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## Petition For Health Center Rejected By FWA; New Proposal

### Town Board Votes to Cooperate; To Advertise Taxes

A petition, which was presented several weeks ago by the Board of County Commissioners, to the Federal Works Agency requesting a federal project for the construction of a health center in Perquimans County has been rejected, Dr. D. C. Hackett, County Health Officer, told the Board of Town Commissioners at a meeting held Monday night.

Dr. Hackett, however, was of the opinion that it might be possible to obtain a Federal project for this construction providing the Town Board and the County Board would provide a suitable site and at least ten per cent of the cost of the project. Both Boards have agreed to this proposal and a new petition will be presented to the Federal agency.

Dr. Hackett told the Town Board he had informed that the Federal Government had discontinued projects wholly paid for by Federal funds, but he believed there is a possibility the project can be obtained if the petition proposes the local governments will cooperate in the costs.

Mayor V. N. Darden and Town Attorney Charles E. Johnson were named by the Board as a committee to seek and obtain options on suitable sites for the center. The County Board has agreed, it was announced, to pay a sum of \$1,200 toward the center providing the Town furnishes the site.

Dr. Hackett pointed out the benefits that would be derived from such a center, providing it can be obtained and it is believed the new petition will be drawn at once.

The local dog problem once again was a subject of discussion at the Town meeting; various complaints have been made to the commissioners about dogs running at large, and the Board, after some discussion, plans to levy a tax on all dogs within the Town limits. The tax, according to the Board, will be \$5 per year. However, a smaller tax may be levied on dogs that are kept impounded by owners.

The Board voted that the 1943 delinquent tax list for property would be advertised for sale on June 16 and the sale of the lands would be held on Monday, July 10.

## Chauffeurs' Licenses Now Being Renewed

Driver license examiners throughout the State began accepting applications for renewal of chauffeurs' licenses for 1944-45, May 22, Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division, has announced.

All North Carolina chauffeurs' licenses are issued for one year and expire at midnight, June 30, 1944. Therefore, it is urged by the director that applications be made prior to that date to avoid possible delay in truck and bus operations in the present emergency.

A change in the Driver's License Act by the 1943 Legislature eliminates the requirement for chauffeurs' badge. Therefore, chauffeurs for 1944-45 will be issued only the license.

The law requires all applicants for chauffeurs' licenses, who carry public passengers to be 21 years old, and those who haul public property to be 18 years old.

## Lack Of Space Forces Omission News And Ads

It is with regret that the publishers were forced to omit a large number of news items and more than seven columns of advertising in this week's edition of The Perquimans Weekly.

Despite the fact that we increased the usual number of pages to our pre-war size, we were unable, due to shortage of help in the printing department, to print other additional pages to carry the news and advertising.

To those advertisers we were forced to omit, "We are sorry," and to those who contributed news items we say we will publish those in next week's issue.

### On Furlough

Elmo Cannon, Jr., arrived home Monday from Barksdale Field, La., to spend a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Cannon.

## Annual WMU Meeting To Be Held May 31

The Woman's Missionary Union of Perquimans County will hold its annual meeting at the Whiteville Grove Baptist Church at 11 o'clock on the morning of May 31.

Three speakers have been secured to address the meeting: Dr. Ronald E. Wall of Elizabeth City, Miss Ruth Keller from the MWU State office in Raleigh and Mrs. T. Sloan Guy, associational superintendent from Gatesville.

Lunch will be served by the church at 1 o'clock.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Reports from Italy state the Nazis have thrown in their last reserves south of Rome in an attempt to stop the Allied drive, which is now in its second week. The British and American forces on the Anzio beachhead, according to reports Wednesday, have broken through the German defense ring and the battle for Rome is now in force. On the southern Italian front heavy German reserves have slowed down the Allied attack, but it is believed the superior forces of the Allies will eventually crack the Nazi lines and then join forces with the Allies at Anzio to force the fall of Rome.

