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TYRRELL RED X COMMITTEE HEARS G. H. WILHELM

Chairmen Make Reports on Post Activities; New Committees Named

G. H. Wilhelm of Salisbury, field representative of the American Red Cross, was the principal speaker at a called meeting of the executive committee of the Tyrrell County chapter held Thursday afternoon at the home of the chairman, Mrs. W. S. Carawan.

Mrs. Carawan presided over the meeting and presented the speaker, who discussed first aid, war relief, disasters and the general work of the Red Cross.

During the business period the various officers and chairmen made their reports. A. L. Chaplain, roll call chairman, reported 133 members from the past roll call. V. H. Durrance, treasurer, reported that a package of clothes had been secured by the chapter for a family who recently lost their home by fire.

Plans were also discussed about establishing a first aid station at Gum Neck. A motion was passed that an intermediate first aid class be conducted here next fall.

The following chairmen and officials were elected during the meeting: A. L. Chaplain, war relief chairman; Miss Mary Blanche Strickland, home aid chairman; W. T. Crutchfield, first aid chairman; C. C. Lupton, a member of the executive committee; and S. P. Deans, chairman of the colored division.

V. H. Durrance, junior roll call chairman, announced that the Junior Red Cross roll call for 1940 would be held in February.

EXPANDED LUNCH PROGRAM TO AID SMALL SCHOOLS

Schools With no Hot Lunch Rooms May Receive Free Commodities

Small rural schools having no facilities for providing hot lunches to be given to needy, undernourished, graded school pupils were brought under the new school lunch program this month when the commodity distribution division of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare mailed to school heads application blanks for requests of fresh fruits and other commodities that can normally be consumed without cooking.

State Director of Commodity Distribution, A. E. Langston, called attention to the fact that a very definite limit is placed on the amount and kind of commodities available each month since purchases of the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation of excess foodstuffs are made only when the production of a farm product is in such quantities as to depress the producer's return below normal or fair levels.

Commodities allocated to schools may not be sold, traded or exchanged and must be distributed to the children daily only in such quantities they may normally be expected to consume, Langston said. Educational establishments having facilities to provide hot lunches for the undernourished children were not eligible to participate in the expanded program, the director said.

North Carolina's quota of needy, undernourished children to come under the 1939-1940 school lunch room program was set last fall at 150,000 pupils, three times the entire number serviced during the preceding school term.

WASHINGTON PCA LOANED \$375,000

Loans totaling \$375,821 were made to farmers in Beaufort, Hyde, Tyrrell, Martin and Washington counties last year reports at the recent annual stockholders meeting of the Washington Production Credit Association revealed.

George L. Griffith of the Production Credit Association of Columbia, S. C., spoke at the meeting.

W. L. Ausbon and Hoyt R. Davenport were elected to serve on the board of directors with J. B. Patrick, J. W. Jarvis and L. N. Davenport.

Immediately following the stockholders meeting the directors met and named the following officers for 1940:

J. B. Patrick, president; J. W. Jarvis of Swen Quarter, vice president; E. I. Greene, secretary-treasurer; and Miss Frances Paul, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Greenville—True bills charging six white men with aiding in burning automobiles for the purpose of collecting insurance have been returned by the Pitt County grand jury, it has been disclosed.

TOMATO GROWERS INVITED TO MEET AT GUM NECK

Meeting to Be Held at Lum Cohoon's Store at 8 o'Clock Friday Night

A meeting of farmers interested in growing tomatoes on contract for delivery to the Neuse Packing Company at Columbia this summer has been called to be held at Lum Cohoon's store at Gum Neck Friday night at 8 o'clock, according to A. L. Alexander of Columbia, representative of the packing company. Carroll Crockett will be at this meeting to explain the terms of the contract offered tomato growers.

At a similar meeting held in the agricultural building in Columbia Saturday afternoon Mr. Crockett spoke and there was much interest on the part of the farmers present in the prospects for a green pack receiving station and also for a canning plant here.

