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Four-Laning U S 17 Stressed by Governors

Four of North Carolina's candidates for governor have stressed their interest in four-laning US 17 north-south, and improving US 70 east-west. Roads were deemed the key in developing the area's tourist potential, industry and fishing, in letters read by Leon Edwards, manager of the Perquimans Chamber of Commerce, last Wednesday.

Letters were read from candidates Robert W. (Bob) Scott, James C. Gardner, John Stickley, and J. Melville Broughton. The letters read were in response to one written by the association asking the candidate's stand on roads and "reversing the downward in the economy."

Bob Scott in his letter stated transportation is the key to developing any area of the State, whether it be tourist industry or industrial development. "I think US 17, running north-south in eastern North Carolina should be four-laned. Highway 70, running east-west, is virtually four-laned in the west in Morehead, and this should be completed. We should definitely short-change in the allocation of interstate funds. I have said over and over again that eastern North Carolina must have new industry. This must be done to strengthen our rural economy, to keep population dispersed and especially to provide jobs for farm families to supplement their low income, to do this, we must have good roads. We must have more industrial vocation programs available, especially in the high school and junior high levels to prepare these young people to take jobs in the industries which locate in the area.

Candidate James Gardner said, "as a lifelong Eastern North Carolinian and former member of the Democratic party I am convinced that the reason Eastern North Carolina has never received its fair share of anything in this State is because we have blindly voted for Democrats every single year. Every four years, Democratic candidates come into Eastern North Carolina and make promises after promise. Then, during the following four years, none of these promises are fulfilled. The tragedy of this is that the Democrats could not be elected were it not for the Eastern part of our state. As a candidate for Governor of North Carolina, I am virtually interested in seeing that the Eastern part of our State is developed. I am strongly in favor of improving US 17, and I am also strongly in favor of an East-West Highway leading to our major ports. I would do everything within the power of my office to effect the development of the Eastern part of our State, as well as the areas in the far Western section who have not received adequate attention. This will be the primary goal of my administration. We need to begin diversifying and upgrading the industries in the East. And need to start giving serious thought and planning to upgrading the tourist and recreation trade in this particular section.

John Stickley reported that

Mrs. Monds, N.C. P.T.A. Pres., Explains Theme For Convention

PTA delegates from across the state will gather at the Staller Hilton Inn in Greensboro, April 30 through May 2, for the 48th annual convention of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers.

Mrs. Riley S. Monds, State PTA President, in announcing the theme for this convention,

Hertford Senior Hi MYF Honors Mark Beers

Lights for night viewing have been installed on the stained glass windows at First Methodist Church in Hertford on Coward Street in memory of Mark Winslow Beers.

P.T.A. To Meet Monday, Apr. 22

The Perquimans County PTA will meet at the Staller Hilton Inn in Greensboro, N.C., Monday, April 22, 1968.

Local Participants Plan Duke Alumnae Festivities

Mrs. Thomas P. Brinn of Hertford will be among the participants at the annual meeting of the Duke University Alumnae Association here April 18-20.

A member of the Woman's College Alumnae Council, Mrs. Brinn will join scores of other women from throughout the country for a gathering which will focus on "New Dimensions in Learning."

One of the first features for the Alumnae Weekend will be the annual School of Nursing Alumnae Lecture presented this year by Dr. Lulu Wolf Hassenplug of the UCLA Medical Center.

Dean Hassenplug will serve as moderator for several sessions throughout the two-day program.

Also scheduled for the weekend are several sessions related to the program topic. These include students discussing undergraduate life, Dr. Donald Gillin, Duke historian and authority on China and Southeast Asia, and Beth Cummings Paschal who will address a luncheon gathering on "New Dimensions in Art Appreciation."

A tea at the home of President and Mrs. Douglas Knight, a performance by the Duke Concert Band, open house at the new Alumni headquarters and several luncheons and dinner meetings will be on the agenda.

The public is invited to participate in a number of the discussion gatherings and other activities, including a tour of the Duke Gardens.

The annual meeting of the Women's College Alumnae Association Saturday morning, April 20, will be the occasion for the election of 1968-69 officers.

Easter Sunday Fire Destroys House Here



A fire Sunday afternoon about 3:15 destroyed the top section of the house shown in the photo. Again, the efficient work of the Hertford Volunteer Fire Department saved the day. The house is located beside the Hertford Veneer Co. on Grubb St. Some of the contents of the home was destroyed, however a little of the household furnishings were saved but damaged by smoke and water.

