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Fourteen Cases On Recorder's Docket Here Last Tuesday

Eight Defendants Pay Fines And Costs On Charges of Speeding

Fourteen cases were disposed of by the Perquimans Recorder's Court in session here last Tuesday with Judge Chas. E. Johnson presiding.

A majority of the cases involved violations of traffic laws and eight of the defendants paid fines and costs of court on charges of speeding.

Fines of \$25 and costs were levied against Frank Williams and Walter Thompson, Jr., each of whom submitted to charges of speeding.

Avery Powers, Jr., and Benjamin Lerner were fined \$10 and costs each, after entering pleas of guilty to charges of speeding.

Jenning Johnson, David Hary, Keith Magnity and George Burnett submitted to charges of speeding and paid the costs of court.

A verdict of not guilty was returned in the case in which H. N. Nixon was charged with driving drunk.

Shelton Zachary, Negro, and Gurney Bass, charged with driving trucks loaded over the weight limit, entered pleas of guilty and paid the costs of court.

Lemuel Ash, Negro, was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon. He was sentenced to jail for 60 days, sentence to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$25 and costs of court.

Leroy Lightfoot, Negro, charged with driving with improper lights, entered a plea of guilty and paid the costs of court.

Three cases were continued until the next term of court and one warrant was returned for service when the defendant failed to appear to answer the charges.

Whitston Rites Held Sunday Afternoon

William Herbert Winslow, 71, prominent resident of the Whitston community, died at 8:30 A. M., last Friday in a Suffolk, Va., hospital, after a short illness.

He was the son of the late Lancelot and Mary Winslow, a native and lifelong resident of Belvidere township.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Leanna Riddick Winslow; one brother, Ralph Winslow of Hertford, two sisters, Mrs. Percy Winslow of Whitston and Mrs. E. L. Whitehurst of Elizabeth City.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at two o'clock at the Up River Friends Church by the Rev. Elizabeth White, assisted by the Rev. D. V. Pike and the Rev. Mrs. Bertha S. White.

During the services the choir sang Abide With Me, Nearer My God to Thee and Asleep With Jesus.

Palbearers were Percy Winslow, Jr., Burwell Winslow, Will Winslow, William Lane, Fletcher Riddick and Nat Perkins.

Interment was in the church cemetery.

Thatch-Byrum Vows Spoken January 18th

The marriage of Miss Christine Thatch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Thatch of Route 1, Hertford, and Robert Lee Byrum, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Byrum of Route 1, Edenton, was solemnized Sunday, January 18, at 12 o'clock at the Bethel Baptist Church with the bride's pastor, the Rev. Bennie Crawford, officiating.

The bride wore a suit of white flannel with brown accessories and a corsage of red roses.

Mrs. Waverly Hollowell, who wore a white suit with black accessories, was matron of honor. Waverly Hollowell was the bridegroom's best man.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Byrum left for a trip to unannounced points. They are now making their home at Route 1, Edenton.

Mrs. Byrum is a graduate of Perquimans High School and is employed in the office of Harrell Gas & Coal Co., Hertford. Mr. Byrum attended Chowan High School and is now engaged in farming and fishing.

World Day of Prayer Services On Friday

World Day of Prayer will be observed in Hertford on Friday, February 20, with a union service to be conducted at the Hertford Baptist Church, beginning at 8:30 o'clock. It was announced here Wednesday.

Participating in the services will be members of the Baptist, Methodist and Holy Trinity Episcopal Churches. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Swine Sale Termed Success By Breeders

A Purebred Swine Sale held at the Hertford Livestock and Supply Co., barn Friday, February 13, was termed a success by breeders selling hogs in the sale. The sale was sponsored by the Albemarle Swine Breeders Association and the Agricultural Extension Service. It was the first such sale held since the Association was formed last December. Twenty-five hogs were sold—10 of which were bred gilts, 8 open gilts and 7 boars. The top bred gilt and the top boar were owned by Clarence Chappell, Jr., a 4-H Club member of Belvidere. The gilt was sold for \$86.00 to L. L. Davenport of Creswell. The boar brought \$68.00 and was bought by H. E. Lane of Tyner. They were both Durocs. The average prices for the sale were bred gilts, \$70.70; open gilts, \$40.95; boars, \$50.57; over-all average, \$56.14. The Association is planning to hold another sale in August.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

President Eisenhower in his first press conference on Tuesday told newsmen farm prices are now a problem but his administration is working to maintain price support, and it was his belief farm prices will rise before the end of the year. The President also stated he favors a balanced budget before taxes are cut, and that he did not know how soon these two items can be accomplished.

