

Hertford Will Have Free Parking After Wednesday, Sept. 1

Mayor V. N. Darden stated here this week that the Hertford Town Board voted at their meeting earlier this month to cover all parking meters in downtown Hertford for a period of 30 days on trial basis, beginning Wednesday, September 1.

All persons who are employed by the business places in the downtown section are urged to park their cars in the town parking lot behind the stores and leave the front street parking area open for shoppers and tourists.

The free parking is being tried out and if it proves successful and is not abused by persons parking their cars and leaving them during their working hours, no doubt the meters will remain uncovered and Hertford will offer free parking, something that towns around us do not have.

Prior to the installation of the present meters, which require a nickel or a dime, the town had meters that would take pennies and nickels, and cards that were used for those who parked over their time limit. The card requested that you pay the meter for the overtime and invited you back to Hertford again. This method was so abused it was necessary to install the present nickel and dime meters and tickets were issued for those overparking.

The Mayor is asking that the free parking time be limited to an hour and a half at the most.

This is sort of leaving it up to the people of the community now as to whether they will abide by the request to not park overtime, or whether they want the meters back in operation. If the privilege is abused, the meters will go back in operation at the end of September and tickets for overparking will again be issued.

At the town meeting held on the second Monday the Mayor informed the members of the Town Board that the \$173,000 federal grant for the sewage disposal plant has been approved by the Raleigh office and has been sent to the national office for official approval.

Superintendent F. T. Britt was requested to notify Carroll A. Carpenter to meet with the Town Board next month to discuss Christmas or holiday lights for the town. Britt was also asked to get prices to present to the board at its next meeting on a leaf vacuum machine for raking up leaves in town.

Talmadge Rose was reappointed to the Hertford Housing Authority for a five year term.

Cecil Edward Winslow was reappointed to the Hertford ABC Board for a three year term of office.

Hertford Lots Must Be Cleaned

Residents of the Town of Hertford are reminded this week that all property owners in the city limits are required to clean their lots three times a year, on May 1, July 1 and September 1, which is arriving shortly.

If owners do not comply with the town ordinance, the Town of Hertford will clean the lots and property and the costs will be charged against the property.

This is a good ordinance and all owners of property in town should be more than happy to do their part, as it raises the value of the property by keeping it up and in good condition, and also adds to the beauty of the town.

Jimmy Hunter Thrills Fans

Local residents glued their eyes to their TV sets and watched Perquimans County's Jimmy Hunter hold the tanks to four hits last Sunday.

The 19-year-old Perquimans County High School graduate pitched a four-hitter to win his fourth game for the Athletics but the Yankees came back to win the doubleheader with a 4-1 stack.

Class Of 1950 Holds Reunion

The Perquimans County High School graduating class of 1950 held its 15th year class reunion in July in the school cafeteria. Mrs. Shirley Butt Spivey presided and gave a warm welcome to the 31 classmates and their husbands and wives.

Following a delicious dinner served by the Whiteston Home Demonstration Club, the members answered to roll call giving a brief description of their activities since graduation.

Members of the class live all over the United States and have given good accounts of themselves wherever they are located.

Laura Hopkins Adams of Ruskin, Fla., was given a prize for traveling the greatest distance. Mrs. Faye Rae Symons Stallings and Wade Jordan tied for the most children, five each.

A moment of silence was observed in remembrance of Horace Layden, only deceased member of the class.

Mrs. Carroll R. Holmes was the class guest of honor. There were many tributes to her influence on the class and memories of days with her still brought a smile to every face.

Those attending the reunion were Johnnie B. White, Laura Hopkins Adams, Pat Phillips Benett, Welton Gregory, Albert T. Eure, Marjorie and Carlos Flink, Mildred and C. D. Harris, Jr., Garland and Sadie Eure, Thomas Edward Umphlet, Gene W. Phillips, Geraldine Gregory, Mildred Byrum Gregory, Ruby Lane Harrell, Jean L. Berry, Lois Faye Benton White, Janice Perry Winslow, Ann Hadre Berry, Dan Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lee Winslow, Emma Rogerson Byrum and George, Velma Carter Cartwright and David, Ronald Butt, Doris Carver and Seymour Chappell, Faye Rae Symons and Delton Stallings, James G. White and Lois White, Wade H. Jordan and Lillian, Willie Mae Chappell and Jack Symons, Shirley and Pete Spivey, Ruth Haskett Gurkin and Jack, Billy Winslow, Edgar Y. Berry and Joseph E. Harwell.

