

Eight Students Entered In Speaking Contest Next Tues.

Contest Being Sponsored By State Bankers' Association

Eight students of Perquimans High School will compete for honors in a speaking contest being sponsored by the North Carolina Soil Conservation Service and State Bankers' Association at the local high school next Tuesday night at eight o'clock, it was announced today by E. C. Woodard, principal of the school. The students entered in the contest are Horace Layden, Wade Jordan, Pat Phillips, Clarkson White, Edward Lane, Dolan Winslow, Betty Ruth Chappell and Marjorie Perry.

The local contest will determine the county winner, who in turn will compete later with other county winners toward winning State prizes to be awarded by the Bankers' Association.

Four prizes, contributed by local business firms, will be awarded the first four winners of the local contest. First prize of \$25 is being offered by J. C. Blanchard & Company, second prize of \$20 is offered by Major-Loomis, third prize of \$15 is offered by Southern Cotton Oil Company and fourth prize of \$10 is offered by Reed Oil Company.

The State winner will receive \$400 in savings bonds and an all-expense trip for himself or herself and the coach to the 52nd annual convention of the Bankers' Association. The State second and third prize winners will receive \$100 and \$50, respectively, in saving bonds. According to the present schedule, group elimination contests will be staged the week of April 5-9 and the final contest will be held in Raleigh April 16.

The contest at the local school will be staged under the auspices of the Perquimans Soil Conservation Service and the public is invited to attend.

Strengthens Crippled Hands



To iron doll clothes is glorious fun for this youngster. She has learned to grasp the handle with her crippled hand and push the iron back and forth. She doesn't know she is gaining more control with every movement, but the therapist does. Her future skills depend on special training made possible through the purchase of Easter Seals. Have you bought yours?

High School Honor Roll Released By Local Principal

A total of forty students of Perquimans High School won scholastic honors during the fourth marking period and were listed on the school's honor roll at the close of the period last Friday, it was announced today by E. C. Woodard, principal. The 11th grade led all other classes with 13 members listed.

The students receiving honors and a place on the roll were:

Eighth Grade—Pauline Burbage, Ann Morrill, Amy Van Roach, Tommy Sumner, Marguerite Butler, Marvina White, Ben Miller, Billie Skinner.

Ninth Grade—Harold Colson, Tracy Kirby, Mary Sue Cook, Ethel Frances Elliott, Catherine Goodwin, Calvin Butt.

Tenth Grade—Faye Rae Symons, Wade Jordan, Shirley Butt, Ella Cartwright, Laura Hopkins, Claire Hunter, Marjorie Perry, Lillian Russell.

Eleventh Grade—Daly Rountree, Clarkson White, Joyce Butt, Pearl Hunter, Marie Rountree, Thelma White, Mary Lou Butt, Pat Morris, Tim Perry, James Robbins, Emily Skinner, Dolan Winslow, Leila Lee Winslow.

Twelfth Grade—Laurastine Britton, Doris Butt, Peggy Cook, Leon Lane, Reginald Tucker.

Pat Morris and Pearl Hunter, both members of the 11th grade, with average grades of 98 for the period, which was the highest of the entire student body, were awarded prizes, given by the Hotel Beauty Shop.

Easter Services Released By Pastor

Special Easter services will be conducted at the Hertford Methodist Church next Sunday according to the Rev. Dwight L. Fouts, pastor, who stated that a group of children and youth will be received into the membership at the 11 o'clock worship and that special music by the choir is being arranged for the morning services. The sermon will be on the theme, Why I Believe in Eternal Life.

On Easter Sunday evening a pageant, The Way of the Cross, will be presented under the direction of Mrs. B. G. Koonce. The evening service will begin at eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Triangle Debates At Local School April 2

Perquimans High School debaters will participate in the annual debating contests with Edenton and Elizabeth City on Friday, April 2. E. C. Woodard, principal of the school, announced today.

The schedule for the triangle debates calls for Perquimans teams to meet Edenton at Elizabeth City and Elizabeth City at Edenton. Edenton debaters will meet Elizabeth City here. The contest will be staged in the school auditorium at 10 A. M.

Defendant Given Road Sentence For Resisting Officer

Recorder's Court Has Heavy Docket Here During Past Week

Resisting officers in Perquimans County can prove to be a mighty serious situation as was discovered in Recorder's Court here this week by Percy Ray White, who was charged with being drunk on the highways and resisting an officer attempting to place the defendant in jail. Judge Charles E. Johnson sentenced White to the roads for six months, after White has entered a plea of guilty to the charge. The sentence was ordered suspended upon payment of a fine of \$100 and court costs.

