

## Wildlife Commission Seeking Lease Of Town Property For Boat Ramp Project

### Adjacent Property Owners Voice Objections To Proposal

The State Wildlife Commission, it was learned here last Saturday is seeking a location in or near Hertford as a site for the construction of a parking area and boat launching ramp for convenience of fishermen visiting this area and using the Perquimans River for fishing purposes.

While complete details of the project remain unannounced, it was learned that a representative of the Wildlife Commission approached the Hertford Town Board with the proposal the Town Board lease the Wildlife Commission the river front property adjacent to the lot upon which is situated the new municipal building as a site for the project. This plot of land is just off Barrow's Lane and Punch Alley.

According to a report, which was investigated, the Wildlife Commission proposes to lease the river front of this property, construct a bulkhead at some point out in the water, filling in the enclosed area as a parking space and construct a ramp into the river to provide launching facilities for visiting sportsmen.

It was also learned the proposal of leasing the land to the Wildlife Commission has been placed before members of the Town Board, but definite action on the matter has not been taken by the Board.

A number of property owners residing at or near the proposed site, on learning of the plan, have voiced opposition to the proposed project. They contend the use of such a project, at hours when such ramps and areas are usually used will create a noise nuisance in the neighborhood, and tend to destroy the peace of the property owners. They also contend construction of such a project within the residential area will have a tendency to decrease the valuation of their property.

They likewise have expressed the desire to voice their objections before the members of the Town Board before any official action is taken in regard to leasing the property for a project of this type.

Mayor V. M. Darden has announced the matter will be discussed at the next regular meeting of the Hertford Town Board, scheduled for Monday night, July 13, and residents of the town interested in the proposal may appear in person to give views on the proposal.

## Harrell Rites To Be Conducted Here

Cpl. Ralph Donald Harrell, age 23, was killed January 7, 1953, when the plane in which he was being flown home from Korea crashed on a mountainside near Fish Haven, Idaho.

He entered the Army in August, 1951, and received his training in Hawaii, where he was attached to the U. S. Army Medical Corps, 21st Company, 24th Division of the Eighth Army. He received advanced training in Japan for two months before serving in Korea for ten months. While in Korea, he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for bravery under fire.

Cpl. Harrell was a native of Chowan County but had been living in Perquimans County for eight years. He was the son of Robert L. and Mrs. Lindell Adams Harrell of Route 1, Hertford, and the husband of Mrs. Carolyn Dean Harrell of Route 3, Hertford.

Besides his wife and parents, he is survived by three sisters, Miss Peggy Harrell of Route 1, Hertford; Mrs. James Edward Layden of Raleigh and Mrs. Harry Davenport of Edenton, and one brother, Carl Harrell of Route 1, Hertford.

The remains are being forwarded to Tidwell's Funeral Home in Hertford for funeral services which will be announced later.

## Former Resident Member Of Board

Mrs. G. Grady Dixon of Ayden, a former Hertford girl, was elected honorary member of the State Board of Health at a business meeting of the Board in Raleigh Tuesday.

The honorary election followed the re-election of her husband as president of the State Board, a position the Ayden physician has held for a number of years.

Mrs. Dixon is the former Miss Julia Elliott of Hertford.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
A Vacation Bible School will be conducted at the Bethel Baptist Church beginning Monday, June 22, and lasting through June 26. Classes will be held from 9 A. M. to 12 noon daily.

## Farmers Hold Mass Meeting For Agent

Between 50 and 75 Perquimans farmers met in the Court House in Hertford Wednesday night, presenting a mass request to the District Supervisor of the Extension Service that Earl Topping, former assistant county agent here, be employed as the county agent.

A number of the farmers spoke in behalf of Mr. Topping, and asked questions concerning the policy of the Extension Service Office in filling vacancies.

The group was advised by the Supervisor that it is the policy of the Extension Office not to return an employee to a locality once he is moved following circumstances under which the original transfer was similar to the one in this county.

