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Industry Of County Rises Sharply In Past Seven Years

Value of Goods Manufactured Shows Increase of More Than \$700,000

The value added by manufacture of goods produced in manufacturing establishments of Perquimans County has increased approximately \$701,000 since before the war, according to information received here from C. Parker Persons, Regional Director of the U. S. Department of Commerce in Atlanta.

A Census Bureau report from its 1947 Census of Manufactures shows, Mr. Persons said, that in 1939 the value added by manufacture of goods produced by manufacturers of Perquimans County was \$347,000 and that in 1947 it was \$1,048,000. The term "value added by manufacture" means the value of manufactured goods in excess of the cost of materials and supplies, the Commerce Department official explained.

Most branches of Perquimans county's manufacturing industries have grown correspondingly in the eight year period, it was stated. The number of establishments engaged in manufacturing operations has increased from 4 in 1939 to 11 in 1947, the number of employees from 230 to 324, and salaries and wages from \$132,301 to \$498,000.

Health Sanitarians Finish Inspection Of Lodging Places

Inspection of 36 registered transient guest establishments in Pasquotank-Perquimans-Camden-Chowan Counties has been made by K. J. Eyer and J. L. Batts, Sanitarians for the district Health Department, it was announced today.

A majority of these lodging facilities were found to be in Grade A condition, the Sanitarians reported, meaning that most of these comply fully with the rules and regulations governing the sanitation of hotels, tourist homes and other lodging places.

Mr. Batts, a former hotel man and graduate of a hotel training school pointed out that some of these establishments would compare favorably with any in the country.

The Sanitarians pointed out that tourist lodging has expanded to an unrealized large business in this area since U. S. Highway 17 travels through the four counties of this health district. Many compliments have been expressed by out of state tourists regarding such excellent accommodations to be found in this area.

Mr. Eyer stated that rules and regulations governing the operation of transient lodging establishments may be obtained from the health department and added that no person shall operate such an establishment until a sanitarian has inspected the place and found that it complies with the regulations of the State Board of Health.

Cholera Causes Loss In County Hog Crop

Perquimans County farmers, especially those living in the Beech Springs, Winfall and Chapanoke sections have reported serious losses in their hog crop this fall due to sickness among animals.

According to the reports vaccination seemed to check the disease for only a short time. Hogs would continue to die even after vaccine had been administered. A state veterinarian and a representative of the Federal government examined a number of hogs and determined that in most cases the chief cause of trouble was cholera. The veterinarian explained that serum alone will check the disease for only about 30 days, after which it may break out again. Double treatment was advised in all these cases.

In one case, on the farm of Ned Nion, near Winfall, a different condition was found. Mr. Nion's hogs had been given both the serum and virus for two months prior to the outbreak. Symptoms of an organism known as Salmonella were found and it was recommended that in this case Gycol compound and a restricted diet be used as treatment.

Leading Players In Junior Comedy



Pictured here are the six leads in the hilarious Junior Class play, "It's a Great Life," to be presented at the Perquimans High School on Friday, December 2. From left to right in the front row are: Catherine Goodwin, Calvin Butt and Doris Faye Allen. In the back row are Burwell Winslow, Mary Dunsmoor and James Umphlett.

Tarboro Tops Perquimans Indians In Homecoming Event Here Last Friday

Miss Suzanne Towe Is Crowned Monogram Queen For Year

Tarboro High School marred the homecoming celebration of Perquimans High School last Friday when its football team took home a 20-12 victory over the Perquimans Indians, in what was otherwise a grand observance sponsored by the Perquimans Monogram Club.

The football game, feature of the Homecoming celebration, opened with Tarboro kicking to the Indians who after two scrimmage plays lost the ball on a fumble. Tarboro took over but failed to go anywhere and then kicked to Perquimans. Another fumble by Perquimans gave the Tarboro team the ball on the Indians' 19 yard line and the visitors scored their first TD on a pass, try for the extra point was good and the score stood 7-0 for Tarboro. The Indians recovered a Tarboro fumble in the second period and converted the play into a touchdown but failed to convert the extra point and the score was 7-0 at half time. Tarboro racked up four first downs to Perquimans' three in the first half.

Both teams scored again in the third period and Tarboro converted its extra point while the Indians failed and the score was Tarboro 14, Perquimans 12. During this period, Bruce Chappell broke away for a nice 70 yard run to set up the scoring play for the Indians. Perquimans faltered in the final period and permitted Tarboro to gain ground almost at will and the visitors scored their third TD with only 45 seconds remaining in the game. Tarboro ran up seven first downs in the second half while Perquimans gained two. Final score was Tarboro 20, Perquimans 12.

