

## Perquimans Plays Central Today In Baseball Opener

Baseball time is here again! The Perquimans Indians, under direction of Coaches Ike Perry and Ab Williams, will open their 1959 season Friday afternoon with Central High School providing the opposition.

The Indians have been practicing since the close of the basketball season and prospects for the Indian club are bright. The team will be built around a group of veterans from last season, with the pitching staff headed by Parker Chesson, Welly White and Hunter. Nixon is expected to do most of the catching this year.

A 13-game schedule has been arranged for the Indians, and is released today by Principal E. C. Woodard. Perquimans will compete in the Albemarle Conference and playoffs for district and state titles will begin May 4th.

The schedule for the season is as follows:

- March 20—Central, there.
- March 24—Gatesville, here.
- March 26—Gatesville, there.
- March 31—Scotland Neck, there.
- April 3—Edenton, here.
- April 7—Williamston, there.
- April 10—Ahoskie, here.
- April 14—Plymouth, here.
- April 17—Scotland Neck, here.
- April 21—Edenton, there.
- April 24—Williamston, here.
- April 28—Ahoskie, there.
- May 1—Plymouth, there.

## Fifteen Cases On Recorder Docket Here On Tuesday

Traffic cases made up most of the 15-case docket disposed of during Tuesday's session of Perquimans Recorder's Court, presided over by Judge Chas. E. Johnson.

A verdict of guilty was returned in the case in which W. H. Billups, Negro, was charged with assaulting James Eason, Negro, with a shot gun. Billups was ordered to pay a fine of \$50 and costs of court and also pay the hospital bills incurred by Eason.

Costs of court were assessed against Stephen Davenport, Johnnes Hennekes, William Ainsley and George Dawes after each submitted to charges of failing to observe a stop sign.

Prayer for judgment was continued in the case in which Charlie White, Negro, was charged with assault.

Fines of \$25 each were levied against Joseph Reese, Robert Riese and John Ely after each had pleaded guilty to stealing gasoline at the Perquimans County School garage.

Charles Nixon, Negro, was given a 60-day road sentence to be suspended on payment of a fine of \$50 and costs after being found guilty on charges of being drunk and carrying concealed weapons.

Seven defendants submitted to charges of speeding and paid costs of court and fines as indicated following their names: Doris Jennings \$5.25; Katie Modlin \$5.25, R. K. White \$10.25, Bertha Biggs \$9.25, Clifton Wright \$10.25, Kenneth Johnson \$7.25 and Joseph Liverman \$5.25.

## Perquimans Debate Teams Score Wins

Debating teams of Perquimans High School won double victories last Friday when the affirmative team won by forfeit from Elizabeth City and the negative team defeated Elizabeth City in a contest staged at the local school. Members of the affirmative team are Pete Cook and Linda Simpler with Frances Winslow and Carroll McDonnell as alternates; the negative team is composed of Ann Lane and Ray Winslow with Allie Copeland and Linda Bass as alternates.

The local teams will participate in the district competition to be held at East Carolina College on March 31.

## Citizens School Committee Adopts Plans For Year

The Perquimans County Citizens Committee for Better Schools met March 14, with Mrs. H. C. Sullivan and Floyd Mathews presiding as co-chairmen.

A committee was appointed, consisting of Mrs. Sullivan and Mrs. Ernest Long, to draw up a constitution and by-laws for the committee. Superintendent J. T. Biggers reported recent developments in the General Assembly and the state government affecting prospects for school finance in the present session. He stated that the State Board of Education may not be able to realize its goals for improvement in the public schools because its recommendations in the "B" budget were disapproved by Governor Luther Hodges' advisors. The final decision is up to the General Assembly, however, and the committee urged all citizens to make their demands for improved education known by urging the Senator and Representative from Perquimans County to vote for the "B" budget for schools.

It was pointed out in the discussion that Perquimans County citizens have shown their determination to have better schools by voting for a tax increase last year for this purpose.

Although the voters authorized the County Commissioners to levy 30 cents on the \$100 property valuation for the special school fund, only 10 cents was levied for the present year. The Citizens Committee did not request any increase over the 10 cents for next year, but passed a resolution requesting the Board of Education to recommend that the same special services at least be provided again for next year.

A legislative proposal calling for a change in the State Highway Commission may be postponed until the 1961 General Assembly following introduction of a bill calling for a study commission on the matter. Proponents of the plan desire appointment of a highway commissioner for each of the 14 divisions in the state.

