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ASC Office Taking Applications For Soil Bank Program

Approved Practices Listed By County Chairman Lane

[illegible] to sign up again in the [illegible] Conservation Program [illegible] Friday L. Lane, Chairman of [illegible] County ASC Committee. Farmers of Perquimans [illegible] have an opportunity again [illegible] with the farmers of [illegible] counties and states in [illegible] the nation by improving the country's ability to produce food and fiber.

[illegible] sign up period for farmers to request cost sharing on [illegible] but approved soil and water conservation practices will be [illegible] January 17 and will be closed [illegible] 31, 1955. Mr. Lane said [illegible] following conservation practices have been approved for Perquimans County for 1955: Establishment or improvement of permanent pasture or hay; establishment of vegetative cover in crop [illegible]; fining materials on [illegible] or perennial grasses; forest [illegible] and forest improvement; construction of farm ponds, open ditch drainage, and tile drainage; establishment of winter cover crops; summer annual legumes and a vegetative cover to protect [illegible] through the 1955 crop year; and an application of lime and fertilizer to restore stand and [illegible] permanent vegetative [illegible].

The 1955 program is open to all farmers and any farmer of Perquimans County who would like to [illegible] ACP to help him conserve [illegible] on his farm and improve [illegible] productivity of his land should [illegible] his local ASC Committee [illegible] call at the County ASC Office located at Hertford.

[illegible] who cooperate in the [illegible] will be helping to build [illegible] Nation's soil reserves, says [illegible]. Not only will they be protecting the Nation's soil and water resources against erosion and [illegible] but they will be building in [illegible] the soil's resistance to erosion [illegible] as well as increasing the productivity of the land.

[illegible] the Nation's farm plant [illegible] geared to produce ample supplies of most major foods there is [illegible] for material increase in the acreages of the important grains and cultivated field crops. But [illegible] is an opportunity in 1955,

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THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

With the organization of the 84th Congress almost complete, the task of working out Federal programs recommended by the President and Congressional leaders has begun in Washington. Major points up for consideration thus far is a pay increase for Congressmen, and other Federal employees, and a huge appropriation for construction of super highways throughout the nation. Reports from Washington state there is little likelihood of any tax decreases this year; the outcome of any proposed changes in the farm program is doubtful and there may be some changes made in Selective Service.

The North Carolina Legislature got off to a fast start last week, faced with two major problems, the first of raising additional funds for appropriations and considering the segregation problem in schools. Proposals for increased sales taxes and a tax on tobacco are expected to meet stiff opposition despite the recommendations on these matters by Governor Hodges. A bill has been introduced pertaining to schools which will decentralize authority regulating attendance assignments and control over individual schools. This measure follows a recommendation of a Governor's Committee which made a study of the situation for the past year.

UN Secretary Dag Hammarskijold has concluded his visit with Red China leaders, during which the UN official sought release of 11 American airmen captured during the Korean war, and sentenced to prison as spies by the Chinese. No announcement has been released as to the results of the meeting and it is expected none will be made before Hammarskijold reports directly to the United Nations.

Consideration is being given by official Washington to a proposal for disposing of surplus U. S. farm products abroad, it was reported this week. The disposal will be arranged either through sale of the products or as relief grants to foreign countries.

OUR CITIZENS OF TOMORROW

Pictured above is the first in a series of pictures showing Perquimans County children, who will be our citizens of tomorrow. The Weekly is happy and proud to be able to bring to its readers these outstanding photos of children. Reading left to right, top line are: Robert P. Hollowell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Hollowell; Herbert and Frank Winslow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Winslow; Paula Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Paul Smith; Judy Winslow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Winslow; Sandra Webb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Webb. Bottom line: Sharon Bundy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bundy; R. C. Byrum, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Rubie Byrum; Horace Webb, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Webb; Sandra Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith; Margo Perry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Perry, and Harriett Brinn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Brinn.

Traffic Violators Make Up Most Of Court Docket Tues.

Pleas of guilty entered by defendants charged with traffic violations enabled the Perquimans Recorder's Court to clear a docket of 20 cases within a short time during Tuesday's session of the court.

