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DROUTH BROKEN BY TIMELY RAIN EARLY THIS WEEK

County Gets First Rain Since Planting Season Began

CROPS BENEFIT

Now Farmers Anxious To Welcome Appearance of Sun

The long drouth is broken. Perquimans got its rain this week. Heavy showers fell intermittently all day Monday and Tuesday, and Wednesday there were light showers and misty rain, with quite a drop in the temperature.

This is the first rainfall of any consequence since the crops were planted in the early spring, and there has been a great deal of complaint because of the failure of seeds to come up, though the crops throughout the county generally are good, with here and there a poor stand of cotton and peanuts.

Those farmers who fear wet weather during the growing season like they do the plague, and who claim that there is a great deal of truth in the old saying, "a dry June never begs its bread," are already beginning to watch for the sun to come out and to show fear that we are in for a wet spell. This class of farmer, however, is in the minority and most of the Perquimans farmers are rejoicing over the rain.

Certainly gardens are improved. Corn and peanuts are also benefited by the rain. Probably cotton is also, but cotton is one crop which must have hot, dry weather. It cannot stand much rain.

Fined For Allowing Children To Drive

In Recorder's Court on Tuesday A. F. Proctor plead guilty to allowing the illegal operation of an automobile and was fined five dollars. Patrolmen recently have been bringing into court the men who allow children under age to drive their automobiles. This case is the second such case to be brought in within the last two weeks.

Bill Fowler, charged with speeding, was found guilty, the case being dismissed upon payment of the court costs.

Oscar Spence, colored, who had been recognized to appear failed of appearance. Capias was issued for the defendant, returnable on July 7.

Howard White, colored, charged with operating without a driver's license, was fined five dollars.

Emma Winslow, colored, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, was given a fine of thirty days, the sentence to be suspended upon payment of half of the court costs and upon good behavior for a year. The prosecuting witness, Cora Lee, was given a like sentence. One of the conditions of the suspended jail sentence was that neither of the women speak to the other for a period of one year.

Richard Corbitt, colored, was found guilty of reckless driving, and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of the court costs.

Claude Withrow, charged with driving an automobile while under the influence of intoxicants, failed to appear when his case was called, whereupon, upon motion of his counsel, S. M. Whedbee, who asked for a jury trial, the case was continued until July 7.

12 Enrolled At Camp Perquimans First Week

Camp Perquimans opened on Sunday with twelve young folks in attendance for the first week. The camp, which is owned and operated by Mrs. Herman Winslow, who makes her home there during the summer months, is located in a most attractive spot on the shore of the Perquimans River in Old Neck.

Sunday School Class Enjoys Wiener Roast

R. S. Chappell and the members of his Sunday School class enjoyed a wiener roast Saturday evening at the home of Wallace Hobbs at Bethel. Music was furnished by Vashiti White.

Those present were: Julian Long, Wallace Hobbs, Maynard Fleetwood, Jr., Cordell Farmer, Howard Long, Frank Ward, Alphonse Goodwin, Clarence Phillips, E. S. Chappell and Vashiti White.

Business Houses Will Observe Fourth July Holiday On July 6th

Hertford business houses are not going to be done out of their holiday because of the Glorious Fourth happening to fall on Saturday. They will observe Monday as a holiday. Everything will be wide open on Saturday, the bank and all of the stores, but when Monday comes around everybody is taking the day off and the stores will remain closed all day, as will the bank.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ATTRACTS MANY CHILDREN

Classes Being Conducted In Hertford Methodist Church; Commencement July 5th

The Daily Vacation Church School which is being conducted at the Hertford Methodist Church is attracting a number of interested students.

The school, which is non-denominational, is conducted by the pastor, the Rev. D. M. Sharpe, assisted by the Rev. McMurray Richey, of Duke University and a corps of eight assistants. A varied program of lessons, manual training and recreation has been arranged.

In the pre-school class nine were enrolled the first day, with fourteen attending the second day, and Mrs. Rufus Riddick and her assistant, Miss Hattie Weaver Riddick, are expecting double the number before the close of the school.