## Styons-Miller Vows Spoken On June 2 At Berea Church

The marriage of Miss Dorothy Lee Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Miller, Old Neck Road, Hertford, to the Rev. Melvin Douglas Styons, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Styons of Plymouth, was solemnized Tuesday afternoon, June 2, at 2 o'clock in the Berea Church of Christ near New Hope.

The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. Walker B. Perry, pastor of the church. White gladioli, lilies, palms and lighted candles were used in the decorations. George W. Bon Durant of Elizabeth City sang "Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life" and "Through the Years." Miss Pearl Presley of Elizabeth City sang "The Wedding Prayer." Mrs. George Bon Durant played the traditional wedding marches.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was lovely in a gown of French lace and nylon tulle over white satin, fashioned with a basque bodice and bouffant skirt. The yoke was set with seed pearls. Her veil fell from a tiara of seed pearls and formed a long train. She wore elbow length lace mits and carried a bouquet of white carnations with wide ribbon streamers.

Mrs. Leroy Dail of Hertford Route 3 was her sister's matron of honor, and the bridesmaids were Miss Gertrude Faye Miller, sister of the bride, and Miss Grace Sullivan of Washington, N. C., college classmate of the bride. They wore gowns of orchid net over taffeta with tiered skirts and carried colonial bouquets of pink carnations. Little Paulette Dail, niece of the bride, was flower girl, dressed as a miniature bride and carried a basket of mixed flowers. The ring bearer was Cecil Styons, Jr., nephew of the bridegroom.

The best man was Cecil Styons, Sr., of Plymouth, a brother of the bridegroom and the groomsmen were Horace Norman Miller, brother of the bride, and Homer Styons, brother of the bridegroom.

The mother of the bride wore a navy silk dress and the mother of the bridegroom wore a two-piece navy dress. Their flowers were pink carnations.

Mrs. Walker B. Perry of Elizabeth City was mistress of ceremony. Her costume was all white with a corsage of pink carnations.

For traveling the bride wore a blue suit with white accessories and a corsage lifted from her bouquet. After a short wedding trip they will be at home in Chatham, Virginia, where he is pastor of the Church of Christ.

## Funeral Saturday For J. V. Stallings

Funeral services for Joseph Vick Stallings, 79, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. Van Roach, in Winfall on Thursday last week, were conducted at the Lynch Funeral Home last Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the Rev. H. M. Jamison, pastor of the Winfall Methodist Church, assisted by the Rev. E. B. Edwards of Edenton.

Mr. Stallings was a native of Perquimans County, husband of the late Mrs. Leah Winslow Stallings, and he was a member of the Up River Friends Church.

Surviving, besides Mrs. Roach, is another daughter, Mrs. Ernest Stallings, one son, J. V. Stallings, Jr., of Portsmouth, Va., a sister, Mrs. J. E. Baker of Whitefoot, and one brother, John Stallings of Pasquotank County. Burial was in the Up River Friends Church Cemetery.

## Major-Loomis Co. To Cease Operation Here Very Soon

Rumors which have circulated in this area for the past several months concerning the closing of the Major-Loomis Lumber Company were confirmed this week by A. W. Hefren, general manager of the company, who announced the firm will suspend its operations here sometime within the next two or three months.

One of Perquimans County's oldest and largest industries, Major-Loomis was founded at Lakewood, New Jersey, in 1878, by George E. Major and A. J. Loomis. It was moved to Hertford in 1894, and incorporated in 1902 as Major-Loomis Company. The firm enjoyed a steady growth for years and provided employment for hundreds of residents of the county.

During the years of its existence the company acquired huge tracts of timberland, and owned some 11,000 acres until recently when the firm started selling these tracts.

The final and definite decision to cease operations was reached at a recent meeting of the stockholders and the plans call for suspension just as soon as operations can be completed.

The company closed down its saw mill several months ago and purchased sawed timber from local ground mills but a recent fire destroyed the firm's dry kilns, further hindering operations of the planing mill.

A large number of employees will be affected by the closing of the mill, and the loss of the industry will affect the entire county. The company throughout its existence has been noted for its excellent treatment of employees and its support of civic improvement throughout the county.