Saturday, April 20th Is Final Registration Date

W. L. "Buddy" Tilley, Chairman of the Perquimans County Board of Elections, reminds the citizens of the county who are of voting age to register. This final day to register to be eligible to vote in the May primary is this coming Saturday, April 20. Chairman Tilley said that some citizens of the county were under the impression that this was a new registration, re-

Superior Court Convenes In Perquimans

The April Term of Superior Court convened last week at the Perquimans Courthouse in Hertford with Judge Albert Cowper presiding.

The following cases were heard:

Ellis Earl Mizelle, charged with driving under the influence, was found not guilty; Ellis Sutton Jr., charged with selling marijuana, nol pro; Eugene Warren, driving under the influence, \$100.00 and costs; Carl Leslie Keeter, charged with driving under the influence, \$200.00 and costs; Homer Burr, charged with forcible trespass, was given a sentence of 18 months to be served at the State Department House of Correction in Raleigh; Melvin Barrington, obtaining property false pretense; was given a sentence of 1 year at the state Department House of Correction; James Maloyed Hunter, 2nd offense of driving under the influence, was given a fine of \$550.00 and costs; George Erwin Jackson, speeding, \$100.00 and costs; Charlie Peterson, hit and run, \$25.00 and costs; Willie Johnson, driving under the influence, \$100.00 and costs; Calvin S. Winslow and Michael Rayman, each a sentence of 1 year at the State Department House of Correction in Raleigh after being found guilty of breaking and entering and Joe Saunders was placed on probation for 3 years after being found guilty of a non-burglary charge (under \$200.00) of breaking and entering.

Consolidation Will Unite 22 Counties

The North Carolina Tuberculosis Association joined local TB Association officials at the Holiday Inn in Wahunton Wednesday to launch a re-organizational plan that will consolidate 22 counties in Eastern North Carolina.

This is one of three area associations to complete formal reorganizational steps this month. The others are the mid-state TB and RD Association with headquarters in Aberdeen and the Triangle TB and RD Association with headquarters in Charlotte.

The new consolidation will bring the 22-county area together under one board of directors. The counties involved are: Beaufort, Bertie, Martin, Washington, Tyrrell, Dare, Hyde, Pitt, Greene, Lenoir, Craven, Jones, Pamlico, Carteret, Northampton, Hertford, Gates, Chowan, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Camden and Currituck.

The consolidation of these counties into one area association will provide for the elimination of four local offices and seven volunteer units that are now operating within the 22-county section.

J. T. Snowden, Jr., of Greenville, president of the State TB Association, said the executive director for the newly established association will be Mrs. Tempe Clarke of Greenville. Mrs. Clarke was formerly

executive director of the coastal eastern area tuberculosis association. The headquarters will be located in Greenville.

"The consolidation of local associations into larger area units is being done so the Tuberculosis association can provide more and better services throughout the state," Snowden said. "With the new organization we can distribute the services more evenly within the counties that make up each area association and reach more people with our programs."

Dr. Lynwood Williams of Lenoir County, a former president of the state association, is the first president of the new eastern association. Joining Dr. Williams on the executive committee are: Rowland Pruitt of Hertford County, President-Elect; Edward Davenport of Pasquotank County, Vice President; John Whalen of Beaufort County, Vice President; Charles Markey of Craven County, Vice President; Mrs. Carolyn Harris of Hyde County, secretary; and J. T. Snowden, Jr., of Pitt County, Treasurer.

Members at large include: Miss Myrtle Brock of Jones County, Mrs. Pauline Bateman of Tyrrell County, Dr. Alban Papeau of Washington County, Mrs. Edward Thompson of Pamlico County, and Dr. Karl Van Horn of Martin County.

Salem Almost In Albemarle Area

The group of Moravian settlers that built the village of Bethabara and then the town of Salem in what is now Piedmont North Carolina almost settled in the Albemarle area.

In 1752 the head of the American branch of the Moravian Church, Bishop August Gottlieb Spangenberg, came to North Carolina with a small group of men to select land for a proposed settlement in the colony. Planning to purchase land on the coast with good water for transportation, the group arrived in Edenton from Pennsylvania for a ten-day visit. The Bishop reported that "Land matters in North Carolina are in unbelievable confusion..." They were unable to find available land and turned west in a difficult journey to the Yadkin River area.

