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Hertford Requests Recreational Center

Matter Discussed Monday at Meeting of Committees

TWO SITES

Plans Worked Out and Submitted by Mayor Reed

A recreational center to cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000.00, a dredging project to improve and make into a park the county-owned property south of the Causeway, and other improvements which include paving side-walks, re-surfacing streets, improving the water system, a white way, extension of the sewer system, will be asked for by the Town of Hertford from the Federal Government through the ERA and the PWA. Whether or not any of these things will be forthcoming only time will tell. Those asking, however, are acting upon the assumption that unless we ask we shall not receive, and that we may possibly get what we ask.

At a called meeting of the town officials on Monday night a committee from the Rotary Club conferred with Mayor E. L. Reed and the town commissioners. E. W. Lordley, District FERA Administrator, was present and gave information and assistance in making plans for the various projects.

Mayor Reed, who had made some preliminary investigation as to acquiring a lot on which to erect the community building, reported the result of his investigation. Two sites which have been considered are the one on Grubb Street, the former site of the peanut plant, and the lot on Market Street opposite the Baptist Church. While the property on Market Street is perhaps more centrally located, it was pointed out that there would be sufficient space on the Grubb Street property for a playground, tennis courts, and other outdoor sports, at no extra expense.

Tentative plans for the recreational center are that the building, a part of the cost of which would probably have to be financed by funds from self-liquidating bonds, have on the first floor offices, quarters for the post office, and a moving picture theatre, all of these units being revenue-producing. The second floor would be devoted to community recreational needs, to include a gymnasium, a library, reading room, a meeting place for Boy Scouts, woman's clubs, and other community interests.

Mayor Reed has already worked out the plans for the town improvements such as paving and repairs, and the discussion centered around the recreational needs of the town.

Mayor Reed stated at the close of the meeting that he would submit all of the projects planned.

Dates Set For Civil Service Examinations

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows: Assistant statistical clerk, \$1,620 a year, departmental service, Washington, D. C.

Chief dietitian, \$2,800 to \$2,900 a year, head dietitian, \$2,000 to \$2,500 a year, staff dietitian, \$1,800 to \$2,160 a year, Public Health Service and Veterans Administration.

All States except Utah, Iowa, Vermont, Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia have received less than their quota of appointments in the apportioned departmental service in Washington, D. C. The position is not affected by the State appointment law.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post office or custom house in any city which has a post office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

INTER-CITY ROTARY MEETING IN EDENTON NEXT TUESDAY

An inter-city meeting of Rotarians will be held in Edenton on Tuesday night of next week, when Rotarians from this entire section, the North-Eastern District of North Carolina, which reaches as far as Washington, will be present. The Hertford Rotary Club will be well represented in this meet-

Members U. D. C. Seek Cooperation

Don't let a soldier's grave go unmarked. If you know of the unmarked grave of a soldier of the Confederacy get in touch with either Mrs. J. J. Fleetwood, Mrs. T. S. White or Mrs. Thoma-Nixon of the U. D. C., and they will make application through the proper channels for a free headstone from the Federal Government.

State Drivers License In Effect On Nov. 1

Habitual drunkards, narcotic addicts and persons physically or mentally incompetent to drive a car will not be issued license to drive automobiles.

North Carolina has enacted legislation requiring all drivers of motor vehicles to be licensed after the first of November of this year.

The fact that there will be no charge for licenses obtained before November 1st, will cause most drivers to apply for a license before that date, as after November 1st, an operator of a car must pay \$1.00 for a license. Chauffeurs will be charged \$2.00 for their license.

Penalties are provided for violations of the provisions of the driver's license law and for illegal use of applications and license. The maximum sentence for violating the law shall be six months' imprisonment or \$500.00 fine.

There is to be more adequate highway patrol, who will assist in the enforcement of the drivers' license law.

Music Club Meets Thursday Evening

The Chaminade Music Club met on Thursday evening with Misses Anne Felton, Marjorie Buck and Florence Darden, and celebrated Washington's birthday by a program of appropriate songs, instrumental music and stunts, in which the club members were assisted by Jimmy and Peggy Felton.

One program feature was Mary Wood Koonce playing Marches used by Washington's troops and Zach White singing the first real American Song, written by Francis Hopkinson.

The prize for the best hand position was awarded to Maudie Keaton, and Mary Field won the prize for pinning the hatchet on the cherry tree.

At the close of the program, an ice course was served, and a little American Flag given each guest as a souvenir.

