

## Heritage Day kicks off Summer Festival

By PAT MANSFIELD

The second annual Indian Summer Festival will open Thursday, September 15, Heritage Day, at 10:30 a.m. at the Newbod White House, with "A Tribute to Native America." The Perquimans County High School Band, under the direction of David Ziemba, will open the day and Billy Wooten of Winfall, will sing the

National Anthem.

Betty Mangum, Director of Indian Education, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, will be the opening speaker. A Lumbee Indian, Mangum will speak on "Indian Awareness."

Another Lumbee Indian, and noted author, Adolph Dial will follow Mangum, and speak on "The

American Indian, Then and Now." Dial is a professor of History at Pembroke State University and is author of the book, "The Only Land I Know: A History of the Lumbee Indians."

Professor Dial will be on hand later in the day to sign and sell his book. He and Director Mangum will also be visiting local schools.

Bruce Jones, Executive Director of North Carolina Commission for Indian Affairs will also be on hand and will speak on "North Carolina's Native Americans."

He will tell of the life-style, government, religion, and other facets of the Indian way of life when the English came to the New World during the Roanoke Voyages.

The Secretary for the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, Sara Hodgkins, will wrap up the speakers with her experiences as a Lumbee Indian.

The morning program will be highlighted by special guests, Indian Princesses, Chiefs and others, as well as a drama of the story of George Durant and Chief Kilococan.

The Hertford Fife and Drum Corp. will top off the program with a presentation of flags.

At noon, the David Newby House will be designated as a memorial to Harriett Frances Mardie Wainwright.

A Brunswick Stew lunch, prepared by Perquimans County Extension Homemakers, will be served at 12:30. Tickets are being sold at \$2 each in advance or at the site.

An Indian dance team from the Coherrin Tribe in Clinton will perform at 12:45. The 15 young people will perform a variety of Indian dances.

From one to four p.m. Indian culture will abound. Dr. David Phelps, Professor at East Carolina, will lead off his presentation of "Coastal Indians."

A "Native American Foods" demonstration by Hilda Livingston of the Marine Resources Center in Manteo, will follow Phelps.

Rose Cahoon of Camden will show her "Paintings and Herbs" and Phil Evans, Historian with the National Park Service in Manteo, will present "Indians and Early Settlers."

Betty Dupree, from the Cherokee

Reservation, will be a special guest, representing the Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, Inc. She will show and sell crafts and jewelry made by members of the Co-op at Cherokee.

Indian Heritage Exhibits will be on display as follows: Foods and Other Items-Juanita Bailey; Slab Potter-Doris Douglas, Frances Inglis, and George McKecuen & Sons; Seminole Patchwork-Paige

The courthouse lawn will come alive at 11 a.m. when Rev. W. A. Renfrow on guitar and Rev. Chris H. Stevenson on fiddle will perform. At noon, Rev. Rendel Cosand will play the vibraharp for your enjoyment.

At 3:30, Andrell Henry, who dresses as Daniel Boone, will perform "Gospel Magic." Missing Mill Park will be the site for the Papoose baby contest from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

From 4 to 7 p.m. a fish fry will be held under the tent at the park. The night will be full of singing as it has been designated as "Old Fashioned Hymm Time." You are invited to bring a chair and sit back and enjoy the singing.

Saturday has been designated as Fun Day and will begin with a 5K run at 10 a.m. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. at the race starting point, Hertford Grammar School.

Arts and Crafts Displays and food booths will be open on Church Street, downtown. The Quilt Show will continue from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Albemarle Commission.

Events throughout the day are as follows:

- Downtown**
- 10:00 a.m. — Midnight Flyers Band
  - 12:00 p.m. — Flatland Cloggers
  - 1:30 p.m. — Brenda Parker
  - 2:00 p.m. — Roy Askew & Chorus
  - 4:00 p.m. — Robinson Family Singers
- Missing Mill Park**
- 11:00 a.m. — Cann Puppeteers
  - 1:00 p.m. — Toby Lewis, Elizabeth City School of Karate
  - 2:40 p.m. — Train ride for children
  - 3:00 p.m. — until — Pig Pickin
  - 3:00 p.m. — Navy Band "4 Star Edition"
  - 5:00 p.m. — Harbor Lights Square Dancers
  - 8:00 p.m. — Street dance, "Nita Bowen & The Dixie Clippers"



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Underwood; Basket Making-Joyce Hobbs; Jewelry-Debra Mountain; and Wood Carving-Troy Elliott.

