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## HD Clubs of County Join Celebration Of National Week

### Volunteer Workers Doing Outstanding Job In Perquimans

Home Demonstration Club members of Perquimans County are joining this week with others throughout the nation in observing National Home Demonstration Week, the theme of which is "Today's Home Builds Tomorrow's World."

Using this theme is a foundation the members wish to increase the awareness of the importance of the home on character building for youth, and bring about a better understanding of problems of agriculture in relation to local, national and world economy.

To achieve this program Perquimans County volunteer leaders are doing a splendid job, according to Miss Kimsey Perry, home agent, carrying out programs and projects through leader reports and demonstration.

Home Demonstration Clubs in Perquimans County have had a successful year. As a part of National Home Demonstration Club Week they are publicizing their accomplishments and benefits.

Whiteston Club is still working to get its community house in the order that members would like for it to be. They sponsored a talent show with a free-will offering as admission. During the intermission they sold ice cream, candy and doughnuts. They have built some badly needed steps at the front door of the community house. They have also secured a 48-cup coffee maker. Their big aim for the year is to fix the floors of the building and to grow in number.

Beech Springs is a club small in number but they have been large in achievements during the year. This club won a \$100 prize for the highest number of points per club member in the county. The community service leaders in this club have been outstanding.

Hopewell Club is proud to claim Mrs. M. T. Griffin, who was the

in February the husbands rolled up their sleeves and washed the dishes showing that they had a wonderful time.

Bethel Club is very proud of its largest accomplishment, which was completing the payments on the community building. Members have made the money by serving the local Ruritan Club. Bethel has also made a donation for recreation equipment for the young people in the community.

Belvidere Club's main interest has also been in the community building. Members have tried to complete the kitchen facilities and they have paid for two rest rooms. A 48-cup coffee maker has recently been added to the equipment.

Helen Gaither Club is indeed proud of one of its members whose family was one of the Master Farm Families last year. This club served the refreshments when the Madra family observed open house. At Christmastime the Helen Gaither Club had a special collection and took money and groceries to a needy family.

Winfall Club secured for the community building 30 place settings of stainless steel along with several odd pieces of kitchen equipment. Members entertained their husbands at a most enjoyable Christmas party.

In Chapinoke Club Home improvement among the club members has been an outstanding feature. Bathrooms have been added and kitchens have been remodeled. They have entertained their husbands three times during the year.

Durants Neck Club members have recently had their piano tuned and they served a delicious meal at the 4-H County Council banquet. All the club members have been outstanding in the work done.

Leaders and members in all the clubs have done an outstanding job during the past year and particularly the Community Service Leaders.

25th District Chairman for the year. This club boasts that it has the backing of the husbands because at the joint dinner meeting

## Perquimans Gains Win Over Ahoskie And Chowan Nines

The Indians of Perquimans High School chalked up two more baseball victories during the past week to remain in a tie with Williams for top honors in the Albemarle Conference.

Coach Ike Perry's nine, playing with a revamped lineup, swamped Chowan High School by a score of 18 to 1 in a game played here Tuesday night. Coach Perry used three pitchers in the game, starting Paul Matthews, who went three innings, followed by Ted Chappell, who gave way to Morgan. Chowan scored its lone run in the second then fell to pieces when the Indians came to bat. Perquimans scored 11 runs in the second on five hits, four walks and two errors committed by Chowan.

Chowan collected only one hit, that in the third inning off Matthews. Perquimans tallied four more runs in the third, two in the fourth and one, a home run by White, in the fifth.

Matthews gave up one hit while pitching and struck out eight Chowan batters, walking four. Chappell struck out five and gave no walks. Morgan struck out five and walked none.

Lane started on the mound for Chowan and in three innings gave up seven hits and walked three. He was followed by Hollowell, who was relieved in the sixth. He allowed two hits and walked five. Evans pitched the final inning for Chowan, giving up one walk.

D. A. Carver was the big gun in the Perquimans attack, getting four hits for five trips to the plate. White and Arnold Chappell each got two hits.

The victory was the 11th of the season for Perquimans against one loss.

The Indians gained a 3-1 win over Ahoskie last Friday in a game

played at Ahoskie. Ted Chappell was the winning pitcher, giving up three hits, one run and walking one. The Indians scored three runs on two hits, getting two in the third inning and one in the fifth. Ahoskie's Bazemore was the losing pitcher.

