

Segregation Topic At Schoolmasters Meeting Monday

Urging all people to show patience and tolerance Senator Lumsford Crews, of Halifax County, told the Albemarle Schoolmasters' Club at its November meeting held Monday night in the cafeteria at Central Grammar School, North Carolina can find the answer to the problem of segregation if "outsiders" will leave the people alone to work out a solution.

Senator Crews, a member of the Governor's Committee on Education told the Schoolmasters of the work of the committee and how it had approved the proposal of voluntary segregation as now supported by the Governor and the General Assembly.

Stating that he believed voluntary segregation to be a means of preserving public education in North Carolina Senator Crews pointed out the NAAP has cited the City of Baltimore as a site where integration is working but he stated these are not the facts. Giving figures from a report by the Superintendent of Schools of Baltimore, Senator Crews said that city has 170 schools of which 45 are all white, 65 are all Negro and 60 of the schools have mixed races. Of 67,000 pupils attending Baltimore schools only 1,500 Negro pupils are enrolled in white schools.

The Senator said this is the result of voluntary segregation as chosen by the people in Baltimore.

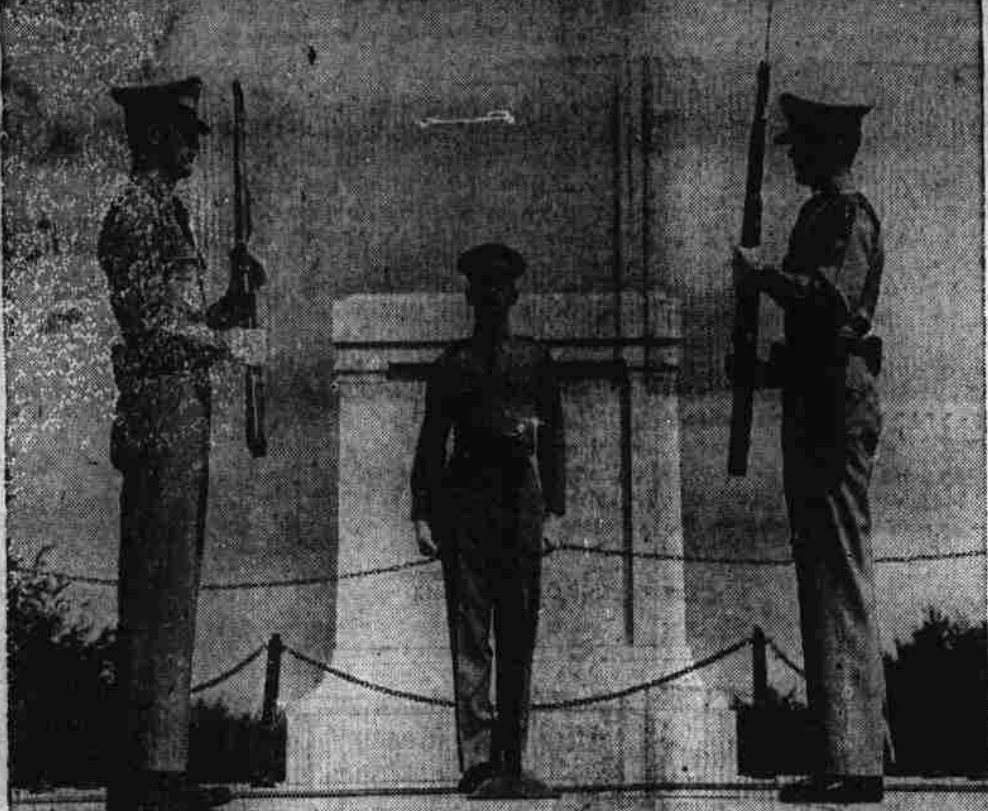
He stated that the Governor's Advisory Committee had reported that the mixing of the races cannot be accomplished and should not be attempted and that the State of North Carolina should find a way in which to comply with the ruling of the Supreme Court as handed down last May.

Approximately 100 superintendents, principals and teachers of the schools of the Albemarle attended the meeting. Special guests were members of the Perquimans Board of Education, C. P. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Whedbee and Max Campbell.

