

Of local interest

Weekly constitution corner

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"The United States in Congress Assembled" came through, not surprisingly, with a summons to the States to send delegates to Philadelphia in May, 1787.

The resolution finally agreed to by Congress on February 21, 1787 specified the second Monday in May next as the time for a Convention of delegates appointed by the several states to be held at Philadelphia for "the sole and express purpose of revising the Articles of Confederation." The said Convention was to report to Congress and the several legislatures "such alterations and provisions therein as shall when agreed to in Congress and confirmed by the states render the federal constitution adequate to the exigencies of Government and the preservation of the Union."

Twelve states, all but Rhode Island, responded affirmatively to this call and delegates began to straggle in on Monday, May 14. Travel in

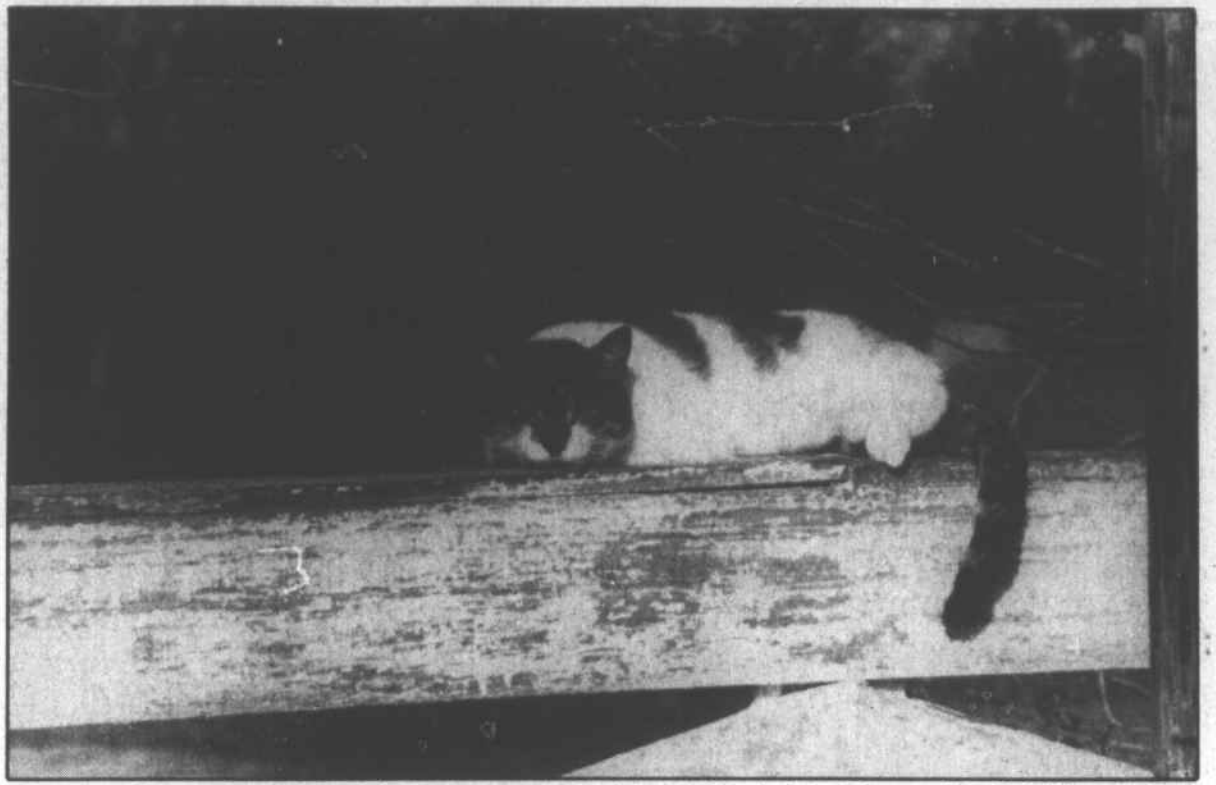


those days was difficult and it was not until Friday, May 25 that, a quorum of seven or more states through their representatives was present. Actually nine states answered the roll call that day. Two, Massachusetts and Georgia, had only one representative present; and three states that would participate, New Hampshire, Connecticut, and Maryland, were as yet unrepresented.

