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99 Applications For Old Age Assistance

Only Eighteen Approved and Papers Sent To Raleigh

NO CHECKS YET

Eleven White and Seven Colored Included In List

Eighteen applicants for old age assistance in Perquimans under the Social Security program have been approved as eligible by the County Welfare Board and their applications have been sent to Raleigh. No checks as yet have been received, but it is expected that all applicants whose applications have been approved will receive checks for the month of July, according to Miss Ruth Davenport, superintendent of public welfare.

Ninety-seven applications have been made at the local Welfare office for old age assistance, according to the records of Miss Ruth Davenport, superintendent of public welfare in Perquimans, which is three short of the estimate made of 100 persons who would be eligible for this assistance. The estimate was made by state authorities.

Only twenty applications have been made for assistance to dependent children, which is 70 short of the estimate made by the State Board.

Of the twenty applications received only two as yet have been approved, the others being under investigation.

Ten applications have been made for assistance to the blind, four of which have been approved. The others will be investigated.

Of the eighteen who have been placed as eligible for old age assistance, all of whom have been receiving small monthly sums from the county, poor fund, 11 are white and 7 are colored.

The names of the white persons, with the amount of each monthly check, are as follows: Eliab Chalk, \$10.00; John Gibson, \$8.00; Tom Harrell, \$12.00; Martha Ann Lane, \$5.00; Eloise Madre, \$12.00; J. S. Miller, \$8.00; Sam J. Monds, \$8.00; John E. Moore, \$8.00; Samuel Moore, \$5.00; Elizabeth B. Stallings, \$4.00; Esther G. Sutton, \$8.00.

The names of the colored persons, with the amount of each monthly check, follows: Joe Bonner, \$5.00; Hampton Drew, \$8.00; Mary Eason, \$10.00; Anderson Harrell, \$6.00; Cherry Jordan, \$8.00; Lucrecy Riddick, \$4.00; Emma Jane Simpson, \$8.00.

All these will continue to receive such surplus commodities as are furnished from time to time, and will also be given articles of clothing from the supply made in the sewing rooms of the county.

My Impressions Of Farm - Home Week

By MRS. M. T. GRIFFIN

Crowds! Crowds! Crowds! State College was overflowing with women and men.

Class rooms were filled to capacity or over run with women eager to learn better methods of home making. Long lines waiting their turn to serve themselves in the cafeteria.

Every evening from six to seven Mr. Christwell led community singing at the stadium, and he is a person who could lead people to sing even though they might be suffering from hay fever and rheumatism. The pig catching contest for the men and nail driving for the ladies—with cash prizes in each gave this hour a good send off.

Miss Current, the new State Home Demonstration head, is a woman of such charm and personality, that to have her lead her morning get-together with her little song, "Is Everybody Happy" was enough to make us forget cares, and go into our day with new zest.

Since there were so many classes of interest to home makers, it was hard to choose which I should take. I took however, the study of the propagation of plants, and learned the best methods of rooting cuttings of shrubs etc. The outdoor living room was another project illustrated that is quite practical and beautiful.

The exhibits of house furnishings and other handwork, cooking, sewing, etc., were such as to inspire us to better living. And all in all I feel that the time spent at Farm Home Week is as to be remembered.

Z. W. Evans of Chowan County Dies Wednesday In Lake View Hospital

Zachariah Winborne Evans, 76, prominent Chowan County resident, died at Lake View Hospital, Suffolk, Va., on Thursday, August 12.

Funeral services will be held at Evans Methodist Church in Chowan County on Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock and burial will be made in the family burying ground at the old Evans homestead.

Mr. Evans was well known in Perquimans, where he had many friends. Surviving are his wife, who was the former Miss Beatrice Wilson of Perquimans, and the following children. Miss Esther Evans, who is a member of Perquimans High School faculty; Miss Frances Evans, who was county health nurse in Perquimans County last year; Mrs. John G. Small of Edenton; Miss Willietta Evans, who is dean of English in Gulfport College, Gulfport, Miss.; Miss Helen Evans and B. W. Evans of Chowan County.

4-H Girls Tell What They Enjoyed Best At State Short Course

Three of the young girls who went to Raleigh recently to attend the 4-H Club gathering of boys and girls from all over the State responded to the request that they write about what they enjoyed most.

Ruth Winslow writes very enthusiastically, giving an outline of the day's routine and describing briefly the activities. "I studied clothing," she writes in connection with the courses. "We had the afternoon to do as we pleased, so the swimming pool was our favorite resort. I took junior life saving and passed the test. The pool was in doors and large enough to accommodate several hundred. I think everything at the short course was worth the time and money we spent. I want to go back next year and I hope more girls from our club can go along with us."

