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Dec. 31 Deadline For Landlords To Complete Forms

Representative In Eden- ton Each Thursday Morning

Landlords now operating under the rent regulation governing hotels, rooming houses and motor courts in the Elizabeth City rental area, who have not obtained forms for the supplemental registration of their establishments, should do so soon as the deadline for filing the completed forms is December 31, 1946, according to C. R. Holmes, Area Rent Representative-Attorney.

All landlords, who rent rooms in a hotel, rooming or boarding house, dormitory, residence club, motor court, tourist home, tourist court, cabin, and those who rent space in an auto court or trailer camp, are required to file the supplemental data and may get the proper form at the local Rent Office, 605 East Main Street, Elizabeth City, and at the Court House in Edenton, Thursday morning and Thursday afternoon at the Court House in Hertford.

After getting the forms, landlords should be careful to fill in all the information called for on the form which applies to their establishment, Mr. Holmes said. The forms are not difficult to fill out if the instructions supplied with the forms are followed. However, Mr. Holmes will gladly assist any landlord who has any questions about completing the form properly.

It is important, of course, that they write plainly and sign the form in the lower right hand corner of the initial page. Incomplete, unreadable and unsigned forms will be returned for proper completion.

Both copies of the form must be filled in and returned to rent office, the address of which is stamped at the top of the first page. Landlords need not retain an extra copy because one copy of the registration statement will be returned to them after their establishment has been classified and the classification indicated in the upper right hand corner.

HD Clubs To Present Health Programs

"Today's Rural Life—Tomorrow's World" is the theme of the Home Demonstration program for Perquimans County for 1947. Since health is the number one problem in the State, this will be carried as a State-wide program. It will be approached from three angles, 1, food in relation to health; 2, housing in relation to health; 3, sanitation in relation to health. These will be subjects for club demonstration for January, February and March.

Other subjects to be studied during the year are: April, Interior Improvements: Finishes for Walls and Floors; May, Selecting and Using Necessary Farm and Home Equipment; June, What Makes a Happy Home?; July, Simple Entertaining; August, Recreational Meetings; September, Accessories for the Fall Wardrobe; October, Heating the Farm House; November, Good Lighting for the Farm House; December, Christmas meeting for the Family. Special meetings during the year will be planned on various subjects such as "Making Down Comforts from Feathers," "What to Wear and When," "Making Slip Covers for the Home."

Indians To Resume Net Games Friday

Perquimans High Schools basketball teams will resume interschool competition in the Rural Conference race on Friday night, January 3, after having been idle during the Christmas holidays.

Both girls and boys will meet teams from Poplar Branch on the Poplar Branch floor Friday night. Poplar Branch, having no gym, is expected to use the Moyock gym as a home court.

The Squaws expect little trouble in subduing the Poplar Branch sextet and the Indians are expecting to rack up another victory for the opening of the 1947 season.

Attended Convention
Thomas and Clarence Phillips attended the 32nd annual North Carolina Farmers Convention held last Monday and Tuesday in Charlotte.

A Digest Of Perquimans News For 1946

In a few short days the year 1946, the first postwar year, will pass into the pages of history and the young, new 1947 will reign supreme. There will be some that will argue that 1946 was an uneventful year; however, it was eventful with reconversion, strikes and the march toward peace playing a mighty role as the days rolled by. We pause here to give a digest of the news events as they occurred in Perquimans county and record-d by your hometown newspaper.

Jan. 4—Merrill Evans, State Highway Commission attended a meeting of the Rotary Club and promised better secondary roads for this section; 25 veterans listed as returned from military service; Superior Court calendar listed.

Jan. 11—First meeting to form Albemarle Baseball league; March of Dimes open with Mrs. B. G. Koonce directing campaign; Tax listing reported as slow; U. S. Route 17 getting a new surface.

Jan. 18—Superior Court in session; Farm Security announces aid for veterans; District Health Board replaces county board; K. M. Riddick named president of local bank; Committee named to assist veterans.

Jan. 25—Project started to establish frozen food locker plant in Hertford; Bill Jessup named scout for big league club; OPA office in county to close January 30th; Perquimans Seed Judging team wins meet.

Feb. 1—A. H. Edwards named chairman of old clothes drive; Polio fund drive concluded successfully; 4-H County Council organized with Horace Layden as president.

Feb. 8—Fire caused heavy damage at Goodwin dress shop; 29 students listed on high school honor roll; Rev. C. W. Duling accepts pastorage of Hertford Baptist Church; 14 veterans reported discharged from service; Sgt. John Trueblood awarded Purple Heart.

Feb. 15—Nine more veterans returned to county; Boy Scouts reorganized; More than 1200 garments collected in clothing drive; Town votes \$1,000 for Memorial Field.

