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Recorder Docket Listed 20 Cases At Term Tuesday

A docket of 20 cases, all but one being centered around violation of traffic laws, was cleared in Perquimans Recorder's Court in session here Tuesday after a week of recess.

Eleven defendants, all charged with speeding, submitted to the charges and paid fines as indicated following their names: Clarence Jennings \$25, Andrew Sawyer \$35, Charles Legg \$25, Howard Antle \$30, Hilda Abbott \$25, Edward Staruk \$35, Albert Maniscalco \$29, Edwin Bruns \$28, Charlie Wright \$26, Pasco Ciccone \$35, and Robert Letson \$55.

A fine of \$10 and costs were taxed against Thomas H. Miller who submitted to a charge of driving with insufficient brakes. Mary Grumpper pleaded guilty to charges of driving drunk and transporting tax paid liquor. She paid a fine of \$100 and costs of court.

Verdicts of not guilty were returned in the cases in which Dennis Walker, Joseph Delmeico and Arthur Herman were charged with transporting tax-paid liquor.

Robert Thatch, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of non-support of his children. Prayer for judgment was continued in the case upon condition the defendant find employment and contribute the sum of \$10 per week for the support of his two children.

Leon Harrell was found guilty on charges of reckless driving and transporting tax-paid liquor. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$75 and costs of court or serve 60 days in jail.

A fine of \$50 and costs were taxed against David Dewitt who submitted to charges of driving without a license and possession of tax paid liquor.

Raleigh Ashley submitted to a charge of parking on a highway without lights. He paid a fine of \$10 and costs.

Robert A. White To Retire From Police Position

Robert A. White, veteran police officer for the Town of Hertford, submitted notice of retirement as captain of the local Police Department to the Town day night. The retirement is to become effective early this spring.

Captain White has served as a police officer since 1937 and won much respect from the residents of this community for his ability and manner in which he conducted his duties. His notice to retire was accepted with regret by the Town Board. The board took no action in filling the police vacancy at its meeting Monday night but decided to accept applications for the post up to its next meeting on March 14. Applications for the post are to be written and filed with the town clerk.

Other action taken by the board during this meeting was voting approval to a petition filed by J. T. Towe in which he requests the board to rezone property situate at the corner of Hyde Park and Dobbs Street from residential to business. The rezoning matter will be considered at the March meeting of the board.

Town Attorney Chas. E. Johnson presented the board with a schedule of payments to be adopted for repaying a \$100,000 water bond issue now pending for the Town of Hertford, and this schedule, calling for payments of \$5,000 annually, with interest, beginning with 1962 was adopted.

Harry Smith Gives Talk At Rotary

Problems and benefits arising through operation of a local Chamber of Commerce were outlined to the Hertford Rotary Club, at its meeting Tuesday night, when Harry Smith, secretary of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce was guest speaker and gave the Rotarians an excellent inside view of the operations.

Mr. Smith defined a Chamber of Commerce, and its plans for the benefitting of a community, stating its reason for existence being to serve the business of the community.

Membership in a Chamber, the speaker said, is made up of any and all persons interested in the growth of his community, but just making a contribution is not sufficient to guarantee the Chamber will be successful in its goals. Each person interested in the operation must also give of his time and effort, working for that success.

Actual accomplishments of a Chamber of Commerce sometimes are visual but other times are not, but a Chamber, once organized must keep everlastingly at the job it sets out to do, Mr. Smith said.

He told the Rotarians a Chamber of Commerce has a twofold purpose, that of aiding in the expansion of businesses already located in the community and obtaining new industry. He pointed out competition for securing of industry, desired for the purpose of putting new dollars into circulation in the area, is very keen and that industrial development comes only to the community which keeps at the job constantly.

Telling how to go about securing a new industry, Mr. Smith said the local group must prepare material, telling the story of the community to a prospect; develop a source of leads to prospects; list all available sites; develop a financing plan, and conduct a labor and housing survey.

