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"TOWN CRIERS" NAME OF NEWEST CIVIC ORGANIZATION FORMED IN HERTFORD

Purpose of Group Is to See That "All Is Well" In Town

OVER 50 MEMBERS

First Quarterly Meeting Will Be Held On November 5

At an executive meeting of the board of directors of Hertford's newest civic organization Monday night, the body, formed in June, was given a name, "The Town Criers."

The first quarterly meeting of the Town Criers, starting with a large group of paid-up members, 53 or more, has been called for November 5th, at the courthouse at 7:30 P. M. At the Monday night meeting of the board of directors, with Chairman S. M. Whedbee presiding, the name, "Town Criers" was suggested for the title of the civic interest league and accepted by unanimous vote.

Starting with the largest number of members ever assembled in an organization of this nature, the Town Criers include representatives of every section of the town, every business and profession. Every age is represented—from 21 and over. Not to be confused with a chamber of commerce or a city council, this newest body chose the name "The Town Criers"—a group of citizens on the alert, like the town criers of old—to see that "all's well," and if it isn't, to sound the warning.

Not included in the regulations or by-laws, drawn up by Chairman Whedbee and adopted by the directors at the Monday night meeting, are a set of blanket purposes—to see and ferret out the wrong that exists or threatens, to correct those wrongs which do exist and to prevent the ones which threaten, to see the good that is in the town and support it, to see the good that may be and to bring it to pass.

These by-laws will be presented at the November meeting of the main organization along with other plans to be submitted by the planning committee or board of directors. Every member of the Criers, regardless of his financial rating—and the membership rating runs through poor, poorer, poorest—will have his say in whatever is to be undertaken and though political complexion does exist and may vary, it is not recognized in this organization.

Serving on the board of directors are: S. M. Whedbee, chairman; A. W. Heffren, W. T. Elliott, J. G. Robinson, the Rev. E. T. Jilison, Dr. J. W. Zachary and L. W. Anderson.

Plan Beautify School Grounds At Winfall

The Parent-Teachers Association of the new Central Consolidated Grammar School at Winfall has appointed a special committee to canvass all communities represented at the new educational center to secure funds for buying shrubbery for the grounds, according to an announcement by Rupert Ainsley, principal.

It is reported that several contributions have been offered without solicitation. The Consolidated School is seeing its first year of service.

WILLIAM MARDRE, LAST CONFEDERATE VETERAN OF ALBEMARLE, DIES TUESDAY

Funeral Held For 93-Year-Old Civil War Survivor On Wednesday Afternoon; Native and Life Long Resident of Perquimans

William Mardre, Perquimans County's oldest citizen, and the last Confederate veteran in the Albemarle, died at his home on Market Street, at 2:45 Tuesday morning after a long illness. Mr. Mardre was 93 years old.

Funeral services were held at the home on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the Rev. A. A. Butler officiating. Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

The choir of the Hertford Baptist Church sang at the home "The Old Ragged Cross" and "Asleep in Jesus" and at the graveside, "Sometime We'll Understand."

Active pallbearers were: R. M. Riddick, Jr., T. H. Winslow, J. P. Perry, J. E. White, C. B. Holmes, Charles Skinner, Charles E. Johnson, and Matt Matthews.

Honorary pallbearers were: W. F. ...

Federation President Charms Audience At District Convention

Mrs. Howard Etheridge Speaks on "Education For Living"

SAME OFFICERS

Camden Club Wins Banner; Nearly 100 Per Cent Attendance

In elaboration of the motto this year of the Woman's Club, "Education for Living," Mrs. Howard Etheridge, of Asheville, president of the North Carolina Federation of Woman's Clubs, charmed her hearers at the annual meeting of the Sixteenth District, held in Hertford on Friday, when she talked on the subject of "Education for Living the More Abundant Life," touching upon all the departments of club work.

Mrs. W. W. Stinemates, of Elizabeth City, District President, presided at the session, which was held in the Hertford Methodist Church, and where representatives of ten clubs assembled, including the two clubs in Elizabeth City, the Camden Club, the Manteo Club, the Gatesville, Murfreesboro, Winton, Chowan, Moyock and Perquimans Clubs.

