

4-H Delegates to Electric Congress



ATTEND ELECTRIC CONGRESS - Perquimans County 4-H members Shari Thompson and Murden Stokes were delegates to the State 4-H Electric Congress in Charlotte, July 7-9. Mrs. Paul Stokes, 4-H Leader, (left) and Jerry Causey, VEPCO Ag. Representative, and Carol Aldridge, Home Economist, accompanied the delegates. The 4-H'ers were selected on the basis of achievement in their farm and home electric projects. Virginia Electric & Power Co. sponsored their trip to the Electric Congress.

Elizabeth Munden Dies In Norfolk

Mrs. Elizabeth Nowell Munden died Sunday in a Norfolk Hospital. She was the wife of Reginald M. Munden and the owner and operator of Tidewater Beauty Academy in Norfolk.

A native of Perquimans County and a former resident of Suffolk, Va., she had lived in Norfolk for the past 10 years. She was the daughter of Mrs. Sallie White Nowell of Winfall, and the late Joseph W. Nowell.

She was a member of Epworth Methodist Church, the National Association of Cosmetology Schools, Inc. Schools Association.

Surviving in addition to her husband and mother are a daughter, Mrs. Frances M. Strickland of Norfolk; two sisters, Miss Hatty P. Nowell of Norfolk, and Mrs. Selby E. Stokes of Raleigh, N. C., and two brothers; Walter T. Nowell and Joe W. Nowell, both of Winfall, N. C.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. in the Cox Funeral Chapel in Norfolk by the Rev. Owen T. Kelly, pastor of Epworth Methodist Church.

Burial was in the Nowell-White Family Cemetery in Perquimans County.

Perquimans Rescue Squad Real Angels Of Mercy

Perquimans County may be small in population and geographical area, but in the area of public service the Perquimans County Rescue Squad in a GIANT R is of particular importance now that there is no physician living in Perquimans County and all emergency cases have to be taken to doctors and hospitals outside the County.

THE PERQUIMANS WEEKLY would like to pay tribute to the men who make up the squad. They are led by Captain Eldon Winslow, popular young postal employee and Lieutenant Allen Winslow. There are seventy-five members and sixty-five of them are medically certified. This means that they have completed the First Aid and emergency training given by the College of the Albemarle.

The vehicles for use by the Rescue Squad were donated by Swindell Funeral Home, Hollowell Chevrolet Co., Tote Motor Co. and Winslow-Blanchard Motor Co. They are all equipped with oxygen and two of them have two-way radios by which they may receive emergency medical advice while they are en route to the hospital.

None of the members receive any pay, but the County supports the program financially. Stuller's Pure Oil Station contributes one tank of gasoline per month and other contributions of this kind would be welcomed.

The Perquimans Rescue Squad consists of one day time squad and four squads for nights and week-ends. Three men are always on call from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and three men are on duty at the Squad Room from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Friday. Three men are on duty around the clock on week-ends. The Perquimans County Rescue Squad never sleeps; so other citizens may

sleep more soundly remembering that someone is watching over their welfare at all times. The Squad Room is located in the County Office Building on the Edenton Highway and the equipment is kept there. The telephone No. is 426-5511.

Since January 1, 1969 the Squad has made the following out of town trips to hospitals other than the Chowan County and Albemarle Hospital; 3 trips to Norfolk, Va.; 1 trip to Windsor, N. C.; 2 trips to Duke Hospital at Durham; 3 trips to Chapel Hill; 1 trip to Keoughman, Va.; 1 trip to Washington, N. C.; 1 trip to Goldsboro. This is a total of over 3,000 miles, and as stated does not include Edenton and Elizabeth City. Families who are able usually reimburse the Squad, although there are some patients who are unable to do this. Since the service is on a purely voluntary basis these men and their employers are to be highly commended for this unselfish contribution of their time.

There is a woman's auxiliary consisting of licensed practical nurses who will ride with the patient when needed. But doctors who have worked with the Squad say that it is best for the members of the family not to ride with the patient as they are usually in a state of panic and tend to excite him. The trained rescue corpsman is able to do things which members of the family cannot do, and the family will do well to follow in a private car.

As the service is on a purely voluntary basis it is also recommended that whenever possible the patient should be transported by private car as all of these men are working at full-time jobs in addition to their Rescue Squad work. But remember that your Perquimans County Rescue Squad is ready and willing if you need them and their telephone is 426-5511.

