

# Perquimans People

## LSNC directors hired

The two Co-Directors for Legal Services of the Coastal Plain, the new regional legal services program located in Ahoskie, have recently been hired, according to Denison Ray, Executive Director of Legal Services of North Carolina, Inc. (LSNC).

Ray said that John Garland, a Washington D.C. attorney who has been residing in Belvidere, N.C. since March, has been named the program's Co-Director/Chief Counsel, and Mitchell Ross, also of Washington, has been named Co-Director/Administrator. The two will share equally the responsibilities for managing the office.

Once it is fully staffed and operational, Legal Services of the Coastal Plain will provide free civil legal assistance to low-income residents of 11 northeastern North Carolina counties including: Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Northampton, Pasquotank, and Perquimans.

Garland received his undergraduate degree from Central State University, Wilberforce, Ohio in 1971, and his law degree from Ohio State University in 1974. Prior to accepting his new position, he served as Co-Director of the Employment Rights Project of the Center for Law and Social Policy in Washington, D.C.

Garland is a U.S. Marine Corps veteran who was awarded the Purple Heart while serving during the Vietnam War.

He is a member of the Ohio and Washington, D.C. Bar Associations and is on the Board of Directors of the National Conference of Black Lawyers.

Ross received his undergraduate degree in American Studies from George Washington University,

Washington, D.C. in 1971 and he has undertaken post degree studies at Antioch College in Washington.

Before accepting a Co-Directorship position with Legal Services of the Coastal Plain, Ross served as a program analyst for the Washington, D.C. Dept. of Housing and Community Development, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation.

Under the management structure developed for Legal Services of the Coastal Plain, Garland will be responsible for all legal aspects of the program including client representation, case management and case development, as well as for training and supervising the program's legal staff.

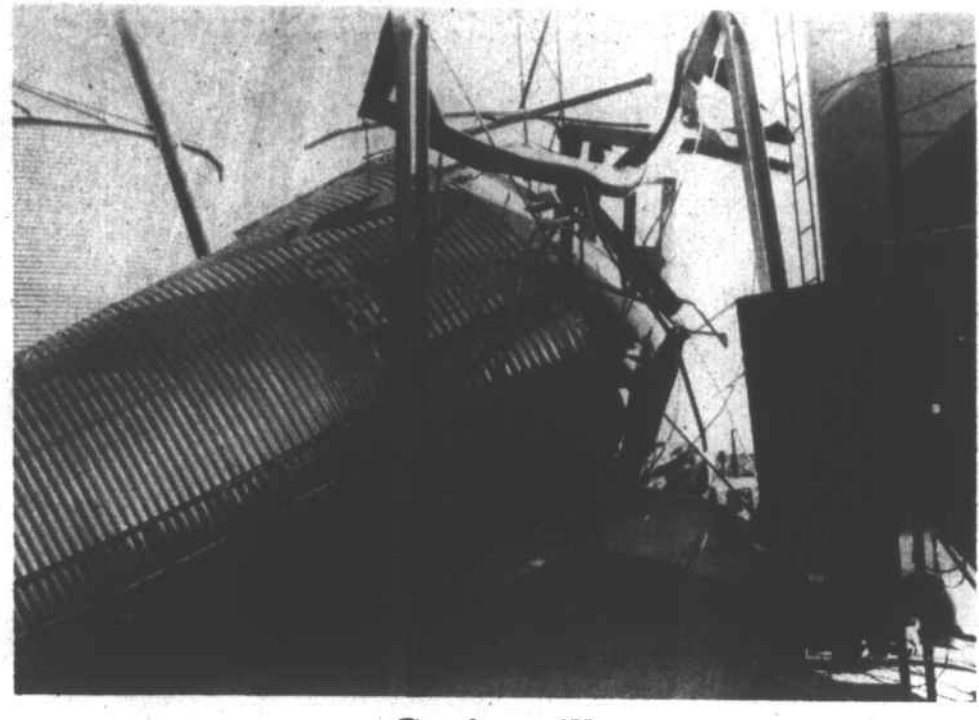
It is hoped that under the system he will also be able to practice some of his legal skills and will not be limited solely to management duties.

Ross will be responsible for the non-legal functions including office management, recruitment, and hiring of non-legal staff, budget and fiscal management, inventory control and fund raising.

