



MAKING HAY WHILE THE SUN SHINES — A harvester works wheat fields in the New Hope area last Thursday in an effort to bring in the crop before more showers hit the area. Rain fell again Monday bringing farm operations to a halt in the fields once again.

Sets up special commission

Board hears problems

By JACK GROVE

The Perquimans County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, June 4. All commissioners were present.

Kay Boyce, representing the Band Boosters Club, appeared before the board to request funds for the purchase of band uniforms for members of the Perquimans County Band. She stated that \$4,000 has already been raised, but that a total of \$12,000 was needed. Board chairman Joe Nowell indicated that the request would be taken under consideration.

Paul Gregory, Social Services director, submitted a monthly report to the board.

Albert Moore and Floyd Matthews of the Soil Conservation Service introduced two new additions to the service — David Leatherwood, a summer trainee and John Scott, soil scientist, a permanent addition to their staff. They also discussed renovation of the SCS office and requested funds for a relocation of a door. The funds for the door relocation were approved.

Ben Roberts and Louis Eaves, who live on

Russel Drive in Billy's Beach sub-division came before the commissioners before the commissioners concerning a road approved by the state which would be built by the state at the expense of the property owners. They indicated that one property owner on the proposed road is unwilling to share this expense. Roberts and Eaves asked the board for a special assessment against this property owner for his share of the work as provided in the N.C. General Statutes, G.S. nos. 153A-185 and 153A-205. No official action was taken at the meeting.

necessary before expansion of the system is possible.

Phillip Williams of the Lazy-Y Campground off S.R. 1332, accompanied by his attorney, Ray Etheridge of Elizabeth City, next spoke before the board. They wanted to know why water pipe had been laid part-way to the Lazy-Y property and then the pipe construction was halted. Harwell informed them that a right of way was needed from Williams on the Lazy-Y property and the property would then be included in phase II.

Clyde Lane and Mr. Randolph, residents of state road 1351 made inquiry as to when they could expect water from the county for their properties. Tom Harwell, an engineer with Rivers and Assoc., designers of the county water system was present at the meeting. He explained that they would be included in phase II of the project, funds for which had not been received yet. Harwell also stated that a new treatment plant would be needed in the Hat area and that three new wells would be

John Coston, chairman of the County Planning Commission asked that the board consider reimbursing the owners of Shady Oaks sub-division for the cost of implementing the water system on that property. The commissioners reaction was negative but no official action was taken. Other sub-division regulations were brought before the board by Coston, also with no official action taken.

John Matthews, county attorney, again discussed with the commissioners the subject of a special

commission to help bring industry into the county. This was a continuation of the discussion before the board on May 21. At that time, it was explained that this commission, required by state law, would screen industries wishing to locate in the county that could be eligible for state bonds as a financial inducement to locate here. The commission would be composed of seven members who would be independent of the County Commissioners' directions.

Matthews found, after investigation, that there would be no cost to the county in connection with these bonds. The commissioners then passed a resolution to create the independent commission which will be titled the Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Financing in Perquimans County.

NTE tests held at ECSU

The National Teacher Examinations (NTE) will be given at Elizabeth City State University on July 21, 1979.

Scores from the examination are used by the states for certification of teachers, by school systems for selection and identification of leadership qualities, and by colleges as part of their graduation requirements.

Educational Training Service, which prepares and administers the tests, says they are designed to measure knowledge gained from professional and general education and in 21 subject-matter fields.

Bulletins describing registration procedures and containing registration forms may be obtained from Mrs. Olive R. Wilson, Director of Guidance, Counseling and Testing or directly from the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, Box 911, Princeton, New Jersey 08541. The deadline for registration is June 28. On-the-spot registration is not permitted.

Don't make things easy for would-be burglars

Statistics reveal that over 15,000 burglaries occurred in North Carolina from June through August of 1977. Unfortunately, some residents will discover this fact the hard way. They will return from a

fun-filled vacation to find the front door ajar and possessions missing.

There were 37,887 residential burglaries reported to the North Carolina Police Information Network during 1977. The total value of items

taken in these visits by uninformed house guests exceeded \$14.2 million.

Because some people do not take precautions before leaving on vacation that would help prevent burglaries, the Insurance Information In-

stitute offers the following pre-vacation check list:

— Make sure the home retains a "lived-in" appearance. Discontinue deliveries of mail, newspapers and milk. Arrange to have the lawn mowed, and circulars removed from the premises.

— Leave the home lights burning. Automating devices are an excellent investment. As a professional burglar put it: "I won't take a chance on a timer even if I see it. Why take a risk when right down the street some fool hasn't got one?"

— Don't publicize your vacation. Society or family pages often advertise trips that will be taken. Burglars read the newspapers. Don't talk about your vacation to strangers.

— Ask a neighbor and local police or the sheriff to keep an eye on your home. Leave a key with the neighbor so he can inspect your home periodically and vary the position of blinds, shades and drapes.

Convention planned in Charlotte

The American Legion, Department of North Carolina, with a membership of over 46,000 Legionnaires, will convene at the Sheraton Center in Charlotte June 14-17, 1979 for its sixty-first annual, state Convention. More than 870 delegates from 338 local Legion Posts will assemble to elect their State Officers for the coming year and to establish, refine, and promulgate Department policies for 1979-80. In addition, five Department Vice Commanders — one for each of the state's five Divisions — and 25 District Commanders, as well as 33 Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention in Houston, Tex. August 16-23, 1979, will be elected.