American and British airmen based in Britain continue widespread attacks against German targets. General Arnold has termed these attacks a definite part of the invasion of Europe, saying that the number of airmen engaged in these daily attacks equal a regiment of infantry. Heavy damage is reported at all points attacked by the Allies. Reports state Berlin has issued pessimistic reports as the date of D-Day draws nearer.

American forces in the Pacific are extending their positions, forces under General MacArthur in the Wakde area are gaining more ground in New Guinea, and the air force continues to blast Jap targets. No reports of sea activity has been reported. Chinese and American forces in Burma severed the Jap supply line by cutting the Burma road at Chefang.

The Russian front continued quiet during the week as reports from Moscow indicated the Red Army is preparing to launch a summer offensive, expected to be timed with the Allied invasion from the west and south. Russian air forces, it has been reported, have bombed German positions in Poland.

On the home front, Congress this week passed a measure calling for a simplified income tax return, which is expected to make the task of filling out these forms much easier for the average individual. The new law will eliminate returns for some 30 millions of tax payers, who will pay their entire tax through the withholding method.

## Motorists Continue Rush For New Tires At Ration Office

In spite of warning issued by OPA officials that the tire situation continues far from normal, there has been no let up in the number of applications filed at the local office recently. Miss Mary Frances Dail stated this week.

A total of 47 certificates were issued by the local Board during the week for tires and tubes. Passenger type certificates were issued to the following: Charles Brown, tire and tube; A. R. Cook, 2; Leslie Little, tire and tube; Bill Fowler, 1; S. L. Long, 1; Charlie Hurdle, tire, 2 tubes; Sidney Perry, 2 tires, 2 tubes; E. W. Stallings, tire and tube; N. G. Wiegstein, 1; Lillian Elliott, 2 tires, 2 tubes; Lillie H. Johnson, 1; L. A. Proctor, 1; J. S. Bass, 2; C. E. White, 1; W. H. Elliott, 3 tires, 2 tubes; Preston Smith, tire and tube; H. W. Chappell, tire, 2 tubes; Reuben Stallings, 1; Joe Harrell, 1; Ezekiel Robinson, tire, 2 tubes; C. A. Perry, tire and tube; C. P. Morris, tire and tube; Glenn Mathews, tire and tube; Alton Jordan, 2; Willie White, tire and tube; O. J. Lane, tire and tube; Alton Perry, 2 tires, 1 tube; Elsworth White, 2; T. S. White, 1; A. J. Smith, 2 tires, 1 tube; J. L. Lane, 1; Melvin Beck, tire, 2 tubes; W. W. White, 1; W. B. Tucker, 1; Frank Tuell, tire and tube; E. W. Daughtry, 1; John Peacock, 1; J. E. Boyce, tire and tube; John Wood, 1.

Truck tires—White, Monds & Morris, tire and tube; Harry Winslow, tire and tube; USN Ship's Service, 2 tires, 2 tubes; W. L. White, 2; G. S. Caddy, 2; W. H. Elliott, 2 tires, 1 tube; Major Loomis, 2 tires, 2 tubes; and J. F. Winslow, tire and tube.

## Recorder's Court Disposes 12 Cases At Tuesday Session

### Two Defendants Fail to Appear; Bonds Ordered Forfeited

A total of 12 cases were disposed of in Perquimans Recorder's Court by Judge Charles Johnson on Tuesday. Two defendants failed to appear to answer charges and their bonds were ordered forfeited.

These defendants were Fannie Rountree, Negro, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, and Ed Rountree, Negro, charged with using profanity.

Melion King, Negro, was found guilty of speeding, and was fined \$10 and ordered to pay court costs.

John Snowden was taxed with court costs for driving with improper lights.

Sherrill Rogers was found guilty of abandonment and was ordered to pay the costs of court and pay five dollars per week for use by his two children.

The Court assessed costs against the prosecuting witness, Theodore Cox, in the case charging Thomas Rogers with assault with a deadly weapon.

Hazel Hayes, Negro, was found guilty of driving without a license, and was taxed with costs of court.

