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LUCKY NUMBER?—Bride No. 13 for Glynn Wolfe, 47-year-old "minister" of Los Angeles, is Sherry, 20, left. Sherry also was bride No. 11 for Wolfe, who says their remarriage resulted from listening to evangelist Billy Graham who recently spoke in Las Vegas Convention Center.

Annual Fire Report Shows Per Capita Loss About $3.50

Hertford and Perquimans County had an estimated fire loss of $32,055, or about $3.50 per capita during the year 1960, according to a report released this week by Hertford Fire Chief R. C. Elliott. While this estimated loss was somewhat higher than the previous year, the per capita loss for the Town of Hertford amounted to only about 24 cents.

Biggest fire loss during the year, according to Fire Chief Elliott, came from the blaze which destroyed the Winslow sawmill at Winfall.

This report, issued by the Fire Chief, can only give credit to the Hertford Volunteer Fire Department for the excellent record made during the year. Total property value involved in the 37 fires within the county was $124,450, thus the firemen did a splendid job in controlling fires.

The department had a total of 33 fire calls in the county, four in Hertford, the first of these being on October 16 and the other three during the month of December. The department answered one call out of the county. Fire losses for the town of Hertford were estimated at $475 while the estimated loss for the 33 fires in the county was $31,580.

The firemen traveled a total of 599 miles answering all calls during the year, the Hertford fire truck traveled 3 miles, while the county truck traveled 596. The water tanker, an auxiliary used by the firemen on county calls, went to all county fires and the chief reported the amount of water it carried resulted in a much smaller loss than would otherwise have been the result.

The Town of Hertford, the reported stated, went from August 25, 1959 until October 16, 1960, without a fire call, this being a new record for the town.

Members of the Fire Department were offered a total of 48 hours of training during 1960, and the chief said this training program paid off in helping to maintain a low per capita loss for the town and county.

This Week's Headlines

The Washington stage is set for the inauguration of John F. Kennedy as President on Friday at noon. President Eisenhower has made his farewell address and all reports indicate the change-over in the governmental administrations will be one of the smoothest in years. President Eisenhower has submitted an $81 billion budget for the coming year which is expected to be trimmed somewhat by the incoming President in order to cope with new situations not included in Eisenhower's proposals.

In a farewell address Tuesday night President Eisenhower told the American people the U. S. faces still a struggle with communism in seeking world peace but he urged the U. S. to continue its program to that end. He also urged the people to keep a balance of power between industrial and military development within the nation and to maintain proper balances for full advancement of the nation.

Congress, in session for the past two weeks, has been undergoing organization in preparation for its work under President Kennedy. Efforts are still being made to liberalize the House Rules Committee to pave the way for some programs expected to be presented which in the past met little success in getting past the congressional committee. Reports from Washington indicate proposals for a new wage-hour law and additional aid to the aged for medical service may be voted but not to the extent now proposed.

PTA Board Holds Planning Meeting

Hertford Grammar School PTA executive board met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hollowell, Mrs. Hollowell called the meeting to order and read the president's message. Plans were made for the second half of the school year. The treasurer, Mrs. Lorraine Simpson, reported a balance on hand of $792.69. The purchase of a duplicator, baseball and gym equipment for the school was discussed. Mrs. Jessie Lee Harris announced that Mr. Wilkerson from Rocky Mount will conduct the study course to be held in February. Mrs. Charles Murray discussed the remaining program for the year. Mrs. Janice Boyce was appointed to secure a basketball team of the grammar school parents to play Winfall. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Broughton Dail, Mesdames Lorraine Simpson, Marion Swindell, Janice Boyce, Freeman Lane, Joyce Vickers, Jessie Lee Harris, Charles Murray and Miss Thelma Miller.

Boy Scouts To Entertain Lions

Members of the Hertford Lions Club will meet Friday night of this week at the Boy Scout Hut, located on the municipal lot at 8:45 o'clock. The Lions will be guests of Troop 155, Boy Scouts of America, for supper and an inspection of the Scout Hut since its renovation by members of the troop.

