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REGISTRATION FOR RATION BOOKS II CARRIED OUT SMOOTHLY; 9,500 ISSUED

Persons Failing to Register Must Apply After March 5

Approximately ninety-five hundred War Ration Books No. II were issued in this county last week during the registration period, according to Superintendent of Schools F. T. Johnson, who had charge of the registration throughout the county.

Mr. Johnson stated that the registration was carried out smoothly at all sites in the county and he expressed his thanks and appreciation to the teachers and volunteer workers who served as registrars for the work. A complete count of the number of books issued here has not been made, but he estimated the figure at somewhere near 9,500.

The local office of the OPA has announced that persons who failed to register during last week and who have not received their ration book II must wait until March 15, then apply at the local ration office. Applicants must bring their ration book with them at the time of registering for book II.

Chairmen of the various registration sites have also expressed their expressions to those who assisted in the job and for assistance the people of each community gave in supplying sites and fuel for heating purposes during the registration period.

Point rationing of the more than 200 processed foods began last Monday morning, and it is estimated that every household in the nation will feel the effects of this new system. The value of food points, as announced by the OPA, is set at high figures and it is believed under the schedule that the average person will have no more than four or five cans of food per month. It is reported that during the next 19 months he will be able to purchase only about 50 percent of the processed foods bought during 1941-1942.

In order that merchants may not be penalized, holders of ration books should use their allotted coupons during March, as it is understood that merchants' quotas will be governed by the amount of coupons reported for March sales, therefore individuals should use all valid coupons.

R. F. Tuttle Will Aid in Filing Tax Returns Here March 8 to 10

Deputy Commissioner of Revenue R. F. Tuttle has announced that he will be at the Courthouse in Hertford on Monday, March 8, through Wednesday, March 10, to assist Perquimans County residents who must file State income and tangible tax returns. Mr. Tuttle will be at the Courthouse from 9 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. Tuttle emphasized the fact that the State Revenue Department requests income figures to be prepared on one sheet of paper and deductions on another sheet. This will expedite the work and tend to make it more accurate, saving time for Mr. Tuttle as well as the tax filer.

Sewing Chairman Urges Return Of All Red Cross Materials

Mrs. E. Leigh Winslow, chairman of the Perquimans Chapter of the Red Cross sewing project, today issued a request for all persons having Red Cross sewing material to return same to her, whether the sewing is completed or not.

Mrs. Winslow stated that several items are outstanding and this material is badly needed by the Red Cross. She urgently requests those having material to return it immediately.

She also urges all persons wishing to assist in equipping a Red Cross kit to see her or S. M. Whedbee. The cost of equipping one of these kits is one dollar.

Revival Services At Bagley Swamp Church

Revival services are now in progress at the Bagley Swamp Pilgrim Church, with Miss Vera Simms, of Glencoe, Ohio, as the evangelist.

Services are held each evening during the week at 8 o'clock. Three services are planned for Sunday: 11 a. m., 3:30 p. m., and 8 p. m. The revival will continue through March 14. The public is cordially invited to attend.

New Hours Announced Perquimans Library Effective March 5

Miss Mae Wood Winslow, chairman of the Perquimans Library Board, announced today that effective March 5, the Perquimans Library will observe a new schedule of hours. The change in hours became necessary due to the discontinuance of WPA workers.

The library will be open each morning from 10 to 12 o'clock; on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday afternoons from 2 to 5 o'clock; on Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 1:15 to 5 o'clock. The library will not be open on Thursday afternoons but will open from 7 to 9 o'clock each Thursday night.

Mrs. Addie Jones will continue as librarian and Mrs. A. E. Hendley will also be at the library on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. This schedule will be effective until further notice.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Berlin was the target for the heaviest air raid of this war, according to reports issued Wednesday. A large armada of Allied planes hit the Nazi capital with 900 tons of bombs, killing a reported 191 persons and injuring 268. The raid was a continuation of the around-the-clock attack launched recently by the Allies. The British and American air forces have been literally tearing French and German industrial areas to pieces.

Following the announcement of a renewal of Russia's offensive against the Axis forces on the Eastern front, it was announced Wednesday that Mussolini had recalled 10 of his divisions from Russia. Reason for the recall of his soldiers was given as fear of an Allied invasion of Italy. The announcement that the Italians had been withdrawn from Russia came from both Berlin and Rome.

American and British forces in southern Tunisia are still advancing into territory recaptured from Rommel.

Following Rommel's retreat, the Axis forces launched a heavy drive in northern Tunisia and gained several miles but at terrific costs. Latest reports have it that the Allies have stopped the Germans again. It is expected that General Alexander and his 8th Army will soon begin an attack on the Mareth Line . . . and when this occurs the squeeze on the Axis positions in Africa will be on.

