

## Pilston Godwin, Jr. Is Candidate For State Senate

State Senator A. Pilston Godwin, Jr. of Gatesville is a candidate for re-election to the State Senate from the First Senatorial District.

Godwin's announcement came as no surprise since it has long been the custom of the First Senatorial District for its State Senators to serve at least two consecutive terms and, too, he has made no secret of the fact that he planned to announce his candidacy.

In making this announcement, Senator Godwin said, "When I was elected to the Senate in 1952, it marked the first time in more than a generation that Gates County had been permitted to furnish one of the two District Senators. Since it has become a tradition to this district for the Senators to serve at least two successive terms, I am again offering myself a candidate for nomination by the Democratic Party as one of its two nominees for election to the State Senate. If nominated and elected, I shall again make a sincere effort to fairly and honestly represent all of the people and counties of the District in the 1955 General Assembly."

Godwin never sought public office before 1952 when he was elected to the Senate. He was born and reared in Gatesville, where he attended the public school; he graduated from Wake Forest College Law School in 1937 and was licensed to practice law the same year and has been engaged in the practice at Gatesville since that time, except for the years 1942-45 when he was a special agent of the F.B.I. In addition to his practice at Gatesville, he has maintained law offices in Ahoskie since the fall of 1952. Godwin is a Baptist and has taught the Men's Bible Class of the Gatesville Baptist Church for a number of years; he is past master of the Gatesville Masonic Lodge and a former District Governor of Burian National, a civic organization; he is a former chairman of the First Congressional District Executive Committee of the Young Democratic Clubs and a former member of the State YDC Executive Committee; for a number of years, he has been a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee. In 1949, however, he acted as solicitor of the First Judicial District during an illness of Solicitor W. W. Cahoon. He was active in the organization of and is general counsel for the N. C. Peanut Growers' Association. His wife is the former Mildred Vann of Ahoskie, and they have a small son and daughter.

During the 1953 session of the General Assembly, Senator Godwin was appointed by Lieutenant-Governor Luther Hodges to the following Senate Committees: Conservation and Development, Finance, Judiciary II, Public Roads, Salaries and Fees and Wildlife.

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## Founders Program Observed By PTA Of Central School

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Perquimans County Grammar School held its February meeting on Monday evening, February 15, in the school cafeteria with the president, Mrs. B. F. Bray, presiding. The meeting was opened with the singing of "The Old North State."

The Winfall community, with Mrs. J. V. Roach as chairman, had charge of the program. Mrs. Bray recognized Mrs. Roach who stated that the meeting for February is always designated as Founders' Day. In paying homage to the founders of the PTA movement, she also paid warm tributes to the teachers of today. She stated that the subject for the month was "Times Change—the Beginnings and Today," and that in honoring the founders, Mrs. Alice McLellan Birney and Mrs. Phoebe Apperson Hearst, the association also recognized the sterling qualities of those who had followed in their footsteps.

Mrs. J. L. DeLaney conducted the devotional, using as her theme "The Solid Foundations of Christian Principles." Raymond Stanton and Marvin White sang as a duet "God's Way is the Best Way." They were accompanied at the piano by Mrs. D. L. Barber.

A special Founders' Day program was presented by Mrs. B. F. Bray, two past presidents, Mrs. W. H. Mad-

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## Seeking Re-election

**A. PILSTON GODWIN**  
This week State Senator A. Pilston Godwin, Jr., of Gatesville announced he will be a candidate for re-election in the May election.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Russian refusal to agree to an Austrian peace treaty and proposals for unification of Germany through free elections has deadlocked the Berlin meeting of the Big Four foreign ministers. After four weeks of conferences the ministers, according to Berlin reports, have failed to achieve progress toward easement of the cold war tensions in Europe. Observers at the meeting, however, state the Russian tactics have brought about closer unity among the Western powers.

With France losing more and more interest in the progress of the war in Indochina proposals have been made in Washington for the U. S. to send volunteer technicians to the area to help train natives for the fight against Communists. Announcements from Washington say there is few possibilities U. S. troops will be sent to Indochina but a greater number of this war will fall on America.

An announcement made this week by the Secretary of Agriculture, reducing support prices on butter and some other dairy products effective April 1, has drawn fire from Congressmen representing areas producing these products. One bill has been introduced in Congress limiting to five per cent any annual reduction of support prices on these products.

Congress is expected to approve a proposal extending from March 15 to April 15 the deadline for filing personal income tax returns. A Congressional committee is now studying numerous changes proposed in the nation's tax laws but reports state it is doubtful if any action comes before April 1, which is the expiration date for some excise taxes now being collected.