Indian artifacts exhibits will be on display by Herbert Crase, Corbin Dozier, Asa Stallings, Preston Elliott, Tory Elliott and Doris Ainsley.

At 3:30 that afternoon at the Perquimans County Courthouse, a marker will be dedicated to the Yeopim Indians.

Also at 3:30 and 7:30, the movie, "Son of Thunder; Man of Lightning," will be shown at the Perquimans County Library.

Friday, Colonial Day, will begin at 8:30 with an "Old Fashioned Sidewalk Sale" downtown.

A quilt show will be held at the Albemarle Commission Building on Church Street extended. A Dresden plate pattern quilt in earth colors will be raffled off during the show. Tickets for the raffle are on sale for \$1.00 each. The ticket will also serve as admittance to the quilt show.

Emmett Jones of Tyner will display his "Replicas of Yesteryear" on the corner of Grubb and Church Streets.

## Hertford Council approves closing city cemetery at dark

By JANE WILLIAMS

Discussion centered on a request to secure Cedarwood Cemetery during the dark hours Monday night at the Hertford Town Council meeting.

A petition was presented to the Council bearing the signatures of 243 individuals asking that Cedarwood Cemetery be closed at night to help prevent littering and vandalism on the premises.

In a previous meeting the council voted to place No Parking signs in the cemetery, which was done approximately two weeks ago.

Several council members voiced the opinion that they thought the signs were inadequate. It was pointed out that a few of the signs were stolen the first night.

Councilman Billy Winslow said, "I have checked the cemetery every day since our last meeting and have found two beer cans in that period. I think we're being hasty when the signs have only been up for two weeks."

Councilman Joe Towe White, Jr. stated that the cemetery was also being used for purposes other than those intended by the town. "I saw a man out there playing golf on the back portion of the cemetery away from the graves the other day," White said.

Councilman John Beers said, "I feel that the cemetery should be utilized and respected, it is not right to leave it open for these happenings."

Councilman Winslow pointed out that the town would lose road revenues if the cemetery was closed.

Hertford Mayor Bill Cox confirmed that Hertford would lose \$885 per year from the State Power Agency if the road through the cemetery was closed at night. "According to Ralph Shaw, Executive Director of Northeastern NC Municipal Power Agency, whenever a road is closed it is no longer considered a public road," Cox said. (Hertford gains \$885 in revenue for each mile of public

roads.) A motion was made by Councilman Beers to formulate a plan to close the cemetery during dark hours and to draw up and ordinance to use the cemetery for cemetery purposes only.