Mrs. John Costen gave an address of welcome to the visiting schoolmasters and special music was presented by Mrs. Charles E. Johnson and a quartet composed of Charles Johnson, Jr., Wayne White, W. N. Matthews, Jr., and Johnny Phillips.

John T. Biggers, president of the club, presided over a short business meeting following the address by Senator Crews.

A delicious turkey dinner was served by the Central Grammar School.



"HONORED GLORY"—For 34 years, men in the uniform of the U.S. Army have kept watch at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery. Here Sergeant Walter A. G. Strohmaler, Corporal of the Guard, center, performs the ritual of the changing of the guard as Private Herbert F. Weiland, Mt. Vernon, N.Y., right, replaces Private First Class John D. Gira of Yonkers, N.Y. Each sentinel walks guard for an hour, his solitary vigil a living reminder of the tribute a nation inscribed on the tomb: "Here Rests In Honored Glory A Soldier Known But to God."

Defendant Fined On Liquor Charge By Recorder Judge

Bessie Tarebell Blyler, Negro, charged with possessing illicit liquor for the purpose of sale, following a raid at her home last Saturday by Hertford police, entered a plea of guilty to the charge of Recorder's Court on Tuesday. She was given a 30 day sentence to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and costs, and the condition she be of good behavior for six months.

Fines of \$2 and costs each, were taxed against Robert Williams and Madison Boone, Negroes, after each had submitted to charges of being drunk.

Edward Feeley paid the costs of court after pleading guilty to charges of passing a vehicle on a curve.

Perry Jarmon was fined \$10 and costs on charges of passing a vehicle in an intersection.

A fine of \$25 and costs of court were paid by Walter East who submitted to charges of driving without a license.

Daisy Manley submitted to charges following too closely behind a vehicle and paid the costs of court.

Willie Johnson, Negro, pleaded guilty to charges of running a stop sign and reckless driving. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$25 and costs.

A verdict of not guilty was returned in the case in which Joseph Brown, Negro, was charged with reckless driving.

Costs of court and fines as indicated were paid by the following defendants who submitted to charges of speeding: William Phillips, Edward Fleer, Rayner Perry, Arvia Surge, William Morecock, C. E. Pritchard 34, Charles Smith 25, Neal Davis 110, Jimmy Nobles 116, William Laylan, Jr., 280.

Ralph White, Negro, was found guilty of charges of non-support. He was given a 30 day sentence to be suspended upon the condition he pay the sum of \$15 per week for the use of his children and costs of court.

Baptists to Present Pageant Next Thurs.

A segment "Our Thanksgiving Pageant" will be presented at the Hertford Baptist Church on Thanksgiving morning, Thursday, November 24, at 8:45 o'clock. It was reported today. Breakfast will be served at the church prior to the pageant at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Adlai E. Stevenson, Democratic Presidential nominee in 1952, announced Tuesday he will again seek the nomination for the office in 1956. Mr. Stevenson's announcement came as no surprise to political reporters although it appears the former Illinois Governor will have some opposition before the convention names the candidate next summer.

A "grass-root" hearing on farm problems was held in Raleigh Tuesday when Governor Hodges and 43 other witnesses appeared before the Senate Agriculture Committee to give their views on what should be done to solve the farm dilemma. Facts gathered at the meeting, one of many held throughout the country, are expected to figure into the writing of a new farm law during the next session of Congress.

Trustees of the University of North Carolina this week accepted the resignation of Gordon Gray as President of UNC, and appointed a commission to seek a new university president. Gray offered his resignation following acceptance, some months ago, of a government post in Washington.

A 23-year-old Denver man has admitted he rigged a bomb which blew up an airliner killing his mother and 43 other plane passengers. The FBI solved the mystery of the Denver plane crash and arrested John Gilbert Graham, who confessed to using 25 sticks of dynamite making a bomb which he hid in the luggage placed aboard the plane by his mother. Graham will be tried by the State of Colorado on charges of murder.