The first business was the election of a President. Robert Morris, speak-

ing for the entire Pennsylvania delegation which included Benjamin Franklin, proposed George Washington. The motion was seconded by John Rutledge of South Carolina. The vote was by ballot and General Washington was elected unanimously. Messrs. Morris and Rutledge conducted him to the Chair.

The newly elected and seated President then made a short but gracious speech, and the Convention proceeded to elect a Secretary, Major William Jackson of New York. The Convention next heard the credentials of the various delegates. It was noted that the representatives from Delaware were prohibited "from changing the article in Confederation establishing an equality of votes among the States. The final action of the first day was the appointment of a Committee consisting of Messrs. Wythe of Virginia, Hamilton of New York, and C. Pinckney of South Carolina, "to prepare standing rules and orders."



A lazy cat is seen here atop a fence. The cat sits there daily and watches as local children board the school bus each morning.

Dogwood Arts Festival announces annual springtime quilt show

The Dogwood Arts Festival Quilt Competition and Exhibition will be held April 8th through 10th, Festival officials announced.

The juried show is held during the opening weekend of the Dogwood Arts Festival, one of the country's largest springtime celebrations.

The competition offers cash prizes totaling \$1000 to the top three winners in each category, as well as a Best of Show. Categories for this year's competition are Lullaby (baby quilts), Dogwoods and Our Heritage (traditional designs).

Quilts and coverlets submitted will be judged on the basis of overall appearance, color and design, and appropriateness to the category. They must have been completed within the past three years.

Wall hangings, antique quilts, group quilts, quilts made from kits, and previous Dogwood Arts Festival Quilt Competition money winners are not eligible for the show.

All quilts must be quilted, appliqued and/or embroidered by hand, but may be machine pieced.

The Dogwood Arts Festival, now in

its twenty-eighth year, boasts over 300 events scattered throughout a three county area during its seventeen day run. It celebrates the arts, culture and natural beauty of the region and offers entertainment from bluegrass to ballet, fine arts to folks arts. The dates for the 1988 Festival are April 8th through April 24th.

For more information about the Quilt Competition or other Festival events contact the Dogwood Arts Festival, 203 Fort Hill Building, Knoxville, Tennessee 37915, (615) 637-4561.

Perquimans area obituaries

R. JULIAN JOHNSON

SILER CITY—R. Julian Johnson, 72, of Route 3, died Aug. 21, in North Carolina Memorial Hospital, Chapel Hill, of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

A funeral was conducted at 3 p.m. in Rives Chapel Baptist Church by the Rev. Luther Lemon. Burial was followed in the church cemetery. Smith and Bucker Funeral Home is in charge of arrangement.

Mr. Johnson was a native of Chatham County and a retired carpenter. He was a member of Rives Chapel Baptist Church.

Johnson was the widower of Joyce Winslow Johnson, a former resident of Elizabeth City.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Joyce Elaine Yacuzzo of High Point, Mrs. Judy Kobylarek of Port Huron, Mich., and Mrs. Diane Price of Siler City; four sons, Ervin Lee Johnson of Benson, Obed Johnson and Melville R. Johnson Sr., both of Pittsboro, and Robert J. Johnson Jr. of Spartanburg, S.C.; a sister, Mrs. Magdalene J. Brown of Siler City; a brother, Jessie Johnson of Siler City; 18 grandchildren; and four step-grandchildren.

LILLIE PINK JORDAN HURDLE

Mrs. Lillie Pink Jordan Hurdle, 85, of Route 2, died August 23 in Chowan Hospital in Edenton.

A native of Perquimans County, she was the widow of William Quinton Hurdle. She was a member of the Cedar Grove United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Eleanor Glyn Stallings of Belvidere; a son, Daryl Eugene Hurdle of Hertford; five grandchildren; four great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2:00 in the chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home by the Rev. William Clemments. Burial followed in the Hurdle Family Cemetery.

SIDNEY ALBERT SHELDON, JR.
Sidney Albert Sheldon, Jr. of Route 1, Hertford, died August 21 in Chowan Hospital in Edenton.

