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Criminal Docket Of Superior Court Concluded Tuesday

The April term of Perquimans Superior Court, which convened Monday with Judge Malcolm Paul presiding, moved along at a rapid pace, disposing of 10 criminal cases and three divorce actions on the opening day.

Divorces were granted to Clifford Perry, Hersan Small, Walter Gregory and Catherine Jennings.

The State took a nol pro in the cases in which Lillian Riddick was charged with driving without a license and Linwood Stokely, Negro, charged with driving with window obscured.

Cases in which Louis Taylor and Fred Bryant were charged with driving drunk were continued until the next term of court.

Floyd Monds entered a plea of guilty to charges of drunk and driving without a license. He was given a six month sentence, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$200 and costs.

Wilbur Owens paid a fine of \$100 and costs after pleading guilty to a charge of driving drunk.

Eugene Myers, charged in two counts with breaking and entering and larceny, entered pleas of guilty to the charges. He was sentenced to state prison for a period of not less than five nor more than seven years. Sentences totaling five years, which were suspended by the Superior Court at previous terms, were ordered invoked when Myers' probation was revoked.

Bennie Bonds, Negro, plead guilty to charges of breaking and entering and larceny. He was sentenced to state prison for a period of three years.

Thomas Jenkins, Negro, charged with larceny of a car, entered a plea of guilty to the charge and he was sentenced to the roads for a period of two years.

The case in which William Harris, Negro, was charged with carnal knowledge was remanded to the Recorder's Court for disposition.

The first jury trial of the criminal docket came with the case in which Cornelius Chesson, Negro, was charged with murder. The jury returned a verdict of guilty to a charge of manslaughter and the court sentenced Chesson to serve a sentence of five to seven years in state prison.

Edward Cahoon was found guilty on a charge of failing to dim the headlights of his car. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs.

Terry Jones entered a plea of guilty to a charge of speeding 75 miles per hour. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$80 and costs and his license to drive was suspended for three months.

During the court session on Wednesday Joseph Patrick entered a plea of guilty to a charge of driving drunk. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$100 and costs of court.

A civil suit, that of Harlan Hurdle vs. Lewis Bros., was continued until the next term of court.

Red Cross Drive Closed But Still Short Of Quota

Henry C. Stokes, Jr., fund chairman for the Perquimans County Red Cross, announces that the Red Cross Fund Drive has officially closed—with the total donations of approximately \$1,400. This amount includes that already deposited and that which is reported but not yet turned in.

This amount is approximately \$258 short of the goal needed to continue the proposed plans for the year. At the present time, the blood program stands in jeopardy due to lack of funds.

It is hoped that anyone or any organization who has not contributed will do so at once.

Bethel Revival To Start Sunday

According to its pastor, the Rev. Bryan Holloman, revival plans have been announced for April 19-25 at Bethel Baptist Church. The evangelist for this series of services will be the Rev. John T. Dearing of Norfolk, Va.

Services will be held each evening at 8 o'clock. The music will be under the direction of the pastor with special music to be brought by the church choir and others as will be announced from time to time during the meeting. The public is invited to attend any or all of the services of this revival and are asked to make their homes open for visitation by the members of the church as an effort is made to let everyone know of the meeting.

County Library Undertakes New Public Service

The Perquimans County Library is now giving a new service, small in its way, but one that until this spring has been neglected.

Letters come into the Post Office at the rate of two or three a day addressed to "The Hertford Chamber of Commerce." Since there is no Chamber of Commerce in Hertford, these letters asking for information concerning Perquimans County have heretofore been unanswered.

Many are from school children working on a North Carolina history project. Believing that these children deserve some reply to their letters and that Perquimans County deserves some recognition among other counties, the library staff has compiled a brief description of the county, its history and its resources, and with the cooperation of the high school, where the mimeographing is done, and the Jaycees, who contributed \$5.00 toward postage, the library mails these mimeographed sheets to all part of the state in answer to requests. Thanks are in order to Mrs. Barbee and Mrs. Stallings of the high school faculty, to the Jaycees and to Mrs. Viola Nachman for their interest and help in the project.