There was special music by the Elizabeth City delegation which was an important feature of the entertainment.

The largest representation was from the Camden Club, which turned out almost 100 per cent. Mrs. Etheridge, the State president, is a native of Camden County, the former Miss Ethel Godfrey, and the women from her home county won the banner for attendance.

After the business and entertainment program the ladies went over to the Community House, where home demonstration club members from the Belvidere and the Durants Neck Clubs had prepared luncheon. There was a general fellowship session during the luncheon hour when old friends got together, and the delicious meal prepared as only Perquimans County women know how to prepare such a meal was enjoyed.

The same officers which had served for one year, and which are elected for two-year terms, will continue in office for another year.

Funeral Thursday For Dennis Wood

Dennis Wood, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Wood, died Tuesday night at seven o'clock at the home of his parents, after an illness of several months.

Funeral services took place at the home near Hertford, on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with the Rev. A. A. Butler officiating, assisted by the Rev. D. M. Sharpe. Burial was in the family cemetery.

Besides his parents, two sisters, Mary Ruth and Minnie Wilmer Wood, both of Hertford, survive.

Varied Docket For November Term Of Superior Court

Interest Will Center About Manslaughter Charge

BEGINS MONDAY Criminal Docket Expected to Consume Two Days

When the November term of Superior Court convenes here Monday, the Honorable J. Paul Frizzelle, of Snow Hill, presiding over the mixed term of criminal and civil actions, will face a criminal docket of drunken driving cases, a manslaughter charge, two embezzlement cases, one larceny and receiving case, and a dog vaccination appeal.

Probably the greatest interest will center around the case of Benjamin Thatch, young Hertford man charged with manslaughter and reckless driving. The charges against Mr. Thatch grew out of the death of Rice Miller, Perquimans high school youth, who died as the result of injuries sustained when the Thatch and Miller cars collided on the Elizabeth City Highway on the afternoon of May 9th.

Heard first in the county court Recorder Walter H. Oakey, Jr., found grounds for probable cause in the manslaughter count and ordered the defendant held for action of the November Grand Jury.

On the reckless driving charge Mr. Thatch was found guilty by the Recorder and ordered to serve six months in jail and assigned to the roads for work. Mr. Thatch appealed through his counsel to Superior Court.

It was at first thought the criminal docket could be disposed of the first day of the term, but another appeal from Recorder's Court at the Tuesday session will lengthen the docket and probably run it on over into Tuesday when the first civil actions are calendared.

George Winslow, county Negro, tried at this week's county court, was found guilty of obtaining goods under pretense to work and drew a sixty day road sentence at the hands of Recorder Oakey. He also appealed to Superior Court.

Convicted in Recorder's Court last week of driving drunk, M. T. Gregory, Elizabeth City equipment company truck driver, appealed from a judgement which gave him sixty days on the roads. Gregory was arrested on Friday, October 15, by City Patrolman C. E. Walker, who testified in the county court hearing.

The Recorder, on October 19, found grounds for probable cause in an embezzlement hearing against Josiah Elliott, Hertford man, which dealt with Elliott's fraudulently and knowingly embezzling and converting to his own use, one cow belonging to Ellie Simmons, Perquimans County Negro. Mr. Elliott was ordered held for action of the November Grand Jury.

If the grand jury returns a true bill in the first case, Mr. Elliott will face Judge Frizzelle a second time on a charge of failing to have his dog vaccinated. After the case was first heard before Recorder Oakey, who found the defendant guilty and ordered that he pay a ten dollar fine and the costs of court, Mr. Elliott appealed.

Continued from the April Term of Superior Court is the case of T. S. McMullan, Jr., Elizabeth City man charged with embezzlement.

Mr. McMullan waived a hearing before the County Recorder, who ordered that he be held for action of the April Grand Jury and the case was continued at that term of Superior Court. The defendant is alleged to have appropriated certain items of farm equipment and a small truck from the Farm Equipment Company while he was a salesman for that company.

Leroy Nixon and J. F. McDaniel will face charges of larceny and receiving; the goods specified in the warrant as "one raft of pilings, numbering 357" and valued at twenty-four hundred dollars.