A buffet supper will be served by the Scouts at 6:45 after which the Scouts will present a program for the Lions, who sponsor the local Scout troop.

Attends Inaugural Ball

Miss Ann Brinn, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. T. P. Brinn and a student at Marjorie Webster College in Washington, D. C., will attend the Inauguration and the Inaugural Ball in Washington, D. C., on January 20. Miss Brinn's escort will be Carlos Bain, Sig Ep at Alabama.

County Committee Proposes Reserve Fund For Schools

The Perquimans County Board of Education was requested to initiate a movement to raise a capital outlay reserve fund for school needs in the future in action taken by the Perquimans County Citizens Committee for Better Schools at its meeting last week, on January 14. Such action, it was pointed out, could be taken after long-range planning and study by county officials, now that that immediate needs for school construction will soon be met by the bond issue approved at the November election. School Superintendent J. T. Biggers explained that school construction awaits a decision as to the exact amount of bonds to be sold, pending action by the General Assembly in Raleigh which, it is hoped, will aid Perquimans County in the form of a statewide school construction bill.

Mrs. Jack Brinn, president of the Better Schools Committee, thanked committee members for their participation in the motorcade campaign during a favorable vote for the bond issue in November. In another action, the committee urged Perquimans County's representative to the General Assembly to vote for the B budget for schools, which has been drawn up by the State Board of Education. The resolution also pointed out that Perquimans County citizens have twice in the last three years shown proof of their willingness to increase local support for schools by a tax increase in 1958 and a bond issue in 1960. Archie Lane, the county's representative-elect to the Assembly, expressed his interest in educational advance and pointed out that he had made definite pledges to the people to support such advance in his campaign for election.

Mrs. R. S. Honds, a committee member and goals chairman of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers, announced that in-service training in laboratory experiments will be offered for science teachers at selected area workshops. Mr. Biggers read an itemized statement of all capital outlays for county schools since 1949 and discussed a semester system as an experiment in other schools.

Cub Scout Pack To Receive Charter

Cub Scout Pack no. 155, sponsored by the Hertford Elementary PTA, will be granted a charter for the coming year, it was announced today by the Tidewater Council Scout officials.

Selected as institutional representative by Mrs. R. B. Hollowell, president of the Hertford Elementary School PTA, will be Ray Haskett. Ray makes the periodical reports to the Albemarle District Committee and represents the institution as a voting member to the Tidewater Council.

The chairman will be Marion Swindell. Serving with him will be Floyd Benton, Dewey Perry, Jr., and James T. Wilder.

To be commissioned as Cubmaster by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America will be D. F. Reed, Jr., and his assistant is John Beers. Serving in the important capacity as den mothers will be Mrs. Dewey Perry, Jr., Talmage Rose and S. O. Bateman.

The Pack has had an outstanding record of achievement and will receive special national awards at the annual banquet in February.

Pack roster for the beginning year will be Mark Beers, Douglas Benton, Broughton Dail, Tommy Gregory, Douglas Haskett, Donald Hobbs, Sammy Hourmouzis, Donald Keaton, Gary Krause, Billy Layden, Willard Maillett, Donald Perry, Douglas Perry, Kim Rose, Norman Stallings, Larry Swindell, Richard Walters, Jim White and Tommy Wilder.

EASTERN STAR MEETING

The Hertford chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will meet in the lodge rooms at 8 o'clock next Monday night. All members are urged to attend.

Now Official

Rumors which have been circulating recently concerning the close-down of the Woodville Prison Camp were confirmed Tuesday when George D. Randall, Director of the N. C. Prison Department, advised Charles M. Harrell, president of the Perquimans Chamber of Commerce, this action had been under prison department consideration for some time and will be consummated within the next few weeks.

Mr. Randall conferred with Mr. Harrell in answer to a petition the Chamber of Commerce filed seeking retention of the prison camp in Perquimans County. Mr. Randall advised Mr. Harrell the camp presently needs much renovation and it had been deemed inadvisable to carry out such a project in view of department plans for its system.

