

SPRING FEDERATION MEETING OF HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUBS SET FOR FRIDAY

Program Highlights Observance of Home Club Week; Tour on Wednesday

Club women of Perquimans County are conducting a full week's program in observance of National Home Demonstration Week, according to Miss Nina Braswell, County Home Agent, who announced today that the highlight of the week will be a Spring Federation and National Citizenship meeting to be held Friday night at the Agriculture Building in Hertford. Club women and their husbands are invited to attend the meeting tonight.

Another feature of the week's program was a tour conducted Wednesday, when club members visited the homes of J. J. Skinner, Lieut.-Comdr. Charles Henc, W. D. Perry and Fred Mathews. In the visits to these homes the club members had the privilege of viewing the old with the new in homemaking. The Skinner home dates back to 1833 and contains many features of Colonial times, the Henc home at Belvidere was built in 1767. The Perry home was recently remodeled and club members obtained many ideas expected to be useful in planning homes for the future. The Mathews home was just recently constructed and is complete with all modern methods in homemaking.

The tour was thoroughly enjoyed by those making the inspection trip and members expressed delight in ideas suggested to planning of homes for the future. The tour closed with a tea given by Mrs. Mathews.

Plans for the meeting tonight are being pushed by Miss Braswell and Mrs. Howard Hunter, president of the County Federation. A citizenship talk will be given by Colonel Raymond B. Hopper, commanding officer of the Marine Corps Air Station at Edenton, and this will head the program for the Spring Federation meeting. The program will begin at 8 o'clock.

Miss Braswell and members of the various clubs of the county have been planning the past week for the events this week and the meeting tonight is expected to climax the observance of National Home Demonstration Club Week as the best ever held here.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

President Truman was handed a set-back by Congress this week in his efforts to have the Taft-Hartley labor law voided and replaced by an administration labor bill. Congress voted 217 to 203 for the Wood bill which retains many of the old Taft-Hartley features. Meanwhile in Washington top officials are still working out plans with Russia for the lifting of the blockade of Berlin. An announcement to this effect is reported expected any day. U. S. officials report that the Berlin air-lift will be continued for some time even though the blockade is lifted.

Attorney General Harry McMullan announced this week that it would be legal for a county to hold an ABC election on the same day as the special election to determine the bond issues. He stated in reply to a number of inquiries that while it would be legal to hold ABC elections on the same day, he does not recommend it because of the confusion it could cause the voters.

Reports from Washington this week stated that Jonathan Daniels, editor of the News and Observer, has been offered the post as Secretary of the Navy. If Daniels accepts he will succeed John L. Sullivan, who resigned the post last week. Daniels is the son of the late Josephus Daniels, who served as Secretary of the Navy during World War I.

General Lucius Clay, who has been top U. S. Army official in Berlin for the past three years, will retire on May 15, it was announced in Washington this week. Clay is retiring at his own request, according to President Truman, who highly praised the General for his untiring work in Germany since the end of the war.

OPERA NEXT TUESDAY

An operetta entitled "A Rose's Dream," will be given at the Hertford Grammar School next Tuesday night, May 10, beginning at 8 o'clock, by the students of the primary grades. It was announced today by Miss Thelma Elliott, principal. An admission will be charged.

PCHS Students Name Council Officers

Students at Perquimans High School have conducted their annual election to name Student Council officers for next year. Carroll Berry, Jr., was elected as president of the Student Council, Arthur Wood was named vice president, Irene Hunter, secretary; Ruth Haskett, treasurer and Bruce Chappell, sergeant-at-arms.

The election was complete with campaign speeches and stumping of followers for various candidates. Speeches were concluded last Thursday and the students then waited until Monday to cast their ballots. The officers elected will serve during the next school year.

Following a custom the Student Council entertained members of the Senior Class at a party held in the auditorium at the school on Thursday night.

Baseball Fans Asked To Attend Meeting Next Tuesday Night

Perquimans County baseball fans interested in the reorganization of the Perquimans entry in the Albemarle League for the coming season are asked to attend a meeting to be held next Tuesday night, May 10, at eight o'clock in the Court House in Hertford.

Edgar Morris, business manager for the local club, stated that the meeting is being called for the purpose of completing arrangements to enter the Perquimans team in the Albemarle League at a meeting scheduled to be held at Windsor next Wednesday night. He added that plans for the team are coming along well. Approximately \$1,600 has been contributed toward the \$2,500 goal needed to field the team, and one of the purposes of the meeting Tuesday will be to map out plans to raise the balance of \$900.

Contrary to reports published in another city last week, plans for the local team are believed to be advancing as well as in any of the towns in the league, and local club officials have made no mention of abandoning baseball during the coming season.

