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Holmes Speaker For Graduation Exercise

HERTFORD — Perquimans County High School will graduate 120 seniors during a baccalaureate-commencement exercise to be held June 2.

Rev. Harold Murrill and Carroll Holmes will be speakers for the graduation exercise. The exercise, scheduled to start at 8 p.m., will be held in the school gymnasium.

Bobby Hollowell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hollowell, is the valedictorian for the graduating class. The salutatorian is Mackey Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lewis. Both will be presented trophies following their instruction to candidates for graduation and commencement exercise guests.

Qualifying for the Grand Honor Roll are: Don Burke, Gail Chappell, Terry Copeland, Jan Dillon, Linda Evans, Jack Harrell, Bobby Hollowell, Lynne Landing, Mackey Lewis, Ellen Long, Sally B. Perry, Wayne Proctor, Betty C. Russell and Lu Ann Stallings.

Principal William E. Byrum will preside over the baccalaureate-commencement exercise. Diplomas will be presented by Clifford Winslow, chairman of the Perquimans County Board of Education.

Seniors to be graduated June 2 by Perquimans County High School include:

Geraldine Archie, Brenda Banks, Linda Banks, Kevin Billups, Sherwood Blanchard, Ricky Boyce, Jane Brinkus, Debra Brookins, Claude Brooks, Don Burke, and Eugene Burke.

Earl Chappell, Gail Chappell, Ethel Coston, Mollie Coston, Terry Copeland, Virginia Copeland, Cynthia Dail, Jerry Dail, Joy Dale, Betty Davis,

Medicare Paid 10% Of Health Bill During Year

Government health insurance for people 65 and over—Medicare—paid about 10 percent of the Nation's \$75-billion health bill last year.

The two parts of the Medicare program paid almost \$7.4 billion in benefits in fiscal 1971. Hospital insurance paid \$5.4 billion on behalf of 4 1/2 million people. Medical insurance paid \$2 billion on behalf of 9 1/2 million people.

About 20 million people—almost everyone 65 or over—are protected by Medicare.

The hospital insurance part of Medicare helps pay for hospital bills and certain post hospital care for people 65 and over and is funded by social security contributions. The medical insurance is voluntary. It is funded by individual premiums paid by those people who enroll, and the premiums are matched by the Federal Government.

Medicare is administered by the Social Security Administration of the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

Memorial To Be Dedicated To The Late Mrs. Kirby

On Sunday, June fourth, the summer schedule of services will begin at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Hertford—8:00 a.m., Holy Communion, 10:00 a.m., Family Service with sermon and Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month.

At the Family Service on June fourth the kneelers, which were redone from funds contributed by friends, will be dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of the late Patti Hurdle Kirby.

Legion Meets

The American Legion Post 126 will hold the regular monthly meeting Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Post Home.

Commander Stallings requests all members be present for important business. Final plans for the fish fry on June 19 will be made.

Jackson And Swindell To Represent Perq.

Miss Carolyn Fulghum was installed as the 1972-73 president of the Eastern Tuberculosis and respiratory disease association at the association's fourth annual meeting held May 18 at the town and country restaurant in Williamston, North Carolina. Miss Fulghum, of Greenville, succeeds Mr. K. (Bob) Montague as president.

Board members representing Perquimans County are: Mrs. D.M. Jackson, and Mrs. Marion Swindell of Hertford.

Other officers for the coming year are: Mr. Rowland Pruette, Murfreesboro, President-Elect; Mr. Edward V. Davenport, Shiloh, Vice-President; Mr. John Whalen, Bath, Vice-President; Mr. J. J. Edmondson, Maury, Vice-President; Mr. Jimmie L. Morris, Vanceboro, Vice-President; Mr. Kenneth Stokes, Severn, Vice-President; Mr. William Smart, Havelock, Secretary; Mr. J.T. Snowden, Jr., Greenville, Treasurer; Mr. Curtis Hendrix, Greenville, Assistant Treasurer; Dr. Karl VanHorn, Washington, Immediate Past President.