Roy Skinner, Negro, was found guilty of driving drunk and sentenced to 30 days on the roads, sentence to be suspended upon payment of \$75 and costs.

Thomas Felton, Negro, was fined \$10 and costs for driving without a license and driving with insufficient brakes.

Willie Sanderline entered a plea of guilty to driving without license, speeding and reckless driving. He was fined \$40 and costs.

Levi Revels, Negro, plead guilty to being drunk and paid costs of court.

Alphonzo Stepney, Negro, was taxed with court costs for driving without a license.

## OPA Urges Fuel Oil Forms Be Mailed To Office Immediately

Householders of Perquimans were urged today by E. Leigh Winslow, Chairman of the local OPA War Price and Rationing Board, to return their next season's fuel oil renewal forms as promptly as possible.

The forms have been mailed by the board to all fuel oil users in this area, Mr. Winslow said. "The sooner these forms are filled out and returned, by mail, to the board," he added, "the sooner we can begin processing them and issuing oil ration coupons. We would like to have the forms returned within seven days."

"The earlier these coupons are issued, the better," Mr. Winslow said, "because it is necessary for consumers to order part of their next season's supply of heating oil immediately. When dealers make their first deliveries during summer, they are able to give consumers better delivery service throughout the heating year because it will help them solve their pressing manpower and delivery problems. More important, filling consumer's tanks early will add appreciably to dealers' storage capacity and thereby allow more oil to be brought in now for use next winter."

The new re-application form contains only six simple questions which the board needs answered in order to renew rations for private dwellings for next year. The questions can be answered in a few minutes and the completed form put into the return mail. Persons who wish to renew rations for premises other than private dwellings, such as apartment houses, and hotels should answer only the first 3 questions, the board chairman said.

The renewal application is to be filled out only by those persons whose oil ration last year was for the same address as this year, Mr. Winslow said. These may be persons who either are living at the same address for which last year's ration was issued or who control the burning equipment at that address (as in the case of a landlord). Other oil users not included in these categories will be given a chance to fill out another application later.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Captain and Mrs. Fenton Butler announce the birth of a daughter, Katherine Jean, born May 10 at Portland, Oregon.

## Interest In Primary Election Increasing Throughout County

### Fair-sized Vote Now Expected to Be Cast For Governor

A last minute interest in the primary election to be held tomorrow has been noted throughout the county and a goodly number of voters are expected to be cast, especially in the gubernatorial race between Ralph McDonald and R. Gregg Cherry.

While predictors do not believe that the balloting will reach any such figures as was cast in the county two years ago, when more than 1,700 voters went to the polls, it is believed that some 1,200 to 1,400 voters will choose between the two outstanding candidates for the Governor's office.

Having no local races to aid in interesting voters in an election which is playing second place in current events, local managers for Mr. Cherry and Mr. McDonald have been working hard to bring interest up to a normal pitch. Both groups claim a large following and there is some indication that the race here will be close.

Besides choosing a Governor, the voters will cast ballots for the office of U. S. Senator. Cameron Morrison and Clyde R. Hoey seemingly are out in front in this race, with Mr. Hoey having a bit of edge over Morrison.

In the race for Lieutenant Governor, which is a three-cornered affair, W. I. Halstead and L. Y. Ballentine seem to be the front runners. Mr. Halstead, who hails from Camden County, is expected to show considerable strength in this county, but reports from up State show Ballentine may run first.

In the campaign for State Senator four men, W. T. Culpepper, Charles H. Jenkins, J. B. Fearing and Jerry Hughes seek office. From all reports the first three named are closely bunched, and it's a toss up as to which will gain the nomination.

There is practically no talk about the candidates seeking other State offices, since few of them have made appearances here in behalf of the campaign, but there are contests for the offices of Secretary of State, State Auditor and State Treasurer on the Democratic ticket.

