

Proposed Budget For County During Next Fiscal Year Shows \$1.80 Rate

Adoption Of Budget Expected At Meeting To Be Held July 7th

Perquimans County's tax rate for the fiscal year 1952-1953 will remain at the \$1.80 per hundred dollar valuation rate, as was the case last year, according to a proposed budget published in this issue of *The Weekly* by the Board of County Commissioners.

Adoption of the budget for the fiscal year, which begins July 1, is expected at the regular meeting of the Commissioners scheduled for July 7.

A number of changes have been made in the budget, as compared to last year, but by transferring part of the levy from one fund to another the Board proposed to retain the same rate.

The general county fund, and its affiliated funds, such as health department, fire warden, farm and home agents, and hospitalization, will receive five cents less of the tax rate next year than was placed in these funds last year. The drop in this levy was from 51 cents to 45 cents for the coming year.

The Poor Fund, of which operation of the county home is the major item in the budget, will have a two-cent increase in its levy during the coming year. Last year this fund received 10 cents from each \$1.80 collected and next year it will receive 12 cents from the levy.

Largest increase in any single item of the budget was that in the Debt Service Fund, the rate for this fund next year will be 70 cents as compared to 55 cents last year. The 15 cent increase was taken from the capital outlay fund, for which there will be no levy next year, and this increase will enable the county to pay off \$30,000 in bonds, due next May without an increase in the tax rate. The bonds were issued some 20 years ago for the use of the Hertford graded school and no payment was made on the bonds.

Three cents was added to the levy for the general school fund, which will be an increase from 30 cents for this department to 33 cents during the next fiscal year.

The overall budget for the county calls for expenditures totaling \$285,268.00, while anticipated sources of income other than ad valorem taxation amounts to \$109,268.00, leaving a total of \$176,000.00 to be raised through taxes.

A total of \$12,531.00 is anticipated from various sources for use in the general county fund, \$20,156.00 is expected from outside sources for the school fund and a total of \$75,581.00, from state and federal sources is expected for use by the welfare department.

Annual Meeting Of BTU At Ballard's Bridge July 8th

The executive committee has announced the time of the annual Training Union meeting for the Baptist churches of the Chowan Association as July 8 and the place as the Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church.

A very interesting and helpful program is being planned for the two sessions of the meeting. The afternoon session, opening at 3 o'clock, will be devoted primarily to the training program of work high-lighted by departmental conferences and a closing address by former Associational Director, the Rev. F. A. Cuthrell. The night session will open at 7:20 o'clock and the program will be of an inspirational nature climaxed by an address by Dr. F. O. Nixon, president of Chowan College. There will be many interesting features and a variety of music. The music of the meeting will be under the direction of Miss Carol Jean Bizzell, Minister of Music at the Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church in Elizabeth City.

The program includes a vesper service, an old-fashioned picnic supper and a period of directed fun and fellowship on the church grounds. Local training unions throughout the association are beginning now to make plans for this annual meeting and the public is cordially invited to attend both sessions.

Twiford Chapel Dedicated Sunday

It is announced that a special service will be held in the new chapel of the Twiford Funeral Home, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, when the chapel will be formally dedicated to the memory of W. G. Gaither, Sr., and wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Wood Gaither, and Miss Helen Wingfield Gaither.

The Rev. Charles F. Wulf, rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, will conduct the service, assisted by the Rev. A. L. Chaplin, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church, the Rev. Chas. W. Duling, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church and the Rev. A. W. Price, pastor of the Hertford Assembly of God. The funeral home is the former Gaither residence.

Mrs. Mary Phillips Dies In Hospital

Mrs. Mary Josephine White Phillips, 77, died Saturday morning at 10:25 at the Albemarle Hospital, after an illness of three months.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Assembly of God in Hertford, with the pastor, the Rev. A. W. Price, officiating, assisted by the Rev. G. W. Burkhardt, of Elizabeth City, and burial, was made in Cedarwood Cemetery.

Two selections, "Beautiful Robes of White" and "Good Night and Good Morning," were sung by the choir.

The pall was of red roses, white gladioli and baby's breath.

Pallbearers were E. H. Jackson, Mathew Smith, Marshall White, Emmett Long, Roy Chappell and Charlie White.

Mrs. Phillips was a native and lifelong resident of Perquimans County, a daughter of the late Anderson and Lucy Williams White, and the widow of Samuel C. Phillips. She was a member of the Greenleaf Assembly of God in Elizabeth City.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Johnnie Stallings of Camden, and Mrs. Vashli White of Hertford; four sons, A. L. Phillips of Midway, Md., S. C. Phillips of Westfield, Mass., R. S. Phillips of Jacksonville, Fla., S. I. Phillips of Elizabeth City; two sisters, Mrs. S. T. Sutton and Mrs. Lucy Madre, both of Hertford; one brother, T. S. White of Hertford; 14 grandchildren and three great grandchildren, and the following step children: Mrs. Beulah Williams, Mrs. Oscar Perry, Zack Phillips, Charlie Phillips and Louis Phillips, all of Perquimans County.

