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Annual Meeting Set By Albemarle Co-op At Local Ball Park

Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation's annual meeting will be held Saturday afternoon, September 18, beginning promptly at 2:00 P. M., it was announced today by the manager, John D. Coston. The meeting will be held in the ball park of the Perquimans County High School. In the event of bad weather, the meeting will be held in the Perquimans County High School auditorium.

The meetings are held each year, at which time the election of directors for the corporation during the coming year is held.

All members of the corporation are urged to attend the meeting and participate in the election of directors and other activities scheduled for the meeting.

Registration will begin at 1 o'clock on Saturday, with the meeting following promptly at 2 o'clock. The meeting will open with reports of officers and the manager. Following will be the election of members of nine directors from the nominating committee's following nominations:

Chowan County: John N. Bunch, Vance Hare Preston Monds, J. A. Wiggins and George C. Wood.

Perquimans County: Belvin Eure, A. T. Lane, Floyd Mathews, Carson Spivey and Charles E. White.

Pasquotank County: Howard Banks, W. R. Lowry, Joe A. Spence and Tommie Temple.

Camden County: W. A. Meigs, Everett Sawyer, Stanley Sawyer, Hersey Smithson and J. A. Whitehurst.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

The annual meeting is held each year by Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation as most important. Officers of the corporation urge all members to be present for this meeting.

Special entertainment has been secured. Presenting direct from the famous Golden Nugget in Las Vegas, Nevada one of the nation's most talented and versatile country and western personalities "The Barbara Allen Show", also featuring Tennie Che.

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Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Fannie Etheridge Chappell; three sons, Robert Patrick Chappell and Moody Lee Chappell of Route 2, Tyner, and Paul E. Chappell of Chesapeake, Va.; one brother, Lucius Arthur Chappell of Route 2, Tyner; eight grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 in the Center Hill Methodist Church by Rev. George Miller, pastor, assisted by Rev. Claude Wilson, former pastor.

Members of the Anderson Church Choir sang "Never Grow Old", "Beyond The Sunset" and "Oh, How I Love Jesus". They were accompanied by Mrs. Noah Reed Felton, pianist.

The casket pall was made of red roses, white chrysanthemums, carnations, stock and fern. Pallbearers were Bobby Chappell, William Chappell, Willie Saunders, J. H. Hollowell, Jerry Chappell and Sidney Broughton.

Burial was in the family cemetery.

Rev. Chappell Taken In Death

Rev. Moody Lee Chappell, Sr., 88, a retired Methodist minister, died Sunday at 4:30 P. M., at his home, Route 2, Tyner. A native of Chowan County, he was the son of Robert S. and Mrs. Margaret C. Chappell. He was a member of Center Hill Methodist Church.

Rev. Chappell served approximately 42 years in the ministry, primarily in the Western North Carolina Conference. He had also held pastorates in Winfall, Elizabeth City, Morehead City and Lexington.

Beagle Club Plans Events

The Albemarle Beagle Club will hold a field trial September 19. Drawing for both classes will be at 8 A. M.

Two experienced judges from Hampton, Va., will judge this trial. The club has over 50 acres of fenced in running grounds with plenty of rabbits to insure a smooth running trial. Lunch will be served at the club house.

You do not have to be a club member to enter these trials and everyone is welcome.

Vote Authorized On Tax By County Commissioners

Perquimans County Board of Commissioners held their September meeting here last Tuesday with R. L. Spivey, chairman, presiding with Commissioners W. W. Bundy, Riley S. Monds, Jr., Thomas D. Nixon and Ellis Winslow and voted to authorize a vote on levying taxes for Industrial Commission at the November 2, 1965 election.

At the November 8 election there will be submitted to the qualified voters of the county, for their approval or disapproval, the question whether it be the will of the voters to levy and cause to be collected annually, a special tax at a rate not to exceed five cents on each \$100 valuation of property in Perquimans County, to be known as an "Industrial Development Tax" the funds therefrom, if the levy is authorized by the voters, to be used for the purpose of attracting new and diversified industries, and for the encouragement of new business and industrial ventures by

Jaycees Begin Calendar Drive

The Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce's annual calendar drive for the annual community birthday calendar, a project conducted each year by the local Jaycees, is in full swing, with Welly White chairman of the sales.

