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Two men arrested

Two men have been arrested and charged with felonies over the past week by Hertford Police.

Toby Thomas Harvey of 407 Factory Street, and Ernest James Dail of 40 Amsterdam West 61st Street, New York, New York were both arrested on Wednesday, December 10th in Hertford.

Harvey was arrested and charged with assault on a law enforcement official with a deadly weapon and Dail has been charged with first degree burglary.

Harvey was stopped by Officer Tim Spence for an inspection sticker violation on his vehicle. Upon stopping Harvey, Spence learned that Harvey was wanted in Pasquotank County for outstanding arrest warrants covering various charges.

Spence arrested Harvey, and made arrangements for his transfer to the Pasquotank County Sheriff's Department.

Spence then allowed Harvey to return to his car to retrieve some personal belongings, when Harvey reached the car he got inside and locked the door. Officer Spence proceeded to go in front of the vehicle to the passenger's side, and when he reached the front of the car Harvey attempted to run over him. Spence dodged the car, and Harvey sped off.

Officer Spence then got in his car and followed Mr. Harvey down Grubb Street into Barrow's Alley. Harvey lost control of his vehicle in the alley and smashed into a brick wall totaling his vehicle. Harvey then jumped from the car and fled from the scene on foot. Spence followed Harvey on foot until he apprehended him on Dobbs Street where Harvey resisted being arrested and struck officer Spence several times.

Harvey was finally subdued by Spence, and is being held in the Albemarle District Jail. He faces charges of resisting arrest, no liability insurance, inspection sticker violation, and assault on a law enforcement official with a deadly weapon. His first court appearance has been set for January 7, 1987.

In the other case, Dail is charged with entering the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Edwards, Sr. on Dobbs Street.

At approximately 6:05 p.m. on December 10th a person entered the Edwards' house through the living room window.

Mrs. Edwards, who was upstairs at the time heard a noise and came downstairs to confront a black male. Mrs. Edwards instructed the man to leave the house, and proceeded to call the authorities.

Police answered the call, and at approximately 10:00 p.m. Dail was arrested, and is being held in the Albemarle District Jail on \$5,000.00 bond. His first court appearance will be on January 7, 1987. He faces not less than 14 years in prison if convicted.

Nixon receives award

The Albemarle Soil and Water Conservation District met on Tuesday, December 9th at the Hertford Fire Department for their annual ladies night meeting.

Mayor William D. Cox extended welcome to all the guests, and recognized the Albemarle District and The Soil Conservation Service for their assistance in the Missing Mill Park project.

Affiliate memberships were presented to Hollowell Oil Company, Albemarle Fertilizer, and Albemarle E.M.C. for their support of the district's newsletter. Grace Coston was also presented this award for her help and support in the annual poster contest held in our schools each year. Mrs. Elizabeth Winslow was made an affiliate member after retiring from the Albemarle district as secretary early this year.

A special plaque was also given to Mrs. Winslow who has given her support, dedication and knowledge to the Soil Conservation Service in Hertford for the past 14 years.

The Thomas Nixon family was recognized with a plaque as the Conservation Farm Family of the Year for the Albemarle District. 'The Nixon farm is a fine example of stewardship of the land' stated Floyd Mathews, Chairman of the Perquimans district. 'Water Management, field borders and other conservation practices can be found on their farm,' he added. 'These practices not only protect the Nixon's cropland productivity but are a benefit to the total environment.'



Early deadlines set

Due to the upcoming Christmas and New Year's holidays the Perquimans Weekly will observe early deadlines for the next two editions of the paper.

The deadline for all news and advertising for the December 24th issue of the paper will be 12 noon on Friday, December 19th. Deadline for the December 31st edition of the paper will be Friday, December 26th at 3:00 p.m.

Our office will close at noon on Christmas Eve and will reopen at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, December 26th. The office will also be closed on New Year's Day.

Please bring your news articles and advertising materials for these two editions as early as possible to insure placement. Due to the holiday season, no materials will be accepted for publication in any edition after the specified deadlines.