Ruth Hollowell also refers to the swimming pool in her story and appears to have enjoyed that very much, along with other things, including the sight-seeing trips. "We saw the old sections of the city, the Museum, the Hall of History, and last, the Capital. We were very fortunate in having a guide to take us through the Governor's Mansion, where we were served delicious punch and cookies."

"The entire trip was enjoyed so thoroughly by each member of the party that we made reservations to attend the course next year."

Florence Darden says "The thing I enjoyed most at the 4-H Short Course was the tour." She describes the various places. "The first place we visited was the Capital, and one of the most interesting things we noticed was the way the steps had been worn by much use." She also mentions the Hall of History and refers to the relics of the Civil War which she found very interesting. In describing the visit to the Mansion she says, "There we were greeted by Mrs. Hoey and she told us some of the history of the Mansion. She said the Mansion was built by convict labor. There was a chair, the only piece of furniture saved from the old capital when it was burned." She tells of being served refreshments by the honor girls of the club and of the Governor talking with some of the young people. "We all had a grand time," she concludes, "and hope to go again."

WILLIAM LANDING GOES TO HOSPITAL FOLLOWING INJURY

William Landing, the sixteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Landing, of Hertford, who was injured in an automobile accident some weeks ago, was carried to the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City on Tuesday, where he will receive treatment of the broken shoulder which he sustained in the accident.

CIRCLE MEETS MONDAY

Circle No. 2 of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Hertford Baptist Church will meet on Monday night at the home of Mrs. C. O. Fowler, on Grubb street.

Pages On U. D. C. Day
Miss Mary Wood Keene and Mrs. Mary of Hertford will be guests at Port Raleigh on Saturday when United Daughters of the Confederacy will gather for U. D. C. social life.

WOODVILLE-NEW HOPE POWER LINE NEARLY FINISHED

Third Rural Electric Line Constructed In Perquimans

10 MILES LONG

Many Farm Homes Already Enjoying Electric Advantages

Construction of the new Woodville-New Hope rural electric line is well under way, which makes the third rural electric line to be constructed in Perquimans within the past year and adds approximately 35 farm homes to the long list in the county now being served by the Virginia Electric & Power Company, flooding whole neighborhoods with light and bringing into the homes of the county the privilege all the benefits enjoyed by the city homes. In Chapanoke neighborhood and Belvidere, where lines were completed months ago, many homes are enjoying electric refrigeration, using electric ranges, washing machines, pumps and other conveniences.

The work on the Woodville-New Hope line was begun last week. The right-of-way was trimmed and poles set up and the hanging of the wires is practically completed. Local electricians are busily engaged now in wiring homes along the line.

The line is approximately ten miles long, running from Woodville to Galatia colored church, below New Hope. It goes from Woodville to George Jackson's Store and residence on the Elizabeth City-Hertford Highway, thence to J. T. Benton's residence, through to Overton's Store, at Keaton's Corner, thence to New Hope and beyond.

Damage Suit Filed In Connection With Fatal Auto Wreck

A civil suit has been instituted in Perquimans Superior Court by J. K. Miller, administrator of David Rice Miller, against Benjamin Thach and Mrs. Mattie H. Shannonhouse, in which the plaintiff, who is the father of David Rice Miller, is suing for \$25,000 damages as a result of the death of the eighteen-year-old boy, David Rice Miller, fatally injured when the car he was driving on the Hertford-Elizabeth City Highway on May 9 was in collision with one driven by Benjamin Thach, which car, it is alleged in the complaint, was owned by Mrs. Shannonhouse.

A counter claim for \$500 damages has been made in the answer of the defendant, Benjamin Thach, in which he charges there was contributory negligence on the part of David Rice Miller, alleging that his car was almost totally demolished and that he also received serious bruises, abrasions, lacerations and shock.

Revival Meeting At Bethlehem Church

Rev. J. M. Perry, of Robersonville, is holding a revival meeting at Bethlehem Christian Church this week. Services begin at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

SOCIAL SECURITY COST TO COUNTY HAS BEEN SLICED

Board of Allotments And Appeals Revise Budget

MILEAGE CUT

Necessary to Have Case Worker First Three Months

The State Board of Allotments and Appeals revised the proposed budget for taking care of the administrative expense of the Social Security program in Perquimans County, after the Board of County Commissioners recommended to the body that it was unnecessary to have in Perquimans a case worker or aide and suggested that the amount provided for mileage for the case worker and the welfare superintendent be reduced, cutting down the cost of administration in this county even more than the commissioners had asked.

