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Grant Approved For Local Educators To Attend Session

Assistant School Superintendent Pat Harrell has announced that word has been received notifying local school officials that the State Board of Education has approved a travel-training grant proposal under ESEA Title IV funding.

The grant application was proposed and now approved in order to allow a team of five local educators to travel to Rock Hill, S.C. to observe and participate in an exemplary reading project.

The project is ECRI, Exemplary Center for Reading Instruction and is based in Salt Lake City, Utah. A team from the Utah center will be in South Carolina for one week to conduct the project training. The local five-member team will participate in the one week of training from Feb. 23 through 27.

Those participating will include Clara DuBois and Sandra Simpson from Hertford Grammar School; Jackie Boyd from Perquimans Central; Lola Mitchel from Perquimans Union and Walker Morris

from Perquimans High School.

After the local team has completed the in-depth training session, they will be familiar with the ECRI project and will be able to train other teachers in their respective schools upon their return.

The ECRI project works under the premise that critical teacher behavior is essential to prevent reading failure. The project center has identified several teaching techniques as being essential to prevent reading failure. These include eliciting correct responses from non-responding pupils; diagnosing and prescribing instantly when errors or no responses occur; moving students from a prompted to unprompted level of recall; increasing the rate of correct response; adjusting the amount of practice to individual learning rates; focusing on the output of languages and utilizing effective management and monitoring system.

When the participants return from the training

session in Rock Hill, if they have found the project to be worthwhile, all or any part

of it may be implemented in the Perquimans County Schools next year.

Whitehursts Named State Soybean Champs

RALEIGH — Perquimans County farmers Tildon Whitehurst and sons Gary and Tildon Jr., have been named State Soybean Yield Champions for 1975, according to Jim Wilder, Executive Vice President of the North Carolina Soybean Producers Association. Announcement was made during the Annual Membership Meeting of the North Carolina Soybean Producers Association here on February 6. The Whitehursts have a family partnership farming operation.

The Whitehurst yield of 61.62 bushels per acre is nearly eleven bushels less than the 72.5 bushels state record set back in 1971, however, it was still very impressive considering the extremes of weather and other conditions that prevailed last year. Tildon Jr. was on hand to receive the award on Friday night. As the State Yield Champion, the Whitehursts were presented a plaque and an all-expense-paid trip for one family member to the

American Soybean Association Annual Meeting in Kansas City, Missouri next August. They also were presented a Certificate of Membership into the elite 60-Bushel Soybean Club sponsored by the North Carolina Extension Service.

The trip and plaque were presented by the North Carolina Soybean Producers Association. North Carolina State University Extension Service and the North Carolina Soybean Producers Association are co-sponsors of the contest.

The Whitehursts planted registered York seed on their contest acreage. Row width was 41 inches and the crop was cultivated twice. A granular herbicide (Lasso) was used in the row as a band treatment and the crop also received two cultivations and a double treatment of a combination insecticide and fungicide during the fruiting period. Lime was applied on the soil in 1974 at the rate of one ton per acre. Then a granular 3-9-18 was applied at the rate of 500 pounds per acre.

Minutes From Bd. Of Education

The Perquimans County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, February 2 at 9 a.m. in the Superintendent's office.

All members were present. The Chairman called the meeting to order. The minutes of two previous meetings were read and approved. The Board approved the use of CETA Funds to employ two persons to work as maintenance helpers in the county schools.

A budget amendment approving an increase in expenditure in the amount of \$5,000.00 on Capital Outlay was approved by the Board. This money is to come from invested surplus funds.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried the Board voted to relinquish any claim or interest to a parcel of property in New Hope Township which had at one time been used for school purposes. This parcel situated near the old Concord Church was given to the District School Committee on February 18, 1904 by Charles O. Riddick to be used as a school site. The Deed of Conveyance specified that the ownership of the land will revert to Charles O. Riddick, or his assigns should it ever be permanently abandoned as a school site.

In the way of other business the Board granted permission for Christine Kirkland to continue to be assigned to Perquimans Central School for the remainder of the present school year. This permission was granted at the request of her mother, Mrs. Sherry Kirkland with the understanding that Christine will be assigned to Hertford Grammar School for the 1976-77 term.

The Board approved a schedule performance of a "Court Room Trial" by the Division of Cultural Arts of the State Department of Public Instruction. This performance is scheduled for the morning of April 7, 1976.

The Board made plans for a meeting with the Board of Commissioners at 2 p.m. February 3 at the County Court House.

Chairman Clifford Winslow reported on a National School Boards Association Committee Meeting which he had attended.

There being no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair.