Rotarians Hold Ladies' Night

The Rotary Annes were honor guests at the regular meeting of the Rotary Club at the Hotel Hertford on Tuesday night, with the president, Jack Kanoy, presiding and acting as toastmaster.

The Rev. Charles F. Wulf pronounced the invocation, after which the guests of honor were welcomed by the president.

Following dinner the Rotary Annes and other guests were presented. A music program included piano selections by Miss Patricia Biggers and vocal solos by Miss Janet Yagel, with Miss Kate Blanchard accompanying at the piano.

Bingo was played with Mrs. C. P. Morris winning the grand prize, and a color film of Alaska was shown.

The Rotary Annes present were Mrs. W. F. Ainsley, Mrs. A. B. Bonner, Mrs. Jack Kanoy, Mrs. R. S. Mond, Mrs. A. W. Hefren, Mrs. C. P. Morris, Mrs. C. A. Davenport, Mrs. H. C. Sullivan, Mrs. Charles F. Wulf, Mrs. Charles Hene, Mrs. V. N. Darden, Mrs. R. L. Hollowell and Mrs. C. R. Hollies.

Judge Rules On Children's Custody

The matter of the custody of the DeFazio children, which has been before the court for some time, was ruled upon by Judge Clawson L. Williams, holding court in Pasquotank County on Tuesday.

Judge Williams affirmed the judgment of the Juvenile Court of Dare County placing the three children in the custody of the Welfare Department of Dare.

The DeFazio, Frank and his wife, Theo, objected to the decision and expected, appealing to the Supreme Court. Sixty days was allowed to prepare and serve case on appeal and 60 days thereafter for preparing and serving amendments and statements of contentions.

In court where the judgment was (Continued on Page Five)

Perquimans Women Will Travel Abroad

Two Perquimans County women will travel abroad this summer, and not only will attend the Friends World Conference in England, but will visit various places of interest in that country and will also tour France, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland and Germany.

Miss Pearl White of Whiteston, will sail from New York on the S.S. Nathalia on July 3. Mrs. Bertha Smith White of Belvidere will make her trip by air and will leave New York on July 20.

While the primary objective of the trip is to attend the World Friends Conference, which will convene at Oxford, England, on July 28, lasting through August, the particular group of 21 persons of which Miss Pearl White is a member expect to do quite a bit of sight-seeing in the various countries mentioned.

Fifty-two make up the delegation of the North Carolina Yearly Meeting of Friends, which includes the Perquimans delegates, representing Up River and Pine Woods churches, respectively, and some 900 delegates from the world over are expected to attend the conference.

Mrs. Bertha Smith White, who is pastor of the Pine Woods Church, will be accompanied by her grandson, Jack White of Winston-Salem. She is particularly desirous of attending this conference, which is the third one ever to be held, and she has attended the others. The first World Conference of Friends was held in London, England in 1920, the second in Swarthmore, Pa., in 1937.

Hertford Native Drowning Victim

Word was received in Hertford Sunday of the death by drowning of Roy Edgar Hoffer, 30, Chief Petty Officer in the U. S. Navy, and son of Mrs. W. E. Hoffer and the late Mr. Hoffer of Hertford.

While there were no details in the telegram to his mother from the Commander of the U. S. Naval Receiving Station, at Seattle, Wash., it was stated that the young service man was drowned when he fell from a pier there, and that a letter would follow.

Young Hoffer has been in the Navy since 1939, and was on the Battleship West Virginia when that ship was bombed at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. He also saw service at Okinawa and at other points in the Pacific throughout the war without suffering major injury.

Surviving in addition to his mother are his wife, Mrs. Grace Clara Hoffer, and two daughters, Dianne and Roxanne of Brooklyn, N. Y.; four sisters, Mrs. Thomas W. Tiley, Mrs. Jim Bass and Mrs. Tom Cox of Hertford and Mrs. Casper Meekins of Elizabeth City; four brothers, John Richard Hoffer of Columbia, S. C., W. L. Hoffer of Richmond, Va., James Monroe Hoffer of Portsmouth, Va., and Jack Hoffer of Manteo.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, June 24, at the W. Theodore Lutz Funeral Home, 6808 First Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., and burial will be in the Cypress Hill National Cemetery at Evergreen Hills, Brooklyn, with full military rites.