Traffic violators continued to make up a heavy docket for the court. Morgan Rudzinski, Max Rubenstein, Stefano Spinella, J. Q. White, G. T. Grupton, Jack Stein and Frank Groskey each paid a fine of \$10 and costs on charges of speeding.

Eric Ewoe, William Bedell, William Heiman, Nicholas Argento, Albert George Edwin Bailey, John Noel, A. Y. Watson, Ben Kregor, Eldon Cooke, Addie Rose, Anthony Verkos and Doris Tiger entered pleas of guilty to speeding and paid fines of five dollars and costs each.

N. D. Newberg and Joseph Pecorino paid fines of \$15 and costs for speeding and Herbert Nettles, charged with speeding paid a fine of \$25 and costs.

Joseph Butts, Negro, failed to appear to answer charges of driving without a license. He was ordered held on a bond of \$100.

Otis Jones was taxed with the costs of court for fishing without a license.

W. H. Winslow entered a plea of guilty to burning grass without a permit and paid a fine of \$50 and costs of court.

Robert Holley, Negro, was fined \$50 and costs, after pleading guilty to burning woodland without a permit.

Paul Carrow was fined \$25 after pleading guilty to a charge of reckless driving.

Hurdle Rites Held Monday Afternoon

Mrs. Sarah Russell Hurdle, 61, native and life long resident of Perquimans County, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Maryland Boyce of Hertford, Route 2, Sunday morning after a lingering illness.

The widow of Jesse Hurdle, she was the daughter of the late Sude Mathews and Richard Russell and a member of Pleasant Grove Methodist Church.

Besides Mrs. Boyce, she is survived by two other daughters, Mrs. Willie Pierce of Elizabeth City, Route 2, and Mrs. Irving Stallings of Elizabeth City; five sons, Willard Hurdle, Fenton Hurdle and Mather Hurdle of Hertford, Route 2, Robert Hurdle of Elizabeth City, Route 2, and Rothie Hurdle of Elizabeth City; one brother, Richard Russell of Elizabeth City, Route 2; one half-brother, Lee Umphlett of Hickory, Va.; one sister, Mrs. T. J. Jackson of Edenton, 17 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Maryland Boyce, Hertford, Route 2, with the Rev. L. Sigbee Miller, pastor of the Pearl Street Assembly Church, officiating. Burial was in the family plot at Hurdletown.

Red Cross Roll Call Fund Reaches \$1,179

Contributions toward the Perquimans County annual Red Cross Roll Call reached the total of \$1,179 this week, according to Robert Hollowell, chairman of the local campaign. In reporting the total reached here, Mr. Hollowell stated that the drive was being continued through the entire month in order to give every resident of the county an opportunity to join the Red Cross.

Information received by Herbert Nixon, chairman of the local chapter, requested that the drive be continued even though local goals have been achieved due to the great need for funds by the American Red Cross. Reports show that nationally the campaign is lagging and the Red Cross hopes to attain its national goal through the generosity of communities over-subscribing local quotas.

Individuals who have not joined the Red Cross and who desire to do so may see or send their contributions to Mr. Hollowell. The local drive is being extended through March 31 in order that all who desire to contribute toward the local fund.

Lack Of Facilities Hamper Lunch Room Program At Schools

Spokesman Points Out Additional Needs For Better Rate

For the sake of keeping the record straight and in order that both sides of the situation could be explained, a spokesman and patron of the County Schools replying to a sanitary rating report on local school lunchrooms published last week pointed out that lack of certain facilities prevented the lunchrooms from meeting all of the requirements of the Health Department for a 100 per cent rating, and added that under existing conditions he deemed that the schools were doing a good job in serving meals to the students.

This reporter was invited and visited one of the lunchrooms during a lunch period this week. He noted, as reported by the Health Department Sanitarian, that the personnel was neat and doing a good job; however, he was shown the lunchroom which had only a 42 seat capacity and was told that it would take between two and three hours to serve the student body if each student was served lunch within the lunchroom, and to meet this impossible problem the first grade children ate in the room while the remaining students were served meals on plates and then returned to class rooms where the food, which by the way it looked was well prepared and wholesome, was consumed in an orderly and satisfactory manner.

As the children in each room finished eating groups in each room, appointed before the lunch period, collected the empty plates and milk bottles and returned them to the lunchroom for washing and disposal. No trace of waste food or other rubbish was noted on the floors.

Lack of sufficient space, the spokesman also pointed out, made it impossible for the school officials to comply with the Health Department rules in regards to storage of foodstuffs. This reporter noted that food stuff was purchased in large quantities and that scheduled for immediate use was stored as prescribed by the rules. However, unpacked canned goods were stored in several parts of the building still in original packages and cartons because of insufficient space within the lunchroom itself.