Members present were: Addie Ruth Morgan, Ruby Lee Sumner, Celia Dail, Zach White, Ellie Mae White, Mary Field, Annie May Matthews, Mary Louise Chappell, Anne Felton, Florence Darden, Marjorie Buck, Maudie Keaton, Sallie B. Wood, Hazel Matthews, Mary Wood Koonce, Grace Knowles, Clarence Phillips, Inez Harris, Louise Morgan, Jane Shoults, and Mrs. R. M. Riddick, counselor.

The guests included Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Felton, Mrs. G. C. Buck, Mrs. Rose Howard, Miss Virginia Harris, Peggy and Jimmie Felton.

SURPRISE PARTY GIVEN FOR MRS. T. B. SUMNER

Mrs. T. B. Sumner was given a surprise party on Monday evening by her two sisters, Mrs. W. G. Wright and Mrs. E. G. Koonce, in honor of Mrs. Sumner's thirteenth wedding anniversary.

The guests assembled at the home of a neighbor and went in a body to the Sumner residence, bringing attractive gifts to the honoree.

Three tables were arranged for bridge, and after several rubbers the hostesses served a sweet course.

Mrs. B. F. Jessup was the winner of the top score prize.

Those playing included Mrs. T. B. Sumner, Mrs. W. G. Wright, Mrs. E. G. Koonce, Mrs. E. W. Lordley, Mrs. V. N. Darden, Mrs. P. M. Small, Mrs. B. F. Jessup, Mrs. Trice Wilson, Mrs. E. A. Whiting, Mrs. W. T. McMillan, Miss Kate Blanchard, and Mrs. E. M. Riddick.

ATTENDS NATIONAL MEET

W. E. Harwood, A. W. Heffern, and C. F. Morris, officers of the Hertford Building and Loan Association, attended the national convention of Building and Loan Associations held at Raleigh, N. C. this week.

U. D. C. AIMS TO MARK CONFEDERATE GRAVES

"Daughters" Desire to Learn of Unmarked Graves

To see that every Confederate Soldier's grave in Perquimans County is marked, is the aim of the Skinner-Jones Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy this year.

The government furnishes a free head stone for any individual whose last service in the military or naval forces of the United States was honorable. That headstones are furnished free by the United States government for Confederate soldiers is not generally known. The Daughters are anxious to get this information before the public, with a view to marking the unmarked graves of Confederate soldiers.

The government furnishes the headstone and ships it, freight prepaid, to the nearest railroad station to the cemetery where the soldier is buried. Any other expense, such as hauling the stone from the station and setting it up, must be borne by some one interested. The Daughters of the Confederacy expect to look after this part of the work for those who are unable to have the work done.

The stone furnished by the Government for the Confederate soldier, is of American white marble, and is 39 inches long, 12 inches wide, 4 inches thick, with top slightly pointed. It is inscribed with the name, rank (if above a private) and organization, followed by the letters "C. S. A."

Anyone who knows of an unmarked Confederate soldier's grave is asked to communicate with Mrs. J. J. Fleetwood, Mrs. T. S. White, or Mrs. Thoma-Nixon, of the Skinner-Jones Chapter of the U. D. C., who will take up the matter of securing a stone and marking the grave.

Funeral Tuesday For Mrs. Mary Pritchard

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary L. Pritchard, widow of Clinton S. Pritchard, well-known and greatly beloved resident of Pasquotank County, were held from the home near Elizabeth City on Tuesday afternoon, with the Rev. R. S. Tomlinson, pastor of Berea Baptist Church, officiating, assisted by the Rev. O. Jack Murphey, of Corinth Baptist Church.

Mrs. Pritchard died on Sunday night after a long illness.

Surviving children include: D. J. Pritchard, of Hertford; C. E., L. B., G. B. and J. C. Pritchard, all of Pasquotank County, and Mrs. Clyde Scott, of Shiloh.

Through Capitol Keyholes

By BESS HINTON SILVER

UPS AND DOWNS

The McDonald-Lumpkin anti-sales tax plan to tax corporations more, tax dividends from all corporation stocks and levy a tax of from \$5 to \$900 on all individual incomes above \$1000 per year rises and falls in popularity like a thermometer. It didn't have much visible support in the early days of the present Legislature, then its stock rose as the two sponsors explained its workings and estimated its revenue yield. It took a drop when the lobbyists had their day in court before the finance committee. But merchants came to the rescue and boosted the proposals with their endorsement. It hasn't been adopted yet and you can find plenty of prognosticators that it will not become law. On the other hand, the McDonald-Lumpkin bloc is still hopeful and working industriously.

SPEAKER

The grapevine reports renewed rumors that Representative H. Gregg Cherry, of Gaston, Chairman of the House Finance Committee, will be a candidate for Speaker next session. Everybody agrees that he is doing his best to make a record for himself on the money bill but sales tax opponents feel that the matter of a month or so is not important if they can get out from under the tax for the next two years. They are making it tough for Mr. Cherry's political aspirations and he shows no little irritation in committee at times. That isn't calculated to aid his chances in Legislative politics.

