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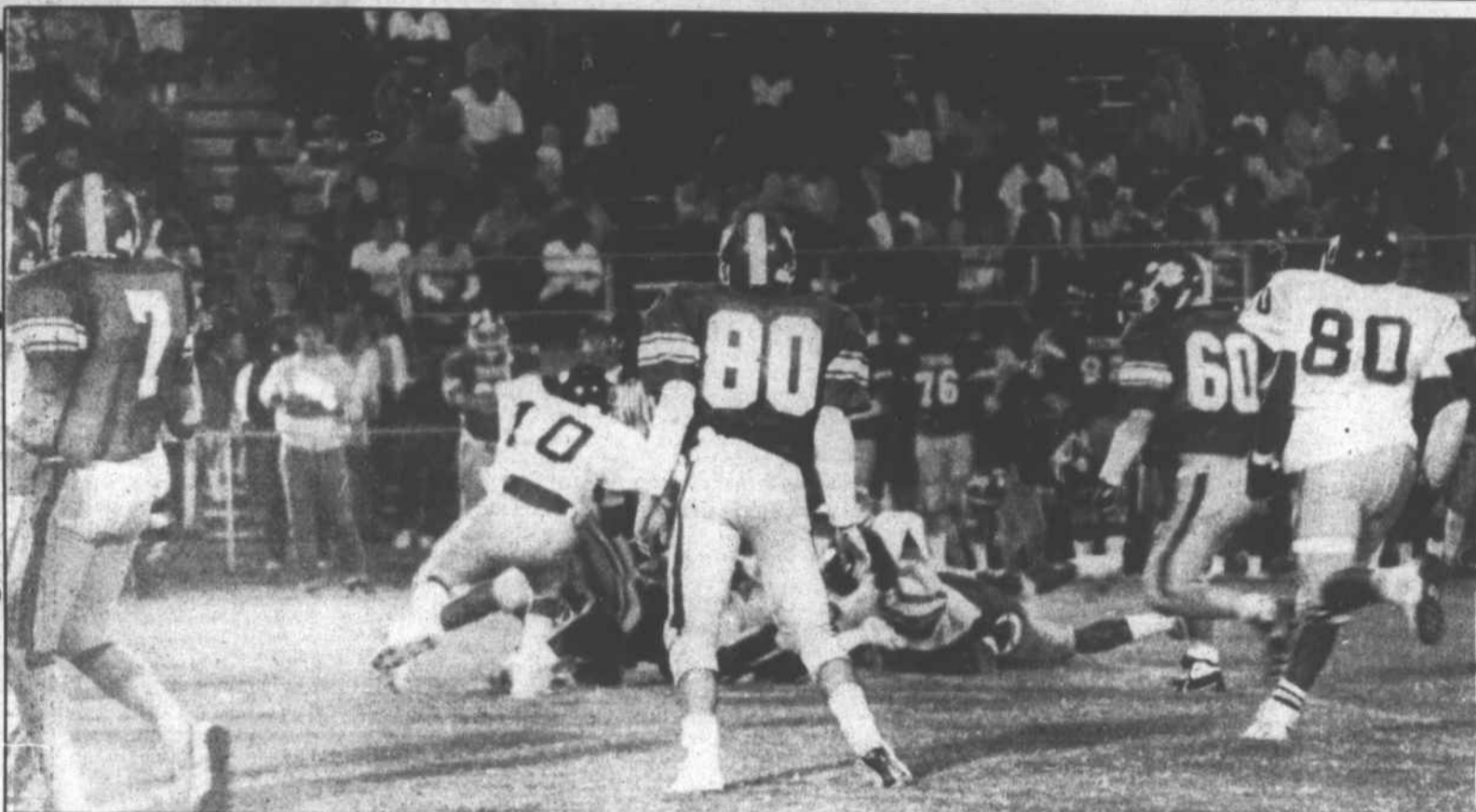
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Members of the Pirate football team had a tough time with the larger defensive line of the Williamston Tigers as is exhibited in this picture. The Pirates lost to the Tigers 7-0.

