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Indians To Play West Edgecombe For District Honors In State Play-Off

Local Outfit Defeats Farm Life In Three Game Series

The Perquimans Indians advanced into the district play-offs for the State baseball championship, during the past week, by winning two of three games from Farm Life High School.

Vernon White, stellar left-handed pitching ace for the Indians, received credit as winning pitcher in the two games. Farm Life edged out Perquimans 3-2 in a game pitched by Benton.

The district play-off which opens here Thursday night with the Indians playing West Edgecombe, will be a two best out of three contests with the winner moving up to the regional play-offs.

Perquimans and West Edgecombe competed for the district honors last year when West Edgecombe won the honors by taking two games.

Coach Elie Fearing's Indians, with a fine season record, won the Group 1 championship defeating Farm Life here last Thursday by a score of 8-0, then losing on Friday by a close margin of 3-2, and winning the deciding game Monday by a 9-2 count.

Perquimans had an easy time in the first game. White struck out 20 Farm Life batters and allowed only one hit in the nine inning contest. The Indians played steadily throughout the game scoring runs on hits and a number of errors committed by the Farm Life boys.

Farm Life took the second game 3-2, nicking Benton for seven hits and scoring one run in the second, fifth and sixth innings. The Indians tallied their two runs in the second. Perquimans collected seven hits in the game but were useless to score in the pinches.

Coach Fearing used White as hurler in the third contest and the Farm Life boys were unable to solve the pitching of the Indian star. The final score which gave Perquimans the group championship, was 9-2.

Perquimans and West Edgecombe will play the first of the three game series here on Thursday night, starting at eight o'clock and the second game will be played at West Edgecombe on Friday afternoon. A site and time will then be chosen for the third game if necessary to decide the district championship.

Child Labor Law Affects Farmers

The Federal Child Labor Laws prohibit employment of children under 16 years of age in agriculture during the hours school is in session, if the products grown on the farm are to be shipped in interstate commerce.

This is pointed out by Dr. C. B. Ratchford, in charge of farm management and marketing, State College Extension Service, who urges all farmers to become familiar with provisions of these laws.

A farmer, says Dr. Ratchford, may use his own children, but he is violating the law if he hires children of his neighbors or others, including children of migratory workers, during the hours school is in session in the district where the children are living.

The specialist adds that a child under 16 years of age may work on a school day, before or after the hours school is in session, provided the hours worked do not exceed three hours per day or total more than 18 hours per week. Work performed before or after school hours must be between 7 A. M. and 7 P. M.

Further information may be obtained from Forrest H. Shuford, Commissioner of Labor, Raleigh.

Officers Elected For PHS Student Council

Student Council officers for Perquimans High School, for the next school term, were elected on May 1, with Billy Chappell being chosen as president; Margaret Winslow, vice president; Billie Carol Divers, secretary; Fays Butt, treasurer; Fred Mathews, sergeant-at-arms.

Other school officers chosen were: Peggy Stokely and Tommy Mathews, song leaders; Jean Long, pianist, and cheerleaders named were Susanne Torre, Katherine Nixon, Margaret Ann Banks, Sue Perry White, Billie Carol Divers, Mary Winslow, Corbin Doster and alternates, Carolyn Eare and Jill Miller.

CLASS TO MEET

The Judson Memorial Class of the Baptist Church will meet on Tuesday night at 8 P. M., with Mrs. Katherine Boush, with Mrs. Joe Hill and Mrs. Carroll Williams as joint hostesses.

County 4-H Clubbers Prepare For Show

Thirteen baby beef calves from Perquimans County will be entered in the Fat Stock Show at Elizabeth City, May 13, it was announced today by I. C. Yagel, County Agent. In preparation for the show next week, a fitting and showing demonstration was conducted last Friday at the home of Margaret and Ethel Sutton in the Durants Neck community. Clarence Chappell, Jr., who has had four years' experience in showing calves, conducted the demonstration, with some assistance from the agents.

He gave the 4-H Club members present tips and advice on preparing and training animals for the show.

Attending the demonstration were Sally Ruth Hurdle, R. S. Chappell, Jr., and Louise Chappell.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Steelworkers, over the nation, have returned to work this week pending a Supreme Court ruling over the seizure of the steel mills. The outcome of the steel dispute remains clouded since negotiations between management and labor broke down following a Court order that no wage increase may be granted by the Government pending the decision on the seizure.

Meanwhile many localities over the nation are beginning to feel the pinch of the oil workers' strike. The air force has curtailed flying programs, as aviation gasoline is in shortage and motorists in many places are finding their service stations are out of gas. One independent company in California has reached an agreement with the union and reports state this agreement may be a solution for solving the entire strike.