Meanwhile, the House Ways and Means Committee this week approved a bill calling for tax reductions for industry and individuals. The bill will now go before Congress but reports from Washington say there may be a delay in its adoption pending action on the reduction of the budget. One source pointed out it probably will be May before any definite decisions will be made toward tax reduction.

A Federal Appeals Court on Tuesday, granted Atom Spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg a new stay from their death sentence scheduled for the week of March 9. The pair, convicted of passing atom bomb secrets to Russia, seek through their attorney, to have the case reviewed by the Supreme Court which has already denied a review.

Installment buying has reached a new high in the U. S. and installment debts now stand more than 16 billion dollars. Of this amount more than five billion dollars represents debts on purchase of new cars. Credit buying has jumped considerably since 1947, and is now more than eight times the amount owed in 1942, when the nation's installment debt stood at only two billion dollars.

Local 4-H Clubbers Win Judging Contest

The Albemarle Purebred Swine Breeders Association carried out their first annual all breed spring sale on Friday, February 13, 1953.

In connection with the sale, there was a Junior Judging Contest based on the individual's score, rather than a team score. Two Perquimans County 4-H'ers took third and fourth, while a Perquimans 4-H'er took fifth. Winners in this county were John Hill of Beech Springs and Wallace Baker of Whitston who tied for top honors with a score of 147 points, out of a possible 150 points. (Winners from Pasquotank County who tied for second place were Jerry Hardesty and Charles Wilson with a score of 143 points each, out of a possible 150 points. Clarence Chappell, Jr., was fifth in the contest with a score of 141 points out of a possible 150. Incidentally, John Hill and Wallace Baker, respectively, took first and second place in the junior division judging contest at the Southeastern Duroc Congress, held in Rocky Mount last month.

Three Injured In Wreck Last Friday

Three persons were injured late Friday night when a car operated by Charles Augustus White, 13, Negro and owned by James Edward Brickhouse of Hertford, failed to make a curve at Winfall and turned over several times, striking a store near the house of Mary White.

The accident occurred around 11:30 o'clock. White and two others whose names could not be learned, were carried to the Chowan Hospital for treatment.

Considerable damage was reported done to the store and the 1947 Chevrolet was said to be a total loss.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bundy announce the birth of a son, William Woodley, on February 12. Mrs. Bundy is the former Miss Myrtle Lee Nixon.

Central PTA Observe Founder's Program At Meeting Monday

Nominating Committee Named To Select New Officers

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Perquimans County Central Grammar School held its February meeting Monday night at 7:30 o'clock, with the president, Mrs. W. H. Matthews, presiding.

The meeting opened with the singing of "Love's Old Sweet Song," by the audience. Miss Johnnie White then read the State President's message.

The president presented Mrs. Merrill Winslow, who with Mrs. Clyde Lane had charge of the program. Mrs. Winslow introduced Mrs. Russell Baker who conducted the devotional. This was followed by a rendition of "Bless This House" by Mrs. Robert Lewis Stevenson, who was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Ralph White.

A "Founder's Day" program in observance of the 56th anniversary of the organization of the Parent-Teacher Association was presented by the Whitston community under the direction of Mrs. Merrill Winslow and Mrs. Clyde Lane. The program opened with a recitation "We Observe Founder's Day," by Emmett Winslow. This was followed by an acoustic "Founders and Builders" by pupils of the various grades. A group of girls composed of Lola Jane Winslow, Nan Ella White, Dorothy Jean Winslow, Marilyn Baker and Patricia White presented a play "Youth Takes a Hand," which portrayed in a most interesting manner many pertinent facts pertaining to the founding and development of the Parent-Teacher Association, including the enrollment, in the local and national organization, the objects of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, and interesting facts about the lives of the founders, Mrs. Alice McLeellan Birney and Mrs. Phoebe (Apperson) Hearst. This was climaxed by the lighting of a huge birthday cake.

