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ENROLLMENT AT COUNTY WHITE SCHOOLS SHOWS INCREASE OVER PREVIOUS YEAR

Nearly One Thousand Pupils Register During Opening Day

Perquimans County schools opened on a full time schedule on Monday of this week with a minimum of fanfare and formal programs. Figures on enrollment for the opening day, as released by F. T. Johnson, County Superintendent, showed 9600 pupils registered at the white schools, with no figures available for the colored schools.

This enrollment figure in the white schools is slightly higher than last year, according to Mr. Johnson, who attributed the increase to the addition of the 12th grade in the county schools. The registration was completed at the schools, with the pupils paying fees, being assigned books and courses for the opening term.

Consolidation of the New Hope school was completed, with the first three grades of the school being assigned to the Central Grammar School and the students of the fourth through the seventh grades being enrolled at the Hertford Grammar School.

A big portion of the increase in the enrollment is noted at Perquimans High School, where 84 new pupils were registered to enter the eighth grade. E. C. Woodard, principal, announced a number of new activities would be sponsored at the high school this term, including the formation of a glee club, an increased number of students in the band, and additional interest in debating societies.

Teachers at the high school are E. C. Woodard, principal, Miss Esther Evans, Mrs. T. L. Jessup, Mrs. C. R. Holmes, Miss Mary Alice Cohoon, Miss Frances Barden, Miss Annie Garris, Mrs. Frances Sprague, Mrs. Goldie H. Meeking, G. C. Buck, Mrs. F. T. Johnson, Miss Annabelle Wood and Miss Grace Chappell. The latter three will teach the eighth grade.

Hertford Grammar School — Miss Mary Sumner, Mrs. Ruth S. Winslow, Mrs. Jenkins Walters, Mrs. Cecil W. White, Miss Mildred Reed, Miss Ruth Elliott and Mrs. Mary W. Chappell.

Central Grammar School — Aubrey McGinnis, Miss Margaret S. White, Mrs. Mary W. Winslow, Miss Altaessa Winslow, Mrs. Lucille L. White, Mrs. Bertha Lane, Miss Johnnie White, Miss Nancy Darden, Mrs. Ruby S. Winslow and Miss Elizabeth Stephens.

Six County Fair To Open September 24

To provide education and entertainment for the people of the six North-eastern counties of the Albemarle, the Eastern Fair Association of Elizabeth City will open its first annual Six County Fair at the association's fair ground on the Weeksville road on September 24 for five big days.

The premium book, issued this week, shows a well rounded program will be presented by the Fair Association each day. More than \$1,000 will be offered in premiums. In addition to free acts and a big fireworks display every night, the program calls for the Elizabeth City High School Band to give a concert on Tuesday, September 24, and an automobile show the same day. Harness horse racing will feature the program on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and motorcycle races will be held on Saturday.

The counties included for the fair are Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Camden, Currituck and Dare. A premium list of products grown in these counties has been worked out and cash prizes offered in each class. Members of the 4-H clubs of these counties are urged to enter their specialties in the special 4-H Club classes.

All white school children will be admitted to the fair free on Wednesday, and all colored school children will be admitted free on Friday.

The directors of the Fair Association invite participation by all of the people of the six counties.

SERVICES AT HOLY TRINITY SEPTEMBER 15

The Rev. E. T. Jilison, rector of Holy Trinity Church in Hertford, announced today that services would be resumed at Holy Trinity on Sunday, September 15. Holy Communion will be held at 9 A. M., Church School at 10 and morning prayer at 11 A. M.

On Leave

Henry Lewis, who has been serving with the armed forces on foreign duty, is spending his terminal leave here with his wife and daughter.

Training Course To Be Explained Friday

All white veterans of Perquimans County interested in the Veterans Agricultural Training Course are asked to meet at the Court House in Hertford on Friday night at 8 o'clock, at which time the training course will be explained by G. C. Buck, vocational teacher at Perquimans High School.

