

## Financial Request For School Funds Presented Board

A big financial problem, for the next fiscal year, was presented to the Board of County Commissioners, during its meeting here last Monday, when the County Board of Education advised the Commissioners it will need a total of \$28,000 to complete construction and furnish the new Hertford Grammar School and provide fixtures for the King Street School.

This building, now under construction and about 65 per cent completed, is being built entirely from county funds and the construction costs are running higher than the estimates made when a bond issue was voted for the building last year. This places the Board of Education in the position of having insufficient funds to complete and furnish the building.

The request for these funds was placed before the Commissioners by School Superintendent J. T. Biggers, who pointed out \$16,000 is needed to complete the construction and a total of \$12,000 will be needed to buy furniture and fixtures for both the Hertford Grammar School and the King Street School.

The county has been advised by the Local Government Commission, it is not eligible to borrow additional funds during the coming fiscal year without a vote on the question by the people of the county.

While no definite action was taken by the County Board, other than an indication the funds will be provided to the Board of Education, there was detail discussion concerning the county's financial situation and the consensus of the Board indicated it appears the funds may be raised through a substantial increase in the tax rate for the year 1957.

Further study of the problem

will be made by the Board before definite action is decided upon.

C. R. Holmes, County Representative, appeared before the Commissioners and advised he was leaving this week for the General Assembly and offered full cooperation in actions the Board desires to place before the Legislature.

Three delegations appeared before the Board seeking improvements to roads in their communities and the Commissioners approved petitions for improvement to the River Bridge Road in New Hope Township, a road in Major Hill section of Parkville, and the Four Mile Desert and Chapanoke roads also in Parkville.

## Tax Collections

Collections of 1956 taxes due Perquimans County have reached 70 per cent of the total levied. It was reported to the County Commissioners this week by the County Accountant, Max Campbell.

Tax Collector J. K. White reminded property owners who have not paid their 1956 taxes an additional penalty goes into effect the first of next month and he urges settlement of taxes due.

## Break-In Reported At Glenn's Place

The Sheriff's office is continuing an investigation of a break-in at Glenn's Place on Thursday night, January 31. It was reported by Sheriff J. K. White yesterday.

Thieves broke into a store room at the place, gaining entrance through a back door, containing soft drinks and canned goods. It is not known what, if any, damage was taken.

## Funeral Services Conducted Tuesday For J. S. McNider

James Small McNider, Sr., 77 died suddenly at his home Sunday afternoon at 4:45 o'clock.

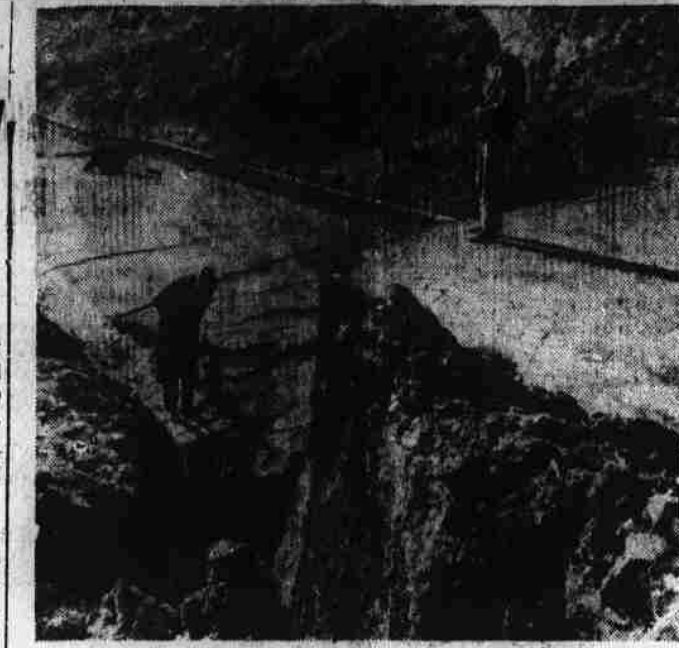
He was a native and life long resident of Perquimans County and had lived in Hertford for about 50 years. He was the son of the late Thomas J. and Laura White McNider and a member of the Hertford Methodist Church.

He graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1906 and had been practicing law for the past 61 years. He was past master of Perquimans Lodge No. 106 A. F. & A. M., and recently received his 50-year certificate. He was serving as high priest of Cherokee Chapter No. 14 at the time of his death and was past immediate commander of the Griggs Commandery No. 14 and was a member of the Tyrian Council No. 19, all of Elizabeth City. He was a member of the Sudan Temple and Scottish Rite Masons of New Bern.

He represented the First District in the State Senate a number of years ago, and also served as judge and solicitor of the Perquimans Recorder's Court.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Harriette Cox McNider; one son, James Small McNider, Jr., of Richmond, Va.; four sisters, Mrs. Annie White of Chapanoke, Mrs. Rebecca Russell of Elizabeth City; Mrs. Laura Hollowell and Mrs. Sallie Lane of Hertford; two brothers, Joseph McNider of Center Hill and Thomas Simpson McNider of Portsmouth and one grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Methodist Church by the Rev. James A. Auman, pastor, under the direction of the Twiford Funeral Home. Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery. Masonic Rites were conducted at the graveside. Pallbearers were Charles Murray, B. C. Burt, W. F. Ainsley, J. S. Buss, Jr. A. B. Bonner and R. C. Murray.



"YOU TAKE THE HIGH ROAD..."—This divided highway, in Rome, Italy, involves a unique form of division. The ground under the Viale Angelico suddenly caved in, above, splitting the road in two, and dropping one section several feet below the level of the other. Heavy rainfall was blamed for the landslide.

## Report Lists Road Improvements In County During '56

During 1956, the State Highway Commission completed a great many road improvements in the First Highway Division, Commissioner Emmett Winslow of Hertford reports.

On the primary system in the division, State forces completed 92.3 miles of drag seal. Another 80.07 miles were renovated by sand and asphalt paving. A total of 37.93 miles were either graded, widened and resurfaced or relocated and paved.

The county road system was improved by 189.6 miles of drag seal and 28.9 miles paving with a sand asphalt surface course. A total of 4.1 miles were paved with a bituminous surface treatment while another 6.6 miles were graded and paved with sand asphalt. 2.8 miles were widened and 5.5 other miles were paved with sand asphalt mixed-in-place. A sand seal was used on 15 miles while 13 miles were resurfaced. A total of 67.92 miles of unimproved roads were stabilized by using local road materials.

With division headquarters in Aboakie, the First, is composed of Camden, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Bertie, Hertford, Northampton, Chowan, Hyde, Martin, Tyrrell, and Washington counties. An experienced roadbuilder, W. N. Spruill, is Division Engineer. His able engineering staff includes J. J. Gilbert.

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## Contract Let

The first contract, in connection with the reactivation of Harvey Point Air Station, was let Thursday afternoon of last week by the Navy Department, it was learned by The Weekly from an unofficial source.

The contract for the demolition of a number of the old buildings at the base was awarded the Chipwood House Moving Contractors of Columbia, S. C., at a bid of \$7,400.

According to the report the firm has until May 6, 1957 to complete its contract, and a spokesman for the contractors stated work on demolishing the buildings will get under way next week.

## Youth Candidate For Scholarship

Charles Whedbee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Silas M. Whedbee, was one of six high school students selected from Northeastern North Carolina to be interviewed at Chapel Hill as a candidate for a Morehead Scholarship at the University of North Carolina.

The selection was made following interviews conducted last week at Williamston from among students representing high schools east and north of Wilson.

Charles is an honor student at Perquimans High School and active in school activities and athletics.

## Honor Roll List At Perquimans High Released Monday

The honor roll, listing 65 students at Perquimans High School excelling in scholastic studies during the third grading period, was released Monday by E. C. Woodard, principal of the school.