At the conclusion of the program a silver offering amounting to \$14.38 was taken to help advance the work of the Parent-Teacher Organization within the state.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Matthews, the president, reported that 21 subscriptions to the PTA magazine had been sent in. She urged that other interested members contact Mrs. Nathan Sawyer, the magazine chairman, as soon as possible in order to bring the quota of magazines up to par.

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Indians Play Manteo Here Friday Night For League Title

Rural Conference To Conduct Tourney Starting Next Wed.

A conference championship will be at stake when the Perquimans Indians meet the boys from Manteo in a basketball game to be played at the local high school gym on Friday night of this week. The Indians and the Manteo team are tied for first place in the Albemarle Rural Conference and the winner of the game tonight will go into the Rural Conference tourney as top-seeded team.

A preliminary game between the girls' teams of the two schools will start at 7:30 o'clock. The Manteo girls hold second position in the conference while the Indian Squaws are in third position.

In a double header, played at Manteo earlier this season, the local girls lost while the Indians defeated the Manteo boys. Fans can expect an exciting contest tonight as the two teams play for the season championship.

On last Friday night the Indians and Squaws met the Central High School teams in a return engagement with the Indians gaining revenge for an earlier defeat, turning back Central 44 to 41. Williams, with 14 points and Morris with nine points paced the Indians while Blevins hit for 17 points for Central. Perquimans came from behind during the second half to overcome a five point lead the Central boys had at halftime.

Carolyn Jones, scoring 27 points, led the Central girls to victory over the Squaws by a margin of 52 to 41. White and Winslow led in the scoring for the Perquimans girls.

The Perquimans boys and girls played Kitty Hawk at Manteo on Tuesday night, winning both games with ease. The Squaws scored 41 points to Kitty Hawk's 23 and the Indians romped to victory by a score of 56 to 20.

Scoring in the girls' game was divided among White who hit for 20 points, Stokes 10, and Winslow 7. Hayward was high scorer for Kitty Hawk with 18 points.

Williams and Morris scored 14 points each to pace the Indians to victory over the Kitty Hawk boys. Matthews scored seven points and Towe hit for nine.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer will be observed at Woodland Methodist Church Friday, February 20, at 7:30 P. M. Mrs. Ernest Cartwright will have charge of the program. The public is urged to be present.

WEEKLY LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

NOTE: This is the fifth of a series of weekly summaries of the work of the North Carolina General Assembly of 1953. It is confined to discussions of matters of general interest and major importance.

The big issue in Raleigh in 1953 (as in all recent years) is, or will be, money. After appropriations are determined and balanced with anticipated revenues, the big job is done. Virtual completion of appropriation committee hearings and the promise of Governor Umstead's budget message in the next few days bring this legislative session to a crucial point. If legislators like his recommendations, quick solutions may be forthcoming. If not, or if his recommendations involve increased taxes, a battle may be in the offering.

Appropriations
The need for substantial new mental hospital and school building construction has become increasingly apparent with only state sanatoria and the State Art Society remaining to be heard by the joint appropriations committee. Uncomfortably aware that Advisory Budget Commission estimates of \$390 million in revenues for 1953-54 seem very accurate, committee members have heard requests for \$142 million over Budget Commission recommendations. These requests include \$33 million for operational expenses and over \$109 million for permanent improvements. Topping the list was the State Board of Education's bid for \$60 million to equalize school facilities in the state and \$16.5 million for operational expenses (including \$2.5 million to finance the purchase of all school buses by the state and over \$10 million for an additional 6 per cent salary increase for teachers over and above the 10 per cent recommended in the budget bill).

Meanwhile, the Governor spiked rumors of separate legislation giving state employees the 10 per cent retroactive pay increase immediately by requesting legislators to handle appropriations in the biennial appropriation bills.