Chairman White reminds the public during the sale of these calendars, if anyone should be missed in contacting the public, please contact one of the Jaycee members, as it's the club's desire to get everyone in on his drive.

The picture of the calendar this year will be of the new Perquimans River bridge. Proceeds from the sale of the calendars, as usual, will be used for the underprivileged children of this area for clothing and toys to be distributed at the Jaycees' annual Christmas party.

Miss Herring Teaching Here

Miss Anna Nicholson Herring, a senior from East Carolina College, is doing her student teaching at Perquimans County High School in Hertford. She is under the direction of Miss Frances Newby, home economics teacher at Perquimans High. While here, she is living with the W. F. (Willie) Ainsley family.

Miss Herring, who is called "Nicky" by her home community and college friends, comes from Roseboro, N. C. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Vinson. She was born and reared in Sampson County. Being a member of the Roseboro Baptist Church, she is a member of YWA, BTU and a part-time Sunday School teacher.

Miss Herring graduated from Roseboro - Salem High School in 1962, where she was a member of the Satin Club, French Club, Monogram Club, Glee Club, School Choir, FHA, FTA and business manager for the annual staff.

At East Carolina College Miss Herring is a member of the Home Economics Club and the American Home Economics Association. She is also a member of the Student National Educational Association. She served as hall proctor in Unstead Dormitory during her freshman year.

Jurors Drawn For Court Term

The names of the following 60 residents of Perquimans County were drawn for jury service at the November term of Superior Court during the September meeting of the County Commissioners held here Tuesday. The November term of court will convene here on Monday, November 1.

Drawn for jury duty are: Thomas Edward Lowe, Jack Smith Phillips, Rennie Dail, Alvin G. Copeland, W. Bryant Stallings, Ralph L. Layden, M. B. Dail, Ethel Marie Elliott, James Willie Hurdle, Alvah Madrey, J. Floyd Harrell, Corbin Dozier, Sr. Also Calvin C. Godfrey, Matthew Smith, Leslie L. Narron, Herman Small, Ronald E. Chalk, Ambrose Long, T. S. Sawyer, Ralph E. Perry, J. S. Copeland, Clyde J. Layden, Bobby B. Stallings, William Collins, Albert R. Chambers, Gilliam Twine, Willard M. Copeland, Asa E. Stallings, Daniel (Jack) Bryant, D. J. White, Marion Simpson, A. W. Lane, Wayland Howell, Charles Everett Winslow, Winston J. Winslow, W. P. Lane, Gerald W. Blanchard, C. T. Phillips.

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Indians Fall To Jackets

The Perquimans Indians dropped their game to the Elizabeth City Yellow Jackets last Friday night 21-14.

The Indians gained ground in the fourth quarter, when they got three first downs in a row with Kent Insoce and Phil Graham taking turns through the middle. With about two minutes left to play, Johnny Decker hit Miller in the end zone for the final touchdown of the evening. Miller added the point.

Stars for the evening on the Indians' team on both offense and defense, were Miller, Decker, Insoce, Don Yohn, Donald Riddick and Archie Miller.

The Indians made their first score midway the second quarter when Eddie Miller hauled in a Yellow Jacket punt, faked a hand-off to Insoce and then scampered 55 yards for the first score for the Indians.

Bicycle Thefts Heard In Court

Sherman A. Underwood, charged with take, steal and carry away one bicycle, the property of Jeff Haskett, was given six months on the roads in Perquimans County Recorder's Court here Tuesday. The sentence to be suspended upon payment of the court costs and that he be placed under the supervision of the probation officer for the next two years.

Maurice Beals, charged with assault on Charles H. Gurganus with a deadly weapon, a crow bar, was given 30 days on the roads. The sentence to be suspended upon payment of a \$15 fine and court costs. The affray took place at the new housing development on King Street, where the two are employed.

Lee White waived hearing on a charge of larceny, a 1963 Ford, the property of Joshua Foster.

Jimmy Simpson, charged with allowing William Turner to operate his car without a license, was fined \$25 and taxed with the court costs.

William Turner, charged without having a valid operator's or chauffeur's license, was given 30 days on the roads. The sentence to be suspended upon payment of a \$40 fine and court costs.

