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Harvest Day Including Judging Local Talents

There will be a Farm Festival on August 10 and 11th at the Perquimans County High School Gym. This will be of interest to all farmers, young - old - large and small. We would like to urge each of you to attend. The exhibits will be in the Gym, which will open at 9 a.m. Friday, to give exhibitors time to set up booths before Noon when the Festival will open to the public. Listed below are the field crops and vegetables we invite you to bring to be judged for three ribbon places:

- Yellow Field Corn — 3 stalks with ears
- Yellow Field Corn — 6 stalks shucked
- White Field Corn — 3 stalks with ears
- White Field Corn — 6 ears shucked
- Soybeans — 3 whole stalks
- Peanuts — 3 whole plants
- Sweet Corn — 6 ears with shucks
- Snap Beans — 1 quart unshelled
- Butterbeans — 1 quart unshelled
- Cornfield peas — 1 quart unshelled
- Tomatoes — 3 whole
- Potatoes — 6
- Squash, white — 6 whole
- Squash, yellow — 6 whole
- Watermelons — 1 whole
- Cantaloupe — 1 whole
- Okra — 12 whole
- Sweet Potato — 6 whole
- Cucumber — 6 whole
- Cabbage — 3 head
- Peppers — 6 whole
- Apples — 6 whole
- Peaches — 6 whole

- Class B — Drawings Department II
- Arts — Junior Division (18 and Under)
- Class A Painting
 1. Acrylics
 2. Oils
 3. Water Colors
- Class B — Drawings
- Class C — Photo — Snap Shots
- Class D — Paint by Number
- Department III
- Crafts — Adult Division
- Class A — Christmas Decorations
 1. Class B — Decoupage
 2. Class C — Ceramics
 3. Class D — Cornshuck
 4. Class E — Egg Shell
 5. Class F — Jewelry
 6. Class G — Dried Arrangements
- Class H — Macarane
- Department IV
- Crafts — Junior
- Class A — Embroidery
 1. Crewel
 2. Swedish
 3. Cross Stitch
 4. Other
- Class B — Crochet
 1. Afghans
 2. Sweaters
 3. Baby Articles
 4. Pillows
 5. Others
- Class C — Knitting
 1. Afghans
 2. Sweaters
- 3. Baby Articles
- 4. Others
- Class D — Hooked Rugs
- Class E — Needlepoint
- Class F — Quilting
 1. Quilts
 2. Pillow Tops
- Department VI
- Needlework — Junior
- Class A — Embroidery
 1. Cross Stitch
 2. Swedish
 3. Other
- Class B — Knitting
 1. Sweaters
 2. Others
- Department VII
- Clothing — Adult
- Class A — Men's Suits & Coats
- Class B — Ladies Coats
- Class C — Dresses
- Class D — Hats
- Class E — Suits (2 or more pieces)
- Class F — Infant's Clothing
- Class G — Children's Clothing
- Department VIII
- Clothing — Junior 14-18 yrs.
 1. Class A — Dresses
 2. Class B — Suits
 3. Class C — Sportswear
- Department IX
- Clothing Under 14 yrs
 1. Class A — Aprons
 2. Class B — Dresses
 3. Class C — Sportswear



JAIL TORN DOWN—A special picture page in this edition of *The Perquimans Weekly* on page 2 is a souvenir for all Perquimans County residents who were fond of the jail, which was built at the turn of the century. It may be memories as well for those who were not so fond of the jail.



Senior Citizens Event Scheduled Yesterday

About 300 senior citizens from Eastern North Carolina are expected to attend a special Senior Citizens Night at "The Lost Colony" here Wednesday, July 25. Members of the senior citizens organization from the 10-county Region R in the northeastern section of the state will be admitted to the Wednesday night performance at a special price for tickets. Rarely do the older members of the area communities have a chance to visit "The Lost Colony" says general manager John F. Hruby, and as a group with special rates these senior citizens will be able to make the trip. Last year a similar outing to the production was planned, but rain prohibited the performance that evening. We are pleased to have such a large number of the senior citizens returning for the show this year, Hruby adds. The Senior Citizens' Region R includes the counties of Dare, Camden, Currituck, Hyde, Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Tyrrell, Washington and Gates.

