

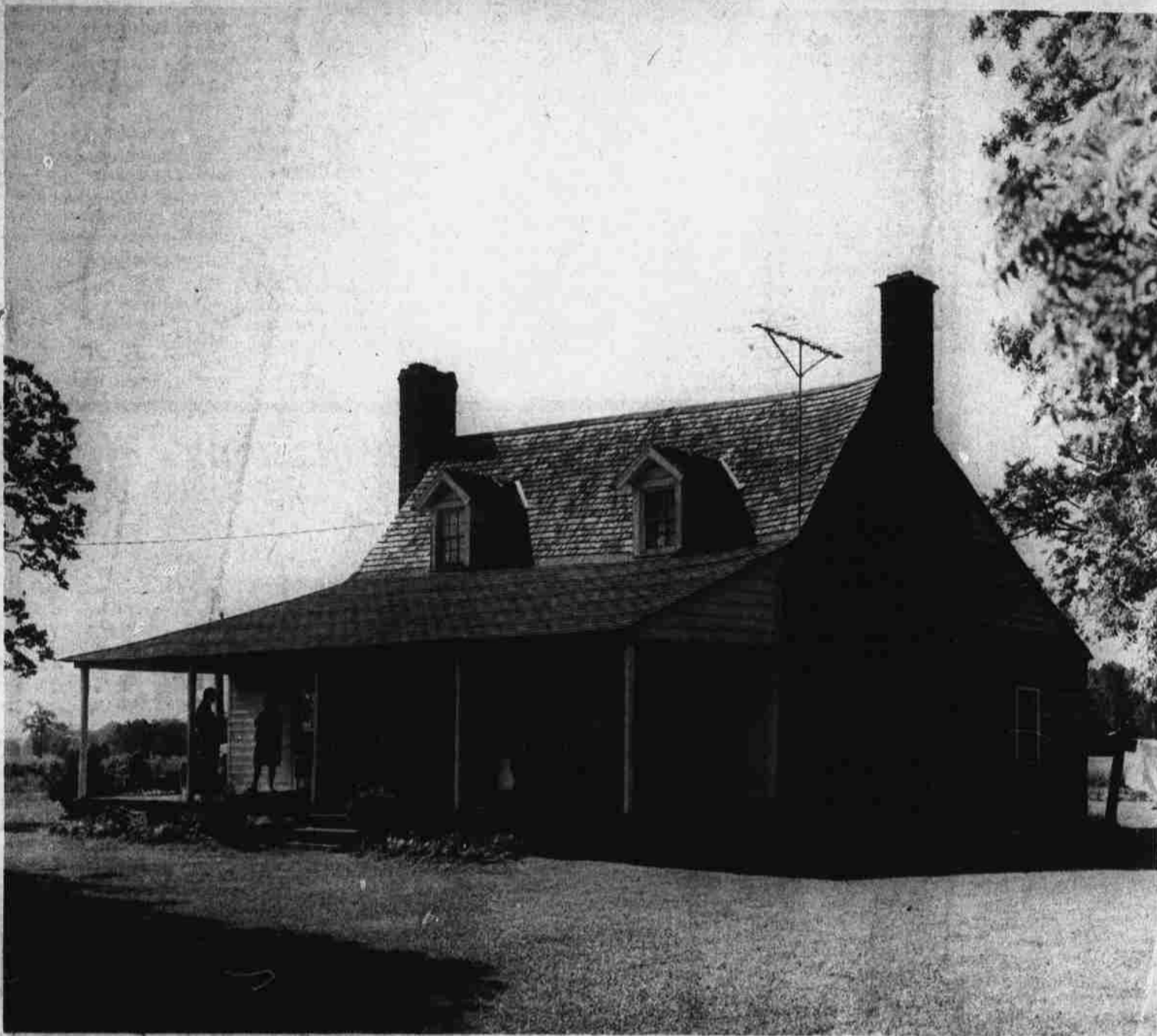
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It's Senior Citizens Week