Prayer for judgment was continued in the case in which Stanley Wilson, Negro, was charged with non support. Wilson was ordered to pay the court costs.

A motion for a blood test was granted in the case in which James Banks, Negro, is charged with nonsupport and the hearing was postponed pending the test.

Gene White was fined $10 and costs after pleading guilty to driving with insufficient brakes.

Thad Howard, Negro, paid a fine of $12 on charges of failing to observe a stop sign.

Gordon Walker, Negro, was fined $12 after pleading guilty to a charge of following a vehicle too closely.

T. J. Bass submitted to charges of being drunk and paid the costs of court.

Saul Mebane and Leslie Wilson, Jr., Negroes, entered pleas of guilty to charges of mutual assault and being drunk. Wilson was fined $10 and costs, and Mebane was given a 30 day jail sentence to be suspended upon condition Mebane is not seen in Hertford after 5 P. M., for a period of six months.

A fine of $25 and costs were taxed against George Harvey, Negro, who submitted to a charge of driving without a license.

Herbert Brown, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to charges of being drunk. He was ordered to pay the costs of court.

Court costs were taxed against Laura Riddick, Negro, prosecuting witness, in the case in which William Overton, Negro, was charged with assault.

A $10 fine and court costs was taxed against Robert and Martha Winslow, Negroes, who were found guilty of mutual assault.

Fined for speeding, after entering pleas of guilty were John Jeanette, Mach Langley $15, Dewey Fringer, Jr., $15, Floyd Wickers $15, William McBell $25, and Sidney Archbell $25.

Fire Department Answers Four Calls

Hertford Fire Department had a busy time during the past week, answering four fire calls.

The firemen were called to Winfall on Thursday and Saturday of last week to extinguish grass fires, and were called out on another grass fire on Willow Street last Friday. No losses were reported from these calls.

More than $1,000 in damages, it was reported, resulted from a fire at the home of William Wright on Harvey Point Road, last Sunday afternoon. An overheated water heater caused a blaze which the firemen fought for sometime before bringing it under control. The heat from the fire threatened two other houses nearby and firemen used both trucks in containing the fire.

The home, owned by E. J. McKee was badly damaged as was some of the household furnishings of Mr. and Mrs. Wright.

BPW Club Making Plans For District Meeting

The Perquimans Business and Professional Women's Club held its monthly business meeting Thursday night at the home of Hulda Wood with Mrs. Emily Harrell, president, presiding.

The main business of the evening consisted of making plans and appointing committees for the Spring District meeting of the BPW Clubs which will be held in Hertford, Sunday, March 13. The President appointed the following committees: Menu and Food, Margaret Bagley, Thelma Elliott and Hulda Wood; Program, Alice Towe, Emily Harrell and Betty Swindell; Favors and Program Design, Roxanna Jackson, Minnie Wilma Hurdle, Pat Williams and Mary Dale Lane; Prizes, Dillwyn Denton, Atha Tunell, and Harriett Gustafson.

During the committee reports, Mrs. Betty Swindell reported that a place had been secured on which to build an observation post for the Ground Observer Corps and that the different clubs in the county and town were being asked for donations to meet the expense of building it. The club voted to donate $25 towards this project. The club also nominated a candidate for the Distinguished Service Award which is presented by the Jaycees each year to the most outstanding man in the community.

The President urged a full attendance of the members at the January 20th dinner meeting when the district director, Mrs. Hazel Wheeler, of Roanoke Rapids will be a special guest.

Following the adjournment of the meeting, the hostess served a sweet course to the following members present: Misses Kate Blanchard, Dillwyn Denton, Hulda Wood and Mesdames Harrell, Alice Towe, Margaret Bagley, Essie Burbage, Grace Costen, Mary Dale Lane, Betty Swindell, Viola Nachman, Harriett Gustafson, Roxanna Jackson and Dora Riddick.

The next business meeting will be February 3 at the home of Alice Towe.

Tax Listing Off To Slow Start Here

The annual job of listing property for county taxes, begun Monday of last week, is off to the usual slow start, according, to reports from some of the tax listers.