Full particulars of the training will be explained at the meeting tonight, and Mr. Buck stated if at least ten veterans register for the course a special instructor will be assigned for the class to be conducted here.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

OPA ceiling prices on meats went into effect on Tuesday, and with the action came news that housewives could expect meats to be scarce at their favorite markets. Livestock markets report sales have dropped, and big packers state the return of OPA prices will mean a shortage all over the nation. Officials of the Agriculture Department in Washington talk of still higher OPA prices in order to avoid a return to rationing of meats. It is reported in some quarters that the current scarcity is not expected to last more than a month, even under present prices.

The United States has presented Yugoslavia with an indemnity bill for \$400,000 to compensate the families of five American fliers, killed when their plane was shot down by Yugoslav fighters. A report from the European capital states that Tito, dictator of the Yugoslavs, is willing to pay for the deaths of the fliers, but balks at paying the U. S. for loss of the two planes involved.

A strike by maritime workers in the U. S. is causing havoc in several large cities of the nation. Perishable goods aboard ships in several harbors have reached the decay stage and stores in many cities are suffering from lack of goods to sell. New York is reported hardest hit, with foodstuffs and other items reaching the bottom of stockpiles. The situation in New York is made worse due to a strike of some 25,000 truck drivers in that city.

Another royal family faced exile this week, following elections held in Bulgaria, where only slightly more than four per cent of the voters cast ballots in favor of a monarchy. Nine-year-old Simeon II, last of the Coburg dynasty which has ruled Bulgaria for 70 years, will leave the country this week with his Queen Mother and sister. They will go to Egypt to join the king's grandfather, ex-King Emmanuel of Italy. The Bulgarians, in the election, voted for a republic, but the election was a victory for Soviet Russia, which has dominated the government since overrunning the nation during the war.

Two former G.I.s, tellers in an Oklahoma City bank, captured a 25-year-old bandit after he had robbed the bank of \$38,462 on Monday. The bandit forced the bank vice president to fill a satchel with big bills, then he left by a back door. The veterans gave chase and captured the bandit after a pedestrian had knocked a gun from the bandit's hand with a rock.

Funeral Services For Mrs. Kate Russell

Mrs. Kate Norman Russell, 60, wife of Charles Russell and daughter of the late Grant and Martha Jane Morgan, died at her home in Hertford Sunday evening after a long illness.

Besides her husband, surviving are three sons, Allan, of New York, Charles of Norfolk and Paul Russell of Hertford; five daughters, Mrs. Annie Schaff of Elizabeth City, Mrs. Louise White, Mrs. Pauline Morgan and Thes Russell, all of Hertford, and Mrs. Eula Dudley of Hickory; three sisters, Mrs. Janie Watkins of Portsmouth, Mrs. Whit Mathews and Eula Russell of Hertford; three brothers, Will of Edenton, Grant of Fort Thomas and Merritt Morgan of Norfolk.

Funeral services were conducted under the direction of the Lynch Funeral Home at the Berea Church, New Hope, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The choir sang "Rock of Ages" and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Pallbearers were Eli and Charlie Lane, George Russell, Billy Jackson, Moody Mathews and Tom Matthews.

Hertford Downed By Windsor In Playoff Game Saturday 7-6

Edenton And Windsor Playing Finals To Decide Championship

Hertford lost the opportunity of playing in the finals of the Albemarle Baseball League play-off last Saturday night when the local team lost a third game to the Windsor Rebels by a 7-6 score. Hertford won and lost the game twice, through costly errors.

Hitting safely twice in the first inning, Hertford took a one-run lead and held the Windsor team scoreless until the fourth when the Rebels got to Webb for three hits and scored three runs to lead the game 3-1. In the last half of this inning Hertford tallied twice to tie the score. During the last half of the fifth the local team scored three more runs to gain a comfortable 6-3 lead. Up to this point Hertford had hit safely six times to Windsor's three. Two errors on the part of Hertford allowed Windsor to score once in the seventh and two hits and three errors in the eighth gave Windsor another big inning and three runs, which moved Windsor into the lead 7-6. Reeves replaced Webb on the mound in the last part of the seventh and in the eighth Reeves hit a two bagger but was unable to score. This hit in the eighth was the only one collected by Hertford during the last four innings.

