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Senator Morgan guest at reception

Senator Robert Morgan will be the guest of honor at a reception being held tomorrow afternoon at 4 p.m. at the Perquimans County ARPDC building. The reception is being hosted by the County Democratic Party.

ington in Harnett County. He has also served as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees for East Carolina University.

Morgan and his wife, Katie, have two daughters, one in college and one in high school.

Senator Morgan is serving on the Senate Armed Services Committee which is now hearing testimony on the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty, II with the Soviet Union.

He is also a member of the Senate Banking and Housing and Urban Affairs

Committees as well as the Senate Select Committee on Ethics which is conducting the hearing into alleged wrongdoing by Senator Herman Talmadge of Georgia.

Other invited guests at the reception include State Senator Melvin Daniels, Joe Nowell, Chairman of the County Commissioners, and Democratic Party Chairmen from surrounding counties.

County Democratic Chairman Archie T. Lane, Sr. said "This is an excellent opportunity to meet Senator Morgan and show him how much we appreciate the job he is doing in Washington."



Sen. Robert Morgan

Local store redeems stamps

By JACK GROVE

In last week's edition of the Perquimans Weekly, an article concerning Gold Bond Stamps redemption was printed which was misleading. The stamps may still be redeemed right in Hertford.

Hertford Hardware has been redeeming the stamps for merchandise for over five years and will continue to do so "until further notice," according to store owner, Eric Haste.

Haste said that the store will accept filled regular books and filled one-fifth books of stamps. The stamps are redeemable on any merchandise of a value of \$2.50 or more.

He said that the books may be used as partial or down

payments on any article in the store with the remaining price of the article paid in cash. He emphasized that the store will not redeem Gold Bond Stamps for cash. He said that over 2,500 books of stamps have been redeemed by Hertford Hardware in the last two weeks.

There were four to six businesses in the area that also redeemed the stamps but they no longer do so. Haste said, "As far as I know, we are the only business in the area that is still accepting Gold Bond Stamps for redemption."

He added that many people have been coming from Edenton and Elizabeth City to redeem the stamps at the store.

Sloan is returned; Billups still in N.Y.

Anthony Huston (Tony) Sloan was returned to North Carolina last week. Sloan, wanted for breaking parole and leaving the state, had been arrested in N.J. and was being held pending extradition proceedings which Sloan waived.

J. Michael Thomas, parole officer from Perquimans County, went to N.J. and returned Sloan to the state. He was jailed at the Tri-County jail in Elizabeth City pending hearings.

A warrant had been issued at the time of his disap-

pearance for his arrest in connection with the larceny of \$198 and forty pounds of frozen steaks from Ascue's Cafe in Hertford. The warrant was served upon Sloan's return.

Extradition had been requested by the State of North Carolina, based on the parole violation.

Extradition is still pending for Waymar Billups, who was arrested in Brooklyn, N.Y. and jailed there. Billups is wanted for two counts of armed robbery and

one count of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, inflicting serious bodily injury.

The charges stem from the robbery and shooting of Isaac Lowe, retired Hertford funeral home director and the robbery of Franklin's Grocery at the intersection of Covent Garden and King St. in Hertford.

Hertford Police Chief Marshall Merritt and Officer Robert Morris are scheduled to appear at the Brooklyn hearing for Billups next month.

ElectriCities announces savings gained

ElectriCities of North Carolina, which represents municipal electric systems in opposing rate increases by the private power companies, saved those municipal utilities \$23 million in the past fiscal year, the association reported at its thirteenth annual meeting, held at Pinehurst Friday and Saturday (Aug. 3-4).

It was the second 12-month period in which the voluntary, nonprofit association had achieved municipal power cost savings in excess of \$20 million, ElectriCities Executive Director Ralph W. Shaw noted. The savings for 1977 totaled \$26 million.

In the five-year period beginning July 1, 1974, municipal electric systems saved \$80 million through the association's continuing opposition to rate increases by the private companies, ElectriCities President Donald C. Lambeth reported. That is more than 30 times the association's costs during the same period, he said. Lambeth is mayor pro tem of Morganton.

Sixty-six of North Carolina's 72 municipal electric systems are members of ElectriCities, which also has eight associate member cities in Virginia.

These municipalities, including Hertford, own and operate their own electric distribution systems. They buy power at wholesale from the private utilities and resell it at retail to their own residents and utilities and resell it at retail to their own resident and customers. Municipal electric systems in North

Carolina serve more than one million Tar Heels — about 20 percent of the state's population.

The meeting's featured speaker was William S. Lee, president of Duke Power Co. Lee urged the municipal officials to speak out in support of nuclear power. Nuclear is not the only answer to the energy crisis but it is an indispensable part of that answer, Lee said.

Those who are associated with and are knowledgeable about energy matters must actively seek opportunities to tell the story of nuclear power — its risks and to tell it in a way that the public will understand. When the public perceives the realities of the situation, the public will have adequate energy, Lee said.

On behalf of 19 of its member, "electric cities," N.C. Municipal Power Agency Number 1 has purchased a 75 percent ownership interest in one of the two generating units of the Catawba Nuclear Station, which Duke is building at

Lake Wylie, S.C. It is one of three municipal power agencies in the state that were formed under the sponsorship of ElectriCities. The association's staff provides all three power agencies with professional management, at cost.

Attendance at the two-day meeting was 450 — a record. Slightly more than 400 attended in 1978. Mayor Bill Cox represented Hertford at the meeting.