Bond Sales Total \$23,781 In County

Sales of U.S. Series E and Series H Savings Bonds in Perquimans County for April were \$23,781.00. This represents 52.3 percent of Perquimans County's goal of \$75,285.00, according to R. L. Stevenson, Perquimans County Volunteer Chairman.

April sales of U.S. Savings Bonds in North Carolina were over \$7 million for the fourth consecutive month, setting a record for any April since 1945. April E Bonds sales were up 9.3 percent, while H Bonds were up over 65 percent. Cumulative sales for January-April amounted to \$29,236,396, an increase of 16.6 percent over sales for the same period last year...ANOTHER 27-YEAR RECORD.

Nationally, total April sales were over one-half billion dollars, 8.4 percent above 1971. Total cash sales of E & H Bonds for January-April amounted to \$2,142 million, 16.6 percent above a year earlier. April E and H sales exceeded redemptions at cost price for the 19th month in a row, by \$162 million. The cash value of Series E and H Bonds and Freedom Shares outstanding on April 30 attained a new peak of \$55.9 billion.

Bea Skipsey of Hertford received the Bachelor of Arts degree in the field of Elementary Education. The 283 members of the Class of 1972 heard Congressman Richardson Preyer of the Sixth District of North Carolina deliver the Commencement Address. Rev. J. Lawrence Yenches, pastor of the Church by the Sea in Bal Harbour, Fla., delivered the Baccalaureate Sermon earlier in the morning.

Honorary degrees were awarded to Don S. Holt, chairman of the board and president of Cannon Mills; Congressman Richardson Preyer of the Sixth District of North Carolina; and Rev. Melvin Dollar, minister of church extension in the Florida Conference of the United Church of Christ.

Elon College is a four-year, coeducational liberal arts college affiliated with the United Church of Christ. The 83-year-old college has an enrollment of 1856 and is located just west of Burlington.

Robert S. Chappell, 111 was awarded an associate degree during the graduation exercise for the 11th class of the Agricultural Institute of North Carolina State University. He received an Associate Degree in field crops technology.

The institute is a two-year program that prepares students to manage farm enterprises and hold other positions in businesses related to agriculture.

Chappell is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Goodwin of Route 1, Hertford.

Birthdays And Civic Meetings
JUNE 4
V.C. Winslow
Eunice Dail
Pam McDonald
Marge Ambrose
Gladys Spellman
JUNE 5
Kent Copeland
Winfall Town Council
Perq. C. Commissioners
W.S.C.S. First Meth. Ch.
JUNE 6
Art Lane
Parker Newbern
Thomas Harrell
Lynette Hawkins
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Briggs
Anniversary
Hertford Rotary Club 6:15
Masonic Lodge 8:00
Parkville Ruritan Club
Bethel Fire Dept.
JUNE 7
Pete Hunter
Larry Lane
Emmett Elmore
Myrtle Elliott
JUNE 8
Mr. & Mrs. Allen Winslow
Anniversary
Seymore Chappell
Myrtle W. Dail
Jean B. Harrison
Jones Perry
Mable S. Keel
JUNE 9
Bobby Heath
JUNE 10
Robert S. Elliott

Small Town Plus Small College; Big Opportunity



It's high-school graduation time, and all over rural America the bus companies are doubling and tripling their schedules. The kids are leaving town—for good. An agricultural agent in North Carolina, watching boys and girls climbing onto interstate buses, counts ninety youngsters on the Friday following graduation—all going to the big city.

The young people are leaving small-town America. During the 'sixties, 40 per cent of towns with one thousand or fewer people declined in population. The young—black and white, skilled and unskilled—left for the cities—destinations that offer few jobs to the untrained and are far less hospitable than the small towns they came from.

Getting Organized
A few years ago The Rockefeller Foundation, which had been seriously committed to the problems of the nation's cities, began to look at rural problems, too. If life were more rewarding at home, Foundation people reasoned, there would be little reason to move away. They decided to make experimental grants in the area of rural community development. The Foundation asked itself the question: how can a community

organize itself? A small town can't take advantage of state and federal help unless it has someone working at the local level. A few thousand dollars of local money can sometimes produce very substantial amounts in state or federal funds, but somebody in the community has to get the thing started.