NOMINATED — The Sutton-Newby House in Perquimans County has been nominated for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places by Dr. Thornton Mitchell, acting state historic preservation officer. The register is described as a national list of distinctive properties worthy of preservation because of their historical or other cultural value. The Sutton-Newby House is probably one of the oldest surviving buildings in the state. Its early history is uncertain, but it was evidently built for Joseph Sutton I or Joseph Sutton II in the early eighteenth century. It is one of a small group of eighteenth century houses in the state with frame front and rear elevations and brick ends. (One of the brick ends survives at the Sutton-Newby House; the other is gone.) The

patterned glazed brickwork of the brick end is also important, and it relates the house to the Newbold-White House. The house remained in the Sutton family until 1787 when it was purchased by a son-in-law, Francis Newby, in whose family the property continued until 1841. The nomination was submitted in connection with the Division of Archives and History's long-range program to identify and document the authenticity of historic properties in North Carolina. Approval of the nomination by the Department of the Interior usually takes about six months and will be announced through the state's congressional delegation.

County's Share Of Federal Funds Up

What have Federal grants-in-aid and revenue sharing been producing for Perquimans County in the way of money? To what extent did the

local area share in the \$42.8 billion that was distributed in the last fiscal year, compared with the amounts that went to other communities?

Electricity Is Costing More

Electricity will cost the town of Hertford and REA subscribers more in the coming months.

Virginia Electric & Power Co. was forced to increase rates per kilowatt hour, due to the skyrocketing cost of fossil fuel. Fossil fuels such as coal and oil, which are used to make electricity have become increasingly expensive.

The cost of oil per barrel in '72 was \$2.96. In March of this year the cost was set at \$9.63. The cost of coal in '72 was \$14 per ton; that same ton of coal costs VEPCO \$35.68 per ton in March.

The commission approved VEPCO's increase to begin in February of this year.

Slowly VEPCO has been passing on the charge to its customers.

VEPCO uses 25 million barrels of oil and 3 1/2 million tons of coal per year.

However, a VEPCO official explained the cost would be more if VEPCO were not getting 26 per cent of its power from nuclear generations.

On the basis of Treasury Department figures and a state-by-state analysis of them made by the Tax Foundation, a non-profit organization that keeps track of government taxation and spending, Perquimans County's share was relatively large.

An estimated \$1,472,000 in grants were awarded for local purposes in the year under a variety of aid programs.

The total allotment for the State of North Carolina as a whole amounted to \$937,000,000. It covered a number of aid programs, such as public housing, child welfare, hospitals and health, roads, schools and urban renewal.

The figures take into account only grants-in-aid and revenue sharing and do not include other government expenditures in local communities for goods and services.

As to the cost of these benefits, they are met by each locality, in whole or in part, by the portion of their income and excise taxes that go into the aid programs.

Perquimans County's contribution for such purposes last year was approximately \$1,354,000, according to a breakdown of the figures. Statewide, the cost was \$857,000,000.

Not included in these amounts were the matching funds that had to be put up locally in connection with many grants.

The seeming inequity is due to the fact that distribution of aid is intended to be in terms of local requirements and not on a dollar for dollar basis.

Cancer Society Meeting Is Set

Dr. Edward Hoffman, of the Woman's Clinic at Elizabeth City, will be the speaker at the Perquimans County Unit of the American Cancer Society meeting on Monday, May 27, at 8 p.m. in the REA Building.

and is done on an out-patient basis.

He has done undergraduate work at the University of Rochester, N.Y.; attended University of Maryland Medical School; interned for 1 year at South Baltimore, Md. General Hospital; 1 year at Wesson Woman's Hospital in Massachusetts; and spent 3 years at Tulane University.

Dr. Hoffman's Topic will be "Culpscopy", a newly developed method used in detecting Uterine Cancer. An examination of this type insures about 98 percent accuracy along with the Pap Smear and is generally used on pregnant women with unusual Pap Smear results

Everyone is invited to attend this meeting—any step in the detection of this disease is welcomed by women of all ages.

Shop In Hertford

If you are a senior citizen, this is your week to shop in Hertford.