## Committees Named To Serve During Baptist Revival

By virtue of their office or particular work in the Hertford Baptist Church, these have been named to serve as chairmen for the various places of responsibility for the revival which begins April 12:

Cottage prayer meetings, Mrs. I. A. Ward; nursery, Mrs. John Ward; flowers, Mrs. Tom Perry; music, Mrs. J. E. White; ushers, C. S. Jackson, Cr.; visitation, L. E. "Pete" Riddick and Mrs. Carroll Williams; transportation, A. H. Edwards, L. B. Sitterson, Julian Broughton and C. E. Eley; publicity, John Ward, E. C. Woodard and the R. A.'s; parking, Noah Gregory; welcome, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Biggers; youth activities, C. L. Brewer and Mrs. T. E. Madre; assistance to pastor, Carroll Williams and Jim Bass; arrangements, T. P. Byrum, W. F. Ainsley and Jake Chesson; hospitality, Misses Mary Ann Robertson and Lois Byrum; arrangement for noon meals, Mrs. Warner Madre and arrangement for evening meals, Miss Beckie Gregory.

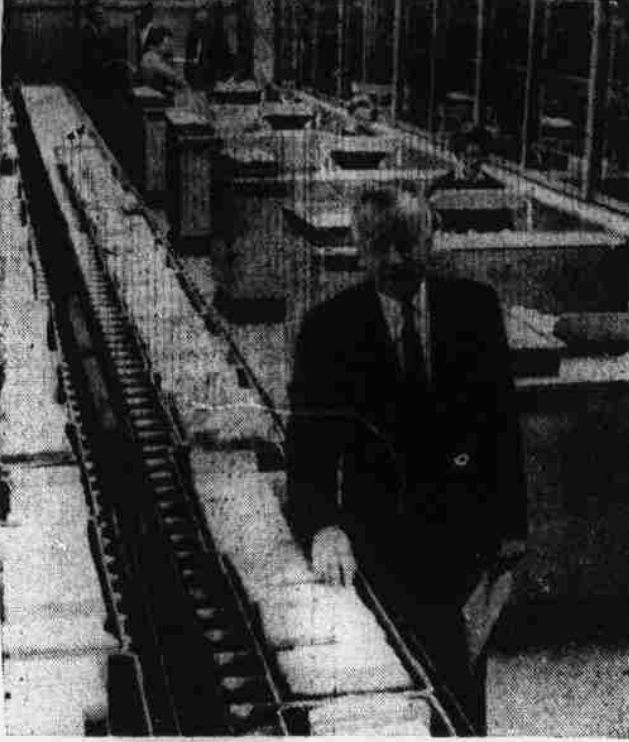
D. J. Pritchard is the "statistician" and Mrs. G. R. Tucker will be the hostesses in charge of a fellowship breakfast for (Continued on Page Two)

## Post Office Seeks Public Cooperation

The Hertford Post Office is now in the process of installing a new dispatch case, covering delivery of mail within the Town of Hertford, under the new house number ordinance adopted for the town last July. It was reported today by W. W. White, postmaster.

Mr. White asks the cooperation of the public in using new house numbers, in listing addresses of all letters and other types of mail, in order that mail received for local delivery will carry proper house numbers under the new code.

Failure on the part of individuals who give proper house numbers will result in a delay in the mail delivery, Mr. White said.



**AUTOMATED MAIL**—Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield poses beside a short portion of several miles of conveyor belts in the modernized Washington, D.C., city post office building. Here are some chores performed by various machines in the highly mechanized system: letters are sorted and directed to any of some 300 locations at a rate of 18,000 pieces per hour; stamps are canceled so fast that letters move past cancellation machine in a "white blur"; sorting of large parcel post packages is semiautomatic. Something the machines won't do: read Uncle Bill's hen-scratched addresses on his all-but-illegible letters.

## Enthusiasm Key To Success Ruritan Prexy Tells Clubs

### Rabies Vaccination Campaign To Start

W. Ray White, Rabies Inspector for Perquimans County, announced today a dog vaccination campaign will get under way throughout the county April 4th. All dog owners are required by law to have their dogs or dogs vaccinated against rabies during this period and to assist the rabies inspector in administering the vaccine by restraining the dog or dogs.

Mr. White has set up a schedule of places he will visit during the next month for the purpose of vaccinating the animals, and dog owners are requested to note this schedule and bring animals to the point nearest their homes.

### Perquimans High Honor Roll Listed By Principal

Perquimans High School honor roll for the fourth grading period has been released by the school principal, E. C. Woodard, listing the following students as winning scholastic honors:

Eighth Grade—Betsy Barbee, Richard Auman, Vick Roach, Blake Weston, Verna Perry, Susan Broughton, Mary Ella Nixon, Celtic Ann Long, Mike Holoman.

Ninth Grade—Frank Ainsley, Sidney Long, Frank Mansfield, Paige Chappell, Carolyn Stallings, Alton Daniels, Wade Morgan, Franklin McGoogan, Linda Chappell, Pete Cook, Brenda Smith, Paula Stoltz, Brenda White.