On the home front, a Senate Committee this week passed favorably a bill calling for the blanket deferment of farm laborers. It is believed by some this bill may pass the Congress but will be vetoed. In its present form the bill calls for the deferment to last until the end of this year. It is understood this bill is opposed by the military officials.

Congress is still attempting to work out a pay-as-you-go tax plan. The latest development is a plan calling for a withholding tax of 20% to be deducted from pay envelopes on a weekly or monthly basis. If this plan is voted into law, it will begin July 1. This would not be an additional tax but would cover present taxes. However, the first two installments of the 1942 income tax would have to be paid in the usual manner.

Gen. Chennault, U. S. air task force commander in China, stated this week that the Japanese air forces is on the down grade. The Japs, he said, are using up their reserve stock of planes and are getting short of trained personnel because of heavy losses.

Catholic Services Sunday At 11 A. M.

Holy Mass starts every Sunday at 11 a. m. in St. Ann's Catholic Church, corner of N. Broad and Albemarle Streets, Edenton, announced the Rev. Father F. J. McCourt, pastor, who will continue his series of sermons on "The Catholic Church and Christian Unity", give Holy Communion to those receiving. The Monthly Altar Society meeting will immediately follow the Mass.

Confessions are heard every Sunday from 7:30 to 10:15 a. m. Everybody invited to the services every Sunday.

Draft Board Directed To Review Status Of County Married Men

Call For Twenty-five White Men on April 5th Received

A directive, received this week by the Perquimans County Draft Board from State Selective Service Headquarters indicates that some fathers of the county may face induction into the army in the near future.

Registrants whose wives have become pregnant since December 7, 1941, are no longer entitled to deferment on the grounds of dependency it was announced by the State Director. He stated that this revised policy has been made necessary because present regulations provide that no status which was acquired on or after December 8, 1941, may be considered when deciding questions of dependency.

The Director further announced that all local boards in the State have been directed to reopen and reconsider for classification the cases of all registrants heretofore deferred on the grounds of dependency because their wives have become pregnant since December 7, 1941.

The fact that a registrant is a parent shall not be considered in determining the class in which he should be placed unless the child was conceived prior to December 8, 1941, the Director said. He further stated that this ruling applies to all cases, regardless of the date of marriage, and is to be applied both in considering the classification of the registrant and in determining his category.

Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk to the Perquimans Board, announced this week that the local board has received a call for twenty-five white men to be inducted into service on April 5. This will make a total of 70 white men to be inducted within a two-week period, as the local board has a call for forty-five white men to be inducted March 23.

A contingent of thirty-five Negroes left here Thursday morning to fill the colored call for March 4. These men will receive their final examination at Fort Bragg this week, and those passing the examination will return for a seven-day furlough before beginning their military training.

Funeral Services Conducted Friday For Rosser E. Brinn

Funeral services for Rosser E. Brinn, aged 63, who died at his home here unexpectedly last Thursday morning, following a long illness, were conducted Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, at the residence on Front Street. The Rev. B. C. Reavis, pastor of the Methodist Church, officiated.

Mr. Brinn was the son of the late Robert A. and Ellanora Winslow Brinn and was a life-long and respected resident of Perquimans County. He was a member of the First Methodist Church.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Besie Elliott Brinn; two sons, Robert E. and Claude, of Newport News, Va.; four brothers, R. T. Brinn, of Hertford, Frank and Joe Brinn, of Sanford, and Claude Brinn, of Turkey.

Active pallbearers were: W. Beverly Tucker, Jack Brinn, Robert Winslow Brinn, Dr. T. P. Brinn, Thad C. Chappell and W. Robbins Blanchard.

Interment was in the Cedarwood Cemetery.

Basketball Season Closed By Indians

The current basketball season for the Perquimans High School closed last week with the Windsor team cancelling their game here due to transportation difficulties.

Although the season was streamlined somewhat due to the ban on gasoline, the Indians played a total of eight games, winning four and losing four. They defeated Chowan High School and Hobbsville twice and lost two games to Edenton and two games to service clubs from Elizabeth City.

The Indian Squaws fared better. They lost only one game during their short season, that to the Edenton girls. However, this loss was overcome by a previous victory the locals chalked up over the Edenton girls on the local court.

March Tire Quotas Announced By Local Rationing Office

Car Owners Can Now Get Tires Recapped Without Permit

The Perquimans County Rationing Board will have a total of 346 passenger and truck tire permits to issue during the month of March, according to the quota announced this week by Miss Helen Coffield, clerk of the board.

Miss Coffield stated that passenger car owners may now have their passenger tires recapped without obtaining certificates from the local board and that no recapped tires are listed in the March quotas. Henceforth all Grade III tires will be used or recapped tires, Grade II will be the War tire and Grade I will continue to be the first line pre-war tire.

The local board has also been allotted six automobile permits to be issued during March.