Perquimans defeated by Williamston Friday

Despite another strong performance by the Pirate's defensive squad the team came up short on the scoreboard, losing 7-0 to Williamston Friday evening.

Early in the first quarter both teams exchanged short drives up and down the field until the 4:05 mark of the first quarter when Williamston blocked a Perquimans punt and recovered the ball on the ten yard line.

The Perquimans' defense then held the tigers for three downs, but on the fourth down tiger quarterback, Mark Williams threw a touchdown pass. The Tigers scored the extra point

making the score 7-0, which was all the points either team could muster during Friday's contest.

The Pirates mounted their best threat late in Friday's game when Benny Everett intercepted the ball and carried it 53 yards to the tiger 18 yard line.

Unfortunately, the Perquimans' offense failed to convert the opportunity into a touchdown, and all hopes for the Pirates to score were quickly dashed.

The Pirates managed 145 yards on the ground Friday led by Mike Thatch's 53 yards on 11 carries, and

Rodney Welch's 48 yards on 10 carries. Costen also carried the ball eight times during the game for a total of 38 yards.

The Perquimans' defense was led by Daryl Mallory's 11 tackles, Costen's eight, and William Foreman who had four tackles.

Williamston gained 218 yards on the ground and 29 yards in the air in Friday's contest, and held the Pirates to six first downs for the entire game.

Pirate Coach Bill Flippen attributed Friday's loss somewhat to size.

"We are overmatched right now," said Flippen referring to the big defensive line of Williamston, but added that the Perquimans' defense had shut down the Tigers somewhat. In last week's outing against the Redskins of Manteo the Tigers scored 40 points.

This Friday night the Pirates face the Aces of Edenton at home. Game time is 8:00 p.m..

Perquimans stats were as follows: first downs: 6, yards rushing: 145, passes: 1-6, yards passed: 15, penalties: 3-25, and punts: 4-26.

Indian Summer Festival set to begin on Friday

This weekend the sixth annual Indian Summer Festival will kick-off on Friday and Saturday. This year's festival will continue for two fun filled days, and promises to have something for everyone.

On Friday, the theme will be "merchants extravaganza". Events will kick-off at 9:00 a.m. in downtown Hertford.

Activities on Friday will highlight Perquimans County merchants and will feature "old fashioned" sidewalk sales, historic window displays, balloons for the kids, and something new. This will be the first year local merchants have sponsored the ping pong ball merchandise discount hunt.

On stage Friday, festival visitors will find entertainment by Bruce Todd on the guitar and drums, the Perquimans County High School marching band, a lip sync contest, and the "Bitter Creek" band.

County restaurant owners will also be at the festival on Friday. They will be manning a number of food booths offering a variety of delicious foods for festival goers lunchtime enjoyment. The Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce will also be sponsoring a chicken fry Friday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.. No tickets will be sold for the dinner. Plates will be \$3.40 and can be picked up at the rear of the Blanchard building in downtown Hertford.

On Saturday, "Fun Day", the festival's activities will move to Hertford's Missing Mill Park.

Events will get underway at 8:30 a.m. with the registration for the annual Indian Summer Festival 5K run, and will continue throughout the day



Saturday.

Scheduled events for Saturday include: the running of the 5K run at 10:00 a.m., arts and crafts, display booths, food booths, and the tug o' war. For the kids Saturday there will be train rides, the sea o' balls, jupiter jump, cosmic orbiter, and even a few clowns.

Saturday's entertainment will feature performances by "Out in the Cold" band, the Flatland Cloggers, "Moments Notice", a barber shop quartet, and the "Four Star Edition", a division of the Navy Atlantic Fleet band.

Later Saturday evening entertainment for the street dance will be provided by the "Five Star Edition."

Make plans to come and join in all the fun this weekend, September 11th and 12th.