## Training Unions To Hold Meeting In Columbia Church

Training Unions of the churches of the Chowan Baptist Association will hold their annual mass meeting on Tuesday, July 7, at the Columbia Baptist Church in Columbia. The balanced program of music, conferences and addresses will be rendered in an afternoon session opening at 2:55 o'clock and a night session at 7 o'clock. Between the two sessions will be sandwiched a period of directed fellowship and fun, a picnic supper and a vesper service.

The program committee is pleased to announce that Fred Scott, an associate of the State Training Union Department in Raleigh, will deliver the inspirational address during the night session. Another feature of the night session is the audio visual projection "Rim of the Wheel." Special music and congregational singing have been planned for both sessions and the music will be under the direction of Miss Carol Jean Bizzell of Elizabeth City, the chorister.

This is the training union year end for the set-up in the Chowan Association and the meeting embraces training unions in the churches of the broad geographical outlay from the Virginia line through Hyde County and from the Chowan River to the ocean. The public is cordially invited to share the fellowship with the training union leaders, workers and members of these churches.

## Mrs. R. S. Monds, Sr. Rites Held Tuesday

Funeral services and burial for Mrs. Riley Sidney Monds, Sr., of Hertford, who died Sunday at the Salisbury General Hospital, Salisbury, Md., were held Tuesday at Mappaville, Virginia.

Mrs. Monds was a native of Mappaville, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Walsh and the widow of the Rev. Riley Sidney Monds. She had been a resident of Hertford for 32 years. She was visiting her sister at Snow Hill when she was taken ill.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Reginald Tucker of Hertford; two sons, R. S. Monds, Jr., of Hertford and Alva B. Monds of Elizabeth, N. J.; two sisters, Mrs. William Collins of Newport News, Va., and Mrs. Carson Chandler of Snow Hill, Md.

**BREAK-IN FOILED**  
An attempted safe robbery of the Towe-Wobb Motor Company on Tuesday night was foiled when a tear gas bomb attached to the safe was discharged by the robbers, scaring them off. Entrance to the company's office was gained through a rear window of the garage. Officers are investigating the attempted robbery.

## State Officials Indicate Approval For Health Project

Approval of a federal and state financial grant to Perquimans County for the construction of a new public health building in the county appeared a certainty following a visit here last Wednesday afternoon by Bruce Jones and Charles Templeton, representing the Medical Care Commission.

The idea of securing a public health building here to house the local Health Department was presented at a meeting of interested citizens held the latter part of April. The project was presented to and met with the approval of the Board of County Commissioners, who in turn approved the earmarking of \$7,500 as the county's portion for the construction.

Archie T. Lane, chairman of the Board of Commissioners, was authorized to act for the Board in showing representatives of the Medical Care Commission a site on the County Home property as a location for the building and to handle the details in securing State and Federal approval for the project.

In their visit here Mr. Jones and Mr. Templeton outlined the procedure to be followed by the county officials in securing approval for the project, and allocation of funds to be added to local money to pay the costs of construction. They also inspected and tentatively approved the site for the construction.

It is understood the construction costs will run in the neighborhood of \$30,000, with the county paying about 20 per cent of the bill. The county also provides the site for the building, which must contain an acre of land, and also facilities for water supply and sewage.

An application for the project has already been filed with the Commission and other preliminary details are expected to be worked out within the next week in order to expedite final approval for the building for this county.

## Interest Growing As Date Nears For Benefit Ball Game

County baseball fans are showing a lot of interest in the benefit baseball game scheduled to be played on Memorial Field in Hertford on Friday night, July 3rd, according to reports from sponsors of the event.

