

## Four vie for Hertford Council seats; Winfall Mayor opposed

By JANE B. WILLIAMS  
A four-way race for two available seats on the Hertford Town

Council developed Friday morning as the Reverend John London filed to run in the November 5th

Municipal Election. London, pastor of First Baptist Church in Hertford and local

businessman T. Erie Haste, Jr. will oppose incumbents John Beers and Joe Towe White, Jr. in their bids for re-election to the council.

London, who was defeated in a 1980 bid for the council, will now relinquish his duties as Chairman of the Perquimans County Democratic Party to the Party's Vice-Chair, Estelle Felton to enable him to seek this seat.

In a telephone statement on Monday, London said, "I feel that we (blacks) have had good representation, but blacks have not had somebody representing them directly."

"I want to represent all the people of Hertford, not just the minorities. I have worked in civic groups and have been involved in the everyday life of the community. I feel that I do have the experience to serve the people of Hertford."

Haste, owner and operator of Hertford Hardware and Supply Company and Haste Real Estate, is not a newcomer to Hertford

politics. He has been active in civic and political groups and has served two terms on the Hertford Council.

Citing a need for positive thinking and action, Haste revealed his hopes for the town to move forward. He noted a "need for strong, decisive leadership in the community if we are to grow and progress."

A member of the Coastal Resources Commission for the past 11 years, Haste had also served as president of the Albemarle Area Development Association, and was instrumental in the origin of the Albemarle Regional Development Planning Commission.

Beers, a long-term member of the Council could not be reached for comment.

White, who is completing his first term on the council, stated that "this first four-year term has been a good learning experience. It takes time for a new man to get broken in and face the challenges that arise. I've just gotten into the issues and learned

how to approach them. It is a good learning experience and I've enjoyed serving the people of Hertford."

In Winfall incumbent councilman William Wray Miller and Jack Symons will face no opposition in their bids for re-election; however, two-term Mayor Lloyd Ray Morgan will be challenged by political newcomer C.W. "Bill" Bartlett.

Morgan, owner and operator of Winfall Supermarket, refused to comment prior to the filing deadline as to whether or not he would seek re-election. Morgan could not be reached for comment on Tuesday, prior to this paper's deadline.

Bartlett commented in a telephone interview last week that he had filed for mayor because he has always been active in the community in which he lives.

Although Bartlett has not previously held elected office, he has served as chairman of the Winfall Planning Board since its inception.



Debris was scattered throughout the yard of Anthony Troy Elliott on NC 37 south of Belvidere last Wednesday night when a 1967 Mercury operated by Ursula Mathilda Hodges hit Elliott's house. According to Trooper Michael McArthur, of the N.C. Highway Patrol, the car "jumped a ditch, plowed through a corn field,

jumped another ditch, leveled some hedges, and came to a rest buried under a concrete slab porch in the man's yard." The car was determined to be totaled; more than \$8,000.00 worth of property damage was estimated. McArthur estimated that the vehicle was traveling at a rate of 80 MPH; and stated that substance

abuse, excessive speed, poor brakes, and bad tires contributed to the accident. Hodges was charged with DWI, exceeding safe speed, exceeding the speed limit, improper vehicle equipment, and reckless operation of motor vehicle. Other charges are pending further investigation.

## County celebrates Heritage Days

Perquimans County Heritage Days, 1985, ended Sunday afternoon, September 22, with an Evensong service in the Anglican tradition conducted by the Right Reverend B. Sidney Saunders, D.D., Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina, and the Reverend W.I. Wolverton, Jr., Rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. The beautiful vespers service was augmented by members of the choirs of local churches singing with the Holy Trinity choir, under the direction of Caroline Wright.

Heritage Days began Friday afternoon with a cruise on the Perquimans River to honor Irving H. Wainwright of Richmond, for his many contributions to the restoration of the Newbold-White and David Newby Houses. Skippers who provided boats were Erie Haste, George Fields and Henry Stokes.

Patric Dorsey, Secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources, spoke at a luncheon at Angler's Cove on Saturday, where she paid tribute to the people of Perquimans who have had the vision and dedication to preserve a part of their heritage for those who follow this generation. Secretary Dorsey was particularly eloquent in her praise of Mr. Wainwright and his work here in Perquimans, and expressed her gratitude to him as well as to others who are helping to save North Carolina's past, and make it a living history exhibit. During the luncheon Hertford Mayor Bill Cox, and Chairman of the Perquimans County Commissioners, W.W. White, Jr., presented Mr. Wainwright with "tax-free" honorary citizenship

awards. Jean Newbold gave him one of her original oil paintings of Newbold-White, which was her girlhood home.

Following the Angler's Cove luncheon, the group proceeded to the Newbold-White site for ceremonies involving the David Newby House which has been restored as a site manager's residence: Perquimans County Restoration Association Docents carried the banners of America's Four Hundredth Anniversary, followed by the Hertford Fifes and Drums led by Charles Skinner, Jr., Sergeant-Major. Music was provided by Caroline Wright and Frank Harrington. A plaque was unveiled and the David Newby Cottage dedicated to the memory of Mr. Wainwright's wife, Harriet Frances Mardre Wainwright, a native of Hertford. Raymond A. Winslow, Jr., Archivist of the Perquimans County Restoration Association and President, Perquimans County Historical Society, then presented to PCRA a portrait of John Lawrence Newby, a relative of David Newby.