Mr. Randall, it was reported, stated a study will be made as to the feasibility of the Prison Department turning over the site to Perquimans County for possible industrial development.

Center Suspends Operation Due To Lack Of Interest

The Perquimans County Recreation Center is now temporarily closed. The center has been operating on Saturday nights for school children attending the fifth grade through the eighth.

The facility is closing due to poor attendance. With finances running very low and monthly expenses to meet, the center is having much difficulty in trying to maintain its operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Nixon, Recreation Directors for the center are disappointed over this announcement and regret that at present they cannot serve the children of this county. They have enjoyed working with this group and appreciate the past cooperation given them.

In announcing the closing the directors said: "We hope that very soon the demand will increase to reopen the center and resume a regular schedule and enough public interest will be aroused to back this worthwhile project.

"Meanwhile, we would like to stress the fact that although the center is not operating on Saturdays, the facility is not at a complete stand-still.

"It is available anytime to the high school for its social functions and open to the Girl Scouts for a meeting place."

Anyone who desires to lease the building for private or group entertaining may do so by contacting Mr. or Mrs. Francis Nixon.

Fire Destroys Two Houses Here Friday

Two tenant houses, located at Spring City, were destroyed by fire last Friday afternoon with losses being estimated between $1,500 and $2,000.

Firemen were called to the scene at 12:45 o'clock to extinguish a blaze situated in one of the buildings; the fire had gained such headway the firemen were unable to gain control before the wind blew the flames onto an adjacent house which also burned.

The houses were owned by Mrs. R. G. Fitch, one was vacant at the time but the other was occupied by Riley Sutton, who lost most of his personal property in the fire. Both companies of the Hertford Fire Department were called out for the blaze, which got its start by children playing with matches.

Firemen reported the children were in the vacant house, striking matches and threw one into a pile of debris starting the blaze which spread rapidly.

Plan For Methodist School

Pictured above are members of the board of directors of the Chowan-Perquimans Christian Workers School who met in Hertford on Sunday afternoon, January 15 to complete plans for the forthcoming school which will be held in the First Methodist Church in Hertford January 29-February 2. Back row, left to right, the Rev. J. A. Auman, F. A. McGoogan, Hertford; Ralph Harrell, Woodland; Robert S. Marsh, Edenton; Aubrey Ownley, Cedar Grove; Steve Perry, New Hope and the Rev. Dan Meadows, New Hope-Woodland. Front row, Savage Joliff, Bethany; the Rev. Ralph Fowlkes, Edenton, the Rev. A. M. Gore, Jr., Winfall, and George Jackson, Oak Grove.

Jaycees Present DSA - And Young Farmer Awards

Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce observed its annual award night last Wednesday with a dinner meeting held at the Hertford Grammar School, after which presentation was made of the Distinguished Service Plaque and the Outstanding Young Farmer Plaque.

W. A. White, president of the Hertford Jaycees, presided over the meeting which included a number of special guests, besides past DSA winners and their wives, exhausted roosters and their wives were Mr. and Mrs. Tim Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Gibbs, Allan W. Mills, Charlie Schneer and members of the press.

Highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Jaycee DSA award, which this year went to Broughton T. Dail, 33, oyung Hertford businessman.

This presentation was made by Russell Twiford of Elizabeth City, vice president of the Jaycee 10th District.

The 1961 DSA winner is married to the former Harriett Layden and they have two children, Broughton Dail, Jr., and Donna Dail. Selection of Mr. Dail for this honor was made by an undisclosed committee of judges, all of whom were above the age limit for the award. Mr. Dail's selection was made upon three basic requirements, contribution to community progress, leadership and self advancement. During the past year the winner was active in helping with the organization of the County Chamber of Commerce, he and his wife are serving their second term as vice presidents of the Hertford Grammar PTA. He is a past active member of the VFE and a very active member of the Hertford Baptist Church and its Sunday School. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Hertford church and its Sunday School. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Hertford Jaycees, and just recently was co-chairman of the unit's calendar project and was chairman of the 1960 Christmas Shopping Tour for underprivileged children. Businesswise, Mr. Dail is associated with his father in the Milton Dail & Son firm here, dealers in fertilizer and farm produce.

