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JIMMY "CATFISH" HUNTER

Jim Hunter Named To Hall Of Fame

Perquimans County's favorite son has recently received two highly respected baseball honors. Jimmy Hunter has been named Cy Young Award Winner and on December 2, he will be inducted in the North Carolina Hall of Fame in Greensboro.

Hunter, who is now home enjoying hunting, fishing, and "a little bit of farming," received word from his wife, Helen last Tuesday afternoon of his receiving the Cy Young Award. Hunter had just gotten home from hunting and according to him his first reaction was, "I couldn't believe it. I thought that Ferguson Jenkins would automatically win it." Jenkins, who plays for the Texas Rangers, had been named to the associated press all star team as the right-handed pitcher. Hunter added, "I would like to thank the sports writers for voting for me. It is a great honor."

Concerning his induction into the North Carolina Hall of Fame, Hunter said, "It's a great honor to be in the hall of fame. I thought that it would happen when I was a little older. It's something you always dream about."

Hunter also commented on being back home. He said, "There's no place like North Carolina, and especially Perquimans County. It is so good to get back home and do what I want to do. I think that if I was in Oakland all the time, I would soon get tired of even baseball."

The question of Hunter's contract with the Oakland Athletics still remains to be settled. Hunter said that a meeting was to be held this week with Charlie Finley, owner of the A's, and the Commissioner of Baseball, but due to the illness of his Ahsokie lawyer, the meeting has been postponed indefinitely. He added, "And as of yet, I haven't gotten paid either."

Bicentennial Barge Receives A Boost

The North Carolina Bicentennial Barge has been given a substantial push on its path along the watery byways of the state through a grant from the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources.

In announcing the grant, to be used for a feasibility study and development of an action plan, Grace J. Rohrer, department secretary, said, "The barge concept has aroused our active immediate interest and we look forward to completion of the study and the support of other appropriate state and civic organizations."

Tentative plans for the barge call for it to make stops, starting in 1976, at 33 towns and cities on the coast and navigable waterways of the state. The barge, presenting changing displays of informative and recreational material for

North Carolinians and out-of-state tourists, would remain at ports of call for varying periods of time, depending upon population and interest.

The barge is the brainchild of Nellie Sanders, a regional librarian of Plymouth who thought of it first in terms of a promotional device for library facilities, then expand the idea to include other cultural and educational benefits available to people.

She said that 92 per cent of the people of the state live within 200 miles of the ports selected, and that an additional 2,400,000 in Virginia and South Carolina are within easy traveling distance of the barge stops.

An architectural firm is working on plans calling for construction of a barge pavilion about 200 feet long and 40 feet wide with a

ribbed dome rising about 40 feet above the water. Within the dome would be enclosed exhibit and performance areas.

The North Carolina Bicentennial Barge Foundation, a nonprofit sponsoring organization, will present a bill seeking state funds for the barge at the next session of the General Assembly.

Christmas Parade

The Perquimans County Jaycees' Christmas Parade Committee is making plans for this year's parade to be held Dec. 6 at 4 p.m. In the past, the parade has been sponsored by the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce. This year, the Jaycees are organizing the event with assistance from the chamber.

This year's Christmas Parade will meet and line up at Perquimans County High School at 3:15 p.m. Featured in the parade will be bands, marching units, decorated cars, floats, local officials and clowns. The theme for the parade will be "Christmas Is..." A five person judging committee will view the entries as they pass in front of the courthouse green and cash prizes will be awarded at the parade's conclusion.

The Christmas Parade Committee has attempted to contact all local churches, civic clubs, organizations, and officials. If, however, a group, club, or individual has not been contacted and would like to participate, they may do so by calling Parker Newbern, parade chairman, at 426-7873 or Jean Harrison at the chamber office, 426-5657. Participants must reserve their spot in the Christmas Parade by Nov. 15. Groups which have received forms in the mail are also reminded of the Nov. 15th deadline.

thusiasm for the church, politics, school, and civic activities who merely sit on the sidelines and let others do the job. That perhaps is what the Democrats did two years ago; however, never has he seen the renewed interest in the Democratic Party as great as it has been since August, 1974.

Jones told the young group he was interested in what they were thinking and their views on legislation and pointed out that he was always available and would answer any question they may have in the future through his staff. He was confident that out of this meeting, enthusiasm would

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ATTEND WORKSHOP — Representing Perquimans County at a recent Democratic workshop held in Williamston, N.C. were David Trueblood, teen representative (center); and Joe Nowell, county chairman of the Democratic Party (right). Shown with them is Congressman Walter B. Jones.