The primary group, taught by Mrs. Thad Chappell, ably assisted by Misses Mary Thad Chappell and Joyce Harrell, have an encouraging enrollment, which is likewise increasing each day.

Misses Thelma and Dorothy Elliott and Marjorie Hefren have mapped out a very attractive course of study for their enthusiastic juniors.

The intermediates are taught by Rev. McMurray Richey, a young ministerial student of San Benito, Texas. The subject for this group is "What of Alcohol?"

The school meets from 9 to 11 a. m. this week and next, and will close with commencement exercises at the evening service at the church on Sunday, July 5.

All of the children of the town, regardless of denomination, are invited to attend.

Poor Attendance Cause Of Losing One Teacher

All of the school teachers of the county were re-elected at a meeting of the school committee, subject to the allotment to be made later by the State School Commission, with one exception. Mrs. H. T. Bond, the teacher at Bethel, had previously resigned.

That there will be a loss of one teacher to the county, due to the poor attendance because of bad weather conditions last winter, is believed by the school authorities to be probable. Because of this situation, the resignation of Mrs. Bond will not create a vacancy in the Perquimans school faculty this year.

Rifle Club Dances Gain In Popularity

The dances being held by the Hertford Rifle Club every two weeks at the Community House are continuing to be popular, though the last one, on Monday night of this week, might be said to have been rained out. There were only a few couples present on this occasion, due to the heavy and continuous rain.

For some months these dances have been held every two weeks and the young people have been enjoying the unusual opportunity of dancing in Hertford, where previously few dances have been held.

The Rifle Club management announces that it is their purpose to continue the dances as long as the young people signify by their support that they wish them to continue.

Work Sheets Required To Realize Payments

It is announced from the office of L. W. Anderson, County Agent, this week, that any farmer in Perquimans who has failed to make out a work sheet for his farm or farms may do so by calling at the office, where he will be given assistance.

No obligation is incurred by making out a work sheet, but on the other hand, a farmer cannot apply for a grant and receive the benefit payments made by the government unless he has made out a work sheet.

Mrs. C. W. Morgan is spending some time at Nags Head.

Ice Skating in Texas in June



BELIEVE IT OR NOT—but there's ice skating in Texas this summer; and here's the proof of it. It's on the ice floor of the Black Forest, many-featured Midway attraction of the \$25,000,000 Texas Centennial Exposition which opened in Dallas June 6.

Back Home After 30 Years, And Finds Many Changes

After an absence from Perquimans, the place of his birth, of more than thirty years, Malachi Dail returned home this week, traveling all the way from his home in Colorado where he has lived most of the period, in a box car in which he brought his horses, eight of them, his farming equipment, and household goods.

Relatives in Perquimans hadn't heard from Mr. Dail for more than a quarter of a century. They didn't even know whether he was dead or alive. He says he wrote home once during the period he has been away, five years after he left.

Mr. Dail was a young fellow when he went away. Returning after all these years he finds many changes. It was in the days before the au-

tomobile; that is, so far as Perquimans County was concerned. There hadn't been an automobile in Perquimans thirty years ago. There wasn't a foot of paved street or road in the county, and the dust was sometimes nearly knee-deep in spots during a long, dry period such as we have recently experienced.

The Norfolk Southern trains ran regularly, however, two north bound and two south bound went through daily, and the Eagle Hotel maintained a bus service to and from the station. There was also a livery stable with horses and rigs for hire.

Mr. Dail has located temporarily on the Hollowell Felton farm, on the Burgess road. He expects to make his home now in Perquimans.

INTEREST IN BABY SHOW INCREASING

Any Baby Under Six Years of Age May Be Entered In Contest; Tom Thumb Wedding Also Planned

The baby show, which ladies of the Della Shamburger Missionary Society of the Hertford Methodist Church are sponsoring shortly, promises to be an affair of much interest, with so many attractive youngsters about.