Compensation viewed as top achievement

Raleigh—A fund to provide compensation to innocent victims of violent crime will be remembered as one of the top achievements of the 1987 General Assembly, according to Attorney General Lacy H. Thornburg.

"The crime victims compensation fund will go a long way toward balancing the scales of justice," Thornburg said. "For too long, North Carolina has spent millions of dollars each year on behalf of criminal defendants while providing nothing for the innocent victims. The victims compensation fund should be considered as a major turning point in the way our citizens view the criminal justice system."

The victims compensation fund, along with an act to ensure fair treatment for victims and witnesses passed in 1985, was a cornerstone of Thornburg's campaign for attorney general in 1984.

Thornburg applauded the legislature for finally authorizing the fund, which is set up to compensate victims of violent crime for economic losses not covered by other sources such as insurance.

Effective since August 13, the fund will compensate victims for losses such as lost wages and medical expenses, with individual victims eligible to recover up to \$20,000. Families of homicide victims will be eligible to recover for funeral expenses.

The fund does not cover property losses.

The legislature has appropriated \$1 million for each of the next two fiscal years as start-up money for the fund. Thornburg said that ultimately, the fund should be self-supporting through court-ordered payments. The fund also makes North Carolina eligible for supplemental federal grants.

In the months and weeks leading up to legislative enactment, Thornburg had been working to build public support for the new law, speaking to dozens of civic clubs, victims advocacy groups and business organizations across the state.

Thornburg and his Justice Department staff were also busy in the halls and committees of the legislature, lobbying for the fund appropriation, even though the program is being administered by the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety.

"The criminal justice system was being viewed by many citizens as a criminal injustice system," Thornburg said, "but now, the resources of the state will be put to work to help the people who need it most."



Mrs. Izila Mouring is seen addressing some 500 to 600 former students, teachers and employees on Saturday who returned to the former Perquimans County Union School for a school reunion.

P.C.U.S. holds first school reunion

Despite inlimate weather spirits were high Saturday at the first Perquimans County Union School reunion.

Approximately 500 graduates from the classes of 1940 thru 1970, former teachers, and school employees gathered at Perquimans Middle School in Winfall on Saturday to reminisce, renew old friendships, and talk about the good ole days during the daylong event.

The reunion got underway at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday and featured a program, an open house, dinner, and a time to socialize later in the evening.

The program which ran from 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. featured Mrs. Izila Mouring, class of 1965, as mistress of ceremonies as well as an invocation provided by Reverend Leroy Wills, class of 1965, a history of Perquimans County Union School compiled and presented by Mrs. Gloria Mitchell, class of 1961, recognition of the classes present, and recognition of those former teachers who present.

The program also featured Mr. John L. Thatch, class of 1965, as the guest speaker. Mr. Thatch is with the public school system in Raleigh, North Carolina where he makes his home, and was very excited to be in-

cluded in Saturday's program.

Mr. J. A. Dempsey, former Principal of P.C.U.S. was also on hand Saturday to make a few remarks to the gathering, and seemed thrilled to renew old friendships with his former students.

Following the program, and open house, the group enjoyed a catered dinner which was provided by Mrs. Annette Gregory of Hertford.

T-Connection provided the music for Saturday evening's social hours, and the group enjoyed a selection of oldies but goodies as they danced the night away.

Other highlights of the reunion included drawings for door prizes which were donated by area businesses, and special recognition of the class of 1967 which celebrated their 20th reunion over the weekend.

T-shirts highlighting the reunion were also on sale at Saturday's gathering. The t-shirts were sponsored by Mr. Edward Ferebee, Jr., class of 1967, and featured the school colors and the reunion dates.

Following the reunion on Saturday, many members of the group continued their time of fellowship at a church service at Immanuel Pentecostal Church, Highway 17 S. in Hertford. Rev. Vernon Jim Simpson, of

Detroit Michigan, class of 1965, served as minister for the service.

The guest who came the furthest to Saturday's reunion was Ruth J. Abercrombee, class of 1962. Ms. Abercrombee traveled all the way from Seattle, Washington for Saturday's events. The oldest person attending the reunion was a former teacher at P.C.U.S., Mrs. J. L. Privott. Mrs. Privott resides in Hertford.