During the half time period Carroll Berry, president of the student council and Nathan Spivey, president of the Monogram Club acted as masters of ceremonies at the crowning of the Monogram Queen for the year. The selection of the Queen had been in progress for two weeks and the winner was Miss Suzanne Towe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Towe. Miss Towe was crowned by Miss Kate White Stanton, 1949 Queen.

The Homecoming celebration opened with a big parade at 12:30 last Friday. Led by the Band, the procession of floats sponsored by various organizations at the school, paraded through the streets of Hertford and was viewed by a large number of sidewalk spectators.

A dance sponsored by the Monogram Club at the VFW Hall following the football game climaxed the activities for the day.

Gridiron Trophy To Be Awarded December 1

The third annual presentation of the State Theater Gridiron Trophy, awarded each year to the outstanding football player at Perquimans High School will be made on Thursday, December 1, it was announced today by B. L. Gibbs, manager of the theater.

The presentation will be made at the Theater at 9 P. M. next Thursday.

Winner of the trophy will be selected by the members of the team, and will remain secret until the night of the presentation. Previous winners of the trophy are Chester Winslow and Edward Lane.

Town And County Get \$7,271.30 Beer Tax

Perquimans County and the Town of Hertford have received a total of \$7,271.30 as their share of the beer taxes collected by the State during the past fiscal year, it was announced in Raleigh on last Saturday. Perquimans County received a total of \$5,789.51, while the Town of Hertford received \$1,481.79.

More than two million dollars was collected by the State through the beverage tax, all of which is distributed among the counties and towns, where beer is sold. The amount collected during the past year was 28 per cent less than collected the year previous.

Junior Class Play Scheduled For Dec. 3

"It's A Great Life," a three act comedy will be presented by the members of the Junior Class at Perquimans High School on Friday night, December 2, at eight o'clock, in the auditorium of the school.

The cast, under the direction of R. W. Baughman, faculty advisor, has been in rehearsal for the past month and all reports point toward a successful presentation of the play.

Members of the cast include Calvin Butt, Doris Faye Allen, Mary Dunsmoor, Catherine Goodwin, Burwell Winslow, James Umphlett, Virginia Gay, Elizabeth Proctor, Sue Cooke, Harold Colson and Horace Miller.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Warning Issued On Blocking Fire Truck

Mayor V. N. Darden, this week issued a warning to residents of Hertford, especially youngsters, who have been making a practice of hindering the progress of the Fire Department in answering calls to fires. The Mayor stated that firemen have complained that on many occasions at recent fires individuals, many on bicycles, have blocked the progress of the fire truck seemingly in an effort to follow the firemen to the blaze.

Mr. Darden, in issuing a warning to residents to give the fire truck the right-of-way, pointed out that there is a Town ordinance which forbids individuals from blocking the progress of the truck, and that court action can be invoked against individuals guilty of violating the ordinance.

He requests that all individuals observe the ordinance by giving the fire truck the right-of-way and, then in case they want to go to the fire to stay back of the truck at a reasonable distance.

Special Services On Thanksgiving

A special Thanksgiving Day service will be conducted at the Holy Trinity Church, in Hertford, on Thanksgiving Day at 10 P. M., it was announced today, Monday, by the Rev. E. T. Jilson, pastor of the church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

County Committee Starts Annual Seal Sale Here This Week

Part of Funds For Use In X-Ray Program; Goal Is \$800

The annual Tuberculosis Seal Sale in Perquimans County starts today and will continue until December 25, it was announced today by Mrs. J. H. Newbold, chairman of the county committee conducting the drive.

Seals allotted to Perquimans County have arrived and will be mailed to individuals immediately. In addition to the sale of seals the committees will also sell TB bonds in an effort to raise a county quota of \$800, fixed as the goal for this year's campaign.

Mrs. Newbold announced that the drive this year will be carried out on about the same plan as used last year. Individuals receiving seals through the mail are urged to enclose their donations in the self-addressed envelope and mail same back to Mrs. Newbold. The bonds are being sold through personal solicitation. Individuals who do not desire to contribute to the cause as requested, to mail the seals back to the chairman.

In speaking of the drive this year, the chairman stated that the increase in the county quota for 1949 is due somewhat to the additional expense the county committee will bear in assisting with the mass X-ray program to be carried out in Perquimans next month. Most of the funds collected through the drive will remain in this county to be used to help fight tuberculosis. Approximately 75 per cent of the funds collected remain in the county and the balance is sent to the National Tuberculosis Association to help support research and other services on a national scale.

