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**COLLECTING CANCER DONATIONS**—Mrs. Silas Whedbee, right, of Front Street, Hertford, gives her Cancer society donation to Helen Nixon, a volunteer of the Perquimans County Cancer Crusade. A number of volunteers in the town and county will be calling on residents to donate money to the crusade. October is Cancer Month in Perquimans County. (Francine Sawyer Photo)

## Educators Find Five Ways To Benefit School Systems

**POWELLSVILLE**—Ten educators from six counties and three from the State Department of Public Instruction met with Richard W. Baker, Director of Alliance for Progress, on Wednesday and Thursday at the C.G. White School, and came up with five ways that prioritized needs can be used for the benefit of the school systems in the counties involved.

The meeting was under the sponsorship of Alliance for Progress, Inc., which works in conjunction with the school systems in Hertford, Bertie, Martin, Gates, Chowan, and Perquimans Counties.

Those attending were R.E. Rogers, superintendent, Raymond Robertson, assistant superintendent, and Lindsay Whichard, guidance director, Martin County Schools, Dr. E.L. West, Jr.,

superintendent, Chowan County; C.C. Walters, superintendent; Perquimans; Larry T. Ivey, superintendent, Bertie; Mrs. Carol Smith, elementary supervisor, Gates; and Russell Martin, superintendent, Eley Whitehead, high school supervisor, and Mrs. Jenny Jenkins, general supervisor, Hertford County; Dr. William Brown, director of the Division of Research of the State Department of Public Instruction, and Gary Hoover and Rebecca Manley, State Department educational researchers.

Primarily, the meeting was to reach objectives for the assessment of school needs. One area in which the school systems may benefit is through grantsmanship. Under this category comes instructional education and psychological, social and health services, coordination of existing community services, documentation of verbalized needs, prioritizing needs and focusing attention on the six-county area needs.

Brown and Hoover have committed themselves to developing and supervising a Consolidated Evaluation System for the six counties. This includes a research staff coming in to the area and refining "our testing program. It is their desire to come up with a method or technique that educational decision makers can be able to use in day-to-day program planning and long range curriculum design and development," Baker explained.

It is the aim of the organization to examine the prioritized needs analytically and determine ways to meet them. "It is not the intent of the state and federal educators to reinvent the wheel, but rather to assist our people in getting the needs met through their broad expertise and background in other areas of education," Baker stated.

On October 29, a three- or four-day "Think Tank" session is to be held at the C.G. White School in Powellsville. Attending will be Federal educational personnel from Atlanta, Georgia and those from the State Department of Public Instruction in Raleigh, along with superintendents and local personnel from the six counties.

### FOOD SALE

A food sale sponsored by St. Catherine's Guild will be held Friday, Oct. 26 at the Parish House. Sandwiches & coffee will be served at 11 a.m.

## Perquimans Representatives Entice Interns To Stay In State

Representatives of 20 North Carolina counties last weekend came here to court doctors-to-be who study in the state but infrequently get to know its people or geography.

Perquimans County was represented with Mrs. Jean Harrison, Frank Roberts, Kerry Jones, R.L. Stevenson, Tom Brown.

In a daylong seminar Saturday, the representatives touted advantages of their areas by demonstrations, gimmicks, and word of mouth. The counties hope the presentations will entice the medical students and interns to stay in the state when they finish their training.

Dr. Charles Duckett, public relations chairman of the N.C. Academy of Family Physicians, and community representation far exceeded expectation, but student and intern turnout was disappointing. There were about 10 doctor-seeking community representatives for each student or intern. The representatives,

three to five from each county, used soft-sell presentations, ham sandwiches, panty hose samples, and a television camera that photographed passing medical students to make their community appear appealing.

But even these efforts to attract interest could not overcome area football

games, which, academy officials agreed, accounted for the small student turnout.

Although disappointed by the low attendance, Duckett said the effort was worthwhile.

The students are educated in North Carolina but "up to now, no one has tried to get them to stay here," he said. "This is an opportunity for them to get to know us and to realize we are not a one-horse state.

About 60 per cent of the medical students studying in North Carolina are from other states and "never get a chance to really see our land or our people," added Dr. James Jones of Jacksonville, academy president.

At least one of the counties, Perquimans, will attempt to get the students to take a closer look at its land and people. County officials plan to invite the students to spend a weekend or more visiting the county, which has a population of about 9,000 and only one doctor.

The effort to keep the students in North Carolina is not being helped by many of the state's medical educators and leaders, Jones said.

He is unhappy with medical officials "who claim there is no need for more doctors in our state. They weren't at this meeting so they did not see the many communities looking for doctors. North Carolina certainly does not have enough family physicians."

## John Matthews, Hertford Native To Begin Law Practice In Hometown

By KATHY MARREN STAFF WRITER

A young Hertford native has returned home and is setting up his law practice. John Vivian Matthews, Jr. is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Matthews. He has returned with his wife, Darla and son, Matt, 8½ months. The couple has been married for nine years.