MASONS TO MEET

Perquimans Masonic Lodge No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Methodist Laymen's Rally Speakers



BISHOP PAUL N. GARBER DR. EDWIN A. BRIGGS

Methodist Laymen To Convene Here Next Friday Night

Prospects Bright For Reopening Of State Theatre

Given financial assistance by the merchants of Hertford, The State Theatre here may be reopened for the pleasure of the community sometime within the next two weeks.

This was the report given by Mayor V. N. Darden Tuesday, who stated he had conferred with Levin Culpepper and Holland Webster, officers in the Carolina Amusement Company, owners of the theatre, concerning the possibility of the company again operating the local theatre.

Mayor Darden said the officials were considering reopening the movie house, which was closed several months ago, for four nights each week, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, providing a substantial number of local merchants will use the theatre screen for advertisements.

A survey conducted Tuesday by Mr. Darden revealed a sufficient number of merchants approve the plan and will participate to provide the community with an operating theatre.

Music Clinic And Festival Will Be Presented Feb. 17

Dr. Arnold Hoffman of Raleigh, state supervisor of public school music, will be in Hertford Wednesday, February 17, to conduct a music clinic with the seventh and eighth grade students of Perquimans County schools. This clinic will be climaxed with a music festival on that night, beginning at 7:30 o'clock in the Perquimans County High School auditorium.

The seventh and eighth grade boys and girls are students of Miss Caroline Wright, Perquimans County public school music teacher, who came to Hertford in September, 1958, after the county had voted special funds for a music teacher, in a movement sponsored by the PTAs and termed the "Better Schools" program. During the past two years Miss Wright has scheduled her time for the Central Grammar School, Winfall, the Hertford Grammar School, the eighth grades at the High School and directed the High School Glee Club. Special activities during this two-year period have included spring and Christmas concerts by the High School groups, May Day programs in both of the grammar schools, as well as numerous appearances of music students at PTA meetings.

Wednesday night's Music Festival at 7:30 is open to the public, and it is at this time that

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County Chamber Commerce Formed In Meeting Friday

Harmony At Home Program Topic At High School PTA

Following the general theme of "Harmony at Home," the Perquimans High School PTA met Thursday night, February 4, in their third regular meeting of the school year. The Rev. Maurice Grissom, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Elizabeth City, was guest speaker, and his remarks were the springboard for increased interest in the areas of friction in family relationships. Mr. Grissom tried to emphasize family relationships as they apply especially to high school age, and reminded the group that "parents must face the fact that half of the troubles with teenagers is the fault of the parents." He pointed out that parents, in many instances, do not try to understand and really know their teenagers, nor are they aware of what is going on in their thinking and activities.

One of the concrete suggestions derived from Thursday night's discussion was that of the possibility of establishing a Teenage Code for the young people of Hertford. Many of the high school students were present for the meeting and listened with interest as Mr. Grissom said, "the young people want a code, not to legislate morality, but to make higher standards of behaviour popular." The High School Student Council will further consider ideas for a code, and are anticipating further discussion of this idea at an early date.

For the parents, Thursday night's discussion was a preliminary to the PTA study course which will begin at the Hertford Grammar School Thursday night, February 18, with Hertford, Winfall and the High School joining together for a study of "Our Children In a Changing World." Parent-Child and Parent-Family relationships will be considered more fully then.

Mrs. H. C. Sullivan, president, presided at the business meeting. It was agreed to go on record that the Perquimans High School PTA favored the proposed increase in state dues, a contribution was sent for the observance of Founders Day and the treasurer was authorized to send the designated ten cents per member to state headquarters. The nominating committee appointed for selection a new slate of officers was Mrs. Jim Bass, Mrs. Bill Cox and Mrs. Charlie Rogerson.

The report of the attendance committee showed that the highest percentage of attendance was from parents from Mrs. Brickhouse's and Mr. Perry's home rooms, with Mr. Williams' eighth grade placing second. The next meeting of the High School PTA is scheduled for April 7.

Rites Held For Former Resident

Funeral services for Mrs. Byrd Scott Tucker, a former resident of Hertford, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Pevey in Washington, D. C., Thursday of last week, were conducted Saturday morning in Elizabeth City.