## Winslow-Lane Vows Spoken Last Sunday

The marriage of Miss Effie Lucille Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lane of Belvidere to Robert Carson Winslow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Winslow took place Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Up River Friends Church. The church was decorated with palms, fern, white gladioli and white cathedral candles. The Rev. Fred Wright, pastor of the Damascus Christian Church at Sunbury, performed the double ring ceremony and Mrs. Ralph White played the wedding music. Miss Thelma White sang "I Love Thee Truly," "O Promise Me" and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride wore a powder blue suit with navy blue and white accessories and an orchid corsage.

The bride is employed as cashier at Rose's store while the bridegroom is engaged in farming where the couple will make their home.

## Bus Line Ownership Changed This Week

Carolina Coach Company, a member of the National Trailways Bus System, completed its purchase of the Norfolk Southern Bus Corporation on Monday of this week when the directors of the two companies met in Norfolk to make the legal transfer of the properties involved. The actual merger of Norfolk Southern's operation into the Trailways system will take place on March 1.

The Virginia and North Carolina Jilley Commission, and the Interstate Commerce Commission have approved this merger.

## Indians And Squaws Play Camden Friday In Last Home Game

### Perquimans Indians Top In Conference Lead With 13 Wins

The Perquimans Indians and Squaws will make their final home appearance during the 1954 basketball season on Friday night when they play the girls and boys from Camden. In games played at Camden last month the local girls lost a close decision while the Indians defeated the Camden boys.

Next week the local teams will compete in the annual Albemarle Rural Conference tournament which will be held in the Camden gym starting on Wednesday night. Drawings for this tourney have not been completed but the league leading Indians will be the number one seeded team.

On Thursday night of last week the Indians and Squaws traveled to Mantoo where they played return games with Kitty Hawk. The Indian Squaws won the opening contest by a 37 to 24 score while the Indians easily defeated the Kitty Hawk boys 80 to 44.

Celia White, scoring 22 points for Perquimans, led the scoring for her team, while Mary Winslow was second with four points. The Squaws held a 21-9 lead at halftime and moved to a 32-16 advantage during the third period.

The Indians controlled the game against the Kitty Hawk boys, leading 10-7 at the end of the first quarter and 28-10 at the half. Howard Williams with 18 tallies and Paul Matthews with 14 led the scoring for Perquimans. During the third period the Indians went out front 44 to 31 and coasted to the final victory.

Perquimans divided a double header with Central High on Tuesday night of this week, the Indian Squaws losing to Central girls by a one point margin 50 to 49 and the Indians winning from Central boys 50 to 32.

The loss moved the Perquimans girls into a conference tie for fourth place and the win for the local boys was number 13 without a loss to a conference foe during the season.

## Communities Form Organization To Fight Rate Plea

Seven communities of Northeastern North Carolina, including the Town of Hertford, organized an association in a meeting at Edenton on Wednesday night of last week binding themselves together to fight as one against proposed utility rate increases of the Virginia Electric & Power Company. A hearing on the proposed increase will be conducted in Raleigh on February 24.

Not only will the community combine to have the higher rate application rejected, but it will also seek to have a downward scaling of the charges with "more equitable rate differentiations community for community."

Elizabeth City, Edenton, Enfield, Robertsonville, Windsor, Hertford and Scotland Neck agreed to the unity opposition.

Interested spectators were Tarboro, Greenville and Washington.

In order to map a combatant program, the following committee was named to act as an executive group in planning strategy for the next two weeks:

R. N. Hines of Edenton, chairman; T. B. Slade, III, of Enfield; V. N. Darden of Hertford, B. L. Roberson of Robertsonville, J. A. McDowell of Scotland Neck, Robert W. Luther of Elizabeth City and J. B. Spivey and R. C. White of Windsor.

In every case the communities affected purchase their power from VEPCO for retailing to residential and commercial users within certain set boundaries.

The three to be most directly affected by the new rate proposals are Hertford, Enfield and Scotland Neck. It would cost Hertford approximately \$8,000 additional each year and the other two towns approximately \$9,000 each a year.

## Republicans To Hold Convention Feb. 26th

Republicans of Perquimans County will meet in a county convention, in the County House in Hertford on Friday night, February 26, at 8 o'clock. It was announced today by C. C. Winslow, chairman of the Republican County Executive Committee.

The purpose of the convention, Mr. Winslow said, will be to elect delegates to the Congressional and State Conventions.

## Twenty Five Cases Heard By Recorder In Court Session

### Fourteen Speeders Head List of Traffic Violations

Perquimans Recorder's Court had another heavy docket during the court term held last Tuesday. A total of 25 cases were disposed of during the session.

