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Commissioners Meet:

Steps Will Be Taken For October Bond Vote

Among action taken when the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday night was authorization to apply for the school bond referendum to be held in October. At the business session, the Board voted to authorize County Attorney John Matthews to take the necessary legal steps to call for the \$1.85 million bond referendum for renovation and construction at Perquimans County High School. The Perquimans

County Board of Education requested that the bond referendum be held in October.

In other matters, Howard Maxwell, General Manager of Holiday Island representing the Holiday Island Property Owners' Association, Inc. was present at the Monday night meeting to request a take-over by the state for maintenance of approximately 7 miles of road. Although the area is owned by a private citizen, the

Association has right of way to that section. The Commissioners agreed to file this request on the group's behalf. Maxwell also requested the Commissioners to enforce a speed limit for boaters in the Holiday Island canal. The question was raised concerning the Board's legal ability to enforce such a limit. While no action was taken, the matter will be looked into further.

In other business, the Board of Commissioners

passed a motion to adopt the Implementation and Enforcement Plan in connection with the Areas of Environmental Concern and to submit the plan to the Coastal Resources Commission.

Before the Board adjourned, County Accountant D.F. Reed Jr. presented a Report of Financial Information as required by GS 159-33.1 which is to be submitted to the Local Government Commission.

Calendar Orders

The Perquimans County Marching Unit is in the process of conducting its Annual Community Birthday Calendar Campaign. The project is continuing from July 22 through Aug. 10. Proceeds from the calendar sales are used to offset expenses of the all-girl unit.

A member of the unit or the unit's Parents Club will be contacting residents throughout the county while this project is underway. Residents are reminded to only make contributions if given a receipt from the Marching Unit.

For anyone interested in placing an order for the community calendar, Mrs. Janet Bunch may be contacted at 4 2-2894 or any member of the Perquimans County Marching Unit can take an order.

In Va. Pageant

Susan Ann Smith who holds the title of "Miss Portsmouth" will be a contestant in the "Miss Virginia" State Pageant to be held July 23 in the Roanoke Civic Center in Roanoke, Va. WTAR television, channel 3, will be broadcasting the pageant live beginning at 8 p.m.

Miss Smith is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith of Belvidere and Mrs. Norman Elliott of Hertford.

Also, performing in the pageant is Hugh Raiford Copeland, son of Mr. and Mrs. E.O. Copeland of Belvidere. More details concerning Copeland's appearance appear on page 8 in this issue.

Winslow Named

RALEIGH — Cecil E. Winslow of Winslow-Blanchard Motor Co. in Hertford will serve as 1977-78 County Area Chairman for the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association. Announcement of his appointment was made recently by NCADA President Richard B. Parker of Morehead City.

Recognizing the need for continual cultural improvement in the community, the Lyceum Committee at College of the Albemarle will embark on a new venture this summer which could involve most of the residents in the seven-county region served by the college.

Jerome Rhees, committee chairperson, announced today that for the first time in the history of COA's cultural promotion program which has previously been carried on primarily for the benefit of the student body, a campaign will be conducted to give individuals a chance to sponsor the 1977-78 Lyceum series. Rhees said that patrons' memberships will be offered at special rates for the coming season.

During the remainder of July and the month of August, volunteers representing community civic organizations in the area and committee members will distribute the

TOOK CURVE TOO FAST — This car driven by Robert Bond of Norfolk, Va. landed in the edge of the Perquimans River last Thursday morning after the driver attempted to take the curve traveling too fast. A tree in the water prevented the vehicle from sinking deeper than the depth of its wheels.



REMOVAL COMPLETED — Hertford Police Chief Marshal Merritt checks the Bond car following removal by a wrecker. The driver received only minor injuries. Damage to the car was estimated at \$800. (Staff photos by Kathy Newbern)

Causeway Area Is Site Of Another Car Accident

The causeway area north of the S-shaped bridge in Hertford has been the scene of two automobile accidents in less than one week. The first, involving two vehicles, occurred July 8 and was reported in last week's edition of *The Perquimans Weekly*.

