

CONGRESSMAN BONNER GUEST SPEAKER AT REA ANNUAL MEETING HERE SATURDAY

Co-op to Elect Board of Directors; Operations Expanding

Some 1,200 members of the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation from Perquimans, Chowan, Pasquotank and Camden counties are expected to attend the annual meeting of the REA Co-op in Hertford Saturday afternoon, according to G. L. Whitley, manager of the system.

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner has been secured as the guest speaker for the meeting which will convene at the Perquimans High School at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Principal business scheduled for the meeting is the election of a Board of Directors for the corporation. Each of the counties, comprising the Co-op, will be represented on the board with the election of two directors from each of the counties and one director at large will be selected.

A large number of door prizes, donated by manufacturers and local business houses, will be awarded at the close of the meetings, and it has also been announced that some displays of appliances will also be made.

The nominating committee of the Co-op, which met on January 8, selected 18 prospective directors of which number Charles E. White, A. T. Lane, John Q. Hurdle and Floyd Mathews represent Perquimans County.

A report issued last week showed that the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation served 1,344 members as of a felloe of business in January, it operated 391 miles of electric lines. The Co-op is now undergoing expansion, some 231 additional miles of lines are to be constructed during the next three months, and this will enable the Co-op to serve many more members residing throughout the four counties.

The local Co-op was organized early in 1945, when a number of residents of the four counties indicated a desire of REA service. Immediate steps were taken to form the organization and construction of lines began shortly thereafter. The first lines were energized in 1946 and the corporation has shown a constant growth since that date.

Final Rites Held For Belvidere Resident

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 6, at Up River Friends Church for John T. Lane, who died at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City on Friday night after a short illness.

The services were conducted by the Rev. Isaac Harris of Guilford College, N. C., who is Executive Secretary for North Carolina Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends. He was assisted by Mrs. Elizabeth White, pastor of the deceased, and Mrs. Bertha V. S. White of Belvidere. During the services "Heartaches" was sung by Elmer Lassiter and "Abide With Me" was rendered by a group accompanied by Mrs. Ralph White. "Safe In the Arms of Jesus" was sung by the group at the graveside. Interment followed in the community cemetery.

Pallbearers were Clyde Lane, Nelson Lane, Matthew Winslow, Crafton Winslow, Alvah Winslow, Elihu Winslow, William Winslow and Wilbur Temple.

Mr. Lane was a prominent farmer and business man of the Whiteston community. He was a loyal and faithful member of the Up River Friends Church, having been an Elder for many years, a trustee, church treasurer and a teacher in the Sunday School.

Mr. Lane was born on October 20, 1881, the son of the late Elsberry and Martha Winslow Lane of Belvidere. On December 28, 1904, he was married to Sarah Alberta Winslow, who survives him, along with the following: One son, William Elsberry Lane of the home and five daughters, Mrs. Louis Howell, Mrs. Alexander Stallings, both of Route Two, Hertford; Mrs. William T. Emmart of Wilson, N. C.; Mrs. Willard F. Baker of Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. E. Burton Myers of Wilmington, N. C.; two granddaughters, Janice and Arlene Stallings; two grandsons, Wayne Howell and Reginald Baker; one sister, Mrs. Ulysses Winslow and three brothers, L. L. Lane, J. L. Lane of Belvidere and Rollo A. Lane of Wilmington, Del.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Sgt. and Mrs. John E. Simpson announce the birth of a daughter, born at Hampton, Va. Mother and daughter are getting along nicely.

Red Cross Reports Coming In Slowly

Reports on the annual Red Cross Roll Call campaign were coming in so slowly this week that no definite announcement as to the progress of the drive was available at the time The Weekly went to press.

C. R. Vann, chairman of the drive, stated that a few of the solicitors have made incomplete reports as to their progress, but many of the solicitors are still to make reports. He urged all solicitors to complete their canvassing of each neighborhood and community and to report contributions as soon as possible.

The county goal for the 1949 Red Cross Roll Call was set at \$1,200 and the local chapter officials are hopeful that this amount can and will be raised shortly.

Brinn Funeral Held Sunday Afternoon

Prominent Resident of Hertford Victim of Heart Attack

Robert Timothy Brinn, 64, member of the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners and a widely known resident of Hertford, died at his home here last Friday morning at 11:30 following an attack suffered Thursday afternoon.

A life-long resident of Perquimans County, Mr. Brinn was actively engaged in business here for a number of years and was always associated with civic affairs. He served as a member of the Town Board for 14 years and formerly was a member of the Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce, when that organization was in being.

He was a member of the Hertford Methodist Church and served for a long time as a member of the Board of Trustees of that church.