The Agriculture Department this week reported 1952 may turn out to be a poor year, financially, for farmers of the nation. The report was based upon high costs of production and a lower market price for the products. Farm prices so far this year have averaged 3 percent lower than in 1951.

With national conventions less than two months away, the picture has changed little regarding the possible selection of presidential candidates by the two major parties. General Eisenhower and Senator Taft are about even in the number of delegates, and Senators Russell and Kefauver and Averill Harriman are the leading Democratic candidates.

Farm Leader To Speak Here May 17

Perquimans County farmers, and other interested people, will have an opportunity to hear a discussion on present day farm problems and issues on Saturday night, May 17, when Lon Edwards, widely-known State farm leader, comes to Hertford to speak at the Court House at eight o'clock, according to an announcement made here today.

Mr. Edwards is a dirt farmer who, through his experiences and work, has acquainted himself with many of the problems facing farmers today, and he will, in his talk here, discuss these and other matters pertaining to the farm program.

The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting and hear Mr. Edwards.

Hertford Scouts To Attend Camporee Sat.

Members of the Hertford Troop of Boy Scouts will attend a district camporee to be held Saturday and Sunday at Camp Brandon, on the Chowan River. The local Scouts will leave Saturday afternoon, from the Scout Hut, and will return home Sunday.

The Scouts will be accompanied on the trip by Scoutmaster Marshal Owens.

Musical Playlet At Central Next Thursday

The piano students of Perquimans Central Grammar School will present a musical playlet, "A Little Bit of Holland," under the direction of Mrs. R. Ralph White, Thursday, May 15, at 8 o'clock, in the school auditorium at Winfall. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Legion Officers Elected At Meeting Held Last Friday

F. T. Johnson Named As Commander; Wards Planned By Post

New officers, for the year, beginning in July, were elected at a meeting of the William Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion held last Friday night.

F. T. Johnson was elected to succeed B. C. Berry, as Commander of the local post. Other officers named were: Joseph W. Nowell, Jr., first vice commander; Clifford C. Banks, second vice commander; Julian C. Powell, third vice commander; William F. Ainsley, adjutant; V. N. Darden, finance officer; C. C. Banks, service officer; W. T. Miller, sergeant-at-arms; W. T. Willoughby, chaplain; B. F. Proctor, historian; C. P. Buck, athletic officer; Jarvis Ward, guardship officer; George T. Roach, Boys' State; George Winslow, child welfare officer; R. Ralph White, school awards officer; B. C. Berry, Graves Registration; J. Roulac Webb, Oratorical Officer; C. F. Sumner, Americanism officer; C. T. Skinner, Jr., Boy Scout officer; M. G. Owens, chairman Sons of Legion.

During the meeting Commander Berry announced, as in past years, the Post will give the American Legion Achievement Awards to the outstanding graduates, boy and girl, of the Perquimans High School, and also the American Legion Oratorical Award to Bobby Smith of Belvidere, as county winner of the Legion Oratorical contest. The Post voted to sponsor Billie Chappell, the incoming president of the HHS Student Council at the American Legion Tar Heel Boys' State to be held at Chapel Hill June 8-15.

The Graves Registration program will be continued by the Post and an effort to secure the burial place of Perquimans County veterans of World Wars I and II and Korean war is being made. All next of kin are asked to contact any member of the local post and assist them in getting the needed information.

F. T. Johnson, J. W. Nowell, Jr., C. C. Banks and J. C. Powell were named as delegates to the 1952 annual convention of the North Carolina Department, to be held in Durham June 7-10.

J. T. Biggers Elected President Of Lions

Officers for the Hertford Lions Club for the year beginning next June 20, were elected at a meeting of the club held last week. Heading the new officers as president will be John T. Biggers, superintendent of Perquimans County Schools.

Other officers named were first vice president, I. C. Yagel; second vice president, W. S. Long; third vice president, Bobby Elliott; secretary-treasurer, Sidney Blanchard; Lion Tamer, Charles M. Harrell; Tail Twister, J. T. Lane. Directors will be Ralph White, Jim Bass, W. D. Cox and A. H. Edwards.

Installation of the new officers will be conducted at the regular meeting of the club on Friday, June 20.

HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS FORGING AHEAD OF LAST YEAR'S MARK

"Unless we do something—and do it quick—accidents on the highways of North Carolina are going to kill and maim more people than last year," Commissioner of Motor Vehicles L. C. Roesser warns.

"You don't have to look into a crystal ball to figure this out," he said. "All you have to do is to look at North Carolina's accident record this year."

The Commissioner was referring to the daily fatality and injury statistics collected by the Highway Patrol's radio system.

"About two weeks ago," the Commissioner stated, "deaths and injuries from traffic accidents were running encouragingly behind last year. Everyone of us in the Department of Motor Vehicles rejoiced at this downward trend. However, recently fatalities have begun to edge upward until now they are out in front of last year's record."