With National Library Week under way, the Perquimans County Library has a display of notable books for both adults and children calling attention to the national slogan, "For a Better-Read, Better-Informed America."

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To Attend Science Institute At ECC

Sixty teachers from North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and Florida will attend a Summer Institute for Senior High School Science and Mathematics Teachers June 8-July 17 at East Carolina College.

J. O. Derrick of the Department of Science and Dr. David R. Davis of the Department of Mathematics at East Carolina have announced the list of those chosen to participate in the work of the Institute. They were selected from approximately 250 applicants. Each will receive a stipend of \$450, \$90 for each dependent up to four, and a travel allowance.

The Institute at East Carolina is part of a nation-wide program sponsored and financed by the National Science Foundation to improve instruction in science and mathematics. Among the teachers selected will be Gilliam Underwood of Perquimans High School, Hertford.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Towe announce the birth of a daughter, Fay Suzanne, born Tuesday at Chowan Hospital in Edenton. Mrs. Towe is the former Miss Chrystal Hast.



ROOMY ON THE INSIDE, TOO—University of Tennessee coeds number 15, 16, or 17, depending on how your counting is these days, on the OUTSIDE of this car. INSIDE, there are 13 addicts of the current crowd-'em-in college craze. This manifestation of fevered spring occurred in Knoxville, Tenn.



The Rev. John Dearing of Norfolk, Va., will be the guest evangelist for the revival services to be conducted at the Bethel Baptist Church April 19 through the 26th. Special music will be given under the direction of Mrs. Dewey Perry, Jr.

Town Board Holds Routine Meeting

Hertford's Town Board met last Monday night for its April meeting and voted to rezone a lot on Dobb Street from residential to business to permit construction of an office building on the site by W. C. Stroud. Property owners, adjacent to the site, consented to the change in rezoning.

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Mass X-ray Survey To End Saturday

Perquimans County residents, who have not secured a free chest X-ray, will have the opportunity to do so again on Friday and Saturday of this week, while the Mobile X-ray unit is still stationed in Hertford.

Miss Audrey Umphlett, County Health Nurse and Mrs. D. M. Jackson of the District TB Association, today urged all persons who have not done so to take advantage of this opportunity to secure a chest X-ray and help the health department and TB Association to make early detection of tuberculosis.

The unit taking the X-rays is located on the Court House Green and operates between the hours of 11 A. M. and 5 P. M.

New PTA Officers Named At Hertford Grammar School

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State for the past six years, has resigned due to illness which President Eisenhower termed made it impossible for Dulles to carry on the duties. The President told a news conference on Tuesday no successor had been selected but Washington sources believe Christian Herter will be named to succeed Dulles.

The United States has protested to Russia the buzzing of U. S. planes flying to Berlin from West Germany. The action followed Russian demands that Allied planes observe a 10,000 foot ceiling when flying the area. The U. S. contends Russia has no authority to set plane ceilings.

Algernon Butler, Clinton attorney, has been recommended for appointment as Federal Judge in the N. C. Eastern District, succeeding Judge Don Gillam, who retired. Butler, a Republican, is expected to be named by the Justice Department and approved by the Senate.

The United States and Britain have proposed to Russia adoption of a ban against certain type of nuclear explosions which were discussed at the Geneva conference but to date the Soviet government has not indicated acceptance. Reports state the proposal was made in hope it will, if agreed upon, lead to future ban on nuclear testing.

The Republican party has chosen a new national chairman and selected Chicago as the site for its 1960 Presidential convention. Senator Thurston Morton of Kentucky was named as the chairman of the party.

Board Of Education Holds Steak Fry

Members of the Board of Education, their wives and husbands, held a steak supper Friday night of last week at Perquimans Central Grammar School. Special guests included Rep. and Mrs. C. R. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Spivey, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Whedbee, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Biggers, Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Ward, Principals Miss Thelma Elliott, Thomas Maston, E. C. Woodard, Carlyle Ward, Rocky Mount and Max Campbell.

Mrs. T. P. Brinn, who retired as a member of the Board of Education last week, was presented a certificate for service for the years she served as a board member.

Short talks were made by Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, the latter giving a brief report on the progress of the General Assembly.