Mr. Morris also reports that contacts with additional players have been made and practically the entire team has been organized with the exception of completing the pitching staff. He reported that several players were in touch with him during the past week expressing a desire to play for the Hertford team.

A. W. Hefren, president of the club, is urging all baseball fans to attend the meeting next week in order that each may be advised as to the progress made by the organization thus far.

Winslow Rites Held Monday Afternoon

Funeral services for Mrs. Martha Elizabeth Winslow, 71, who died at her home in Whiteston Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock after a lingering illness, were conducted at Up River Friends Church Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock by the Rev. Mrs. Lizzie White, pastor of the church, assisted by the Rev. Mrs. Bertha White, pastor of Piney Woods Church.

Mrs. Winslow was a native and life-long resident of Perquimans County and a member of the Up River Friends Church.

Besides her husband, Henry E. Winslow, she is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Jesse Osborne, of Greensboro; four sons, Allison A. White of Tabor City; J. T. White of Aulander; Merrill Winslow of Belvidere and Leland Winslow of Elizabeth City; one brother, F. C. White of Belvidere; 10 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Burial was in the family cemetery at Whiteston.

Building And Loan To Issue Stock Series

The Hertford Building and Loan Association will offer stock in its 58 series for sale on Saturday, May 7, it was announced today by Max Campbell, secretary of the association.

The stock being offered for sale at this time, the secretary pointed out, is the Association's saving stock. Each share is paid for at a rate of 25 cents per week and matures at par value of one hundred dollars. Interest paid in the stock is in excess of three percent.

State Officials To Conduct School Survey Here May 11

Board of Education Discusses Plans at Meeting Monday

A survey, to determine present and future school needs in Perquimans County, will be conducted here during the week of May 11, by a State Planning Board, it was announced today by John T. Biggers, County School Superintendent. Mr. Biggers stated that Dr. J. Henry Highsmith of the State Department of Education, and other school officials will conduct the survey and make recommendations to the local Board of Education on their findings.

Part of the survey is expected to cover the subject of school construction needs, in line with the building program expected to be carried out with the aid of funds granted this county by the State.

Another part of the survey is expected to deal with the consolidation program in both the white and colored schools.

A lengthy discussion of the building program was carried out during the meeting of the Board of Education, on Monday, but no actions were taken regarding building construction. It was the consensus of the Board that it should wait until the survey is completed before taking definite steps toward any construction projects.

The Board approved the list of teachers for the county, as recommended by the school committees, which met last Thursday. The colored teachers of the county, as recommended by the principals were elected.

Action by the Legislature has made available to this county a sum of \$250,000 to be used in school building construction, and it is possible that additional funds will be allotted to Perquimans in the event that the special \$25 million bond election set for June 4, is carried on a State wide basis. It has been reported that an additional \$70,000 may be granted this county in the event the bond issue is voted for by the people.

A local building program for county schools, when started, is expected to include a building at Winfall for the Colored schools, a gym at Perquimans high school, a lunchroom at Central Grammar School, an Agriculture building and a new auditorium for Hertford Grammar School.

Recorder's Court Has Varied Docket

A varied docket of ten cases was disposed of at this week's session of Recorder's Court.

A fine of \$15 and costs were taxed against Norman Reubotton who entered a plea to a charge of speeding.

The State took a nol pro in the case charging Bernice Woodard, Negro, with assault with a deadly weapon, and assessed the costs of the case against Nixon Riddick, Negro who failed to appear to prosecute the charges.

Prayer for judgment was continued in the case charging Paul Tacker with driving with improper license.

A fine of \$15 and costs were taxed against J. W. Overton on a charge of failing to stop at the sound of a siren.

Herman Ward was fined \$10 and costs on a charge of passing a school bus while it was unloading children.

Harry Powell, Negro, was found guilty on two counts, being drunk and disorderly and assault. He was fined \$25 and costs of court.

Alfonza Lightfoot was fined \$25 and costs on a charge of passing a school bus while it was unloading children.

Clifton Shambry, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon. He was given a 30 day jail sentence, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and costs.

James Collins, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to the same charge and he was also fined \$50 and costs of court.

Joseph Bacharach was found guilty of a charge of reckless driving. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs of court.

Edwards Reappointed As County Accountant

W. F. C. Edwards, dean of Perquimans County office holders, was reappointed to the position as County Accountant at the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held Monday. The appointment was for a period of one year.

Mr. Edwards, former register of deeds for the county, has served as County Accountant for 22 years.