"It's going to take determination and caution like we've never before practiced to push fatalities back down," the Commissioner said.

The state suffered 1,071 traffic deaths and 15,123 injuries last year, Roesser pointed out.

"That was an average of 89 lives a month snuffed out by carelessness on the highways," he said. "A tragic price to pay for the convenience of

Cancer Crusade To End On Saturday, Quota Is Reached

Sponsors Plan Organization Of County Cancer Unit

Perquimans County's annual Cancer Crusade, under the sponsorship of the Hertford Lioness Club, will be brought to a close this week, it was announced today by Mrs. Elton Hurdle, president of the club who stated the county goal of \$578 has been oversubscribed.

Reports on the fund raising campaign remain incomplete, according to Mrs. Hurdle, but contributions turned over to the committee up to Wednesday of this week amounted to \$955, and it is expected with all reports in, the total will reach one thousand dollars.

Mrs. Hurdle requests all solicitors of the drive to make final reports by Saturday of this week, as the sponsors desire to close the crusade here. Elsewhere in some localities the drive is being extended to permit units to reach their goals, but since Perquimans is already over the top in its quota the sponsors hope to conclude the drive Saturday, with all reports being made.

The Cancer Crusade in Perquimans this year obtained splendid results and the sponsors greatly appreciate the cooperation given by the public, and by the individuals who contributed and worked as solicitors.

The success of the drive this year has created a desire on the part of the Hertford Lioness Club to organize a county cancer unit, similar to ones in other counties, and which will provide local funds for assistance in fighting cancer. Plans are now being made, according to Mrs. Hurdle for a meeting to be held next week at which time this county cancer unit will be organized.

The Lioness Club, at its meeting this week, will consider ways and means of perfecting the organization of a local unit and will possibly call upon a number of local citizens to assist in the program by serving as officers of the organization.

County Political Meetings Scheduled

Perquimans County Democrats will hold precinct meetings on Saturday May 10, and a county convention on Saturday, May 17, it was announced today by C. P. Morris, chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee.

The precinct meetings will be held at three o'clock Saturday afternoon, at the six polling places in the county and the purpose of the meetings will be to select delegates to the county convention, which will be held in the Court House in Hertford, Saturday, May 17, at 3 P. M.

Mr. Morris stated that all Democrats, in good standing, are eligible to attend both the precinct meetings and the county convention. Delegates to the State Convention, to be held in Raleigh, will be selected at the county convention.

MASONS TO MEET

The Perquimans Masonic Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

Rep. Bob Doughton Supports Umstead

Representative Robert D. Doughton of the Ninth District has thrown his support behind William B. Umstead in the race for governor.

The 88-year-old legislator said yesterday in a statement prepared for a radio speech that Umstead would be "a great leader in the progressive and sound growth and development of our beloved state."

Tentative Budget Proposals Reported To Board Of Commissioners Here On Monday

Hertford Jaycees Elect New Officers

New officers for the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce were elected at a meeting of the organization held last week. George Fields is president-elect of the local Jaycees and other officers chosen were Eldon Winslow, vice-president; Talmage Rose, secretary; Francis Nixon, treasurer; D. F. Reed, Jr. Earlie Goodwin and Elbert Fearing, directors.

Organized less than two years ago, the Hertford Jaycees have sponsored a number of civic projects with much success and are now working on a playground program for the children of the community. This project is moving along at a rapid rate, and the Jaycees hope to have the playground ready for use, by the children, within a short time.

Much equipment has been purchased and has arrived here for installation. The Jaycees plan, and hope, to purchase additional equipment for the playground as rapidly as funds become available.

Inter-City Meeting Of Rotary Clubs Held Monday Night

More than 100 Rotarians from the Albemarle gathered at Central High School, near Elizabeth City, on Monday night for an inter-city meeting sponsored by the Elizabeth City Rotary Club.

Rotarians from Hertford, Columbia, Edenton and Manteo were the guests of the members of the Elizabeth City club, at the delicious chicken dinner and a highly entertaining program which closed with a talk made by Wade Marr, Past District Governor and Past Director of Rotary International.

Carroll Parker, president of the host club served as master of ceremonies and extended a cordial welcome to the visiting Rotarians. He pointed out that each of the visiting clubs had been sponsored by the Elizabeth City Club, which was proud of the growth of the Rotary throughout the Albemarle.

Olin H. Broadway, retiring District Governor, was a special guest at the meeting. He extended greetings to the fellow Rotarians and thanked them for the cooperation he had received during the past year.

Mr. Marr, in his talk, said that fellowship and friendship was the basis of Rotary, and it was due to these factors that Rotary had grown from one club to thousands throughout the world.

