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## Varied Docket In Recorder's Court Here Last Tuesday

### Ten Cases Disposed Of During Short Session

A varied docket, consisting of 10 cases, was disposed of by the Perquimans County Recorder's Court, in session here on Tuesday morning.

Pleas of guilty, entered by most of the defendants, enabled the court to clear the calendar within a short time.

Costs of court were taxed against Richard Lanthorn who submitted to a charge of speeding.

Peggy Jones, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of driving without a license. She paid a fine of \$25 and costs.

Entering a plea of guilty to a charge of being drunk on the streets of Hertford, Hayward Goodwin was ordered to pay a fine of \$2 and costs.

Edward Horach was fined \$25 and costs of court after he had entered a plea of guilty to a charge of driving without a license.

Harry Lee Bushlee and Edward Bazeman, charged with driving trucks loaded over the limit, entered pleas of guilty to the charges and paid the court costs.

Elsie Harris, Negro, entered a plea of nolo contendere to charges of temporary larceny of a truck, reckless driving and hit and run. She was sentenced to jail for 60 days, the sentence suspended upon payment of the costs of court and payment of damages to cars of Tommy Jessup and George Baker, and further condition she be of good behavior for a period of six months.

Reavie White, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of assault and was ordered to pay the costs of court. Dillard Riddick was fined \$10 and costs after pleading guilty to a charge of being drunk on the streets of Hertford.

William Gilliam, Negro, submitted to a charge of driving with improper lights. He was ordered to pay the court costs.

## Audit Of County Books Reviewed

A report of an audit of Perquimans County books, for the fiscal year 1951-52, recently completed by the R. E. Aiken, Jr., Company of Elizabeth City, was reviewed by the Board of County Commissioners during its meeting on last Monday.

The report revealed cash balances as of July 1, 1951, amounted to \$166,399.32 and receipts during the year totaled \$341,251.28 while disbursements came to \$445,631.76. Of this last amount \$180,578.94 was spent as capital outlay for construction of school buildings. Cash balances on hand as of July 1, 1952 amounted to \$92,018.84, much of which was taken into consideration and considered as surplus to be applied against appropriations for the present fiscal year, permitting the tax levy to remain the same as last year, despite a debt service payment of \$30,000 to be paid next May 1.

As for bonded indebtedness, the report shows the county owes \$280,000 for bonds issued in 1949, for payment of road and bridge construction, and \$205,000 for bonds issued to repair and build school buildings. \$30,000 of this amount is scheduled to be paid May 1, 1953.

During the year the county underspent its budget by a total of \$349.42. By departments the expenditures were listed as follows: County Commissioners, \$3,877.16; Tax lister, \$841.50; Recorder's Court, \$4,595.14; Miscellaneous Civic expenditures, \$6340.76; Court House Grounds and jail, \$3,266.15; District Health Department, \$6,129.23; Elections, \$629.41; Home Demonstration Office, \$1,770.73; Superior Court, \$3,722.94; Hospitalization, \$4,096.17; Farm Agent Office, \$4,892.45; Poor Fund, \$3,965.02; Debt Service, \$44,022.92; Old Age Assistance, \$50,319.00; Aid Dependent Children, \$20,222.00; Welfare Department, \$9,293.16; School Funds, \$67,189.17.

Total assets of the county as of June 30 amounted to \$782,668.97, of which \$467,090 represented fixed assets such as buildings, furnishings and fixtures.

## Board Of Education Meets Monday Night

The Perquimans Board of Education will meet next Monday night, it was announced today by J. T. Biggers, superintendent of schools.

Members of the Board will be dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Biggers at 8:45 o'clock, and the meeting of the Board will be held following the dinner.

## Boy Scout Fund Drive Postponed

A Boy Scout fund raising campaign, announced for last week, has been postponed until National Boy Scout Week, February 8-14, it was announced today by J. T. Biggers, vice-chairman of the West Albemarle Scout District.

Mr. Biggers stated it is hoped, during the coming drive, sufficient contributions will be received for the District to wipe out a debt due to the Tidewater Council of Boy Scouts of America.