WORRIED

Senator W. P. Horton, of Chatham, is worried about the State forcing parents to send their children to school in buses that grand juries say are unsafe and then refusing to pay expenses in cases of death or injury. He has introduced a bill to require the State to pay up to \$600 damages in school bus accidents. From all indications at present his bill will pass but it may be amended to cover only actual expenses and with maximum of minimum amounts not mentioned.

MUD-HOLES

It looks like you boys and girls living off the concrete may get your roads and bridges repaired pretty soon. The General Assembly has made a special appropriation of \$3,000,000 for that purpose. A lot of folks are still hanging around the Capitol hoping to get a slice of your gasoline tax for this, that and the other and nothing but a stiff fight and constant vigil is going to prevent a raid on highway funds before the Legislature adjourns. The highway department could do better if it didn't have to devote so much time dealing with propaganda dished out by those who would divert road taxes.

ANTI-SALES TAX

The bloc headed by Representative Ralph McDonald, of Forsyth, and Representative Lumpkin, of Franklin, will not cease its fight on the general sales tax until the biennial revenue bill becomes law. They plan to carry their fight to the floor of House and Senate where they have no little strength. Leaders of the Ehringhaus administration still avow the sales tax is necessary to properly support schools and other essential State services and predict it will be re-enacted.

LIQUOR

Opinion among many legislative leaders is that legal liquor (Continued on Page Two)

"Now Or Never" Is The Slogan In Fast Finish For Capital Prizes

HERE'S HOW THEY STAND

Subscribers should BOOST their favorite candidate by giving them their subscription or extension subscription. Your subscription might be the one to put your favorite in the winning class. It will also count towards the extra prize—an Elgin Wrist Watch, awarded to the one turning in the largest number of years by Saturday night.

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| Mrs. J. L. Nixon, Winfall | 2,593,000 |
| Mrs. Roy Parks, Ryland | 2,592,000 |
| Miss Ann Barclift Hertford | 2,589,000 |
| Mr. Edgar Fields, Hertford | 2,140,000 |
| Mrs. J. C. Wilson, Chapanoke | 2,139,000 |
| Mrs. C. F. Reed, R. F. D. Hertford | 937,000 |
| Mrs. Charles Skinner, Hertford | 705,000 |
| Miss William Spivey, Hobbsville | 701,000 |
| Mr. Jesse Lane, Hertford | 348,000 |

No Improvements Asked By Winfall

Winfall is one town in this vicinity which has not asked for anything in the way of public improvements from the Federal Government from the big fund which most of the municipalities are hoping to get a slice of.

A drainage project, put on by the Perquimans County ERA is now in progress at Winfall, which is going to make a big improvement. But according to Mayor David Trueblood, the town has not yet applied for any portion of the relief money to be spent for public improvements if Congress acts favorably on the bill now pending.

Superintendent of Schools F. T. Johnson is trying hard to get a new school building for Winfall, and the need for a building over there is very urgent.

MRS. WINSLOW ENTERTAINS ST. CATHERINE'S AUXILIARY

Mrs. H. G. Winslow was hostess to the members of St. Catherine's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church, at her home on Tuesday night.

Mrs. C. A. Davenport presided. Following the business of the evening there was a social hour when the hostess served delicious home-made candy.

Those present included: Mesdames R. B. Cox, C. A. Davenport, Emmett Winslow, Walter H. Oakey, Jr., W. T. Brown, Brooks Whedbee, J. H. Newbold, W. E. White, Clyde McCallum, W. H. Harcastle, H. A. Whitley, Misses Mae Wood Winslow and Louise Gaither.

Hertford Rifle Club Holds First Meeting

Walter H. Oakey, Jr., who is organizing the new Hertford Rifle Club, which the young men of the community are taking such keen interest in, is a life member of the National Rifle Association. Thousands of the lovers of the sport of rifle shooting are enrolled in the clubs throughout the United States which are affiliated with the Association. The National Rifle Association has expanded during the fifty years of its existence to the extent of including more than 170 rifle clubs in its organization.

The Hertford Rifle Club expects to affiliate with the National Association, Mr. Oakey said yesterday.

The first meet is to be held on Friday afternoon of this week on the new range which is being constructed on the old Albemarle Lumber Company's lot, on Grubb Street.

Rigid safety rules will be in effect, according to Mr. Oakey, and those interested will be welcomed at the range. There will probably be a crowd of spectators on hand to get a glimpse of the activities.

While only about a dozen young men are included in the membership at present, many others will probably become members as soon as they learn about the undertaking. All are invited. A nominal entrance fee is to be charged, and also a small fee for the upkeep of the range will be collected.