Teen Dems Meet

Several teenagers and adults of the First Congressional District recently gathered at the Town and Country Restaurant in Williamston, N.C., to hear Walter B. Jones, Congressman of the First District reaffirm his interest in youth through Teen Dems. He stated that youth can do more than an older person who merely casts a vote, "because youth, if properly motivated, become ardent supporters of the Democratic Party and there is tremendous power in the first district." Jones pointed out that the situation merely needs to be coordinated and the workshop was the initial beginning of the coordination of the First District Teen Dems. He advised the Teens to vote when they came of age. However, in

the meantime, they could influence, by their enthusiasm, by speaking out, and by pointing out virtues of the Democratic Party. He stated that to the best of his knowledge every piece of legislation passed by the U.S. Congress for the benefit of the average man or woman has been inaugurated, instigated and passed by a Democratic Congress and he could not recall a single piece of remedial legislation sponsored by the Republican Party in its entire history in this country.

Jones stated that since August he has seen a renewed interest in the party and he felt that one of the most pathetic things he had observed as he traveled throughout life was individuals with no en-

County Voters Favor Democrats

Slightly more than 1,000 voters turned out in Perquimans County for the November 5 off-season general election. The polls close at 7:30 p.m. and all precincts had reported their final tabulations by 10 p.m.

The only final totals at press time were those for the U.S. Senate seat, member of Congress, and Attorney General. In the U.S. Senate race for Senator Sam Ervin's seat, Robert Morgan, the Democratic candidate received an overwhelming 874 Perquimans County votes, while the Republican William E. Stevens received 148 votes.

As expected, in the race for the Congress seat, Walter B. Jones received the majority of the county's votes - 865, followed by Harry McMullan with 170.

Also, in the race for Attorney General, the Democratic candidate proved to be favored by Perquimans County voters with 825 votes. Rep. James H. Carson, Jr. received 191 county votes. The candidate from the Labor Party, Marion Raine Porter tallied 19 votes.

All candidates in the local races had no opposition.

An addition to this November election was the voting for Perquimans County Soil Conservation District Supervisors. This was also an addition to the voting in all surrounding counties. In Perquimans, the three supervisors who won, but had no opposition were Elmer Lassiter, Floyd Matthews, and Carroll R. Williams.



ROBERT MORGAN



RUFUS L. EDMISTEN



LT. GOV. JIM HUNT

Fall Rally

Area Five of the N.C. Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts will hold its 19th Annual Fall Rally at the Edenton Jaycee Building on November 12 at 6:30 p.m. District Supervisors and their wives from the 20-county Northeastern Area are expected to attend. County Commissioners, representatives of state agricultural agencies and other agricultural and community leaders are invited guest.

Lt. Gov. Jim Hunt will be the featured speaker at the rally. Area Five Chairman Lloyd C. Bunch, announced that around four or five hundred conservationists and guests would gather to hear the lieutenant governor.

Bunch said the public is invited to attend this meeting. Tickets for the event are available from the local Soil and Water Conservation District Office, located in the agriculture building on Dobb Street.

The purpose of this event is to stimulate interest and promote the soil and water conservation district program throughout the area.



TOUR AMERICA — Participants in the Executive Seminar on Employment Strategies toured Don Juan Manufacturing Co. in Hertford last week to get an understanding of industry in America. Participants were from Brazil, Cameron, China, Indonesia, Ivory Coast, Malaysia, Pakistan, Swaziland, Senegal, Mauritius, Tunisia, Upper Volta, Zaire, and Saudia Arabia.



INSIDE — Stuart Anderson, left, gave the special guests to this country a tour of Don Juan and answered questions. Hertford Mayor Bill Cox was also on hand to welcome the distinguished group to America and Hertford.



SAY CHEESE — The group seemed to have learned one thing from Americans — A group picture is always a necessity. (Staff photos by Ray Ward)



IN THE LEAD — Members of the Perquimans County Marching Unit lead Friday's Homecoming Parade sponsored by the P.C.H.S. Student Council. Ella Sue Chappell, the unit's chief, was featured as a queen contestant. Taking her place leading the unit was Joyce Whitlow.



FAVORITE SON — Jimmy "Catfish" Hunter took time out from hunting to participate in Friday's parade. The Cy Young award winner had a light-hearted wave and big smile for parade spectators.



QUEEN NOMINEES — Homecoming Queen nominees from the high school Beta Club were June Jordan (left) and Paula Perry. The beauties display a big smile as they are escorted along the parade route.



GO, PIRATES, GO — During the parade, Junior Varsity and Varsity Cheerleaders at Perquimans High School shouted chants of encouragement for the Pirates in their homecoming game Friday night. The cheerleaders rode on the Hertford Volunteer Fire Department's town truck. (Staff Photos by Kathy Newbern)