While all of the plans for the show have not been completed as yet, there will be ballot boxes placed at various places in town, including the store of J. C. Blanchard & Co., Iilda's, Roberson's Drug Store and Walker's. Voting will begin on next Monday and will continue until July 10.

Six years old is the age limit, and any baby, no matter how young, may be an entrant.

A Tom Thumb Wedding is to be given by this same group of young women shortly after the Baby Show.

Miss Hamrick In Gates County To Complete Her Work

Miss Gladys Hamrick is spending this week and next at Gatesville, finishing up the home demonstration work begun over there during the period when she has served as agent for both Gates and Perquimans Counties.

Miss Hamrick has been appointed a full time agent for Perquimans for the ensuing year, and upon her return to Hertford on July first, will begin the new year's work, spending her entire time in this county.

An interesting and helpful program for the year has been planned.

ATTEND JUNE GERMAN

Among those of Hertford who attended the June German in Rocky Mount on Friday evening were Misses Mary Helene Newby, Elizabeth Morris, Eloise Broughton, and Messrs. Willis Jessup, Henry Clay Sullivan and James Evert Newby. Miss Annie Comer Davis, of Huntington, W. Va., who is a house guest of Mrs. Clyde McCallum, was also among those present.

Amend Regulations Regarding Diversion Of Cotton Acreage

The Administration at Washington has amended the regulations regarding the amount of diversion of maximum cotton acreage with respect to which payment will be made as follows:

"Thirty-five percent of the cotton soil-depleting base, except that if such base is 5 acres or less payment may be made for diverting all or any part of such acreage not to exceed 2 acres."

This ruling does not change the minimum requirements or other regulations pertaining to the program. There is no longer any maximum per county as was true originally. Also, a man who has only two acres may divert the entire acreage if he so desires.

ONE VETERAN IN COUNTY WILL NOT CASH HIS BONDS

Reason Is Because Will Parker Is Now Wearing Prison Stripes Instead of Khaki

Will Parker isn't going to cash his bonus bonds, not yet. He probably will keep them for some years.

Will, a forty-year-old Negro, served ten months in the front line trenches of the battle fields of France during the World War, so he was, of course, eligible for the veterans bonus, and the bonds were turned over to him on Thursday when he appeared at the Hertford postoffice by Postmaster J. E. Morris, after he had been properly identified by the guard who accompanied him. For Will is in uniform, though it is not the khaki. He wears prison stripes now.

"No, sir," he said to Postmaster Morris, "I am not going to cash them. I don't need the money."

It will probably be a long time before Will really needs his bonus money, though it is probably going to come in handy, as the saying goes, some years hence, when Will completes his term.

Will Parker has served three years of his term. He was sent up from Forsyth County for murder, and was sentenced to thirty years. But prisoners do not often serve all the years of their sentence. The sentence is reduced for good behavior. Will may enjoy that bonus money, and the accumulated interest isn't going to make matters any worse when Will finally claims his money when the prison term is over.

There are half a dozen others at the Perquimans County Prison Camp, of which Will Parker is an inmate, who received the bonus. Some of them are serving quite long terms, others not so long.

Bridge Party Honoring Visitor From Memphis

Mrs. Fenton Britt and Miss Katherine Britt were joint hostesses, at the home of the latter, on Monday evening, when they entertained at a delightfully appointed bridge party in honor of Mrs. J. H. Britt, of Memphis, Tenn., who is a house guest of Mrs. J. T. Britt.

At the conclusion of several rubbers, a dainty ice course was served. Mrs. J. H. Britt was presented with a guest prize, Miss Gussie Wood was presented with the top score prize, and Mrs. J. M. Mattheson received the prize for the next highest score.

Those playing, in addition to the honoree, were Mesdames Hudson Butler, Charles E. Johnson, Corbin Dozier, Ralph White, J. M. Mattheson, Crafton Mathews, Bill Morgan, D. M. Jackson, Willie White, William Outland, of Woodland, and Misses Gussie Wood, Mary Elizabeth Fields, Ruby Keaton, Elizabeth Dozier and Hazel Ainsley.