## Program Committee Plans Dance At USO Wednesday, June 7

One of the outstanding programs of the Hertford USO Club in the coming weeks will be a block dance to be held on Wednesday night, June 7, the program committee of the club announced this week. The orchestra from the Naval Air Station at Weeksville has been secured to furnish music for the evening and the committee has arranged for an interesting program.

Present plans call for the dance to be held in the block on Church street between Grubb and Market streets, and the public is invited to watch the program. However, the dancing will be restricted to service men and hostesses from the USO.

The program committee, named recently by Miss Mae Wood Winslow, chairman of the USO, is composed of Mrs. B. G. Koonce, Mrs. Olivia Hobbs, Mrs. Blanche Gilliam, Lindsay Winslow and Max Campbell.

In addition to planning the dance, the committee at a meeting Tuesday night made tentative plans for programs at the USO for each week. These will consist of bingo parties, picnics, suppers and dancing classes, etc.

The program committee is seeking a sail boat for use of service men and requests any person having such a boat which can be made available to contact Mr. Kuisenza, director at the Center.

## Carnival To Play Here Week June 12

Mayor V. N. Darden announced today that he had been advised by the Dixie Paramount Shows that the company would furnish the midway attraction at the annual Firemen's Carnival during the week of June 12. The shows are expected to be one of the best ever shown in Hertford and the carnival will run for six days, closing on June 17.

**From Philadelphia**  
Dr. Louise Payne of Philadelphia visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Payne, during the week-end.

## Harriet Ann Chappell Dies At Belvidere

Harriet Ann Chappell, 79, wife of George A. Chappell of Belvidere died at her home Tuesday morning at 12:55 o'clock after a lingering illness.

Although unable to speak for the past two years, she always greeted her visitors cheerfully and with a smile. Her thoughtfulness of others and her kind and generous nature will ever remain with those who knew her.

She is survived by her husband, five sons, N. O. Chappell, S. G. Chappell, F. R. Chappell, all of Belvidere, S. G. Chappell of Wilson, N. C., and Dr. L. W. Chappell of Morgantown, W. Va.; three daughters, Mrs. O. C. Twine of Norfolk, Mrs. Bessie Chappell and Mrs. Willie Lamb, both of Tyner; one sister, Mrs. Tom Jordan of Tyner.

Interment was made in the family burying ground Wednesday afternoon.

## War Bond Sales For Three Years Amount To \$1,649,707.61

Predicting that the Fifth War Loan drive, which opens June 12, would be one of the most concentrated drives ever conducted by the government as a means of raising money to finance the war, R. M. Riddick, chairman of the War Finance Committee, announced the committee would meet this week to formulate plans for conducting the drive in Perquimans County.

The chairman, praising the residents of Perquimans for the splendid record they have made in previous drives, announced that during the past three years a total of \$1,649,707.61 worth of war bonds has been sold in this county. The post office sold \$70,000 worth of bonds during this period, while the balance, \$1,571,707.61, was purchased through the Hertford Banking Company.

The chairman stated, "This certainly is a lot of sales for Perquimans County, and it is a record local folks can be proud of, for it shows our citizens are backing the boys doing the fighting."

He added, however, that the quota for this county during the Fifth War Loan drive would undoubtedly be higher than the quota of any previous drive and urged local residents to purchase all the bonds they possibly can during the coming drive.

The quota for the coming drive will be announced very soon, the chairman advised. Members of the War Finance Committee at a meeting Monday night voted to award four prizes to individuals assisting in the Fifth War Loan drive. The committee will urge all school children of the county to again solicit sales as they did in the fourth drive.

A \$25 war bond will be awarded the individual selling the largest amount in war bonds, second prize will be a \$25 war bond to be awarded the individual selling the largest number of bonds to different persons, third prize will be \$6.25 worth of war stamps to be awarded the high school student selling the largest amount in bonds, and the fourth prize will be \$6.25 worth of stamps to be awarded the grammar school student selling the most bonds.

## Hertford Lions Club Elect Officers Tonight

The Hertford Lions Club will hold their regular meeting tonight at the Colonial Tourist Home. All members are urged to be present as officers will be elected for the coming year, and other important business will be brought before the group.