The Seal Sale this year is being sponsored by the Perquimans Business and Professional Women's Club, with Mrs. Newbold as chairman of the committee.

Garden Club To Join State Federation

Members of the Hertford Garden Club held their November meeting at the Agriculture Building on Wednesday afternoon, November 16, and voted to federate with the State Club in January, 1950. The business session was presided over by Mrs. I. A. Ward, president, and it was reported two new members were accepted in the club.

The club, which was organized in October, adopted its constitution and by-laws and voted that annual dues will be two dollars, payable by March, 1951.

Committees for the year were appointed as follows: Social, Mrs. W. H. Pitt, Mrs. L. N. Hollowell, Mrs. D. F. Reed, Mrs. J. P. Perry, Miss Kate Blanchard; Membership, Mrs. C. T. Skinner; Publicity, Mrs. T. B. Sumner; Civic, Mrs. C. F. Sumner, Mrs. Charles Whedbee, Mrs. Sidney Jessup, Mrs. C. A. Davenport, Mrs. C. P. Morris; Door Prizes, Mrs. J. W. Ward.

Mrs. Ward gave an interesting report on the district meeting of the Garden Club which was held in Elizabeth City on November 2.

It was voted that the piano owned by the former Woman's Club be sold. Plans were announced for holding the December meeting in form of a Christmas tea, at the home of one of the members.

Door prizes, which will be presented at each meeting, were won by Mrs. Charles Whedbee, Mrs. J. P. Perry and Mrs. L. C. Winslow.

VFW Dance Proceeds To Vets' Hospital

Proceeds from a Thanksgiving dance, held Wednesday night, November 23, at the Perquimans VFW Hall, were contributed to a Veterans' Hospital it was announced today by an official of the VFW Post.

The dance was sponsored by the VFW Post and all proceeds were forwarded to a veteran's Administration official to be sent to a veteran's hospital to help provide funds for use by the veterans.

CLUB SPONSORS PARTY

The New Hope Ruritan Club will sponsor a Progressive Bridge and Set-back Party at the New Hope Community House Friday night, November 25. The public is cordially invited to be present.

County Supplies 78 Pints Of Blood For Red Cross Program On Tuesday

Mailing Of Christmas Cards To Cost More

It will cost more to mail Christmas cards this year than it did last year, according to an announcement made today by Postmaster W. W. White, who pointed out that during the last session of Congress certain increases in postal rates, including Christmas cards, were enacted by Congress.

Last year postage on Christmas cards, mailed unsealed, was one and one half cents. This rate has now increased to two cents and individuals when mailing unsealed Christmas cards are requested to buy two cent stamps as postage. Christmas cards with personal messages, must be sent as first class mail with a three cent stamp. Officials of the Hertford Post Office pointed out that sending all Christmas cards as first class matter, with three cent stamps, will assure quicker service on delivery.

M. L. Basnight Speaks At Meeting Of PTA Monday

The Parent-Teacher Association of Perquimans County Central Grammar School met Monday night, November 21, at 7:30 o'clock.

The meeting was opened by singing "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," followed by the reading of the president's message by the secretary, Mrs. Elijah White.

J. P. Snipes was in charge of an interesting program on "Today's Education." Mrs. Joseph Winslow gave the devotional. A group of seventh grade girls consisting of Pat Elliott, Carolyn Faye Eure, Emily White and Joyce Eure rendered the musical selection, "Now Thank We All Our God."

M. L. Basnight, principal of Central High School, Pasquotank County, was the guest speaker for the evening. He spoke very interestingly on the subject of "Rural Education Today." He stated that the public schools are the hope of democracy and the greatest business in the nation for those interested in the welfare of children. In his talk he compared the schools of yesterday with the schools of today. He summarized his talk by asking, "What is your school doing? Are the children happy? Can they go on through school? Are the children being trained to live with people?"

The business session was presided over by Mrs. M. D. Lane, president. Mrs. Elijah White read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved. J. P. Snipes, principal, thanked the Parent-Teacher Association for the support of the advertising certain sales. The Perquimans Weekly campaign and the membership drive. Mrs. Wendell Benton announced the December study group meeting to be held with Mrs. Clifton Morgan.

Mrs. Joseph Winslow, membership chairman, presented a prize to the sixth grade, Mrs. Onice Riddick, teacher, as the first room to report 100 per cent membership. Prizes were presented to Billy Bray and Merrill Winslow for reporting the most members in the grammar and primary grades. Each room received a prize for attaining 200 per cent membership.

