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## J. Emmett Winslow Named Highway Commissioner

### Perquimans Man To Direct Activity Of First District

J. Emmett Winslow, former sheriff of Perquimans County, former State Senator, and merchant of Hertford, will be a member of the State Highway Commission, representing the 14 counties of the First Highway District. Mr. Winslow was appointed to the post on Monday by Governor William B. Umstead, along with 13 other members of the new Board.

Governor Umstead appointed A. H. Graham as chairman of the Highway Commission. Graham served in that position under Governor Gregg Cherry. In announcing the appointments Governor Umstead, as was expected, expanded the State Highway Commission from a 10-member board to a 14-member board. This action followed a recommendation of a committee named to study the state highway conditions and the various districts.

The First District, over which Mr. Winslow will be commissioner, has been reorganized somewhat and arranged to include the counties in Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington.

Mr. Winslow's appointment to the State Highway Commission marked the first time in some 20 years Perquimans County has had representation on this board.

The chairman and all members of the commission will serve for four-year terms expiring May 1, 1957. Graham, a former Lieutenant Governor, served as Highway Commission chairman under former Gov. Gregg Cherry.

In its report to the Governor the committee said that "in increasing the divisions to 14 in number, your committee has, in its best judgment, divided the State into divisions substantially of equal size on the basis of area, population and mileage."

## New Business To Hold Grand Opening Friday And Saturday

Hertford's newest business, Perry Electric Supply, will hold its formal opening here Friday and Saturday of this week. It was announced Wednesday by Leslie Perry, manager of the new store.

The firm will sell and service a complete line of electrical appliances and have been authorized dealers for Frigidaire, RCA and Admiral products.

The store is located in the old Shannonhouse building, opposite the Court House, and recently was remodeled into a very attractive and modern store for handling appliances.

For the past several weeks employees of the store have been preparing for the grand opening today. New stocks of appliances have been received and placed on display for the opening.

A feature of the opening will be the awarding of a Frigidaire refrigerator to one of the persons attending the opening of the store and registering during either Friday or Saturday. Gifts will be presented to all adults registering at the store during the formal opening and children accompanied to the store by their parents will also be presented with a gift. Gifts will be given away as long as the supply lasts.

## Bloodmobile Coming To County May 29th

The next visit of the Red Cross bloodmobile to Perquimans County will be on Friday, May 29, it was reported today by Jarvis Henry, chairman of a Hertford Jaycee committee, now sponsoring the Red Cross Blood Program in this county.

Mr. Henry said the bloodmobile headquarters will be set up at the Hertford Methodist Church during the hours of 10 A. M., and 4 P. M., and he urged all persons who will volunteer to donate blood to the program. Donations of blood are urgently needed by the Red Cross to carry out its program of supplying the Armed Forces and production of Gamma Globulin for prevention of Polio.

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

## New Commissioner



J. EMMETT WINSLOW

J. Emmett Winslow, Hertford merchant, has been appointed highway commissioner for the First District. Governor Umstead announced the appointment Monday. Mr. Winslow is a veteran of World War I, former Sheriff of Perquimans County and a former State Senator. During World War II he directed the rubber salvage drive and was director of the Aircraft Warning Service. He was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention last year. A charter member of the Hertford Rotary Club he has been active in civic and political affairs for many years.

## Eleven Cases Listed On Recorder Docket Here Last Tuesday

A verdict of probable cause was returned in the hearing, held Tuesday in Perquimans Recorder's Court, in which Elsie Harris, Negro, was charged with assaulting Lillian Riddick, by setting fire to her clothes, and also charged with secret assault. According to Sheriff M. G. Owens, who arrested the Harris woman, after investigation of the case, it is alleged by the State Elsie Harris set fire to the clothing of the Riddick woman, which resulted in serious injuries to the prosecuting witness. The Harris woman was ordered held on bond for action of the Grand Jury at the October term of Superior Court.

In the case in which H. W. Ward was charged with issuing a worthless check to E. N. Miller, a motion for non-suit was granted due to a technicality in the drawing of the warrant charging the crime. The Court advised Solicitor S. M. Whedbee the action will have to be started over due to the technicality.

Costs of court were taxed against John Hollowell who submitted to a charge of driving with improper lights.

A verdict of not guilty was returned in the hearing in which Lester Wilson, Jr., Negro, was charged with larceny.

Victor Bunch, charged with reckless driving, and Cameron Pierce, charged with aiding and abetting in reckless driving failed to appear to answer the charges. Warrants in these cases were ordered returned for service and the defendants were ordered placed in jail or post \$100 bonds.

Lawrence Sutton, Johnny Cox and Gerland Walker entered pleas of guilty to charges of disturbing the peace. Each defendant was taxed with half of the court costs.