BPW Club Meets With Mrs. Dail

The Perquimans Business and Professional Women's Club met with Mrs. Mattie U. Dail in Durants Neck, Friday night, June 13, for its regular monthly business meeting with Mrs. Gladys Perry, co-hostess. The reception rooms were adorned with beautiful arrangements of summer flowers.

Mrs. Hulda Wood presided over routine business matters in the absence of the president. Mrs. Alice M. Towe read the minutes and Mrs. Essie Babbage gave the treasurer's report.

The club voted to buy a \$25.00 bond to add to the Allie Trueblood Educational Fund.

Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Towe were elected delegates to attend the State Convention of the North Carolina Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., to be held at Hotel Washington Duke, in Durham, June 20, 21, 22. Miss Wood will serve on the Credentials Committee.

After the meeting adjourned, the hostesses served a sweet course with attractive decorations using the club's colors, green and yellow with the letters BPW on the brick ice cream.

Those present were: Mrs. Dail, Mrs. Perry, Miss Wood, Mrs. Towe, Mrs. Babbage, Mrs. Viola Nachman, Mrs. Emily T. Harrell, Mrs. Roxanna C. Jackson, Mrs. Claire H. Murray, Mrs. Pickett A. Sumner, Mrs. Nettie Lee Caravelle and Miss Kate Blanchard. Mrs. Howard Hunter attended as a guest.

Farm Tenant Act Gives Opportunity Of Home Ownership

The Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act was passed in 1937 to help tenants, sharecroppers, and farm laborers climb the agricultural ladder to ownership. In 1946 Congress enlarged the program to help owners whose farms are too small or are not sufficiently developed to provide them a good living.

The law provides 40-year loans for farm purchase, at low interest rates, to those who are unable to obtain adequate credit from other sources. War veterans with agricultural experience who wish to become farmers now have preference, under the law, for the loans.

Some Farm Ownership loans are made from money appropriated by Congress. Others are now made from funds advanced by private lenders and insured by the Farmers Home Administration. The same general standards as to land values and farmer's eligibility are followed for both kinds of loans, but insured loans are made to applicants who have a 10-per cent down payment or a 10-per cent equity in their farms.

If you are a veteran, or a farm tenant, sharecropper or farm laborer, or the owner of an inadequate or under-improved unit and cannot get the credit you need from any other source, you are eligible to apply for a Farm Ownership loan. Also you must be a citizen of the United States.

If your application is approved, you should select a productive family-type farm; that is, a place you and your family can operate without using outside help except in planting and harvesting seasons. The farm should be large enough and productive enough to enable you to earn a good living, pay operating expenses, taxes, and insurance, and meet your other obligations while paying for it.

If you already own enough acres but need improvements such as drainage, terracing, clearing or fencing, or need to add or repair necessary buildings, a Farm Development loan may be obtained for this purpose. If the farm you own is too small, you may obtain a Farm Enlargement loan to buy additional land to meet the requirements for a family-type unit.

Congress made an exception for disabled veterans. A veteran receiving a disability pension is eligible for a loan to buy, enlarge or improve a farm which may not measure up to the usual requirements for a family-type unit. But it must be suited to his farming capabilities and provide enough income so that when he combines his earnings and his pension, he will be able to pay his expenses and make the loan payments.

A person receiving a Farm Ownership loan is obligated to follow a system of farming and methods of farm and home management that are successful in the community and are approved by responsible research and educational agencies.

Farm Ownership loans are made for 40 year periods. However, if you could get your loan refinanced at any time after it was obtained at the rates and terms prevailing in your community, you would be required to do so. The interest rate on a direct loan is 4 per cent. The rate for an insured loan is 3 per cent plus a 1 per cent annual mortgage insurance charge. A first real estate mortgage on the farm is given as security for either a direct or an insured loan.

New Ag Teacher For Local School

The election by the Perquimans High School Committee of Joe Lee Tuncher as vocational agriculture teacher on Monday night was confirmed by the Board of Education in special session Tuesday night.

The new teacher, who is 36 years old, is a native of Swan Quarter and was graduated from N. C. State College in 1938. Since his graduation, except for the years that he served in the armed forces during World War II, he has taught the vocational agriculture course in the Weeksville High School.

He will assume his new duties on July 1, succeeding G. C. Buck.

Two Hertford Girls At Girls' State

Misses Nan Ella White and Mabel Martin Whedbee, who were selected to represent Girls' State this year and who are sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary of the William Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion, are spending this week at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, where Girls' State is in session.

Miss White is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie White of Whiteston. Miss Whedbee is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Whedbee of Hertford.

Busy Session Of Recorder's Court Held Tuesday

Thirty days, to be suspended upon the payment of a fine of \$25.00 and the costs of court, was the judgment of Charles E. Johnson, Recorder's Court Judge, Tuesday, when Julian Harold Broughton was found guilty of speeding and failure to stop at a stop sign.