Prior to World War I he was a Naval Reserve officer and in this capacity made a trip around the world. In recent years he confined his business activities to farming.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Hattie Chappell Brinn; one daughter, Mrs. Jesse P. Perry of Mexico City; one son, Lieut.-Comdr. Tim R. Brinn, U. S. Navy, and two brothers, Frank Brinn of Sanford, N. C., and Claude Brinn of Turkey.

Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist Church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock by the Rev. D. L. Fouts, under the direction of the Lynch Funeral Home. During the service Miss Kate Blanchard rendered very soft music.

Pallbearers were Preston Rogerson, Percy Rogerson, Melvin Rogerson, Robert Brinn, Claude Brinn, Jack Brinn and Billy Brinn. Interment was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Dignitaries from all parts of the nation and hundreds of Tar Heels attended the funeral services Tuesday for Senator J. Melville Broughton, who died suddenly in Washington early Sunday morning. Mr. Broughton was elected to the Senate last November and began his first full term in January. Reports from Raleigh state that Governor Kerr Scott announced that he will not make an appointment to fill the Senatorial vacancy before next week. Three men are named as heading the list of possible appointees for the post. These are former Senator William Umstead, L. P. McLendon and Capus Waynick.

King George of England, who has been ailing for months with a blood circulation condition, will undergo an operation, according to a report from London, to correct the ailment. The operation, it was reported, is not a serious nature. Incapacitated somewhat because of his illness, the King recently has been relieved of a portion of his heavy duties but the latest report stated he is much improved.

A new long distance non-stop flight by a light airplane was reported this week when Aviator Bill Odum flew from Honolulu to Terborbo, N. J., on \$75 worth of gasolips. The total distance covered by the flight was 5,000 miles. Terborbo is four miles west of New York City.

Traffic Cases Head Docket In Recorder Court On Tuesday

Defendant Ordered to Post Bond for Failure To Appear

Traffic cases made up the majority of the docket disposed of by Perquimans Recorder's Court here Tuesday morning. Twenty-three defendants were charged with violation of the traffic laws and the other six cases were of a varied nature. \$390 in fines were assessed in a number of the cases and 28 defendants were ordered to pay the costs of court.

Judge Charles E. Johnson ordered a warrant charging Ambrose Hopkins with speeding returned and ordered the defendant held under a \$100 bond after Hopkins failed to appear Tuesday to answer the charges.

Two defendants, Victor Martin and Edward Talbot, were fined \$50 and costs of court after pleading guilty to charges of speeding.

Donald Dufaett and George Lanier, Jr., were fined \$25 and costs on charges of speeding.

A fine of \$15 and costs was taxed against Robert Clark, who entered a plea of guilty to charges of speeding.

Fines of \$10 and costs were paid by H. E. Green, Hymon Kessell, Carl Morrill, Frank Blanco, Fred Gartner, Peter Marvel, Richard Pennock, Samuel German, Kurt Leighton, G. W. Smeltz and Edward Hacker, all of whom entered pleas of guilty to speeding charges.

Ingeborg Moore, Roy Johnston and G. E. Eberhardt paid the costs of court on speeding charges.

William Creecy was taxed, with the costs of court for failure to stop at an intersection.

Meyer Chirkiss entered a plea of guilty to a charge of reckless driving and paid a fine of \$25 and costs of court.

Fines of \$25 and costs were assessed against William Freeman and James McLinden on charges of driving. (Continued on Page Ten)

Exams To Be Called To Fill Belvidere Post Office Vacancy

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner notified The Perquimans Weekly last Saturday morning that he had requested the Post Office Department and Civil Service Commission to announce and hold competitive civil service examinations to fill the vacancy in the RFD postal service at the Belvidere Post Office.

Mr. Bonner stated that he requested that the above action be taken at the earliest possible date.

Prior to the announcement received here Saturday, Mr. Bonner had announced that due to misunderstanding he was holding up his approval of a transfer of an eligible postal employee to fill the vacancy.

According to information gathered, the vacancy at the Belvidere Post Office occurred with the resignation of William Chappell and since Mr. Chappell's retirement the position has been filled, under a temporary appointment.

It was also learned that a number of residents of the communities served by the route had made inquiries concerning the filing of applications for the position, with intentions of taking the examinations when they were called.

Welfare Official Will Speak Here March 14

John R. Larkins, consultant on Negro affairs, State Department of Public Welfare, will speak in Hertford next Monday, March 14, it was announced today by H. E. Brown, principal of Hertford High School.

Brown stated that the welfare official will speak to the students of the Negro high school at 11:30 A. M. and will address the community at large in the Hertford high school auditorium at 7:30 P. M. Monday.