The most recent accident in the area occurred last Thursday at 10:20 a.m. Robert Bond of 2129 Vinet Avenue in Norfolk, Va., was traveling south on the causeway heading into Hertford when he entered the curve at a high rate of speed, ran off the road on the right, struck a guardpost and went into the Perquimans River where he struck a tree at the edge of the water and came to a halt. Bond received minor injuries and was transported to the Hertford Medical Clinic by the Perquimans County Rescue Squad. Investigating the accident was Hertford Police Chief Marshal Merritt. He commended rescue squad member H.B. Miller for stopping at the scene and rendering first aid to the injured driver. Two unknown men who removed the driver from his vehicle which was partially submerged, were also commended. The driver was charged with exceeding a safe speed.

The Hertford Police Department also reported two other recent accidents.

Willard Michael Perry of Rt. 1, Hobbsville was charged with a safe movement violation following an accident on July 16 at 9:30 p.m. on Barros Alley. According to investigating Officer Boyce, the Perry vehicle backed into a vehicle operated by Emma Pegram East of Camden. There were no injuries. Damage to the East car was estimated at \$350; \$25 estimated damage was done to the Perry vehicle.

A one-car accident occurred July 17 at 9 a.m. on Wynne Fork Road. A late model station wagon operated by Brenda

Halsey Privott of 113 Wynne Fork Court, was traveling east, ran off the road on the right, ran into the ditch, traveled approximately 400 feet and struck a culvert. The driver was not injured and the vehicle was reported as a total loss. Investigating the accident was Officer Boyce.

Other recent activities of the Hertford Police Department include one arrest, investigation of two break-ins, and the issuance of two citations.

Arrested July 13 and charged with disorderly conduct was Kenny Felton of 110 King St., Hertford. The arrest was made by Officer Logan. Felton was released on his own recognizance.

The first of the two reported break-ins occurred July 10 at Keel's Trading Post, located on the corner of Grubb Street and Hertford-Edenton Road. Entry into the building was made through a rear window, according to the police report, and approximately \$200 in coins was taken. Chief Merritt stated that the case is still under investigation.

The second reported break-in occurred July 11 at 8 p.m. at a mobile home adjacent to Murray Motor Parts on Dobbs Street in Hertford. One juvenile has been arrested in connection with the incident. Investigating was Officer Boyce. Four tires valued at approximately \$220 were recovered. Investigation is also continuing in this case.

James E. Harrison of 3128 12th St., N.E., Washington, D.C. was charged with speeding at the rate of 68 mph in a 55 mph zone on U.S. 17 By-Pass by Police Officer Harvey on July 17 at 4:55 p.m.

Randy Neil Wood of 313 E. Burgess St., Elizabeth City, was cited by Officer Harvey for speeding at the rate of 69 mph in a 55 mph zone on U.S. 17 by-pass on the same day at 10:50 p.m.

COA Embarks On New Venture

colorful folders that describe the events which have been planned. Interested individuals may send the subscription forms included in the folders with their remittance to the chairperson at the college and in turn will be issued season tickets prior to the first production in September.

Rhees said the sponsors' memberships will sell for \$7.50 each which will amount to a substantial savings when compared with regular box office prices for admission to the performances. He said that through the sales of memberships, the committee will have the added financial means to contract for more performers of high quality for the next season.

"It is conceivable," Rhees said, "that with the solid support of the residents in the seven counties that we serve, COA's Lyceum program can ultimately develop into one of the finest series of any cultural im-

provement effort in north-eastern North Carolina."

He said that growth of the project to the level of excellence visualized by the committee would be a slow process. In urging the public's participation, the chairperson said the extent of its success depends upon the steady growth of support from individuals who are in-

terested in a well-rounded series of entertainment for themselves and their neighbors.

Four major attractions have been scheduled to form the nucleus for the 1977-78 season. They include Soleil, a spectacular computer programmed laser light and music production on September 16; Richard Col-

lins, concert pianist on November 7; "St. John Passion" presented by the combined music departments of COA and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on March 19; and a lively theatrical production by either Half-Penny Theatre or the Vagabond Players to complete the season.

LYCEUM KICKOFF

— Jerome Rhees, chairperson of COA's Lyceum committee, explains material to volunteer workers who met last week to get the college's Lyceum series membership campaign underway. Several community leaders are expected to distribute the material among members of civic clubs and individuals in the seven-county region in an effort to build COA's cultural series for the benefit of all of the area's residents. (COA Photo)



MRS. JO DIXON



MARSHAL MERRITT



BILL COX

WCDJ To Feature Hertford Broadcast

Terry Jones, owner and general manager of WCDJ radio in Edenton, announced this week that the Edenton radio station will broadcast live every Tuesday morning from the Winslow-Blanchard Motor Co. in Hertford.