Costs of court were assessed against James Newbold who submitted to a charge of failing to observe a stop sign.

A fine of \$2 and costs were paid by Bennie Demminck, Negro, who entered a plea of guilty to charges of being drunk on the streets of Hertford.

## Indians Defeat Nash County Team 7 to 0

The Perquimans Indians moved a step nearer retaining their Class A State baseball championship Wednesday night when they defeated Coopers High School 7-0, in the first game of a series to decide the 1953 title for the Northeastern District.

Vernon White, ace hurler for Perquimans, struck out 17 Coopers batters, gave up one hit and walked two. The Indians collected five hits off Tucker, the Coopers pitcher, who struck out nine batters and walked nine. White hit a triple in the eighth driving in two runs.

Perquimans tallied one run in the third and sixth innings, three in the seventh and two in the eighth.

## Perquimans Indians Beat Williamston For District Title

### Local Baseballers Now Playing For North-eastern Honors

Perquimans High School's baseball team defeated Williamston two out of three games last week to win the right to play Coopers High School of near Rocky Mount for the Northeastern title in the State Elimination playoffs. A two out of three series will be played between the Indians and Coopers, with the first game scheduled for Hertford Wednesday night at 8 A. M., and the second game to be played in Rocky Mount, Friday night at 8 P. M.

The Perquimans Indians now rank among the eight teams in North Carolina remaining in the play-offs. The winner of the Perquimans-Coopers series will compete for the Eastern title next week, and the state championship will be decided the final week in May.

Coach Ab Williams' fighting Indians came from behind to win the district championship from a strong Williamston team. Williamston won the opening game by a score of 4 to 1, then last Friday the Indians rocked the Green Wave 4 to 2. Paul Mathews pitched a four-hit contest against Williamston, walking six batters and striking out seven. Morris led the Indians in hitting, getting three safeties, including a triple, out of three trips to the plate. Hardison, pitching for Williamston gave up seven hits, walked three and struck out eight Indian batters.

With the series all even, the Indians traveled to Edenton Saturday afternoon for the final game with Williamston. This contest proved to be a pitcher's duel between Vernon White of Perquimans and Perry. Neither team scored during the first nine innings, and then in the first half of the tenth Perquimans tallied three runs. Cliff Towe walked and Ted Chappell was safe on an error, both runners advanced on an error and scored when Carver was safe at first on a bunt. White singled Carver home for the third run for Perquimans.

Vernon White gave up three hits, while Perry allowed four. White struck out 16 batters and walked three. Perry struck out 16 batters and also walked three.

## Hertford Rotarians Entertain Wives

The Hertford Rotary Club observed its annual Ladies' Night party at the Hotel Hertford on Tuesday night of this week. Charles Henc, club president, presided.

An address of welcome was given by Robert L. Hollowell, and response was by Mrs. Charles Henc. An interesting program, A Night in Paris, presenting points about the Rotary International meeting in Paris, France this month, was presented under the direction of the Rev. Chas. Wolf, chairman of the program committee. During the program, the club also recognized Mother's Day, and a gift was presented Mrs. A. W. Hefren, as being mother of the oldest Rotary child.

## Co-op Building Being Remodeled

Work of remodeling the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation building on U. S. 17, south of Hertford, into a modern office and storage plant, is nearing completion according to John Costen, manager of the Co-op.

The building which was purchased from L. N. Hollowell several months ago when directors of the Co-op decided against construction of an entirely new building, has been converted into a number of offices for the various departments of the Co-op, and has a large space for storage of tools and materials.

The offices, finished off in paneling of pine and cypress are very attractive, and the grounds surrounding the offices are to be landscaped.

## FIRE DESTROYS HOUSE

A two-story house, located in Winfall and owned by Martha Sutton, was destroyed by fire Wednesday night. The fire, of undetermined origin, was discovered at about 2:30 o'clock. The Hertford Fire Department was called to the scene but the blaze had gained such headway the firemen were unable to save the building. The department did, however, prevent the fire from spreading to nearby houses.

## Albemarle Co-op in Annual Meeting Here Last Saturday

### Membership Selects Board Of Directors For Coming Year

Members of the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation, gathered in Hertford last Saturday afternoon for their annual meeting, during which they elected directors for the corporation for the current year. The program, presented at the meeting, included a financial report given by the manager, John Costen. This report revealed the local REA has shown steady growth as compared to previous years and its total assets now amount to \$901. Fifteen miles of electric lines were added to the system during the year and 52 new members were enrolled in the corporation.

The meeting was presided over by Archie Lane, chairman of the Board of Directors for the corporation.