A Norfolk native, he was the husband of Mrs. Dorothy Sheldon. He was a U.S. Coast Guard veteran of World War II and was retired from the Norfolk Naval Air Station where he worked as an estimator. He was a charter member of the Norview Chapter No. 113 Masonic Lodge.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a brother, William J. Sheldon of Route 1, Hertford, and several neph-

ews. Funeral services were held Sunday at 2:00 in the chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home by the Rev. Stanley Nixon.

A graveside service was held Monday at 3:00 in Rosewood Memorial Park in Virginia Beach by Dr. Thomas Evans.

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Library happenings for September

On September 17, 1987 the nation will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution. The library will have displays and information available in honor of this important date. In preparation for the celebration, here's a quiz. (The answers are available at the library.)

What was the purpose of the Constitution?

When was the Constitutional Convention held?

Who presided over the Constitutional Convention and how was he chosen?

Who were the oldest and youngest members of the Convention?

Who is referred to as the "Father of the Constitution"?

Who was called the "Sage of the Constitution"?

Who is believed to have actually written the Constitution?

Was Thomas Jefferson a member of the Constitutional Convention?

What was Jefferson's contribution to the Constitution?

How many delegates signed the doc-

ument? How many in attendance refused to sign?

Which two delegates to the convention later became U.S. Presidents?

Who were the North Carolina delegates to the Constitutional Convention?

What were the occupations of the North Carolina delegates?

Which of the North Carolina signers later became Congressmen?

Was the Bill of Rights part of the original Constitution?

How many states had to ratify the Constitution before it could be put into effect?

On what date did North Carolina ratify the Constitution?

Which was the first state to ratify the Constitution?

How many Constitutional amendments are there?

What do the 18th and 21st Amendments have in common?

What does the last amendment provide for and when was it ratified?

September is also the month for the Indian Summer Festival. The library

will hold a BOOK SALE Friday, September 11, from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 12, from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Donations of books and magazines are welcome but they must be delivered to the library no later than Tuesday, September 8.

As of September 1, the library's hours will be:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30 - 5:30

Tuesday, Thursday 9:30 - 8:00

Saturday 9:30 - 12:30

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Health dept. schedule

The September clinic schedule for Perquimans Health Department is as follows:

Sept 1, 8:00 Teen Clinic

Sept 2, Pediatric Clinic PM, Dr. Slade

Sept 3, Immunization Clinic 5-7 p.m.

Sept 4, General Clinic PM, WIC all day

Sept 7, Holiday

Sept 8, Prenatal Check, Pills-Problems PM

Sept 9, Child Health All Day

Sept 11, General Clinic PM

Sept 16, Child Health PM

Sept 17, Pap Clinic

Sept 18, General Clinic PM, WIC All Day

Sept 21, Prenatal AM, Family Planning PM

Sept 22, Prenatal Check, Pills Problems PM

Sept 24, Adult Health All Day

Sept 25, General PM

Nutrition site menus

The following is a list of Nutrition Site menus for the elderly for the week of Aug. 31 - Sept. 4

Monday-Country fried steak (tenderized solid), stewed tomatoes, green beans, dinner roll, margarine, whole peach (fresh), milk, orange juice.

Tuesday-Baked turkey with gravy and dressing, candied sweet potatoes, seasoned collards, dinner roll, margarine, cranberry juice, milk.

Wednesday-Salisbury steak with

gravy, squash casserole, buttered green peas, cornbread, margarine, fresh orange, milk.

Thursday-BBQ Chicken (1/4), cucumbers, 4 quarters, tomatoes, onions, fresh or marinated, buttered corn, whole wheat roll, margarine, hot spiced fruit cocktail, milk.

Friday-Baked ham in fruit sauce (3 oz.), buttered baby limas, buttered broccoli cuts, whole wheat bread, margarine, blended orange, pineapple juice, sugar cookie, milk.

Area service news

Sgt. Glenn T. Allen, son of retired Army Chief Warrant Officer Edward H. and Helen E. Allen of 101 Pirates Cove Way, Hertford, N.C., has been decorated with the Army Commendation Medal in West Germany.

The Army Commendation Medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrates outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Army.

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NOTICE

Beginning October 1, 1987, the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners will be requiring that all future subdivisions have a paved road according to D.O.T. standards.

N. Paul Gregory, Jr.
County Manager