JAILS SOURCE MUCH VENEREAL DISEASE NOW

Approximately One out of Four Prisoners Are Infected Says Director

The approximately 80,000 persons, not excluding duplications, locked up in North Carolina county jails in the course of a year's time were characterized by W. C. Ezell, director of the State welfare department's institutions division, this week as a possible greater source of syphilitic infection than the inmates of the State prison system.

"In 1936 only 16 out of the 100 county jails were following the legal requirement of having all incarcerated persons given a medical examination within 48 hours after commitment," Ezell said.

It may be assumed, he stated, that the percentage of venereal infection is closely comparable to the 23.3 per cent carrying the disease out of 9,533 sentenced prisoners recently examined in the State prison system.

Director Ezell said that by not examining and treating the necessary cases in the county jails, North Carolina is missing the focal point of a vast source of possible infections. He termed lack of observance of the jail health requirement "a worse practice because in all too many cases children under 16 years of age are lodged in the jails and brought into contact with venereal sources."

"No real control of the disease can be effected until it is attacked at the roots of infection in the county units, ports of entry into the State prison system," he said.

ELECTION DATES GIVEN FOR 1940

Local politicians are advised to keep in mind the list of election dates for 1940. There are more of them than usual this year, and all dates have been changed due to the action of the 1939 General Assembly in advancing the time of the primary for the first time in a gubernatorial year, of advancing the filing dates.

Here is the calendar of events bearing on the Democrat and Republican primaries this year in North Carolina:

March 16—Last day for filing notice of candidacy for State or Congressional office, State board of elections meets to appoint county boards.

March 23—County boards of election meet to determine whether there will be a new registration of voters or relisting (an option granted each county under the 1939 registration act.)

April 6—County boards of election appoint precinct election officials.

April 13—Last day to file for local or district offices.

April 27—Registration books open in each precinct, either for complete new registration or for additional registrations in accordance with the decisions reached by the several boards of election on March 23.

May 11—Registration books close.

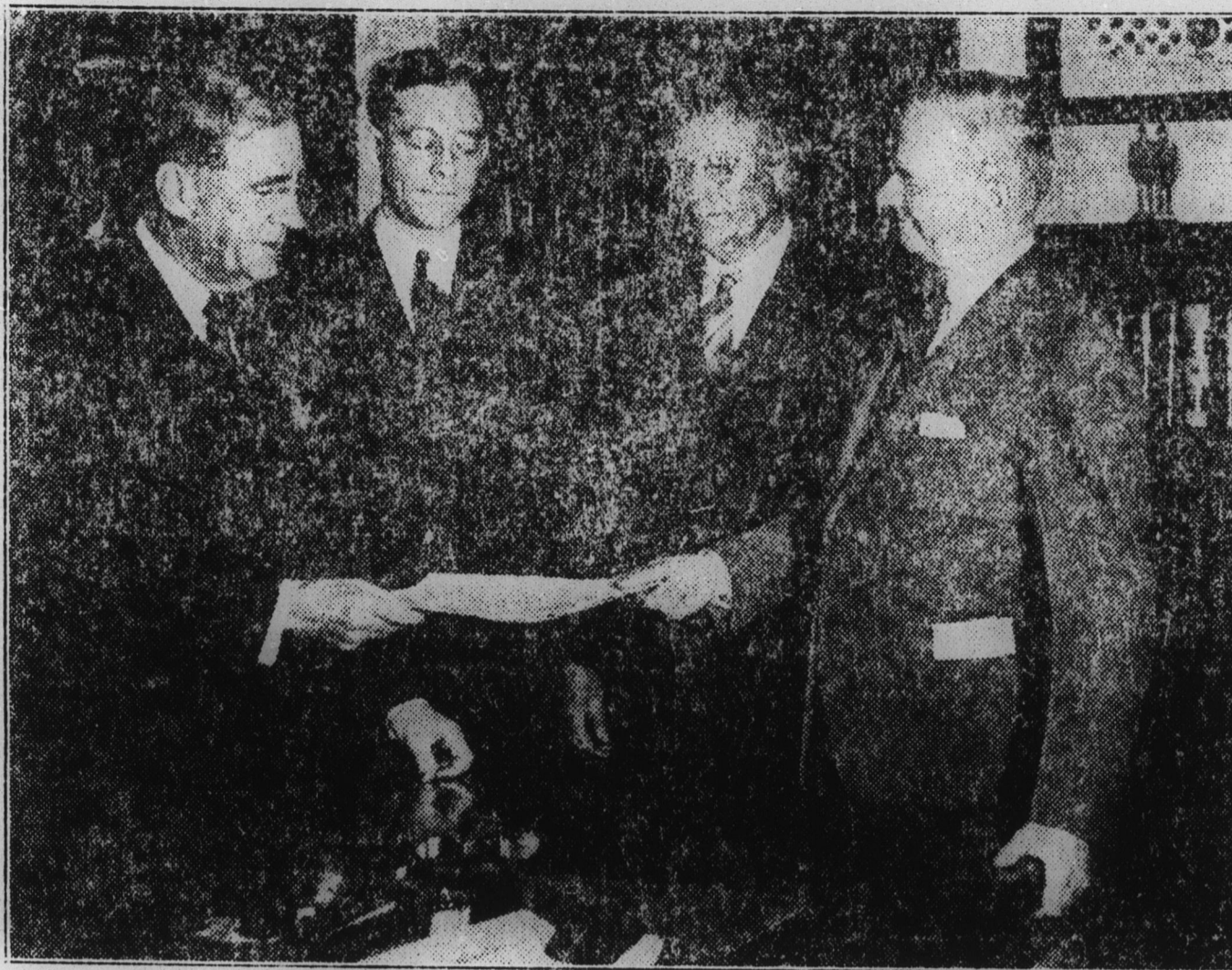
May 18—Challenge day.