Near the close of the game Hertford Manager M. G. Owens entered a protest against the eligibility of Roy Allen, Windsor shortstop, this protest having been previously entered following the Monday night game. A directors' meeting was called by the league president for Sunday morning, but following a meeting of the Hertford team officials, it was decided to notify the president Hertford desired to withdraw the protest.

This action placed Windsor and Edenton, who defeated Colerain three out of four games, in the finals of the play-off. The final round of games started in Windsor on Sunday with Edenton winning 6-3.

The league championship was decided Wednesday afternoon when the Edenton Colonials won from the Windsor Rebels, the victory being the fourth in as many played of the seven-game series.

Town Board Sets Tax At Meeting Monday

At a meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Hertford held Monday night a tax rate of \$1.10 per hundred dollar valuation was set for the current fiscal year. This rate is the same as levied by the Town Board for the past several years.

Adoption of the rate was subject to any change made necessary through the setting of the current budget, which will be acted upon after the audit is completed of the town books next month.

A recent reduction in electric rates to customers supplied by the Town of Hertford is causing a reduction in revenue of the Town as compared to the last three years. However, it was the opinion of the Board, despite this loss of revenue that the tax rate would be sufficient to cover the budget finally adopted.

Trueblood Rites Conducted Tuesday

William Thomas Trueblood, 75, died Monday morning at 12:10 o'clock at the home in New Hope after a long illness.

He was a native of Pasquotank County, but had been living in Perquimans County for the past 65 years. He was the son of the late John and Sallie Menden Trueblood, a member of the WOW of Hertford and a member of the New Hope Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Rebecca Williams Trueblood of New Hope; three daughters, Mrs. L. E. Umphlett, Mrs. J. T. Lamb and Mrs. F. T. Eure, all of New Hope; two sons, W. A. Trueblood of New Hope and Nathan Trueblood of Elizabeth City; 26 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the New Hope Methodist Church by the Rev. J. D. Cranford. Burial followed in the family plot.

From Greenville

Mrs. Lena Gregory, who has been living in Greenville, is here and planning to make her home in Hertford.

Perquimans Indians Drilling Daily For Opening Grid Game

Columbia Will Furnish Opposition In Game Next Friday Night

With the first football game of the season scheduled to be played on Memorial Field next Friday night, September 20, the Perquimans High School Indians are drilling daily in preparation for that first game in which Columbia High School will be opposing the Indians.

Coach Max Campbell held the first scrimmage session on Monday of this week and has been putting the players through strenuous practices each day since. About forty boys are reporting for the practice sessions and the coach stated he has no idea, as yet, just who will be in the starting line-up next week. Chester and Cecil Winslow, Jack Symon, Earl Winslow, Tom Perry, Bill Elliott, Bobby Keaton, Emmett Elmore, Robert Evans, Lloyd Dail, Howard Broughton, Carlton Hurdle, Chappell and Eure are battling hard for first place line positions while Jimmy Sawyer, Josiah Smith, John Ward, Edward Lane, John Hunter, L. C. Elliott, Bill Boyce and Sidney Layden are looking the best in the back field.

The team received a blow last week when it was discovered that Dan Berry, star back on last year's squad, would be unable to play due to an ankle injury received last season. Another vacancy which the coach is finding it difficult to fill is the fullback position held last year by George Wood, but several players are showing up well in this spot, and one of these will win the position.

A schedule of nine games has been arranged by school officials for this season. The Indians will play six home games, and will fill three engagements away from home. The schedule includes most of the teams played last year, excepting Washington and Roanoke Rapids, who are being replaced by Williamston and Franklin, Va.

The season schedule follows:
Sept. 20—Columbia here.
Sept. 27—Franklin here.
Oct. 4—Edenton here.
Oct. 11—Williamston here.
Oct. 18—Tarboro there.
Oct. 25—Ahoskie there.
Nov. 1—Elizabeth City there.
Nov. 8—Plymouth here.
Nov. 15—Scotland Neck here.