Feb. 22—Hertford PTA observes founders' day; new dress shop opens in town; Strong winds causes short blackout of town current; Perquimans girls win basketball conference.

Mar. 1—Red Cross organized for annual drive; Miss Frances Maness directs campaign; Perquimans Wildlife Club shows increase in membership and activity; American Legion Auxiliary organized with Mrs. T. P. Brinn as president; Perquimans High School band gives first public demonstration.

Mar. 8—20 new members join Wildlife Club; Army recruiter signing up men for regular army; J. Emmett Winslow announced he would not seek reelection as sheriff; J. L. White resigns as county treasurer; Max Campbell named successor.

Mar. 15—Town Board announces a reduction in price of electric power; Political front becomes active with M. G. Owens a candidate for sheriff; Construction crew starts work on paving short cut.

Mar. 22—Central PTA membership reported at 100 per cent; Health Department completes third year of operation; Masons celebrate 125th anniversary; State Club selects E. L. Winslow president; Ministerial association met in Hertford; 39 on high school honor roll.

Mar. 29—Town announces project for street improvement; Board of elections named as A. W. Heffren, W. F. Ainsley and C. C. Winslow; 30 listed as members of the American Legion Auxiliary; Red Cross drive brought to a close.

April 5—Home demonstration Clubs make plans for district meeting held in Hertford; Police nab thieves in \$1,000 robbery of Blanchard's store; County schools placed on short sessions.

April 12—Telephone patrons register complaints with phone company officials; Plans made to complete work on Memorial Field; First meeting of the Legion Auxiliary held.

April 19—Superior Court holds short session; Election board names registrars and other election officials; Little interest in politics shown; Report made on sale of Easter seals.

May 8—All of County white teachers re-elected by school board; Democrats hold County Convention; Several hurt in auto wrecks during week; Perquimans high school debaters represent district at State meeting.

May 10—Board of Education announces extensive repairs to be made to county school buildings; Albemarle baseball league revived; Lions Club holds ladies' night; Schools prepare to close for summer vacation; J. E. Winslow named on Democratic committee.

May 17—County 4-H health winners announced by local 4-H directors; Draft act extended but inductions halted; Town of Hertford increases number on police department; Famous Relief drive directed by the Rev. B. C. Reavis.

May 20—Commencement exercises announced for Perquimans High School; Hertford Boy Scouts plan camporee; Small vote predicted for primary election; Central PTA installs officers; Legion announces Poppy sale plans.

May 31—Fire at Penders causes \$15,000 loss; Interest shown for organization of VFW post in county; Four teachers resign from posts; Public voices opinion for continuation of Health Department; Contract for improvement of Woodville road let.

June 7—American Legion installs R. R. White as commander and Auxiliary president is Mrs. R. R. White; Plans for 4-H Camp at Manteo announced by Miss Frances Maness and L. W. Anderson; Negro Masonic Temple in Hertford dedicated; Veterans organize VFW Post; Albemarle baseball league underway.

June 14—Board of Health adopts Polio rule; A. H. Edwards named head of Lions Club; Dr. A. B. Bonner new president of Rotary Club; Report shows high school athletic fund in good condition.

June 21—Repairs to county schools underway; Rotary Club holds Ladies night party.

June 28—Rotary and Lions Clubs meet in softball game for benefit of high school band; Congress voted to dispose of Harvey Point base; Hertford Masons host to district meeting; Miss Hazel Shaw named new assistant home agent.

July 5—County Commissioners adopt a \$1.50 tax rate for fiscal year; Board of Education voted to consolidate New Hope school; I. C. Yagel named assistant county agent; Band benefitted from softball game; New officers installed for local civic clubs.

July 12—Police stopped tire thefts by apprehending offender; Six vacancies reported in Negro schools; Aubrey Gurganus named principal Central grammar school.

July 19—Hertford Baseball club takes lead in Albemarle league; 4-H Clubbers' return from annual camping trip; Police paid local bootlegging establishment.

July 26—Eight persons injured in wreck on highway 17; County drenched by heavy rains which hindered crops; T. N. Miller appointed to Hertford police department; Miss Davey Jo Lumsden assumes duties at Welfare office.

Aug. 2—Rent controls restored in area by new OPA bill; shortcut on route 17 opened to traffic; Report revealed loss of population in county; Town Board announced new electric rates in effect.

Aug. 9—Board of Education announced date for opening schools; American Legion and County Board reveal plan for veterans homecoming day; Budget for county adopted; Phillips Bros. open new business in Hertford.

Aug. 16—Hertford Boy Scouts join with others at showing of Lost Colony; Home Demonstration Club members attend meeting in Raleigh; Committees named for vets homecoming day.

Aug. 23—Board of Education announced teachers list for county; Hotel Hertford leased, plans revealed for reopening; Board of Health announced plans for spraying homes to check malaria.