On April 17, Wednesday evening, the Moravians will return to the Albemarle area through the efforts of Peter W. Blum Jr., master craftsman of Old Salem. He will give a slide lecture on the restored Moravian town of Old Salem with emphasis on their well-known craft program. His costumed presentation at the Museum of the Albemarle will be followed by the traditional Moravian repast of coffee and sugarcake.

Assistant to the Director of Education and Interpretation,

Mr. Blum directs 14 craftsmen and four apprentices in the craft program run by Old Salem in the restored Single Brothers House. He is an experienced tinsmith, joiner, potter, and candle maker. Previous to his four years on the Old Salem staff Mr. Blum worked for the U. S. Army at Western Electric in Winston-Salem. He is a Moravian and has been "for as long as I can remember" a trumpet and cornet player in the brass band best known for the traditional Moravian Easter sunrise service.

The Moravians will find the Albemarle area far different today than it was 1752. Bishop Spangenberg reported then that "Of handicrafts I have seen practically nothing in the 150 miles we have traveled across this Province. Almost nobody has a trade. In Edenton I saw one smith, one cobbler, and one tailor at work, and no more..."

Today the Albemarle area is noted for the diverse activities of its many craftsmen. This lecture is being sponsored by the Museum of the Albemarle as part of its Members' Series. The public and interested Albemarle area craftsmen are invited to attend this the last lecture in this

year's series to be given at 8 p.m. at the Museum.

Gaston Turner Rites Are Held

Joseph Gaston Turner, 81, of Route 3, Hertford, died Wednesday at 1:45 p.m. in the Albemarle Hospital following an illness of two months.

A native of Perquimans County, he was the son of the late Joseph and Mrs. Florence Small Turner and was a member of the New Hope Methodist Church. He was a retired farmer.

He and his wife, the former Martha Ann Butt, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on January 1.

Besides his wife, he is survived by three sons, W. Arthur Turner of Weaverville, Ervin Turner of Durants Neck and Arcia Turner of Tacoma, Washington; one daughter, Mrs. Clayton Forbes of Virginia Beach, Va.; six grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at 3:00 in the New Hope Methodist Church by the Rev. Claude Wilson, the Rev. Tom Biggs and the Rev. Knowles. "Beyond The Sunset" and "Sometime We'll Understand" were sung by the church choir, accompanied by Mrs. Ann Butt, organist.

The casket pall was made of red carnations, white chrysanthemums and fern. Pallbearers were Haywood Small, William A. Small, Gaston E. Small Jr., Ernest Sutton, Robert Sutton and Clyde Small, Jr.

Burial was in the Perry Family Cemetery.

East Returns From Vietnam

Returning recently from Vietnam, Sgt. Leroy East spent two weeks leave of duty with his mother, Mrs. Walter East of Hertford. Sgt. East has left now for a three year tour of duty in Germany. Accompanying Sgt. East to Germany are his wife, Pat, and a son, Lloyd East.

Herring Arrive In Perquimans

The annual herring run in the creeks, and the Perquimans River plus the running in Chowan have begun. Last week the fish seemed to be at their peak in several of the creeks in the county the fascinating swirling of the run of the fish begun.

Herring dippers, had their nets out dipping up the fish. It is always a familiar sight during the months of March and April and even as late as May. The return each year of the herring to rivers and creeks of Perquimans is as typical of spring as an apple, peach or pear blossom.

The herring, natives of the shores of Labrador, come to the warmer waters in early spring to spawn. The male fore-runners come first down the Atlantic, into the rivers, and finally the creeks. Soon the females follow them. Fat with roe, they go into the quiet creek waters to lay their eggs.

It was reported that on Tuesday of last week, one couple of herring dippers, dipped up about 600 herring in a very short time.

Word passes quickly when the herring arrive and the dippers load their cars with wire nets and head for the creeks. They drop the wire net in, hold on to the string until they feel the bump of the herring hitting the net. The net is then quickly drawn out of the water and most of the time there are a half dozen to a dozen fish pulled in.

Herring dipping is fun, but remember before you plan a trip, visit one of the places that sells the license because should you be dipping without one, you'll be breaking the law.

'The Hear' Below Winners In The Battle Of Band Contest



"The Hear Below" from Elizabeth City, N. C., shown in the above photo, picked up \$100 cash after winning first place in Hertford Jaycees Battle of Bands contest and teenage dance held Friday night in Perquimans County High School Gymnasium. Bands competing for the prize were "The Hear Below", "Lites of Nites", "Soul Scene", and "Stone of Destiny". Their music was enjoyed by approximately 300 persons.

