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Perquimans Historical Society Has Birthday; New Members Sought

(This is the beginning of a series of articles that will appear from the Perquimans County Historical Society. We hope that you will read each of the articles, acquaint yourselves with the county, and join the Perquimans County Historical Society).



In recent years, popular interest in local history has greatly increased throughout the nation. Many communities consider this interest to be a prime source of revenue, as the tourist business is booming. Perquimans County has a great potential for development of its most unique asset, its history—the records and remains of Indians, early settlers, colonial governors and legislators, Revolutionary and Civil War times.

Fortunately, the county has an organization devoted to the discovery and preservation of its history. The Perquimans County Historical Society was founded June 20, 1934, by a group of people who were interested in local history, many of whom had made a survey tour of the county's historical sites in 1933.

Membership in the society consists not only of residents of the Albemarle area but also of persons across the country. To research, collect, identify and preserve our local facts and artifacts and to inform the public of our heritage are the principal aims of the society. Among the accomplishments of the society are: gathering information about the county's churches, old homes and cemeteries; collecting and preserving items such as currency issued by the county during the Civil War and early books, manuscripts and newspapers; and increasing the public knowledge of Perquimans County's past by presenting programs at society meetings and publishing a yearbook.

The society's yearbooks have been particularly successful. Each book contains articles and pictures relating to various aspects of county history. Articles have dealt with several of our churches, schools and houses, early county residents and North Carolina's Tercentenary celebration. Much interest has been expressed in articles which have told the true history of Perquimans County Court House, the unusual floating bridges across Perquimans River, and the life of 1700's Hertford postmaster Sarah DeCrow.

In the future, the society hopes to organize tours of the county of our school children, in order to supplement their studies in state history and acquaint them with Perquimans County's past and present. Publication of the yearbook will continue and may be augmented by articles in the Perquimans Weekly.

Membership in the society is open to anyone. Dues are two dollars per year (which includes the price of the yearbook). Yearbooks may be purchased individually. At each of the four meetings during the year, interesting programs and exhibits will be presented. If you want to know more about our heritage, if you and your children want to learn about our county's past, contact the society to evaluate the possibility of becoming members. Join the Perquimans County Historical Society today. The meeting will be held at the county court house on Friday, January 13, 1967, at 7:30 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to encourage farmers to attempt to produce more soy-

Dr. Mathews To Give Paper

Five orthopedic surgeons from Duke University Medical Center will make major contributions to the annual meeting of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons in San Francisco, January 13-19.

They are Dr. Lenox D. Baker, chief of the division of orthopedic surgery; Dr. J. Leonard Goldner, professor; Dr. Frank Clippinger, associate professor; Dr. Frank Bassett III and Dr. Donald E. McCollum, both assistant professors.

In addition, a resident in orthopedic surgery, Dr. Robert Mathews, will be presenting a prize-winning paper at a meeting of the Orthopedic Research Society which is being held in conjunction with the academy meetings. Dr. Mathews' paper is on the use of a special stain in determining bone changes. He is a native of Hertford and son of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Mathews, former residents.

Dr. Baker will discuss a paper on surgery of the foot in cerebral palsy patients. Dr. Goldner will have four roles. He will be involved in sessions of the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery in which he is an examiner. He will present a paper on reconstructing hands damaged by nerve injury. He will moderate a panel discussion on surgical treatment of the cerebral palsy patient, and he will give an instructional course on surgical treatment of hand and forearm deromities in cerebral palsy patients.

A discussion in the panel will be moderated by Dr. Goldner. Dr. Eugene Bleck, a former resident at Duke and now practicing in San Mateo, Calif., also will participate.

Dr. Clippinger also will be a panel member in a discussion on the prevention and management of surgical infections. And Dr. McCollum will present a paper on arthritis of the hip and its relationship to the loss of blood supply and gout. The paper was jointly written by Dr. Clippinger and two Duke residents, Dr. Michael O'Neil and Dr. Mathews.

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County 4-H's Form Committee

A new committee of 4-H's has been formed in Perquimans County. It is called the Report to the County 4-H Committee. It is composed of Don Morgan who narrates the program; Bobby Harrell speaks on 4-H in general. He tells about the sponsoring committees, adult leaders and extension agents who are willing to help 4-H's complete their projects, secure scholarships or just about anything that needs to be done. Maureen Nixon speaks on the 4-H projects available to all 4-H's, whether urban or rural youth. Steve Riddick gives a report on some of the many activities a 4-H'er can participate in, including County, District, State and National. June Harrell gives a report on 4-H scholarships which are available to 4-H's. These scholarships range in value from \$100 to \$1,000.