Ainsley Services Conducted Monday

Benjamin Franklin Ainsley, 54, died suddenly of a heart condition at his home in Hertford last Saturday night at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Ainsley was a member of the board of directors of the Major Loomis Lumber Company and active in the company's affairs up to the time of his death. A native of Washington County, he had resided here for a number of years.

He was a member of the Hertford Methodist Church and of the Perquimans Lodge, No. 6, A. F. & A. M. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Martha West Ainsley; one son, W. F. Ainsley; one adopted son, J. H. Jones; two daughters, Mrs. W. H. Matthews and Mrs. Y. L. Brown, all of Hertford; four brothers, W. S. and J. A. Ainsley of Creswell, L. A. Ainsley of Statesville and H. S. Ainsley of Norfolk, Va., and one sister, Mrs. D. L. West of Columbia and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at the home Monday afternoon by the Rev. B. C. Reavis, under the direction of the Lynch Funeral Home. Members of the Perquimans Lodge of Masons attended en masse and conducted the lodge ritual at the grave. The choir sang "Rock of Ages" and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Pallbearers were A. W. Hefren, Claude White, Dr. T. P. Brinn, Paul King, Jewel McCleese, C. F. Sumner, V. N. Darden, C. P. Morris and W. H. Pitt.

Interment was made in Cedarwood Cemetery.

W. M. S. TO MEET

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist Church will meet Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the church. Members are asked to please note the change of time.

The Rev. W. W. Finlator of Elizabeth City will be the guest speaker at this meeting.

Returned Home

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie La Belle returned home Saturday at East Haven, Conn., after spending the past week with Mrs. Louis Nachman.

COUNTY PAYS TRIBUTE TO VETERANS AT HOMECOMING PROGRAM WEDNESDAY

Perquimans Band Starts Rehearsals

Perquimans High School Band, under the direction of Burt Ainsworth, began its second year as school got under full schedule this week, according to E. C. Woodard, principal. The band now has 30 members, with ten additional members expected to be added within a very short time. The band has made excellent progress under the direction of Mr. Ainsworth, and is expected to be an added attraction at all home football games this fall.

Field Meetings Held In County Last Week

County Agent L. W. Anderson held two field meetings to show the proper methods of establishing and treating permanent pastures to Perquimans County farmers on August 28. The morning meeting was held on Roy Chappell's farm at Bethel and in the afternoon on the farm of L. L. Lane in the Whitson community. The Extension Service and the Albemarle Soil Conservation District have been cooperating with these land owners in the establishment of pasture demonstration plots.

J. Frank Doggett, Extension Soil Conservationist of the North Carolina State Extension Service, spoke at these meetings. Mr. Doggett emphasized the importance of proper fertilization, use of the right kind of seed and proper maintenance in a good pasture program. He stated that it was a waste of money to use nitrogen on permanent pasture which have clover or lespedeza as these legumes will furnish an adequate amount of nitrogen for the other plants. It was particularly interesting to observe the difference in growth on the plots of Mr. Chappell's farm due to differences in amounts and kinds of fertilizer applied.

Mr. Doggett pointed out that it is better to seed lespedeza, Dallis grass and white clover in amounts as recommended by the State Experiment Station than to buy prepared pasture mixtures. These three species have been found to be particularly good for this section of the State.

"We need more livestock in the county in order to obtain a better balanced farming program," the county agent pointed out. "If we have livestock we must have pastures and they should be established before too much livestock is added so it is not necessary to buy expensive feed." The county agent and the Soil Conservation District will be glad to help any farmer establish or improve pastures.

Johnson-Harrington Vows Spoken Aug. 17

The marriage of Miss Mary Spencer Harrington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Harrington of Aberdeen, and William Harrell Johnson, son of Mrs. Charles Johnson of Hertford, was solemnized at 8 o'clock August 17, at the Page Memorial Methodist Church in Aberdeen. The Rev. J. O. Long officiated.

Prior to the ceremony Mrs. Frederick Peak, organist, played "Something Blue," composed by the bridegroom, "Indian Love Call" "Ave Maria" and "Evening Star." Mrs. Charles E. Johnson, sister-in-law of the bridegroom, sang "I Love You Truly," "Leibstrum" and "Be-cause."