Details of the drive and the local goal will be announced at a later date. The Hertford Troop of Boy Scouts is sponsored by the Lions Club.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

President-elect Eisenhower has completed the job of selecting his cabinet, which will direct various departments of the government after January 20th. Some of the officials, including John Foster Dulles and Charles E. Wilson, Secretaries of State and Defense, are already working closely with the present administration to smooth out the change over in administrations. Last two officials named to the Cabinet were Sinclair Weeks as Secretary of Commerce and Martin Durkin, a leader in AFL, as Secretary of Labor.

Leaders in Congress are talking about the huge costs of the last national election. Some estimate the cost ran as high as 100 million dollars. Proposals are expected to be made which will lead to changes in the set-up, paring down the expenditures of political parties. One of these proposals may be a limit on the length of time devoted to campaigns.

Governor W. Kerr Scott, this week, appointed Joseph W. Parker of Windsor to the post of Superior Court Judge, filling the vacancy left when Judge Hunt Parker moved up to the Supreme Court.

North Carolina's revenues continued to run ahead of 1951, according to a report from Raleigh on Wednesday, but the gap between the two grew closer as the year neared an end. During the first five months of the year the state's income was 5 per cent greater than 1951; income for November had dropped this per cent down to slightly more than one per cent.

## Herbert Peele Dies From Heart Attack

Friends in Edenton and Chowan County were shocked Tuesday morning to learn that Herbert Peele, 70, founder of the Elizabeth City Daily Advance and owner from 1911 to 1949, and owner of radio station WGAI, dropped dead from a heart attack on Main Street in Elizabeth City about 6:15 o'clock as he was going to work at the radio station.

Mr. Peele was president of the North Carolina Press Association in 1946-47 and was very well and favorably known among the newspaper profession throughout the state.

Funeral services were held Thursday and the editor of The Herald has been named an honorary pallbearer to represent the North Carolina Press Association.

## Noted Publisher To Be Rotary Guest

Dr. W. A. Poe, Associate Editor of the Progressive Farmer, will be guest speaker at the Hertford Rotary Club on next Tuesday night at the Hotel Hertford, when the local civic organization observes its annual Rural-Urban Night.

Rural-Urban Night is sponsored by Rotary as an event to bring closer relationship between residents of the town and county. Twenty five Perquimans County farmers have been invited to attend the meeting as guests of the club members in helping to observe the program.

Charles Hene, president of the club, will act as toastmaster at the dinner meeting.

## Civil Service Has Number Of Openings

Civil service examinations for the positions of automotive mechanic, and Diesel mechanic and laborer, for indefinite appointment at NAEP, Weeksville and Elizabeth City are now open, according to Edgar Fields, secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examinations at the Hertford Post Office.

Individuals interested in taking examinations for either of these positions may secure full information from Mr. Fields.

## PMA Nominations Meeting Scheduled For Saturday P. M.

### Farmers Of County Are Urged To Attend Gathering

A county-wide meeting of Perquimans County farmers, for the purpose of nominating community committeemen and delegates to the County Convention, will be held in the agriculture building in Hertford on Saturday, December 6, beginning at two P. M., it was announced today by Miss Helen Nixon, secretary of the Perquimans PMA Committee.

Milton Dail, chairman of the PMA Committee, released the following information concerning the elections: "Nominations of farmers to seven positions in each community are to be made at this meeting. These positions are: Three members of each community PMA committee, two alternate members, and a delegate and alternate delegate to the county convention which elects the county PMA committee on December 19, 1952.

"I am sure that every one will agree that 1953 will be a pretty important year, as far as agricultural is concerned. There will be a lot of important decisions made. That's why this election means so much to you. These community committeemen and the delegates to the county convention are going to have a lot to do with farming in your community which means that it is very important that you attend this meeting and cast your vote in the election.

"The election for this year will be by mail with ballots mailed to all eligible voters in each community. The closing date for returning the ballots will be December 17, 1952."

## Jury Selected For January Court Term

Thirty-eight Perquimans County residents have been selected to serve as jurors at the January term of Superior Court. The list was drawn from the jury box at last Monday's session of County Commissioners.