Tenth Grade—Herbert Burden, Ann Benton, Kathryn Bonner, Carroll McDonnell, Phyllis Henderson, Dianne Hollowell, Joyce Owens, Linda Bass, Barbara Colson, Frances Winslow, Faye Wood.

Eleventh Grade—Pauline Bacus, Becky Burton, Linda Lou Elliott, Linda Simpler, Betsy Stallings, Linda Stallings, Carl Skinner, Preston Winslow, Selba Jean Hall, Katherine Sawyer, Clay Stokes, Carolyn White.

Twelfth Grade—Donald Baker, Beverly Tucker, Ray Winslow, Bonnie Rae Dail, Ethel Sutton, Beverly Rose, Letitia McGoogan, Kathleen Blanchard, Dottie Cartwright, Patricia Harrell, Jo Davis Towe.

**BAKE SALE**

The members of the St. Catherine Auxiliary of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church will hold a bake sale Saturday, March 21, beginning at 10 A. M., in the old bank building on the corner of Church Street and Market.

## County-wide Union Service Is Planned For Next Friday

A three-hour Good Friday service, scheduled for the three hours when Jesus traditionally hung upon the cross, will be held at First Methodist Church Friday, March 27, from 12 noon until 3 P. M. This is a county-wide union service, planned by the ministers of the county, that their congregations might join in this service together, preparing them for the full meaning of the Resurrection.

Mayor V. N. Darden announced that the stores in Hertford will be closed during this three-hour period.

Host pastor, the Rev. James A. Auman, will preside. Ministers who will present meditations on the Seven Last Words will be: The Rev. Henry Nasser, Great Hope Baptist Church; the Rev. W. E. Pickett, New Hope - Woodland Methodist Church; the Rev. Roy Howe, Hertford Assembly of God; the Rev. Orville Dillon, Up River Friends Church; the Rev. Bryan Tolman, Bethel Baptist Church; the Rev. Frank Foresque, Chowan Methodist Church; the Rev. P. M. Porter, Hertford, retired Methodist minister. These ministers will appear in the order of their listing.

Giving the closing meditation will be the Rev. J. O. Mattox, Hertford Baptist Church; the Rev. A. N. Gore, Perquimans Methodist Church, will pronounce the benediction.

Every thirty minutes there will be hymns which will serve as an opportunity for those to leave, or come, as they desire. This is for the convenience of those who cannot remain for the full three-hour service.

It is hoped by the ministerial group which planned the Good Friday service that members of every congregation in the county will participate.

The traditional Easter sunrise service will be held this year on Easter Day, March 29, at 5:45 A. M., at the Hertford Baptist Church. The planning group felt that, with the earlier sunrise, cool weather might prevent the service from being held out of doors.

## Central PTA Hears Talk By Director Of Health Clinic

The PTA of Perquimans Central Grammar School held its March meeting last Monday night with more than 300 patrons of the school attending. Mrs. Ernest Long, president, presided over the meeting and Thomas Maston had charge of the program.

The devotional was given by a group of students, under the direction of Miss Caroline Wright, music teacher.

Miss Martha Wertz, director of the District Mental Health Clinic of Elizabeth City, gave an interesting talk on the organization and operation of the clinic. She stated there are three full-time workers at the clinic; Dr. Helton McAndrews, psychologist; Miss Wertz, psychiatric social worker, and Miss Martha Seymour, secretary. Miss Wertz discussed the services of the clinic and stated most patients are referred to the clinic by their physicians. Fees are based on a sliding scale.

J. T. Biggers, school superintendent, reviewed the state school budget, and pointed out the A budget will provide funds sufficient only to keep schools at present levels and that the B budget, recommended by the State Board of Education will provide a "go-forward" program. He advised the PTA the budgets are now before the Legislature for final action.

Mrs. Fannie Hurdle and Mrs. Long urged members of the association to contact the legislators and urge them to support the B budget.

The treasurer, George Baker, reported the PTA had a balance of \$855.15; R. M. Thompson reported the womanless wedding, sponsored by the PTA, was a success and thanked those who

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## TB Association To Provide Free Chest X-rays In County

### Six Youths In DeMolay Chapter

Six local youths, Allen B. Bonner, Jr., Franklin McGoogan, Jr., Carlyle Woodard Jr., Harry Winslow, Jr., Charles Barker and Charles Eley, have been accepted for membership in the Elizabeth City Chapter of the Order of DeMolay, it was reported here Tuesday.

The youths will be initiated into the organization next month following their acceptance last Sunday. The Order of DeMolay is established with a minimum of 25 members and consists of an excellent organization for youths.

## Winners Revealed In Science Fair At Perquimans High

The science fair held at Perquimans County High School three days last week created much interest within the school and the many people who went to see it were impressed by the exhibits made by the students in the science classes.