Property owners are reminded that only 15 days remain in which they must comply with the law and list property owned January 1, for 1955 taxes. Each of the five tax listers have a schedule they follow, and this schedule listing places where the tax listers can be found each day is published in this issue of The Weekly.

The tax listers urge individuals to come forth and list their property as soon as convenient. This will save the property owner time as he will miss the last minute rush and waiting; also it will help the list taker who right now has plenty of time to devote to each person desiring to list his property.

Property owners are also reminded that failure to list by February is a violation of the law and a penalty is added for late listing.

Jaycees To Honor 1954 Man Of Year

The Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce will pay tribute next Wednesday night to the young man of Perquimans County who made the most outstanding record in civic work in this community during 1954.

Presentation of the award will be made at a dinner meeting to be held in the officer's club at Harvey Point, beginning at 7 P. M., on Wednesday, January 19.

Rites Held Tuesday For C. O. Fowler

Charles O. Fowler, 74, died Sunday night at his home here after an illness of five weeks.

The son of William H. and Mrs. Elizabeth White Fowler, he was a native and lifelong resident of Perquimans County.

Survivors are his widow, Mrs. Mae Britton Fowler; one son, William S. Fowler, of Hertford; four daughters, Mrs. J. V. Grunewald, of Hertford; Mrs. M. K. Hodges of Norfolk; Mrs. O. W. Britton, of Norfolk, and Mrs. F. E. Bush, of Portsmouth; seven grandchildren; one stepson, O. W. Britton, of Norfolk, and two stepdaughters, Mrs. H. O. Thurston, of Columbia, Mo., and Mrs. H. A. Frenchi, of Venice, Calif.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Lynch Funeral Home by the Rev. James Mattox, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church.

The choir sang "Abide With Me," and "The Old Rugged Cross."

Pallbearers were J. H. Towe, Robbins Blanchard, George Baker, Julian White, George White and Luther Sitterson.

Interment was made in Cedarwood Cemetery.

PTA Meeting Set Monday At Central

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Central Grammar School will meet Monday night, January 17, at 7:30 o'clock in the school cafeteria. The Belvidere community with Mrs. Edwin White, as chairman will have charge of the program. The Rev. D. V. Pike, will speak on Juvenile Protection and Mrs. George Baker will show a film on safety!

Monogram Club To Hold Banquet

The Monogram Club of Perquimans High School will hold its annual banquet in the school cafeteria next Wednesday night, it was reported by Wayne White, president of the club, who is in charge of arrangements for the event.

Guest speaker for this event will be John Boone, Coach at East Carolina College. A number of special guests have been invited to attend.

MASONS TO MEET

The Perquimans Masonic Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

Perquimans Girls Win While Indians Lose Last Friday

The Albemarle Conference basketball games scheduled for last Tuesday night between Perquimans and Tarboro were postponed until Wednesday night, January 26, due to travel conditions of the highways following the snow storm Tuesday. Coach Ike Perry also announced the next home game for the Indians will be played Friday night, January 21, with Ahoskie furnishing the opposition.

No games are scheduled for Tuesday night of next week for the local teams because of examinations being conducted at the high school.

Coach Perry's Indians and Squaws broke even with Williamston High in games played here last Friday night. The Indian Squaws won a 49-37 victory over the Green Wavelets while the Indians lost a one-sided contest 22 to 57.

Perquimans' girls were led in the scoring department by Barbara Russell who hit for 21 points, followed by Jo Pat Stokes with 17, Barbara Edwards with nine and Anne Sawyer, two. Blanche Manning was the scoring star for Williamston, collecting 14 points.

The Squaws gained a 20-8 lead in the first period and were ahead 35 to 14 at halftime. Williamston gained some ground against the local reserves but failed to overcome the big lead of the local girls.

In the boys' contest the Indians jumped into an early lead but faultered and Williamston rallied to lead at the end of the first quarter 14-7. The Green Wave held a 28-13 margin at half time and moved on to a 42-17 advantage going into the final round.

Coach Perry, showing dissatisfaction with the performance of the Indians in the final period, removed his starting lineup and finished out the game with his reserves.