Matthews attended Perquimans County School where he was very active in sports. As a result, he attended East Carolina University on a football scholarship. There he majored in Social Studies

and minored in French. After graduation, his first job was a teaching position at Williamston, N.C. where he taught French. His next position was in Delaware where he taught history for two years.

In 1968, Matthews attended the University of Southern California due to his interest in the law school and a desire to see another part of the country. There he obtained his Juris Doctor Degree.

His first law experience was with the District Attorney's office in Charlotte. During his two

years there, he prosecuted everything from violation of vehicle inspection to second degree murder. Matthews said, "I'm amazed at the way lawyers are portrayed on television. I suppose lawyer shows are pretty good but unintentional comedy."

Matthews was urged to come back to Hertford by several members of the community, and he said, "All of the current lawyers in town that I have talked to have been friendly and helpful." The couple agreed

on the move to Hertford. They said, "We enjoyed being here on visits and found ourselves hating to leave a little more each time." An important reason for the move back was that the couple wanted their son to grow up here.

Not only has Matthews found his place in the community, but so has his wife Darla. She is the librarian at Perquimans County Union School. Darla is originally from Mount Pleasant, N.C. She too attended East Carolina University where she majored in English and Library Science. Darla commented on her present position. "I do enjoy the job very much and I look forward to it. Everyone has treated me well. I think the school situation is good. Public school work is very different from the library work I've done in the past five years."

Matthews is setting up a general practice of law here in Hertford. At present his hours aren't set. He said, "There may be a time when I would like to specialize, but not now."



The New Arrivals Are John, Darla, And Their Son Matt.

## Perquimans Profile

Julian Broughton

By FRANCINE SAWYER

One of the most highly respected and well-liked law officers in the Albemarle is Julian Broughton, sheriff of Perquimans County.

Most people know the tall, husky sheriff as "Little Man." He's been sheriff for nearly seven years.

He is a twin. His brother died last year. The reason he is called "Little Man" is due to his mother. He was the smaller of the twin. Thus, the name, "Little Man."

Before Broughton became sheriff he was a brick mason. He is married to the former Irene Byrum and the couple has two children, a boy, Jeff, 16 and a girl, Betty Carol, 13.

Broughton sees today's law officer having a harder time of enforcing the law than before. The sheriff says "times are faster today. There are also more people."

But as far as being a law officer in Perquimans County, Broughton says, "it's easier in a small community because everyone knows everyone else."

Since being sheriff Broughton has had two first degree murders and one second degree murder under his investigation.

For sheriffs in any community, much assistance comes from other local law officials such



SHERIFF JULIAN BROUGHTON

as sheriffs, highway patrolmen, police departments and SBI agents.

Broughton said he especially enjoyed and worked hand in hand with Chowan's sheriff, Troy Toppin. O. L. Wise of the SBI is another trusted co-worker Broughton admires and respects.

Sheriff Broughton could be the only lawman who ever lost his trousers while arresting a suspect. According to Broughton, some three years ago, he went to a man's house to place him under arrest. The man was allegedly resisting arrest when a scuffle ensued and the sheriff's pants went down to his knees. Nothing remained but "bare facts" — those being the sheriff wanted to immediately reclaim his pants and the man-under-arrest.

There have been serious moments being a sheriff in



**SEEKING MAYOR'S SEAT**—David Trueblood of Winfall has filed for the mayor's seat of the town. He has been a town commissioner for the town for several years and is assistant to the mayor of Winfall. He is married to the former Virgie Bagley and they have a daughter and grandchildren. He is a retired mechanic. He is a member of the First United Methodist Church of Winfall and a Mason.

### Awarded GED

Job Corpsman Alvin Stepany of Rt. No. 1 Box 126A, Hertford, was awarded his general equivalency high school diploma at the Breckinridge Job Corps Center in Special Award Ceremonies.

The G.E.D. diploma is earned by Corpsmen only after successful completion of a wide range of academic studies and after passing a written test administered at the University of Kentucky — Henderson Community College.

Corpsman Alvin Stepany is completing studies in appliance repair.

### Completes Course

Army Private Archie W. Blanchard, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Blanchard, Route 1, Belvidere, Completed a 13-week still photography course at the U.S. Army signal center and school, Ft. Monmouth, N.J.

During the course, students learned the basic techniques of black and white and color photography. The instruction included portrait and aerial photography and photojournalism.



**SPECIAL WEEK** — Oct. 7-13 is Fire Prevention Week. A parade was held Saturday in Elizabeth City and the Hertford Fire Department was represented. Top photo shows, left to right, Jimmy Stallings, Thomas Hurdle, Sidney Eley and Billy Owens, Hertford Volunteer Firemen. The prettiest one of all, however, is Stallings' little girl, Dana, age 5. Middle photo shows Chief Francis Nixon, Bill Fowler and Ronald Wilder; Final photo shows Miss "Sam" Beers, Hertford Fire Department Queen. (Sawyer Photos)