May 25—First primary.

MRS. MARY ALEXANDER INJURED IN FALL

Mrs. Mary Ann Alexander was seriously injured in a fall at her home late Sunday afternoon. She was carried to Columbia Hospital in a McClees ambulance early Monday morning for treatment. Mrs. Alexander is in her 94th year, and has lived to see her great-grand children grow up.

PASSING THE DEED IN A \$300,000 LAND DEAL



THIS PICTURE shows Special Attorney Frank Ewing, left, of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, passing the deed for the Dare County Timberlands which sold for \$300,000, on Friday, January 23. Receiving the deed, on the right, is Phillip S. Cole, President of the Dare Corporation, which bought the property. In the rear is Attorney John Holbrook, Dare Corporation counsel, and Chairman A. J. Daniels, of the Dare County Board of Commissioners. The transfer took place, high up above the clock, in the Metropolitan tower in New York City.

FORCED TO DRIVE 476 MILES TO GET THREE MILES OFF

Marooned in Manteo by ice in Croatan sound which prevented the ferry from running a Mams Harbor party was forced to go 476 miles to get home Sunday, that is counting the return trip of those who carried the party. The party had come into Manteo one day last week when the ferry was running and was unable to get back. Sunday Roy Wescott learned of their plight and for a lark offered to take them home. He was accompanied by G. D. Affen, superintendent at the Times Printing Co. plant.

Mr. Aiken on his return Monday afternoon reported that they had left Manteo about 7 o'clock Sunday night and had gotten to Mams Harbor—three miles across the sound—at 3 o'clock Monday morning after going first to Elizabeth City, to Edenton to Columbia to Fair field and via Engelhard. They left Mams Harbor immediately after dropping their passengers and returned by Belhaven, Washington and Plymouth. They arrived in Manteo about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon after experiencing a car fire due to a frozen carburetor near Belhaven.

COLUMBIA FFA LISTS PROJECTS FOR YEAR

The projects selected by the 42 boys who are receiving instruction about farming included corn, hogs, peanuts, soy beans and Irish potatoes, states V. H. Durrance, vocational-agricultural instructor at Columbia high school chapter of Future Farmers of America.

These boys have made splendid records on their projects in previous years which attests their interest in farming.

At the present time the boys are busy making various articles for their homes and things which will be needed in conducting their demonstrations.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY

A lovely event of last Thursday was the surprise birthday party given for Mrs. S. C. Chaplin. Much merriment was caused when the gifts were unwrapped as many were on the comic side. A cake bearing six candles was the most mirth provoking of all. Dainty refreshments were served the following guests: Mesdames F. E. Cohoon, W. T. Crutchfield, Ira Alexander, Mae Pinner, C. Earl Cohoon, John Alexander, Tom Tarkington, Russell Bateman, Guy Tompkins, Edward P. Cohoon, Jr. and Miss Helen Tatem.