In the election of directors for the coming year, two directors from each of the four counties comprising the corporation were chosen and one director was elected at large. The new directors chosen were A. T. Lane, Charles E. White and Floyd Mathews for Perquimans; J. A. Whitehurst and J. W. Hastings for Camden; J. A. Wiggins and John R. Bunch of Chowan, and W. R. Lowry and Tommie Temple for Pasquotank.

Following the balloting for the election of the new Board of Directors, W. E. Debnam, radio commentator of Raleigh, was introduced by Max Campbell. As the guest speaker for the event Mr. Debnam complimented the membership on its splendid organization and its rapid growth during the past six years, since it was organized in 1946.

He pointed out to the gathering the importance of each person to assume his share of the responsibility as defenders of liberty in the United States, giving a personal experience in an embassy of a foreign nation, to illustrate the point of freedom as it is enjoyed in America.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the newly elected directors met and elected the following officers for the corporation: Archie T. Lane, chairman of the board; Joe Wiggins, vice chairman; Floyd Mathews, secretary, and Charles E. White, treasurer.

## Poppy Day Funds Assist Disabled

Every coin dropped into a Poppy Day contribution box next Saturday will mean that the American Legion Auxiliary will be able to give just that much more for disabled war veterans during the coming year, according to Mrs. F. T. Johnson, Rehabilitation Chairman of Perquimans American Legion Auxiliary Unit.

Volunteer workers from the Auxiliary are busy constantly bringing aid, comfort and cheer to the disabled veterans of the two world wars and the Korean conflict, she explained, their activities financed largely by Poppy Day funds. Because of the growing number of war disabled, Mrs. Johnson expressed the hope that Poppy Day contributions would be especially generous this year.

"Auxiliary volunteers are going constantly into hospitals and homes where disabled veterans are fighting the long battle to regain health and a place in the normal life of the country they defended," she said. "Thanks to the generosity of the people who wear poppies on Poppy Day, they do not have to go empty handed but are able to bring material aid to these courageous men."

"We now have Korean War veterans to serve, as well as those from the earlier conflicts. Our Auxiliary members are grateful for every assistance given them in their work for the welfare of these men who have given so much for America."

## Faces Trial In Shooting Case

James Lee Collins, 23 year old Negro, was arrested last Monday by Sheriff M. G. Owens on charges of assaulting Matrice Revell, with a pistol. He is being held for a hearing in Perquimans Recorder's Court on May 19.

According to Sheriff Owens, Collins is alleged to have shot the Revell woman at about two A. M., last Monday morning at the home of George Johnson, near Harvey Point. Hit in the abdomen by the bullet from the pistol, the Revell woman was taken to Chowan Hospital for treatment.

## Program Of Commencement Exercises Announced For Perquimans High School

### Repairs Start Soon

Repairs to the auditorium of Perquimans Training School which was damaged two weeks ago by a tornado, are expected to get underway within the next few days, it was reported Wednesday by J. T. Biggers, county school superintendent.

Negotiations between local school authorities and insurance adjusters over payment of damage done by the storm are about completed, and it is understood the insurance carried by school authorities will cover all damages.

A bid for reconstructing the auditorium has been submitted to the local Board of Education. This bid sets the cost at \$18,500, which includes rebuilding parts of the wall, reroofing the auditorium and replacing the hardwood floors of the gymnasium.

## Town Board Orders Delinquent Taxes Sold On July 13

Meeting here last Monday night in regular session, the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Hertford ordered all real property upon which 1952 taxes were not paid to be advertised during the month of June and sold on the second Monday of July. Individuals, who have not yet paid the town 1952 taxes, are advised to make immediate settlement and save additional costs and penalties.

A delegation, representing Negro progressive civic clubs of the town, appeared before the Board requesting assistance from the town in erecting poles and lights on a playground and the clubs are establishing for Negro children, at the corner of Hyde Park and King Streets. The delegation advised the Board civic club members are contributing funds for installation of playground equipment, and the group hoped to open the playground May 30. The request for poles and lights to be furnished by the town was approved.

Herbert N. Nixon was appointed to the position as tax lister for the Town for the current year at a salary of \$100.

Mayor V. N. Darden advised the Board work on repairs to the towns water tanks is expected to get underway within a short time. A contract has been let for cleaning, repairing and painting the water towers. Equipment to be used on the job has already arrived here.

The Mayor also reported to the Board that preliminary work on constructing a new electric line to Major Loomis Company is underway and this project will be completed as rapidly as possible.

It was also reported the Town recently received a photostatic copy of every application made to the State for a 1953 motor vehicle license and these records to be used to determine if all cars owned by residents of the town are listed for taxes. Names of persons found to own cars, and who have not listed the cars for tax purposes, will be turned over to the Grand Jury for court action.

