

ARPDC Develops To Improve Housing

Albemarle Regional Planning and Development Commission will develop a plan to improve housing in the 10-county North-eastern area, either through creation of a Regional Housing Authority or a non-profit corporation.

Directors last Wednesday night endorsed the concept which was proposed last month by the Albemarle Area Development Association. Bob Sykes, housing planner with ARPDC, will attend the first state meeting this week where the regional housing concept will be discussed.

L.F. Amburn, Jr., AADA president, told ARPDC directors that there is sufficient need in the 10-county area to create some type organization to improve sub-standard housing. He said a regional organization would cost less to administer than 10 individual groups.

He pointed out that four municipal authorities now exist in the area—Elizabeth City, Hertford, Edenton and Plymouth—but they function primarily for residents of the respective towns. "There is actually a more acute need in the rural areas for some type housing program," he stated.

Washington and Hyde counties already have public housing units assigned through Mid-East Development Association, with whom they were working prior to the establishment of ARPDC.

The commission also accepted a \$3,000 grant to obtain professional services to assist in analyzing health needs and prepare a grant request.

Wesley Cullipher, ARPDC executive director, introduced the new Health Education System program designed to upgrade skills of professional and semi-professionals health people in the region in order to deliver a better service to the area. He said it was provided through the Regional Medical Program in Durham.

Also, the commission will seek a technical assistance grant for study of industrial sites feasibility in the three growth centers—Elizabeth City, Edenton and Plymouth.

Approval was given an application from Camden County to HEW for aid.

W.B. Gardner of Edenton, chairman, presided at the meeting where board members agreed to meet quarterly in conjunction with AADA and separately on other months.



Pictured above is one of several ponds in Perquimans County used for livestock and fish. It is located on the Preston Nixon farm, 2 miles west of Hertford.

Modern Conservation Long Time Practices

People interested in conservation of natural resources are aware that organized and systematic conservation work, planned and carried out by soil and water conservation districts and the Soil Conservation Service, have been going on since the mid-Thirties.

"This fact is particularly well known in North Carolina," commented State Conservationist Jesse L. Hicks, "since the soil conservation program got its actual start in the Brown Creek District in Anson County."

With this historical background, the next logical question is:

Do conservation programs carried out through the years have valid application for modern times and for the years ahead?

"The answer is 'yes'—and in

many ways tried and true programs of environmental improvement are coming into their own and proving their real value," the state conservationist said.

"Take farm ponds, for example. North Carolina has more than 85,000 ponds of all categories, including both dug and dammed ponds, which were created with SCS technical assistance.

"Once just a source for livestock water, irrigation and other agricultural purposes, these ponds are now an important part of the countryside—and one of the best sources of beem, bass and other fish that you can find. The currency of this program is shown by the fact that interest continues high even after 36 years—last year almost 600 new ponds were installed."

Erosion control has been practiced by farmers for years. Some 35,000 miles of terraces have been built, a million acres have been planted on contours for erosion control, more than 20,000 acres of wildlife habitat have been planted and other programs have equally impressive statistics. But now with sedimentation a major urban pollutant, the soil conservation program takes on new significance for all the citizens—and practices previously used on farms have "gond to town" to aid construction sites and other urban developments.

Soil surveys and other soils data is another example. Once this was primarily useful to farmers—and they still enjoy its benefits, to help plan wise land use. But now soils data is equally important to builders, local government, planners, health departments and others—so much so that seven out of nine soil surveys now underway are being accelerated by funds from county treasuries, and two new ones—the Cumberland County—Hoke County—Fort Bragg progressive survey and the Mecklenburg County survey—are also receiving local financial assistance.

Elected Chairman To 4-H Leaders Organization

Mrs. William Modlin, 4-H leader of Winfall, N.C. was elected Chairman of the Perquimans County 4-H Leaders Organization in a regular 4-H Leaders meeting recently at the Perquimans County Office Building. Other officers elected were as follows:

Secretary, Mrs. Levi Brothers, Assistant Secretary, Mrs. Evelyn Felton, Treasurer, Mrs. Kate Johnson. The organization will hold regular meetings this year. The next regular meeting is scheduled for the last Thursday in May. A Special Planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 27, 1972 at 7:30 p.m. in the Perquimans County Office Building.