Scoring for Perquimans were Paul Mathews and John Winslow, six each; Williams, four; Bray and Baker, two; Matthews, one. Griffin was high point man for the Green Wave with 15 points.

Funeral Tuesday For Mrs. Umphlett

Mrs. Mattie Crawford Umphlett, 70, died Sunday night at 10:10 o'clock at the Albemarle Hospital following an illness of two years.

She was a native and lifelong resident of Perquimans County, daughter of the late Johnson and Jenny Haskett Crawford, widow of Richard Umphlett. She was a member of Berea Baptist Church.

Surviving are three sons, Freeman and Seth Umphlett of Hertford and Luther Umphlett of Moyock; two daughters, Mrs. Lessie Lane of Elizabeth City and Mrs. Earl Russell of Perquimans; one sister, Mrs. Tom Russell of Manteo; eight grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at the Berea Baptist Church by the Rev. Walter B. Perry, pastor. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Raymond, Delwin and Blount Eure, Jimmie Russell, Joe White and Herman Caddy.

Perquimans March Of Dimes Campaign Getting Underway

Hertford Post Backs Holmes

Votes Support In Election For Department Commander

William Paul Stallings Post, No. 126 of the American Legion of Hertford, at its meeting Thursday night of last week unanimously endorsed John A. Holmes of Edenton as department commander.

Mr. Holmes helped to organize the Hertford Post and is sponsored by his home post, Ed Bond Post, No. 40, of which he is presently serving as commander.

Bloodmobile Here Monday 10 to 4

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will visit Hertford next Monday, January 17, from 10 A. M., until four P. M., for the purpose of collecting blood donations for use by the Red Cross Blood Bank, it was reported by H. N. Nixon, chairman of the program committee.

Mr. Nixon urged every adult resident of Perquimans County to take a few minutes off next Monday to contribute to this program by being a blood donor. He pointed out the county quota is 125 pints of blood.

Headquarters for the unit, as in the past, will be the Hertford Methodist Church.

Volunteer workers who will assist the Bloodmobile Unit with the details of the work are: Mrs. [illegible] Jessup, Mrs. Frank Skinner, Mrs. Julian A. White, Mrs. John Biggers, Mrs. Charles Skinner, Mrs. J. H. Towe, Mrs. Cecil Winslow, Mrs. B. C. Berry, Mrs. C. A. Davenport, Mrs. C. F. Sumner, Miss Audrey Umphlett, Mrs. W. C. Cherry and Mrs. J. H. Satchwell.

W.M.S. TO MEET

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist Church will meet Monday night, January 17th, at 8 P. M., at the church. All members are urged to be present.

Workers Urged To Complete Canvass Within Two Weeks

Perquimans County's annual March of Dimes campaign, to raise funds for the National Foundation to conduct research and combat infantile paralysis is underway throughout the county, it was announced this week by Miss Kimsey Perry, fund chairman.

The chairman announced no specific quotas has been assigned to this county to be raised during the current campaign, but she pointed out the National Foundation is hopeful more funds will be contributed this year than in 1954 to assist in financing the costly research and rehabilitation of victims of Polio.

Miss Perry reported the 1955 March of Dimes campaign is being carried out very similar to campaigns of other years, House to house solicitation features the drive with Mrs. Eva James Dozier serving as captain of the solicitors in Hertford while Home Demonstration Club members of the county are soliciting the rural communities.

W. C. Stroud and Mrs. M. B. Taylor are serving as co-chairmen, directing the campaign for the colored division.

County schools are also participating in the campaign and each school will make its own report directly to the campaign fund chairman.

Miss Perry is urging all volunteer solicitors for the March of Dimes to complete the canvass of the county within two weeks, and to make all contribution reports to the Perquimans chapter treasurer, George Fields, whose office is located on Church Street in Hertford.

All funds contributed to the March of Dimes will be deposited to the county chapter treasurer, but certain percentages of the collections are mailed to the National Foundation, which also may call on the chapter for additional contributions as in the case of emergencies during the past two or three years.

The public is urged to contribute liberally toward the March of Dimes fund, and to assist the volunteer solicitors by making contributions when first called upon thus saving the workers a return trip to receive donations.