Complete compliance with all Health Department rules, the spokesman, who desired to remain unnamed, continued could not be accomplished with the limited facilities and he added that as the Health Department Sanitarian had recommended, new lunchrooms were needed if funds were available for making the projects possible.

Easter Seal Sales Extended One Week

The annual sale of Easter Seals, conducted each year to raise funds for the Crippled Children's League, will be extended by one week, according to an announcement made Wednesday by C. Edgar White, superintendent of the Perquimans Welfare Department. The extension of the local drive, it was pointed out, was decided upon due to a late start of the local campaign.

Easter Seals have been mailed out to the business and professional men and women of Hertford and county school children have also received supplies of the seals and will solicit sales on a house-to-house canvass. There will be no canvass this year on the part of adult solicitors, the local committee announced. The business houses which have received the seals are requested to send in contributions through return envelopes and individuals are urged to support the drive by purchasing seals from the school children.

The local committee handling the drive this year is composed of Mrs. Robert Hollowell as chairman, Mrs. S. P. Jessup, treasurer, Mrs. W. L. Jessup and E. Edgar White.

Rotary Club Changes Time Of Meetings

Members of the Hertford Rotary Club will meet at 12:30 P. M. next Tuesday instead of the regular meeting hour of 6:15. The change in the hour for the meeting was voted to assist the Hotel Hertford, which will be headquarters for the Norfolk baseball club for the next four weeks.

The club will meet at its regular time on Tuesday, April 6, but will hold a fish fry at the town plant instead of the regular meeting at the hotel.

A New Angle

A new angle has developed in squawks.

Residents in this part of the State have generally become acquainted with the fact that some motoring tourists using North Carolina highways for race tracks and in many cases being caught by a member of the Highway Patrol and duly fined, have been making complaints about law enforcement in our State in regard to the speed limit.

The complaint to end all complaints, we believe, however, was made last Saturday in the Clerk of Court's office. A motorist had just been cited to court for speeding at 70 miles per hour, and when asked if he desired to post bond and return for a court hearing, he replied, "No, I am guilty of speeding and want to settle the matter right now." As he was paying his fine, he remarked that he wanted the clerk, W. H. Pitt, to reduce the amount of the fine by the cost of 15 gallons of gasoline, which he claimed he had siphoned from his car the night before when it was parked by a hotel in Washington. He contended that the State of North Carolina should be responsible for such matters. Ho-hum!

Prominent Baptists Scheduled For BTU Convention Program

North Carolina Baptist Training Union Secretary, Harvey T. Gibson, has announced that the State Training Union Department will be represented by Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Newton, who will also appear on the program at the annual Regional Training Union Convention in the Edenton Baptist Church on April 9-10.

Mr. Newton will address the convention during the Saturday morning session on the subject "Training N. C. Baptists to Follow Christ." All those interested in the training program of the church will look forward to hearing Mr. Newton.

In representing the State Department, Mr. and Mrs. Newton will project on the screen scenes in color introducing to the public the two new Baptist-owned summer assembly grounds—Fruitland Institute, at Hendersonville in the west and Camp Davis at Wilmington in the east.

The varied program of inspiring addresses, informing conferences, helpful panel discussions, uplifting vocal and instrumental music and interesting demonstrations is rapidly shaping up and promises to be both interesting and helpful.

Each Training Union throughout the Chowan and West Chowan Associations will be represented by delegates and all other members, pastors, directors, leaders, workers and all interested in the training program of the church are urged to attend every session possible for instruction and fellowship.

The public is cordially invited to attend the four sessions of this convention.

Superior Court To Convene April 12

The April term of Perquimans Superior Court will convene here Monday April 12, according to Clerk of Court W. H. Pitt, who announced Wednesday that at the present time a total of 19 cases are listed on the court calendar. Fourteen of these cases are slated as criminal hearings and five are civil actions.

The criminal docket lists two cases of breaking and entering; one manslaughter case, two drunken driving cases, two cases where defendants are charged with larceny, two hit and run cases and one case of a defendant charged with issuing a worthless check.

Four of the five-civil actions are complaints for divorce.

Eastern Star To Install New Officers

The Hertford chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will meet at its lodge rooms next Monday night at 8 o'clock. New officers of the organization for the coming year will be installed at this meeting and the official visit of the District Deputy Grand Matron and Grand Patron will also be conducted. All members are urged to be present.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Bush of Portsmouth announce the birth of a son, born Friday, March 19th. Mrs. Bush before her marriage was Miss Virginia Fowler.

Norfolk Baseball Team Opens Spring Training This Week

35 to 40 Players Expected to Report to Tars' Manager

Baseball fever has hit Hertford.

