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Counties Urged Follow Up State's Advertising Drive

Over 10,000 Inquiries About State Already Received

"SHOW WINDOW"
Riddick Says Lists Very Valuable to Local Committees

The names and addresses of the 10,000 or more persons who have written for information regarding North Carolina as a result of the State's national advertising campaign, have been sent to every board of county commissioners in the State, to every Chamber of Commerce, and to other recognized agencies, where they should be on file at the present time for the use of the citizens in those counties, it was announced today by R. M. Riddick, Chairman of the Governor's Hospitality Committee in Perquimans County.

The Advertising Division of the Department of Conservation and Development keeps a record of every inquiry received and every week or ten days prepares lists containing the names and addresses of all persons who have written for information about the State, which are sent to the boards of county commissioners and other organizations in every county. These agencies in the counties, cities, and towns are asked to keep these lists on file and to make them available to any citizens or organizations that may want to use them in following up the State Advertising Campaign.

"These lists are much more valuable to the local committees than they are to the Department of Conservation and Development or to the State as a whole, since they make it possible for the local committees, either through interested individuals or organizations, to tell these people about their immediate sections," said Chairman R. M. Riddick of the Perquimans County Hospitality Committee. "For all the State can do in its advertising campaign is to tell about the State as a whole, without mentioning any particular localities. But by making use of these lists which are being sent and kept on file in every county, individuals and organizations may write to these people in other states who have already indicated an interest in North Carolina and tell them about their respective sections."

"In this way every county in the State is given a direct opportunity to publicize itself and its communities and attract new residents and home-seekers and eventually receive direct benefit from the advertising campaign. In fact, this is the only way local communities and individuals will be able to benefit directly from the State advertising campaign. For the local communities and the people in them must do the actual selling of North Carolina to those from other states who are becoming interested in coming here either as visitors or to establish homes. The State advertising campaign is merely the show window through which the State is being displayed. It is going to be up to the localities and the people living in them to do the actual selling."

The first letters sent out to the persons on these lists should be purely informational and give general information about the county and locality from which the letters are written, in the opinion of T. E. Pickard, Jr., Executive Secretary of the Governor's Hospitality Committee, and should not try to sell any property. These letters should try merely to arouse interest in that locality. If replies are received from these first letters, asking for more information about property for sale, prices of land, and so forth, this information can be given in subsequent letters, he points out.

For the past six or seven weeks the Conservation Department has been sending out the lists of those who have applied to the State's advertising campaign to attract home-seekers, especially farmers. These lists should specify of particular value to counties, cities, towns, and individuals wanting to attract new residents, Mr. Pickard believes.

Tax List Takers Remain Unchanged

No change has been made in the tax list values in Perquimans County which served last year. The county board of commissioners at its meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 1938, approved the list of values for the year 1938. The list of values for the year 1937 was \$1,000,000. The list for 1938 is \$1,000,000. The list of values for the year 1937 was \$1,000,000. The list for 1938 is \$1,000,000.

QUEER!

Of the 36 names drawn from the jury box on Monday, at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, eleven of the jurors drawn to serve at the April Term of Perquimans Superior Court live in the Town of Hertford.

Oddly enough, in the list appear the names of two pairs of brothers. Joshua T. White and J. E. White are brothers, and Charlie T. Skinner and A. L. Skinner are brothers. Five men in the list are named White, which name might be said to be the most common name in Perquimans. But the next name most frequently heard in the county, Winslow, appears only once in the list.

The names of the two clerks in the Hertford postoffice were drawn, Charlie T. Skinner and J. E. Newby. Probably the most remarkable thing about this jury list, however, is that in a community where all but a comparatively few are farmers, ten other vocations are represented. There is a grocer, a grocery clerk, a huckster, two dry goods merchants, a barber, two postoffice clerks, the Town Clerk, a mechanic, and a dairyman.

The full list follows: W. H. Cartwright, L. F. Winslow, B. C. Berry, J. E. White, Thad C. Chappell, E. N. Miller, Palen E. Lane, Raymond Beteman, T. S. White (of Cadar), John A. White, Hugh Howell, Louis Eaves, J. R. Hill, Wm. B. Jordan, G. T. Powell, W. G. Newby, James W. Pearce, Raymond Farmer, Matt Mathews, John T. Lane (of Belvidere), V. N. Darden, B. M. Miller, Joshua T. White, R. D. Creecy, Bristol Perry, J. Winford Chappell, Charlie T. Skinner, A. L. Skinner, Simon Rutenberg, W. W. Lewis, D. J. Rogers, J. Oliver White, James E. Newby, C. W. Lane, Harold Hurdle and J. V. Halsey.