In recognition of Senior Citizens Week, participating merchants are offering a deduction of up to 10 per cent, based on retail prices, on purchases made.

Dates for this special shopping offer are Friday and Saturday. So bring your shopping lists to your favorite stores—chances are they are Senior Citizens Week participants.

Mark Friday and Saturday on your calendar if you are a senior citizen. Those are shop'n save days.



DINNER MEETING—The Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce held its annual dinner meeting of past presidents Monday night at Angler's Cove. Shown, from left, are Ed Nixon, vice president and Wayne Winslow, president of the local chamber of commerce. (Photo By Ray Ward)

Schools Get \$57,465

Of the over \$26 million appropriated by the 1974 General Assembly to increase the state-supported kindergarten program next year, Perquimans County Schools will receive \$57,465. State School Superintendent Craig Phillips announced recently. Each school unit's allocation was figured on its 1973-74 first grade enrollment, based on the highest average daily membership for three out of the first four months of the school year, said Phillips.

In approving the allocations, the State Board of Education earmarked \$243,600 for inservice training for kindergarten personnel and \$90,480 for evaluation and assessment of the program. This money is not included in each school unit's net per pupil allocation; however, Perquimans County Schools will receive \$525 for inservice training and \$195 for evaluation and assessment of the unit's overall kindergarten program.

The allocation will enable Perquimans County Schools to operate three kindergarten classes during the 1974-75 school year, which will serve 60 children. The State will have a total of 1,392 classes in operation next year, serving 32,016 five-year-olds.

BAKE SALE
The Hertford B.P.W. Club will host a bake sale Saturday morning beginning at 10 a.m. on the courthouse square. Many baked items will be offered.

Proceeds go toward the scholarship fund.

Ms. Alexander In Finals

Miss Donna Alexander was fifth runner-up in America's Junior Miss Pageant.

The unique aspect of Miss Alexander's participation is, she was the only and first black girl to make the national finals in Mobile, Ala. and secondly, she is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Privott of 331 Dobb St., Hertford.

It was an exciting week for the Privotts as they watched the finals in Mobile with their daughter K. Edna Privott Alexander, of East Orange, N.J.

The 17-year-old Miss comes from a long line of educators. Her parents were both administrators in the school systems, her grandparents are both retired school teachers, and her older sister Princeton University.

But Miss Alexander is no exception, she is a senior and top member of her graduating class in East Orange. She is active in many of its activities.

All total she won \$4,000 in scholarships after par-



DONNA ALEXANDER

ticipating in America's Junior Miss pageant. She won over all other 49 girls to take the scholastic award.

Not only did she appear on national television, but she made her Hertford grandparents very proud.