Fines of \$10 and costs were assessed against Gladys Wiggins, Adolf Simons, Richard Tobin and William McCausland, all of whom entered pleas of guilty to charges of speeding.

Costs of court were taxed against Pasher Watson, Ray Waterfield, Howard Phillips, Willis Pearce, Wilbur Smith, William Privott, David Brickhouse, Edward Hoffman, Kenneth Cawley and William Cawley, after each entered pleas of guilty to speeding charges.

Roy Cox and Arthur Gurganus paid the costs of court after submitting to charges of failing to observe a stop sign.

Alice Scott and Lee Stepney, Negro, were fined \$25 and costs of court on charges of driving without a license. Each entered a plea of guilty to the charges.

The case in which Luke Daniel is charged with issuing a worthless check was transferred to Washington Court for trial.

Calvin Rowson submitted to a charge of reckless driving and paid a fine of \$25 and costs.

Elsie Harris, Negro, was sentenced to jail for a period of two weeks on charges of assaulting her husband with a flashlight.

Robert Parker plead guilty to charges of illegal passing and paid the costs of court.

Motion for non-suit was granted in the cases in which James Copeland, Negro, was charged with transporting non-tax-paid liquor, and Andrew Copeland, Negro, was charged with possession.

Katty Hill, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to charges of possession of non-tax-paid liquor. She paid a fine of \$25 and costs of court.

## Smaller Taxpayer Given Helping Hand In Filing Tax Form

The 1953 North Carolina General Assembly gave the smaller taxpayer a helping hand—a short form (D400-A) which may be used by taxpayers whose income is derived solely from salaries, wages, commissions, interest or dividends.

As State Revenue Commissioner Eugene Shaw recently commented, the short form was devised to eliminate the necessity of non-business persons' keeping books and records of their income and deductions and to make the filing of returns as convenient as possible.

The single-sheet form is simplicity itself—as easy as ABC. Here is how a mythical North Carolina taxpayer would go about it.

Like so many of his contemporaries, this hypothetical taxpayer is named John Doe. He lives on North Main Street in Anywhere, Tar Heel County, North Carolina. He is an employee of the Acme Distributing Company in Anywhere, and makes \$350 a month, or \$4,200 a year, in salary.

He and Mrs. Doe have a daughter, Mary 14 and John, Jr., 12 years old.

One night after work he decides to tackle this job of filing his State Income Tax, and finds that the short form allows him to finish the "chore" in a very few minutes.

At the top of the form he fills in his name, his street address, town, county, and state.

In Block A, he answers Question 1 "yes", indicating that he did file a

## Jayvee Cage Tourney Opens Here Thursday

Plans have been completed for the annual Albemarle Junior Varsity basketball tournament to be played in the Perquimans High School gym with the opening round of play scheduled for Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock. The semi-final round will be played Thursday night and the finals next Monday.

Teams competing in the tourney are from Perquimans, Central, Camden, Weeksville, Elizabeth City and Edenton. The Perquimans Jayvees, leading the league with 10 victories, have been ceded as the number one team of the meet.

Trophies will be awarded at the close of the tournament to the winners and runners-up.

## Board Of Education Approves Plans For Central Grammar School Project

### Not Running

J. William Copeland, one of the First Senatorial District's two State Senators, announced this week that he will not be a candidate for reelection in the forthcoming election.

Senator Copeland's statement follows:

"I have decided not to seek reelection to the State Senate this year. It has been the custom for some time to serve only two terms in succession in this District. I appreciate the opportunity of having served the people in the First District and hope that the situation will be such that I can represent you again at some future time."

To date there are three candidates for the two Senate seats, A. P. Godwin, incumbent, N. Elton Aydlett of Elizabeth City and C. Wayland Spruill of Windsor.

## Hertford PTA Hears Talk On First Aid By Walter George

Walter George, Safety Engineer of the VEP Company, spoke at the monthly meeting of the Hertford Grammar School PTA in the school auditorium on Thursday night on the subject of "First Aid and Safety in the Home."

Clinton Eley, safety chairman of the PTA, introduced George, who told the audience about the new methods used in first aid that had been developed through experiences in the Korean warfare. He talked in detail about new techniques of giving artificial respiration, applying tourniquets, and treating frostbite. He also discussed safety in the home and pointed out frequent causes of accidents in the home. An informal discussion followed with the audience asking a number of questions on safety and first aid in the home. The devotional in the form of music was played by R. S. Mondson on his Hammond organ.