The list included the following students:

Eighth Grade: Ann Benton, Jean Copeland, Dianne Hollowell, Joyce Owens, Caryle Woodard, Roland Tripp, Linda Bass, Phyllis Hendren, Ellen Trueblood, Mary Lee Ward, Frances Winslow, Robert Burden, Kathryn Bonner, Carroll McDermott, Faye Wood.

Ninth Grade: Allan Bonner, Rebecca Burton, Jo Ann Cartwright, Ann Lane, Carolyn White, Preston Winslow, Linda Lou Elliott, Pat Rogerson, Katharine Sawyer, Clay Stokes, Jack Brinn, Pauline Barcus, Arlene Stallings.

Tenth Grade: Donald Baker, David Burton, Lawrence Layden, Kathleen Blanchard, Dorothy Cartwright, Letitia McGoogan, Ethel Sutton, Wynda Lynn Chappell, Beverly Tucker, Ray Winslow.

Eleventh Grade: Tommy Matthews, Jake Myers, Jean Edwards, Kay Matthews, Gail Pierce, Janice Chappell, Amanda Lou Corpew, Patsy Elliott, Sophia Godfrey, Lois Ann Hurdle, Jane Koel, Beth Skinner, Rachael Spivey, Iria Wilson, Dan Winslow.

Twelfth Grade: Sandy Diver, Edgar Fields, Pat Harrell, Charles Whedbee, Doris Stallings, Marjorie Stallings, Jane Winslow, Nancy Lane, Anne Sawyer, Mable Koel, Lillian Ann Hoffer, Charles Johnson.

## Permit Needed To Establish Trailer Court In Area

"The trailer court ordinance recently adopted by the District Board of Health is expected to improve environmental sanitation conditions in and around the mobile homes," says K. J. Eyer, sanitarian for the District Health Department. "There is a need for minimum standards because of the increasing number of trailers and especially the expected demand in housing both civilian and military personnel in the Hertford-Edenton areas."

"Sanitation as related to the operation of a trailer court, requires more than a clean, comfortable, and attractive vehicle. It involves the desire of every trailer-courier owner to stop only where a safe water supply is available, and where sewage and refuse can be disposed of without creating a nuisance. There is a definite need for general guidance in the planning and operation of trailer courts, so that the construction, operation and maintenance of these areas will be satisfactory to the State and local health authorities, the individuals using the courts, the court owners and the residents of adjacent areas."

"The new ordinance defines a trailer court as any plot of land upon which two or more trailers are parked. Items of sanitation include site provisions, service buildings, water supply, sewage disposal, refuse disposal, insect and rodent control.

"An inspection of proposed site and a permit prior to construction of trailer court are necessary. It is, therefore, requested that any person or persons considering to construct a trailer court first contact the local Health Department."

## Drive Still Lags

Perquimans County's March of Dimes drive is still lagging behind the goal the county committee is hoping to raise for the 1957 fund. Total contributions reported to the drive treasurer up to Wednesday amounted to \$282.61.

The committee is hopeful all solicitors will complete the canvass for funds within the next few days in order that the drive can be brought to a close.

Mr. Sullivan reported the contributions turned in thus far have come from various clubs of Hertford and from solicitors of the Hertford residential district.

## Details Of Zoning Ordinance Heard At Public Hearing

A public hearing for the purpose of explaining details of a proposed zoning code for the Town of Hertford, as recommended by a local Planning Commission, was held here last Monday night, and attended by a large number of Hertford citizens.

L. N. Hollowell, chairman of the Planning Board, presided at the meeting, and Leigh Wilson, a representative of the League of Municipalities, which surveyed the town for the purpose of determining a proper zoning code, gave the explanation of the various regulations.

Mr. Wilson pointed out the benefits offered by a zoning code include the protection of real estate values; protect general public health; solve a town to plan for a large range public improvement program; provides for orderly growth of a community.