Says one Foundation officer: "We became interested in the small community college. There are hundreds of them in every part of the country. We asked ourselves: What can a community college, with its resources of talent and local expertise, reasonably be expected to do over and above education?"

"That's how we got to the College of the Albemarle in Elizabeth City, North Carolina."

Beautiful, Impoverished and Invisible
Elizabeth City lies in the northeast corner of the state, near North Carolina's Outer Banks, a beautiful stretch of the Atlantic Coast. It is only an hour out of Norfolk, Virginia, but to get to it a visitor must turn off the major highways, one by one: the main road into Elizabeth City is a two-lane highway, route 17—built before World War II.

This particular fact about Elizabeth City illustrates one of the important problems of the historic Albemarle region and so many rural areas throughout the country: they have been bypassed. The Albemarle is often beautiful, with wide rivers, good farmland, and some of the most magnificent beaches in America. But as with so many bypassed places, it is desperately poor. The average per capita income here is \$1,500 a year.

The College of the Albemarle is a small, local, two-year college like hundreds of others all over America. It charges minimal tuition, has about 950 students, and maintains an open-door admissions policy; that is, it accepts in its regular college classes any student who is legally out of high school. Established in 1960 (in a former hospital) it has made its greatest progress in the four years since Dr. Bruce Petteway took over as president in 1968. Dr. Petteway, a former engineer, businessman, and teacher, is a determined and articulate champion of education for everyone. And his devotion to education is matched by his intense and active

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Howard Williams, Jr. Elected Chairman

At its annual convention held last Saturday, the Perquimans County Democratic Party elected Howard Williams, Jr. as its new county chairman. Williams will succeed Robert Sutton at the post.

Approximately fifty loyal Democrats gathered at the Perquimans County Courthouse at 2 P.M. on Saturday to elect a county executive committee and delegates to district and state Democratic conventions. Elected to serve on the County Executive Committee along with Chairman Williams are: 1st Vice-chairman Rosa B. Gibbs, 2nd Vice-chairman Paul Gregory, 3rd Vice-chairman Curtis Lightfoot, Secretary Jean Harrison and Treasurer Alberta Eason. Archie Lane, Sr. was elected to serve as the county's delegate to the State Executive Committee.

Delegates to the District Democratic Convention in Greenville on June 10th and to the State Convention in Raleigh on June 20th were elected as follows: Douglas Perry; Archie Lane, Sr.; Rev. John Henry

London; Tom Brown; Willy Ainsley, and Sheriff Julian Broughton. Alternates to these delegates are George Hollowell; Willy Vaughn; Jarvis Ward; Walter Humphlett, Jr.; and Joe Nowell.

The last order of business for the convention was the election of the members of the various District Executive Committees. Elected to serve on the State Senatorial District Committee

were W.E. Beamon and Joan Thompson. Serving on the House District Committee are Dilbon Young and Walter Humphlett, Jr. Joe Spruill and Woody Bundy, Jr. were elected to serve on the Judicial District Committee and Sheriff Julian Broughton and Alonzo Turner will serve on the Congressional Executive Committee.

Following the elections, the convention discussed voter registration procedures in Perquimans County and heard remarks by 1st District Highway Commissioner Joe Nowell concerning getting out the vote for the second primary coming on Saturday, June 3rd.

Convention Chairman Tom Brown closed the convention with remarks urging Democratic Party unity in the coming November general election.

Receive Degrees From ACC

Some 380 seniors received degrees in the arts and sciences at Atlantic Christian College's 70th Commencement held on Friday, May 26, at 2 p.m. It was the largest graduating class in the history of the institution.

Commencement speaker was Sam Ragan of Southern Pines, secretary of the State Department of Art, Culture and History, and editor and publisher of The Pilot of Southern Pines. Presiding over commencement exercises was Dr. Arthur D. Wenger, president of the college. Presenting the graduation class was Dr. Lewis H. Swindell Jr., dean of the college.

Those awarded degrees from Perquimans County were: Pauline Belle Colson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Colson, Jr., Route 3, Hertford and Jeanne Carson Umphlett, wife of Paul D. Umphlett of Hertford.