Some 35 to 40 recruits for the Norfolk Tars Baseball Club began assembling in Hertford early this week preparing to report for the first spring training workout under Manager Earl Bolyard, which was held on Memorial Field Thursday. About five weeks of intensive practice is scheduled for the Tars at Memorial Field this year, according to H. P. Dawson, president of the Norfolk Club, prior to the opening of the Tars regular season in Norfolk.

The Tars spring schedule calls for a number of exhibition games to be played while the team is training here at Hertford and these games will include contests with Binghamton, which will train at Edenton under the direction of Buddy Hassett, manager of the Tars last season; Manchester, which will train at Windsor and Blackstone of the newly formed Virginia League. A game between Newark and the Tars will be played in Norfolk during the Spring Training period.

In addition to the players signed for the Tars, Mr. Dawson has announced that recruits for the Blackstone team will also work out here during the training period. The Blackstone club will have a working agreement with the Yankee system during the coming season.

Memorial Field was being given a face-lifting this week in preparation for the Tars training schedule. The Norfolk Club management sent two men here to oversee the work of preparing the field for the practice sessions. Large numbers of local diamond fans are expected to be seen almost daily now out at Memorial Field watching the Tars go through their paces.

During the stay in Hertford the Tars players will make their headquarters at the Hotel Hertford.

Harrell Funeral Conducted Monday

Charles M. Harrell, prominent resident and business man of Hertford, died unexpectedly last Saturday morning at a Norfolk hospital after a short illness. He had been moved from his home to the hospital on Friday to undergo a general check-up and passed away during the night.

A son of the late Trim and Cornelia Harrell, he was 71 years of age at the time of death.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Joyce Brittain Harrell; one son, Charles M. Harrell, Jr., of Newport News, Va.; one daughter, Mrs. W. A. Grey of Williamsburg, Va.; one brother, Will Harrell, and one sister, Mrs. E. E. Chapman of Norfolk.

Funeral services were conducted at the Lynch Funeral Home Monday morning at 11 o'clock by the Rev. D. L. Fouts, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church. Mrs. Ruth Sumner, Miss Peggy Felton and Miss Ruth Tucker, accompanied at the organ by Miss Kate Blanchard, sang "The Old Rugged Cross."

Pallbearers were Vivian Mathews, Ray White, Robert Brinn, Cecil Winslow, Charles Murray, Sr., Durwood Reed, George Barbee and Russell Baker. Interment was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

Warden Gives Data On Fishing License

Eldon Winslow, Perquimans County Game Warden, today announced that fishing licenses may be obtained from any of the following places in the county: Willie Winslow, Belvidere; Fred's Place, Winfall; Hazel Jackson, New Hope; Phillips' store, Bethel, and W. T. Elliott, Hertford. He pointed out that license to fish are needed by any person desiring to fish with artificial baits and by all non-residents of the county for fishing of any type.

Mr. Winslow announced that permits are now available to fishermen seeking license to set out gill nets in inland water for the purpose of taking shad and herring. These permits are obtainable only from Mr. Winslow.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Jones of Winfall announce the birth of a son, born Saturday, March 20.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

America will continue a military policy in occupied Germany, despite an attempt made this week by Russia to freeze out the United States, Britain and French forces by boycotting Allied-control meetings. President Truman stated this week that General Leland H. Hays, U. S. military boss in Berlin, will remain at the post instead of being replaced by a civilian governor.

Reports from Washington indicate that the House will pass the Senate's bill for tax reduction, and Congress is expected to over-ride a presidential veto. Congress is considering the European recovery plan measure, passed by the Senate, and is expected to vote on the bill soon. Congressional committees are considering President Truman's recommendations for restoration of the draft law and universal training. Reports state the committees are taking a stand of desiring additional advice on the seriousness of world affairs before taking action.

United States, Britain and France proposed a revision of the Italian peace treaty last week which would restore Trieste to Italy. By the terms of the treaty, Trieste is to become a free territory under UN jurisdiction. The move was seen as an act by the Western Allies to stop Communistic gains within Italy. Yugoslavia, which laid claims to the territory following the collapse of Italy during the war, countered the Allied proposal this week by announcing it would agree to the proposal providing Italy would grant Yugoslavia the city of Gorizia.

President Truman this week invoked the Taft-Hartley law to bring about an end of the ten-day soft coal strike, which was called by John L. Lewis as a step toward gaining pensions for miners 60 years old or more. The President established a three-man fact finding board, which is the first step under the law toward obtaining a court injunction halting the strike.

VFW Club To Hold Dance Saturday Night

Members of the VFW Club will hold a public dance at their club rooms Saturday night beginning at nine o'clock, the committee in charge of the dance announced today.

The regular meeting of the VFW Post, scheduled for last Monday night was postponed until next Monday night and all members are requested to attend.