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County Wins NACo Award

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DETROIT, Mich. — Perquimans County has become one of six northeastern North Carolina counties to receive recognition here at the 42nd annual conference of the National Association of Counties (NACo).

That recognition came Sunday on the opening day of the national convention activities. At that time, Perquimans joined Bertie, Chowan, Gates, Hertford,

and Martin counties in accepting the achievement award from the national association for involvement in Alliance for Progress, Inc.

The plaque presentation recognizes the six counties for their participation in the consortium which has as its goal, the improvement of the educational process through cooperative efforts of elected officials, namely the commissioners and board of education

members in each of the six counties involved in AFP.

R.S. Monds of Hertford, AFP Chairman and Perquimans County Commissioner, was among the local officials attending the convention July 24-27 at Cobo Hall in Wayne County, Detroit, Mich. Also attending was Board Chairman Lester Simpson, Commissioner Joe Nowell, Board of Education Chairman Clifford Winslow, and School Superintendent Pat Harrell. The local officials joined 25 representatives from the

other five counties in AFP to attend the convention activities.

Alliance for Progress, Inc. was among the 31 achievement award winners to set up exhibit booths in the exhibition area at Cobo Hall. The AFP display included a three panel section featuring artistic representation of the areas of AFP involvement: government, education, culture/heritage, and community citizenship. The exhibit booth also featured a slide presentation and 12-
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NATIONAL RECOGNITION — Perquimans County received national recognition at the 42nd annual conference of the National Association of Counties (NACo) held July 24-27 in Detroit, Mich. Pictured above, Perquimans County Commissioners Joe Nowell (left) and Chairman Lester Simpson are shown displaying the plaque which was

presented to the six counties involved in Alliance for Progress, Inc. Other local officials attending the convention included Commissioner and AFP Chairman R.S. Monds, Chairman of the Board of Education Clifford Winslow, and School Superintendent Pat Harrell. (Kathy Newbern photos)



MANPOWER PROGRAM DISCUSSED — Robert Whitley, Executive Director of ARPDC, explains the Manpower program at the July 19 meeting of the Com-

mission's Executive Board. On his left is R.S. Monds of Hertford, ARPDC Chairman.

Phone Company Merges

It was jointly announced today by Paul H. Henson, Chairman of United Telecommunications, Inc. and L.S. Blades, III, President of Norfolk Carolina Telephone Company, that an agreement in principle to merge Norfolk Carolina into the United System has been reached.

Norfolk Carolina is headquartered in Elizabeth City, N.C. The proposed merger, which would take the form of a tax-free reorganization would call for each of the approximately 780,000 common shares of Norfolk Carolina to be exchanged for 1.2 shares of United common stock. Based on United's closing price of 21 1/2 on Friday, July 22, the value of each of Norfolk Carolina common share is \$25.35.

Blades said that the management and Board of Directors were enthusiastic about joining United. Blades said that he felt combination would result in economies in operation and would strengthen the company. The Board of Directors has approved the plan in principle, but consummation of the acquisition is subject to the preparation of satisfactory documents and final approval by the boards of directors of both corporations, appropriate regulatory bodies, and the stockholders of Norfolk Carolina.

BARBEQUE SUPPER — A Barbeque Chicken Supper will be held at the Belvidere-Chappell Hill Fire Department on Saturday, July 30, 1977, from 5-8 p.m. Plates will be sold at the window at 2.50 a plate. The public is invited to attend.

Budget Topic At ARPDC

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The budget, office lease, the Manpower program, and the recent audit were just some of the topics to come before the Board of Directors of the Albemarle Regional Planning and Development Commission (ARPDC) at their July 19 meeting.

The ARPDC budget proposal, which had been considered previously, was approved quickly and with no opposition.

Following this action, ARPDC's Executive Director, Robert Whitley, explained the situation concerning the ARPDC's office space in Edenton. When construction began on the new building site in Perquimans County, the Commission did not renew its lease and had been renting on a month-to-month basis. The Commission has been told to evacuate its Edenton office space by Aug. 15 since new occupants are scheduled to

move in. Therefore, ARPDC is now in the process of trying to locate office space in Hertford to prevent future changes of address.

In other business, Raleigh Carver, chairman of the Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners and chairman of the ARPDC By-Laws Committee, presented the committee report of proposed changes to be voted on at the next meeting. Proposal highlights included: rewriting the organization's purpose and objectives clause; to have the Commission membership consist of two elected officials from each county and one elected official from each municipality to be appointed respectively by the County Commissioners and Town Councils; to attempt to obtain 25 per cent minority representation on the Commission, to have members absent from 50 per cent of the meetings in a calendar year removed from the com-

mission, to eliminate the Executive Board of Directors and have all business considered by the full membership, to meet regularly on a monthly basis with a regular meeting date planned, to have a quorum consist of 51 per cent of the membership, to have the Finance Committee present the annual budget at the April meeting for the Commission's approval, and to have the chairman make appointments to the following committees: Personnel (five members), Budget and Finance (five members), Nominating (three members), and Presidential Advisory Committee (five members) to serve only in an advisory capacity to aid in developing programs.