Friday night the Indians travel to Edenton for a contest with their old rivals, the Aces, and will play a return game with Edenton in Hertford next week.

### Hertford Voters Choose Officials

Interest was at a low ebb in the election of officials for the Town of Hertford last Tuesday when only 145 voters went to the polls to elect a Mayor and four Commissioners.

V. N. Darden was re-elected Mayor with a vote of 142.

Elected as Commissioners were A. W. Hefren, who received 139 votes; Henry C. Sullivan, 133 votes; Ray White, 132 votes and Robert L. Hollowell, 130 votes.

Three ballots cast in the election were discarded as being void and there were two votes cast as write-ins, one being for Emmet Landing and the other being for D. F. Reed, Jr., as members of the board.

The total vote cast in the Hertford election was greater than four years ago, following an active primary when some 400-plus votes were cast in the primary. This year the primary was cancelled since the five candidates seeking office were without opposition.

A reorganization of the Hertford Board will take place at the Board's regular meeting next Monday night.



Taking part in the ground-breaking exercises last Sunday for a new wing at the Hertford Baptist Church were the church officials shown above. Reading from left to right are: Linda Bass, J. P. Perry, Carroll Williams, J. S. Bass, Mrs. G. R. Tucker, M. J. Gregory, L. N. Hollowell, the Rev. James O. Mattox and Charles Fowler. Construction work on the new wing, which is to be the educational department for the church, was started last Monday and is expected to be completed in about 90 days.

### THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

A peace treaty for Austria, freeing the nation of occupation troops quartered there for the past 10 years, may be forthcoming within the next month or two, according to reports from Vienna. Representatives of the Big Four have reached agreement as to terms for a treaty and it is expected to be ratified shortly. A change in attitude by Russia led to the agreement and unofficial sources report this Austrian meeting may lead to a conference of top level officials of the Big Four for easing tension throughout Europe.

Unrest and trouble inside Russia, due to economic conditions, are given as reasons for a change in attitude on the part of Russia. Some reporters state Russia hopes to neutralize Germany, as in the case of Austria, thus building up a buffer zone of neutral nations between Russia proper and the territory of Western powers.

The General Assembly, still seeking sources of balancing an increased budget for the next two years, is expected to take final action on a tobacco tax this week and turn toward other taxes should the tax on tobacco fail passage. A proposed tax on trucks and cars, a hot issue over the week-end, was believed dead according to reports from Raleigh. Taxpayers were given further good news on the report estimates for money needs may be scaled down again by some 3 to 4 million dollars. Legislators were advised sometime ago of the need to raise an additional 54 million dollars and this figure now has been reduced to 28 million dollars.

A proposed law calling for the General Assembly to meet annually, was passed by the House on Tuesday and now goes to the Senate. If given approval the proposal will be voted on by the people in the next general election as an amendment to the Constitution.

### Nine Cases Heard By Recorder Judge

Nine cases were disposed of by the Perquimans Recorder's Court last Tuesday when all defendants entered pleas of guilty to charges for which they had been cited to court.

Fines of \$5 and court costs were levied against Estelle Mann, Henry Wilson and Francis McNiff on charges of speeding. Jessie Higgins, Negro, paid a fine of \$10 and costs on a speeding charge and Charles Marine submitted to a speeding charge and paid the costs of court.

William Morse, charged with driving without a license, paid a fine of \$25 and costs after entering a plea of guilty and Sandy Easton, Negro, charged with the same offense, also pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$25 and costs of court.

Fred Hudson paid the costs of court after submitting to charges of having improper lights on a motor vehicle.

Red Revels, Negro, was fined \$2 and costs after submitting to a charge of being drunk.

## Church Conference In Hertford Today

The Elizabeth City District of the Methodist Church will hold its Conference at the Hertford Methodist Church, beginning May 6 at 10:00 A. M., and closing after dinner with a sermon by the dynamic preachers, Dr. Lem Stokes, President of Pfeiffer Junior College. The program will consist of a period of devotion, a brief business session, the licensing of local Preachers, brief reports from the eight areas of the church's program as follows:

Evangelism, the Rev. E. G. Purcell, Jr.; Missions and Church Extension, the Rev. H. A. Bizzell, Jr.; Christian Education, the Rev. O. Kelly Ingram; Temperance, the Rev. H. M. Jamieson; Hospitals and Homes, the Rev. I. S. Richmond; Lay Activities, Mr. Fred Ritter; Woman's Work, Mrs. N. L. Mixon; and Cultivation and Development, the Rev. N. W. Grant.