A presentation of an English gategate table, and two pewter candlesticks was made by Mrs. E.M. Todd and Mrs. Walter Spaeth, for the North Carolina Chapter Colonial Dames XVII Century. The Colonial Dames have adopted the furnishing of the Newbold-White House as the Chapter's Four Hundredth Anniversary project for 1984-87. They have previously given a sterling silver serving spoon, a seventeenth century settle, three Delft bowls, and an antique Kazan prayer rug. The Reverend Martin Lord presented three slat-back

chairs and an early cradle, owned by the Crawford-Ridick family, as a gift from Louise Crawford Lord.

In accepting the gifts for the Perquimans County Restoration Association, Mrs. J. Emmett Winslow said: "We've only just begun! Today is a milestone in our efforts to restore this site to the mainstream of life in the Albemarle and in the state. Secretary Dorsey has pledged her commitment to historic preservation and interpretation. Representative James has demonstrated his commitment to this site by helping fund it in every session of the General Assembly since 1973. The Colonial Dames of North Carolina are dedicated to it. Today's gift from Louise Lord demonstrates that there are items in Perquimans County which will help in depicting the 17th century way of life. We want Newbold-White to be a living historical site second to none. We want to show how this little, twenty by forty foot house, was at one time the virtual capital of North Carolina with the courts and General Assembly sitting here."

Jeanne C. White, Chairman, Perquimans County Committee for America's Four Hundredth Anniversary, and Mrs. Kelly White, Perquimans County Restoration Association Board Member, presided at an open house reception at the conclusion of the program.



(Top right) Irving H. Wainwright unveil a plaque dedicating the David Newby House in the memory of Mr. Wainwright's late wife, Harriet Frances Mardre Wainwright during the county's Heritage Day celebration. (Below) A Distinguished

panel of guests participated in the house dedication. Among those present were The Honorable Vernon James, The Honorable Patric Dorsey, and the Reverend Martin Lord, M.A. (Photos by Jane Williams)

## A.E.M.C. plans annual meet

Albemarle EMC's president, L.A. Harris, Jr., announced today that the 1985 Annual Member will be held Saturday, October 12th. Harris stated that the meeting will be again held in Hertford at the Perquimans County High School with registration beginning at 12:00 noon and the meeting starting at 2:00 p.m.

The 1985 business session will include reports from the General Manager and others. A slide show will be shown on the 50th Anniversary of Rural Electrifi-

cation. During the meeting three members will be elected to the Board.

A Perquimans County member has been nominated to fill one of the three vacancies on the Board. He is Bill Jordan of Billy's Beach. Three other members have been nominated for the District no. 5 (all counties) seat. They are John N. Bunch, Jr., incumbent from Chowan County, Carroll Smith, Chowan County, and Ernest McCoy, South Mills.

A nominating committee comprised of eight members met on August 8th at the EMC office. The committee will be presenting eight people for the three seats to be elected on October 12th. The committee will be presenting the names of Willis J. Ferree, Sr., of South Mills, and James A. Whitehurst, Camden County, incumbent, for the District no.1 seat (Camden County).

Other nominees include Everett L. Brothers, Newland area of Pasquotank County, and Walter R. Lowry, Jr., incumbent, from Weeksville area, for the District no. 3 seat (Pasquotank).

Manager Dorris B. White said, "We will be returning some \$123,221.00 in capital credits to our members who received service during the years of 1972 thru 1974."

White pointed out that members could pick up their checks before as well as after the meeting. For those who will not be able to attend, their checks will be mailed to them within the next few weeks after the meeting. White concluded by saying, "We urge all our members to come and take part in their business."

The local EMC serves portions of five counties, Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Camden, and Currituck, and serves some 6,636 member consumers.

## Funding approved

By SUSAN HARRIS  
The Albemarle Commission last Thursday approved funding for the establishment of an economic development office to serve the ten-county Region R.

To be in operation by November, the program will be overseen by Patrick Kelly, who at present heads the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) and Small Business Loan programs. Kelly views the Economic Development Planning Program as a step towards attracting industry into the Albemarle area, one of the Commission's goals.

Kelly's function will be to recruit prospective industries to Region R through marketing ac-

tivities; and to assist county, municipal, and other industrial development groups in their efforts to attract more industry to their respective communities.

First-year operating costs will total \$94,541.00. The state through a variety of grants will fund \$74,268.00. The remainder, \$20,273.00, must come from local sources. The Commission approved \$9,832.00 of those funds.

A three-year JTPA planning grant of \$39,000.00 has been guaranteed the Commission, and will aid in the support of the Regional Development office. After this year, however, the funds to operate the program must be secured.

## NCNB announces promotions

NCNB announced this week the promotions of two employees in the Hertford office.

Diane Stallings of NCNB's Hertford branch has been promoted from Senior Banking Representative to Office Manager.

Mrs. Stallings now has responsibility for the day to day operations of the Hertford branch, in addition to her role as a consumer lender. Mrs. Stallings will report to Charles L. Parker, Jr., branch manager of the Hertford office.

She joined the bank in 1974 as a teller and has served in various capacities during her career.

Mrs. Stallings attended the College of the Albemarle and is currently enrolled in the American Institute of Banking. She attends Sandy Cross Baptist Church.

A native of Perquimans County, she is married to Kenny Stallings and they have two children, Kimberly and Michael.

Claudia Hurdle has been promoted from teller to Banking Representative. Her responsibilities will include account sales and general customer service responsibilities.

She joined the bank in 1982 as a teller.

A native of Perquimans County, she attends Burgess Baptist Church. She is married to David Hurdle and they have one child, Kristi.



DIANNE STALLINGS



CLAUDIA HURDLE

