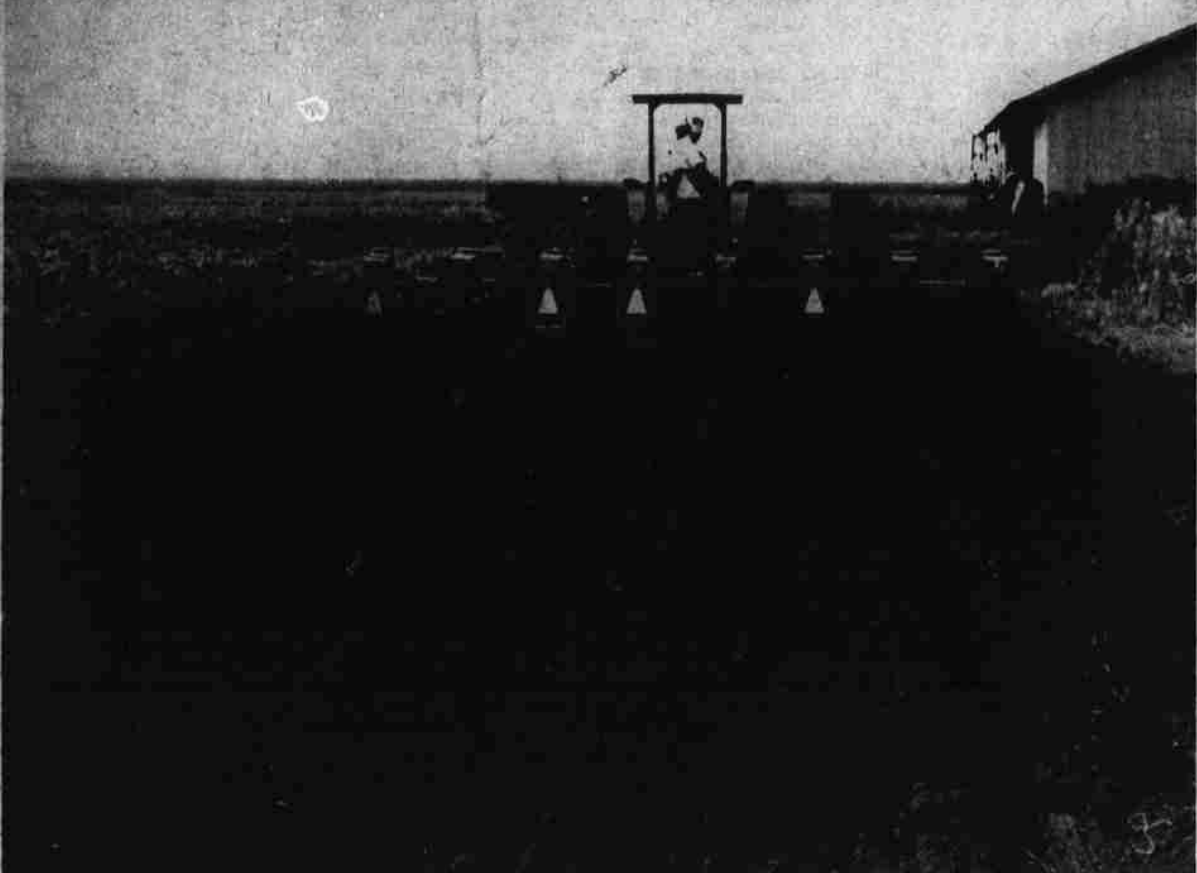


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**PERQUIMANS PLANTING TIME**—Big farms require big equipment, and this eight-row planter is one of the largest currently in use in North Carolina—by reputation a

state of relatively small farms. Planters such as this are used to plant corn and soybeans on the large flatland farms of the state's Albemarle region. They are less common elsewhere.

## \$7,647 Go To Schools

Perquimans County Schools will receive a total of \$7,647 in previously impounded federal funds for occupational education programs. These funds are part of almost \$1.5 million allocated to North Carolina schools in 1972-73, but impounded by President Nixon.