We sincerely hope that these deadlines will not present difficulties to our advertisers or contributors. The paper will resume normal deadlines with the January 8th edition of the paper.

Merry Christmas and best wishes for the holiday season from the staff and management of The Perquimans Weekly.

County Commissioners adopt school proposal

The Perquimans County School officials learned Monday night that the county school offices will be moving into new quarters.

This comes as a result of a proposal worked out between the two boards at Monday's meeting of the county commissioners.

The proposal calls for a 5000 square foot office building, and 6000 square

foot warehouse to be constructed on Edenton highway near Perquimans County High School in Hertford.

The cost of the building is estimated at approximately \$200,000 dollars, and will be financed between the two boards.

The commissioners voted Monday to provide \$75,000 dollars for the project, and the school board will be responsible for the remaining money needed to complete the project.

The new office complex is expected to solve many problems for both the school system, and the county by providing much needed additional office space.

The county will now consider using the existing school offices to house the Soil Conservation and Perquimans County Board of Elections offices, which are currently in need of additional working space.

No details of the building design have been worked out, and the project is still very much in the planning stages according to Pat Harrell, but the school board and the commissioners stated that the project will be completed as soon as possible.

Perquimans County schools are honored by Gov.

Programs in 16 North Carolina school systems including Perquimans County have earned honors in the Governor's Excellence in Education awards program.

The awards program, started in 1983 by former Governor Jim Hunt, recognizes school programs across the state that are doing an outstanding, innovative job of help students. Perquimans County is being recognized for their 10 page project covering visual arts throughout the curriculum for grades K thru 12.

Susan Winslow of the Perquimans County school system stated that Perquimans County's Visual Arts program is exemplary for two reasons, community involvement, and local financial support.

Representatives of the winning

school systems including Susan Winslow, Deborah Coates - High School Art teacher, and Joan Mansfield - Elementary Art teacher will be honored at the Annual Winter Leadership Conference for superintendents and school board members January 18 in Winston-Salem.

Nominations for the awards were made by local boards of education with winners selected by a panel of education and business leaders.

The programs chosen from across the state this year represent a variety of programs, including the areas of writing, health education, dropout prevention, the arts and exceptional children. These programs will serve as models for other school systems.

State Superintendent Craig Phillips said he was pleased that 18 programs, representative of hundreds of the hundreds of innovative school projects, have been selected for recognition. 'I commend the teachers and administrators in these school systems for their initiative and willingness to find ways to better serve all children. Phillips added, 'I encourage all school systems in North Carolina to continue to use all the resources available in the schools and communities to help all of the one million children in our schools succeed.'

The Governor's Excellence in Education Award is sponsored by Governor James G. Martin, the State Board of Education and the Department of Public Instruction.



Newbold-White closes for winter season

Dear Santa:

I am North Carolina's oldest house, Newbold-White, near Hertford. I was built about 1685 by the Quaker, Joseph Scott, and I have been an important part in the growth of North Carolina from a wilderness to a great state.

There was a time, around 1696-1697 when the General Assembly, and nearly all the Courts met with me. Why, forty or more people would sleep within my 20 by 40 foot walls back then. And all the food was being prepared in the great fireplaces, with hams and venison roasting as they hung from the trammels, and sweet potatoes baking in the hot ashes. Some of the ladies brought tallow candles to help with lighting my four small rooms, and the men lighted fat pine torches as they barbecued pigs outside. Oh, I was considered a mansion in those days, and to visit me was an honor. So, you see, Santa, I miss all my former glory, and I thought you might bring me some of the gifts I need to make people visit me again.

First, I need about three feather beds. I have only one bedstead now, and not more than four people are allowed to sleep in one bed. I will make feather pallets for most of the General Assembly when they meet here once again. The Governor will have the bed in the parlor, and he of course will be the only one to sleep there.

I also need iron cooking utensils - all mine have disappeared through the years. Griddles, spiders, trivets, all with legs so that the coals can be banked around them, are best. I can use a nice, large pot outside for cooking and also for beiling clothes and bed linens on wash day.