Miss Mary Page, sister of the bride, was maid of honor and Charles E. Johnson, brother of the groom, was best man.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white satin fashioned with a tight bodice, and long sleeves which ended in a point over the hand. The high yoke was of marquisette with a lace border giving an off-the-shoulder effect and had a full skirt which extended into a long train. The three-tiered veil of bridal illusion was worn with a coronet of orange blossoms and the bride carried a bouquet of stephanotis and roses, centered with orchids and showered with stephanotis and tube roses.

Mrs. Johnson was graduated from Aberdeen High School and received her Bachelor of Science degree from Women's College of the University of North Carolina. The bridegroom received his B.S. degree from Wake Forest College and is now attending medical school at the Virginia School of Dentistry.

At NCWC

Miss Jean Howard left this week to continue her studies at N. C. Woman's College, Greensboro.

Roy L. McMillan Was Guest Speaker; Program at High School

Perquimans County welcomed home its veterans of World War II in a gala program held Wednesday afternoon and evening. The festivities opened with a big parade which started at 2 o'clock, with the marchers parading from the Hertford Grammar School down town, then out to Memorial Field at Perquimans High School.

An air show was staged immediately before the parade. A squadron of 60 planes from the Norfolk Naval Air Station performed diving tactics and other stunts above the town for about 15 minutes before returning to their station.

The parade was directed by Roulac Webb, chairman of the parade committee, and was made up with official cars carrying the program speakers, members of the band of the USS Wisconsin, which came here through the courtesy of the ship's commanding officer, Captain C. L. Green. Following the Navy band were the Girl and Boy Scouts, then the Perquimans High School Band. Approximately 150 veterans marched behind the Perquimans Band. The veterans were followed by a number of Army and Navy vehicles.

Following the parade, the veterans, their families and friends went into the High School auditorium for the formal welcome home addresses. The program opened with the National Anthem, followed by invocation given by the Rev. C. W. Duling. The address of welcome was given by the Rev. E. C. Reavis, who also paid high tribute to those veterans who lost their lives in the war.

F. T. Johnson, chairman of the program committee, followed with announcements regarding the program and introduced distinguished guests, including Congressman Herbert C. Bonner and John A. Polons, commander of the First American Legion District.

Major W. H. Oakley, Jr., produced Roy McMillan, guest speaker for the program. Mr. McMillan is past national vice commander of the American Legion and Past State Commander. He praised the veterans for their service to their country and the manner in which they enabled the nation to win final victory.

The benediction was given by the Rev. J. D. Cranford.

After the speaking the veterans and their immediate families were treated to a huge barbecue supper served on Memorial Field.

This was followed by a soft ball game between the Army veterans and the Navy veterans.

The program closed with a public street dance held on Church Street, music for the dance being provided by the 35 members of the USS Wisconsin band, which had furnished music during the parade and following the barbecue supper. The band was one of the best dance bands heard here in a number of years and the dancers, as well as the spectators, thoroughly enjoyed the splendid music.

Local Wildlife Club To Elect Officers

The regular quarterly meeting of the Perquimans County Wildlife Club will be held at the Court House in Hertford at 8 o'clock Wednesday night, September 18. It was announced today by W. H. Oakley, Jr., president of the local organization.

Mr. Oakley urges all members of the club and sportsmen interested in the projects of the Wildlife group to attend. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected at the meeting next Wednesday.

The Wildlife Club, organized throughout the State last year, now has 100 chapters in North Carolina and the work being carried out by the members of the various clubs is reported to be excellent, and tending to improve hunting and fishing for all sportsmen.

One project being pushed by the Wildlife organization is for the separation of the game and fish administration from the Conservation Commission. The Wildlife group contends the Conservation Board has not and does not place sufficient time and finances into this part of the program and the organization desires a separation of game and fish program from the rest of the conservation program.

Inquiries have revealed that many members of the Legislature, which will meet in January, favors this new set-up, but a determined fight in the General Assembly is expected when the proposal comes before the House.