Every school unit in the State will receive money for equipment, materials, and professional development of occupational education programs. The school unit must reserve a portion of this money to pay for local participation in the following three state-sponsored institutes: one or more teachers to attend a middle grades exploration certification workshop; one or more persons to attend a vocational guidance counselor workshop; and a chairman of a local occupational advisory committee and local director-planner to attend a three-day local advisory committee chairman workshop. Selected units will receive additional funds for special programs such as optional schools, individualized instruction demonstration centers, and education for the handicapped.

## Poetry Coming Here

Students at Hertford Elementary School in Hertford will have an opportunity to get to know a professional poet during the week of early May. Suzanne Newton, a published North Carolina poet, will spend the week working with the students in developing a better understanding and appreciation of poetry.

The poet's visit is made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to the N.C. Department of Public Instruction. This is the second year the "Poetry in the Schools" program has been available to interested schools in the State. This year twenty-one schools are participating in the program.

The best poems written under the direction of poets who participated in last year's "Poetry in the Schools" program have recently been compiled by the Division of Cultural Arts and published in a book entitled *I Don't Need You, Rod McQueen, Good-bye!*



**SEEKING SEAT**—Mrs. Joan P. Winslow of Hertford will run for election to the Board of County Commissioners, Perquimans County, Hertford District. She is a member of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Financial Secretary of the Perquimans County Restoration Association, parent organization for restoration of the Newbold-White House, and member of the North Carolina State Library Board. She has served as a Board Member of the Roanoke Island Historical Association, is a charter member and trustee of the Museum of the Albemarle, a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and National Society of Colonial Dames. She and her husband Julian reside at 106 North Front St. in Hertford and are the parents of five children.

## Blood Program Success

There was an excellent turnout of blood donors Monday at the First United Methodist Church when the Tidewater Bloodmobile came to Perquimans County.

A record breaking 120 donors turned out with only 19 rejects.

The bloodmobile was sponsored by the newly formed Perquimans County Jaycees. Donald Stallings was Jaycee chairman and Mrs. Geneva Sawyer was county blood chairman.

Joe Tunnell, advisor to the Perquimans County Future Farmers of America brought 21 young men.

There were 33 first time donors.

### AWARDS PROGRAM

A spring achievement and awards program sponsored by the Perquimans County Extension Homemakers will be held on Thursday March 28 at 2:30 p.m. at the county office building.

All members and guest are urged to attend. Speakers will feature crafts and foods.

## Food Stamp Program OK

Perquimans County social services officials are recording good participation in the county-wide food stamp program.

Records show, as of Feb. 22, some 214 households are taking advantage of this system.

Persons who think they may be eligible for the food stamp program are

requested to call the county social services department and make an appointment.

According to Mrs. James E. Newby, eligibility specialist, persons receiving food stamps say they like the system better than the commodity food system.

Mrs. Newby added, "my experience has been pleasurable. Everyone has been very co-operative."



**HARD WORKER**—Mrs. Geneva Sawyer is a very devoted worker of the Perquimans County Blood program. She has been active in the program for nine years and is chairman. Here she serves Eddie Baker a snack. Baker was a potential blood donor.



**NO BIG THING**—Kenneth Stallings, a member of the Perquimans County High School FFA club did not find giving a pint of blood hardly any trouble at all. Stallings was one of 21 young men who, under the leadership of Joe Tunnell, advisor, came to give a pint of blood Monday when the Tidewater Bloodmobile visited Hertford. (Sawyer Photo)

# Perquimans County JC Chapter Formed

By **KATHY NEWBERN**  
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"Jaycees is the greatest organization that I've ever been associated with." These words were spoken by Jim Hastings, president of the N.C. Jaycees at the Perquimans County Jaycees Charter Night Banquet.

Before a crowd of about 140 local and Edenton Jaycees and their wives, Hastings explained why he was so enthusiastic about the organization and why Perquimans residents should be too. Hastings said that the Jaycees existed for

two reasons: to better a person and to help others.

Gus Tulloss, National Director of the Northeast Region (which includes Perquimans) explained that this region was one of the best when it came to Jaycee participation and welcomed the newly formed Perquimans Chapter.

Well-known local figures also offered encouragement. Mayor Bill Cox, R.S. Monds, representing the County Commissioners, along with John Beers, a Hertford Jaycee Exhausted Rooster volunteered their assistance to the local Jaycees.