The main office will be located in Ahoskie but as yet, the permanent in-town site has not been selected.

Legal Services of North Carolina, Inc. is a non-profit organization created by the N.C. Bar Association in 1976 following a two-year study by a blue-ribbon committee.

LSNC receives funds from the national Legal Services Corporation in Washington, D.C. and in turn funds 12 Legal Services programs in the state including Legal Services of the Coastal Plain and special client projects for reservation and non-reservation Indians, migrants, and the patients in state mental hospitals.



### Grain spill

This grain hopper was two thirds full of corn when it collapsed on William Wray Chappell's farm Sept. 15. (Photo by PAIGE EURE)

## People in news

Mr. Harry V. Chappell of Troutman, N.C. is visiting this week with his great-great-grandniece, Chanel Renee Davis at the home of her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey R. Chappell of Belvidere.

Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Whedbee were weekend guests of Mrs. Whedbee's sister, Miss Mary Taylor, at Stovall.

Miss Elen Long of Henderson was a weekend guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Long, at Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Newby, Jr. and son, Stokes, of Charleston, W. Va. are spending some time at the Newby on home on Front Street.

Mr. and Mrs. V.N. Darden returned home last week after spending some time at their cottage at Nags Head.

## Coming events

- THURSDAY, SEPT. 27
  - Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m. Hertford United Methodist Church
  - Al-Anon 8 p.m. Hertford United Methodist Church
  - Bethel Ruritan Club Perq. Co. Jaycees
- MONDAY, OCT. 1
  - Perq. Co. Bd. of Comm. (a.m.)
  - Winfall Town Council, 8 p.m.
  - Perq. Co. Bd. of Education Hertford Town Council
  - Bethel Fire Dept.
- TUESDAY, OCT. 2
  - Parkville Ruritan Club
  - Perq. Co. Masonic Lodge 106, 8 p.m. Lodge Hall
  - Meridan Lodge 18, 8 p.m. Lodge Hall
  - Hertford Rotary Club
  - Whitston Homemakers
- WEDNESDAY, OCT. 3
  - Perq. Co. Jaycees

## Ila White to serve for ECHSA

Ila White, agriculture extension agent from Perquimans County, was elected second vice-chairman of the Eastern Carolina Health Systems Agency at their annual meeting last Saturday in Greenville.

The individuals elected at the meeting are charged with the responsibility for leading the 57 representatives of Eastern North Carolina in decisions designed to improve the health of Eastern Carolinians, restrain rising health care costs, and avoid unnecessary duplication of health resources.

Mrs. White was also elected to the executive committee.

## Leaders back hwy. 17

William H. "Bill" Page, president of the Highway 17 Transportation Association in North Carolina, recently announced that a group of leaders in Eastern North Carolina will comprise the executive advisory council of the organization.

The organization is dedicated to the improvement U.S. 17 across the entire state.

Members of the council include: Rufus T. Brinn of Hertford, Bruce Bulman of Elizabeth City, and Tilman Keel of Elizabeth City.

The council also includes other community leaders from across Eastern North Carolina.

Page said the list reads like a "who's who" in the area along Highway 17. "This group represents the top leadership in manufacturing, the news media, the professions, and in general business," Page said.

"We are extremely honored to have them supporting the development of our highway," he said.

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## Kids rock \$800 worth

The recent Roc for Rec, sponsored by the Jaycees, raised approximately \$800 for the Perquimans County Recreation Department.

Participants solicited contributions from merchants who paid so much per hour of rocking.

Todd Tilley rocked his way to \$231 in contributions and collected a stereo for his efforts. The second place fundraiser was Dee Hurdle, who raised \$218 and won a 10 speed bicycle. Nicole Miller raised \$71.50 and was also awarded a bicycle.

Other winners included: Sheri Lane; Peggy Layden; Debbie Riddick; Bonnie Shalock; Denise Brown; Mary White; and Thomissa Winslow.

Prizes were donated by the following merchants: Peoples Bank Bank of North Carolina; Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation; Albemarle Chemical; Western Auto; Betty's Boutique; Punkins; Woodards; Pitt Hardware; Hertford Hardware; J.C. Blanchards; and One Stop.

"We would like to thank those individuals and business who supported Rock for Rec," said a spokesman for the Jaycees.

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