R. M. Thompson, Richard Bryant, George Bellmon and Claude Williams were the chefs for the supper.

Jaycee Clinic To Provide Polio Shots Next Week

Everything is in readiness for the anti-polio clinic to be staged in Hertford Thursday and Friday nights of next week under the sponsorship of the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the Perquimans Polio Committee, it was reported by D. F. Reed, Jr., chairman of the Jaycee committee promoting the program.

Free polio vaccine shots will be given to children of the county appearing at the clinic, which will be conducted in the Municipal Building between the hours of 7 and 9 P. M. Dr. T. P. Brinn and Dr. C. A. Davenport will direct and supervise the clinic.

Inasmuch as North Carolina has adopted an anti-polio law, which requires children to be inoculated against polio prior to entering school for the first time, this clinic will offer families the opportunity to comply with this law and at the same time secure relief from polio.

A similar clinic was conducted last year by the Jaycees and Mr. Reed stated individuals who received shots at this first clinic may secure a fourth or "booster" shot by applying at the clinic next week.

The Perquimans County Polio Committee urges the public to take advantage of this opportunity to secure inoculation against the disease.

Bloodmobile To Visit Here Monday

The bloodmobile will be in Hertford at the Municipal Building Monday, April 20, from 10 A. M. until 4 P. M., according to Marion Swindell, chapter chairman.

The quota for Perquimans County is 210 pints per year and that is divided over three visits of the bloodmobile, or 70 pints per visit. Last visit the county lacked two pints meeting the quota, so it is hoped that we will more than meet the quota this trip.

Everyone is urged to donate a pint of blood. "If you have never donated," Swindell said, "please won't you let Monday be your first. You will be surprised how easy it is and how rewarding. If you have already donated before, we will be looking forward to seeing you again Monday."

County Youth In Tractor Accident

Edward Sutton, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Sutton of Hertford, Route 3, is in Albemarle Hospital suffering from injuries sustained late last Friday afternoon at the Albemarle Chemical Company near Hertford.

According to reports the youth went to the site with his father and while there was injured when a tractor overturned and fell on the boy. The report stated the boy had been informed not to get on the tractor or try to operate it, but apparently he mounted the machine and attempted to jump from it while it was turning over. He suffered a mangled right arm and shoulder, a fracture to the arm and was burned on the back by the machine's muffler.

A spokesman at the firm reported the youth's condition is better than first reported.

Indians Lose To Ashokie 3 to 2

The Perquimans Indians lost their second Albemarle Conference baseball game here last Friday afternoon when the Ashokie High nine defeated Perquimans 3 to 2 in a 13-inning contest.

Perquimans gained an early 2-0 lead but Ashokie tied the count in the sixth inning and then scored the winning run in the 13th. Welly White pitched six innings for Perquimans and was relieved in the sixth by Hunter, who finished the game.

Single-Shot Law Applicable Local Primary Election



Fulton Stokes

Fulton Stokes of White Oak, N. C., vice president of Ruritan National, will be guest speaker for the Durants Neck Ruritan Club's annual ladies' night on April 22 at 7:30 P. M.

Mr. Stokes was elected vice president in January, 1959 after serving three years as a National Director. He is a past District Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Cape Fear District. He also has served the White Oak Ruritan Club as president and vice president.

Mr. Stokes teaches agriculture at the White Oak High School. He is also a very prosperous farmer.

Perquimans High Seniors Headed For New York

Perquimans High School seniors will leave for New York April 19 and will be back in Hertford April 24 about 10 P. M.

Seniors planning to be aboard the bus Sunday morning are: Bonnie Rae Dail, Bevi Tucker, Claude Russell, Ethel Sutton, William Ray Miller, Shirley Byrum, Charles Elliott, Jesse Vance Harrell, Lois Byrum, Becky Nixon, Sherman Long, Letitia McGoogan, Donald Baker, Lawrence Layden, Ray Winslow, Dave Burton, Shirley Tarkenton, Willie Saunders, Joyce Stallings, Patricia Keel, Vickie Johnson, Hulda Dail, Dempsey White, Wynda Chappell, Glenzie Myers, Becky Gregory, Gloria Stallings, Peggy Sawyer, Jo Davin Towe, Welly White, Lib Thatch, Kathleen Blanchard, Parker Chesson, Buddy Ayseue, Tommy Lane, Clarence Dail, Dickie Owens, John Mathews, Victor Sutton, Jimmy Dozier.