All Safety Deposit Boxes Now Rented

Prosperity, which rears its head here and there and is indicated in more ways than one, is showing itself in a very unusual form just now, the scarcity of safety deposit boxes.

The Hertford Banking Company has one hundred safety deposit boxes. For the first time in the history of this bank, according to R. M. Riddick, Jr., cashier, all of the boxes are rented. Moreover, there is a long waiting list of persons who have applied for boxes which may be given up. Many of these people have securities which they are anxious to protect by placing them in safety deposit boxes.

RETURN HOME

Mrs. A. B. Parker and her little son, T. A., have returned to their home at Drawry's Bluff, Va., after a visit to Mrs. Parker's mother, Mrs. H. V. Lamb.

200 PERQUIMANS DOGS SHOT SAYS LOCAL INSPECTOR

Owners Refused to Have Them Inoculated to Prevent Rabies

NO ARRESTS

About 2,000 Treated Since Beginning of Campaign

Two hundred dogs have been shot in Perquimans this spring because the owners failed to have them vaccinated for the prevention of rabies, according to A. A. Nobles, rabies inspector for the county.

Approximately 2,000 dogs have been inoculated since the beginning of the campaign on April 1.

The law providing that all dogs must be inoculated against rabies was enacted at the last session of the General Assembly and provides that the owner must pay to the rabies inspector the sum of fifty cents, to cover the work and the serum used.

The statute also provides that when the owner of the dog pays his county taxes he is given credit for the fifty cents which the inoculation cost. It follows that the treatment does not actually cost the "tax paying dog owner anything, the county losing the fifty cents on the dog tax.

However, in the event the dog owner does not pay taxes on his dog, which is said to be the case very often, he is out the fifty cents himself which he pays to the rabies inspector. It is, presumably, this class of dog owner which allowed the dogs to be shot rather than to pay for either the inoculation or the dog tax.

While the statute sets forth that, in case of the owner of a dog refusing to have the animal inoculated in accordance with the provision, there shall be a court proceeding, or a hearing, no such proceeding has been held, according to Mr. Nobles, who said that in some instances such had been begun but had been withdrawn by the dog owner agreeing to have the animal killed rather than to have to pay the court costs.

80th Birthday Of William T. Winslow Celebrated At Home

The eightieth birthday anniversary of William T. Winslow, was observed on Wednesday, when all of his children, grandchildren and one great grandchild, as well as two brothers, gathered at the home at Whiteston in honor of the occasion. A number of attractive gifts were presented to Mr. Winslow and every one expressed wishes for many more happy birthdays.

Delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

Those present included his children: DeWitt Winslow and Mrs. Winslow; Mrs. Alberta Lane and her husband, John T. Lane; Mercer Winslow and Mrs. Winslow; Arba Winslow and Mrs. Winslow; Lucius Winslow and Mrs. Winslow; Linford Winslow and Mrs. Winslow; Mrs. Bettie Lee Rountree and her husband, Jesse V. Rountree; grandchildren: Lena, Branning, Edna and Burnette Winslow; Odessa Williams and her husband, Howard; Mabel, Elsberry, Miriam, Doris Lane; Mrs. Irma Stallings and her husband, Alec Stallings; Floyd and Clarence Winslow; William Winslow, Adalia and Mary Leland Winslow; Reby, Leslie Winslow; Winslow Rountree; one great-grandchild, Howard Williams, Jr.; brothers, Allen J. Winslow and Mrs. Winslow, and Elihu Winslow. Fentress Winslow and Clara Winslow, of Bagley Swamp, were also present.

College President At Local Church Sunday

Rev. D. S. Dempsey, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, has announced that Rev. R. R. McCulloch, D. D., president of Chowan College, will preach at his church on next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Mrs. McCulloch will sing a solo during the service.

Four Children Have Tonsils Removed

Four children underwent operations for the removal of tonsils at the clinic being conducted by Dr. I. A. Ward on Tuesday of this week. They were Elvyn Chappell of Hertford, Route Three, and Reba, George and Charles Waller of Weaverville. All of the little folks are getting along nicely.