According to the Rev. C. Freeman Heath, District Superintendent, the program for the District Conferences this year is a departure from the traditional program. The sermon will be the climax of the Conference.

Dr. J. Lem Stokes, II, the Conference speaker, was born in Songdo, Korea, the son of Dr. and Mrs. M. B. Stokes, missionaries of the Methodist Church. His early schooling was pursued under the tutelage of his mother who, at one time had been a South Carolina school teacher. He was graduated from the Seoul Foreign School, Seoul, Korea, in 1926. His A.B. degree was received at Asbury College in 1930, B.D. at Duke University in 1932, and Ph.D. at Yale University in 1936.

Dr. Stokes was admitted to the Western North Carolina Conference in 1931, but did not receive an appointment as pastor until 1936 at Randleman, North Carolina. In 1940 he was appointed to Franklin, and, early in 1944,

### Winslow Named As Jaycee President

New officers for the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce were elected at a meeting of the organization held Wednesday night of last week. Selected to head the chamber as president during the coming year was Eldon Winslow, popular Hertford young man, who is an employee of the Hertford Post Office.

Other officers named were Chas. Skinner, Jr., vice president; George Fields, secretary; James Divers, treasurer; Emory White, State Director, Ray Haskett and J. Moody Matthews, Jr., directors.

Installation of the new officers will be made at a later date. At the close of the meeting it was announced seven Hertford Jaycees will attend the State Jaycee Convention being held this week-end in Asheville. Representing the chamber at the convention will be Eldon Winslow, Francis Nixon, Emory White, Hilton White, Billy White, C. T. Skinner, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Stokes.

to Elkin, North Carolina. In the fall of 1945 he was transferred to the Upper South Carolina Conference and was appointed to St. John's Methodist Church, the University Church, in Rock Hill, S. C. From this church he went on September 1, 1950, to the position of Secretary of Religion in Higher Education in the Division of Educational Institutions, Nashville, Tenn. He assumed his present position of President of Pfeiffer College in July, 1953.

As a pastor Dr. Stokes was active in community affairs. During the war he served as Home Service Chairman and Chapter Chairman of a Red Cross unit at Franklin. He is a Past President of the Franklin Rotary Club and of the Rock Hill Kiwanis Club. In Rock Hill he served on the Board of Directors of the Y.M.C.A., the Red Cross and the Salvation Army.

In the Western North Carolina Conference Dr. Stokes was vice-president of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. He has taken part in religious activities upon a number of college and university campuses in various parts of the country, as well as in summer youth assemblies and conferences.

Other interests have been in sports, music, and flying. In college, Dr. Stokes won letters in basketball, baseball, track and tennis. Since his college days he has transferred his athletic aspirations to the golf course.

Ever since he sang first tenor in his college quartet, he has kept up an interest in music that has included singing in church and community choirs and on his own weekly radio program.

Dr. Stokes holds a license as a private pilot, and since early in 1952 has met many of his engagements throughout the country in his own plane.

### Perquimans F.F.A. Entertain Dads

Members of the Perquimans Chapter of FFA held their annual Father and Son supper at the vocational building at the high school last Tuesday night enjoying a delicious barbecue chicken supplements with potato salad, slaw, pickle, pie and soft drinks.

A feature of the annual event was a display of wood products produced by the club members which included gun cases, cedar chests, radio stands, lawn chairs and what-nots. Inspection of these products revealed skill among the FFA members in woodwork and cabinet making.

Joe Tunnell is the local FFA advisor and vocational teacher.

Following the dinner, at which special guests included members of the Board of Education and of the school committee, the Dads were guests of the sons at the Perquimans-Chowan baseball game.

### LIONS MEET FRIDAY

The Hertford Lions Club will hold its regular meeting at 6:45 P. M., Friday at Brown's Restaurant. All members are urged to be present. Plans will be made for holding the club's annual ladies' night party on May 20th.

## Ground Broken For Construction Work At Baptist Church

Last Sunday was an historical day for the Hertford Baptist Church. The 101-year-old church broke ground for its new wing to the educational building. This service came as a result of the church voting to accept a recommendation from its building committee to let the contract and begin immediately to build.