Crime watch planned

Officer Robert Morris of the Hertford Police Department has announced that firm dates have been set for public meetings for the new Community Crime Watch program. The meetings are scheduled for June 18 and 19 at 8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church in Hertford.

North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety will speak at the meetings and assist the Hertford Police in setting up the program. Trivett is also scheduled to speak at a Hertford Rotary Club meeting.

The program is designed to help residents combat burglaries and other

crimes before they happen and is one that has met with success in other communities.

In announcing the program Morris said, "it will give every potential criminal in the community the feeling that everyone is watching him." He urged full participation and attendance by the community.

Area organizations get recognition for safety

North Carolina Labor Commissioner John C. Brooks presented the labor department's "Certificate of Safety Achieve-

ment" to employees and management of 45 firms at a dinner program in Elizabeth City Wednesday evening, June 13.

Among recipients were: (First Year Awards) Town of Hertford, Perquimans County and Towe Motor Co., Inc., Hertford; (Second Consecutive Year) Albemarle Electric Membership Corp., Hertford.

Co-sponsored for the second year with the Elizabeth City Area Chamber of Commerce, the awards presentation was held at the Holiday Inn, Highway 17 South. Nearly 90 guests attended.

Presiding at the program was Nelson P. Watkins, president of the chamber of commerce.

Brooks honored representatives of plants, businesses and service establishments from communities throughout Chowan, Dare, Pasquotank and Perquimans counties. The companies qualified for the department's 1978 award by maintaining a perfect safety record during the calendar year, or by recording an occupational injury incidence rate at least 50 percent below the statewide rate for their particular industry.

Seminar slated for law, leadership

High School students in Perquimans County have an opportunity to register for the Sixth Annual North Carolina Youth Seminar on Law, Leadership and Government to be held Sunday, July 29 Friday, August 3 at the N.C. Institute of Government in Chapel Hill.

missioners or Pam Kohl, Youth Involvement Office, 112 West Lane Street, Suite 115, Howard Building, Raleigh, 27611, or call 919/733-5968.

Attorney General Rufus Edminsten, Cultural Resources Secretary Sara Hodgkins and State Representative Ted Kaplan of Winston-Salem are among the speakers scheduled. The students will discuss a number of topics, including student rights, news media, judicial system, community organizing and leadership skills.

The seminar is cosponsored by the Institute of Government and the State Youth Council, a component of N.C. Department of Administration's Youth Involvement Office.

Band day termed success for Perquimans County

By PAIGE EURE

It was a beautiful day to get out and have some fun in the sun. Many people in Perquimans County found the same spot to gather and enjoy a day of entertainment.

The Perquimans County Band Day Benefit was held Saturday, June 9 at the Little League Ball Park and Hertford Saddle Club Horse and Pony Ring.

The morning started with a Western and English horse show, sponsored by the Hertford Saddle Club. Throughout the day you could enjoy country and rock music, participate in bingo, ring toss, cake walks and many other carnival games.

Saturday evening a silver tray was presented to Kay Boyce, organizer of the horse show event and as it grew to include the fund raising for the band, all of the events.

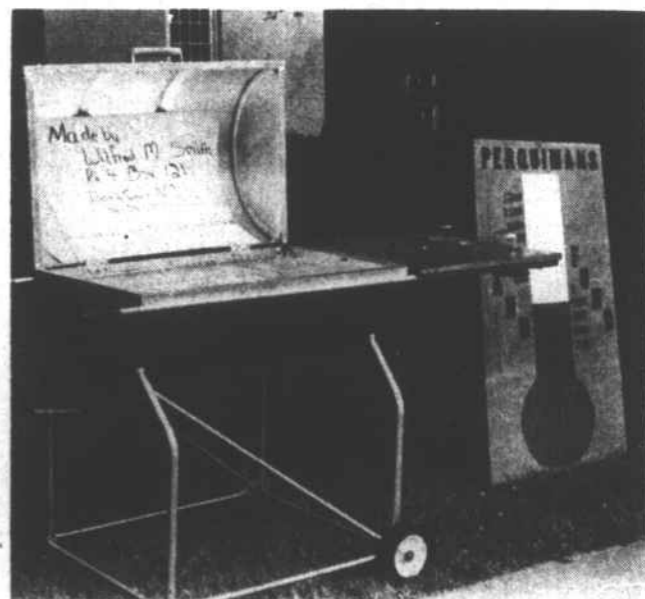
The day proved to be a success by raising \$5,451.87 for the Perquimans County Band to be used for uniforms. That makes a total of \$8,295.54 of the needed \$12,000.

Horse show winners were Kim Pope of Currituck, riding Dan's Bar Gold, was the high point champion. The reserve trophy went to Hope Harrell of Tyner, riding Maley.

As the day grew cooler and the sun began to sink into the west, people came out to take part in the Fish Fry and get

good seats for the evening events which included a very enjoyable concert by the Perquimans County Schools Band playing

traditional band music. As the grand finale, children tried their luck at catching the greasy pig.



RAFFLED OFF — This hand-crafted charcoal grill was built by Wilfred M. Smith to benefit the Band Boosters Club money-raising efforts. The thermometer indicates the level of funds raised so far for band uniforms.



SWING YOUR PARTNER — Square dancers added a little swing to the day by performing many dances. Represented were the Harbor Lights and the Country Squares. (Staff Photo by Paige Eure)