Tire permits issued during the week were:

Truck tires—W. N. Ray, 3 tires and 2 tubes; H. W. Winslow, tire and tube; Enterprize Electric Co., 3 tires and 3 tubes; J. W. Moore, 2 tires and 2 tubes; N. C. State Highway, 2 tires; R. B. Chappell, tire; Perquimans Board of Education, 2 tires and 2 tubes; J. Oliver White, tire and tube; E. N. Miller, tire and tube; Horton Copeland, tire and tube.

Passenger Grade II—W. F. Long, 2 tires; L. E. Wooten, tire and tube; George Ross, tire; C. E. Vick, 2 tires and 1 tube; W. L. Lowe, tire; Felton Allen, 2 tires and 1 tube; Archie Felton, 2 tires; Joshua Simpson, 2 tires; John Newborn, tire; E. H. Butler, tire; W. C. Griffith, tire and tube; Frank Gregory, tire and tube; E. J. Proctor, 2 tires and 2 tubes; Virgil Miller, tire; N. C. Haskett, 2 tires and tube; Elmer Wood, 2 tires and tube; James A. Moore, tire and tube; John Keech, tire; Herman Daniel, tire and 2 tubes; Henry West, 2 tires and 3 tubes; Leo Gorris, 2 tires and 2 tubes.

Grade III Tires—Will Hollowell, tire; J. A. Billups, tire and tube; Otis Newby, tire; J. A. Riddick, tire; Frances Maness, tube; Seth Umphlett, tire and tube; Lon Stallings, tire and 2 tubes.

Recapped Tires—J. H. Corprew, 1, and Joe Davis, 4.

The quota for March as announced calls for 58 Grade I passenger tires, 71 Grade II and 95 Grade III, along with 109 passenger tubes. The quota for trucks is 47 new tires, 75 recaps and 41 tubes.

Local Legion Post To Attend Church Services At Winfall

The Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion will hold an important meeting at the Agriculture Building Friday night, March 5, at 8 o'clock, Post Commander B. C. Berry announced Wednesday. He urges all members to attend.

The Post will draw up and pass a resolutions of respect in honor of Henry Ingram, State commander, who died at his home in Asheville February 21.

Mr. Berry stated that the local Post will also devise rules and regulations for accepting memberships from veterans of World War II, some of whom will be eligible for membership by receiving their honorable discharges from the armed services due to their age.

The Perquimans Post will attend in a body the services at the Winfall Methodist Church, of which the Rev. J. D. Cranford, vice Post commander is the pastor, on Sunday, March 14. All members of the Post are urged to meet together and attend this service. A picture of the group will be taken following the services. The picture will be forwarded to the American Legion magazine, which desires it for publication in paying tribute to the outstanding achievements of the Wm. Paul Stallings Post.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Ward, Jr., of Elizabeth City, announce the birth of a daughter, Martha Anne, on Thursday, February 25th. Mrs. Ward is the former Miss Katherine Jessup. Mother and daughter are getting along nicely.

SOCIETY MEETS MONDAY

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will meet on Monday evening, March 8, at the church. Mrs. R. L. Knowles, president, urges full attendance.

RED CROSS WAR FUND CAMPAIGN NOW IN PROGRESS THROUGHOUT COUNTY

Services For Former Resident Conducted Tuesday Afternoon

Funeral services were conducted in Elizabeth City Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Flora Brockett McMullan, wife of P. W. McMullan, prominent Elizabeth City attorney, who died at her home Monday morning at 2:25 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. McMullan were former residents of Hertford, living here for many years. Both were well-known throughout the entire county.

Surviving besides the husband are: one daughter, Mrs. Phyllis Dixon; three sons, William McMullan of Alameda, Calif., Charles Grice McMullan of Richmond, Va., and Capt. John Brockett McMullan of Dayton, Ohio; six grandchildren, three brothers, D. Guy Brockett, J. B. Brockett and C. Brockett; one sister, Mrs. E. W. Luke, and one niece, Miss Minnie Lee Brockett.

Equalization Board To Hear Complaints Starting March 15

Commissioners Draw Jurymen For April Term of Court

Little business was brought before the Board of County Commissioners at the regular session for March, held Monday morning at the Courthouse. The Board announced that beginning Monday, March 15, it will sit as a Board of Equalization and Review to hear complaints on the tax assessments of property and that citizens requesting a review of their assessment are asked to appear at that time. The Board of Equalization and Review will continue in session until all complaints have been heard.