E. City Pastor At Assembly On Sunday

The Rev. L. Sigbee Miller, former pastor of the Pearl Street Assembly, Elizabeth City, will preach at the Hertford Assembly Sunday, October 31st. He will hold services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and in the evening at 7:30 o'clock. Miss Alma Howell, pastor of the Assembly, is still at Pitsala, Pa.

Bob Bates Grooms Hertford Indians For Columbia Tilt

Coach Hopes to Add Second Victory For Season

FIRST HOME GAME Johnson Detains Busses So Students Can Witness Game

By L. BLANCHARD, Jr. When the strong Potato Bug eleven from Columbia lights on the local gridiron this afternoon, it won't be a patch of defenseless potatoes they're picking on, if Coach Bob Bates is not mistaken.

"If the boys play anywhere near as well as they did in Plymouth week before last we'll trim 'em easily," said the coach Tuesday after a light session of pass defense practice and scrimmage.

"Based on the comparative scoring of Windsor, Plymouth, Columbia and Hertford, the Indians are a cinch to win," he continued. Here's how it is: Regardless of Columbia's landslide over Englehard last week, Windsor swamped Columbia 36 to 12, then Windsor and Plymouth fought it out 0-0, in turn, the Hertford Indians nosed out over Plymouth 8-6.

This is Columbia's first football season. This is the first winning season the Indians have seen in a good many years. This is Hertford's first home game, and although the Potato Bugs' previous scoring is more impressive, the locals will be playing on a familiar field. Evenly matched, I call it, with the makings of a bang-up football game—and one I don't want to miss.

Coach Bates' tentative starting lineup for today calls for Dix Dixon, Walter Bond, Galloping Mac White and Freddie Campen in the backfield. Rex Gault has been shifted from the backfield to the right tackle position, replacing Paul Tucker, who busted a leg in the Plymouth tangle.

Nixon will be at the quarterback position, Bond and White at the halves, and Campen at the fullback post. In the line will probably be Billy Arnold at left end, Percy (Toar) Byrum, left tackle, Jarvis Ward at left guard, Bill Feilds, center, David Broughton, right guard, Gault at right tackle, and Zach Harris at the right end position.

It's useless to deny that the loss of Tucker weakens the whole squad but the mishap is having a different effect from the result one would expect. Instead of taking Paul's unlucky break for a signal to disband, the boys are more determined than ever to make the whole season a successful one. A noble aim indeed—and one which, I'm sure, will gladden the heart of Tucker, the fallen warrior.

The hostilities are scheduled to take place in the high school park at 2:30 o'clock, and Superintendent F. T. Johnson has decreed that the rural buses may stay over in town for the event, which starting at 2:30 will allow them plenty of time to reach home before dark.

Judge Frizzelle To Preside Over Court

The Honorable J. Paul Frizzelle of Snow Hill, will be the judge presiding at the November Term of Perquimans Superior Court, instead of the Hon. R. Hunt Parker, as was originally scheduled.

The civil calendar, as released from the clerk of court's office, reads as follows: Tuesday, November 2, Growers Peanut Company vs T. S. White et al; Hollowell Chevrolet Company vs Joseph H. Small et al; Nettie L. Spruill vs W. E. Spruill; R. E. Chappell vs Jordan Nixon et al (for order); F. C. White vs L. P. Chappell; W. G. Bright vs Josiah Elliott; Leroy Spruill vs Thurman Madre et al; J. R. Stokes vs T. S. White et al; Minnie L. Felton et al vs E. A. Felton, Admrx. et al.

Wednesday, November 3, James E. Hendricks vs Mack L. Lupton et al; Ellsberry Whedbee vs Mack L. Lupton et al; W. Rufus Harrell vs Mack L. Lupton et al; Louise N. Harrell vs Mack L. Lupton et al; James Johnson vs J. L. Harrell et al; F. W. Hobbs et al vs Madison Trueblood.

Motions in any cause are to be heard at the pleasure of the court and cases not reached on day set will take precedence on next day's calendar.

A thief stole 35 cases containing 2,500,000 pieces of jig-saw puzzles from a freight car near Denver, Colo.