The highlight of the evening was the installation of officers. They are: Joe Towe White, president; Robert Halsey, external vice-president; Jimmy Byrum, internal vice-president; Archie Miller, corresponding secretary; Bill Tice, recording

secretary; Wayne Ashley, treasurer; and Ed Nixon, state director.

The banquet, which was held at Angler's Cove, consisted of a buffet-style dinner and was adjourned with the reading of the Jaycee Creed.



**NEW OFFICERS**—The officers for the newly formed Perquimans County Jaycees were installed at the Charter Night Banquet held recently. They are: (l. to r.) Ed Nixon, Wayne Ashley, Bill Tice, Archie Miller, Robert Halsey, and Jimmy Byrum. (Staff Photo by Kathy Newbern)



**PRESIDENT TAKES OATH**—Shown here, the president of the N.C. Jaycees, Jim Hastings, (on left) administers the presidential oath to Joe Towe White, Jr. of the Perquimans Jaycees (on right). Mrs. Joe Towe White, Jr. looks on. (Staff Photo by Kathy Newbern.)

## Planting More Corn

North Carolina farmers intend to plant more tobacco, corn, and sorghum in 1974. According to indications, acreages of soybeans and peanuts will be unchanged from last year, while cotton, oats, and barley acreage is expected to be slightly less than in 1973. These findings are based on a survey of farmers intentions conducted around March 1 by the N.C. Crop Reporting Service.

Results of the survey showed corn acreage increasing 13 percent over 1973 to 1,750,000 acres and soybeans holding at last year's planting of 1,550,000 acres. Farmers intend a 4 percent increase in grain sorghum, placing the 1974 expected plantings at 125,000 acres.

The service said intentions for flue-cured tobacco in N.C. are up about 6 percent from a year ago. The Old and Middle Belts may set about 158,000 acres, up 9,000 acres. Acreage in the Eastern Belt should be up 10,000 acres to 190,000 acres, while Border Belt growers will probably increase acreage by 4,000 acres for a planting of 51,000 acres. These increases are due mainly to a 7 percent increase in effective allotments. Burley, at 8,700 acres, is expected to be up 900 acres from last year's crop.

The State's cotton crop is expected to be planted on about 180,000 acres — 2,000 acres less than in 1973. Peanut growers indicate they will plant about 169,000 acres — unchanged from last year's planting. Acreage planted to oats is expected to total 155,000 acres, down 5,000 from 1973, while barley at 70,000 acres shows a 4,000 acre decline. Hay acreage for harvest should be about the same as in 1973 — 325,000 acres.

Growers expressed their intentions to plant 28,000 acres to sweet potatoes in 1974, an increase of 3,000 acres over the 1973 crop. Irish potato acreage in N.C. is expected to be down 1,700

acres from 1973 to 13,000 acres.

The Nation's farmers indicate they intend to plant 10 percent more corn and 4 percent less soybeans in 1974. The U.S. flue-cured tobacco acreage is expected to be up 9 percent. Peanut acreage at 1,525,300 is down 1 percent. Cotton acreage is expected to be up 18 percent. Sorghum grain is indicated to be down less than 2 percent while oats and barley show 1 and 16 percent declines, respectively. The Nation's sweet potato acreage is expected to be up 5 percent and Irish potatoes up 1 percent.

Officials of the Crop Reporting Service emphasized that the report only expresses farmers' thinking around March 1. Final plantings may vary considerably from those expressed depending upon such factors as weather, the availability of seed, fertilizer, and fuel, and the influence of the report itself on farmers action.

### Profits Announced

Little Mint, Inc., fast foods restaurant chain, has announced a \$5,297 profit for the six-month period ending December 31, 1973.

For the same period in 1972 the Greenville, N.C.-based company reported a loss of \$38,171.

A company spokesman attributed the financial turnaround to better supervision of Little Mint's stores and a closer control of labor and food costs.

Sales and operating revenue for the period was \$1,652,107.

Little Mint's 39 units are located in 32 cities in North and South Carolina.



**THOSE WERE THE DAYS**—Remember when gasoline got this high? We all wondered where it would end. Now to find gasoline for this price would be a real treat. We know why this gas can be sold for such a price—there isn't any. These self service pumps have not had gasoline since the price was 39 cents. Thinking back we can all remember when our service stations offered dishes, footballs, games and gimmicks to fill'er up. Those were the days. (Sawyer Photo)