AADA-ARPCD Unite In Efforts

In a coordinative endeavor, the Agriculture Extension Service, AADA and Albemarle Regional Planning and Development Commission will in the next two months be evaluating the expressed needs and updating priorities with the older citizens of the ten counties of the Albemarle. The steering committee is composed of Agriculture Extension Agents on Aging and ARPCD Staff. The committee met for a full day planning conference last week with representation from the Governor's Council on Aging and State officials from N.C. Agriculture Extension. The committee elected officers composed of Miss June Myers of ARPCD as Chairman, Mrs. Minnie B. Taylor, Home Extension Agent from Perquimans County as Vice Chairman and Mrs. Louise H. Capps, Home Extension Chairman from Currituck County as Secretary. The committee will be working toward having the Region designated as a high impact area for the purpose of obtaining additional assistance in accomplishing priority goals to benefit the senior citizens of the Region.

Farmer Fields Convicted

ELIZABETH CITY—Rodney Brooks, a local farmer, has been convicted here in district court of failure to dispose properly of a hog carcass. The defendant was ordered to pay a \$10 fine and \$16 in court cost. Prosecution followed an investigation by the Veterinary Division of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. Such violations can result in the spread of hog cholera. **MEETING TONIGHT** The Perquimans County Democratic Party officers will meet tonight at 8 p.m. in the Perquimans County Courthouse.

Fields Joins Firm

Ervin W. Fields has joined Carolina Power & Light Co. as a junior engineer at the L. V. Sutton Plant in Wilmington. A native of Hertford, Fields was graduated from Perquimans County High School, Hertford, and Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Va., with a degree in electronics engineering. He served in the Army from 1967 to 1969. He is married to the former Cherry Creamer of Hertford, and they have two children. Fields is the son of Mrs. E. W. Fields of Hertford.

Perquimans Personality Betty & Marion Swindell

By FRANCINE SAWYER

One of the finest couples in Hertford is Betty and Marion Swindell. The two manage Swindell Funeral Home in Hertford, and both are "community aware." Being involved in community activities is something which comes naturally to the couple. Marion was reared in Elizabeth City. Betty was reared in Edenton and Georgia. Marion graduated from Elizabeth City High School and Ohio College of Mortuary Science. Betty graduated from Edenton High School and Louisburg College. The couple were married in June in 1950. They have four children; Larry, 22 who is a funeral director in New Bern; Sheron, 20, who is getting married Aug. 11; Beth 14, and Jane, 11. The couple came to Hertford in 1952 to manage Twiford's Funeral Home which Marion later purchased. When he first came to Hertford, Marion got involved in the Hertford Jaycees. The club is now defunct, but the trend for Marion to work in civic affairs was just getting good. Marion later and presently got involved with the Methodist Church in Hertford, the Red Cross, cub scouts, president of the Northeastern Albemarle Funeral Directors Association and is serving for the second time as president of the active Hertford Chamber of Commerce.

Marion also just became the past president in June of the Hertford Rotary Club. He is also a member of the Bethel Ruritan Club. But Marion is more than just a name with a lot of club memberships beside it. He is totally "into" whatever civic duty or function he has taken on. It is his second nature. He does manage boating activity as a hobby. He will not admit it, but he does enjoy gardening. He is modest about himself. His modesty might be overcome by his attractive wife, Betty, however. Betty, although, is not just a proud wife and mother riding on the coat-tails of her husband. Betty is indeed an active person herself. She is active in the Hertford Business and Professional Women's Club and church work has taken even more of her time.