Farm Operating Agreements Will Be Discussed

On Thursday night, Feb. 12, at 7:30 p.m., Jim Allgood, Extension Economist, N.C. State University will lead a discussion on Farm Operating Agreements for Commercial Farmers. The meeting will be held in Hertford at the County Office Building, which is located on the Hertford-Edenton Highway.

Charles E. Hammond, Area Management-Marketing Specialist with the Agricultural Extension Service, Coastal Plains Area Economics Program encourages all family members involved in the farm business to attend because a satisfactory operating agreement requires the understanding of all family members.



FORMER GOV. BOB SCOTT

County Demos To Hear Bob Scott

The Perquimans County Democratic Party has scheduled its annual fund-raising dinner for February 26 at 7 p.m. to be held at Angler's Cove Seafood Restaurant.

Guest speaker for the evening is Bob Scott, former Governor of North Carolina. Tickets for the dinner are \$7.50 per person and can be obtained from the Democratic precinct chairmen.

Scott is a resident of Haw River in Alamance County and received his B.S. degree in Dairy Husbandry from Duke University.

His past political involvements have been extensive. He was elected North Carolina Governor in Nov., 1968 for the term which expired January, 1973. Scott has also served as Lieutenant Governor of the Tar Heel State. He has served in the capacities of Democratic precinct chairman, county vice chairman and the Solicitorial District Executive Committee.

Bob Scott has been awarded honorary Doctor of Law degrees from Elon College, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Campbell College, Davidson College, the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, and Fayetteville State University. The former governor has received several distinguished service awards and holds membership on a variety of state committees and commissions related to both politics and farming.

Democratic County Chairman Joe Nowell said he was pleased to have Bob Scott coming to speak with Democrats in Perquimans County and he may be contacted to make dinner reservations at 297-2436 or tickets can be purchased from the Democratic precinct chairmen.

Civic Calendar

THURSDAY, FEB. 12

Hertford Grammar School PTA will meet at the grammar school at 8 p.m. The theme of the program is "Know Your School."

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Perquimans County Democratic Precinct meeting will be held at 8 p.m. at each Precinct polling place. The purpose of the meetings is the elections of precinct officers.

FRIDAY, FEB. 13

Bethel Homemakers will meet at 2:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEB. 14

The Elizabeth City Shrine Club will have a Valentine Sweetheart Ball for Shriners and Guest from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Music will be by the Countryman. Admission is \$5.00 per couple.

MONDAY, FEB. 16

Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building in Hertford. All members are urged to please be present.

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The Perquimans County Senior Citizens Club will meet at 2 p.m. at the American Legion Home. Members and Guest are invited.

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Perquimans County Commissioners will meet at 7 p.m. at the Courthouse in Hertford.

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Marching Unit Parents Club will meet.

TUESDAY, FEB. 17

Snow-Hill White Hat Home Extension Club will have a supper, starting at 6 p.m. at the Community Building. All members are urged to please come and enjoy the fellowship.

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Hertford Rotary Club will meet.

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Perquimans Lodge No. 106 will meet at 8 p.m. at the Courthouse in Hertford.

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Belvidere-Chapel Hill Ladies Aux. will meet.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18

Durants Neck Ruritan Club will meet.

THURSDAY, FEB. 19

Hertford BPW Club will meet.

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Hertford Fire Department will meet.

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Hertford Lions Club will meet.

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The movie, "Airport '75" will be shown in the Perquimans County High School auditorium beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tickets in advance are 75 cents and at the door will be \$1.25. Tickets can be bought from any member of the high school Student Council. Proceeds go to support Student Council projects such as the Miss PCHS pageant and to send students to a workshop in Roanoke Rapids.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Perquimans County Jaycees will have a Clay Pigeon Shoot from 9 a.m. until - at Bob White Farm located 1 mile south of ABC store on Wynn Ford Rd. on March 6, 1976.

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The Perquimans County Jayettes will have a dance March 27 at Snug Harbor Club House. The theme will be "SHAMROCK". Price will be \$15 per couple. Music will be by "Jay & the James Tawny Ferry."

Bicentennial Observance At Union School

Bicentennial is the mood at Perquimans Union School. Recently, a committee of teachers developed a plan for Bicentennial activities to be carried out at the school each month for the remainder of the year.

In March, there will be an essay contest with the topic being "The Most Important Event or Person in Our History." Classroom winners will be selected and their essays will be taped. The winning essays will be read during Happy Birthday America Week to be held at the school in April.

April will hold several contests for Perquimans Union students. These will include ciphering, penmanship, a spelling bee, and a recitation contest. Winners will be recognized at a special assembly. Also in April, an art contest including such divisions as needlework, crafts, cooking,

painting and historical displays will be held. Each of these must relate to the Bicentennial. The winning entries in each category will be displayed in a merchant's store window in Hertford.