Rites Held Tuesday For Edgar Overton

Edgar Overton, 86, a retired farmer and merchant of Route 1, Hertford, died Monday morning at 6:30 in his home.

A native of Tyrrell County, he was the son of the late Jim and Mrs. Martha Overton.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ever Lilley Overton; four sons, George Overton of Virginia Beach, James Overton of Route 3, Hertford, Clyde Overton and Crafter Overton of Route 1, Hertford; four daughters, Mrs. Velma Nieneyer of Renton, Wash., Mrs. Maude Lewis of Chesapeake, Va., Mrs. Elizabeth Criss of Virginia Beach, and Mrs. Emma Ward of Orlando, Florida; a brother, Willard Overton of Belvidere; and 14 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3:00 in the Chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home by the Rev. Noah Toler.

Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

"I Know Who Holds Tomorrow" was sung by members of the Burgess Baptist Church Choir. They were accompanied by Miss Terri Copeland, organist.

The casket pall was made of white chrysanthemums, red roses, baby's breath and fern. Pallbearers were Jesse W. Overton, Don Overton, Graham Overton, William B. Miller, Jr., Preston Jackson and Luther Overton.

Graduates From Wake Forest University

Thomas J. Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Julian Long of Route 1, Hertford, was graduated from Wake Forest University May 29. He was among about 600 who received degrees.

Long majored in physical education and received the B.S. degree. He is a member of Phi Epsilon Kappa, honorary physical education fraternity, and Alpha Phi Omega, service fraternity.

Students Receive Degrees From ECU

East Carolina University will confer degrees on approximately 2,042 candidates for bachelor's and masters degrees in colorful and traditional academic ceremonies at 5 p.m. Sunday in Ficklen Stadium.

The principal speaker for the 73rd annual ECU Commencement exercises will be Rep. Edith Green, D-Oregon.

Candidates from Perquimans scheduled to receive degrees are as follows: Sallie Ann Benton, MAE; Jan Bennett White Blalock, BS; Kay Stallings Dail, BS; Shirley Jean Gregory, BS; and William Dhue Tice, MAE.

Legion To Hold Annual Fish Fry

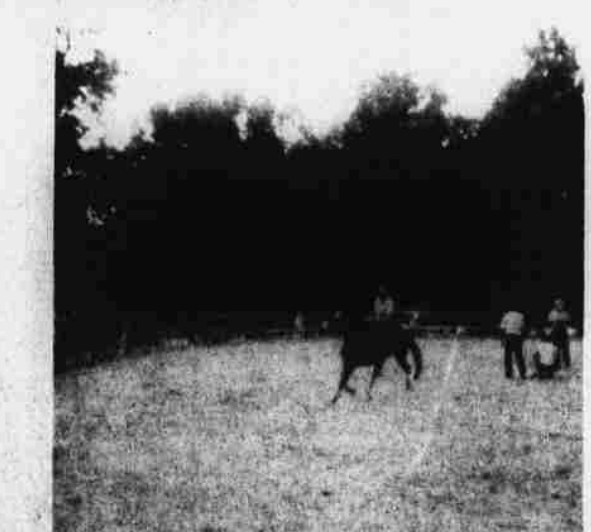
American Legion Post 126 will hold its Annual Flag Day fish fry on Saturday, June 10th at the Post Home.

Tickets are on sale by business firms as well as members. All tickets are \$1.25.

Perq. County School Calendar 1972-73

August 28	Teachers Begin Work
August 30	Student Orientation Day
August 31	Begin 180 Day Term
September 4	Labor Day Holiday
November 23, 24	Thanksgiving Holidays
December 19	Christmas Holidays Begin At Close of School Day
January 3	School Begins After Christmas Vacation
January 22	Teacher Work Day (Date Flexible)
April 20, 23	Easter Holidays (Will be used for make up days if needed)
May 31	School Ends
June 1, 4, 5	Extended Work Days For Teachers

Horse Show Scheduled



Perquimans County Horse and Pony Club will hold their horse show Sunday, June 4, 1972 1:30 at their ring on Preston Nixon's farm. Events will include children and adult English and Western Pleasure, halter, speed and roadster pony. Joe Meads shown above finishing a speed class will be among many participants.