The next item of business to be discussed was the ARPDC Manpower Program. Whitley explained that bids have been received from agencies to take over administration of this program.

Breaking & Entering Larceny Arrests Made

A criminal summons for misdemeanor breaking and entering was served July 22, 1977 on Carl Richard Owens of Rt. 1, Box 983, Hertford. Officer R.L. Harvey served the summons.

Abner Tyrone Harvey of Rt. 1, Box 375, Hertford, was arrested July 22, 1977 at 4:45 p.m. by Chief Merritt and Officer R.L. Harvey for larceny of a C.B. antenna. The alleged larceny took place some time during the night of July 21, 1977. Released on his own recognizance.

Virgil Harald Copeland of Rt. 2, Box 69, Hertford was cited for improper passing

on Grubb St. at 7:34 p.m. July 22, by Officer J.R. Logan.

Frank Denver Alexander Jr. (age 16) of 211 Market St. was arrested by Chief Merritt for damaging a coin-operated machine. Arrested July 23, the alleged damage was committed on June 22. The arrest was the culmination of an investigation conducted by Officer J.R. Logan. A juvenile petition will also be served in connection with the case.

Charles A. Barsh of 916 E. Market St., Danville, Pa. was arrested for improper passing by Chief Merritt on U.S. 17 at the intersection of Wynne Fork Rd. on Sunday at 11:35 a.m. July 24. Mr. Barsh pleaded guilty before Magistrate B.T. Dail Sr. and paid a fine and court costs.

Elmo Alexander of 316 Stokes St. was arrested by Officer J.R. Logan on July 24 at 7:50 a.m. on Gum St. for driving while license revoked and driving under the influence of alcohol. Alexander was released on his own recognizance.

Willie G. Felton of 110 King St. was arrested by Officer R.L. Harvey on July 24 for malicious damage to personal property. Felton was released on his own recognizance.

Revival Dates Set

A series of revival meeting services will begin at Bethlehem Church of Christ, Rt. 1, Hertford on Monday evening, August 1, and continue through Sunday morning's 11 a.m. worship hour on August 7.

There will be special music each evening. Neil Puckett is the visiting evangelist and Ronnie Woolard, minister of the church invites all who love good gospel preaching and singing to attend the services each evening at 8 p.m.



LIVE & REMOTE — Hertford Mayor Bill Cox, far right, chats with WCDJ radio station owner Terry Jones, about the virtues of Hertford. The live broadcast was made Tuesday by the Edenton AM station WCDJ, at Winslow-Blanchard. A number of such broadcasts are scheduled.



DON JUAN AWARDED — Stuart M. Anderson, manager of Don Juan Manufacturing Co. Inc., Hertford, accepts the Tidewater American Red Cross Blood Drive Big Drop Award. The award, presented by A.L. West Jaycee blood chairman was made to the garment manufacturing company for the outstanding past cooperation the management and employees of the firm have made each time the bloodmobile has visited or been sponsored by Don Juan.

Civic Calendar

MONDAY, AUGUST 1

- Hertford Town Council will meet at 7:30.
- Perquimans County Commissioners will meet at 10 a.m.
- Winfall Town Council will meet.
- Winfall Fire Department will meet.
- Perquimans County Board of Education meets.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

- Hertford Rotary Club meets at 6:30.
- Parksville Ruritan Club meets.
- Whiteston Homemakers will meet.
- Perquimans Masonic Lodge will meet.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

- Jaycettes meet.



OPENING SESSION — Dan Lynch, NACo President, is shown presiding at the opening session of the association's convention. Lynch is Chairman of the Board of Commissioners in Douglas County (Omaha), Neb.



LIVE BROADCAST — The Tidewater Red Cross Bloodmobile paid a summer visit to Perquimans County Tuesday to collect the life-saving fluid. Pictured above, Dottie Liffbridge, General Manager of WBXB, is shown during the station's live broadcast from the Bloodmobile site at the First United Methodist Church in Hertford. WBXB performed

the public service in an effort to encourage donors. The visit was sponsored by the Perquimans County Jaycees. Local businesses sponsoring the radio broadcast were: Towe Motor Co., J.C. Blanchard Co., Brinn Insurance Agency, Woodard's Pharmacy, and Peoples Bank & Trust Co.



CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS — The marquee outside Detroit's Cobo Hall welcomes the over 3,000 delegates attending the national convention. One highlight of the 42nd annual session was an address on Wednesday by Vice President Walter F. Mondale. Additional convention highlights will be featured in next week's edition of *The Perquimans Weekly*.

J.V. Practice Begins Aug. 1

Perquimans High School junior varsity football practice will begin August 1, at 6 p.m.

Those participating in the practice are required to have athletic participation forms completed, physical

and parents permission; insurance either covered by parents or school and football shoes.

Those with questions may contact Coach Larry Knox at 297-2425 or 426-5385.