## Wildlife Regulations Hearing Set June 5

A special hearing, for the purpose of discussing hunting regulations as proposed by the State Wildlife Commission, will be conducted at the Court House in Edenton, on Friday, June 5, it was reported today by Charles Henc, chairman of District One, of the Wildlife Federation.

Mr. Henc pointed out that it is a desire of the Wildlife Commission to acquaint Tar Heel sportsmen with tentative proposed regulations and it is for this purpose these special meetings are called. He urged all members of the local Wildlife Club to make plans to attend the hearing to be conducted in Edenton.

## Furniture Store To Honor Senior Girls

As has been its custom for the past several years, W. M. Morgan Furniture Co., of Hertford will again this year, honor girl members of the graduating class of Perquimans High School and Perquimans Training School by presenting each girl graduate with a miniature Lane cedar chest.

The gifts are now in display at the local store, and the honorees may secure their cedar chest following commencement exercises at the individual schools.

## Events Begin Sunday May 24; School To Close On May 27

Finals for the twenty-eighth year at Perquimans High School will begin Sunday night, May 24, with the Baccalaureate Sermon delivered by Dr. R. W. Kicklighter, pastor of the Blackwell Memorial Church in Elizabeth City. The Rev. Virgil Pike will give the scripture and prayer. The Glee Club will sing "The Heavens Resound." Mollie Lu Yeates will give a solo "O Lord Most Holy."

Class Night will be Tuesday night, May 26, the theme will be Hi-Flyers. The Salutatorian is Marilyn Baker and the Valedictorian is Mabel Martin Whedbee. Class President is Fred Mathews, Class Poet, Dorothy Jean Winslow; Master of Ceremonies, Billy Chappell; Historian, Nan Ella White; Commanding Officer, John Holmes; Colonel of the Army Air Corps, Nina Jane Chappell; Giftorians, Shirley Eure and Glenda Lane; Prophet, Mollie Lu Yeates, and Testator, Kay White Stanton. Katherine Nixon, a junior, will play the part of an airplane stewardess. Emily Sumner Hall will introduce the superlatives and a quartet, Mollie Lu Yeates, Janice Boyce, Shirley Eure and Peggy Stokesly, will sing "Far Away Places."

Graduation will be Wednesday night, May 27. Fred Mathews, president of the class, will give the welcome. Nonie Lou Lane will give an address "The Ideal American." Mary Ann Harris will give an address "Not at the Heights, but Climbing", and Billy Chappell, president of the Student Body, will speak on "Life at Perquimans High." Superintendent J. T. Biggers will introduce Edgar Morris, chairman of the Board of Education, who will award the diplomas. E. C. Woodard will present the medals and awards. Mabel Martin Whedbee will present the senior gift to the school and give the farewell. The Glee Club will sing "When Day Is Done" and "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers."

The marshals for this year's commencement program are Chief Marshal, Linda Bergeron; 11th grade, Leon Dail and John Morris; 10th grade, Patricia Biggers and Julia Ann Stokes; 9th grade, Judy Winslow and Janice Stallings, and 8th grade, Charlie Johnson and Earl Dunsmore.

Class officers for this year's graduating class are President, Fred Mathews; vice-president, Nan Ella White; secretary, Marilyn Baker, and treasurer, Janice Yagel Boyce. The class sponsors are Mrs. C. R. Holmes and Mrs. C. W. Barbee. The mascots are Nell Cox and Jerry Stallings. The accompanists for the commencement exercises will be Jean Long and Mrs. Charles E. Johnson.

## HD Club Members Entertain County Commissioners

Highlighting the annual Commissioners' dinner at the Agricultural Building on Friday night was a very interesting talk on "Goals and Achievements of Home Demonstration Work" by Mrs. L. J. Winslow of Belvidere. She told of many things which the Home Agents and Farm Agents had accomplished since this work was begun.

Also included on the program was the welcome by Mrs. John Hurdle, County Council President, response by R. L. Spivey and a duet by Mrs. Fred Mathews and Mrs. Howard Matthews. Recreation was conducted by Miss Carolyn Biggerstaff, Assistant Home Agent.

The Chapanoke Club served the meal which consisted of Country ham, snap beans, potato salad, sliced tomatoes, corn bread, rolls, tea, and apple pie a la mode.

Guests at the dinner included Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hollowell, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Warner Madre, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Spivey, William C. Chappell, Mrs. L. J. Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Holmes, Mrs. John Hurdle, Mr. and Mrs. George Fields, Mrs. Howard Matthews, Mrs. Fred Mathews, Miss Kinsey Perry and Miss Carolyn Biggerstaff.

## CENTRAL PTA MEETS

The Parent-Teacher Association of Perquimans Central Grammar School will hold a picnic supper at the school grounds next Monday night beginning at 6:30 o'clock, to be followed by the regular PTA meeting at 8 P. M. The Woodland community will have charge of the program.