This panel of 4-H's, accompanied by Douglas Taylor, and Sheri Taylor, Extension Agent in Perquimans, gave their program to the Durants Neck Ruritan Club. They are available to present their program to clubs in the county; just ask them! June Maureen, Steve and Bobby were all delegates to the 4-H Citizenship Short Course in Washington, D. C., this past summer.

Hertford Lions Hear Sen. Wood

Senator-elect George Wood was guest of the Hertford Lions Club at their meeting here in the Lions Den last week. Senator Wood spoke to the group on the school fund, the brown bagging, automobile license, roads and other things of interest that will come up in the General Assembly during its next session.

Floyd Benton, Scoutmaster of the local Boy Scouts of America, was also a guest at the meeting. The Scouts are sponsored by the Hertford Lions Club.

Soybean Contest Winner Named

Shown in the above photo is Perquimans County Farm Agent R. M. (Pete) Thompson, presenting a trophy to Paul Smith of Route 2, who was the Soybean Contest winner. Parkville Ruritan Club sponsored the Soybean Contest for 1966, based on the yield of one acre of soybeans. Paul Smith, Route 2, Hertford, was awarded the trophy for producing 55 bushels of soybeans to the acre. The purpose of this contest is to encourage farmers to attempt to produce more soy-



Archie Lane Will Be Sergeant-At-Arms For '67 General Assembly

RALEIGH—Archie T. Lane, Sr., of Hertford, last week made a political comeback when he was nominated by House Democrats to be sergeant-at-arms for the 1967 session. Lane, a veteran of three terms in the General Assembly as representative from Perquimans County, defeated former Rep. Carson Gregory of Harnett County, 55 to 37. It was the only contested election by the Democratic caucus.

The nominee ran third in a five-man race for the two seats allowed the First District in the course of reapportionment. Rep. Phil Godwin of Gates, one of the successful candidates, nominated Lane for the prestigious position in the House. Seconding Lane's nomination was Rep. Sam Ervin, Jr., of Morganton. Rep. Ervin said: "By supporting him we can show tangible concern for a section of this state that by reason of reapportionment feels it has suffered at our hands."

However, Lane made it clear he will avoid trying to occupy himself with legisla-

Parcel Post Aided By ZIP

Use of ZIP Code will make it easier to mail packages after January 15, Postmaster W. W. White of Hertford said today. New rates and a new system for identifying parcel post zones will go into effect on that date as provided in legislation signed into law by President Johnson on September 20, 1966, the postmaster pointed out.

The rate increases will average about 10 cents a parcel, White said. Starting July 1, the law provides for a series of size and weight increases on packages mailed between first class offices. Hertford Post Office is a first class office. The size and weight increases will be in five annual steps, the last coming on July 1, 1971.

Use of ZIP Code in the recipient's address will enable the sender or a mail clerk to quickly determine the proper zone, and thus the rate, for the package. The zones will be based on the distance a parcel travels between the 552 sectional centers in the country, White said. By consulting a simple chart, which is available at all post offices, the zone can be readily identified because the first three numbers of the ZIP Code represent the sectional center. This replaces a method in which a directory often had to be consulted to locate the proper zone for each of the nation's 33,000 post offices.

The new rates will range from 40 cents for a three-pound parcel destined for local delivery to 60 cents for the same parcel to Zone 3 (150 to 300 miles) to \$1.05 to zone 8 (over 1,800 miles). The new zoning method will also apply to air parcel post, catalogs and to publishers who pay zone rates on the advertising portion of their periodicals.

White noted that all parcels mailed between post offices within the Elizabeth City sectional center will be charged at the first zone rate. There are 68 post offices within the Elizabeth City sectional center. The new rates are expected to provide an additional \$74 million a year for the Post Office Department. The later size and weight increases will add another \$32 million a year. The additional revenue is to help keep the department within 4 per cent of costs on parcel post as the law requires.

Police Report On Activities

Hertford's Police Department had a busy month during December. However, not as busy as one would expect with the Christmas holidays, according to a report to the Town Board here Monday night by Police Capt. B. L. Gibbs. According to Capt. Gibbs' report, there was a total of 15 arrests made: three for being drunk, three assaults, two miscellaneous traffic arrests, four breaking and entering and one runaway. Fourteen of the 15 arrested were found guilty as charged. The fines amounted to \$135.00, costs \$120.75, totaling \$255.75.