Miss Phelps Enlists In "SPAR" Program

Miss Paula Dianne Phelps, Rt. #3, Hertford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton McKinley Phelps, enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve "SPAR" program on March 22, 1968 for a period of three years and transferred to Womens Recruit Training Command, Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Maryland for 10-weeks of recruit training.

Upon completion of recruit training she will be assigned to the Hospital Corpsman school at Great Lakes, Ill. for a period of 16-weeks. Upon completion of the corpsman training she will then be assigned to one of the Coast Guard shore stations for duty.

Miss Phelps is a graduate of Pasquotank County High, class of 1967.

The following is a program of which Miss Phelps enlisted for:

Beginning the first of 1968, the United States Coast Guard will initiate a program to enlist twenty-five SPARS, the Coast Guard designation for their women personnel. The SPARS who will be trained as women corpsmen will undergo extensive training prior to their assignment to various medical clinics throughout the United States.

Applicants must be between the ages of 18 and 30, single, no dependents and be a high school graduate or the equivalent. The basic period of enlistment for the program will be three years. The SPARS, who recently celebrated their 25th anniversary, played an important part during World War II when they helped the Coast Guard

meet emergency expansion needs by freeing men for sea-duty and war zone activity as the tempo of battle quickened.

Today the SPARS consist of 18 women; eight officers and ten enlisted. The additional 25 future recruits will more than double the roles, quite a feat for 25 young women and quite a responsibility to live up to the standards that the SPARS have established in their 25 years of service. It goes without saying that the 25 applicants who are selected will be among the brightest young ladies in the country. They will have to be, for they will be members of the smallest womens service corps, doing an extraordinary important job. The benefits these young women will receive will parallel their male counterparts and they will have the distinction of being one of 49 members of the Coast Guard Womens Corps, while at the same time fulfilling a vitally important job.

A Look Backward

APRIL, 1940

FIRST POSTMISTRESS WAS HERTFORD WOMAN: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Heffen were having dinner in a Suffolk restaurant. The waitress and kitchen force weren't too rapid, and Mr. and Mrs. Heffen were reading the Richmond Times Dispatch. In one of the Question and Answer features they ran across something that should be interesting to Perquimans County people.

"Who was the first postmistress after adoption of the Constitution? the question asked. Mr. and Mrs. Heffen looked at the answer. It stated that Mrs. Sarah deCrows, of Hertford, North Carolina was the first postmistress, appointed April 27, 1792. The answers were taken from the Washington Bureau Service.

USUAL SUMMER HALF HOLIDAYS TO BEGIN THURSDAY, May 16: All work and no play makes Jack... but work and no play also makes Jack a dandy boy and a less efficient clerk, particularly in the Good Old Summer Time. Doors of most business places here will close at noon on Thursday and stay closed until the regular opening hour on Friday morning, beginning May 16.

MRS. FUTRELL WILL STEER WOMEN'S END OF BROUGHTON RACE: The gubernatorial race gathered local angle last week as it was announced that Mrs. Alice Futrell of Hertford, State Chairman of P.T.A. publications and also of P.T.A. exhibits for the past two years, would this week assume active charge of the women's division of the J. M. Broughton race. Mrs. Futrell will lead the women's division of the race.

PRECINCT AND COUNTY POWWOWS: C. P. Morris, Sco-Co general manager and titular head of the Democratic Party in Perquimans County, is calling upon all good and loyal party members to meet in their respective precincts on Saturday, May 4th, and lay the foundation for the party's organization and move on to Hertford for the county convention to be held Saturday, May 11th.

BUILDING AND LOAN READY TO ISSUE 40th SERIES OF STOCK: The Hertford Building and Loan Association is issuing its 40th series of stock which will go on sale on May 4. A formal notice is carried to this effect on another page of this newspaper today. The Association has been a boom to Hertford and Perquimans County Home Builders since 1923, the year of its organization.

MCCALLUM GARDENS THING OF BEAUTY TULIPS IN BLOOM: As usual at this season and in spite of the unseasonable weather, the Clyde McCallum's riverside lawn and garden are beautiful. Purple and white blossoms, together with row on row of red tulips, are in production.

SARA WARD ELECTED SOCIETY OFFICIAL AT WOMAN'S COLLEGE: Included among officers elected last week by the four societies at the Woman's College, University of North Carolina, was Miss Sara Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ward, who was named inter-society representative for Adolphian society.