Livestock Show Now Scheduled

"This year, the 4-H Club boys and girls who are interested in showing steers at the Fatstock Show and Sale in Elizabeth City have a wonderful opportunity to get the steers off of Perquimans County farms," states R. M. Thompson, County Extension Chairman. The steers that are available locally are just about as good as they could find, at sales held throughout this state.

On Wednesday, August 25 at 1:30, the 4-H Club boys and girls and their parents are invited to go and look at some of the steers that are available here. They will leave the Agricultural Building at 1:30 and proceed to the farms and we should be there by 4:00 P. M. You will have the opportunity to look at these steers and make your choices and talk to the farmers.

There are many advantages in buying steers locally. First, you can get them early. Second, they are more than likely to have resistance to local diseases, and third, it is a whole lot more convenient to haul them a short distance than it is to go to the sales and compete with people from all over the state. "If you are interested in 4-H Club steers this year, we hope that you will be with us on Wednesday, August 25 at 1:30," further states Mr. Thompson.

MURRAY MOTOR PARTS MOVES TO OLD COLONIAL

Murray Motor Parts Company, located beside the Hertford Cafe for a number of years, is moving this week into the newly renovated old location of the Colonial Store building beside the W. M. Morgan Furniture Company.

Course Headed By Sgt. Madre

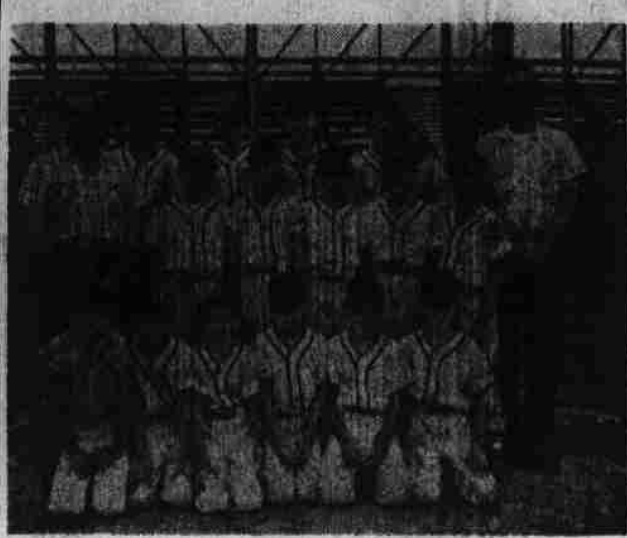
IPSWICH, England — Master Sergeant Clarence T. Madre (left), son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Madre, of Rt. 1, Hertford, N. C., explains the function of the automatic flight control systems on the P-4C Phantom II jet to members of the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing at Bentwaters RAF Station, England.

Sergeant Madre, an instructor in autopilot maintenance, is on temporary duty at the United States Air Forces in Europe (USAFE) installation helping train maintenance crews that will be converting to the Phantom in October.

The sergeant is a member of the Air Training Command's Instructor Squadron at MacDill AFB, Fla.

Sergeant Madre, a graduate of Perquimans County High School, attended the University of Tampa. His wife, Mary, is the daughter of Mrs. E. W. Dunsmoor of 206 Woodland Circle, Hertford.

The 81st is phasing out its current complement of F-101 Voodoo aircraft for the 1,000 mph Phantoms which will continue to support USAFE, the American overseas air arm standing guard with NATO for the free world.



Honor Is Won By Ford Dealers

Winslow-Blanchard Motor Company of Hertford has been selected as one of the nation's outstanding Ford dealerships and will receive the Ford Motor Company's Distinguished Achievement Award.

The Distinguished Achievement Award is presented "in recognition of progressive management—modern sales and service facilities—sound practices of merchandising—high quality standards—and continuing interest in rendering superior service to Ford owners."

C. C. Winslow, president, has been a Ford dealer in Hertford since 1938. The dealership is located on U. S. Highway 17 North.

Training Taken By Mrs. Dillon

Forty-nine junior high school science teachers are nearing the end of a six-week institute at East Carolina College which has offered specialized courses in biology, physics and earth science.

