

### Historic Facts

Quite early in our county history Perquimans had a place to detain violators of the law. It is described in old records as "The Perquimans Logg Goal or Logg House." It was built not too far from the Little River settlement and consisted of only one room measuring ten or eleven feet square, built of logs, no floor other than dirt, its only opening a door.

The old record goes on to state that a certain Edward Smithwick was confined here, together with two men and a woman in 1680 for three weeks.

Smithwick, who had been implicated in the Culpepper Rebellion, was held in jail for that reason. He makes complaint of the foul air in the jail, where he was forced to eat, drink and sleep in its close quarters, not being allowed out, even under guard, for fresh air. He states he was almost poisoned. Later he was moved to the home of George Durant and held a prisoner in his dwelling, being guarded by two soldiers. In 1678 Durant had been made Attorney General for the Albemarle, which probably accounts for the prisoner being moved there for trial, where he was later freed of the charges against him.

It is hard to believe, but true, that in the early history of the Albemarle, several women among them, the one in jail with Smithwick were confined there because they were accused of practicing witchcraft and subjected to great

iniquity of person. We can be very proud that the Grand Jury found no true bill against them so they were released and let us hope not persecuted again.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

called to God, and the groundwork is laid for the making of a Christ-like character which is pleasing to God. This was the task that lay before Jesus; this was the talk for which he recruited help from able and worthy men. This is still the task today which confronts us as Christians—modern day disciples testifying to the Kingdom of God as we go about our daily lives.

(These comments are based on outlines of the International Sunday School Lessons, copyrighted by the International Council of Religious Education, and used by permission.)

### DIRECTORS TO MEET

The Board of Directors of the Pasquotank-Perquimans-Camden Tuberculosis Association, will hold their annual fall meeting, Thursday, November 6, 1958, at 8 P. M., in the Agriculture Building in Elizabeth City. Mrs. David Fearing, president, urges all members to be present.

### SOIL CONSERVATION NOTES

With the harvesting of crops farmers are beginning to work on drainage again. Elsberry Lane and G. B. Winslow recently cut some field ditches. Sev-

eral farmers are planning to cut ditches this fall.

W. L. Lassiter plans to construct two ponds to furnish water for livestock.

A little over one-half the farmland in Perquimans County is woodland. A lot of this woodland is not producing much return. Hardwoods are taking over and crowding out the pines in large areas of woodland. Some of this is due to the harvesting practices used and lack of proper woodland management. If the undesirable hardwoods were removed or killed and these areas restored to a stand of pines the income per acre over a period of years would be much greater. There are several ways of getting rid of undesirable or unmerchantable hardwoods. One is by girdling the tree, another is by chopping cups or notches approximately 3 inches apart around the tree and placing a tablespoon of ammate in each notch—another method is the use of 2, 4, 5T (4 lbs. acid equivalent per gal.) and a tree injector. The 2, 4, 5T is injected into the tree about every 2 inches around its base. The small hardwoods and brush can be destroyed by use of a bulldozer and a heavy bush and bog disc.

### Whitston News

Mrs. Lyle Dillon and daughter of South Carolina spent last week with her husband's parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Orval Dillon.

Mrs. Bill Emmart and two sons of Smithfield, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. John T. Lane.

Ruby White, Erma White, Virginia White and Mary Frances, Eugene and Patricia Dillon spent Saturday in Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Saunders and family visited his sister, Mrs. Mary J. Peele on Saturday at Potocasi.

Mrs. Mary Williams spent a

part of last week visiting her sons, Carroll and Howard Williams near Hertford and attended the Baptist Association at Corinth Church near Elizabeth City.

Tom Eason has returned to his home from the Albemarle Hospital where he has been a patient for several weeks.

Hiriam Hiltz, once a missionary in Cuba, now chairman of the Yearly Meeting Missionary Committee and a teacher at Guilford College and Childress, a ministerial student at Guilford College, were at Up River Meeting on Sunday evening. Hiriam Hiltz spoke at the Missionary Conference at 7:30. Jimmie Childress brought the message at the morning worship service.

Jimmie Childress spent Saturday night with the Dillon family and was dinner guest on Sunday of the Tom Riddick family.

Hiriam Hiltz and Jimmie Childress of Guilford College spent Saturday night with Eunice and Arba Winslow.

The Rev. J. A. Auman spoke at the Young People's Meeting last Sunday and showed pictures of his recent trip to Europe.

### Winfall News

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Whedbee and son of Norfolk spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hollowell, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Kirby of Portsmouth, Va., visited friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hill of Virginia Beach, Va., and Mrs. Lane.

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Vernon Taylor of Norfolk, Va., here Sunday.

Mrs. Harvey Lilly of Raleigh and Miss Marie Lilly of Gatesville were dinner guests of Mrs. W. G. Hollowell Saturday.

Mrs. A. M. White has returned home after spending the week at Swansboro.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Miller and son of Norfolk, Va., visited friends W. N. Matthews of East Caro-

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