The game will be a contest between the 1953 Perquimans High School team and a team composed of former stars at the local school. The sponsors report that in addition to prospective all-stars listed last week, the following former players will also be contacted and asked to participate in the game: Jack Brinn, Jim Newby, Sidney Blanchard, Eldon Winslow, Melvin Owens, Nathan Mathews, Phillips and Judy Thach, Paul Smith, Johnnie Hunter, Charlie Skinner, Jr., Herbert Eure, Cliff Banks, Marvin Abret Umphlett, Elmer Lassier, L. C. Elliott, Jake White, Sr., B. T. Bail, Lawrence Towe, R. S. Monds, Jessie Lee Harris, Floyd Matthews, Quincy Riddick, Dennis Winslow, Tom White, Calvin Bright, Preston Morgan, Bob-By Keaton, Chub Goodwin, Matt Spivey, Dan Berry, Dolan Winslow, Ray Kirby, Horace Webb, Robert Morris Winslow, W. F. Ainsley and Alvah Winslow.

Other former players who desire to take part in the game as members of the All Stars team are asked to contact Henry C. Stokes, Jr. Members of the 1953 Indian team report they are ready for the game and will show the "old timers" baseball is still a game for youth.

The sponsors will conduct an advance sale of tickets, probably starting this week-end. Tickets will be on sale through stores and individuals throughout the county. All proceeds from the game will go toward the purchase price of an activity bus for the county white schools.

## Winfall Election Scheduled Saturday

Election of officers for the Town of Winfall, including a Mayor and three Commissioners, will be conducted on Saturday, it was reported today by Nathan Matthews, present Mayor, who is seeking re-election.

Candidates for the posts of Commissioners are D. L. Barber, Fred Winslow and D. R. Trueblood. Charlie Umphlett, now serving as one of the Commissioners for the town, is not a candidate for re-election.

The election will be held in the Community House at Winfall, with the polls open from 6:30 A. M. until 6:30 P. M.

## Congressman Bonner Announces Plans For Public Hearing On Bombing Range

### Box Rents At P. O. To Increase July 1

Postmaster W. W. White announces that box rents at the Hertford Post Office will be increased, effective July 1, as follows: Small boxes from 60 cents to 90 cents; medium size boxes from 75 cents to \$1.10 and larger boxes from \$1.00 to \$1.50.

In announcing the increase in box rents, Mr. White pointed out that the basic schedule now in effect has not been changed since 1907, and that the increased charges are made to conform with the increased cost of providing the equipment and maintaining the service.

## Nine Cases Heard By Recorder Judge Here Last Tuesday

A docket consisting of nine cases was disposed of in Perquimans Recorder's Court here last Tuesday. Several cases listed for hearing were continued until the June 30th term of court because the arresting officers are on vacation.

A fine of \$10 and costs of court were taxed against Jessie Davenport, who submitted to a charge of passing a vehicle without proper clearance.

Dennis Davenport entered a plea of guilty to a charge of possession of tax paid liquor and paid a fine of \$10 and costs.

Charged with reckless driving, Murray Stromberg entered a plea of guilty and paid a fine of \$25 and costs of court.

John Webb, Negro, was ordered to pay the costs of court after pleading guilty to a charge of failing to report an accident resulting in property damages exceeding \$25, within 24 hours of the accident.

Floyd Cobb, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of passing a vehicle in a restricted zone. He was fined \$35 and costs, \$25 of the fine being ordered paid to John Dancheese for damages done Dancheese's vehicle.

Dearday Riddick, Negro, paid a fine of \$35 and costs of court after pleading guilty to charges of driving without a license and driving without lights.

Worley Collins, Negro, was fined \$5 and costs of court after pleading guilty to charges of assaulting his wife. Judge Charles Johnson assessed the fine against Collins because the defendant appeared in court 20 minutes late.

Pee Wee Winslow, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of being of disorderly conduct. A fine of \$25 and court costs were suspended upon condition the defendant be of good behavior for a period of 12 months.

Samuel A. Patrick entered a plea of guilty to charges of driving drunk and driving without a license. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$125 and costs of court.

## BPW Club Business Meeting Held Friday

The Perquimans Business and Professional Women's Club held its business meeting Friday night, June 12, when it met with Mrs. Nettie Lee Caravello at her home on the Hertford-Edenton highway.

The president, Mrs. Betty T. Swindell, presided, when regular routine business matters were discussed.