Happy Birthday America Week will be observed at Union School from April 26 through May 1 with students dressing in colonial costumes one day during the week. The week's activities also include a movie concerning colonial times, colonial games in the physical education classes, and an assembly featuring the winners in the various contests sponsored. Each grade will also present a gift to the school and a colonial birthday party will be held including homemade ice cream.

As the school year winds up in May, Union students will put on an antique show and demonstration.

Vocational Education Week Is Proclaimed

North Carolina James E. Holshouser Jr. has proclaimed the week of Feb. 8-14 as North Carolina Vocational Education Week.

The purpose of this national observance is to bring attention to the merits and accomplishments of vocational education. The

week is being observed throughout the country by educational institutions, teachers and students.

Local teachers will be viewing Educational Television on Feb. 12 for a Forum scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. as part of the week's observance.

Bond Sales Reported

Sales of Series E and H Savings Bonds in Perquimans County during the fourth quarter of 1975 were \$13,762. Total sales for 1975 were \$92,252. This represents 187.1 per cent of their goal of \$49,300, according to R.L. Stevenson, County Volunteer Chairman.

Total cash sales of E and H Bonds for the past year in North Carolina were \$97,910,586, which represents 99.3 per cent of the state's dollar goal of \$98,600,000. Of that amount, \$25,032,635 was sold in the fourth quarter.

Nationally, United States Savings Bonds sales hit a record high of more than \$7 billion during 1975. Total year-end holdings of Series E and H Bonds were \$67.5 billion. Including Freedom Shares — which were withdrawn from sale in 1970 — the total adds up to \$67.9 billion.

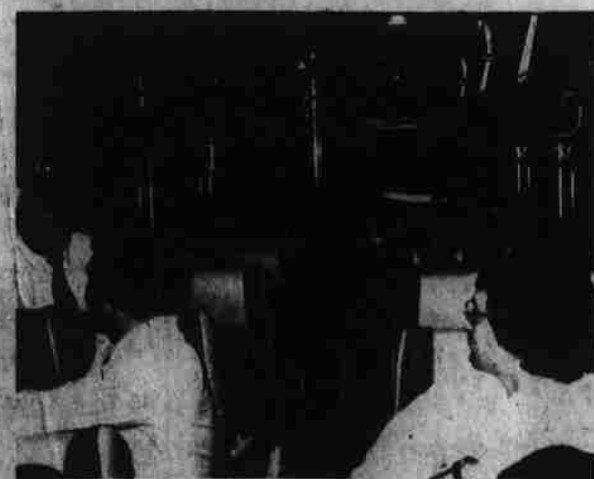
Speaking of the program, Secretary of the Treasury William E. Simon said, "The 1975 United States Savings Bonds story is one of gratifying achievement. Savings Bonds are good for America, good for individual Americans and good for our future. They are a safe, convenient and intelligent way for millions of Americans to save. They help the government to manage the national debt in probably the least

inflationary way possible. And they are a practical way for all of us to 'take stock in America' — to say 'Thanks' for our national past and 'yes' to our collective future.

"For these reasons, we at Treasury hope and expect that 1976, America's Bicentennial year, will be another record-breaking 'buy bonds' year as well."



RECOGNIZED — Pictured above, H. Duke Fentress, CLU, Senior Vice President of American Defender Life Insurance Company (l.) presents Wayne Ashley and wife Ingrid of Perquimans County a certificate of recognition at the North Carolina Jaycees Awards Banquet held in Raleigh, Saturday night. Ashley was recognized for his outstanding performance in his city and community which led to his nomination as one of North Carolina's five outstanding young men. This is the fourth consecutive year American Defender Life has sponsored the event in connection with the North Carolina Jaycees.



HOMETOWN SUPPORT — A chartered bus carrying 25 Perquimans County residents (pictured at left) ventured to Raleigh on Feb. 4 to witness the presentation of the Will Wynne Award to Jim "Catfish" Hunter, the county's favorite son. Hertford Mayor Bill Cox (pictured in the center) was on the program at the 28th annual Will Wynne



Award banquet held at Scott Pavilion. Cox praised Hunter as not only being an outstanding ball player, but also for being an outstanding father, husband and member of the community. The Mayor also thanked Hunter for what he has done for Hertford and Perquimans County. Pictured at right, Hunter holds up his award. With him are his wife,



Helen; his mother and mother-in-law. The presentation made the third consecutive year that Hunter has received the award honoring the North Carolinian who has contributed the most to the game of baseball during the year. This made the fifth time totaled, Hunter has received the honor. (Newbern photos)