Welfare Budget For Fiscal Year Given Approval By Board

Programs For Assistance Total \$83,580; Local Share \$11,020

A Welfare Budget, calling for an expenditure of \$56,700 in grants for the Old Age Assistance fund to some individuals and \$26,880 in grants for the Aid To Dependent Children fund for some 56 families was approved by the Board of County Commissioners at their meeting Monday. The budget is for the fiscal year beginning July 1. Of the total expenditures, C. Edgar White, superintendent of Welfare told the Board that the county's part for the program will amount to approximately \$11,020. The overall budget shows an increase over the present year by \$21,348, but actually costs to the county will be about \$500 less due to increase appropriations by the Federal and State Governments.

In presenting the budget Mr. White pointed out to the board that in 1947 a total of 140 people were receiving assistance from Old Age grants, in 1948 this number increased to 174 and this year 195 people have received assistance. In 1947 22 families received grants from the aid to dependent children fund, this increased in 1948 to 32 and this year a total of 46 families have been assisted.

The Welfare Superintendent requested the Board to approve an increase for Old Age Assistance up to the number of 225 and also increase the number for aid to dependent children up to a number of 56 families.

Mr. White told the Board that it was the opinion of the Welfare Board that the requests for increases were conservative.

He also told the board that during the present year a total of 77 people had applied for old age assistance. 42 of this number were eligible, 35 were rejected and 21 persons receiving aid had assistance terminated. During the same period 27 families applied for assistance from aid to dependent children. Twenty of this number were eligible and seven were rejected. Six families, receiving grants, had the assistance terminated during this time.

Indians Chalk Up Two More Victories

Perquimans High School baseball team chalked up two more victories for the current season by trouncing Scotland Neck here last Wednesday night by a 23-0 score, then journeyed to Williamston on Tuesday of this week, winning there by a score of 12-0.

Scotland Neck was no match for the Indians, although it was reported the visitors were unable to field their regular team for the game. Earl Rogerson pitched an excellent game for Perquimans and allowed only one hit in six innings. He was relieved in the sixth by Bright. The local boys jumped into a 12-0 lead in the very first inning of the game and from there on the Scotland Neckers seemingly lost their spirit to play.

Bill Winslow went the route as pitcher for the Indians in the Williamston game. He struck out 14 men, allowed only two hits as the Indians got to three Williamston pitchers for a total of 14 hits. Pitt and Jack Symons led the locals at the bat, each collecting three hits.

The game Tuesday night placed the Indians at the top of the eastern division of the Albemarle Conference, with Williamston a half game behind. Williamston returns the game here Friday afternoon, when the two teams will play at 1:30 o'clock. The outcome of the game Friday will likely decide the division championship for the conference.

Coach Joe H. Levinson of the Indians announced today that the playoffs of the conference will be held next Monday, Wednesday and Friday but as yet no definite arrangements have been made as to location of the games nor has the division championships been decided.

Hertford PTA Meeting Scheduled May 13th

Members of the Hertford Grammar School Parents-Teachers Association will hold the last regular meeting of the school year on Thursday night, May 13, at eight o'clock in the auditorium of the school. All members are urged to be present as several important business matters are to be placed before the Association for action.

County Commissioners Authorize ABC Election On County-wide Basis Monday

Local Wildlife Club Elects New Officers

Members of the Perquimans Wildlife Club, meeting at the Court House in Hertford last Friday night, elected R. M. Riddick, Jr., to serve as president of the club during the coming year. Other officers elected were J. A. Winslow as vice president, and Jack Kanoy, secretary-treasurer.

The group heard Col. Patton of the Wildlife Resources Commission outline plans for the organization during the coming year. Col. Patton also explained to the members the vital difference between the Wildlife Club and the Wildlife Resources Commission, pointing out that the first is an organization formed to promote hunting, fishing and trapping along with finer points of these sports, while the latter is the State government organization charged with carrying out laws governing wildlife resources.

Prior to the meeting Mr. Patton met with a number of residents of the Bethel community and discussed the opening up of sections of the Yeopim River to net fishing.

Special Election On Roads-Schools Called For June 4

A. W. Hefren, chairman of the Perquimans Board of Elections, today announced that he had been notified by Hubert E. Olive, chairman of the State Board of Elections, that Saturday, June 4, had been designated as the date for holding a special election to determine whether or not North Carolina will issue bonds in the amount of 200 million dollars for repair and construction of secondary roads and 25 million dollars for repair and construction of school buildings.

In connection with this special election, Mr. Hefren announced that the registration books for this election will be opened at 9 A. M. on Saturday, May 7, and remain open until sunset on Saturday, May 21. The various registrars in the county will be at their polling places for registering voters on the three Saturdays, May 7, 14 and 21, and May 28 for challenge.