Seniors Stage Play At High School On Wednesday Night

"Autograph Anne" In Three Acts Depicts College Life

The Senior play, "Autograph Anne," will be presented on Wednesday evening, March 16, at 8 o'clock, in the Perquimans County High School auditorium.

"Autograph Anne" is a most interesting three-act play concerning college life. The characters include several concealed sorority girls, important young fraternity men, a humorist, the frosh who want to learn about women, and a girl who is active in all activities, but outstanding in none and who also is deeply interested in a young assistant professor.

All girls wishing to be chosen University Girl and the boys who choose are discussing every girl on the campus. College talk, music, romance, and dancing! Mix all these up and see what you have: "Autograph Anne" in full swing. But who is Autograph Anne and why?

The characters are: Addie Ruth Morgan, Anna; Polly Tucker, Hortense; Julia Broughton, Katherine; Annie Mae Matthews, Estelle; Alice Roberson, Lucille; Mary Thad Chappell, Charlotte; Marie Anderson, Bernice; Eleanor Hunter, Peg; Mary Field, Harriet; Lila Budd Stephens, Patricia; Herbert Williams, Bill; Jarvis Ward, Biff; Frank Brown, Shorby; Zack White, Skinsy; Fred Campen, Benton; George Miller, White, Mac; George Baker, Walter; Hollis Nixon, Bob; Clyde Lane, Donald; Ray Jordan, Ed; Margaret Mayes, the maid; a messenger and two pages.

A small admission fee will be charged.

105 Shares B. & L. Stock Sold Saturday

W. H. Hardcastle, secretary of the Standard Building & Loan Association, reports that 105 shares of stock were sold on Saturday, March 11, 1938. The shares were sold at a price of about 40 more to the share than the next few days. The shares were sold to all those who had applied for them up to the time of the sale.

Perquimans Court House Be Graced By Portrait C. W. Toms

Ancient Building Was Restored and Furnished By Him

MANY GOOD DEEDS Refused Publicity to Generosity While He Lived

A portrait of the late C. W. Toms will be hung in Perquimans County's ancient courthouse, to bear a suitable inscription in acknowledgement of the generosity of this son of Hertford in restoring and furnishing the building.

The Board of County Commissioners at their regular meeting on Monday, acting upon the suggestion of Hon. James S. McNider, passed a resolution to this effect, naming on the committee to confer with the family of Mr. Toms in the matter E. M. Perry, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners; J. W. Ward, Clerk to the Board; Charles Whedbee, Attorney to the Board, and James S. McNider.

Mr. Toms, who was a native of Hertford, was at the time of his death president of the Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company, and lived in Durham and New York City. His three sisters, Mrs. C. W. Morgan, Mrs. G. E. Newby and Mrs. T. S. White, live in Hertford.

In addition to his gift to the County of the funds for reconditioning and refurbishing the beautiful old courthouse, which was done at considerable cost, Mr. Toms made many other donations to individuals and to institutions. His contributions included a very handsome pipe organ, given in memory of his deceased wife, the former Miss Mary Newby, of Hertford, to the Hertford Methodist Church. The Methodist Church at about this time was restored and re-conditioned by Mr. Toms and he made large cash contributions toward the building of a Sunday School room. Generous cash contributions were also made to the Baptist Church and to the Episcopal Church in Hertford, and all of the churches of the colored race received contributions from this public-spirited native of Perquimans. The Perquimans High School library, probably the finest in the Albemarle, was a gift of Mr. Toms.

All of Mr. Toms' gifts were made with the distinct understanding that no publicity be given the matter and as nearly as possible the gifts were made anonymously. Only at his death, in September, 1936, did press representatives have permission to publish the facts.

In making his suggestion to the Board of Commissioners, Mr. McNider called attention to the fact that the courthouse in Hertford is one that would be a credit to any county in the State, and that nothing had been done to publicly acknowledge the generosity of Mr. Toms, who was responsible for it.

The Board of Commissioners also ordered that two flags, an American flag and the State flag, be procured and suitably draped above the judge's stand in the courthouse.

