program chairman, announced that the Old Neck-White Hat community will have charge of the May program with Mrs. Claud Williams as chairman, assisted by Mrs. Freeman Umphlett and Mrs. Floyd Mathews. A picnic supper will precede the evening's program.

The recreational period was in charge of Mrs. Eddie Harrell. The attendance prize was won by the seventh grade.

## Negro HD Clubs Plan Week Of Observance

National Home Demonstration Week will be observed by the Negro Home Demonstration Clubs of the county the week of April 27-May 3, it was reported today by Mrs. M. B. Taylor, Negro Home Agent. A varied program emphasizing the purposes of the club work will be presented during the week with 10 clubs and their 368 members taking part.

Three community meetings are planned for the week with members being urged to attend. The meetings will open with a Church Service at the First Baptist Church, Hertford at 3 P. M., April 27. Rev. W. J. Thompson, will be the guest speaker. A second meeting will be held April 29 at 7:30 at Pools Grove and an adult banquet will be held at Bay Branch Community Building at 7 P. M., on May 2.

## Father Of Pastor Dies At Columbia

Leroy R. Chaplin, 76, father of the Rev. A. L. Chaplin of Hertford, died at the Columbia Hospital Tuesday morning. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at Sound-side Baptist Church, by the Rev. W. E. Pope, assisted by Rev. J. W. Alford and Rev. Earl Meekins.

Mr. Chaplin was a native of Tyrrell County and a member of the Baptist Church.

Surviving besides his wife, Sadie Lois Chaplin, are four sons, the Rev. A. L. Chaplin, of Hertford; Dr. S. C. Chaplin, H. L. and C. R. Chaplin, all of Columbia; four daughters, Mrs. Herbert Buck, of Greenville, Mrs. Rommie Bateman, Mrs. Winfred Brickhouse and Mrs. Edward Davis, all of Columbia, Route 2; 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

## Only Two Contests Develop For Primary Set For May 31st

Only two county offices will be at stake in the Democratic primary to be held on May 31, it was revealed here Monday when W. F. Ainsley, chairman of the County Board of Elections, announced a total of 18 candidates had filed for the offices to be filled in this year's election.

The two local contests will be for the office of Register of Deeds and Commissioner of New Hope township. Six candidates are seeking the nomination as Register of Deeds, these being Julian Powell, Ervin Turner, C. C. Banks, Jim Bass, George Jackson and Edgar Morris.

Elmer Banks and Robert Spivey are the candidates seeking the nomination as Commissioner from New Hope.

A district contest will also be decided by the voters, that being the nomination of two State Senators for the First District. Four men, J. William Copeland, A. P. Godwin, Jr., Everet Burgess and Webb Williams are seeking the nominations.

With last Saturday the deadline for filing, Mr. Ainsley reported 18 persons had entered their names in the primary election. Ten of these candidates are without opposition and will be declared the Democratic nominee for the offices. Seeking re-election and being without opposition are County Commissioners A. T. Lane, William C. Chappell and E. B. Hollowell; Representative C. R. Holmes; Treasurer Max R. Campbell, Recorder's Judge, Chas. E. Johnson, members of the Board of Education, George Caddy, Delvin Eure and S. M. Long.

Warner Madre, seeking the office of Commissioner from Bethel township, left vacant by the retirement of Roy S. Chappell, is also without opposition and will be declared the nominee.

Registration books, for the primary, will be open next Saturday, according to Mr. Ainsley, and will remain open for four weeks for individuals desiring to register for the primary. Registrars will be at the six polling places in the county on April 26, May 3, 10, and 17th and challenge day will be observed on May 24.

## Court Unable To Complete Docket Before Adjournment

The Spring term of Perquimans County Superior Court adjourned here last Friday afternoon without completing its calendar of criminal and civil cases. Court officials foresaw there was insufficient time for hearing of all 34 cases listed on the criminal docket and six of these cases were continued to the next term of court. Only one civil action, a divorce case, was tried during the term, all other cases were continued.

Cases tried on Thursday of last week included 10 in which Freddie Lee, youthful Negro, was charged with breaking and entering and larceny. Lee was convicted of similar charges on Wednesday, in one case, and he entered a plea of guilty to the 10 counts. Judge Williams sentenced the youth to not less than 7 or more than 10 years for breaking into Diver's Jewelry. He received sentences of 3 to 5 years on all other counts, and the judgment read he is to serve one 3 to 5 years sentence before beginning the 7 to 10 years sentence. Judgment was continued in four of the cases, to be passed upon at a later term of court and judgment was suspended in five of the cases pending good behavior for five years after his release from prison. The judge explained the complicated judgment by state the youth will serve some 15 years in prison.

A mistrial was declared in the case in which Charlie Dail was charged with driving drunk.

A verdict of not guilty was returned in the case in which William Jenkins was charged with breaking and entering.

Elva Lee and Alexander McDonald, Negroes, charged with aiding Freddie Lee to escape jail, entered pleas of not contempra. They were ordered to pay the costs of court and placed on probation for a period of two years.

William Knight, Negro, charged with carnal knowledge was found guilty of forcible trespass. He was ordered to pay \$75 to Mattie Johnson, costs of court and be of good behavior for a period of three years.

A jury returned a verdict of guilty of involuntary manslaughter in the case of Isaac Riddick, Negro, and recommended mercy. The court sentenced Riddick to prison for 3 to 5 years, suspending the sentence upon payment of a fine of \$350 and costs of court and placed Riddick on probation for five years.