The State Chairman announced that this is not a special registration, therefore all persons who are now registered on the general election registration books will not have to register again for this special election. If a person is not on the books, however, he will have to register in order to be eligible to vote.

Mr. Hefren reported that in connection with this special election the regular registrars and judges who served at the last general election will again serve as election officials.

Youths Attend 4-H Music School Monday

On Monday and Tuesday evening a number of Perquimans County young people attended a 4-H music school at the Agricultural Building in Elizabeth City. The school was sponsored by State 4-H Club Leader Jesse James. Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith of Raleigh directed the music. A series of these schools are being held over the State.

Those attending from Perquimans County were Charlie Morgan Humphlette, Emilie White and Janice Sumner from the Central School; Joan Madre and Marian White from the Hertford Grammar School; Janice Yagel, Molly Lou Yeates and Horace Layden from Perquimans High School; Mrs. Warner Madre and Mrs. Dewey Yeates, neighborhood leaders; Miss Nina Braswell, home agent; Miss Lillian Swinson, assistant home agent, and I. C. Yagel, farm agent.

Beta Club Members At State Convention

Twenty one members of Perquimans High School, all members of the local Beta Club attended the Beta's State convention held in Raleigh last week end. The students were accompanied to the convention by Mrs. T. L. Jessup and Mrs. Reginald Tucker.

Highlights of the convention was a talent show held Friday night and the annual banquet and dance held Saturday evening.

Mary Lou Butt is president of the Perquimans Beta Club which is composed of students obtaining a scholarship average of 90 or better during their first two years in high school.

Board of Elections to Set Date; Action Follows Request Made By Spokesmen For Drys

Acting at the request of approximately 50 dry spokesmen, the Board of County Commissioners, in regular meeting last Monday, authorized the County Board of Elections to call for a county-wide vote on the establishment of ABC stores in Perquimans.

The election was sought, it was pointed out to the County Board by spokesmen for the delegation which appeared before the Board to head off a municipal election in the Town of Hertford. Under a law passed by the Legislature, the municipal election is automatically prevented if a county-wide election is called within 60 days.

During the discussion prior to the request made by the delegation, Board Chairman E. M. Perry asked the members of the delegation if they were willing to assume the responsibility for such an election in the event that the county established ABC stores. A number of the delegation stated they were willing to assume the responsibility and would hold no blame toward the Commissioners if the stores were established.

L. C. Winslow told the Board that the delegation was present to request the Commissioners to authorize the election. He told the Board that a petition containing approximately 300 names of registered voters had been obtained and, if necessary, would be presented to the Election Board but that the delegation was of the opinion that it was the duty of the Commissioners to call the election.

Mrs. Bertha White told the Board members that while the delegation present was opposed to liquor stores, they believed that if an election were to be held in the county it should be on a county-wide basis. She added that if it was merely a question of raising extra revenue she believed this could be done without establishing ABC stores.

The Rev. E. B. Edwards stated that he had heard sentiment expressed regarding the question and believed that the people of the county desired to vote on the matter.

F. C. White told the Board that the delegation present desired the election to be on a county-wide basis in order that it could be defeated.

Mr. Lane then spoke and stated that he believed that it was unfair to hold such an election only in the Town of Hertford inasmuch as the town and county were so closely connected. He stated he believed the entire county was entitled to vote on the matter.

The Board then advised the delegation it would consider the request and act upon it before the close of the meeting. Later Commissioner A. T. Lane made a motion, and it was seconded by Commissioner George W. Jackson, that the Board authorize the Board of Election to call the election to determine the question.

The date for the voting will be set by members of the Board of Elections. A. W. Hefren is chairman of this Board and members are W. F. Ainsley and Cecil C. Winslow.

County Board Calls Special Term For Superior Court

A special term of Perquimans Superior Court to hear civil actions only will be called for the week of June 27, following action taken by the County Board at its meeting last Monday.

Members of the County Bar Association appeared before the Commissioners and pointed out that Judge Leo Carr had written Governor Kerr Scott that in his (Carr's) opinion no civil cases could be heard in Perquimans Court within the next year unless a special term was conducted. Governor Scott advised members of the local Bar of vacancies in the court calendar. Silas M. Wheabee, speaking for the Bar, requested the Commissioners to call a special term for one week in order that the local civil calendar can be cleared of a number of the cases listed. He pointed out that at least three of the cases will require about a week of the court's time and a special term will be a big help in relieving the congestion of the local calendar.

After a discussion between the Bar members and the Board, it was decided to request the Governor to set the week of June 27 as the date for the special term.