Aug. 30—Hertford baseball team finished third in league; Vets obtain furlough pay blanks at postoffice; Negro 4-H short course conducted; Board of Health issued timely advice for school children.

Sept. 6—Hertford baseball team lost to Windsor in playoff; Football started at high school; Report by Polio group revealed possibility of epidemic; Building and Loan announced new loan plan for borrowers; OPA extends sugar stamps.

Sept. 13—County paid homage to veterans at gala homecoming with excellent program; school enrollment shows increase over last year; Town Board sets tax rate; Wildlife Club reports additional members and much interest in organization.

Sept. 20—Selective service halted induction of men; Indians lose football game to Columbia.

Sept. 27—Harvey Point base liquidated; 4-H Clubs organized; PTA Clubs hold first meetings of year; Fire Warden lists county deputies; High School band resumes full time activities; First cotton from 1946 crop sold.

Oct. 4—REA energizes sub station and start service to customers in this area; PTA holds annual conference at Columbia; Local 4-H Club members win awards in six county fair; Peanut harvesting started in county.

Oct. 11—Homecoming day planned for Negro veterans of county; Miss Grace Knowles resigns of Welfare Supt.; High School youth organize planning board; VFW grants charter to Perquimans Post; Many revival services in county churches.

Oct. 18—Auditors make report on Town finances; OPA lifts control from meats; VFW elects Clarence Phillips first commander; local Le-

Season's Greetings

To Our

ADVERTISERS, READERS

And

CORRESPONDENTS

The Editor

County Tax Listers To Begin Duties On Wednesday, Jan. 1st

J. W. Ward, Perquimans County Tax Supervisor, has announced that the tax listers for the five townships and members of the board of commissioners will meet at the court house Friday, December 27 at 10 o'clock for the purpose of reviewing instructions and receiving supplies for the tax listing job.

The list of property for taxes will get under way January 1, and a schedule of places where the tax listers will work is listed in this issue of The Weekly. The tax listers for this year, as appointed by the Board of Commissioners at the December meeting are: Carroll V. Ward, Belvidere Township; John O. White, Hertford; Seth Long, New Hope; Roy S. Chappell, Bethel and Raymond Stanton, Parkville.

Mr. Ward issued an appeal to property owners of the county to list early and thus aid the tax listers by helping to avoid a last minute rush. All property owners who fail to list their property by January 31 will be taxed with a late listing penalty.

Each farmer must report the acreage of each crop, as in previous years, and the tax supervisor requests all farmers to render the tax lister every aid in looking out this report.

Dynamite Ditching Proving Popular

Dynamite is at the beck and call of any farmer who can use it. Ditches fill up with silt, grass and other debris. Gradual changes in fields, due to cultivation and natural conditions, make new ditches necessary. Any open ditch drainage system requires a certain amount of maintenance. How much depends on the nature of the soil, the fall along the ditch, and the volume of the water it carries.

Machinery for cleaning or ditching is not always available or practical. Hand labor is hard to get. Dynamite can be used to make new ditches and is practical where a large amount of dirt is to be removed. Ditching with dynamite has become more and more popular. No heavy or expensive equipment is necessary. There is a minimum of spoil banks along the ditch and the cost is not excessive.

W. B. Jordan, a conservation farmer of Bagley Swamp community, had a ditch cleaned out with dynamite this summer. It cost him \$55.00 and he says he would do it again if it cost him \$100.00. Mr. Jordan also says if land is worth owning it is worth draining.

W. H. Smith, another farmer of the Winfall community, blasted a ditch with dynamite this summer. The ditch cost him \$3.00. It did such a good job that he says it was worth it if it cost twice that much.

The Albemarle Soil Conservation District helped both these land owners construct the ditches. If you have a drainage problem, it may be possible to use dynamite to solve it economically. The district technicians will be glad to help you with it.

gionnaires attend district meeting.
Oct. 25—Hertford inspected as possible site for organized baseball training center; Farm Agent outlined 1947 program; Perquimans Band orders new uniforms.

Support Prices For Peanuts Effective

Farmers Urged to Use Care In Preparing For Market

Prices paid by the trade for farmers' stock peanuts of the 1946 crop have been gradually decreasing for the past several weeks, it is pointed out by E. M. Johnson, manager of the Growers Peanut Cooperative, Inc., who reminds farmers that the government will pay a support price for peanuts of the 1946 crop based upon 90 per cent of parity as of July 15. The GPC is also ready to establish convenient marketing points where it is deemed necessary.