Under the ordinance proposed for Hertford, the town will be divided into four zone areas; two for residential, a business and industrial area. The basic differences in the two residential areas is determined by the number of square feet in a building lot located in an area. At the present time the proposed ordinance calls for one residential area to be restricted to lots of 8,000 square feet and the other area calls for lots of 6,000 square feet.

Mr. Wilson pointed out the zoning ordinance applies only after the law is adopted by the Board of Town Commissioners.

The regulations pertaining to residential areas places certain restrictions on construction, requiring minimum front and side yards for each house. The law will also regulate the height for new buildings.

Residential areas will be restricted to homes but it will be permissible for schools, hospitals, private clubs and apartment houses, to be situated in these areas.

The business area will be restricted to retail and wholesale business houses, but may contain homes but no industrial buildings. The industrial zone will be the area for industrial buildings.

It was revealed during a question and answer period conducted by Mr. Wilson that the zoning law does not permit restrictions as to race, color, creed, price of construction or type of construction in any area.

He also explained that the various zone areas may be changed by due process where it can be shown a need for a change in the law. This section of the ordinance will be under the control of a Board of Adjustment which in turn is subject to the entire Board of Town Commissioners.

It was also pointed out that the zoning ordinance may also require a building permit be secured before any building is started under construction.

Another public hearing on the proposed ordinance is to be conducted by the Town Board, prior to the adoption of the law. The date for this hearing will be announced for three weeks prior to the meeting.

A preliminary hearing for the woman will be held in Perquimans Recorder's Court next Tuesday if it was reported here today.

## Deadline Nears For Vehicle Tags

One more week remains for car and truck owners to purchase and display state and town auto tags for 1957, it was reported today. Individuals face court action if they operate cars or trucks after next Friday without the new tags.

Town Clerk R. C. Elliott reports a number of residents of Hertford have yet to purchase their 1957 town tags and he urges them to buy the tags before the deadline date and save further costs.

## George Powell Weds Mrs. Maude Corpew

Mrs. Maude Amanda Corpew of Edenton and George Thomas Powell of Hertford were quietly married on Wednesday, January 30. The ceremony took place at the Baptist parsonage in Gatesville at 3 o'clock in the afternoon with the Rev. Mr. Moore officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell are at home at the Powell residence on Church Street in Hertford.

## Indians Cagers To Play Edenton Aces Here Friday Night

Coach Ike Perry's Perquimans Indians will be out to avenge a defeat handed them by Edenton when the Aces come to Hertford Friday night for a return conference game with the local teams. The double bill is scheduled to start at 7:30 o'clock with the contest between the girls' teams.

The Indians marked up two more wins during the past week, scoring an easy victory over Aboakie last Friday and defeating Weeksville on Tuesday night.

Ralph White led the Indians to a 71-55 victory over Weeksville, scoring 18 points. Baker hit for 15, Miller 14, Matthews 12, Whedbee 7 and Tucker 5. The Indians doing some fine shooting, jumped into a 34-23 lead at halftime and Coach Perry sent his reserves into the game about midway of the second half, after the Indians had piled up a commanding lead.

Weeksville girls defeated the Indian Squaws in a close game by a score of 31-28. A weekslame by a five point lead at halftime. Williams was high scorer of the game with 15 points and Bright led Weeksville with 12. Bagley scored 8 for Perquimans and Pierce had five.

Perquimans romped to a 51-30 win over Aboakie last Friday when Baker led the Indian offense with 15 points. The Indians showed superiority over Aboakie at all stages of the contest and led 45 to 28 in the third period when Coach Perry sent his reserves into the game to gain playing experience. Miller hit for 14 points, White collected 9, Matthews 7 and Tucker 4. Billy paced Aboakie with 13 points.