However, the State Board, in rearranging the plans in this county, found it necessary that a case worker, or aide be placed here for a period of three months, while the heaviest work of investigation is in process.

The salary of the case aide is set by the State Board at \$65.00 per month. Mileage of traveling expenses for the two officers was cut from the original figures of \$840 to \$600.

When the matter was first taken up by the Board of County Commissioners the budget which had been arranged by the Division of Assistance of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare called for, in addition to the regular staff of the local welfare department, a case worker, half of whose salary of \$1,200.00 the county would have been called upon to pay, as well as an annual combined traveling expense for the superintendent and the case worker of \$840.00. Chairman E. M. Perry instructed the Clerk of the Board at that time to write to the State Department that we do not need an extra case worker in this county and are not willing to pay any part of the expense, and also that we could get along on \$500.00 traveling expense.

Winton Man Chosen School Bus Mechanic

Wade Hampton, of Winton, has been employed to repair and maintain the school busses of the county schools for the coming year. Mr. Hampton is highly recommended to this position by the state school authorities.

He expects to move to Perquimans about the first of September. The family includes Mr. and Mrs. Hampton and three children.

Home Agent Leaves Friday For Vacation

Miss Gladys Hamrick will leave Friday of this week to spend her vacation with her parents at Kings Mountain. Miss Hamrick, who is home demonstration agent in Perquimans, expects to return by September 1.

A "HERO"

They are an oddly matched pair, Tip and Buddy. Tip is a big dog, big and somewhat lanky. He runs around with Buddy, a small fox terrier, his next-door neighbor. Tip, they say, isn't of any special breed, just plain dog, maybe. But he is a friendly fellow and beneath his black coat there is a heart that is in the right place. He apparently feels some responsibility for his diminutive friend Buddy.

Since Tip's mistress went away he has been lonesome. His mistress, Miss Mary Helene Newby, went to Winston-Salem not long ago to take a position. All the Newby family, however, are devoted to Tip and he does not want for companionship.

E. McEl. Newby, the head of the household, went fishing one day last week at a favorite fishing spot down by the river bridge. Tip followed and he took along his pal, Buddy. Buddy is the most companionable of Molle and Dorothy Gordon Oakey, two little girls who adore him.

Mr. Newby says he fished in the stream and that dogs played about

School Teachers For County Are Selected

Planning Two Day Bus Trip For Farmers To Nation's Capital

County Agent L. W. Anderson is planning a two-day bus trip to Washington, D. C., for those farmers and their families who wish to go, during the last week in August, and will be glad to have those who are interested meet him at the Agricultural Building on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The cost of the trip, which will be made in a specially chartered bus, will be about \$10.00 each, according to Mr. Anderson, who says the plans are to cross James River Bridge, see Yorktown, Williamsburg, Petersburg, Richmond, Fredericksburg, Mount Vernon, Alexandria, Arlington and Washington, visit the Capitol, the White House, Department of Agriculture, etc. The party will spend one night in the city.

There must be at least 35 passengers, according to Mr. Anderson. Any farmer who wishes to take his wife or any other members of his family may do so.

Mrs. Butler Views Preliminary Exhibit N. Y. World's Fair

Many visitors from the State of North Carolina are daily viewing a preliminary exhibit of the New York World's Fair of 1939 in the Empire State Building.

Among those from Hertford who have recently visited the exhibit was Mrs. Hudson Butler.

They have seen, among other things, models of the Fair as it will appear both by day and night and a replica of the 200-foot Perisphere, and the three-sided spire, the 700-foot Trylon, towering beside it to form the dominant architectural group of the exposition.

The Fair, it is estimated, will cost in excess of \$125,000,000 and the attendance in 1939 is put at 50,000,000. Bills for state participation have been introduced in 36 State Legislatures and passed in 25 states. Grading of the 126½ acre site at Flushing Meadow, Queens, has been completed, construction is under way on a \$900,000 Administration Building and architectural plans have been drawn or are in preparation for more than a dozen other buildings. The Perisphere and Trylon, comprising the Theme Center of the Fair and costing around \$1,200,000, will be under construction within a few weeks.

County-wide Picnic Delightful Affair

The county-wide picnic held on the courthouse green on Wednesday was a delightful affair, and everybody had a good time. Even Nature seemed to smile on the crowd, for though the skies had been over-cast all morning, there was ample time for every one to finish their feast which was spread on tables under the green before a shower came which sent them scampering in doors.