Prices now being paid by the trade are slightly—if any—above the government support prices which for Virginia and Spanish type peanuts, containing less than 7 per cent damage, would be as follows:

For Virginia Type—The base grade price is \$170 per ton, or 8½ cents per pound for Virginia type peanuts grading 65 per cent sound mature kernels. To this will be added \$2.60 per ton for each 1 per cent of sound mature kernels in excess of 65 per cent, or there will be deducted \$2.60 per ton for each 1 per cent of sound mature kernels below 65 per cent. In addition, premiums are provided for extra large Virginia shelled kernels at the rate of 30 cents per ton for each full 1 per cent of extra large kernel content.

For Spanish Type—The base grade price is \$174 per ton, or 8.7 cents per pound for Spanish type peanuts grading 70 per cent sound mature kernels. To this price will be added \$2.50 per ton for each full 1 per cent of sound mature kernels in excess of 70 per cent, or there will be deducted \$2.50 per ton for each 1 per cent of sound mature kernels below 70 per cent.

In the case of both Virginia and Spanish type peanuts, according to Johnson, discounts will be made for damage at the rate of \$2.40 per ton for each full 1 per cent of damage in excess of 2 per cent but less than 5 per cent; and further, a discount of 10 cents per ton for each full 1 per cent of foreign material in excess of 5 per cent.

The support price on all types of peanuts containing 7 per cent or more damage, he added, will be on the basis of total kernel content at \$1.70 per ton for each full 1 per cent of total kernel content. In accordance with these support prices, the price range for the general run of the crop should be from approximately 8 cents to 9½ cents per pound, depending on grade, Johnson said.

The manager urges farmers to have their peanuts thoroughly cured in the stacks before threshing, as wet peanuts cannot be handled under the government price support program. The marketing of peanuts this season, he said, has been anything other than orderly since the trade offered high prices to farmers very early in the season, in many instances before the peanuts were threshed, thus causing many peanuts to be rushed on the market before they were properly cured.

"This condition," Johnson said, "has to some extent caused prices on farmers' stock peanuts to drop, and it hurts not only the farmers who try to get their peanuts in a merchantable condition before marketing, but it also adversely affects the peanut industry as a whole."

The Growers Peanut Cooperative, Inc., with headquarters in Franklin, is designated by the Production and Marketing Administration of the U. S. Department of Agriculture to receive and purchase farmers' stock peanuts of the 1946 crop for the account of the United States Department of Agriculture in the Virginia-Carolina area.

Perquimans FFA Wins Honors Again

In a recent Parliamentary Procedure Contest held at Chowan High School, the Perquimans Chapter team came off with the top honors and the banner. The teams participating and their ratings are as follows: Perquimans Chapter, first; Weeksville Chapter, second; Chowan Chapter, third; Poplar Branch Chapter, fourth; Gatesville Chapter, fifth. The members of the Perquimans Chapter team are: President, Clifford Winslow; vice president, John Ward; secretary, Josiah Smith; treasurer, Durwood Barber; reporter, Sidney Layden, Jr.; adviser and teacher, G. C. Buck.

Recorder's Court In Recess This Week

Perquimans County's recorder court was in recess this week in observance of Christmas. The regular court session for Tuesday was postponed and all cases were set for hearing at the term on December 31.

4-H Club Plans For 1947 Announced By County Directors

Plans are being made for 1947 to be the greatest year in 4-H club work ever held in Perquimans County. The county now has a half-time assistant home agent and full time assistant farm agent to help with the work.

During the school months two meetings will be held with each club every month. One meeting will be devoted to a program planned and presented by the 4-H club members and the other meeting will be a project meeting. In January one meeting will be devoted to the selection of projects by the club members and the second meeting will be a project meeting studying nutrition in relation to health. The boys will study crop projects. Project meetings for February and March for the girls will consist of demonstrations on Quick and Sure Methods of Making a Dress, while the boys study livestock and poultry. Health will be emphasized during the month of April and every 4-H girl and boy will be examined. A special event of the month will be the crowning of the Health King and Queen. In May a demonstration will be given on the subject The 4-H Girl Entertains, and the local 4-H Dress Revue will be held.

During the summer months the agents will visit the club members at their homes, helping them with projects and any other individual assistance needed. One week will be spent at 4-H camp, where a course will be given on What Makes a Happy Home. Plans are now being made for a group of boys and girls to attend 4-H club week held in Raleigh during the month of August.

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Ginning Report Shows Crop Only ½ Of 1945

Cotton ginned in Perquimans County prior to December 1 was only half of the amount ginned for the same period in 1946 according to a report issued this week by Willie M. Harrell, special agent.

According to this week's report, 736 bales of cotton were ginned in the county prior to December 1, while in 1945, 1,486 bales were ginned during the same time period.

License Examiner To Take Holiday

Henry Smith, State Auto License Examiner, announced this week he would not be in Hertford today for the purpose of issuing license or giving road tests for operators.

The next date for the examiner to be in Hertford will be Friday, January 3.