One night will be spent in Washington. In our Capitol City the seniors will visit Mount Vernon, National Airport, Arlington Cemetery, where they will see the change of guard at the tomb of the unknown soldier. Lee's mansion, the amphitheater, statue of Iwo Jima, the capitol, Lincoln memorial, the reflecting pool and the Jefferson memorial.

Some points of interest the seniors will see while in New York will be Radio City, Rockefeller Center, a stage show, TV show "I've Got a Secret," Pat Boone's dress rehearsal show, the Statue of Liberty, Hyde Park, Roosevelt's home, Vanderbilt's mansion, West Point and the United Nations building.

Letitia McGoogan presided over the meeting which began with 4-H pledge and devotional by Carolyn Willis. District officers were voted as follows: President, Carroll McDonnell, Perquimans; vice president, Monty Harrell, Tyrrell; secretary-treasurer, Wayne Howell, Perquimans and historian, Ola Mae Bundy, Pasquotank. Beckie Gregory was elected as 4-H delegate to present the election ballot at District Elimination Day.

Recreation was led by Extension agents and refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams and Tommy Maston, adult leaders.

Central PTA To Meet Next Monday

The Parent-Teacher Association of Central Grammar School will hold its April meeting Monday night, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the school. County 4-H leaders, Miss Ila Gray McIlwain and Richard Bryant will have charge of the program. All patrons of the school are invited to attend.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

The Rev. George S. Hill of Elizabeth City will be at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church on Sunday, April 19, to conduct the 11 o'clock morning service.

With interest mounting in the approaching primary election which will determine the nominees for the offices of Mayor and Commissioners for the Town of Hertford, inquiries have been made concerning the manner in which the nominees will be selected.

At the request of a number of citizens Town Attorney Chas. E. Johnson consulted the Attorney General of North Carolina asking for a ruling on the law which is commonly known as the "single-shot" law.

This law was enacted in 1955 and requires that insofar as primary elections are concerned voters must vote for as many candidates seeking offices as there are offices to be filled.

There was some question as to the coverage of this law and Harry W. McCalliard, Assistant Attorney General, advised Mr. Johnson that where counties and municipalities conduct primary elections the law is applicable.

In the case of the primary election for the Town of Hertford, scheduled to be held on Monday, April 27, where two candidates seek the nomination for Mayor and 10 candidates seek the nomination for office as commissioners it is mandatory that voters cast their ballots for one candidate for Mayor and four candidates for Commissioners. Ballots not thus marked are void under the law.

Candidates who had filed for town offices up to Wednesday of this week were V. N. Darden and Emmett Landing, seeking the nomination for Mayor; W. F. Ainsley, John Beers, John Broughton, A. W. Hefren, Robert L. Hollowell, Jesse Lee Harris, Francis Nixon, Henry C. Sullivan, W. Ray White and William A. (Billy) White who seek the nomination for office as town commissioners.

Since the law does not provide for a run-off of the primary election the candidate receiving the highest number of votes is designated as the nominee for Mayor; and the four candidates receiving the highest vote totals are designated as nominees for commissioners. The election of the officials is set for Tuesday, May 5.

4-H County Council To Hold Supper Friday

Barbecued chicken supper was the main order of business at 4-H County Council meeting on April 2. The Council decided to have the supper April 17 at Winfall Grammar School from 5:30 to 7:30 P. M. Tickets were given to club presidents to be sold by 4-H members. Beckie Gregory is chairman of the supper committee.

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WSCS Annual Meet Will Be Thursday

The Elizabeth City District Woman's Society of Christian Service will hold its annual meeting at City Road Methodist Church in Elizabeth City on Thursday, April 23, beginning at 10 o'clock.

The Rev. O. Kelly Ingram will be the guest speaker and will give an informal slide lecture on his trip to the Holy Land last summer.

Every local Woman's Society of Christian Service is expected to be represented at this meeting.