The members include, in addition to Mr. Oakey, Melvin G. Owens, who has had a lot of practice during his six years in the Army, and J. E. Morris, Alfred Williams, Dr. Luther H. Butler, Guy Newby, Eugene Perry, James Evert Newby, Russell Winslow and Lyman Shepherd.

Parents Urged To Send Birth Cards

Raleigh—Nearly a month ago, January 30, the Bureau of the Census in Washington sent 463,309 little postal cards to North Carolina, distributing them to every postoffice in North Carolina for further distribution to every family in the State.

These little cards contain a request of the Census Bureau that parents of children born within the past year fill in the brief blanks at the bottom of the card and put them in the post-office or mail box. The information asked is needed to check against the birth records in the Division of Vital Statistics of the State Board of Health, the object being to see how well births are being registered in the State.

Up to Saturday night less than 30,000 of these cards had been posted by the parents of approximately 80,000 children, black and white, born in the State last year. These figures show according to Dr. J. H. Hamilton, director of the bureau, that fully 50,000 parents have not filled in and mailed these cards.

This is a duty which parents should not neglect, and thus submit their children to embarrassment and unnecessary trouble in the future, Dr. Hamilton said. Parents are asked to fill in these cards and post them, even if they know that the doctor or midwife attending the birth filed the proper certificate. It is a small task with important results and no parent should neglect it, Dr. Hamilton said.

HONORARY PAGE

James S. McNider, Jr., was elected honorary page in the House of Representatives at Raleigh last Thursday, when he visited at the Legislature with his father.

Saturday 1st Day to Obtain Big Votes in Contest

7 DAYS LEFT

Saturday, March 9, Expansion Campaign Will End

"Two More Days." These three words have a potent meaning when we consider the importance of the results in the Perquimans Weekly Campaign which is nearing a close.

The last of the big votes will undoubtedly be the deciding factor in determining the winners in the splendid array of prizes which each contestant is eager to win.

Race Getting Hotter

As the last few days of the campaign come in sight candidates are struggling for the highest honors that are to be had. Not only will the \$400 cash be awarded the winner, but the fortunate winner will also receive the congratulations of the entire vicinity for having achieved such a signal victory.

But two days remain in which candidates can gather enough votes to assure them of the highest awards. The vote schedule will take a decided drop after Saturday night at nine o'clock. Also votes on Second Payments or extensions will not be given next week, other than the regular subscription votes.

Extensions this week are playing an important part in the campaign of most of the candidates. Each one realizes the boost each extension will give, and is working their territory to this end.

For several weeks the contestants have engaged in accumulating votes and during this time The Perquimans Weekly's campaign has gained fame. The efforts and diligence of the past few weeks will be rewarded by The Perquimans Weekly with splendid cash prizes ranging from \$400 to \$25, according to the votes of the contestants.

The Perquimans Weekly is justly proud of the list of contestants that are competing for the prizes, and each community is proud of its representative. The different communities are supporting their favorite and pulling for their favorite to win.

The race as the finish approaches is a neck and neck affair. No one person has any material advantage over another at the present, and the number of subscriptions turned in before Saturday night may tell the tale. The third period close Saturday night at nine o'clock.

Miss Joyce Stokes Honored In College

Miss Joyce Stokes was recently voted the most versatile girl in the Junior Class of Greensboro College, according to a dispatch from the Department of Journalism of that institution.

Miss Stokes is censor of the Irving Literary Society, Budget Collector of the Student Government Association and Captain of the Junior Basketball Team.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stokes, of Hertford.

MRS. PENNINGTON HOSTESS TO MISSIONARY CIRCLE

Mrs. B. W. Pennington was hostess at the home of Mrs. T. E. Raper on Monday night, to the members of the Rosa Powell Missionary Circle of the Hertford Baptist Church.

Those present included Mesdames George Chappell, H. T. Bond, C. C. Fowler, Seldon Godwin, T. E. Raper, Tommy Miller, Ben Wood, Luther Sitterson, Charles Johnson, Mary Parker, Josiah Elliott, Charlie Elliott, V. A. Holdren, R. A. Sutton, W. T. Elliott, and Miss Ruth Sutton. There were two visitors present; Mrs. E. W. Mayes and Mrs. T. W. Perry.

After the business session and program a social hour was enjoyed, and the hostess served dainty refreshments.

EXTENDED HOUSE COURTESY

Master Frank Brown visited his father, Representative W. T. Brown, last week in Raleigh, and had a very interesting week. Frank visited with the legislative body and the courtesies of the floor were extended him. He returned home on Saturday with his father, who spent the week-end in Hertford.