Santa, I simply must have another building. When George Fox preached here in 1672 people would have stood in the rain to hear him. But, I as sorry to say, people nowadays will sit in the rain for football, but not government meetings and religion. This building would serve me as a reception center, a museum, and gift shop, all dedicated to showing people what life was like when our state began back in the 17th century. I do hope, Santa, that you will speak with Senator Marc Basnight, and Representatives Vernon James and Pete Thompson, about this if you cannot get it in your sleigh on December 24th. It wouldn't be a bad idea to tell Senator Monk Harrington bout it too, as he is my friend.

Finally, Santa please send moral people to help with my preservation and the telling of the history within my walls. Arouse our citizens to the need of preserving our past so that it may help guide our future.

Joining the guardian of my future, the Perquimans County Restoration Association, is a way of helping with this work.

Santa Claus, I was a good citizen and served the Albemarle and the state well in my youth. I am now North Carolina's most senior house citizen, and I need your help. If you please grant these wishes, I promise I will be even better in the years to come.

Sincerely,
The Newbold-White House

P.S. Although I am closed for the winter to cut expenses, you may visit me any time by appointment. Just phone 426-7567, Hertford.

Biggers honored by Lions

Members of the Hertford Lions Club recently presented John T. Biggers with an appreciation award for outstanding and dedicated service.

Lion Biggers is retiring as the Lion's club secretary after serving in that capacity for 32 years.

Biggers joined the Hertford Lions club in September 1948 as a transfer member from the Greenville Lions club.



Lion's Club President Ben Berry presents Mr. John Biggers with a plaque for 32 years of service as club secretary.

Hearing held on Duckweed

County residents learned that there may be no easy solution to the Duckweed problem in the Perquimans River at a public hearing held Monday night.

Mr. Bo Burns, Division of Water Resources, was on hand for the hearing, and stated that the state feels that the Duckweed problem in the Perquimans River is the result of nutrients building up and stagnation of the water from lack of rainfall.

Mr. Burns stated that the state has an aquatic weed control program, but that Duckweed is not included in that program. The state has had good success in combating other weeds, but Duckweed has never presented a major problem before.

Mr. Burns stated that he knew of no other place in the state where the weed was as prevalent as it is in the Perquimans River and added that before the state would treat the weed a complete study would be done. The study is necessary to make sure the environment would not be harmed by treatment of the weed.

He also said that the state is hoping that the problem may correct itself in time, but added that much is still unknown Duckweed.

The state does know that Duckweed is found throughout the world, and is one of the smallest flowering plants, but added that no one cause is known.

Burns stated that certain herbicides will kill the weed, but cautioned that if the weed is killed and water remains stagnate it will cause greater problems.

Burns added that the state must get to the root of the problem, and apologized for not having more answers.

Mr. Burns closed the hearing by stating that he would go back to the state and report on the problem, and report back to the county.

He said that he wanted to leave no false impressions with anyone, and added that he would do what he could. However, he must go through all the proper steps.

Awards banquet held

The Albemarle Area Development Association held their 24th annual awards banquet and program December 11th at the Kermit E. White Center in Elizabeth City.

The AADA works to promote a climate in which economic and community development will occur, and sponsors the awards program to recognize organizations conducting community improvement and industrial activities.

The AADA honored two Perquimans County organizations with awards this year for outstanding contributions in the areas of economic and community development.

Belvidere Farmers Exchange received the economic development award for Perquimans County, and The Bay Branch Homemakers Association received a first place award for community development.

Belvidere Farmers Exchange is co-owned by Dan Nixon and Billy

Winslow. The company employs seven people, and according to Stan Winslow, County Extension Chairman, Belvidere Farmers Exchange has made significant contributions to the county's economy, and to the community.

The Bay Branch Homemakers Association is made up of 12 members, and received a first place award in the category of Rural Community Organizations. According to Mary Harrell who was in charge of the community development awards the club has been extremely active in community development. This past summer they sponsored a sewing and feeding program, and have participated in many activities to benefit their community and Perquimans County.

Mr. Ray Wilkerson, Vice President of Capital Broadcasting was the guest speaker at the dinner. Mr. Wilkerson is best known for his farming broadcasts over the years.