Pitt Tech To Offer Program

Pitt Technical Institute announced today that a two-year program in electronic data processing for business would be offered beginning in the Fall quarter. Pitt Tech was one of seven chosen to initiate the associate in applied Science degree program by the Department of Community Colleges. The decision to offer this program through the community college system was a result of a state-wide study by a select committee.

The new data processing curriculum will include programming experience in five computer languages. In addition to programming, the curriculum is designed to give the student an understanding of the principles of business operation and functional competence in the application of data processing systems.

Electronic data processing is only one of the three new programs beginning in the Fall quarter.

One of these will be a two-year degree program in commercial art and advertising design. The other will be a one-year diploma program in mechanical drafting and design.

All persons desiring additional information concerning these new programs should either write to Mr. G. S. McRorie, director of student personnel, Pitt Technical Institute, P.O. Box 97, Greenville, North Carolina, 27834. Call Mr. McRorie at 756-3130 or come by the Institute.

Hertford Club Presents Award To Lynda Copeland



Miss Lynda Cheryl Copeland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Copeland of Route 1, Hertford, was the 1969 recipient of the Commercial Award, presented annually by the Hertford BPW Club. The Award is given to the senior who has the highest scholastic average in the Commercial Department at Perquimans County High School.

Cheryl's school activities include: 9th grade - FHA; 10th grade - FHA, Bus Driver's Club and Health Room Assistant; 11th grade - FHA Sec., and Bus Driver's Club; 12th grade - FHA Reporter, Bus Driver's Club, Newspaper Staff, Typist, Glee Club and Publicity Chairman for Senior Play.

She is a member of Burgess Baptist Church and its Youth Choir. She will enter COA, Elizabeth City, in the fall, where she will take a course in Secretarial Administration.

How You Can Adopt Child

(This is the ninth in a series of articles on social services in Perquimans County. This county like all of the 100 county social services departments provides child adoption services. Today's article explains this service and how it functions.)

...To provide for the placing and supervision of dependent children. To investigate cases for adoption and supervise placements for adoption.

These words of the General Statutes of North Carolina make each of the 100 county social services departments an adoption agency, and adoption service thus becomes another of the many non-financial services rendered by the local social services department to the residents of Perquimans County. As might be expected, this is a popular service and one for which there is an ever increasing demand as more children become available for placement and more families seek to adopt them.

Adoption is a legal procedure which establishes the relationship of parent and child between persons who are not so related by birth. Adoption service is the method by which authorized agencies seek to help those children who must be permanently separated from their natural parents to become a part of a new family. The primary goals of a good adoption service are to promote the best interest of children and to protect the rights of the natural and the adoptive parents, and this is the kind of responsibility that the legislature gave to the Department of Social Services when it framed the adoption statutes.

There are three kinds of adoptions - agency, independent, and relative adoptions. An agency placement is one in which the child has been placed by an authorized child-placing agency after a social study of both the adoptive family and the child. An independent or direct placement is one in which the parents place the child directly with the adoptive family without help or prior study by an agency. Relative adoptions are those in which the child is adopted by members of his own family in order to give him greater legal protection and security.

When a petition is filed for the adoption of a relative child or for a child who has been placed independently, the court must order the county director of social services to make an investigation as to the suitability of the child and the family, and report back all information of which the court should have knowledge. This is the procedure prescribed by law for providing the court with the kind of information it needs in order to make a sound judgment about whether the adoption should be granted. In the case of adoptions by certain close relatives, the court may grant the final order immediately after receiving a report which indicates that the adoption is a suitable one. In independent placements an interlocutory decree must be issued and the family supervised for at least a year except in certain instances specified by law. When an interlocutory decree is issued, the county department of social services has responsibility for providing the supervisory service and making another report to the court before the final or-

Dillons Attend Furniture Market
J. W. Dillon of W. M. Morgan Furniture Co., and his son Jan, attended the Summer Furniture Market in High Point, N. C. last week.

Hurdle Accepts Bank Position
Harold Lindsey Hurdle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Hurdle, of Hertford, has graduated in Data Processing and Computer Programming from the North Carolina School of Automation, Inc., at Greensboro, and has been employed by First Union National Bank, according to De Mar. H. Boyles, president.

A.W. Hefren Presented Mr. Woodman Award

A. Wayne Hefren was presented a "Mr. Woodman of the Year Award" on Friday night July 11th by the local Woodmen of the World Unit. The award presentation was made by E. Wilbur Roberson, president of the WOW Unit 463.