BPW Club To Hold Benefit Card Party

The Perquimans Business and Professional Woman's Club will sponsor a Benefit Card Party at Hotel Hertford Thursday night, May 15, when Rook and Bridge will be played.

Refreshments will be served and five prizes will be awarded as follows: High score for women in Rook, high score for men in Rook, high score for women in bridge, high score for men in Bridge, and a Door Prize.

Tickets must be bought in advance from any club member. Tickets will not be sold at the door as the seating space is limited.

County Road Project Completed In April

The State Highway Commission completed the grading and paving of 2.2 miles of roads in Perquimans County during the month of April, Commissioner H. G. Shelton reported today.

The newly-hardsurfaced road runs from the Loop road off N. C. 37 one mile northwest of Winfall for 2.2 miles. The project was financed by the secondary road bond program.

SECOND IN CONTEST

Bobby Smith won second place in the District Future Farmers of America speaking contest held in Tarboro on Saturday, April 26th. He was awarded thirty dollars. Nine federations, covering all the counties east of Raleigh, were represented. Bobby was coached by the school agriculture teacher, G. C. Buck.

NAMES OMITTED

Through error the names of Katherine Nixon and Bobby Smith were omitted from the honor roll for Perquimans High School, published last week.

BANK CLOSED SATURDAY

The Hertford Banking Company will be closed all day Saturday, May 10th, it was announced today by R. M. Riddick, Jr., president, in observance of a legal holiday.

Committee Report On Enlargement Of Library Is Made

Preliminary estimates on proposed budget items for the county's next fiscal year, which begins July 1, were turned over to the Board of County Commissioners, meeting in regular session here last Monday morning.

The budget items tendered were those regarding salaries of the employees of the Agricultural Extension Service, which are proposed to remain the same with the exception of an increase of \$100 per year for the assistant home agent, who now receives this payment from Chowan County where the assistant devotes one-half of her time. The Welfare Department also tendered a proposed budget, which calls for approximately the same outlay of cash during 1952-1953. Under this budget the old age assistance outlay will increase while the aid to dependent children will be reduced a similar amount. Aid rendered totally disabled persons will also be increased.

Definite action on the budget items was postponed until a later date when the Commissioners will meet to act upon the overall budget for the county for the next fiscal year.

Mrs. Silas M. Whedbee and Miss Mae Wood Winslow, representing the County Library Board reported to the Commissioners suggestions and recommendations drawn by the library committee regarding the renovation of the present library. During the discussion on this matter, it was pointed out the building now used by the library is school property, part of which has been in use as a lunchroom. The Board of Education proposes to dismantle part of this building and the remainder will be converted into a library for the Hertford Grammar School use, and at the same time will continue to be used by the county library.

Under this proposal the present facilities will be enlarged, to provide needed space for use both by the school children and the library patrons.

Recorder's Docket Listed 11 Cases

Eleven cases were listed on the Recorder's Court docket when court convened here Tuesday morning. Ten of the cases were disposed of and the bond in the case in which Royal Gunganus was charged with carrying a concealed weapon was ordered forfeited when the defendant failed to appear to answer the charges.

Costs of court were taxed against George McKeather and Edmond Martineau, each of whom entered a plea of guilty to charges of speeding. A \$10 fine and costs were assessed against Louis Shane, who submitted to a charge of speeding.

John Bowers, Negro, charged with failing to dim lights, entered a plea of guilty and paid the costs of court. For failing to yield the right-of-way John Billups, Negro, paid the costs of court after submitting to the charge.

Costs of court were taxed against Cordis Davis and Alfred Wighton, Negroes, who entered pleas of guilty to charges of driving overloaded trucks.

Henry Jackson, Negro, charged with driving an overloaded truck, failed to appear in court and the warrant in the case was returned for service.

Noah Banks, Negro, paid a fine of \$25 and costs of court after entering a plea of guilty to a charge of driving without a license.

Dillard Riddick, charged with being drunk on the streets of Hertford and transporting non-tax-paid liquor, entered a plea of guilty to the charges and paid a fine of \$25 and costs.

Helene Nixon Named Acting Clerk Of PMA

Miss Helene Nixon has been named acting secretary of the County PMA Committee, it was announced here Tuesday following a meeting of the committee which accepted the resignation of W. E. White as secretary of the organization.

Mr. White retired from his position after 18 years of association with agricultural agencies in this county. Mr. White was presented a number of attractive gifts, given by members of the staff of the agriculture building.

Miss Nixon has been employed in the PMA office for a number of years and has served as treasurer of the committee.

EASTERN STAR MEETING

The Hertford Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will meet Monday night at 8 o'clock in the lodge rooms. All members are urged to be present.