Henry Jenkins, charged with being drunk on the streets of Hertford, was given a week in jail. The sentence to be suspended upon payment of \$2.00 fine and court costs.

Robert L. Revell, charged with assault on Willie Mae Felton with his hand, was given a 30-day sentence. The sentence to be suspended upon payment of \$10 fine and the costs.

Willie Mae Felton was found not guilty as charged of assault on Robert L. Revell with her foot.



OFFICERS OF PERQUIMANS UNIT OF CANCER SOCIETY—Pictured above are the officers of the Perquimans Unit of the American Cancer Society, who were re-elected at a recent meeting to serve during 1965-66. Reading, right to left, are Mrs. Marcia Colvin, treasurer; Miss Hulda Wood, secretary; Miss Thelma Elliott, first vice president; Charles Harrell, president. Mrs. Ila G. White is second vice president, but was not present at the time the above photo was made.

Summer Work Called Helpful

"Summer workshops conducted for Perquimans homemakers have been most successful" stated Ila Grey White, Home Economics Extension Agent.

A refinishing furniture workshop was held in June by Mrs. Ben Chambers of Route 3, Hertford. Mrs. Chambers has had wide and varied experiences in refinishing furniture. Six persons attended the workshop. Over 15 articles of furniture were refinished at the workshop, however, homemakers refinished many more articles at home.

Mrs. Wallie Knight of Rt. 3, Hertford, held a knitting workshop. She had five beginners to attend. Other knitting workshops will be held in the future.

Mrs. J. D. Gore of Fayetteville visited Perquimans to teach "Rug Hooking" in August. Over 35 persons attended the workshop. The ladies learned to dye materials and use old wool, for hooking. They worked on rugs, chair seats, and chair bottoms. They learned many techniques in hooking including "shading" and combining colors.

A refinishing picture frame workshop was held by Miss Jean Black, Extension House Furnishings Specialist, from Raleigh. Twenty-five participants were from Gates, Camden, and Currituck and

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Local Folks Hurt In Wreck

Jimmy Lee Dilday, 17, of Woodville, was involved in an accident last Sunday which resulted in slight injuries for two. It is understood that Dilday was not injured when his station wagon collided with a car being driven by Mrs. Nevada C. Pierce. Mrs. Pierce and her six-year-old daughter Patsy were taken to the Albemarle Hospital, where they were treated and released.

Last Friday a collision between a Harrell Gas & Coal Company Butane tank delivery truck and a loaded tractor-trailer resulted in heavy damage on U. S. 17 just north of Elizabeth City.

According to reports, both trucks were going in the same direction. The Butane gas truck had slowed down to make a turn, and a car whose driver was unidentified, saw the approaching tractor-trailer and pulled out around the truck only seconds before a truck loaded with corn, being driven by Noah R. Felton, Jr., collided with the Butane truck and jack-knifed off the road. Damage to the tractor-trailer truck driven by Felton was estimated at \$3,000. Damage to the Butane truck was

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County School Board Splits Over Minutes; Law Firm Is Employed

The Perquimans County Board of Education met in special session on Wednesday, September 8, with all members present, Dr. Allan B. Bonner, chairman and board members John Danchise, Joe Nowell, George Baker and Delvin Eure.

John Danchise made a motion that the "addition to the minutes of the August 9 special meeting of the board, at which time the board requested Perquimans County Superintendent of Schools John T. Biggers' resignation, not to approve the addition to the minutes of August 9. The motion was seconded by Joe Nowell and Dr. Bonner. Voting against the motion was Delvin Eure and George Baker.

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Li. Gov. Scott To Speak Here

Lieut. Gov. Robert Scott will speak at the 80th anniversary of the St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Church, Hertford, Sunday, September 26, at 3 P. M.

He is the son of the late Governor Kerr Scott of Haw River, N. C.

Dr. D. D. Gross of East Carolina College will preach at 11 A. M.

Jaycees Back Special Tax

The Hertford Jaycees voted at their last meeting to actively support and work for the passage of the industrial and agricultural development tax to be put before the people of Perquimans County in the November election.

A spokesman for the Jaycees stated that it was the feeling of the members of the club that this is the only answer to the ever growing problems of economic development in our county.