Finance

Against this background of more money needed, several newspapers on Friday published reports that the Governor would ask the General Assembly in his budget message for bond issues of approximately \$88 million—\$50 million for public schools, \$23 million for mental hospitals, and \$15 million for state agencies and institutions. Only the latter issue could be approved by the legislators without a referendum. To finance these bonds, several million dollars would be required for the biennium, revenue that is not presently available. While the Governor may ask revision of sales tax exemptions to produce this revenue, such revisions are considered new taxes by many tax conscious legislators.

Currently more sentiment is to be found in legislation for tax reduction than for tax increase. SB 97 proposes that all surplus built up in the first year of the biennium be appropriated in the second, and that personal income taxes be reduced for the second year by the percentage that the surplus bears to appropriations. HB 232 would increase from \$300 to \$600 the exemption allowed taxpayers for each dependent other than husband and wife. It is estimated that this measure would reduce state revenues by \$3,153,000 each year.

The only bill proposing to increase taxes was HB 242, which levies heavy additional taxes on wine, beer and liquor. These taxes were later incorporated into the long expected veterans' bonus bill to pay for a \$165 million bond issue (subject to voter approval) which would provide a maximum of \$500 to veterans of World Wars I and II and the Korean conflict. HB 264 asks a \$1,596,000 bond issue for the construction of a State Archives and History Building.

Organization and Reorganization
The cry of "sail on" went up in the House at the reorganization of the Conservation and Development Board was explained as a "simple little bill" (Continued on Page Five)

Holmes Offers Bill On Tax Deduction

Representative C. R. Holmes has introduced a bill before the Legislature calling for a new tax deduction, according to a report from Raleigh on Wednesday.

The bill sponsored by Mr. Holmes, if enacted, will permit a taxpayer to deduct commuting expenses in figuring State income taxes.

Mr. Holmes stated any man who has to commute to his work ought to be able to deduct those traveling expenses in figuring out his tax. He pointed out many individuals from this area work in Norfolk and bring income into the area but do not have the right to deduct the extra expense of earning that income in figuring income tax.

The measure was given to the Finance Committee for its consideration.

Savin-Trueblood Ceremony At Bagley Swamp Church

Miss Mary Rebecca Trueblood, daughter of Mrs. James Shannonhouse Trueblood, and the late Mr. Trueblood, of Hertford, became the bride of Clarence Adam Savin, son of Wentworth Savin, and the late Mrs. Savin, of Route 1, Elizabeth City, on Sunday afternoon, February 15, at 5 o'clock, in the Bagley Swamp Pilgrim Holiness Church. The pastor, Rev. Coy S. Saunders, heard the vows.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Medford S. Trueblood, attended by Mrs. Ernest Melvin Winslow, matron of honor of Elizabeth City and Miss Allie Mae Trueblood, bridesmaid of Hertford, both sisters of the bride. Ernest Melvin Winslow served as best man. Ushers were Preston Reese Stevenson and Marshall Allen Winslow, both of Hertford.

One large basket of gladioli and fern against a background of palms, lighted by white cathedral candles in candelabras decorated the church.

Music selections by Mrs. J. Percy Trueblood pianist, prior to the ceremony were, "Indian Love Call" and "I Love You Truly." "Oh Promise Me" was played softly during the ceremony. Miss Neppie Maude Smith, soprano, sang "Because," "Together Life's Pathway We Tread," and "The Lord's Prayer," with piano accompaniment.

The bride wore a gown of white bridal satin with an off-shoulder Chantilly lace yoke, low fitted waistline, with self-covered buttons down the back of the waist, long tailored sleeves with lace cuffs ending in bridal points over the hands. A full gathered skirt with a bustle back extending into a chapel-length train. Her finger-tip veil edged with lace trim draped from a Bo-Peep style headgear made of white satin and small pearls. She carried a cascade bouquet of white carnations and baby-breath with lacin streamers.

The matron of honor wore a white taffeta gown with fitted bodice, high neckline, with scalloped yoke, trimmed with self-covered buttons, three-quarter sleeves with lace trim and a full gathered skirt. She carried a cascade bouquet of red and white carnations. The bridesmaid wore a white gown of nail-head taffeta with fitted bodice, three-quarter sleeves and a full gathered skirt. She carried a bouquet of red carnations in cascade design. The attendants wore identical hats of Bo-Peep style. Mrs. Robert Lewis Stevenson was mistress of ceremonies.