It was time, anyhow, for the resumption of the program and every one enjoyed the talk by B. Troy Ferguson, District Supervisor of Farm Agents, of Raleigh, and the group joined in singing songs. At the end of the program many of the picnicers attended the matinee at the State Theatre.

It was the annual outing of the home demonstration clubs of Perquimans, which was attended not only by the club women themselves but by their families. While threatening weather doubtless kept a number of families at home, there was a large crowd in attendance.

In the morning the program included a short address by L. R. Harrell, head of 4-H club work in the State. Mr. Harrell was introduced by the Perquimans County farm agent, L. W. Anderson. Mr. Ferguson, who spoke in the afternoon, was introduced by Miss Gladys Hamrick, home demonstration agent.

A vote of thanks was given Mayor Silas M. Whedbee, the Hertford Council and J. G. Roberson for their part in making the picnic a success. The Hertford Council had arranged tables for serving the lunch and had furnished lemonade. The Town of Hertford furnished ice and Mr. Roberson, furnished ice water, all of which added much to the pleasure of those present.

School Committee Holds Special Meeting Tuesday

FEW CHANGES

White Schools To Open On Wednesday, September 8

Miss Mary Onella Relfe was elected teacher of history in the Perquimans High School at a special meeting of the school committee on Tuesday night, to succeed Mrs. T. L. Jessup, who recently resigned.

Miss Relfe is a Hertford girl, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Relfe. She is a graduate of Greensboro College and has had a year's experience in teaching, having taught last year at Robersonville. She will coach girls athletics as well as teach history.

There still remains one vacancy in the faculty of the County High School and Superintendent F. T. Johnson is looking for a young man to teach science and to coach boys athletics. Other members of the high school faculty, all of whom taught last year in the school, are Miss Esther Evans, Miss Helen Gaither, Miss Elizabeth Knowles, Mrs. G. W. Barbee, Mrs. T. E. Harrell, Miss Ruth Wilson, Mrs. C. R. Holmes and G. C. Buck.

The faculty of the Hertford Grammar School remains the same with one exception. This school lost a teacher this year on account of the new Winfall consolidated school and this teacher, Mrs. Lucille Sutton Britt, will teach the Bethel School. Other members of the faculty of this school are Mrs. Thad Chappell, Mrs. S. P. Jessup, Mrs. C. W. White, Miss Alice Babb, Mrs. N. E. Relfe, Mrs. Jenkins Walters and Miss Mary Sumner.

Rupert Ainsley, of Creswell, has been elected principal of the new consolidated school at Winfall, which completes the selection of the faculty for this school. All of the other teachers are taken from the schools which were consolidated, Winfall, Whitehill, Chapanoke, Belvidere and Snow Hill. They are Mrs. W. F. Morgan, Miss Alma Leggett, Miss Lucille Long, Mrs. Herman Winslow, Miss Mabel Lane, Miss Cora Layden, Miss Bertha Chappell, Mrs. A. R. Winslow, Jr., and Miss Margaret Scott White.

Mr. Ainsley, who has had several years experience in teaching and who holds an elementary principal's certificate, is a graduate of Atlantic Christian College and also attended Wake Forest.

There are now only seven elementary schools in the county. The teachers for these not already mentioned are as follows: New Hope, Miss Rebecca Webb, Miss Carolyn Riddick and Mrs. Margaret Goodman; White Hat, Miss Hazel Ainsley; Ballahack, Miss Ruth Hurdle; Beech Spring, Miss Ruth Hollowell.

The white schools of the county will open on Wednesday, September 8. Announcement of the opening date of the colored schools will be made later.

Saturday UDC Day At Manteo Pageant

Next Saturday is the U. D. C. Day at Roanoke Island and the Daughters from Perquimans are urged to attend the celebration and take in the pageant-drama on this occasion. An informal tea will be given at Fort Raleigh at 4:30 P. M., to which all the members are invited.

INFANT DIES

Charles E. Johnson, Jr., aged two days, died in Norfolk, Va., at 11 o'clock on Tuesday morning, where he had been rushed to a specialist after an illness developed a few hours previously.

The baby, who was born Sunday morning at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Johnson, on Grubb street, in Hertford, was buried late Tuesday afternoon in Cedarwood Cemetery, following a brief service, conducted by Rev. R. S. Monds, at the grave-side.

Attended Pageant

Miss Katherine Lawrence, of Enfield, who was the week-end guest of Mrs. R. D. Elliott, R. D. Elliott, Jr., of Ansonia, and Mrs. W. E. White and Darius Elliott spent Sunday at Nags Head and attended the pageant at Fort Raleigh on Sunday night.