Those taking part in the ground breaking service included L. N. Hollowell, Chairman of the Building Committee; M. J. Gregory, Chairman of the Deacon Board; Mrs. Reginald Tucker, President of the Woman's Missionary Union; Jim Bass, President of the Men's Brotherhood; Carroll Williams, Superintendent of the Sunday School; J. P. Perry, Church Clerk and representing the memory of members who served their church faithfully in years past; Charlie Fowler and Lynda Bass, Presidents of the Junior organizations and representing "the church of tomorrow," and the pastor, representing the leadership of Christ Jesus.

The new wing will more than double the present educational facilities and will house the Adult, Primary, Beginner, Nursery, and Young People's Departments, as well as the church office, the pastor's study and church library. One of the outstanding features of the new addition will be a modern nursery, equipped to take care of babies from infants to four years of age.

The Edenton Construction Company are the general contractors for the building, and the estimated time of completion is 90 days.

## Hertford Jaycees Planning Teen-age Driving Contest

The Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce has completed plans for a Teen-Age Driving Road-o to be staged on Memorial Field at Perquimans High School on Saturday, May 21, it was announced today by Jarvis Henry, president of the Jaycees.

The purpose of the driving contest, according to Mr. Henry, is to promote better driving and highway safety among the teen-agers of Perquimans County. The Road-o will consist of a written examination and a skill test involving driving through prescribed exercises such as parking, smooth stopping and others.

All entries in the contest, which is part of a nation-wide project under the sponsorship of the Jaycees, must have a driver's license and having had no traffic violation citation during the past six months.

The local winner in this Jaycee contest will be eligible to compete in the State Road-o, the date of which will be announced later. State winners compete for \$3,000 in scholarships in a national contest July 25-29 in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Henry said a local committee has been organized under the general chairmanship of Talmage Rose to carry out the various aspects of the program. Judges in the local contest will be members of the Hertford Police Department, State Highway Patrolmen and License Examiners, assisted by the Jaycees.

"By emphasizing the rules of the road and the skills needed for safe driving, we intend to give local youths a chance to prove that some of America's best drivers are teen-agers," Mr. Henry said.

### GOC Participated In Alert On Sunday

The Perquimans County Ground Observer Corps participated in a 12-hour alert Sunday with 13 volunteers observing during the day. The alert was known as "Skytrain 11" and was to test the efficiency of posts in reporting aircraft as well as further training for other phases of the Civil Defense program.

Observers participating were Bill White, W. T. Elliott, A. H. Edwards, Corbin Cherry, Jr., Henry Stokes, Jr., Francis Nixon, George A. White, Sr., Ray Haskett, Billy White, Jarvis Henry, Charles Willford and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Webb.

## Tentative Budget Matters Presented To County Board

### Building & Loan To Offer Savings Stock

Hertford Building and Loan Association will offer for sale its 70th series of savings stock, beginning Saturday, May 7, it was reported today by Max Campbell, secretary of the Association.

Individuals desiring to purchase stock in the local Building & Loan are urged to come to the Building & Loan office to make arrangements for the number of shares desired. The stock is sold on the basis of payments of 25 cents weekly on each share purchased and the shares mature at \$100 value.

Based upon present earnings of the Association the stock will mature in 350 weeks, paying simple interest in excess of four per cent.

## Voters Of Winfall Cast Record Vote In Election Tuesday

Winfall voters set a record for participating in an election last Tuesday when 100 of the town's eligible 107 voters cast ballots for the election of a Mayor and Board of Commissioners. This turnout represented better than 93 per cent of the electorate.

Following an intense campaign among seven candidates for the four offices at stake the results of the election showed Fred S. Winslow winning over his opponent, Nathan Matthews, for the office of Mayor of Winfall. Winslow received 53 votes while Matthews received 47.

In the race for the Board of Commissioners the winning candidates were D. L. Barber, Sr., Alton Moore and Elijah White. Votes cast for the candidates for Commissioners were as follows: White 59, Moore 54, Barber 500, Charlie Lane 49 and D. R. Trueblood 47.

Organization of the new official board for Winfall is expected to take place at the board meeting next month.

## Local Board Names School Committees

A list of Perquimans County School Committees, as appointed by the Board of Education, was released this week by J. T. Biggers, Superintendent of Schools.