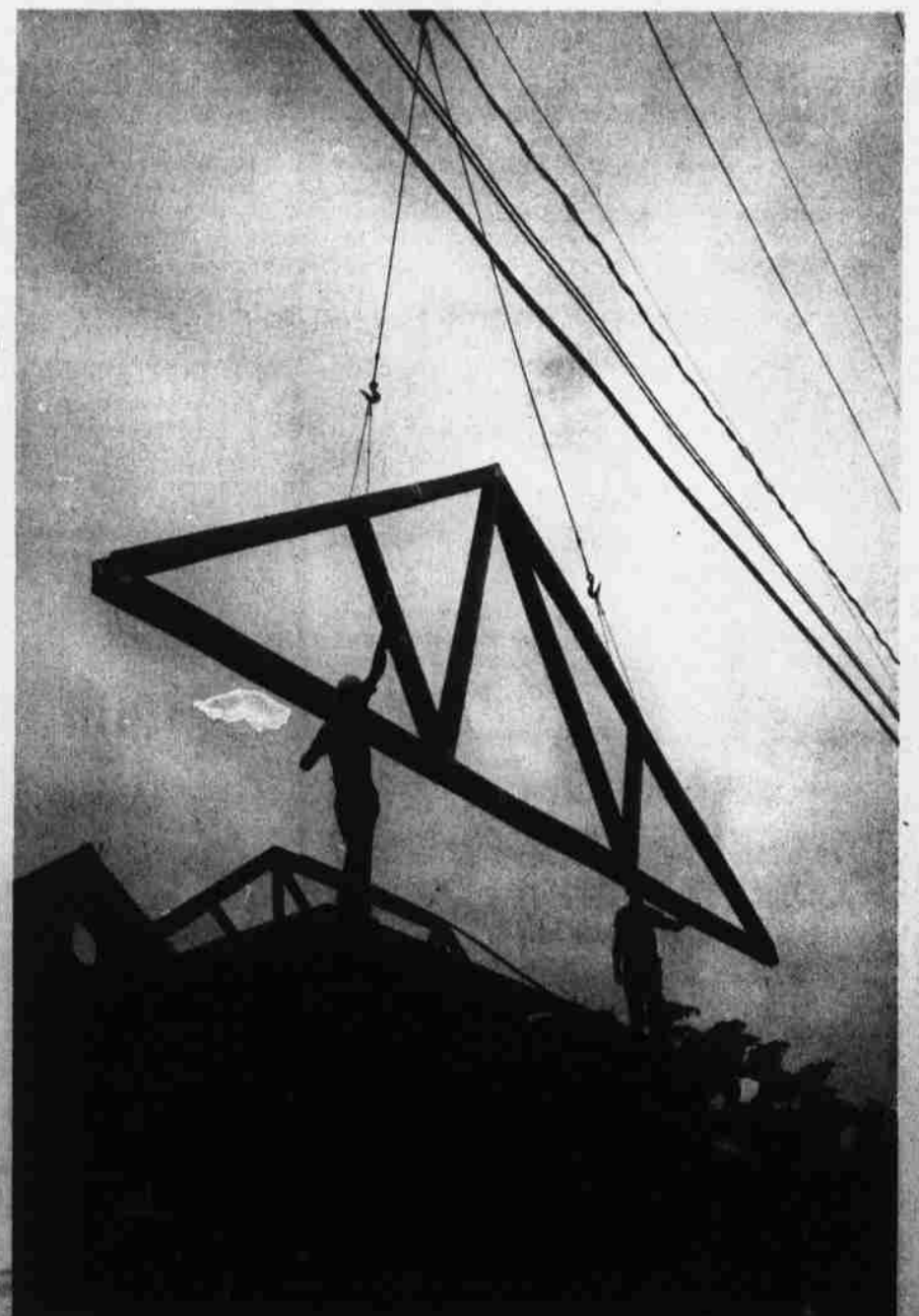
Remove Hazards

Workers began May 13 to remove some of the hazards to boaters and water skiers on the Chowan River, according to an official of the N.C. Division of Commercial and Sports Fisheries.

Pound net fishermen use stakes to hold their pound nets upright in the water. Each pound net set requires several stakes. The stakes are solidly anchored in the bottom and stick out of the water 4-6 feet, or more. In some areas the stakes have not been removed when the fishermen quit fishing; consequently, after many years the abandoned stakes have rotted and broken off near the surface creating a dangerous situation for boaters and water skiers.

The N.C. Board of Water and Air Resources and the N.C. Division of Commercial and Sports Fisheries are jointly financing the project to remove the dangerous obstructions.

Fisheries Division personnel, aboard the Division's 110 foot self propelled barge used in the stake removal project, began work on the Chowan River near Edenton.



DESIGN—The construction crew continues to work on the courthouse annex. This photo shows the many shapes of things to come on the completion of the new annex. (Francis Sawyer Photo)

Elects Youth

Mike Hagan and Mike Hoggard were unanimously elected co-chairmen of the Snug Harbor Youth Group at the meeting on May 18.

The meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thompson of Snug Harbor.

Projects were set up for various age groups. These projects will be sold at the annual Snug Harbor Bazaar on Labor Day weekend.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

J.R. Ball, Commander of William Paul Stallings Post 126, American Legion, extends a welcome to the public at a Memorial Day service. The service will be held Sunday, May 26, at 4 p.m. at the American Legion plot in Cedarwood cemetery. The ceremony will be in memory of all veterans.