Madison Boone, Negro, was sentenced to 30 days, suspended upon the payment of a \$10 fine and court costs, upon being convicted of being drunk and disorderly on the street.

The greater portion of the session was taken up in the trial of Swindell Banks, Negro, who was found guilty of driving an automobile after his license had been revoked, and also simple assault upon his wife. Banks had been charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

The defendant's wife, Onella Banks, swore out the warrant charging assault with a deadly weapon, and when Sheriff M. G. Owens made the arrest he learned of the matter of driving a car after his license had been revoked, and charged him with the second offense.

The court found the defendant guilty on both counts. In the matter of assault, judgment was continued upon the condition that he be of good behavior for six months.

On the driving without license count he was given six months on the roads, to be suspended upon the payment of a \$200.00 fine and the costs.

Robert Harrell, who plead guilty to being drunk in a public place and assault on an officer, was given thirty days and fined \$50.00, both suspended upon the payment of the costs and be of good behavior for 30 days.

The following defendants plead guilty to speeding and were taxed with the costs: James William Stewart, Gerald Richard Noirfolice, Theodore Schnaper, Thomas James Viola, Linwood Rawles Everett, Marion Elizabeth McKenna, William Clifton Halsey, Negro, Ruth Marie Reed, Roland Thomas Reed, Virginia Ann Hnikeldey, Joe Bobby Twitty, Negro, Robert Corn, Negro, Lynn Hootman, William Thomas Clifton, William Francis Byrne, L. Junior James.

James R. Smith plead guilty to using an improper muffler and paid a fine of \$10 and costs.

Ray Modlin submitted to the charge of no operator's license and with improper muffler and paid a fine of \$35.00 and costs.

The following defendants plead guilty to over-axle limit and paid the cost: Jack V. Allen, A. W. Smith, Henry Wardsworth Simon, Negro, Z. A. Deal, Clarence Elwood Wirts, Albert Dedrick, Walter Racioux Riddick, Negro, James Louis Nowell, Negro, Bill Jordan, Negro.

A nol prosequi was taken in the case against James Skinner, charged with assault.

Electric Workshop For Area Teachers

A workshop in rural electrification for sixteen vocational agriculture teachers from Martin, Washington, Tyrrell, Gates, Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank and Currituck Counties will be held at Perquimans County High School, Hertford on June 20, 27 and July 11, it has been announced by T. B. Elliott, District Supervisor of Vocational Training.

Similar four day programs of instruction will be given at 21 centers throughout North Carolina during the summer months.

"The tremendous expansion in the use of electricity and electrical equipment by modern farmers, and farm labor shortages during recent years, has brought the need of a new technical skill to the farm," Mr. Elliott said. "This need is being met to a great extent in the state's rural public high schools where farm boys have the opportunity to study vocational agriculture. The workshop programs are aimed at improving the knowledge and skills of the vocational agriculture teacher which, in turn, will be beneficial to Future Farmers as well as the adult farmers of the state," he said.

The State Department of Public Instruction, the Departments of Agricultural Education and Agricultural Engineering, N. C. State College, and the power companies operating in North Carolina are cooperating to bring the in-service training program in rural electrification to the teachers. Power company personnel will give practical training in maintenance and repair of electric appliances and wiring systems, and planning the wiring system for the farmstead.

James F. Wellons, Jr., from the Williamston office of the Virginia Electric and Power Company will conduct the meetings at Hertford.

Other meetings in this section will be held at Chocowinity and Rich Square.

Tribute Paid To Patrolman White

"I have been sitting on this bench for quite a while. It has been my experience that there have sometimes been patrolmen on that stand whose statements could not be believed entirely. But never in all my experience have I found a statement made by Mr. White on the stand to be untrue."

So spoke Recorder's Court Judge Charles E. Johnson of Robert A. White, police officer of Hertford, who had been on the stand testifying in connection with a case being tried.

Robert White has been on the police force of the Town of Hertford for fourteen years.

Assistant Home Agent Reports For Duty

Miss Carolyn Biggestaff, the new assistant home agent for Perquimans and Chowan Counties, took over her new duties in Perquimans on Monday.

The new assistant agent, whose home is at Shelby, and who is a graduate of W.C.U.N.C., Greensboro, succeeds Miss Kinsey Perry, who resigned to become home agent in Pasquotank upon the resignation of Mrs. Nina B. White.

Miss Biggestaff works alternately one week in Perquimans and one week in Chowan.

Ellie Fearing Will Manage Marshall's

Due to the illness of Marshall Owens, owner and operator of Marshall's, who is confined to his bed at his home on Church Street, Ellie Fearing, Athletic Coach of Perquimans High School, will manage the business during the summer.

Coach Fearing took over his new duties Tuesday morning.