Under the direction of Dr. Frank W. Eller, ECC science professor, the institute was supported by a grant of \$47,000 from the National Science Foundation.

Its aim was to better prepare already-competent junior high science teachers to direct more comprehensive science programs in their respective schools.

Participants in the ECC institute hail from 20 of North Carolina's counties and from 13 other states as well as from Canada and Puerto Rico. The institute began July 8 and closes Thursday, August 19.

Enrollees include: Mrs. Blanche B. Dillon, eighth grade teacher at Perquimans County High School.

Thieves Enter Local Concern

The Winslow-Blanchard Motor Company was broken into here at its location on U. S. 17 North of Hertford Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning. Entry was gained by prying a lock on a rear door of the building.

Once inside, the drink machine was broken into, as was a cigarette machine. From these approximately \$60 was taken. A movie projector was taken and possibly some tires.

The office of the president, Cecil C. Winslow, was ransacked. Mr. Winslow kept cigarettes in his office and the robber, though having broken into the cigarette machine, took the cigarettes from Mr. Winslow's office and didn't bother the ones in the machine. They also had the audacity to take a can of lighter fluid from the office.

It is presumed that Sheriff Matthews has been called. A nice footprint was made by the robber, so this time maybe whoever entered the building will be caught right soon. The company lost a brand new Ford automobile from its parking lot by thieves several months ago. This has never been heard from.

Another break-in, it was unofficially reported, occurred at the home of Jake White. It is understood that an arrest has been made.

ON DEAN'S LIST

Verna Ann Perry, a student at the M. C. V. College of Nursing in Richmond, Va., was listed on the Dean's List for the summer quarter.

Miss Perry is a graduate of Perquimans High School and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Lee Perry.

Little League Champs Crowned

A supper was held on the Perquimans recreation lot for the Little League teams last Tuesday night. Each boy on the winning teams was presented a trophy.

Shown in the above picture, reading left to right, first row, Clark Winslow, bat boy (who was also presented a trophy), Kenny Stallings, Wade Winslow, Worth Dale, Don White and Earl Chappell.

Second row, Elmer Lassiter, assistant coach, Archie Blanchard, Bruce Winslow, Sherwood Blanchard, Dickie Winslow, Rodney Lassiter and Billy Winslow, coach.

Third row, left to right, Douglas Layden, William Winslow, Kenneth Ray Winslow, Tony Winslow and Julian Baker. Ricky Boyce, a member of the league, was not present when the above photo was taken.

C. C. Mansfield Taken In Death

Calvin Columbus (Tobe) Mansfield, 88, of 140 West Grubb Street, Hertford, died Sunday at 4 P. M. in the Albemarle Hospital after an illness of two weeks. A native of Perquimans County, he was the son of Calvin and Mrs. Anne Goodwin Mansfield.

He was a retired farmer, a member of the Great Hope Baptist Church and a member of the Woodmen of the World.

Surviving is his wife, Mrs. Ella Burton Wilson Mansfield; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Jordan of Hertford and Mrs. Lynette Foxwell of Edenton; four sons, Freeman N. Mansfield, Curvin C. Mansfield and Samuel J. Mansfield, all of Route 1, Hertford, and A. J. Mansfield of Hampton, Va.; 30 grandchildren, 47 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3 P. M. in the chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home by Rev. Jesse Ray Mansfield, grandson of Mr. Mansfield and pastor of Hickory Baptist Church in Whitakers, assisted by Rev. David Harris, pastor of Great Hope Baptist Church, and Rev. L. C. Chandler, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church.

"Beyond the Sunset" and "We Are Going Down the Valley" were sung by the Great Hope Church choir, accompanied by Mrs. J. Ellie White, organist.

The casket pall was made of white chrysanthemums, pink carnations and fern.

Pallbearers were Kader Davis, P. E. Lane, Robert Hollowell, Earlie Goodwin, Jr., Marshall Boyce and T. P. Mitchell.

Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

Some people pay their debts and others forget them, if they can.

Former County School Board Supports Biggers

A majority of the living members of Perquimans County School Boards who have served during the tenure of office of John T. Biggers as Superintendent of Perquimans County Schools, Mary G. Brinn, Clarence C. Chappell, Sr., Charles Harrell, Jr., Julian A. White, Mrs. A. R. Cook, Mrs. Alice Futrell, Durwood Barber, Carroll Ward and Tim Matthews, have rallied to the support of Perquimans County Superintendent John T. Biggers, in a statement to The Perquimans Weekly and other papers of this state.