Holmes Successful In Supreme Court

Attorney C. R. Holmes, representing J. R. Stokes in the trial of the civil action of Felton and others against J. R. Stokes and others, tried at the November Term of Perquimans Superior Court, won his appeal to the Supreme Court of North Carolina, the judgment rendered being reversed by the Supreme Court.

The case, which involved certain transactions between Easley A. Felton, administratrix, and J. R. Stokes, specifically the purchase of a note by Mr. Stokes from the administratrix, did not go to the jury, the plaintiffs' motion for judgment on the pleadings being allowed.

Representing the plaintiffs were Hon. H. S. Ward, of Washington, N. C., and Peter Bell, Negro attorney of Plymouth.

Judge Thompson To Conduct Next Court

The many friends of Hon. C. Everett Thompson, of Elizabeth City, newly appointed Judge of the First District, are looking forward with pleasure to Judge Thompson's first court in Perquimans. He is scheduled to preside at the April Term of Perquimans Superior Court, which commences on April 12.

Perquimans County Farmers Appear To Favor Agricultural Adjustment Act; 400 At School To Hear Plan Discussed

SATURDAY'S POLLING PLACES

Polling places and poll holders for the cotton referendum to be held on Saturday are announced by County Agent L. W. Anderson as follows:

NICANOR—At R. M. Baker's Store. Poll holders, John T. Lane, H. L. Williams and Wallace Baker.

BELVIDERE—At T. C. Perry's Store. Poll holders, C. V. Ward, J. M. Copeland and G. W. Nowell.

BETHEL—At J. C. Hobbs' Store. Poll holders, Chas. E. White, E. Y. Berry and R. F. Standin.

HERTFORD—At the Court House. Poll holders, B. W. Thach, Beth W. Long and C. W. Reed.

NEW HOPE—At Durants Neck School House. Poll holders, S. D. Banks, W. W. Spencer and C. E. Sutton.

PARKVILLE—At J. H. Baker's Store in Winfall. Poll holders, Irvin Njxon, T. E. Morgan and J. A. Bray.

The polls will open at 8 o'clock in the morning and will close at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Any landlord, tenant or share cropper who produced cotton in 1937 is eligible to vote.

The purpose of the cotton referendum is to get the sentiment of the cotton growers of the nation, and not merely to have those who are in favor of crop control vote. All growers, therefore, whether they favor the measure, or not, are urged to cast their ballot.

Well Informed Speakers At Winfall Monday Night

VOTE SATURDAY

L. W. Anderson Has Heard No Dissenting Statement

Responding to a call made by County Agent L. W. Anderson, four hundred Perquimans County farmers gathered Monday night in the auditorium of the Central Grammar School at Winfall to hear discussed the matter of the two-crop referenda to be held on Saturday.

After listening appreciatively to M. L. Barnes, District Field Agent, of Raleigh, who briefly and concisely stated the objectives of the farm program and outlined certain features of the Agricultural Adjustment Act; and B. Troy Ferguson, District Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture, also of Raleigh, who gave in a few words the history of happenings in connection with the crop control program, beginning with conditions as they existed in 1932, Heywood Dail, of Greenville, made an address which kept his audience convulsed with laughter half the time and brought forth round after round of applause as he spoke, in terms familiar to every farmer present, on the opportunity of the farmer to vote one time for himself.

"It will be the first time you ever voted when some politician didn't put his arm around your shoulder and say 'vote for me,'" he said. "This time you can vote for yourself."

B. B. Suggs, of Greenville, who followed Mr. Dail on the program, stressed the necessity of control in agriculture as in every other phase of life.

Mr. Anderson, who presided, recognized J. W. Ward, president, M. H. Stallings, vice president, and Jake White, secretary-treasurer, of the American Farm Bureau organization in Perquimans, at the close of the program.

There is a strong sentiment among Perquimans farmers in favor of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. County Agent Anderson states that he has not heard one dissenting statement from a farmer in connection with the Act and that every man he has talked with about it has stated that he expected to vote for it.

Perquimans Oil Men Meet Tuesday

"Misuse of Highway Tax Funds" Topic to Be Discussed

Wholesale and retail oil dealers and their employees of Perquimans County are meeting at 12:30 P. M., Tuesday, March 15, at the Hertford Hotel, according to J. E. Winslow, Chairman of the Perquimans County Petroleum Industries Committee.

Chairman Winslow stated: "The misuse of highway tax funds in this State will be discussed at the meeting."