The Board of Commissioners also drew the list of residents who will serve as jurymen at the April term of Superior Court. The names drawn were: A. D. Weston, Ben Harrell, H. F. Long, W. W. Spivey, F. T. Mathews, A. W. Hefren, Nixon Hollowell, J. E. Turner, C. E. Lane, Dennis Winslow, W. C. Lassiter, Julian White, Albert White, Raymond Winslow, Alphonso Williams, B. F. Lane, T. R. Kirby, E. A. Goodwin, Sammie Riddick, J. M. Sutton, Thos. S. Chappell, J. W. Jackson, Jr., James Rountree, J. T. Tadlock, Trim Sawyer, Reuben Stallings, Willie R. Chappell, Freeman Umphlett, Meador Harrell, A. M. Godwin, A. P. Stallings, Thomas Mathews, C. E. Sutton, W. L. Madrey, G. W. Jackson and J. T. Winslow.

The April Term of Superior Court will convene here about the middle of next month. Several cases are now on the criminal docket to be disposed of by the Court.

Perquimans Nearly Doubles Bond Quota For Month February

While sales fell a little short of January's amount, Perquimans County almost doubled the requested amount of sales for war bonds for the month of February, according to R. M. Riddick, chairman of the war savings staff. Total sales for the month of February, as recorded at the Hertford Banking Company, reached \$20,512.50. The quota given the county was \$12,075.

Mr. Riddick pointed out that these sales represented only those made at the bank. Sales at the postoffices throughout the county are not released for publication and therefore are not entered in the total sales for the county.

The quota for March has been set at \$13,200, according to Mr. Riddick, who urges that Perquimans people to continue to buy heavily the bonds which provides the money for our nation to successfully win the war is very great.

Mr. Riddick also announced the Treasury Department is now planning a 13 billion bond sale for the month of April. Details of this sale will be given later.

Hertford Lions Club Meets Friday Night

The Hertford Lions Club will hold its regular meeting Friday night at 7:15 o'clock at the Colonial Tourist Home. President Archie T. Lane urges all members to be present.

Reports Incomplete But Chairman Urges All To Cooperate

The American Red Cross War Fund Campaign opened here this week under the direction of Mrs. C. P. Morris and her corps of Township Committeemen who plan a thorough canvass of this county to raise the sum of \$3,600, which is the small sum requested by the national organization from the citizens of this community to assist in carrying on one of the most tremendous jobs the Red Cross has ever faced.

Reports on the progress of the campaign here are thus far very meagre and incomplete. The drive opened just Monday and few of the committeemen have had an opportunity to report to Mrs. Morris. However, the chairman today issued a call for each worker to do his utmost to carry the county over the top in this drive. Mrs. Morris also urged every resident of the county to give the largest contribution possible this year. She pointed out that the Red Cross is asking the nation for 125 million dollars and stated the amount is small when compared to the vast good it will do in caring for American service men, both at home and abroad.

People are reminded that this War Fund Drive is a combination of the Annual Roll Call and War Drive as conducted last year. There will be only one drive by the Red Cross this year and this is it. The slogan adopted by the Red Cross in launching this drive is "This year I will give double." Certainly in some incidents this can be done readily and even larger contributions can be made, but to those who may find it impossible to give double the contribution of last year, the Red Cross asks that these contribute to the drive the amount they can afford. Regardless of the size of the contribution, the Red Cross needs and can use the sum—so each person is asked to have a part in this drive by making contributions to the committee when called upon.

The Perquimans Chapter is hoping to complete its goal by March 15 and each committee worker is requested to finish his work and territory as rapidly as possible in order that the Chapter may know the outcome of the drive. As heretofore, names of contributors to this cause will be published in the columns of The Weekly.

Traffic Violator Released On Absence Of License Examiner

Recorder's Court Judge Charles E. Johnson suspended judgment in the case of Earl Riddick, charged with operating a car without license, in court Tuesday morning. Judge Johnson stated he could see no justification in penalizing a defendant when the State fails to provide a license examiner in order that motorists may obtain operator's licenses. No examiner has been stationed here for several weeks, but it is understood that the Safety Division has made arrangements for an examiner to come here in the near future.

Other cases disposed of in Recorder's Court this week included a nol pro's taken by the State in the case charging Emma Winslow, Negro, with larceny.

Melvin Harrell was assessed the court costs after pleading guilty to the use of profanity.

James Lilly, Negro, paid the costs of court on pleading guilty to a charge of driving without a chauffeur's license.

R. B. Sawyer entered a plea of guilty to driving drunk and was fined \$50 and costs of court.

Blackout Last Friday Termed Successful

The blackout staged here last Friday night in order to test the new signals as arranged by the Army, was termed a complete success by officials of the Office of Civilian Defense.

The blackout alarm sounded at approximately 9:15 and lasted for almost 30 minutes. This was the first time for the use of the alert signal, used after the enemy planes had passed but were expected to return, and also no sound alarm was given for ending the blackout. The lighting of the street lights terminated the test.

The Office of Civilian Defense stated that no breach of blackout rules was reported by the auxiliaries scouting the town to note the effectiveness of the test.