Eastern Star Will Elect New Officers

Members of the Hertford Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will hold their regular meeting next Monday night, March 14, at 8 o'clock at the lodge rooms.

It was announced that officers for the coming lodge year will be elected at this meeting and a full attendance is requested.

Board Of Education Passes Motion To Re-elect Biggers

Authorizes Science Laboratory at High School Be Modernized

Members of the Perquimans County Board of Education, meeting in regular session last Monday, went on record by passing a motion recommending that John T. Biggers, County School Superintendent, be re-elected to that position for another term. The appointment of the superintendent for the term is expected to be made at the April meeting of the Board.

Mr. Biggers assumed the position as Superintendent of local schools last July, being appointed for an unexpired term of one year. His achievements during the past year in handling school business and improvements, has won wide praise from county school patrons.

In addition to recommending the re-election of the Superintendent, the Board authorized Mr. Biggers to modernize and equip the science laboratory at Perquimans High School to meet State requirements.

Julian A. White and J. T. Biggers were appointed by the Board to serve as a committee representing the Board of Education to confer with directors of the Perquimans Baseball Club regarding the use of Memorial Field during the summer months.

The legislative program now under consideration by the General Assembly was discussed at length and Board members were advised that the county is prepared to take necessary steps to carry out a building program if State-aid funds are made available.

Members of the Board voted that a supplement of \$25 per month be paid to the principal of the Hertford Grammar School, and praised the work accomplished during the present year by Miss Thelma Elliott, principal of the school.

A number of the Board members made plans to attend the School Board meeting held at Washington, N. C., on last Wednesday.

Legion's Program Subject Of Meeting Held Last Friday

Speaking before a joint meeting of the William Paul Stallings Post, and the Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion, Friday night, Jesse Mercer of Elizabeth City, past divisional commander of the Legion, delivered an inspiring talk on the ideals, aims and accomplishments of the national organization.

Mercer related some details of the work involved by the American Legion, in getting through Congress many of the advantages for veterans included in the GI Bill of Rights. He told of some of the work done by the Legion, in assisting the Red Cross, and other relief agencies in times of disaster.

Big task of the Legion today, he declared, is the perpetuation of Americanism, as we know it, with a solid front against every Communist influence here at home.

Mercer's address followed brief talks by Mrs. Paul Holoman and Mrs. Roy E. Leary of Edenton, members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Chowan County Post, who told of the work the Auxiliary was expected to perform, and of the great help they could be to the men's organization.

A musical program was enjoyed by the group, featuring group singing and special music by a quartet, composed of Miss Thelma White, Elmer Lassiter, Leslie Winslow and Edward Jordan, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Ralph White.

Light refreshments were served at the conclusion of the program.

Among the guests present was Commander Andrew Bailey, of the Seth E. Perry Post, of Elizabeth City.

Post Office Stops Packages To Berlin

James E. Newby, acting postmaster at Hertford, announced today that he had been ordered by the Post Office Department to halt the mailing of all packages and parcel post items addressed to Berlin, Germany, effective immediately. The order, Mr. Newby stated, is to be in force until further notice.

Lack of transportation facilities, Mr. Newby said, was given as the reason for halting the mailing of packages to Berlin.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FAVOR STATE AID FOR SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAM

Equalizations Board Meets Next Monday

Perquimans County Commissioners will sit as a Board of Equalization and Review beginning Monday, March 14, it was reported here today by J. W. Ward, clerk to the board. The meeting will be held in the Court House beginning at 10 A. M., and continuing until all business brought before the board has been completed. The Commissioners will hear complaints regarding valuation of property in this county.

During the time they sit as a Board of Equalization is the only time the Commissioners can legally alter any property valuations as they appear on the tax books, so that anyone having a complaint should present the matter at the meeting of the board next Monday.

Plans For Baseball Club Moving Along

Club Directors Move to Set-up System For Local Team

Plans for reorganization of the Perquimans Baseball Club for participating in the Albemarle League during the coming season are moving along, according to a report this week by A. W. Hefren, president of the club. Mr. Hefren, along with a number of other fans from this county, attended the league meeting held in Edenton last week, at which time definite plans for the coming season were adopted by the league directors.

At the present time the local set-up is not advanced sufficiently to report definite arrangements, but it has been announced that directors of the local club plan to use local talent for the team in as many playing positions as possible. They are also, at this time, in contact with several prospective managers for the team and may have an announcement concerning this position shortly.

One rule, which the local fans have supported, which was adopted at the league meeting last week, is that each club will set its own admission prices, and it is believed that the admission to be charged here will be lowered to 50 cents, the charge made at the gate two years ago.