Mrs. Mondson, program chairman, called the attention of the PTA members to the collection of books for the Perquimans County Library is featuring this month on child guidance, psychology, teen-age problems, and other related subjects. She asked that PTA members avail themselves of the opportunity of reading some of these books in preparation for future programs and study courses.

The PTA upon motion voted to present to the Perquimans County Library two books in memory of a former member, the late Mrs. Selma Roger-

## Patrolman Tripp Speaker At Rotary

Highway safety was the subject of a program conducted at a meeting of the Hertford Rotary Club last Tuesday night at the Hotel Hertford, when Patrolman R. A. Tripp was guest speaker of the club.

Mr. Tripp told the Rotarians the State is striving to reduce the high accident rate on highways and it appears some progress has been achieved. He pointed out there were about 1,200 fatal accidents in North Carolina during 1941 and these figures dropped to about 1,115 during 1953.

Speed is recognized as one of the greatest contributors to fatal accidents, according to Patrolman Tripp, and to control speeding on the highways the State is now using radar and speed clocks in checking vehicle speeds.

The patrolman pointed out, contrary to popular belief, there are more accidents in which only one car is involved than two car collisions.

He closed his talk with a plea for the public to show more courtesy on the highway, for a courteous driver, like a courteous person, will always respect the other fellow.

During the business session of the meeting C. R. Holmes and the Rev. Charles Wulf gave a report of the District Rotary Conference which they attended earlier this week at Rocky Mount.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dillon announce the birth of a daughter born Tuesday, February 16, at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City. Mrs. Dillon, before her marriage, was Miss Blanche Moore Berry.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Mr. and Mrs. Hilton White announce the birth of a daughter, born Saturday, February 13, at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City.

## State Action Transferring Students To County Unit Sought

Plans for the construction of an addition to Perquimans Central Grammar School, consisting of four classrooms and a library, were approved at a meeting of the Perquimans Board of Education held on Thursday night of last week in the office of the Superintendent. J. W. Griffith, architect of Greenville, presented the plans, and after these were approved the architect was instructed to present the plans to the State Board for its approval and he was also requested to expedite the project in order that the addition might be ready for use when the school opens for the 1954-55 school term.

This project, as approved by the local Board, is the first of a number planned to be carried out under the program adopted, and which will be financed from state funds, in a special bond election held last year.

The Board passed a resolution approving a petition of residents of 15 county students from the Hobbsville school to the Perquimans County unit. The resolution and petition are to be sent to the State Board of Education for final action. The petitioners seek to have the students reassigned to Perquimans County schools beginning with the next school term.

After a long discussion on a request to extend a school bus route up a road leading to the home of Stalings, in New Hope Township, the Board ordered Superintendent J. T. Biggers not to extend the route until final approval was given by the State Division of Transportation. It being pointed out school buses traveling non-approved routes are not covered with liability insurance for either the bus or passengers.

A resolution was passed by the Board recommending a fence enclosing the athletic field at Perquimans High School be repaired. A report made to the Board revealed the present fence is in a bad state of repair and needs to be replaced.

## Miss Nonie Lou Lane Weds E. J. Roberson In Church Ceremony

The Epworth Methodist Church in Winfall was the scene of a lovely wedding on Sunday, February 14th, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon when Miss Nonie Lou Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lane, was united in marriage with Sgt. Elmer J. Roberson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Roberson of Hertford.

The Rev. H. E. Jamieson, pastor of the church, performed the service using the double ring ceremony.

The church was beautifully decorated with palms, ferns and six seven-branch candelabra holding cathedral candles flanked by three large baskets of white gladioli and chrysanthemums. The candles were lighted by Misses Ann Myers and Billie Skinner, who wore dresses of white nylon net over taffeta topped by lace jackets with red cummerbunds. They wore shoulder corsages of red carnations.

Prior to the ceremony a program of wedding music was played by Mrs. Ray Harris. She also accompanied soloist Edward Jordan, who sang "Wonderful One" and "Always". As a benediction he sang "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride entered on the arm of her uncle, William Powell, by whom she was given in marriage. She wore a wedding gown of imported chantilly lace and tulle over satin, styled with a basque bodice buttoned up the back with self covered buttons to the mandarin collar. The long lace sleeves ended in wedding points over the hands. The bouffant tulle skirt, with

## Firemen Given First Aid Demonstration

A demonstration on first aid and modern methods of artificial respiration was featured at a meeting of the Hertford Fire Department held Thursday night of last week at the fire house. Walter George of Norfolk, Va., safety engineer of the Virginia Electric & Power Company, presented the demonstration.

Following the demonstration members of the Department drilled on the use of some new equipment recently received by the Department, including new air packs.

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