Social Security Administration

A record \$97,000 in monthly social security benefits was being paid to residents of Perquimans County at the end of December 1968, an increase of 4.5 per cent above the amount payable at the end of February 1968, according to Mr. Robert W. Alford, Branch Manager for social security.

"Throughout the country, monthly benefits payable at the end of 1968 amounted to nearly \$2.1 billion, some \$350 million higher than at the end of 1967," Mr. Alford continued. "Approximately three-quarters of the increased monthly amount resulted from higher benefit rates authorized by the 1967 Amendments to the Social Security Act. The remainder of the increase was simple due to a greater number of beneficiaries."

By the end of May 1969, social security will be paying monthly benefits to more than 25 million people - 1 out of every 8 Americans. Although retired workers comprise the largest group of beneficiaries, almost one-fourth of all people receiving benefits are under 60. There are currently more than 3.8 million children and .5 million young widowed mothers receiving payments. Yet the public continues to think of social security as a program for old people.

Many students would have been unable to continue their education were it not for the 1965 Amendments to the Social Security Act which extended survivors and dependents insurance benefits to students until their 22nd birthdays. In 1968, that provision resulted in continuing benefits for 470,000 students.

Monthly payments to the family of a worker who dies leaving a widow and two more children range from \$82.50 to \$434.40 a month, depending on the worker's average earnings under Social Security. Payments to the young family of a worker who dies at an early age could total as much as \$85,000 to \$100,000.

Mr. Alford also pointed out that by the end of 1968, approximately 90 per cent of Americans 65 and over were either receiving cash benefits or would have been eligible for such benefits if they or their spouses had not been working.

In terms of Medicare, almost all people in the country 65 or over are eligible for hospital insurance benefits. Likewise, 95 per cent of all older persons in the country have elected coverage under the voluntary supplementary medical insurance plan which pays physicians' fees.

Monthly Report Of Police Department

The following monthly report for June was given by Chief Ben L. Gibbs at the regular Council meeting. Arrests made: Drunks on the street 8; Disorderly conduct 1; Assaults 1; Careless and reckless driving 1; Larceny 1; Miscellaneous traffic arrests 3; Miscellaneous arrests 3; Citations issued for improper parking 1. Activities: Calls answered and investigated 109; Accidents investigated 1; Firearms worked 10; Courses attended 110; Doors found unlocked 3; Fire calls answered 8; Radio calls 284; Lights reported out 5.

Perquimans Schools Begin August 28th

School buses throughout Perquimans County will ring on August 28th, ending the summer vacation for the students, and the new 1969-70 school term will officially begin.

Teachers will begin work on August 28.

Student Orientation Day is August 27th and the beginning of the new 180 day school year August 28.

September 1st, Labor Day will be observed by the schools, with the next holiday of the school year which will be the Thanksgiving Holiday, November 27 and 28th.

Christmas Holidays begin at the close of the school day on December 19, and the schools will remain in vacation until January 6, 1970.

Easter Holidays will begin March 26 and last thru March 30. (Easter Holidays will be used for make up days, if needed.) The 1969-70 school term will end on May 23, 1970. Estimated work days for Teachers will be 180-185 days.

Perquimans Native Dies in Burlington

Mrs. Inez White Walker, 65, a former resident of Perquimans County, died June 29 in Burlington.

A native of the Whiteston Community in Perquimans County, she was a daughter of the late James F. and Mrs. Mary Lane White and the wife of Claude L. Walker.

She had taught school in the Burlington area for many years until about three years ago.

Besides her husband, she is survived by a son, James Walker of Raleigh; a daughter, Miss Carolyn White Walker of Burlington; a sister, Miss Pearl White of Rt. 1, Belvidere; three brothers, Archie White of Rt. 1, Belvidere, Hugh White of Winston-Salem and Barry Lee White of Woodland and three grandchildren.

Funeral services and burial were held July 1 in Burlington.

C. T. Rogerson Dies Following Long Illness

Charlie Thomas Rogerson, Sr., 80, of Belvidere died Wednesday at 11:55 p.m. in his home following a long illness. A native of Perquimans County, he was a son of the late Daniel B. and Mrs. Martha Webb Rogerson.