Directors for the local club met Wednesday night at the Court House in Hertford, and continued discussions of plans to raise additional funds for the season and a drive for these funds is expected to be announced soon.

Town Board Seeks New VPE Contract

Members of the Hertford Town Board met in special meeting last Monday night to discuss terms of a prospective new contract with the Virginia Power & Electric Company for furnishing electricity to the town. The Town renewed its contract with VPE several years ago and changed over to a new rate schedule. This schedule, because of economic conditions, among which was increased cost of coal, became unfavorable for the Town and at the meeting this week the Board voted to seek the privilege of returning to the old rate schedule which is expected to save the Town of Hertford several thousand dollars a year on the costs of electricity purchased from VPE.

Couple To Celebrate Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Dail of Pennsylvania Avenue, Hertford, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at their home on Sunday, March 13. Their friends are cordially invited to attend open house at the home of the couple on this date between the hours of 2 P. M. and 4 P. M.

Board Vacancy To Be Filled By Appointment

The vacancy on the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners caused by the death of R. T. Brinn, will be filled by appointment by Clerk of Court W. H. Pitt, it was announced here this week.

When questioned regarding the appointment, Mr. Pitt stated that he will likely name an appointee to the post within the next few days.

To Urge Appointment Of William Umstead As U. S. Senator

Perquimans County's Board of Commissioners went on record, at a meeting held Monday, favoring the bill now before the General Assembly which calls for State-aid to counties for construction of school buildings. The local board advised and urged Representative E. Leigh Winslow and State Senator J. Emmett Winslow to work toward the passage of this measure. No action was taken by the board, however, in setting up machinery to provide local funds, which might be needed in the event this measure is enacted by the Legislature. The Board was of the opinion this machinery could be set in motion after definite action had been completed by the Legislature. The county has approximately \$50,000 now in reserve which is expected to be used in connection with the program for school building construction. This amount is expected to be a major portion of the amount of funds needed by the county in the event the General Assembly enacts the measure calling for 50 millions of dollars to be divided among county units for the program.

The Board also went on record favoring the appointment of former U. S. Senator William B. Umstead to fill the unexpired term of U. S. Senator J. Melville Broughton, who died in Washington last Sunday morning. The Board's action on this matter is to be presented to Governor Kerr Scott who is empowered to make the senatorial appointment.

A delegation appeared before the board to renew a request for improvement of a highway in the Bagley Swamp area, and the Board advised this delegation that the matter will be presented to the State Highway Commission for consideration. Authorization was granted to J. C. Morgan, superintendent of the County Home, to paint the roofs of the homes at the county farm.

The following residents of the county were drawn by the board to serve as jurors at the April term of Superior Court: Joshua Sutton, W. S. Evans, Mrs. Jocelyn Applewhite, E. L. Hurdle, Jr., Russell Baker, H. C. Hoffer, R. D. Creecy, Emmett Long, M. J. Gregory, A. D. Thatch, Merton Stokely, Joe B. Perry, Sr., Mrs. Walter Winslow, John Lassiter, F. S. Winslow, E. A. Goodman, Jr., Nathan Hurdle, Audrey Umphlett, Willie Winslow, Louis Proctor, Riddick Chappell, George F. Dail, Guy Webb, Veleen Winslow, Marvin Caddy, N. E. Chappell, Mrs. Blount Eure, John A. Elliott, Alvin Winslow, Julian Powell, Mrs. Julian Bundy, Thomas Sumner, James Rountree, A. F. Proctor, J. F. Elliott and R. H. Copeland.

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Farm Bureau Backs Crop Insurance Plan

Members of the Perquimans County Farm Bureau, at a meeting held last Thursday night at the Agricultural Building in Hertford went on record giving wholehearted cooperation to the Federal Crop Insurance program being installed in this county at the present time. Members of the Bureau pointed out the many advantages this multiple crop insurance plan gives local farmers and urged all producers to investigate the opportunities offered through the program.

In connection with the insurance plan, C. R. Vann, chief clerk for the project in Perquimans, announced that March 31 is the deadline for signing up for participation in the program for 1949. He urged all farmers, desiring to participate in the program to contact community representatives of the Crop Insurance or see him at the County Office located in Hertford.

New Chryslers On Display This Week

Officials of the Towe-Webb Motor Company announced today that plans are completed for a gala showing of the new 1949 Chrysler cars at the company's show rooms starting Friday morning of this week.

The new cars, known as the Silver Anniversary Models, reveal the achievement of the Chrysler Corporation on completion of a quarter of a century of business. It is understood the new Chrysler will show more changes in design and engineering than in any previous model.