Mrs. Tucker was the daughter of the late Charles and Sophia Jennings Scott, wife of Jesse S. Tucker and a member of the Baptist Church.

Surviving are her husband, three daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Sutton and Mrs. Marjorie Pevey of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Pauline Talley of Arlington, Va.; two sons, Jesse S. Tucker, Jr., of Alexander, Va., and Lawrence Tucker of Washington; one sister, Mrs. Goldie Twiddy of Raleigh.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Lanier White of Belvidere announce the birth of a son, born Sunday at Albemarle Hospital.

Final development of a Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce was achieved here last Friday night when some 40 interested business and civic men and women adopted a program of work for the Chamber for 1960, and named temporary officers to direct the activities pending employment of a full time Chamber manager.

Named as officers for the new Chamber of Commerce were Charles Harrell, president; W. C. Brinn, vice president; Eric Haste, Jr., secretary-treasurer, and directors, Capt. N. S. Fulford, Robert L. Hollowell, Warner Madre, Floyd Matthews, Carson Spivey and Elwood Nowell. One director comes from each of the five townships of the county.

The meeting Friday night opened with the group drawing up a program of work for this year, which includes six major projects. The first choice for the program was development of farm marketing activities; securing of industry was second choice; maintaining and preserving present business operations was third choice of the group.

Development of tourism was placed fourth on the program, while community betterment was fifth and local commercial development was sixth on the program of work.

Officers of the Chamber of Commerce plan a meeting shortly during which they will start processing the program of work by making committee assignments for the various projects, and will hope to get the committees operating within a very short time.

Formation of the new Perquimans Chamber of Commerce resulted from a survey made within the town and county by a steering committee which replaced an industrial development committee. The survey revealed, according to the steering committee, lots of interest among the citizens of the county for an organization to promote the economical development of Perquimans County.

The organizational committee ascertained sufficient funds were available to finance the operations of a Chamber of Commerce and actual membership fees will be solicited and collected at a date to be determined by the new officers.

Stockholders Of Building & Loan Name Directors

Stockholders of the Hertford Building and Loan Association conducted their annual meeting here last Wednesday afternoon in the Court House, electing officers for the association for the coming year.

More than 60 per cent of the Association's shareholders were represented at the meeting, during which Max Campbell, secretary, reported on the operations of the association during 1959, revealing assets reached a total of \$273,638.46 as of December 31, 1959. Income of the association totalled more than at any time since the association was chartered in 1923.

Elected to serve as directors of the association until the next annual meeting of the shareholders were A. H. Hefren, J. P. Perry, V. N. Darden, Max Campbell, Chas. E. Johnson, Henry Sullivan, J. W. Ward, Claude White, R. M. Riddick and Edison Harris.

At a meeting of the board of directors, following the stockholders meetings, officers elected for the coming year were A. W. Hefren, president; J. P. Perry and V. N. Darden, vice presidents; Max Campbell, secretary-treasurer and Chas. E. Johnson, attorney.

BAPTIST SERVICES

Charlie Sandifer of Chowan College, Murfreesboro, will be guest preacher at the Hertford Baptist Church service next Sunday.

Local PTA Groups To Conduct Study Course Next Week

"Well, why can't I go to see the movie, the other girls are going." "Aw, Mom, do I have to get my homework now, please let me watch TV just one more minute." As parents, what are your answers to these often asked questions. Similar questions will be asked and answered during the study course which will be held in the Hertford Grammar School auditorium, February 18 and 19 from 7:30 to 9:30 P. M.

"Our Child in a Changing World" is the theme of the course and will be sponsored by the PTA of the Winfall Central Grammar, Perquimans High and Hertford Grammar School. The course will be under the direction of the study chairmen from the three schools respectively, Mrs. Thomas Rogerson, Mrs. Jack Brinn and Mrs. Walter Edwards.

The purpose of the study course is not to draw up a code of ethics, or systematic rules of conduct, but to arouse interest and to impress upon the parents their need to do accordingly. On Thursday night, February 18, there will be four guest speakers, each one seeking to clarify questions asked in their particular field concerning children. A period of discussion will follow each brief speech.