Named for jury duty were Luther B. Sitterson, Charles E. Payne, William W. Coprew, Lola E. Copeland, J. T. Harris, Charlie L. Copeland, Elric Caddy, Gordon L. Winslow, Nathan Sawyer, Mrs. Lizzie Eure, Geo. Riddick, Jr., John Nelson Lane, L. R. Gay, W. J. Saunders, Julian R. Matthews, J. B. Basnight, Seth Long, Jr., C. T. Rogerson, Sr., W. D. Perry, Sr., J. Eugene Winslow, J. V. Roach, Lester Baker, Noah Stallings, John T. Lane, Jr., Emmett Landing, Mrs. J. H. Satchwell, Earl J. Riddick, Watson Small, John A. Billups, Rolla P. White, Claude N. Rountree, W. M. Wood, Lon Stallings, Milton Dail, Jr., Seth Long, Sr., Lucius E. Winslow, L. E. (Luke) Butt and V. L. Proctor.

## New Auto License Tags Now On Sale

1953 license plates for automobiles went on sale December 1, and Motor Vehicles officials advise motorists who failed to receive renewal cards to contact the Department and ask for one.

Current plates are valid until midnight January 31, 1953, but officials urge car owners to buy early and avoid the usual last minute rush and plates.

Color schemes for the 1953 plates will be black with orange numerals and letters. The 1953 plate will have a tiny slot cut into the lower right hand corner; officials explain it was placed there so that a date tab, like those used during World War II may be attached in the event of a steel shortage or other emergency.

## Fires Keep Local Department Busy

With the advent of cold weather here during last week-end the Hertford Fire Department was called out three times on Sunday to fight fires. The home of Annie Dail, of Route one, burned to the ground and calls were also made to the residence of J. B. Eure on Route three and the Church of Assembly, on Grubb Street.

**DAIL - LANGDON**  
The engagement and approaching marriage of Dorothy Elizabeth Langdon to Thomas Alexander Dail has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Langdon of Huntington, West Virginia. Mr. Dail is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Dail of Route one, Hertford. The ceremony will take place January 2, 1953 in Highview Baptist Church, Huntington. Dr. Norman R. Lewis will officiate.

## Baptists To Hold Annual Rally On Next Monday Night

### Annual Rally Scheduled In Elizabeth City on Monday Night

The well balanced program for the annual "M" Night rally of the Training Unions of the Chowan Baptist Association is to be climaxed with the inspirational address by Dr. R. Stuart Grizzard, popular minister of the First Baptist Church in Norfolk. His subject is "That All May Learn." Dr. Grizzard's message will bring to a close the annual "M" Night meeting held with the Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church in Elizabeth City, Monday night, December 8th, at 7:30 o'clock.

Other features of the interesting and helpful program are a screen projection "Learn From Me," special music by the Youth Choir of the First Baptist Church of Elizabeth City and a demonstration conducted by Miss Jennie Lou Newbold, educational director of the First Baptist Church in Elizabeth City. Miss Carol Jean Bizzell, minister of music at the Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church in Elizabeth City, will lead the singing and J. C. Newbold, Training Union director of the Blackwell Memorial Church, will conduct the period of devotion.

During the period of roll call and recognition, the attendance banner will be awarded to the training union having the largest percentage of its enrolled members present. However, it is the desire of all concerned to have non-members of the training union attend. With this in mind a special invitation is extended to non-members and the members of churches without training union work.

## County Men Elected District Officers

Two Perquimans County men, Chas. Henc of Belvidere and Jack Kanoy of Hertford, were selected as district officers of the Wildlife Federation in a reorganization meeting held recently at Edenton.

To provide greater local activity in connection with the operation of the Wildlife Resources Commission, the Federation of Wildlife Clubs were reorganized into 18 districts, whereas formerly there were nine.

Mr. Henc was chosen chairman of the new district which is comprised of Dare, Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Gates, and Chowan counties and Mr. Kanoy was elected as vice-chairman of this district.