About 100 projects were on display, made by the students working individually or in pairs and included a wide variety of subjects. These were home work projects for the boys and girls with each choosing his own subject. The finished products showed not only ingenuity in assembling the materials by painstaking work in completing the project.

First and second place winners in each group were biology, first place, Barbara Colson and Pat Harrell, their project being the embryology of a chicken; second place, Allan Bonner, plastic model of the human circulatory system; general science, first place, Alton Daniels, jet propulsion; second place, Frank Ainsley, rock collection; chemistry, first place, Betsy Lee Stallings, stain removers; second place, Jack Brinn, dry cell battery; physics, first place, Bobby Overton and Billy Nixon, hydro power plant; second place, Gleen White, telephone; eighth grade science, first place, Verna Ann Perry and Susan Broughton, soil conservation; second place, Leverage Jordan and Mike Holloman, atomic bomb shelter.

Alton Daniels' display of jet propulsion was designated as the overall winner.

Several of these exhibits will be entered in the district science fair in Greenville on April 3.

The science teachers are G. W. Underwood, Isaac Perry, Mrs. Joe Nowell and Mrs. Wilson Dillon.

## Student Congress To Meet Here Fri.

Approximately 200 representatives from all parts of the Eastern District of North Carolina will gather in the First Methodist Church in Hertford for the Eastern District North Carolina Student Council Congress to be held Friday, March 20.

The delegates will convene to meet students with similar interests in Student Council work and to get new and varied ideas for improving individual student governments.

This is the twentieth year the Congress has been held.

The 1958-1959 District Student Council officers are Donald Baker, president, Perquimans; Allen Eure, vice president, Gatesville; Mildred Coleman, secretary, Greenville, and John Matthews, treasurer, Perquimans.

### MASONS TO MEET

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

"Operation-free chest X-ray" had its kickoff meeting here last Friday afternoon when member of the District TB Association met to formulate plans for the mass chest X-ray program which will be conducted in Perquimans County on April 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 21st.

The TB Association, in cooperation with the District Health Department and the Board of County Commissioners, is sponsoring the visit here of a mobile chest X-ray unit, which will be located on the dates above on the Courthouse Green in Hertford.

It is the hope of the TB Association that at least 3,000 residents of Perquimans County will take advantage of this opportunity to secure a free chest X-ray during the visit of the mobile unit. The purpose of the program will be early detection of tuberculosis, should an individual be afflicted with the disease.

Attending the planning meeting, which developed ways and means of spreading the word concerning this free chest X-ray opportunity to the residents of the county, were Mrs. Duke Cropper, secretary of the district association; Mrs. D. M. Jackson, Mrs. Paige Underwood, Miss Audrey Umphlett, Miss Ila Grey Mellwein, Thomas Maston, the Rev. James O. Mattox, Mrs. M. B. Taylor, W. C. Stroud, the Rev. Conland and the Rev. J. H. Tucker.

Publicity concerning the X-ray program will be conducted through the various churches of the county, PTA groups, school and other civic organizations.

Miss Umphlett, Public Health Nurse and Mrs. Cropper, pointed out the last mass chest X-ray program was conducted in the county in 1954 and since tuberculosis is a contagious disease which spreads from person to person, it becomes necessary to have people secure X-rays as a means to detect the disease in early stages... thus making it easier to provide treatment and recovery.

The unit will be in Hertford for a seven-day period and will be in operation from 11 A. M. until 5 P. M., each day except Sunday and Monday.

## Hertford PTA To Back "B" Budget

Hertford PTA held its March meeting on Thursday night of last week with 121 parents attending.

Mrs. R. S. Monds presided over the meeting which opened with a devotional given by Mrs. John Newby Winslow.

A panel discussion on the subject "Maturity Through Health," was given by Dr. A. B. Bonner, Mrs. Edgar White and Miss Thelma Elliott.

Mrs. Monds expressed her appreciation to those members participating in the installation of new bicycle racks at the school. A motion was adopted for the PTA to sponsor a troop of Brownie Scouts, or Girl Scout in Perquimans County.

The group also voted to support the adoption of the B budget, as presented to the Legislature by the State Board of Education, in preference to the budget recommended by Governor Hodges, and telegrams will be sent to county representatives urging them to support the budget.

It was announced that the Glee Club will present a concert, under the direction of Miss Caroline Wright, music teacher, at the high school, on March 20.

Mrs. Ab Williams' first grad won the attendance award with a score of 58 per cent.

### SERVICES ANNOUNCED FOR HOLY TRINITY

Services will be conducted at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Sunday by the Rev. George J. Hill. Communion will be conducted at 11 A. M. The church will hold Good Friday services from 2 to 3 P. M. on March 1 and services will also be conducted at the church on East Sunday.