The Rev. Charles W. Duling, a former pastor of the local Baptist Church, and the present pastor of Windsor Baptist Church will speak on spiritual training in family life. Dr. Dorothy P. Griffen, Director, Division of Psychologist Services, N. C. State Board of Public Welfare in Raleigh, will probably give viewpoints on TV watching and an early bedtime.

Following the first two speakers there will be a brief social hour after which the course will resume with the remaining speakers. School Superintendent of the Elizabeth City Schools, Dr. W. H. Waggoner, is likely to speak on children's behavior in school today. Lawyer Walter W. Cochran, who is the prosecuting attorney of district one, will probably give examples of events that could happen if we do not have a code of social behavior.

On Friday night, February 19, parents, who have been divided into groups with a leader, will discuss informally what is needed to be done that will help in a code of ethics.

All parents from the three schools are urged to attend the study course and hear the answers to vital questions that are becoming more frequent in rearing children in a changing world.

New Pharmacist At Local Drug Store

S and M Pharmacy has a new pharmacist-manager who arrived here last Thursday to succeed Harry Umphlett, who managed the store since it was purchased last December.

The new manager is Jimmy Moulton, a graduate of the University of North Carolina, who came to Hertford, worked in Norfolk, Va. He is married and has four children. He expects to move his family to Hertford in the near future.

J. Emmett Winslow Files Candidacy For State Senate



Local political waters rippled with the first candidate on Monday when J. Emmett Winslow, veteran Perquimans County legislator, filed his intentions with the Perquimans Board of Elections to seek re-election as State Senator for the First District, subject to the Democratic Primary on May 28th.

Senator Winslow is seeking re-election to a second term as a member of the 1961 General Assembly, having been elected to the office in 1958, and serving in the 1959 session.

He served two previous terms as State Senator, these being the sessions of 1949 and 1951. He was elected to the office again two years ago by a substantial number of voters of the district. He also served for four years as State Highway Commissioner for the First Division, having been appointed to the post by the late Governor William B. Umstead.

Long active on the political scene in North Carolina, Senator Winslow served on many important committees during his tenure in the State Senate. He is also a former Sheriff of Perquimans County and is distributor of Pure Oil Products over a wide area in Northeastern North Carolina.

Car Tag Deadline Coming Up Monday

Hertford and Perquimans County car owners who as yet have not purchased their 1960 automobile license tags, are reminded the deadline for purchasing and displaying these licenses is midnight Monday, February 15.

R. C. Elliott, town clerk, reports a number of Hertford motorists still have to purchase the tags and he advised them to do so before the deadline coming up Monday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lanier White announce the birth of a son, born Sunday, February 7, at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City. Mrs. White is the former Miss Lois Fay Benton.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

President Eisenhower presented Congress with his proposal for farm legislation but hinted he would approve any constructive plan Congress might propose if it differed from that of the administration. Washington reports indicate this session of Congress will make little change in the present farm program.

A Congressional committee is hearing conflicting reports concerning the nation's defense, and apparent lag in missile production. Several witnesses have deplored the U. S. situation but on Tuesday Gen. Nathan Twining, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff disagreed with some of the witnesses heard by the committee.

A Senate subcommittee, Monday proposed a 50 per cent increase in the minimum Social Security benefits and an expansion of the system to provide pre-paid medical care for old folks. To raise funds needed for the proposal the committee would raise the amount of annual earnings subject to Social Security taxes from \$4,800 to \$8,000.

Secretary of State Christian A. Herter, during a press conference this week, told newsmen he was disturbed by statements made recently by Soviet Premier Khrushchev concerning Russian plans toward East Germany. Herter said he is opposed to any one-sided action by Russia regarding Berlin.

Economic reports issued this week reveal business is not reaching the levels anticipated for the first quarter of the year, although conditions remain above the level of the fourth quarter of last year. The reports stated inflationary trends have slowed down and while production will continue good through the first half of the year it will not reach boom proportions.