Town Board In Routine Meeting

Hertford's Town Board held its regular November meeting on Monday night at the Municipal Building handling a number of routine matters presented to the Commissioners.

Mayer V. N. Darden reported to the Board on the progress being made on installation of a number of new water and sewer lines within the town.

Sale Of Christmas Seals In Progress Throughout County

November 16 marked the opening date of the 49th annual Christmas Seal Sale throughout Perquimans County, it was reported by W. Jarvis Ward, chairman of the drive in which the county has been assigned a quota of \$1,300.

Mr. Ward said 1,886 Christmas seal letters have been prepared and mailed to residents of Perquimans, giving each and every person an opportunity to buy and use these little seals during the Christmas season.

The 1955 Christmas Seals are more than stickers. Jean Simpson, one of the youngest artists, born in Philadelphia, designed the two companion seals, one showing a little boy against the blue of the winter sky, the other a little girl against a background of apple green.

In announcing the opening of the sale Mr. Ward said, "for years Americans have been using Christmas Seals to symbolize their contributions toward stamping out tuberculosis, a future for children like the ones on the stamps. Children free from a disease called tuberculosis, and Miss Simpson best expressed by painting these children healthy, secure and bursting with job and hope for a future that should be theirs.

Education Week Topic At Meeting Of Hertford PTA

Mrs. Wilson Dillon, speaking on the topic of American Education Week, presented the program at the November meeting of the Hertford PTA, held Thursday night of last week in the auditorium of the Hertford Grammar School. Mrs. Dillon urged the parents to visit the schools in order to secure a greater knowledge as to the operations of the school systems.

Mrs. Jack Brinn presided over the business session of the meeting during which she urged the members to save merchandise coupons for the use of the PTA.

E. C. Woodard, PTA Boy Scout representative, asked the group to donate an American Flag and a Boy Scout Flag to the local Scout troop.

Mrs. Jim Bass gave a reading on "Thanksgiving".

Reports were given by members on the progress of securing renewals to The Perquimans Weekly, and solicitors were urged to complete the canvass of their territory in order to have full reports on November 23.

The meeting was closed with the PTA members visiting the classrooms and enjoying a social hour in the school cafeteria.

Navy Reveals Plans For Expansion Of N. C. Air Facilities

Northeastern North Carolina, especially Perquimans and Chowan Counties, is being given serious consideration by the Navy Department in plans for expansion of its air facilities according to a report published this week in The Norfolk-Virginia Pilot.

"Two specific projects already are in the 'thinking and planning stages,' according to the Norfolk newspaper. These being expansion of the air station at Edenton and construction of a seaplane base at Harvey Point. Costs of the two projects will be in excess of sixty million dollars.

In connection with Harvey Point the Virginia-Pilot reported, a high ranking Navy official confirmed that the Harvey Point site is a "logical possibility" for the planned new seaplane base, needed within the near future of operations of the newly developed Martin P6M SeaMaster, a four-jet bomber type water craft.

"One of the basic reasons for the selection of Harvey Point," the report stated, "is its remoteness from cosmopolitan areas." Operations of the SeaMaster would be limited or almost impossible, the Pilot said, in congested residential and industrial areas.

The Harvey Point area was submitted as a possible site for the new seaplane base when the Navy asked for recommendations for a seaplane base meeting the requirements.

A feasibility study of the Harvey Point site is now under way and according to the Pilot it is likely a decision will be made on the matter very soon due to the Navy needs.

Full development of the Edenton base is expected to make that station comparable in size to the Oceana Jet Base near Norfolk, which cost 70 million dollars.

The development of the two projects, if given final approval, is expected to take some five years.

S-D Day Scheduled For Thursday, Dec. 1

Thursday, December 1, will be S-D Day throughout America. S-D Day is Safe Driving Day and motorists everywhere are urged to join together to make the day one free of traffic accidents.

"The purpose of S-D Day, organized on a national and local level with the full support of President Eisenhower and Governor Luther Hodges, is to demonstrate the need for recognition by every individual of his personal responsibility for safe driving and safe walking.

State Patrolman B. R. Inasco stated the goal for S-D Day is not a single traffic accident during the 24-hour period—in daylight or darkness.