Much enthusiasm is being shown by members of the Wildlife Clubs over the reorganization of the Federation and the opportunity of greater participation in the activities of commission. It is believed that under this new set up each community will equally share in the distribution of funds for the advancement of wildlife resources.

## Layden Funeral Conducted Monday

Funeral services for James Herbert Layden, 68, of Hertford, who died Sunday morning at 8:30 in the Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City, after a brief illness, were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Lynch Funeral Home in Hertford.

The Rev. C. W. Duling, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, officiated and the church choir sang "Rock of Ages" and "Abide With Me" with Mrs. Ellie White at the organ.

The pall was of red and white carnations with white gladioli. Pallbearers, all nephews of the deceased, were: James Layden, Clyde Layden, Sidney Layden, Wallace Layden, Dick Layden and Emerson Asbell.

Burial was made in the Asbell cemetery at Belvidere. Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Thomas Morgan, RFD 2, Hertford; one son, Jasper Layden, of Newport News, Va.; two brothers, T. P. Layden of Hertford and Alphonse Layden of Baltimore.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wood, Jr., announce the birth of a son, born November 19, at Albemarle Hospital.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tunnell announce the birth of a daughter born Friday, November 28, at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Keeton announce the birth of a son born Saturday, November 29th at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City.

## County Officials Assumed New Duties On Monday, Commissioners Reorganized

### Teacher Resigns From H. S. Faculty

George S. McRorie, teacher of English at Perquimans High School, has tendered his resignation of that position, effective December 19, it was learned this week.

Mr. McRorie, who joined the local school faculty last September, gave notice of his leaving to the Board of Education last week, and stated pressure of personal business forced him to submit his resignation.

## Jackets Top Indians In Season's Final Football Contest

The old "jinx", seemingly present at the annual Perquimans-Elizabeth City football game, loomed up again on Thursday of last week when the Jackets won a one-point decision from the Indians by a score of 13-12.

Perquimans outplayed Elizabeth City, rolling up greater yardage from scrimmage but was unable to convert the gains into scores. The Indians had 12 first downs to seven for the Jackets.

Neither team scored in the first quarter but Perquimans definitely showed superior ability, stopping a Jacket drive on the four yard line, then moving steadily to the Jacket 38 yard line as the period ended.

Perquimans scored midway of the second period when John Morris passed to Eugene White for a TD. The score was set up when Morris intercepted a Jacket pass and Williams ran the ball from scrimmage to the five yard line stripe. Try for extra point failed and the half ended with Perquimans leading 6-0.

Elizabeth City started the third quarter with a rush, and rolled up three first downs while the Indians collected only two in this quarter. A recovered fumble gave Elizabeth City the big break of the game and set up the Jackets' first touchdown play. The Jackets were stalled on their 46 yard line and kicked to the Indians' 20, recovering the ball after an Indian fumble. The Jackets moved to the four and smashed through from that point for a TD. They converted and the score stood 7-6.

The Jackets scored again in the fourth period when a penalty against Perquimans gave them the ball on the Indians' 16-yard line. A pass moved the ball to the five yard line and the Jackets drove through for the score.

Perquimans roared back from this, receiving the kickoff and with Williams smashing the Jacket line for good gains, the Indians moved to the Jacket 49. A pass from Morris to Carver placed the ball on the six-yard line and Williams went over for the TD. Try for extra point failed and Elizabeth City held the edge 13-12.

Perquimans High School auditorium will be the setting for the Hertford Jaycees' annual minstrel on Friday night, December 5, beginning at 8 o'clock, it was announced today by Jarvis Henry, chairman of arrangements committee.

## Heavy Loss By Fire Thanksgiving Day

Damages to the amount of \$10,000 or more is estimated to have been caused by fire which destroyed a barn and work shop of E. L. Jennings, of Route three, Hertford, located near Woodville, on Thursday of last week.

It was reported the loss is only partially covered by insurance. Jennings was in the back of the shop, working on a tractor when the fire started. A backfire of the tractor, it is reported, set fire to a pan of gasoline and the flames quickly spread to other parts of the building.