For the wedding trip the bride changed to a black gabardine suit on which she pinned a white carnation corsage. Her other accessories were black and white.

The couple will make their home in the Simons Creek community, Route 1, Elizabeth City, where Mr. Savin is a prominent farmer.

Non Listers To Face Court Action

Perquimans County residents who have failed to comply with the law by listing their property for taxes face possible court action it was learned here this week.

It was brought to light in recorder's court, on Tuesday, that one of the defendants had failed to list property for taxes, as provided by law, and after the disclosure, it was learned this defendant, with others who fail to list property for taxes, will be served with warrants for violation of the law.

It was not disclosed when the action will be started against known violators.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Apple of Jacksonville, Fla., announce the birth of a daughter born Thursday, February 12. Mrs. Apple before her marriage was Miss Fern Douglas.

Jaycees To Conduct Project For Benefit Of School Children

Plan Drive For Funds To Buy Activities Bus For Students

Members of the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce, at a meeting held here this week voted to sponsor one of the largest fund raising campaigns ever conducted locally, for the benefit of the school children of Perquimans County.

The project adopted by the local Jaycees is the purchase of an activities bus, for transporting students of the Perquimans High School, Central and Hertford Grammar Schools to and from school activities in towns and cities other than Hertford.

A committee composed of George Fields, Jaycee President, Henry C. Stokes, Jr., Tommy Maston, Ellie Fearing and Ab Williams, will spearhead the campaign.

In announcing plans for the drive Mr. Fields stated representatives of the Jaycees will meet with each and every civic club of the county to explain this project and to enlist the assistance of other clubs with the project.

A goal of \$3,500 has been set as the amount needed to purchase the bus, which will be a large, heated coach-type vehicle, arranged and equipped to provide comfortable transportation for the children.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce has contributed from its treasury the sum of \$300 as a starter for the \$3,500 goal. The committee plans to open the drive next week, with representatives calling on Hertford business houses, and a special representative soliciting contributions from each rural community in the county. The Jaycees are hopeful the drive can be completed in time to secure the bus for the next school term.

In adopting the project members of the Jaycees announced it was their opinion "it is much safer for the children to be transported on various trips and tours in a vehicle driven by a responsible adult, than having them traveling to activity programs and contests in cars driven by teen-age drivers."

The bus will be used not only for transporting school athletic teams to various contests, but will be available to the three schools for use by all students, whether the trip be a 4-H Club tour, school student visits to Raleigh or other historic scenes.

It was announced that any person desiring to contribute to the project prior to the opening of the drive, or by anyone not contacted by a solicitor, may mail contributions to "Jaycees, Box 13, Hertford, N. C."

Local Residents See Flying Saucers

Flying saucers made their appearance in Perquimans County on Friday of last week, according to reports made to this reporter by several residents of the county.

D. R. Trueblood of Winfall reported he saw a blazing object flying through the sky at about dusk Friday evening, and the object appeared to be traveling at a very rapid rate. The object, Mr. Trueblood said, was going faster than any plane he ever saw, and was very bright.

L. N. Hollowell also reported seeing an object near Woodville, at about the same time Friday evening. Mr. Hollowell described the object as resembling a large sized light bulb, brilliantly blazing. He said he first saw the object moving in a northeasterly direction, as though it had come from Hertford going to Elizabeth City and he watched the object until it seemingly disintegrated in the air.

The object, according to Mr. Hollowell, was moving rapidly in a position horizontally to the earth.

Speight Funeral Conducted Wednesday

Mrs. Mary G. Speight, 82, native of Perquimans County, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John C. Sanford, at Mocksville on Tuesday morning. She was the wife of the late Dr. J. W. Speight of Roper.

Surviving besides her daughter are three grandchildren and three great grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Isa Tucker and Mrs. Thomas Nixon, both of Hertford.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Roper, of which she was a member, by the Rev. E. M. Spruill, rector, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Roberson. Burial was in the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church cemetery in Hertford.