Town Board Votes Motion Opposing Higher Phone Rates

The Commissioners for the Town of Hertford, meeting in regular session last Monday night, went on record as opposing any increase in rates for telephone service within this community. A formal protest against the rate increase sought by the Norfolk-Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company will be filed by the local board with the State Utilities Commission in Raleigh.

It was also revealed during the meeting that the Board has adopted a resolution, joining other communities served by U. S. Highway 17, seeking action on the part of the State Highway Commission to improve this route and make it a four lane highway from the Virginia line to South Carolina.

A motion was passed granting permission to the Hertford Civil Defense Observation Corps to establish a lookout post atop the fire house at the Municipal Building in the event the Corps selected this site for the observation post.

A lengthy discussion was conducted by the Board regarding advertising of the Town of Hertford as a possible means of securing leads for development of industry within the town. While no action was taken, it was resolved that the Town Board will invite members of the Perquimans Industrial Committee, and other interested persons to attend the next meeting of the Commissioners for the purpose of further exploring the possibilities of this and other action that might lead to bringing new industry into the community.

Mayor V. N. Darden reported to the Board work of resurfacing streets in Hertford is expected to get underway within a short time by the State Highway Department.

Livestock School Here January 20

There will be a livestock school held on Thursday afternoon, January 20th. This meeting will be held at the Agricultural Building in Hertford at 2 o'clock. The program will last about two hours with the first hour spent on discussion of the following topics: "How to increase farm income with livestock," "Feeding of Beef Cattle", "Feeder Calf Sales," "Meat-type Hogs," and "The Place of Sheep on North Carolina Farms."

The second hour will be a panel discussion in which questions will be asked of the panel concerning production and marketing of livestock.

These schools have been very successful in the past and have proven to be of benefit to the farmers who attended. If it is possible to make arrangements for you to do so, R. M. Thompson, County Agent said, I think you will find this meeting profitable.

Charge Of Murder Filed Against Man Following Shooting

Charges of murder, lodged against James Brickhouse, Hertford Negro, late Saturday following the fatal shooting of his wife, Viola Brickhouse, were heard at Tuesday session of Perquimans Recorder's Court and a verdict of probable cause was returned by Judge Chas. E. Johnson. Brickhouse was ordered held for action of the grand jury at the April term of Superior Court. A request for bond for Brickhouse was denied for the present time.

Mrs. Brickhouse died in the Chowan Hospital Saturday following the shooting which occurred at the home here Friday night, at about 11 o'clock.

Brickhouse was taken into custody by Deputy J. S. White at the Highway Patrol Station, where he went after taking his wife to the hospital.

Serving the preliminary hearing Sheriff C. Wheeler Welch testified that Brickhouse stated he didn't know what happened but he had a gun in his hand and later threw the gun behind a chair. He said he had told him he had shot himself but the gun went off in the struggle. Sheriff Welch said he had searched for the gun but could not find it.

Mrs. Viola Nachman, who testified at the coroner's inquest, said she was in the kitchen preparing food when she heard a shot in the living room. She said she went into the living room and found her husband standing over her with a gun in his hand. She said he told her he had shot himself but the gun went off in the struggle.

That he went into a room where Brickhouse and his wife were, for the purpose of combing his hair. He testified that he saw Viola Brickhouse lying on the floor with Brickhouse standing over her with a gun in his hand. He stated as he started to comb his hair he heard a gun go off and turned around and saw that the women had been shot in the head. Evonne Lee, another witness testified she was at the home and that the couple started quarreling. She left the room for another and later heard a shot. Neither of these witnesess disclosed information concerning reasons for the quarrel.

The defendant, who is represented by W. H. Oakey, Jr., offered no evidence during the preliminary hearing.

Ministers To Meet At Wurwick Swamp

All ministers of Chowan, Gates and Perquimans Counties have been invited to attend a meeting at Warwick Swamp Baptist Church at 10 A. M., January 17, at which time efforts will be made to organize a Tri-County Minister's Association. Each minister within the three counties is urged to attend the meeting and join in the discussion concerning the organization of the group along the line of a tri-county ministerial association.