The Elizabeth City Fire Department was called to the scene and prevented the fire from spreading to other buildings, and moved a 300-gallon tank of gasoline to a place of safety.

## Street Decorations Going Up This Week

Holiday street decorations in Hertford are being distributed this week by employees of the town, Mayor V. N. Darden reported today. It had been planned to put up the multi-colored lights at the beginning of the month but inclement weather did not permit. Mayor Darden stated the lights will be turned on, at night, just as soon as installation is completed.

**SUTTON - COBB**  
Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Cobb of Hertford announce the engagement of their daughter, Gays, to Sammie Sutton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Sutton of Hertford.

**MASONS TO MEET**  
The Perquimans Masonic Lodge, No. 107, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night at 7:30 in the lodge room in the Court House.

## Appointive Officers Are Named; A. T. Lane Board Chairman

In a reorganization meeting, held Monday afternoon, a new board of County Commissioners elected A. T. Lane as chairman, and appointed C. C. Banks as clerk of the Recorder's Court; S. M. Whedbee as County Solicitor and County Attorney, and Julian C. Powell as County Tax Supervisor.

Members of the new board of Commissioners are A. T. Lane, William C. Chappell, E. B. Hollowell, R. L. Spivey and Warner Madre.

Other new officials assuming duties of office last Monday were Julian C. Powell, Register of Deeds, and D. F. Reed, Jr., Treasurer. Chas. E. Johnson succeeded himself as Judge of the Recorder's Court. All of these officials were sworn into office by W. H. Pitt, clerk of court.

Two meetings were conducted by the Board of Commissioners, the old board met during the morning and transacted all unfinished business which included reviewing an audit of the county books. It approved the purchase of an oil burning heater for the Welfare office and passed a motion granting an increase in salary for the Judge of Recorder's Court and Solicitor. Each of these officials will receive \$150 per month, a raise of \$25 over the old salary.

During the meeting of the new Board, on Monday afternoon, in addition to filling the appointive offices, the Commissioners were also township tax listers, who will begin listing property for taxes on January 2.

Named as tax listers were Percy Rogerson, Hertford Township; Julian Long, Bethel; Mrs. T. C. Perry, Belvidere; Ray Elliott, Parkville, and Carson D. Spivey, New Hope. The Board will hold a special meeting with the list takers on Monday, December 15, at which time the list takers will be instructed as to their duties.

Outgoing officials were J. W. Ward, who served as Register of Deeds for 20 years and Commissioner E. A. Turner, who represented New Hope township during the past two years, and Roy S. Chappell, representing Bethel Township for several terms.

## Jaycee Minstrel To Be Presented On Friday Night

Perquimans High School auditorium will be the setting for the Hertford Jaycees' annual minstrel on Friday night, December 5, beginning at 8 o'clock, it was announced today by Jarvis Henry, chairman of arrangements committee.

The minstrel, planned, produced and directed by the members of the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce, is composed of a cast of home-talent actors. It promises to provide a full evening of entertainment for all attending the show.

Talmage Rose will act as Interlocutor with Francis Nixon, George Fields, Charlie Skinner and Billy White filling the roles as end men. A number of special acts are also included in the program.

Tickets are on sale by all members of the Jaycees and may be purchased at the door. Proceeds from the minstrel will be used by the organization in carrying out civic betterment programs selected by the Jaycees.

## Local Car Dealers Receive Awards

L. N. Hollowell of Hollowell Chevrolet Company, Inc., and C. C. Winslow of Winslow-Blanchard Motor Co., received the "1952 Highway Safety Award" presented by the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association in Raleigh on Wednesday, December 3, it was announced by Association President Fred H. Deaton, of Statesville.

The presentation took place at a special luncheon given by the Association in honor of these men and the other Tar Heel dealers who have loaned new cars free of charge to high schools for use in the driver education program.

## Patrolman Guthrie Transferred On Monday

Cpl. Ernest Guthrie, a member of the State Highway Patrol, who has been stationed in Hertford for the past year, was transferred to Jacksonville, effective last Monday.

Mr. Guthrie, an able officer, made many friends in his short stay in this community, who regret his leaving.