In addition to general membership meeting, officials of ElectriCities' member municipalities took part in workshops on: load management, alternate fuels, joint action projects (such as the Catawba ownership with Duke), and customer deposit policies; saw a film and held a question and answer session on nuclear power. Cox termed the workshop "very informative."

Panelists for the workshop on alternate fuels included James M. Hubbard, executive vice president and general manager of the N.C. Electric Membership Corp.

Area man arrested for illegal crop

By JACK GROVE

A county grower was stopped from producing his crop last Sunday. The crop just happened to be marijuana. Stanley Pasiecznik, Jr., 49, was arrested around 3:15 p.m. by sheriff's deputies and charged with the manufacture of a controlled substance, marijuana. The arrest was made at Pasiecznik's home in Belvidere near the Chowan County line.

According to Sheriff Troy Toppin, Sheriff of Chowan County, he first spotted the suspect in a vehicle with suspicious looking green plants in the back. The suspect was followed to his

home when other officers were called in.

Participating in the investigation and arrest were Perquimans Deputy Sheriffs Walter Harrison and Victor Lamb, Deputy Sheriffs Perry and Evans of Chowan County and State Highway Trooper Y.Z. Newberry.

At the time of the arrest, Pasiecznik was transplanting the marijuana from pots to his garden according to Sheriff Toppin. The sheriff said the plants were from one to three feet tall and there were 14 plants in all.

Pasiecznik was jailed in the Albemarle District Jail pending a \$1,000 bond.



POTTED — This potted plant in the trunk of a car was part of the marijuana confiscated by authorities in a raid at a residence in Belvidere. (Photo by Deputy Sheriff Victor Lamb)



NEW AUTHORITY — The County Commissioners on August 6, named members to the new county organization that will help bring in industry to the county. The new commissioners for the "Perquimans County Industrial Facilities and Pollution Control Financing Authority" are (left to right) C.

Douglas Layden, Billy L. Pierce, John V. Matthews, Jr. (Secretary), R.S. Chappell, Jr. (Treasurer), James Patrick Harrell (Chairman), J. Wayne Ashley (Vice-Chairman) and William Wray Chappell (not pictured). (Staff Photo by JACK GROVE)

Pounds for palsy day is planned

Under the auspices of the North Carolina Jaycettes, August has been adopted as Pounds for Palsy month, and here in Perquimans County the local Jaycette organization has designated Saturday, Aug. 18 as Pounds for Palsy day.

On this date Jaycettes will be receiving contributions by asking donors to "weigh in" and pay a penny per pound to finance maintenance programs for those suffering with this condition.

Scales will be located at Harris Shopping Center, in front of Darden's Dept. Store, and at Layden's

Grocery in Belvidere. Throughout the week preceding Aug. 18, "weighing in" may be done and contributions made at Bank of North Carolina in Hertford and Winfall Supermarket in Winfall.

Cerebral palsy is a condition caused by damage to the brain, usually occurring before, during or shortly following birth. It is characterized by an inability to fully control motor function; therefore, one or more of the following may occur, in varying degrees: seizures, spasms, mental retardation, abnormal sensation and perception, an impairment

of sight, hearing or speech.

It is estimated that some 700,000 children and adults in the U.S. manifest one or more of the symptoms of cerebral palsy. Approximately 10,000 infants are born with the condition each year and some 2,000 young children acquire cerebral palsy as a result of head injuries.

Citizens of Perquimans County who wish to make contributions but are unable to "weigh in" may make their checks payable to United Cerebral Palsy and mail to Mrs. Kay Winslow, chairperson, Rt. 1, Box 951, Hertford, N.C.

Highway projects are considered

Among 43 highway improvement contracts, which the North Carolina Board of Transportation will consider for approval in its Aug. 10 meeting, are five major interstate projects. The projects are being advanced nearly four months ahead of schedule because of additional federal funding announced recently.

They include safety improvements on a portion of I-40 in Burke County, paving and placing of signs on two portions of I-95 (Fayetteville Bypass) in Cumberland County, and safety improvements on two portions of I-85 in Guilford, Rowan and Davidson counties.

The board will vote on the projects in its monthly meeting at 10 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 10, in the Coastal Carolina Community College Library on Western Blvd. in Jacksonville.

Total highway improvement contracts to be acted upon represent \$31.9 million. In addition to the major interstate projects, there are

other contracts for highway improvements including seven projects for pavement markings at railroad crossings statewide and 19 contracts for paving and resurfacing roads in piedmont and western sections of North Carolina.

Secretary of Transportation Tom Bradshaw noted, "For fiscal year 1979 (beginning July 1978 and ending June 1979), the transportation board awarded are record \$285.5 million for highway construction and improvements. Such action exemplifies the board's growth and economic development through a comprehensive transportation system."

The board is also expected to take action on requests for funding of primary, secondary and urban road projects as well as bridge replacement projects.

The secretary, who will chair the meeting, added, "The public is welcome and encouraged to attend our meeting."



VAN-TRACTOR MISHAP — This tractor was being ridden by Johnny Franklin, 12, of Rt. 4, Hertford, when it was struck from the rear and overturned. Young Franklin was not seriously injured. (Staff Photo by JACK GROVE)

NEW LOOK — Last week, a local store took on a new look. The familiar Colonial store front in Hertford is gone. The store is now a Big Star with a sparkling new front. (Staff Photo by JACK GROVE)