We know that it is always the first reaction of the people to be against most tax increases or levying of new taxes, but we feel that if the people consider the good that can come from such a tax they will be 100 per cent in favor of it. It has been proven in many northeastern counties in North Carolina to be a very effective way of establishing an economic development commission which can help both agriculture and industrial development.

It is hoped that many other organizations in the county will join with the Hertford Jaycees to actively work for the passage of this bill. If this tax is levied it would be possible to set up an economic development commission in Perquimans County which would operate under the County Board of Commissioners.

It should further be possible to hire a full time trained worker in the field of economic development whose job it would be to formulate a working plan to secure industry and to advance our agricultural programs.

Short Of Quota For Bloodmobile

The Tidewater Regional bloodmobile was at the First Methodist Church in Hertford on Monday, September 13.

Co-chairmen John Beers and Sid Harmon reported that there were 71 pints of blood collected and that we had a quota of 95 pints.

The co-chairmen explained that the two visits of the bloodmobile in a 12-month period are averaged together to determine whether we have met our yearly quota. Therefore, if we can exceed our quota at the next visit we could still meet the yearly quota.

We would like to thank each of the volunteer workers who helped out at the bloodmobile this visit. They were Mrs. Anse White, Mrs. Tertrude Zachary, Mrs. Maude Jones, Mrs. Mattie Matthews, Mrs. Charles Murray, Mrs. Ruby Bateman, Mrs. Willis Jessup, Mrs. Ray Haskett, Mrs. Cecil Winslow, Mrs. Evelyn Whedbee, Mrs. Sidney Harmon, Mrs. Betty Beers, Clyde Lane and Talmage Rose.

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BPW Pushing Local Project

The "Welcome to Hertford" project sponsored by the Hertford Business and Professional Women's Club, in cooperation with the merchants of Hertford, continues to be warmly received by the newcomers to the town. Reactions and comments range from "surprise that a town this size offers such a warm welcome to newcomers" to deep appreciation that they have been received in such a way.

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Marie S. Elliott two members of the BPW act as hostesses for a month each. They present each family with a brochure welcoming them to Hertford and listing local churches, ministers, doctors, dentists and emergency numbers. They also present a book of coupons redeemable for gifts given by Hertford merchants when presented to their

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A Look Backward

As Found In The Perquimans Weekly Files of Yesteryear

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Houses Inundated By Excessive Rain: A steady 18-hour downpour Tuesday afternoon had inundated two Negro houses in the low-lying section of King Street. The ditches, unable to take care of the torrential rains of Monday, Monday night and all day Tuesday, had overflowed until water was nearly two feet deep within two houses. Furniture floated around inside the dwellings and occupants were forced to move out. The houses are one-story frame affairs, so there were no second floors to move to. The unceasing rains had covered every level or low-lying section of ground, sidewalks and streets with water varying in depth from three to 12 inches Tuesday afternoon. Farms were flooded and work in the fields was at a standstill. Several farmers took advantage of their enforced idleness to attend court in Hertford Tuesday morning.

Grapes Continue To Find Ready Market: With the local grape season about gone, a little past its height, the curb market is still making its regular Saturday appearance. The population vacuum machine for the price of \$1,981.28 was approved. The machine will be used to pick up leaves from the streets of Hertford that are left at the curbs by home owners cleaning their yards. The machine will be painted white like all of the other town equipment.

Captain B. L. Gibbs was ordered to instruct his police to crack down on dogs runnings at large, even if it means shooting them.

A representative of the Carroll A. Carpenter Company met with the board and showed pictures of Christmas and holiday decorations. The board approved the rental contract up to \$300.

The board approved part payment of \$2,000 on the sewer project contract to L. E. Woolen Company, the town engineer.

Long Reports \$13,000 In Building Permits Issued

The Hertford Town Board meeting in regular session here Monday night, heard a report from W. S. (Sam) Long, Building Inspector for the Town of Hertford. Mr. Long reported to the board that during his first month's employment he issued building permits amounting to \$13,000. He made a number of electrical inspections which at the present time were no cost to the owners. He presented sample plumbing and electrical permits and recommended that the board approve same. The board approved.

The board approved to have no parking on the south side of West Market Street beginning at the Byrum Furniture Company to Covent Garden Street, each day with the exception of Sunday. This was done to relieve the weekday traffic congestion on this street.

The purchase of a Tarco

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