The purpose of the broadcast is to provide Hertford and Perquimans County residents with more adequate radio service according to the station owner. The program will consist of countywide church and civic announcements, interviews with local personalities and community leaders, and commercials from local businesses. The local broadcast will be held from 10 a.m. until 12 noon on Tuesdays. Popular disc jockey Stan "radio" Atamanchuk will emcee the program.

Concerning the new program, Jones said, "While growing up in Edenton I made many friends in Hertford and have

always felt that the two towns could benefit by more communication with one another. I am proud to offer the services of WCDJ to our friends in Perquimans County. WCDJ has served the Albemarle since 1955 and we want to continue and even improve on that service."

The first program, scheduled for next Tuesday, July 26, will feature interviews with three Perquimans County citizens.

Featured will be newly appointed Hertford Police Chief Marshal Merritt, Town Manager and Hertford Mayor Bill Cox, and local business leader, Mrs. Jo Dixon who owns and operates J-Dees Ceramics & Gifts with her family.

Any local resident having church and civic club announcements to be included on the program is encouraged to mail them immediately to WCDJ, P.O. Box 180, Edenton, N.C. 27932.

Savings Bond Sales In County Reported

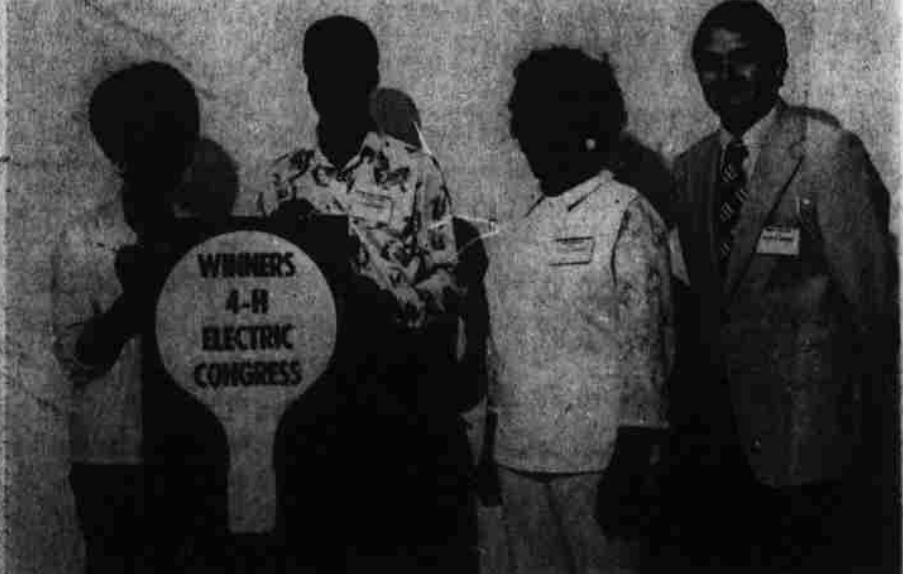
Series E and H Savings Bond sales in Perquimans County during the first half of 1977 were \$40,596. This represents 49.2 per cent of the county's goal of \$82,460 according to R.L. Stevenson, County Volunteer Chairman.

Sales of Series E and H Savings Bonds in North Carolina amounted to \$54,580,671 for the first six months of 1977, 5.3 per cent higher than in 1976 and the best for the period since 1945. This represents 46.3 per cent of the state's dollar

goal of \$117,800,000. Second quarter sales of \$26,662,529 were recorded, 4.1 per cent higher than the April-June period last year.

Nationally, E and H Savings Bond sales amounted to \$4.1 billion for the first six months of 1977, five per cent higher than in 1976 and the best for the period since 1945. Second quarter sales of \$2.06 billion were recorded, seven per cent higher than the April-June period last year. The resulting net cash inflow — total sales minus total redemptions, including

accrued interest — was \$510 million for the six-month period, the largest in 28 years.



ATTEND ELECTRIC CONGRESS — Perquimans County 4-H members Casie Felton and Reginald Stepany were delegates to the State 4-H Electric Congress at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, July 11-13. Mrs. M.B. Taylor, Extension Agent, and Billy

Wooten, Commercial Representative with the Virginia Electric and Power Company (VEPCO), accompanied the delegates. The 4-H'ers were selected for achievement in their electric projects. VEPCO sponsored their trip to the Electric Congress.