The former members have published this week on page eight of your Perquimans Weekly "A Resolution in Support of Perquimans County School Superintendent John T. Biggers."

The vote of confidence to Superintendent Biggers follows last week's article of censure. The former board members have also placed an advertisement in the Daily Advance and copies of the resolution have been sent to every newspaper in the state.

Local Headstart Program Ending

Miss Frances Jordan, family life consultant of State College, Raleigh, spoke at the meeting for parents of Head Starters Monday night at the Perquimans County Court House. She was introduced by Mrs. Ila G. White, Perquimans home agent.

About 100 parents and teachers were there to hear Miss Jordan emphasize parents' tremendous influence in their children's lives. It was noted that in maturing, children drain from about 100 people. Although parents have this help, they are still the most important factors in a child's development.

Miss Jordan said, "A parent's influence is 250 times greater than that of any other single individual. This fact puts a great responsibility upon parents."

Mrs. R. S. Monds, Head Start director, reviewed head start progress and asked for comments concerning Head Start dividends to children from Mrs. Minnie Bess Taylor, Mrs. Winfield Tingle, Mrs. Mary C. White, Mrs. Myrtle Felton and Miss Thelma Elliott.

At the close of the meeting parents were given an opportunity to find their children in snap shots displayed around the Head Start flag.

The eight-week Head Start program will terminate August 20. One hundred eighty-eight children have participated in Perquimans Central, Perquimans Union, King Street and Hertford Grammar Schools. Ten teachers, 18 aides to teachers, six lunch room workers, four janitors and a director have been employed with funds from the Office of Economic Opportunity. From these funds, too, approximately 80 children have been transported to and from school: 7 to Perquimans Central, 49 to Perquimans Union, 24 to King Street and 3 to Hertford Grammar. Lunch rooms have been operating in all four schools. Roughly \$28,000 has been spent in Perquimans for the pre-school project.

Rating Is Won By Mrs. Becker

Mrs. Barnett L. (Billie) Becker, granddaughter of Mrs. W. E. Dail and the late W. E. Dail of New Hope, has received an Outstanding Performance Rating from the Pentagon headquarters of the Defense Atomic Support Agency (DASA). Mrs. Becker is a contract specialist in the DASA's Logistics Division.

The Defense Atomic Support Agency is the joint services organization which plans and coordinates the defense weapons programs. The agency's responsibilities include nuclear weapons effects research and underground test programs, monitoring of the nuclear stockpile and maintaining readiness to resume atmospheric testing if it becomes necessary.

Mrs. Becker lives at 7518 Fisher Drive, Falls Church, Va.

DRAFT OFFICE TO BE CLOSED NEXT WEEK

The office of Selective Service will be closed Monday through Friday of next week, beginning August 30, the office will be open daily Monday through Friday from 8:30 A. M. until 5:30 P. M. It will be closed daily from 12:30 until 1 P. M.

Perquimans County has a call for 37 physical examinations for the month of September.

Special Audit Explained This Week By Superintendent

John T. Biggers, Perquimans County School Superintendent, today explained provisions of an audit report turned over to the District Solicitor by the Perquimans County Board of Education for presentation to the Grand Jury.

The following is background information with reference to an audit report by the Department of State Auditor, dated July 29, 1965, signed by Henry L. Bridges, prepared by John Buchan, Superintendent Biggers says:

This report was presented to the Perquimans County Board of Education on August 9, 1965, at a secret meeting in the home of the board chairman, Dr. A. B. Bonner. The superintendent was not informed of this meeting until presentation of report had been completed and action of the board taken. The Board of Education action included, among other things, that the report be given to the District Solicitor with instructions that he present it to the Grand Jury, and a request for the resignation of the superintendent of schools immediately.

The audit report recommended that certain action be taken as explained in three exhibits.