The department answered and investigated 110 calls, investigated three accidents, worked three funerals, extended 123 courtesies, found 11 doors unlocked, answered five fire calls, made 244 radio calls, issued one citation and reported three lights out. The patrol calls traveled 6,042 miles during the month.

Heath Reports On Sign Dates

Bobby Heath, ASCA office manager, announced this week that the sign-up in feed grain, wheat and cotton programs begins January 23, 1967 and ends March 3, 1967. Notices of bases, yields and payment rates will be mailed to producers on January 13. In the 1966 wool program all applications for incentive payments on shorn wool or unshorn lambs sold during the 1966 calendar year must be filed by January 31, 1967. Mr. Heath stated that they are now accepting requests for premeasurement services. The cost is \$3.00 plus .75 per acre with a minimum of \$7.50 per farm.

Students Can Seek Grants



ARCHIE T. LANE, SR.

Perquimans County Union School students who expect to complete their secondary school requirements and to enter college in 1968 can register now to participate in the 1967-68 National Merit Scholarship Program, Counselor J. S. Midgette announced today. The first step for all students who wish to enter the nationwide competition is to take the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (NMQST), which will be given in the school at 9:00 A. M. Tuesday, February 28, 1967. Participating students pay a \$1 fee, which is remitted by the school to Science Research Associates (SRA), the testing agency. When the test is given on a Saturday, the school may charge an additional fee up to \$1 for special administrative costs of testing on a nonschool day. If a student is unable to pay the testing fee, it will be paid by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) at the request of his school.

In addition to competing for the Merit Scholarships to be awarded in 1968, students can take the test to obtain information useful in planning their future education and careers. With his NMQST scores, each participating student will receive a handbook to help him evaluate his scores, compare his performance with that of other high school students across the country, and give him information on choosing a college and financing his education. The handbook and other interpretive materials are furnished as a part of reporting the test results. The highest-scoring students in each state will be named semi-finalists and will be eligible for merit scholarship consideration. In addition to the national merit scholarships financed by NMSC, more than 350 business corporations, foundations, colleges, professional associations, unions, trusts, other organizations and individuals offer scholarships through the merit program. About 13,440 students have won merit scholarships in the 111 merit programs to date. Some 2,330 merit scholarships were awarded in 1966 with stipends ranging from \$100 to \$1,500 per year for four college years. The amount of a winner's award is determined by assessing the financial assistance he will need to attend the college of his choice.

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Emergency Status Gained

Perquimans County has recently been approved as an emergency area for the purpose of making available Commodity Credit Corporation corn for livestock feed. We will begin accepting applications immediately and hope to secure some corn in about three weeks.

Listed below are some important items in regard to eligibility for grain, eligible livestock and price of grain: A. Eligibility of Applicant: Applicants must meet all of these tests. 1. He does not have sufficient feed for his livestock for the authorized period. 2. A serious loss of feed crops must have been suffered by him. 3. Purchases of feed substantially larger than usual must be necessary. 4. It would be an undue financial hardship for him to obtain sufficient feed through normal channels.

B. Eligible livestock: All beef and dairy cattle, sheep, goats and swine which were owned by the applicant for at least six months; livestock purchased as replacement breeding stock and offspring from either the groups of livestock. C. Price of Grain: The price for primary livestock is \$1.224 per bushel. The following livestock are primary livestock: Dairy cows, two years old, five pounds corn allowed per day. Cows and bulls for breeding purposes, five pounds corn allowed per day. Replacement yearling, 2.5 pounds corn allowed per day. Replacement calves, 1.7 pounds corn allowed per day. The price for secondary livestock is \$1.564 per bushel. The following livestock are secondary livestock: Sows and hogs on full ration, 1.7 pounds corn allowed per day. Figs, 1.0 pounds corn allowed per day. Corn must be paid for before the delivery order for the corn is issued. Any person interested in applying for this grain should contact the ASCS office as early as possible, according to Bobby Heath, office manager.

BLESSINGS DISTRIBUTED BY LOCAL HEALTH CLUB
In December the Health Careers Club voted to put Christmas Seal Table Blessings in the cafes and businesses. Norman Stallings and Kim Rose were appointed to distribute the table blessings around the town. It is hoped that by seeing these cards, people responded quickly and used Christmas Seals on their letters this year.