Not being "natives" of Hertford, one might wonder why the couple do so much for their community. They put it this way: "The people here are the greatest people in the world. A person can't help but love it here." Marion said he read somewhere that "service rendered to a community is the rent you pay for the space you occupy." That's been the families motto. And it has been a family. The older children cared for the younger ones, while Betty worked on the business books. "My children have been very cooperative," she said. "As a matter of fact, that's how we all have going along, just by co-operating," she said. The couple feels it's the greatest place to live if someone's in trouble. The town will rally to anyone's doorstep to help. They came to Hertford more than 10 years ago with the attitude, "if we don't like it here we can go back to Elizabeth City." But after only several days, Betty and Marion Swindell began a love affair with the town and would never wish to leave. The townsfolk have enjoyed the Swindell's as well.



BETTY & MARION SWINDELL

Insect Control Can Make Suggestions

Traffic hazards resulting from the dense white gas from fog trucks may be eliminated with the development of a new method of community insect control. Called Ultra Low Volume (ULV), the method is currently being tested under North Carolina conditions by North Carolina State University entomologists. A cooperative development of industry and the U. S. Department of Agriculture, ULV was named for the small volumes of chemical insecticide it requires. Not only will ULV replace the hazardous fogging method, but, according to scientists, will also cut the amounts of chemical insecticides used in half, thus reducing the cost of community insect control. In the new method, insecticides are not diluted with fog-producing diesel oil as in the older method. Instead chemicals are emitted in a fine mist that is hardly visible. Critical in the effectiveness of ULV is the size of the chemical droplet, which must strike and stick to the target insect. Trained personnel are required to operate equipment which regulates droplet size. Their experiments, done in cooperation with the N. C. Board of Health and the Carteret County Commissioners, are underway in the Carteret County communities of Davis, Marshallburg, Atlantic and other areas. Funding for the project is from Sea Grant, a division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

It's Farm Safety Week

FALLS HURT — BE ALERT! That's the theme of the 1973 National Farm Safety Week, July 25 - 31 sponsored by the N.C. Rural Safety Council, the National Safety Council, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Falls are among the most common accidents in agriculture, accounting for about one-third of all accidental deaths. But they are perhaps the most difficult to guard against. Statistics indicate that you are most likely to have a dangerous fall while walking in the kitchen or yard.

One study showed that over three-fourths of the fall victims involved received serious injury and half required hospitalization. Falls are more apt to cause crippling and disabling injury to senior citizens than other age groups. Anyone concerned with the care of older people can obtain a free copy of the accident-prevention course "Handle Yourself with Care," from Administration on Aging, HEW, Washington, D.C. 20201.

The Rural Safety Council reminds you that being alert is the best weapon against any accident. Illness, fatigue, emotional upset, alcohol and drugs are too often major factors in home accidents. Be alert for common hazards that may develop on any farm. Without regular attention, work areas and passage ways may become dangerously cluttered. Smooth surface can become slippery from oil, mud, water or ice. Stairs, handrails and steps are hazards if not properly lighted and repaired. The farm tractor causes 800 to 1,000 deaths, thousands of injuries and millions of dollars annually in property damages, medical expenses and other related costs. More than half of the fatalities in tractor accidents involve overturns. The National Safety Council estimates that 90 percent of these fatalities could be prevented through use of the roll-over protective frames and cabs available on new tractors and for many older models. Of course, following the instructions in the operator's manual and using good judgment would prevent most tractor accidents. Some chemicals used in agriculture today are less persistent but usually considerably more toxic to humans than some of the pesticides recently banned because of their long-range effects on the environment. The toxicity of the materials in current use demands constant alertness in handling, application, storing and disposing of empty containers to avoid accidental poisoning.

Tax Total \$7,144.35

Perquimans County received a net total in sales tax collections some \$7,144.35 in June. Neighboring Chowan County collected double that with a total of \$14,797.51. Camden County got only \$2,436.86. This North Carolina County received less than any county in the state. Pasquotank County took in \$51,363.25 in local sales tax for June. Pasquotank surpassed tourist county Dare which received some \$33,925.76. Rural Gates County took in \$4,037.03 in local sales tax for June.