R. M. Thompson, Perquimans Farm Agent, made the presentation of the Outstanding Young Farmer award, which went to Clifford Winslow of Route 1, Belvidere. Like the DSA award, judging was made for this honor by an undisclosed committee and Mr. Winslow was chosen for the progress he has made in the farming business. Winslow is married to the former Miss Marie Rountree and they have two children, Stanley and Claudia.

Mr. Winslow served two years in the U. S. Army and now farms 175 acres of land, is raising some 1,500 head of chickens. He is a former member of the Belvidere Ruritan Club, president of the Perquimans Farm Bureau, assistant Sunday School teacher and recording clerk for Up River Friends Meeting.

Another award, presented during the evening, was the SPOKE award which went to Robert (Bob) Taylor as the Outstanding Hertford Jaycee for 1960. This award was made by Broughton Dail.

Some Local Stores To Start Closing Wednesday P. M.

A majority of Hertford stores and business houses have adopted a Wednesday afternoon closing policy to become effective Wednesday, February 1, and continue through the first week in October, it was announced today by Allan W. Mills, manager of the Perquimans Chamber of Commerce, who conducted a survey to determine the policy to be followed by Hertford stores.

Mr. Mills reported the policy will be followed by most but not all stores, several merchants indicated they will follow past policy and remain open Wednesdays all day until the summer months.

All stores will remain open this Wednesday and on Wednesday, January 25, and those stores planning to close Wednesday afternoons will begin the practice on February 1.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mathews of Winston-Salem announce the birth of a son, Paul Matt Mathews III, born Thursday, January 12, in Winston-Salem. Mrs. Mathews is the former Miss Barbara Edwards.

Monogram Banquet Held Thursday

Members of the Monogram Club at Perquimans High School held their annual banquet on Thursday night of this week in the cafeteria at the school. Donald Madre, president of the club, presided over the dinner meeting which was attended by the members and a number of special guests.

Earle Edwards, head football coach at N. C. State College, was selected to be the guest speaker for the banquet this year, and in addition to a short talk by the coach a film was shown of one of N. C. State's football games.

High School PTA Meets February 2

The PTA of Perquimans High School will meet on Thursday night, February 2, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the school.

A program will be a panel discussion on the subject, "Tomorrow's Citizen — Everybody's Business." Mrs. R. S. Monds will act as moderator. The adult approach will be discussed by Mrs. Joe Tunnell, Ike Perry and Mrs. A. R. Cook. Carroll McDonnell and Hubert Burden will represent the students. All members are urged to be present and the public is invited to attend.

C of C Dinner Set For February 1st At Grammar School

A "kick-off" dinner, marking opening operations of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Hertford Grammar School on Wednesday night, February 1, at 7 o'clock, it was announced here this week by Charles M. Harrell, president of the organization.

This first annual dinner meeting, according to Allan Mills, manager of the Chamber of Commerce is open to all members of the chamber, and to all individuals interested in becoming members. Tickets for the event are on sale at the Chamber of Commerce office, or may be secured from any member of the board of directors.

W. R. Henderson, Industrial Development Administrator for the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development has been secured as the principal speaker for the dinner meeting. He is expected to outline procedure plans for industrial development to be used by communities seeking industrial development, such as is one of the work programs of the local chamber of commerce.

Mr. Mills pointed out this dinner meeting is very important and he urges all members to attend, and also stated wives of members are invited.

Committee chairmen for the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce are also expected to be announced at this meeting, after which each of the various committees are expected to begin operations on the work program outlined for this year.

In connection with the chamber operation during the past month, Mr. Mills reported Monday, the chamber of commerce has petitioned Governor Terry Sanford and the State Prison Board to continue operations of the Perquimans Prison Camp, located at Woodville. Rumors during the past weeks has this camp being closed about February 1. Mills stated Monday the chamber had received no replies to wires sent the Governor and Prison Board concerning the camp's continued operation.