He was a retired farmer and a member of the Whiteville Grove Baptist Church. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Sallie Rebecca Lamb Rogerson; a son, Charlie Thomas Rogerson, Jr., of Belvidere; two daughters, Mrs. Erma Chappell and Mrs. Sybil Ward of Hobbsville; and three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 4:00 in the Chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home by the Rev. Noah Toler, pastor of Whiteville Grove Baptist Church. "The Unloaded Day" was sung by Mrs. Walter Hill, accompanied by Mrs. Chester Winslow, organist.

The casket pall was made of red carnations, white chrysanthemums, baby's breath and fern. Pallbearers were Paul Smith, Willard Copeland, Roy Bacous, Bobbie Smith, Harold Copeland and Carroll Williams.

Burial was in Westlawn Cemetery.

Stenograph Course Offered at COA

Stenograph, an easy-to-learn shorthand system, which is accepted by civil service, commerce, and industry for stenographic and secretarial positions as well as being valuable for note-taking will be taught at the College of the Albemarle beginning September 8, on Mondays through Thursday from 12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

The course, lasting three months (not six, as originally reported), should enable most students to achieve at least an 80 word-a-minute shorthand speed by the end of that period. Certificates of proficiency will be awarded upon successful completion of the course.

Registration for the course will be at the college gymnasium on Monday, September 8. The total cost including registration and text will be approximately \$30.00.

Perquimans Tax Rate Is Placed At \$1.65

The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners approved and adopted a 1969-70 tax rate of \$1.65 per \$100.00 of assessed value on real and personal property within the County, together with a poll tax of \$2.00, a dog tax of \$1.00 for male dogs, \$2.00 for female dogs, and scheduled "B" taxes in amounts set out in the General Statutes of North Carolina, at their July meeting here Monday.

Thus, the 1969-70 tax rate is up 10 cents from the 1968-69 rate. The Health Budget was increased the sum of \$690.00.

Other business handled by the Board at the meeting was the accepting of the low bid submitted by Winslow Oil Co. to furnish County Agencies, fuel oil for the fiscal year 1969-70, beginning July, 1969 and ending June 30, 1970.

The Board authorized the Tax Supervisor to correct the 1968 tax list of Charlie F. Winbourne. Lester H. Simpson was appointed by the Board, to the Department of Social Services, to fill the unexpired term of Joel F. Hollowell, Sr.

The County Accountant, D.F. Reed, Jr., was authorized to make a temporary loan to the Perquimans Board of Education, not to exceed \$10,000.00, to be funded from county general fund.

The Board will receive sealed bids for the lease of farm in Parkville Township, generally known as the County Home Property, for the year 1970, beginning January 1, 1970, and ending December 31, 1970. The lease will be for the cultivated farm land only, and no buildings and woodland are included. This farm has a peanut allotment acreage of 4.3 acres. Bids must be filed in writing with Julian C. Powell, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, on or before

10:00 a.m., August 4, 1969. The Board endorsed the Youth Program of the Economic Improvement Council, Inc.



Chaplain (Captain) Corbin L. Cherry will be guest minister at the First United Methodist Church, Hertford, N. C., on Sunday morning, July 20th. He has chosen for his topic: "Mud on the Cross!"

In making this announcement, the Reverend C. J. Andrews, said, "It is a real privilege for us to have Chaplain Cherry, one of our very own with us. We are sure his ministry will be a spiritual blessing to us". A special invitation is extended to all.

Chamber Directors Meet Monday Night

The Board of Directors of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce will meet Monday night, July 21, 1969 at 8:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building. All members are urged to attend.

1st. Grade Students at Perq. Union Are Assigned To Perq.-Central Grammar

The Perquimans County Board of Education meeting here July 7th voted to assign all first grade students from Perquimans Union School to Perquimans Central Grammar School for the 1969-70 term.

The appointment of Mrs. Y. Z. Newberry to the District Committee was approved by the Board. Mrs. Newberry will replace Calvin Banks who resigned

from the Committee. James P. Milam, architect, appeared before the Board and presented the completed plan for the new construction at Hertford Grammar School and Perquimans Central Grammar School.

The architect was instructed to do everything possible to expedite the construction work at Hertford Grammar School. The Board instructed Mr. Mil-

am to proceed with advertising for bids on the project, and to work with the Superintendent in setting a date for the bid opening.

The present School Accident Insurance Policy was renewed with Walker Insurance Agency.

Superintendent C. C. Walters was instructed to secure an additional estimate on contemplated electrical work at Perquimans Central Grammar School.