The Aboakie girls nosed out the Blue Squaws 45 to 32, after coming behind during the third period. Perquimans led 30-15 at halftime, but an 18-point scoring spree by the visitors in the third period was the clincher. The local team managed to hit for only three points during the period. Dashi hit for 12 points for Aboakie while

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

The General Assembly is expected to get under way by next Monday in a session generally predicted will last through most of the next 120 days. The Solons picked their house and senate leaders at meetings Wednesday and then heard Governor Hodges' inaugural address Thursday. Two biggest proposals expected to be handled by the Legislature are changes in the state's tax structure laws and a reorganization of the State Highway Commission.

An underground blast at Bishop, Va., last Monday killed 37 coal miners working near that town. There was no official word on the cause of the blast but it was believed recent heavy rains in the area had a contributing factor in the tragedy.

Leaking gas was blamed for an explosion which rocked Reno, Nevada, on Monday killing at least two persons and causing heavy property damage in the city. Several blocks in Reno were evacuated immediately following the explosion as a safeguard against other blasts.

Rain continued to fall over a widespread area of the eastern part of the nation this week swelling the already flooded streams in West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee. Weather forecasters predict little change in the conditions before the end of this week.

## BOARD TO MEET

The Perquimans County Board of Education will hold a special meeting next Tuesday night, at 7 o'clock in the office of the superintendent of schools.

## Five Assault Cases Before Recorder At Court Term Tues.

Cases involving assault and assaults with deadly weapons made up most of the docket in Perquimans Recorder's court here last Tuesday and resulted in Judge Chas. E. Johnson remarking there is entirely too much playing with knives as he meted out jail sentences and fines in all of the cases.

Eight cases were disposed of during the session Tuesday and included the one of Lona Wilson who was ordered to pay the costs of court after pleading guilty to a charge of failing to observe a stop light.

John Potts submitted to a charge of passing a vehicle in a no-passing zone. He paid the costs of court.

A nine months sentence in the state woman's camp was meted out to Mary Taylor, Negro, who was found guilty on a charge of assault.

Lucille Riddick, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. She was sentenced to 30 days in jail, sentence to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$25 and costs of court.

Elhona Felton, Negro, was found guilty of assault and she was ordered to pay the costs of court.

Columbus White, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of being drunk and paid a fine of \$2 and costs of court.

Earl Jones, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. A 90 day jail sentence was meted out, to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$75 and costs of court.

Link O'Neal, Negro, found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon was ordered to pay a fine of \$25 and costs of court or serve 30 days in jail.

## HOURS ANNOUNCED

The Navy Recruiting Station in Elizabeth City has announced that its hours of operation are now from 8 A. M. to 4 P. M., daily except Saturdays when the hours are 8 A. M. to 1 P. M.

## Premeasurement Service Offered

Premeasurement of allotment crops is being offered to farmers in Perquimans County, Helene W. Nixon, Perquimans County ASC office manager, has announced.

Every year there are some farmers who, through inaccurate measurement on their own part or because of incorrect information on the acreage in permanent fields, plant either more or less than they are actually permitted by their allotment. In the case of overplanting, Miss Nixon explained, this causes the farmer unnecessary expense in the way of unused fertilizer, unused plants or seed, and treating of land that cannot be used. In the case of underplanting this could cause the farmer to lose some of his "planting history."

This premeasurement service may be requested through the county ASC office. The final date for requesting premeasurement is February 28, 1957. The farmer will be required to pay only the actual cost of the visit to his farm. When he makes application at the ASC office for his premeasurement service the farmer will deposit \$1.00 per acre or a minimum of \$6.00 per farm to cover the cost of the work. The premeasured acreage will be accepted as the "official" measured acreage for all ASC purposes provided the farmer plants the entire premeasured area and no more and provided there was no obvious error made in the premeasurement. A later trip will be made to the farm to determine that these requirements have been met but in most cases an additional survey will not be required.

Only a limited amount of this premeasurement work can be done in the short time available so applications should be made early.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Cobb, Jr. announce the birth of a daughter, born Monday, February 4, at the Albemarle Hospital. Mrs. Cobb is the former Miss Mary Winslow.