Of the 25c in taxes that the State receives from every dollar taken in for gasoline by service station operators, approximately 3 per cent is being diverted to non-highway purposes. This, according to Chairman Winslow, is actually a diversion tax equivalent to 3 per cent of the gross receipts of gasoline sales and is greater than the net profits after wages, overhead and other costs are met.

125 Masons Attend District Meeting

Banquet Served Later By Eastern Star Members

The First Masonic District held their District meeting with Perquimans Lodge No. 106, A. F. & A. M., on Tuesday night. This District is composed of the Masonic Lodges north of the Albemarle Sound. Preparations had been made for this meeting and Perquimans Lodge fully measured up to the expectations of all the visiting Masons in the way and manner in which they were entertained.

The regular business meeting was conducted as usual. Then the District Deputy Grand Master Roscoe Wynn, of Elizabeth City, took charge for a brief business session. The Lodge then adjourned to go to the Woman's Club, where the ladies of the Eastern Star of Hertford, had prepared a sumptuous supper of delicious turkey and Perquimans County old ham, and all the accessories that go along with such a supper to make it a success. Blessing was asked by Rev. J. M. Jolliff, of Gatesville. Address of welcome was made by G. W. Jackson, master of Perquimans Lodge, and the response was made by C. M. Griggs, of Elizabeth City. The main address was delivered by Dr. J. L. Carrick, president of Chowan College, whose subject was "Masonic History and Its Application to Our Daily Lives." Benediction was pronounced by G. C. Buck, secretary of Perquimans Lodge. J. G. Roberson, who is Junior Warden of Perquimans Lodge, served as Master of Ceremonies. Mrs. Charles (Continued on Page Four)

Rotary Anne Night Set For April 26th

April 26 is the date set for "Rotary Anne Night" in Hertford. The date was decided upon at the regular meeting of the Hertford Rotary Club on Tuesday night.

There will be a special program for "Rotary Anne Night," which is an annual affair when the Rotarians invite their wives.

Unusual? It's Phenomenal!

Unusual: In Highland Park a parking lot is to be razed to make room for a building.—Detroit News.

COTTON GROWERS!

Ugla Sam wants to know whether or not you favor control of cotton acreage in 1938. You are urged to vote in the referendum on Saturday, regardless of whether you favor or oppose crop control for 1938.

L. W. ANDERSON, County Agent.

Meeting On Friday To Discuss Plans For Better Homes Week

Leaders In County Have Been Invited to Attend

MEET AT 8:30

Suggestions Sought to Make Observance a Success

A meeting has been called by Miss Gladys Hamrick, County Chairman of Better Homes in America, and Mrs. J. G. Roberson, president of the Hertford Woman's Club, to which has been invited county and town officials, heads of organizations, business men and women, and various others, the purpose of which meeting is to devise plans for the observance of National Better Homes Week, which is to be observed in Perquimans, as elsewhere as "Clean-Up Week," as well.

The meeting will be held on Friday night of this week at 8:30 o'clock, in the auditorium of the Agriculture Building.

Mrs. Roberson and Miss Hamrick are inviting suggestions as to the observance of this week, and it is their purpose to make the observance county-wide, the cooperation of every citizen of the county being solicited.

Senior Class Attends Classmate's Funeral

The Senior Class of Perquimans High School attended in a body the funeral of their class mate, Clarissa Winslow, held at the Up River Friends Church at Whiteston on Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. Bertha Smith White and Mrs. Elizabeth White officiating, assisted by the Rev. John C. Trivette, and girls of the class served as flower girls. The Rev. J. M. Jolliff, of Gatesville, a brother of the grandmother of Clarissa, conducted the service at the grave.

"Sometime We'll Understand" was sung by the young girl's Sunday School Class. L. W. Anderson sang "Crossing the Bar." There was also a duet by Winnie Winslow and Mabel Lane.

The pallbearers were eight young cousins: William Winslow, Jasper Winslow, Fentress Winslow, Eugene Winslow, Leslie Winslow, Clifton White, Johnnie White and Harold Lassiter.

Among those attending the funeral from a distance were: Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell McCain and Knox McCain, of Warsaw; Mr. and Mrs. Worth Winslow, of Norfolk, Va.; Eugene White and his daughter, Mary Ellen, of Northwest, Va.

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EASTERN STAR MEETS MONDAY

A special business meeting of the Order of Eastern Star is called for Monday night at 7 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.