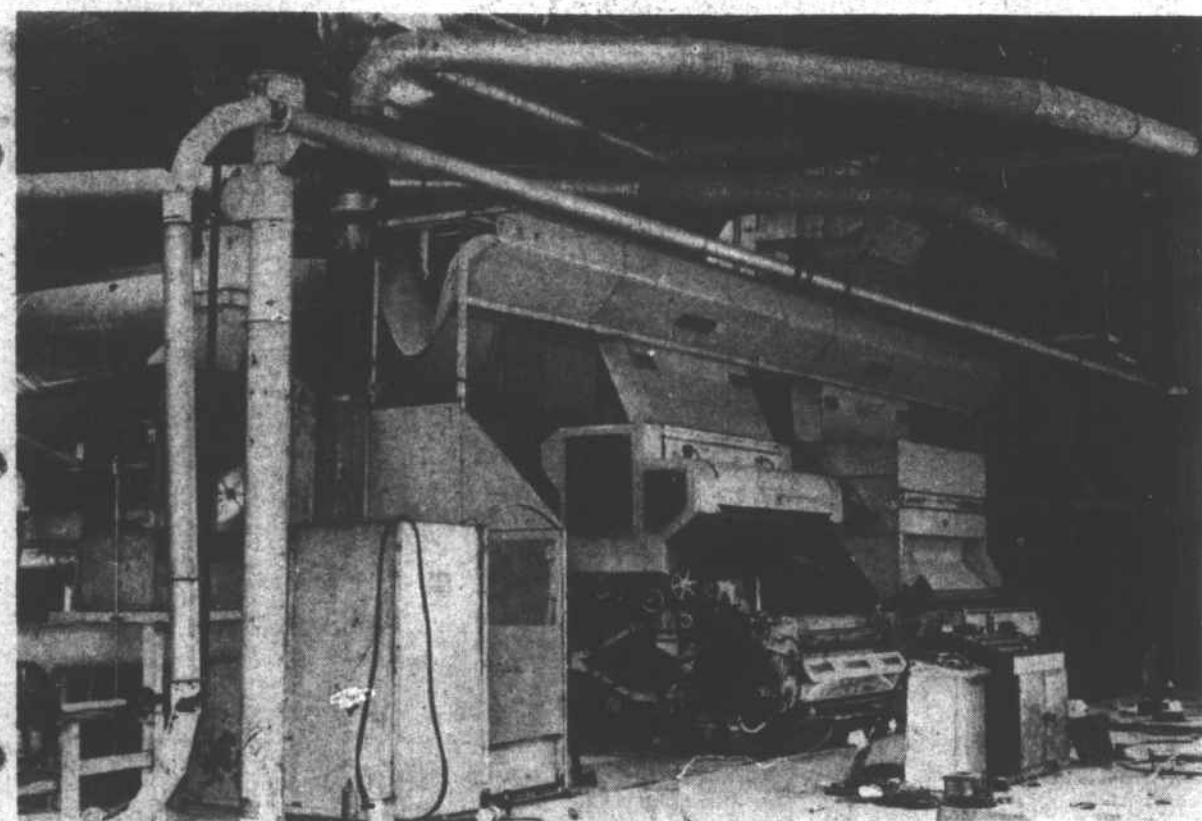
The motion was approved.

In other action the council denied a request from the Board of Education to allow them access to the road adjacent to the bus garage during home football games.

The council voted unanimously to sell to Hoffer Lumber Co., standing timber on approximately two acres of land around the well field adjoining the Wilson estate.

The council granted permission to the Mayor to negotiate with Dickerson Inc. concerning street work at the site of the work project on King Street.

In executive session the council appointed Walter Edwards, Jr. town attorney.



## Cotton Gin opens

The Cotton Gin, located in Winfall, will have an open house this Saturday, September 17 from 3 to 5 p.m. Known as Nixon and Ward,

Inc. the gin will be managed by Claxton Stallings and will be ready for operation in time for this year's harvest. A modular building, used for

storage, and a new cotton picker will be on display during the open house (Photos by Pat Mansfield)

## Wreck claims life of pastor

Rev. Curtis Allen Proctor, native and lifelong resident of Newland and Pasquotank County, age 71, died Saturday morning at Albemarle Hospital as the result of injuries

incurred last Tuesday when his automobile was struck by a tractor-trailer truck.

Proctor had been the Pastor of Saunders Grove Baptist Church in Hertford since 1944 as well as pastor of Joppa Baptist Church in Hobbysville since 1945 and of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Ivor, Va. since 1947.

He was the son of the late John L. and Mrs. Susan E. Griffin Proctor. He was a member of Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church in Newland.

Proctor was serving on the trustee board, was chairman of the board for foreign missions, was on the program committee and the ordination council of the Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association.

He was the moderator of the Middle Ground Union. He was chief of the Cheftan Board of the W.M.C.B.S. and was a member of the Weeping Mary Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Mary Henrietta Griffin Proctor of the home; three daughters, Katherine Harvey of Brooklyn, New York, Cynthia Proctor of Washington, D.C., and Mable L. Proctor of Syracuse, New York.