Masons District Meeting Here Jan. 24

Perquimans Lodge No. 106, A. F., & A. M., will be host at a First District meeting of members of the lodge to be held in Hertford on Tuesday, January 24. A dinner will be served at 6:30 o'clock, to be followed by the meeting in the lodge rooms at 8 o'clock.

All Master Masons and visiting Masons are invited to attend and all members of the Perquimans Lodge are urged to be present.

Eleven Cases On Court Docket At Session Tuesday

Eleven cases were disposed of during Tuesday's session of Perquimans Recorder's Court, two cases were continued and two defendants failed to appear in court to answer to charges brought against them and the Court ordered they be held for $50 bonds each. These two defendants were Jessie Brothers and Melvin Lilly, both Negroes.

Hugh Willie Riddick, Negro, and Gilbert Swayne each paid the costs of court after submitting to charges of failing to yield a right-of-way.

Costs of court were paid by William White, Negro, who pleaded guilty to a charge of using an improper muffler.

Milton Westbrook submitted to a charge of driving a vehicle which exceeded the width limit. He paid the court costs.

Meg Hale paid the costs of court after submitting to a charge of failing to observe a stop light.

George Butler was given a six month sentence after he entered a plea of guilty to charges of being drunk and disorderly and assaulting an officer.

Willie Parker, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of driving drunk. He was ordered to pay a fine of $150 and court costs or serve a 60-day sentence.

John Kitchenman paid the court costs on a charge of improper passing.

Costs of court were taxed against Grady Simmons who submitted to a charge of issuing a worthless check.

Fines of $2 and costs were levied against Jackson Costen, Negro, and Joe Brickhouse after each had submitted to charges of being drunk.

King Street PTA Plans Programs

The regular meeting of the King Street School PTA convened Monday night at 8 o'clock in the school activity room. The president, Mrs. Daisy Perkins, presided. Devotion consisted of the singing of "America" followed by prayer by Mrs. Cleo Z. Felton.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. The procedure for securing glasses for needy persons was explained.

Mrs. Helen Jones, chairman of the Program Committee, submitted a report of events to be held for the next five months. Founders Day—February; Panel Discussion—March; a basketball game—1st of April; Guest Speaker—last of April; PTA Social—May. This report was accepted.

Mrs. Mary Holley presented a request to the PTA to help send Mrs. Helen Holley and children to see their husband and father, who is a patient in the sanatorium at Chapel Hill. It was decided to give $10 to help defray the expense of this trip.

Dewey Newby, principal, discussed the policy of free lunches.

Mrs. Sallie Everett raised the question as to securing help to assist children in crossing the street at two very dangerous intersections. A committee of volunteers is to seek aid for this problem.

Financial aid was requested for the Boy Scout organization which the PTA is sponsoring.

Three Youths Held On Charges Of Breaking-Entering

Three Perquimans County youths have been taken into custody by Sheriff J. K. White and charged with breaking and entering a number of cottages and homes on Route three, Hertford.

Sheriff White reported Wednesday Edward Sutton, Craig Foster and Billy Umphlett, all of Route three were taken into custody last Saturday in connection with the investigation of the break-ins and each was charged in warrants drawn Wednesday. They will be given preliminary hearings in Perquimans Recorder's Court next Tuesday.

The sheriff stated he had recovered almost a pickup-truck load of articles including radios, electric clocks, rods and reels, guns and other items allegedly taken from the cottage.

After several days of investigation, Sheriff White stated the youths admitted committing the break-ins and larceny of the articles from the cottages.

He also said he is continuing an investigation of the theft of a wheel and tire from a low-boy trailer, reported taken at Johnnie Gregory's shop on Route three Tuesday night.

Indians To Play Scotties Friday

Perquimans High basketball teams will play the conference leading Scotland Neck teams on the Hertford court Friday night with the preliminary game scheduled to start at 7:30 o'clock.

The Indians, currently holding down the cellar spot with an 0-3 record, will be out to upset the Scotties who hold the conference top position with a 3-0 record.