The delegates to the State Convention held in Blowing Rock, gave entertaining and informative reports.

The next meeting will be held Friday night, July 10, at 8 o'clock, when Mrs. Addie J. Keegan will be hostess at her home on Grubb Street.

During the social hour Mrs. Sallie McN. Lane and Mrs. Essie H. Burbage assisted Mrs. Caravello in serving an ice course to the following: Mrs. Swindell, Addie J. Keegan, Grace Morris, Viola D. Nachman, Mattie U. Dail, Gladys H. Perry, Emily T. Harrell, Alice M. Towe, Dora T. Riddick and Miss Kate Blanchard.

## Fete For Firemen Held Thursday Night

Members of the Hertford Fire Department, their wives and a number of invited guests were entertained at a steak fry held Thursday evening of this week at the municipal plant on Grubb Street.

Following the dinner the guests were conducted on a tour of the town plant, inspecting renovations of the buildings which have been underway for some time.

## Meeting Scheduled For July 10 at Court House In Hertford

Barring unforeseen events, a public hearing on the proposed enlargement of the bombing range at Harvey Point will be conducted in the Court House in Hertford on Friday, July 10, at 10:30 A. M., it was announced earlier this week by Congressman Herbert C. Bonner.

In a letter to this newspaper Mr. Bonner stated:

"On account of the great interest that was demonstrated through letters and petitions protesting the enlargement of the bombing range in the Albemarle Sound near the mouth of the Perquimans River and other bombing sites proposed by the Navy, I requested the U. S. District Engineer at Wilmington to hold a hearing at Hertford.

"I am in receipt of a letter today from Col. R. C. Brown, District Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Wilmington, North Carolina, advising that he has fixed the date of July 10, 1953, at 10:30 A. M. at the Court House in Hertford. I have today written Howard Pitt inquiring whether or not there might be a scheduled court for the court room on this date. If so, we will have to either change the date of the hearing or secure another location.

"No doubt the District Engineer will send out notices to all interested parties, but I would appreciate your carrying the notice in your paper. Unless something unforeseen happens, I plan to be present."

The proposed enlargement of the bombing range, located in Albemarle Sound, was presented to the public of this area a number of weeks ago and a map showing the territory proposed to be included into the range has been placed in the lobby of the Post Office.

A large number of individuals have lodged protests against the proposal and they are invited to attend the public hearing on July 10 to voice their objections.

## Holmes Gives Talk On Legislature At Rotary Meeting

Representative C. R. Holmes gave an interesting report on the activities of the 1953 Legislature to members of the Hertford Rotary Club at the club's weekly meeting held Tuesday night at the Hotel Hertford.

Mr. Holmes outlined the thought and work the Legislature gave to the 1953-54 budget, which he said calls for the expenditure of more money than ever appropriated by a North Carolina Legislature. He pointed out the budget was approved under the terms of the state finance act, and the expenditures are based upon estimated income for the state during the next two years. If these incomes should drop sharply it will become necessary for the Governor to cut expenditures in each department of the State.

The Representative also told of the consideration the Assembly gave to proposals including redistricting the judicial system, providing for bond elections for expansion of schools and state hospitals, and explained the Legislature's reason behind the adoption of the secrecy law, pertaining to executive meetings of committees.

## Boll Weevils Threat To County's Cotton Crop

Boll weevils are presenting a real threat to the 1953 cotton crop in Perquimans County. They are more abundant than has been the case during the past two years. We have what appears to be a general infestation. However, some fields are heavier infested than others, according to I. C. Yagel, farm agent. Farmers who have not already started treating to control the weevil should begin now. Twenty per cent toxophene at the rate of 15 to 20 pounds per acre should give adequate protection if repeated at five to seven day intervals. It is most important that the time between applications be not greater than seven days.

### BUREAU TO MEET

Members of the Farm Bureau of the New Hope community will hold an important business meeting at the community house on Friday night of this week at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

### BIBLE SCHOOL CLOSES

Commencement exercises for the Mt. Sinai Vacation Bible School will be held at the church on Friday night at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.