Saturday's reunion of Perquimans County Union School was the first reunion of this type to be held in Perquimans County, and the reunion committee hopes that the tradition will be continued. The decision on whether another reunion of P.C.U.S. will be held will be made by a committee at a later date, based on the response of those in attendance this year. Members of the reunion committee this year included: Ms. Faye Riddick, Mrs. Esther H. Bryant, Mrs. Louise T. Reid, Mr. William Rodgeron, Mrs. Barbara B. Lyons, Mrs. Catherine T. Tillet, Mrs. Sonia C. Rankin, Mrs. Cheryl R. Canton, Ms. Dee Riddick, Mrs. Elizabeth P. Modlin, Mr. William Modlin, Mrs. Constance L. Everett, Mrs. Eloise P. Smith, Mr. Clifton Tillet, Mrs. Gloria B. Mitchell, and Mrs. Izila Mouring.

New commercial fishing regulations challenged

RALEIGH—In a move to protect North Carolina's commercial fishing industry from unnecessary federal regulations, State Attorney General Lacy H. Thornburg has challenged new U.S. Department of Commerce rules requiring that shrimp trawlers use turtle excluder devices or restricted tow times in all waters of North Carolina.

"While I am concerned about protecting the threatened population of sea turtles, I don't want to see North Carolina's commercial fisherman added to the list of endangered species," Thornburg said.

Thornburg has filed a petition to reconsider the recently adopted federal rules, saying that Federal officials have failed to demonstrate a benefit to endangered and threatened sea turtle species in North Carolina.

In his filing, Thornburg says that the rules requiring the expensive turtle excluder devices and limited tow times apply to all North Carolina waters, even though 80 percent of the annual shrimp harvest occurs in the inshore water areas where turtle strandings are not a significant problem.

Thornburg is not challenging the rules as they would apply to the ocean south of Ocracoke Inlet, where he agrees that the threat to sea turtles is significant. The commercial fishing industry also agreed to the rules in the southern ocean area last spring.

Thornburg has asked that the U.S. Department of Commerce act on his petition by September 25. He said that unless the State receives a reasonable and satisfactory answer to the problems raised in his petition by that date, it will be necessary to bring an action in the Federal District Court to challenge the rules as they apply to North Carolina's inshore waters and the waters north of Ocracoke Inlet.

In his petition, Thornburg contends

the rules cannot be applied to inshore waters and to the waters north of Ocracoke Inlet because the federal government failed to give the state notice in its proposed rule that it intended to apply restrictions in those waters.

Thornburg maintains that the federal government was correct in an earlier assessment of those waters when it found that it was not an appropriate area for requiring the use of TEDs and tow limit restrictions. He said the federal government had already admitted, in its environmental analysis of the problem, that these waters have not been shown to be areas where any significant impact on sea turtles is caused by shrimp trawls.

Thornburg also contends that the Secretary of Commerce abused his powers under the Endangered Species Act by attempting to apply regulations in these state waters where there is no correlation between shrimp trawling and turtle strandings.

Thornburg points out that an average of 18 sea turtles a year wash ashore in North Carolina's 2.2 million acre estuarine complex.

Moreover, Thornburg says, the Federal rules applies the standards in areas of the state where shrimp trawling does not occur, such as the Albemarle Sound, Currituck Sound, Chowan River and Croatan Sound areas.

In its final section, Thornburg's petition contends that the federal economic analysis of the impact on fishermen for the State of North Carolina is inadequate. The federal government estimated that the total number of boats involved in shrimp trawling in North Carolina was about 2,100. State records show that more than 8,500 fishermen participated in shrimp harvest last year.

WEATHER

Weekend Forecast

Weather forecasters are predicting partly cloudy weather for Thursday with showers clearing towards the end of the week.

Temperatures should be in the high 70s to low 80s on Thursday.