Other survivors include two sons, Curtis A. Proctor Jr., of Alexandria, Va. and Staff Sgt. John G. Proctor of Whiteman Air Force Base in Missouri; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Ivor, Va. Funeral services will be held today at 2 p.m. at Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church in Newland, by the Rev. Dr. H. L. Mitchell, who will be assisted by Rev. J. H. London.

Burial will follow in Oak Grove Cemetery in Elizabeth City. Stallings Funeral Home is in charge.

## Chamber of Commerce Merchants set goals at meeting

By JANE WILLIAMS

The Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce held a planning meeting on Wednesday night, September 7, at Anglers Cove Seafood Restaurant.

The meeting was one of several special sessions that have been initiated this year by the Merchants Committee.

At previous meetings the topic of discussions has centered on finding ways to increase trade, for Perquimans County businesses. The group has formed four committees to find ways to address such basic needs as: creating more jobs, entertainment, promoting the county, education, developing pride and loyalty in the county and its people, creating friendlier atmospheres in local businesses, and ways to meet the supply and demand of the local consumer.

Last weeks meeting was held to hear reports from the chairman of each committee and to act on motions made by these committees.

Committee Chairman Lewis Evans talked with the group about plans to develop the assets that are already available in Perquimans County.

Evans suggested that the group work to develop and clean up the river from the "S" Bridge to the Harris Shopping Center area, making it more attractive for use by local people as well tourist.

Hertford Mayor Bill Cox informed the group of an offer made by the RC&D (Soil Conservation) to help with the river project. "This project will have to involve some type of government grant with local matching funds," Cox said.

A resolution was made to address all of the river problems in the area surrounding Perquimans County, to help obtain matching funds to help with this problem, and to support any effort made by other groups in dealing with these problems.

Evans commended the merchants present on their endeavor to try and work together to achieve common goals by meeting on a regular basis this year and planning for the future.

The group concluded that they would meet quarterly for discussion

and implementation of new ideas in addition to the annual banquet held in December.

"Our group also concluded that there is a definite need for a paid county manager in Perquimans County," Evans said.

After some discussion the group indicated that they would be willing to support an effort to petition the County Commissioners to hire a full time County Manager.

Mayor Cox said, "The Committee of 100 is currently planning a presentation to the County Commissioners concerning adopting the County Manager form of government. I would like to see these two presentations coordinated and made at the same time."

A resolution was passed to work with the Committee of 100 on making a presentation to the commissioners.

Committee Chairman Alan Winslow presented an outline of a service directory for Perquimans County. The directory will include listings and advertisements for Perquimans County businesses and will be mass distributed to all residents of the county.

"The directory will be similar to the Yellow Pages in the phone book, only it will be personalized for this

county," Winslow said.

Chamber of Commerce President, Mary Harrell, reported on an idea to conduct a survey through civic groups concerning shopping habits of local residents. The survey will include questions concerning status of residence, current shopping habits, and other information deemed necessary to local merchants for attracting more of the local trade.

The recommendation received overwhelming response from the group.

Harrell also reminded the group of a clean up drive to be held this fall under the leadership of O.B. Rawls. She also reminded the group that the annual membership drive would be held in October, noting that there are 33 more members in the Chamber of Commerce this year than there was last year.

Harrell told the group that the Chamber of Commerce would sponsor Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies and Ground Breaking Ceremonies for any new business in Perquimans County.

She also reminded the group of this weeks upcoming Indian Summer Festival and encouraged all present to participate.

## Short named Director

Val Short has been named public relations director at Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City, announced Robert G. Jeffries, hospital administrator.

Among Mrs. Short's responsibilities will be writing news releases, coordinating public relations activities and assisting with the hospital newsletter, "The Scanner."

A 1975 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Mrs. Short received a Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism. Previously, she has served as editor of "The Perquimans Weekly," photography instructor with College of The Albemarle, and staff writer and photographer for several N. C.

newspapers.

A native of Swansboro, Mrs. Short now resides in Hertford with her husband and daughter.



VAL T. SHORT