Mrs. Eddie Harrell gave the report of the district meeting held at Mantoo. She also announced that the district meeting will be held at Perquimans County Central Grammar School next October.

The third and fourth grades, Mrs. E. B. Edwards, teacher, received the attendance award.

Layden Funeral Held Tuesday Afternoon

Funeral services for Elmo B. Layden, 75, who died at his home on the Winfall-Belvidere Highway, Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock following an illness of four years, were conducted at the Lynch Funeral Home in Hertford Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock. The Rev. C. W. Duling, pastor of the Hertford Baptist church officiating.

Mr. Layden was the son of the late Charles and Sarah Griffin Layden and he is survived by a number of nieces and nephews.

Pall bearers were Tim Berry, Lafayette Lane, J. Winslow, J. W. Nowell, Linwood Winslow and Arthur Chappell. Interment was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

First Visit Of Bloodmobile Reported As Successful

Perquimans County's first opportunity to participate in the Red Cross program of building up a blood bank in hospitals in this area was marked a success when the bloodmobile came here Tuesday on its first visit to the county. The county quota of 100 pints of blood was almost secured when a total of 78 volunteer blood donors appeared to contribute one pint of blood to the program.

The bloodmobile arrived at the Hertford Methodist Church, where headquarters were set up in the Educational Building, at 9 o'clock accompanied by a doctor, five nurses and two custodians. Assisted by the local committees, the group immediately set to work and soon were collecting the blood donated here.

Herbert N. Nixon was the first blood donor for Perquimans County, he led the procession through the series of rooms used in the operations and after having received a blood test was the first to donate blood to the program. Each donor, after giving a pint of blood, was directed to the canteen quarters where volunteers were serving sandwiches, doughnuts, cookies, coffee and milk.

Charles Harrell, chairman of the blood program of the Perquimans Red Cross expressed his thanks to members of his committee and all those helped to make this first visit of the bloodmobile a success. Chairman Harrell stated, "We are very pleased at the cooperation the people of the county have given toward this program and it is gratifying to know that our citizens as a whole are backing this project."

"Particularly we want to thank the Methodist Church and its membership who so generously offered the facilities of the Educational Building as the center of the Perquimans Blood Bank program," Mr. Harrell said.

A large percentage of the donors Tuesday were members of local organizations which assumed the responsibility and gave not only blood but time and energy to the program.

Mrs. T. P. Brinn was chairman of the general committee on arrangements, and she was assisted by various groups.

Local registered nurses assisting the Red Cross doctor and nurses were Miss Audrey Umphlett, Mrs. C. F. Sumner, Mrs. C. A. Davenport, Miss Hulda Wood, Mrs. Frank Skinner, Mrs. Johnnie Bray and Miss Leary. The hospitality committee was headed by Mrs. Brinn and she was assisted by Mrs. Julian A. White, Mrs. Charles Whedbee, Mrs. E. W. Dunsmoor and Mrs. Arthur Wood.

Staff aids and canteen volunteer workers included Mrs. Corbin Dozier, Mrs. Charles Skinner, Mrs. Charles Campen and Mrs. Jim Hutchinson.

Registrars were Mrs. Robert Applewhite, Mrs. Payne, Mrs. J. R. Hyne-man and Mrs. John Presteridge.

Elmo H. Cannon Died Suddenly Friday; Funeral On Monday

Elmo H. Cannon, 60, well known Hertford business man, died suddenly of a heart attack at his home here last Friday night at 10:25 o'clock. He was a native and life-long resident of Perquimans and was the son of the late William Henry and Blanche Russell Cannon.

He was a member of the Hertford Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Edna Sedberry Cannon; three sons, William Henry and Guy Sedberry Cannon of Hertford and Lt. Elmo H. Cannon, Jr., of the Army Air Force, of Texas; two daughters, Mrs. Blanche Louise Kimbrell and Mrs. Edna Ruth Evans of Elkin, N. C.; one brother, Carlton Cannon; five sisters, Mrs. J. E. Everett and Mrs. Dan Reed of Hertford, Mrs. Clarence Twiford of Elizabeth City, Mrs. C. T. White of Mackeys, and Mrs. Theron Johnson of Smithfield, N. C., and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at the Lynch Funeral Home on Monday morning at 11 o'clock by the Rev. C. W. Duling, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, assisted by the Rev. Ben O. Merritt, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church.

The choir sang "Sometime We'll Understand" and "Abide With Me."

The pall was made of red carnations and white gladioli. Pallbearers were Ben Thatch, Cecil C. Winslow, W. H. Pitt, Cliff Banks, A. W. Hefren and W. D. Cox.