YACHT BURNED CREW ESCAPES GREAT SHOALS

The yacht Sunset, whose owner resides in Miami Florida and which was valued at \$15,000 burned at Great Shoals on the Alligator river Sunday afternoon. The boat was en route by inland waterway from Hampton, Va. to Miami, Fla. and was piloted by Capt. K. A. Kroepsch who related a tale of hair raising adventures from the time he headed into North River from Coinjock, where he was marooned by an ice jam for 30 hours. Finally getting out in the wake of a large freighter, the Embaline out of Norfolk, which ploughed a path through the ice.

Several miles out, the Sunset blew a pet cock on number six cylinder, but did not stop as the crew wanted to keep close behind the freighter so as not to become marooned by ice. Finally the engine stopped altogether and the man on duty below reported the boat in flames.

The fire spread so rapidly that the crew had already donned life belts preparatory to jumping into the ice clogged waters when Captain Jackson on the tug boat "Buddy" came to their rescue. Nothing was saved but the brass whistle of the boat, the men losing all their clothes and personal belongings.

They were transferred from the tug Buddy to the barge Washington, where they spent the night and were made as comfortable as possible by Captain Mulaney.

The frozen waters made it impossible for Captain Kroepsch and his men to be taken ashore and they walked on the ice which had frozen during the night for a distance of about four miles, until they reached Fort Landing. They walked, rode in a mule cart and finally on a truck into Columbia, where the Red Cross rendered necessary assistance.

The men appeared much shaken by their experience but otherwise were unharmed. They departed late Monday afternoon for Miami after expressing their gratitude for the courtesy shown them in Columbia.

METHODIST SERVICES ON COLUMBIA CHARGE

Services on the Columbia charge of the Methodist Church for February were announced this week by the pastor, Rev. A. C. Thompson, as follows:

First Sunday at 11 and 7:30 Cedar Grove at Gum Neck.

Second and fourth Sunday at Wesley Memorial Church in Columbia at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

Third Sunday, Wesley Chapel at Alligator 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Fourth Sunday, Holly Grove at 3 P. M.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS TO TYRRELL CO. TRIBUNE

The following have added to the ever growing mailing list of the Tyrrell Tribune: W. M. Laughinghouse, George Snener and Northern Brickhouse, Columbia; A. J. Cohoon, Calle E. No. 359-Vedado, Havana, Cuba; W. A. Williams, Raleigh; Marvin Blue, Raeford.

JOBS FOR 1,000 MEN ON DARE COUNTY MAINLAND ARE AN EARLY PROSPECT

Delaware Corporation Takes Over 177,000 Acres of Timber and Wasteland Representing Three Fourths County's Acreage; Development to Be Undertaken by New Owners, Who Pay Metropolitan \$300,000, and Wouldn't Take a Million

OUTSTANDING COLUMBIA MAN FOR LEGISLATURE



C. EARL COHOON, well-known Columbia businessman, announces his candidacy as representative of Tyrrell County. Foremost in Mr. Cohoon's platform no doubt will be a strong plank for completion of route 94 connecting with Hyde, and the bridging of Alligator River and Croatan Sound. For Mr. Cohoon has always been in the forefront of the battle in behalf of these projects which mean so much to Tyrrell and its neighbor counties. Mr. Cohoon is not only a successful business man, but he is held in high esteem by people of great influence in the adjoining counties, who will find him an excellent working mate. His large acquaintance with influential politicians and other citizens in all walks of life across the state is the result of a friendly and exceedingly pleasing personality, and few citizens of his county could be calculated to do as much for Tyrrell as he might do, because of the good will he enjoys with his neighbors, and with people of influence throughout the state.