The world has grown suspicious of anything that looks like a happy married life.

—Oscar Wilde.

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE FIRST REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

It seems that some of my friends are concerned about my health; so perhaps an explanation is in order.

In early January, I - Bill Culpepper - was pretty sick. I went to DePaul Hospital and at first, didn't receive a very encouraging report. The Good Lord, good doctors, good treatment and good luck, however, pulled me through and now all trace of trouble has disappeared. The radiologist and doctors have double checked and rechecked and I'm most humble in expressing my thanks to all and especially for the many prayers made in my behalf.

I'm in my office each day now and talk by placing a finger over a trake that goes to my throat. On Monday, April 24th, I am to return to DePaul and have the trake removed - thus everything will be back to normal and I'll be in number one shape.

The General Assembly doesn't convene until January, 1973, however if I hadn't been given assurance that my trouble had disappeared, you can feel certain I never would have re-considered my withdrawal and had nerve enough to again request your support and vote.



To me membership in the General Assembly means service. If re-elected, that's what I expect to give!

SINCERELY YOURS,

W.T. (BILL) CULPEPPER, JR.

PAID POLITICAL AD

Major Events Planned For Heritage Week

Several major events have been planned for the celebration of North Carolina Heritage Week, April 24-30. Heritage Week is sponsored by the Cultural Arts Division of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.

One of the highlights of the week will be the Southeastern North Carolina Heritage Festival at Lake Maccamaw, April 29 and 30. The celebration will include displays of North Carolina arts and crafts from 16 counties. Mrs. Robert W. Scott, who is Chairman of Heritage Week, will preside at a ribbon cutting ceremony opening the event at noon on April 29. The ceremony will be conducted on the campus of Boys Home at Lake Waccamaw.

helping students develop cultural projects that are regional in nature.

Other highlights include a celebration at the Albert Bangert Elementary School in New Bern which will feature the culture of North Carolina and the New Bern area in particular; and a festival featuring crafts, music and dance at the John C. Campbell Folk School in Brasstown. That week-long event will conclude with a Danish week-end April 28-30, featuring folk dancing and gymnastics of Danish tradition.

In addition, hundreds of schools throughout North Carolina will be participating in Heritage Week with projects concerning North Carolina history and culture.

The Department of Public Instruction also is participating with the Governor's Office and the Department of Art, Culture and History in sponsoring a series of week-day musical performances on the grounds of the Archives and History Building in Raleigh. Several thousand students from across the state are expected to participate in the series of concerts, which will continue through May 12.

Officials estimate that at least 200,000 people were actively involved in last year's Heritage Week activities, with many thousands more indirectly affected.

"Heritage Week is designed to provide intensive focus on the history and culture of North

Carolina," according to Dr. Melvin Good of the Department of Public Instruction. "It is directed toward all aspects of the state's social order, school, business and home, with special recognition given the historical and cultural heritage of major racial and ethnic groups," he added.

The Department of Public Instruction is encouraging all schools and colleges to cooperate in the project by giving special emphasis to the study of North Carolina history and culture. Businesses and industries throughout the state will offer special promotions of North Carolina products, display arts and crafts in shop windows and sponsor cultural events.

Pirates Undefeated

The Perquimans Pirates traveled to Murfreesboro, N.C. for a conference meet with Murfreesboro and Gates. The Pirates finished first with 58, Murfreesboro 22 and Gates 10. Due to the lack of team members, several of the events were cancelled.

