

RAYMOND LASSITER GETS SIX MONTHS

Raymond Lassiter, white, was tried in police court today for being drunk and for becoming a public nuisance. He was sentenced to six months, from which he took an appeal and bond was set at \$200.

SIX WHITE MEN GO FOR EXAMINATION

Six white registrants reported at Fort Bragg today for pre-induction physical examinations, the local Selective Service Board reported.

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W. D. Payne Is Named As Red Cross New C. Of C. Secretary

Directors Endorse Advertising Fund; Committee Named

W. D. Payne, former principal of Henderson high school, and now principal at Lexington, was elected last night as executive secretary of the Henderson Chamber of Commerce. He will assume his duties, if he accepts, as is expected, at the end of the present school year in Lexington.

Payne will succeed John L. Hazlehurst, who has resided in Henderson ten years or more in the automobile business and with the chamber the past fifteen months. Hazlehurst is returning to Wilmington, his former home, to engage in private business.

Payne's return here is contingent upon his election as supervisor of the Henderson tobacco market, a duty also discharged by Hazlehurst. The Henderson Tobacco Board of Trade will meet early in April to elect officers and a supervisor, and it is expected Payne will be named to that position.

The new secretary was connected with Henderson city schools about fifteen years, about ten years of which he was principal of Henderson high school. Two years ago he went to Lexington as principal at a larger salary. Mrs. Payne is a native of Henderson.

The chamber directors Monday night endorsed a \$4,000 advertising program for Henderson and the tobacco market combined. The board was told the tobacco warehousemen would contribute half of the amount, and business people are to be asked to provide the remainder. A committee consisting of C. O. Seibert, J. W. Jenkins, Jr., and Frank Jordan was named to work with a tobacco group in mapping the program.

Protest was made about tardiness of bells and red lights at Seaboard railroad crossings in Henderson, and the transportation and safety committee was asked to make request upon the railroad to have the signals set in motion when approaching.

trains are much further from crossings than now is the practice. Several serious accidents, one of them fatal, and several narrow escapes were cited to the directors as having resulted from recent incidents.

It was the last regular meeting of the directors to be attended by Mr. Hazlehurst, and he expressed his appreciation to the board and to all members for their cooperation in his work, and said he regretted very much to leave Henderson, and would always return when opportunity permitted. Hazlehurst leaves April 1 for his new duties in Wilmington.

Committees to serve during the year were named by President F. S. Royster, chairman being as follows: Mercantile affairs, H. C. Bowie; Agriculture, M. P. Legg; Industrial, W. W. Bowers; Professional affairs, Dr. Thomas M. Hunter; Planning and development, William Bailey; Membership, W. B. Shearer; National affairs, E. F. Parham; and R. W. Brun national counselor; State legislative, S. S. Stevenson; City and county government, H. T. Powell; Transportation and traffic, W. B. Beasley; Publicity and public affairs, Henry A. Dennis; Safety, T. P. Matthews; Airport, H. T. Powell.

The national counselor was requested to vote for the local organization on a basis of new directors for the national organization.

Alford Will Head State Blind Drive

Lions Will Solicit For \$18,000 Figure To Carry On Work

Sam Alford, past president of the Henderson Lions club and past district governor of that civic organization, has been named State chairman of the approaching "White Cane Drive" to obtain funds for aid to and relief of the blind. It was learned today.

The appointment just announced was made by the State Association for the Blind, meeting Saturday in Raleigh. Lions clubs of North Carolina will sponsor the campaign which is to be carried on during the summer.

While the fund to be sought has not been finally determined, Alford said today it would be around \$18,000. Quotas will be assigned to each club on the basis of \$25 for each member. There are about 7,500 members of Lions clubs in North Carolina, but it is anticipated that there will be some who will not make their goal, so that allowance will be made for this in the final set for the campaign.

Part of the funds raised will be donated to the pre-condition center for the blind now being established in Raleigh, with a portion left for certain other phases of the work. Details of the program will be worked out later, and the definite amount to be asked will be fixed together with dates for the solicitation.

DISCHARGED

RALPH W. ABBOTT. Ralph W. Abbott, 51, was honorably discharged at Charleston, S. C., on Saturday, after serving 31 months with the U. S. Navy. He served overseas for 24 months. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Abbott and his wife is Mrs. Lillian Jarrell Abbott.

JOHN D. HARRIS. John D. Harris, B.R. 3, received an honorable discharge at Charleston, S. C., Saturday, after 17 months' service in the U. S. Navy, eight months of that time overseas. He served in the American and European theatres. He is the son of John W. Harris, Lenoir and his wife is Mrs. Elsie Harris, 644 Vance street.

Red Cross Total Rises To \$5,114

Only Little Over \$2,000 Remaining To Go Over Mark

Contributions to the current 1946 annual Red Cross campaign amounted to \$5,114.48 against a quota of \$7,225, and there is every prospect that the goal will be reached within a few days, Sam Alford, general chairman of the drive, announced today.

The figure announced was reached without any reports so far from the industrial committee or the group working the business community. Some reports have been received from only five rural townships, none of even these complete as yet, it was stated.

Only a little more than \$2,000 is needed to reach the goal, which is now almost in sight. Generous donations are anticipated from theatre collections, from the schools and other sources.

Alford was hopeful today that the total could be reached by the end of the week.

23 Cases In Police Court For Monday

Twenty-three cases were tried in police court yesterday by Mayor Henry T. Powell, 15 of them involving drunkenness.

Charles Williams, Norman Jones, Gilbert Jones, John Henry Parham, Al White, Esau Chilsse, Sam Henderson, Peter Hawkins, Horace E. Peace, Curtis Peace, Johnnie Jefferson and Herman Royster, all colored, were tried on separate charges of public drunkenness and each was fined five dollars and costs.

Clarence Haywood, colored, was tried for operating a motor vehicle without an operator's license and for driving with improper brakes. He was sentenced to 90 days, commitment not to issue upon payment of \$10 and costs, and condition that he not operate a motor vehicle in the next two years unless it has road brakes.

Robert L. Parham, colored, tried for disorderly conduct, was sentenced to 30 days, suspended upon payment of \$15 and costs and condition that he not violate any law in the next two years.

James J. Davis, colored, tried for assault on Mac Bell Clopton, was sentenced to 30 days, to run concurrently with a previous 30-day sentence now invoked.



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Board Will Organize On Saturday The Vance County Board of Elections, as designated last Saturday by the State Board, will meet in the court house here next Saturday morning at 11 o'clock to organize and to make plans for the coming primary campaign. D. P. McDuffee, chairman, said today. The board today received notice from the State board asking that the organization meeting be held Saturday. McDuffee said arrangements would be made for distributing ballots to serve men and women, these have not as yet been received. Demand for these will, of course, be nothing like as great as in the primary and general election of 1944. The election board will meet on Saturday, April 6, to name registrants and judges of election. For the past two years, McDuffee has been chairman of the local board and C. P. Tanner, secretary. Both are Democrats and the Republican member of the board is Thurman M. Hicks.