MANTEO HEADQUARTERS FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT

Organizing and Surveying to Begin at Once; Development Renews Hope For Early Construction of Roads and Bridges

Three fourths of Dare County's land area, practically the entire mainland changed hands last Friday. The Dare Corporation, a Delaware concern, newly formed for this job, paid the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company \$300,000 for the 177,000 acres of wasteland and timber it has been holding for 20 years.

With the property in Dare, goes the 30 acre mill site in Elizabeth City, on which the old Dare Lumber Company had erected a large saw mill, it operated several years, prior to the failure of the company.

Jobs for 1,000 working men are in prospect, when the company gets full operations underway, and some 400 men may be employed within the next few months.

The transfer is, of course, the largest outright sale of realty ever to take place at one time affecting Dare County property. At one time it was pledged against something like a million dollars in bonds, and was taken over by the Metropolitan, when it took over the assets of the Pittsburgh Life & Trust Company.

The transfer of title in New York was witnessed by A. J. Daniels of Wanchese, chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners, who was present in the tower offices of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., when the deed was handed to Philip S. Cole, President of the Dare Corporation, by Frank Ewing, Special Counsel of the Life Insurance Company.

The new owners say they wouldn't take a million dollars for the property, which they consider has great possibilities for development. They plan to make jobs within a short time for 400 men, if they can get them locally, first by cutting pulpwood and pit props, and later expect to employ a full thousand men.

Company Has Own Capital
The officials of the Dare Corporation are Phillip S. Cole, President, Frank C. Williams, Secretary, Roe Wells, Chairman of the Board, and Wm. J. Seimon Treasurer. These men, with John M. Blair, constitute the directors of the corporation, Company offices are Room 1336, One Wall Street, New York.

The full scope of the operations of the new company which will be financed entirely by its own capital, will not be announced until the company has completed the surveys it expects to make. It is generally believed that the land is susceptible to a high degree of development, aside from its pulpwood, and timber.

Heretofore, it has been Dare County's largest single taxpayer, paying as high as \$18,000 in a year. At present the taxes run to more than \$10,000 based on valuations for the past few years.

The Metropolitan, taking it over with a sawmill site in Elizabeth City, could not, as an insurance company, develop the property. Hence it has taken little timber from it, and the property has grown in value as the timber grew.

Many acres are not covered with timber, but with proper drainage would be suited to various types of agriculture, particularly the growth of cranberries and blueberries.

Hundreds of acres are suited to the grazing of stock, particularly hogs and cattle. The entire property is surrounded by water, skirting all the Dare mainland. It begins at Long Shoal River, and includes all the mainland between Alligator River and Pamlico and Croatan Sounds, and is bounded on the north by Albemarle Sound.

Tracts not included are those owned by residents of the settlements, some owned by Dare County, the Richmond Cedar Works, the Kent Timber Co., Durant Island, and a few other smaller pieces.

Helena Denton, 264, leading from Hyde County to Mams Harbor and 64 leading from East Lake to Mams Harbor practically traverse the entire mainland.

YACHT BURNED IN ALLIGATOR RIVER



This is a picture of the yacht Sunset which burned at Great Shoals near Fort Landing Sunday.

T. M. BEASLEYS OBSERVE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

A surprise birthday party was given last Thursday evening by W. T. Beasley and Bertha Beasley honoring their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Beasley, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on that date. The home was appropriately decorated, carrying out the color motif of the golden wedding as much as possible. The honorees were the recipients of many lovely gifts.

A china cup and saucer which Mr. Beasley presented to Mrs. Beasley 53 years ago was brought out and displayed to the many friends and relatives present. Mr. and Mrs. Beasley have been life long residents of Tyrrell County, and have resided at the home they now occupy for the past 45 years.

TWO GREYHOUND BUSES GET LOST IN COLUMBIA

Columbia may be a small town, but that it is large enough to get lost in was proven here Friday night when two Greyhound buses, heavily loaded with passengers took the wrong turn at Sound bridge and came to Columbia and on through nearly to Fort Landing before "finding themselves." The report reaching this office did not reveal names of the drivers.

TAX COLLECTIONS GOOD IN TYRRELL

Sheriff B. Roy Cohoon expresses himself as well pleased with tax collections for the month of January. Considering bad roads and general business conditions the response so far has been very gratifying.