100 yd. dash 9.8 Stanley(M) Cooper (M) Long(P) McClenny(P)

Mile Run 5:07 Jacob Wills (P) Leroy Eason(P) Roger White (P) Bryant(M)

880 Relay 1:38 Perquimans-Jones, Lightfoot, McClenny, Long Murfreesboro

440 55.4 Walter White(P) Earl White (P) Shelma Miller (P) Charles White(P)

Broad Jump Ronnie Brothers(P) John Long(P) Rogers(G) Cooper(M)

880 2:19.1 Lewis Felton(P) Luther Overton(P) Larry Welch(P) Reynolds(M)

220 22.9 Stanley(M) John Long(P) Cooper(M) Leroy Lightfoot(P)

High Jump 5'10" Ronnie Brothers(P) Rogers (G) Oliver Vaughn(P) Lewis Felton(P)

The Pirates will be at the Albemarle Conference track meet Thursday at 4:00 at Northhampton County High School, Conway, N.C. THE MIGHTY PIRATES are seeking their first CHAMPIONSHIP. Support them.

Jones Approves Improvement

First District Congressman Walter B. Jones announced today the approval of a \$288,525 grant to the Economic Improvement Council, Inc. of Edenton by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Funds will be used to provide full-day, pre-school raining for 240 children from low-income families in the 9 county area served by the Economic Improvement Council's Headstart Program. Those counties served by EIC are Camden, Dare, Chowan, Gates, Hyde, Perquimans, Tyrrell, Pasquotank, and Washington.

Perquimans Takes First

THE MIGHTY PIRATES traveled to Roper, N.C. for a conference meet with Plymouth, Murfreesboro, and Gates County. The Pirates had 66, Plymouth 32, and Gates 9, Murfreesboro 19.

100 yd. dash 10.0 Stanley(M) Long(P) Cooper(M) McClenny(P)

Shot Put 42'10" Boston(Ply) Brown(Ply) Lindsey(P) Felton(P)

Discus 112'10" Johnson(G) Overton(P) Collins (Ply) C. White (P)

Mile 4:56.0 Jacob Wills(P) Bowen(Ply) Bryant(M)

880 Relay 1:37.0 (P) Long, Lightfoot, Jones, McClenny (Plymouth)

Broad Jump 20'10" Earl White(P) Boston(Ply) Spencer(Ply) Rogers(G)

440 54.1 Earl White(P) Norfleet(Ply) Barry Ford(P) Blunt(Ply)

220 22.1 Stanley(M) John Long(P), Cooper(M) Joe McClenny(P)

High Jump 5'8" Ronnie Brothers(P) Rogers(G) Earl White(P) Lewis Felton(P)

2 mile 11:22.8 Leroy Eason(P) Spencer(Ply) Roger White(P)

Mile Relay 3:41.4 Shelma Miller(P) Walter White(P) Lewis Felton(P) Earl White(P) (Plymouth)

The scoring was a 5-3-2-1 basis.

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NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS

State Law requires every dog owner in North Carolina to have his or her animal vaccinated against Rabies. As County Dog Warden and Rabies Inspector, I will vaccinate dogs during the period of April 29 through May 15 on the following schedule:

PERQUIMANS COUNTY COURT HOUSE
MAY 3rd-6th-13th FROM 2 P.M. TIL 6 P.M.

PERQUIMANS COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.
APRIL 29, MAY 10th. FROM 2 P.M. TIL 6 P.M.

Beginning April 29 thru May 15 this clinic will be at the following locations:

LD. ROUNTREE'S STORE—NICANOR—MONDAY, May 1 - 2 p.m. til 6 p.m.

NEW HOPE—Thursday, May 4 - 2 p.m. til 6 p.m.

LAYDEN'S STORE—BELVIDERE—Friday, May 5 - 2 p.m. til 6 p.m.

ALFONSON CHAPPELL STORE—CHAPPELL HILL—Fri, May 12 - 2 a.m. til 6 p.m.

WINK WINSLOW'S STORE—WHITESTON—Monday, May 8 - 2 p.m. til 6 p.m.

BETHEL—Thursday, May 11 - 4 p.m. til 6 p.m.

PECK'S GROCERY—WINFALL—Monday, May 15 - 2 p.m. til 6 a.m.

During the Clinic the vaccination price is \$1.25; after May 15 there will be an additional charge — Please bring your dog to me at the indicated location and save yourself possible court action. The Dog Warden-Rabies Inspector has authority to cite into court anyone not complying with this law.

W. RAY WHITE
DOG WARDEN - RABIES INSPECTOR, PERQUIMANS COUNTY.