Methodist Church Held Centennial Celebration Sunday

Between 500 and 600 people attended the centennial celebration at the Hertford Methodist Church last Sunday, when the church observed its 100th year of service to this community. Many members and visitors from distant points assembled to join in the celebration and refresh their memories of former days and enjoy the get-together which featured a sermon by the Rev. M. Y. Self, former pastor of the church.

The centennial celebration opened at 11 A. M., during which special music was rendered by the church choir. Following the sermon by the Rev. Mr. Self brief messages were delivered by the Rev. D. M. Sharpe and the Rev. B. C. Reavis, also former pastors of the church.

Messages of congratulations and good wishes for the church were delivered by the Rev. Paul Shultz, rector of Holy Trinity Church and the Rev. James O. Mattox, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church.

A real old-fashioned basket lunch was served at the church following the morning services, and this was enjoyed by the members and their guests.

Each member and guest attending the celebration was presented an interesting history of the church which was compiled by Mrs. C. T. Skinner, Sr., and printed in pamphlet form by L. C. Winslow. The history set out the church was organized in 1822-23 as Hertford Station and showed a steady growth down through the years to its present membership of 550. Also of interest was a display of historic objects and pictures connected with the church.

The centennial celebration was closed at the evening service at 7:30 o'clock with the presentation of a pageant "The Challenge of the Cross," which was under the direction of Mrs. B. G. Koonce.

The Rev. I. S. Richmond is the pastor of the church.

Lane Rites Held Last Saturday

Funeral services for James Elihu Lane, age 50, who died suddenly Thursday morning at 9:15 o'clock while at work at his office near his home in Woodville, were conducted Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the People's Methodist Church with the Rev. D. B. Cruise, pastor, officiating.

Miss Ann Ferrell and Miss Shirley Mae Bundy sang "Good Night and Good Morning," and "Beyond the Sunset" was sung by Kenneth Winslow. Mrs. Melvin Doney accompanied at the piano.

The casket was covered with a pall made of red roses and fern. Active pallbearers were Henry Winslow, Pete Bundy, Clarence Byrum, D. T. Whitehurst, N. C. Larabee and William Cartwright.

Mr. Lane was a native of Perquimans County and had operated a grocery store and saw mill at Woodville for a number of years. He was the son of Judd Lane and the late Bell Meads Lane and a member of the People's Methodist Church.

Besides his father he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Minnie Russell Lane; two sisters, Mrs. Wilbert Newbold of Route 2, Elizabeth City and Mrs. O. B. Jordan of Smithfield, Va.; and one brother, Charlie Lane of Route 3, Hertford.

Burial followed in New Hollywood Cemetery in Elizabeth City.

Business Houses To Observe Thanksgiving

Hertford stores and business houses will observe the Thanksgiving holiday next Thursday, November 24 by staying closed all day it was reported today.

W. W. White, Hertford Postmaster, stated the local Post Office will observe the usual holiday schedule of operations. Stamp windows will be closed all day but mail will be received and dispatched from the office on a holiday schedule.

November Term Of Superior Court To Convene On Mon.

Seal Artist



Jean Simpson designed the 1955 Christmas Seals now being sold throughout the United States by the voluntary tuberculosis associations to raise funds to fight TB. A native of Philadelphia, she is a free-lance artist and illustrator in New York.

N. C. Soybean Crop Down 12 Per Cent

Reports from growers, as of November 1, indicate a soybean crop of 4,132,000 bushels, according to the North Carolina Crop Reporting Service. This is 12.0 per cent below the 1954 crop of 4,720,000 bushels. If the November 1 estimate is realized, production is expected to be the lowest since 1949 except for 1953 when 4,076,000 bushels were produced.

The currently estimated yield per acre of 14.5 bushels compares with 16.0 last year and is the lowest since 1948.

Storms followed by excessive rainfall during the crucial production period did considerable damage to the crop in the Coastal Plains area. However, some fields of soybeans are producing fair to good yields. Expected yields from the Piedmont section are considered good although the acreage for beans is very small when compared with the Coastal Plains area.