The committee for Hertford Grammar School is composed of Mrs. Henry C. Sullivan, C. T. Eley, J. H. Corprew, Preston Nixon and I. C. Long; Central Grammar School: E. Q. White, Roy Winslow, Mrs. Charlie Umbhlett, John Q. Hurdle and George W. Baker; Perquimans High School: Edwin S. White, Carson Spivey, Roy S. Chappell, Howard Williams, Mrs. Frank Bray, Mrs. A. H. Edwards and Jack Brinn.

The committee for Negro schools is composed of E. L. Brooks, George Hollowell, Dewey Overton, Sam Jennings and Haywood Martin.

In carrying out procedure as prescribed by a new law enacted by the General Assembly as to the employment of teachers on a one-year basis, the committees will hold meetings this week for the purpose of electing principals of individual schools. Following this action the principals will make recommendations as to employment of teachers from lists of applications, and these in turn will be acted upon by the committees.

The Board of Education, under the terms of the new law, has notified all teachers of Perquimans County Schools their contracts will be terminated at the conclusion of the present school term, and that the teachers must submit new applications for employment if they desire consideration for a teacher position for the next school term.

### 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 be present and visiting Masons invited.

### Commissioners On Record Opposing New Auto Tax

Preliminary estimates on proposed budget items for the county's next fiscal year, beginning July 1, were presented to the Board of County Commissioners during the Board meeting last Monday.

Final action on these matters will be taken at the next meeting of the Commissioners after which the proposed overall county budget for 1955-56 will be published prior to final adoption by the Board at its July meeting.

A request for an additional \$9,000 to be included in the general school budget was approved by the Commissioners to permit the Board of Education to carry out repairs at Perquimans High School during the coming summer. J. T. Biggers, County School Superintendent, told the Commissioners that State funds will be made available for this building to be rewired, repairs made to the auditorium, toilets and home economics department, but needed plastering of classrooms must be paid for from local funds. Total cost of the repairs at the high school are estimated at \$29,000.

Further discussion was held on converting the county home to a board home effective July 1, and Commissioners R. L. Spivey and E. B. Hollowell were named to confer with J. C. Morgan in completing certain repairs to the county home in order for the site to meet State requirements for a boarding home. Budget proposals for this fund indicate the county will be relieved of expenditures totaling about \$5,000 annually through this conversion plan.

The Commissioners were advised by the County Accountant that present estimates for the 1955-56 budget indicates the present tax rate of \$1.65 will suffice to cover total expenditures during the coming year.

On motion duly passed the Board went on record requesting the county's September term of Superior Court be so changed as to be set out on the calendar to convene the week following the regular November term. It was pointed out this change in time for this court term will provide convenience for prospective jurors as well as court officials.

The Board also went on record as being opposed to any new state tax on automobiles, and so advised Representative C. R. Holmes and Senators A. P. Godwin and N. Elton Ayldett of his action. This opposition to auto tax was in connection with a bill now before the General Assembly for consideration by Legislators this week.

## Honor Roll Given For Training School

Fifty-one students of the high school department of the Perquimans Training School were listed on the honor roll at the close of the fifth grading period, it was reported by the principal, R. L. Kingsbury.

Winning scholastic honors for the period, according to the report were:

Eighth Grade: Willie Parker, Lowell Wills, Willie Moore, Florazell Hurdle, Barbara Chesson, Libby Billups, Deloris Hurdle, Berntha Rumber, Charlie Small.

Ninth Grade: Mae Hollowell, George Hollowell, Hattie James, Barbara Johnkins, Edwin Tomes, Osia Whitehurst, Ailsene Modlin, Jean Perry, Chester Mallory, Joseph Hoffer.

Tenth Grade: Queenie Bogans, Marlene Elliott, Argie Lamb, Jeanette Parker, Edna Skinner, Queenie Vaughn, Carolyn Branch, Ethel Eason, Audrey Small.

Eleventh Grade: Onedia Felton, Yvonne Burke, Doris Rogers, Wilhelmina Rogers, Mary Whidbee, James Griswold, James Riddick, Gertrude Harrell, Edna Zachery, Christine Lowder, Helen Felton, Melsie Parker, Barbara Brickous, Wilma Skinner.

Twelfth Grade: Mary Parker, Frances Hurdle, Nora Skinner, Edward Harrell, Haywood Martin, Jr., Lillian Skinner, Shelia White, Shirley Gorden, Joan Lally.