Exhibit "A"

That reimbursement be made by Mr. Biggers to the Perquimans County Board of Education in the amount of \$1,790.41. This amount consists of twenty-two checks over a period covered by the audit. Background information in support of this action is as follows:

Several times during the 1950's Mr. E. C. Woodard asked the Board of Education to help out with the athletic debt at the Perquimans County High School. His request was granted several times. When the activity bus was purchased and the athletic fund, continued to go in the red, it was suggested that the operating expense for the activity bus be turned back into the athletic activity fund. Mr. J. E. Morris, chairman of the board, Mr. Woodard, principal of Perquimans High School, and I discussed this. We agreed this would be one way to help decrease the athletic activity debt.

Checks for operating expense of the activity bus were drawn on the high school fund and turned over to me. I endorsed and cashed the checks and turned the money over to Mr. Woodard for the athletic activity fund. It was treated as receipts from athletics or other sources and put in the high school general fund and credited to the athletic fund. When the Perquimans Union School purchased a bus in 1957 the operating expense was treated in the same way.

Several checks other than the activity bus expense were handled in this same manner. They were all non-tax funds and the fact that they were used to help the athletic fund deficit did not deprive or curtail any of services the other schools received. We have always made an attempt to help any school in the family of five county schools when they were in financial need. These funds were therefore used for the direct benefit of Perquimans High School which at the time was in real need.

It should be clearly understood that the explanation given herein is not to be interpreted as a reflection on Mr. E. C. Woodard and Mr. J. P. Perry, both now deceased. They were men of the highest honor and integrity. They were deeply devoted to the public schools of Perquimans County, and I know they served in their position with the public schools with complete honesty, sincerity and wholehearted desire to do what was best and right for their school and any person who knew the high character of these two Christian gentlemen as I knew them—and as I believe the people of Perquimans County knew them—would have had no hesitation in passing funds to them to be used for their school. The explanation given herein which makes reference to these two former principals of Perquimans

High simply reaffirms my faith in them, and I shall always remember them with an abiding affection that knows no bounds.

Some time after Mr. Perry became principal he came to my office with a number of bills to be paid. He asked me how he could take care of them when his general fund was in the red and he had no source of receipts for the general fund. Shortly thereafter the \$95.28, referred to in the auditor's report, was passed to Mr. Perry and placed by him in the general fund. Mrs. Perry is aware of the deficit that confronted her husband as principal and is aware that he received help from the superintendent.

Written financial records prepared by the principal clearly show that over the period in question the athletic fund at Perquimans High School was operating in the red and funds were needed to help in the situation. The records also show that when the athletic fund showed a balance the superintendent did not transfer further funds to it in the manner indicated.

It should be made abundantly clear that the superintendent gave complete cooperation to the auditors, and it is believed that the information and cooperation given by the superintendent made it much easier for the auditors to make the investigation.

If any complaint is to be made regarding an honest effort to help Perquimans High School in the manner indicated, let it be made to me as superintendent and not against the dear memory of my friends and former co-workers, Messrs. Morris, Woodard and Perry.

Exhibit "B"

This amount, totaling \$768.75, covers charges made to certain maintenance vehicles and other county owned equipment. Reimbursement for items of this nature is usually made by county voucher drawn on the county school fund budgeted for this purpose. During certain times in the past years the county school funds were very low and some of these county expenses were deferred for one, two or even three months. When this was done because of lack of funds the monthly reports would be altered in the amount to be deferred. During the period covered by this audit report some of the deferred payments were not entered on a later report, according to Exhibit "B." Thus the Perquimans County Board of Education owes the amount of \$768.75 to the State Board of Education. Allegedly this procedure has been practiced at other places through the state. Alterations referred to in the explanation of Exhibit "B" were made with the knowledge of my secretary, the supervisor of transportation, and the cost and property clerk. At some times the alterations were made by one person and at other times by another person. The alterations referred to were made because county funds were not available at the time to reimburse the state, or in some instances it was discovered that no reimbursement was due the state.

Exhibit "C"

It is stated here that reimbursement should be made by Mr. Biggers to the State Board of Education in the amount of \$92.29, as shown by the exhibit. This represents labor and paint used by the school bus mechanics in preparing and painting a 1950 Chevrolet surplus bus purchased from the State Board of Education. It is the state requirement that school bus mechanics paint all surplus busses before they are permitted to be operated as private vehicles. In this instance, since the title of the vehicle passed from the county to a private owner before it was painted, it is contended that the private owner should pay the state for labor and paint used.

All items described in this exhibit were explained to the Perquimans County Board of Education in the

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