HOME-COMING WILL BE OBSERVED AT METHODIST CHURCH ON NEXT SUNDAY

Schoolmasters Club Will Meet In Hertford Next Monday Night

Session Will Be Held In Perquimans High School

GUEST NIGHT

Every Member Asked to Invite a Friend to Attend

The Schoolmasters Club, composed of the superintendents and principals of high and elementary schools of the Albemarle counties and the special charter districts of Edenton and Elizabeth City, will meet at Perquimans High School in a regular monthly session Monday, November first, at 6:30 P. M., according to an announcement by Superintendent F. T. Johnson yesterday.

Dinner for the schoolmasters will be prepared and served by members of the home economics department of the high school under the supervision of Mrs. Helen B. Harrell, head of that department.

It is guest night for the schoolmasters club and each member is expected, or at least invited, to bring a guest.

Tucker Is Improving After An Operation

Paul Tucker, high school senior who suffered a compound fracture of the left leg in a football game at Plymouth recently, is reported showing considerable improvement after undergoing an operation at the Albemarle Hospital Friday.

Paul has been a patient in the hospital since October 15, but physicians were unable to set the injured member until the swelling around the knee, above which the break was located, subsided sufficiently to allow them to operate. Barring complications Paul is expected to return to his home in about a week.

11 Old Age Assistance Applications Approved

Eleven more old age assistance applications have been approved by the county welfare board and sent to headquarters in Raleigh for final approval. The approval of these applications brings the number of persons now receiving old age benefits to a total of forty.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore Rountree, at their home near Suffolk, Va., on October 13, a daughter, Ramona Jean, weighing 9½ pounds. Mrs. Rountree was before her marriage Miss Thelma Riddick, a resident of the Pender Road community.

TRAVEL EXECUTIVES WERE DELIGHTED WITH THEIR BRIEF VISIT TO HERTFORD

Visitors Remain Half Hour Instead of Scheduled 15-Minute Stop; Unique Souvenir Presented By Charles Whedbee

Without attempting to put on any show, Perquimans County folks, with great simplicity and good taste, managed such an agreeable reception of the party of travel bureau executives, writers and others who stopped over in Hertford on Thursday that the party was thrown off their schedule for the first time during their fourteen-day trip through the State and visited here for about three-quarters of an hour instead of staying the allotted time of fifteen minutes as per schedule.

It was easy to see the visitors enjoyed their brief visit, and without hurry or bustle, so smoothly was everything arranged and so naturally did things move along, that the few highlights of history which the guests were shown a glimpse of went over big, with many of the big daily newspapers which chronicled the affair, referring to the ancient courthouse and to the old records.

That the refreshments served,

Bishop Paul Kern Will Speak at Morning Service

TO BURN NOTES

Invitation Extended to Everybody to Attend Interesting Event

Bishop Paul B. Kern will hold the morning services at the Methodist Church Sunday, and the Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, president of Louisburg College, will hold the evening services.

It is planned to hold dedication exercises of the Sunday School Building at the morning service in conjunction with home-coming day, when all members and former members and their friends are invited to be present.

The people of the county are also invited to attend this service when the cancelled notes on the building will be burned. Bishop Kern presided over the North and South Carolina Conferences.

The Methodist board of stewards and leaders of the church are requesting that the membership make special efforts to finish paying pledges for the year.

Interesting Program At Winfall P. T. A. Meeting

The Parent-Teachers Association of the Winfall Consolidated Schools met in the school auditorium Monday night. The president, Mrs. W. F. Morgan, was in charge of the meeting. Several committees were appointed and the grade mothers were named. The roll was called and the minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. C. P. Quincy, of Chapanoke.

Mr. Ainsley was in charge of the program, which included songs, recitations and string music by members of his class.

During the social hour candy was served.

The meeting was largely attended.

E. I. Warren Dies Very Suddenly In Edenton

Friends in Hertford were shocked Wednesday night shortly after 6 o'clock, when they learned of the sudden death of E. I. Warren, in Edenton, who succumbed to a heart attack in his home. Deceased had been in ill health for some time and only a few days ago returned from Norfolk, Va., where he went for treatment.

Mr. Warren was a former mayor of Edenton, and a vestryman in old St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon.

Condition Mrs. Nixon Reported Satisfactory

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