### PERMITS READY FOR MACHINE OPERATORS

The Statistics Division of the State Department of Agriculture reports that 1,700 combines and 219 peanut pickers have been bought by farmers of North Carolina since May of last year. These figures were based on reports compiled by the State War Board.

Frank Parker said that 3,904 combines, 855 power threshing machines and 1,486 peanut pickers operated in this State last year.

Parker warned each owner of a combine or threshing machine that it is necessary for him to secure a permit before beginning his grain harvesting work. He said the forms could be secured from the register of deeds in each county.

### Attended Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Darden and Miss Arlene Porter attended the funeral of Mrs. A. M. Goode in Richmond Wednesday.

## Farm Jumpers Face Army Induction By Latest Draft Rules

### Pre-Induction Calls For June to Take 80 Men From County

Farm jumpers, those draft registrants who have been deferred because of employment on farms and who leave those jobs without permission of the local Draft Board, face immediate induction into the armed forces under a new Selective-Service memorandum received by the Perquimans Draft Board this week.

According to this memorandum State Headquarters estimate that local boards will be able to fill all induction calls through July with men under 26 years of age. After July men between 26 and 29 may expect to be called for induction. Local boards have been ordered not to send for induction, at the present time, any registrant over 26, except volunteers, delinquents or farm jumpers.

However, beginning in August local boards are expected to begin calling up men between 26 and 29. Some of these registrants may be ordered for pre-induction examination during June and July.

The State Headquarters has advised the local board that a more liberal view may be taken in regards to deferring men aged 30 through 37. Under new regulations men of this age bracket may be deferred if they are engaged in essential occupations, or occupations which contribute to the general welfare of the community.

Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the local board, announced Monday the local office had received two calls for men to take pre-induction examinations during June. Forty-five white men will be ordered to report for this examination on June 28 and 35 colored registrants will be ordered to report June 12. In all likelihood these two calls will complete the list of youths 18 through 25 registered here, and the board may have to order some men in the 26 to 29 bracket to fill this call.

Seven colored inductees will leave here on June 2, three to be inducted into the Navy and four for the Army. The Navy inductees are Thomas Archer, Jasper Archer and Roosevelt Shred. The Army will receive Jesse Jacobs, Charlie White, Hayward Ferebee and Fred Burke.

No official report on the number of white men accepted for service from the last group of men taking examination has been received but an unofficial report stated 19 were passed and 19 rejected.

## Henry Clay Sullivan Buys Drug Store

One of Hertford's most prominent business enterprises changed ownership last Friday when Henry Clay Sullivan purchased the Roberson Drug Store from its owner, Mrs. J. G. Roberson.

An announcement of the sale was made by Mr. Sullivan, who stated he would assume active management of the store within the next week or two, maintaining the same personnel now employed at the store.

The new owner is a popular young native of Hertford, who has been engaged in the insurance business for the past several years, but he now plans to devote all his time to the drug business. He announced there would be no change in the policy of business; that he would seek to maintain the same high class service offered the public by Mrs. Roberson.

## Catholics Celebrate Birthday Of Church

Special religious services will be observed by the almost 400,000 Catholics throughout the world on Whit Sunday, May 28, in solemn commemoration of the institution by Jesus Christ in Jerusalem over 1900 years ago of His Catholic church, stated Father F. J. McCourt, pastor of St. Ann's Parish.

At Harvey Point, from 6:15 to 6:45 and 8:45 to 9:30, and at St. Ann's Church, Edenton, 11 to 11:45 A. M., holy masses, hymns, sermon on "The Infallibility of Christ's Catholic Church," communions.

Confessions at St. Ann's Saturday 7:30 to 8:30 P. M., Sunday 10:30 to 10:55 A. M., and at Harvey Point Sunday 5:45 to 6:10 and 6:45 to 8:40 A. M.

**Visiting Parents**  
Sgt. Julian Powell is home on furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Powell.