Indians Close Grid Season On Friday Against Camden 11

The Perquimans Indians will ring down the curtain on their 1955 football season Friday night when they meet Camden High School on Memorial Field in Hertford with game time set at 8 o'clock.

Originally, the Indians were scheduled to play Morehead City but this game was cancelled due to Morehead City playing for state honors in the eliminations, and local school officials secured the Camden team to furnish the opposition for the Indians' final contest of the season.

The contest against Camden will be the final scholastic game for a number of the Indians including Linesmen Billy Bray, Brown, Melville Williams, Corbin Cherry, Bob Umphlett and Back Stanley Pierce.

In a non-conference game last Friday night Coach Ike Perry's squad went down to defeat by a score of 27-7 against a superior Elizabeth City outfit. The Yellow Jackets, with one of their better teams this year, were blanketed during the first period by a stubborn Indian defense.

Elizabeth City gained a 14-0 edge by halftime, scoring two TD's during the second quarter. The first score came on a pass play from McGee to Miller and the second coming on a line play by McGee.

The Jackets scored their third touchdown on a 43-yard run by Hilgert shortly after the opening of the third period. Both teams scored in the final quarter with Elizabeth City's Boyce scoring from 4

Superior Court will convene here for its November term next Monday morning with Judge Chester Morris presiding, it was reported by W. H. Pitt, clerk of court.

A docket of 17 criminal cases and eight civil actions has been compiled for the court term and court officials are doubtful if the docket can be concluded during the term due to the Thanksgiving holiday which will fall on Thursday.

Defendants charged in criminal warrants, scheduled for hearing during the term are for speeding, Rodney Brickhouse, Joseph Himelberber, Nathan S. Kiddick; for driving drunk, Walter Hobbs and Tommie Cooper; for breaking and entering and larceny, George Trueblood, James Johnson and Ernest Moore; driving after license revocation, Robert Ward; assault with a deadly weapon, inflicting serious bodily injuries, Willard Stallings; forcible trespass, Frank Jessup; escape, Jerry Duncan; crime against nature, Herbert Brown, Negro; possessing non-tax-paid liquor, Leslie Wilson and Elsie Harris, Negroes.

Jurors selected to serve during the term are:

E. N. Miller, James P. Dail, Thomas Proctor, Harvey Chappell, E. L. Hurdle, Jr., Lloyd Stallings, Mrs. Effie Layden, Nathan N. Trueblood, W. E. Matthews, Sr., Trotman Miller, Maurice Byrum, John Donchise, Ben Owens, Nixon Hollowell, Walter Cartwright, James Wilder, Jarvis G. Ward, Adrian Smith, Sr., Mrs. Winford Riddick, Charlie Elliott, Robert Robbins, O. W. Winslow, Mrs. Nora Smith, Julian O. Howell, Lee E. Riddick, Wilson Hollowell, Lonnie Proctor.

Charles E. Winslow, J. M. Matthews, Joseph Bullard, James A. Overton, Linwood Lamb, Thomas Dail, G. C. Buck, Jodie Lane, Watt Copeland, W. S. Evans, William C. Lane, Mrs. Nellie Sumner, Lucelous Chappell, Howard E. Lueland, William E. Hobbs, Jarvis D. Winslow, T. Julian Long, Wayland Cartwright, Joseph L. Barclift, A. R. Winslow, Jr., Murray Moore, Charlie Stallings, Jr., and Emmett Landing.

Bank Pays Out Christmas Checks

Around 400 checks amounting to approximately \$22,000 were placed in the mails Wednesday by the Hertford Banking Company to close out the bank's 1955 Christmas Savings Club, it was announced by R. M. Riddick, Jr., president of the local bank.

The checks were mailed to members of the 1955 Christmas Club, and represented savings of the club members during the past year. Total savings through the plan this year were greater than last year according to Mr. Riddick.

New savings clubs for 1956 will be opened immediately at the local bank and the public is invited to join in this savings plan, which will run for a period of 50 weeks.

MASONS TO MEET

The Perquimans Masonic Lodge No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock.