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## Systematic Harvesting Of Firewood In Perquimans Is Urged By County Agent

L. W. Anderson Says Method Will Greatly Improve Forests

### GOOD BUSINESS

#### Plan Under Way For Demonstrations In Timber Thinning

Farmers can defy the old adage, "You can't eat your cake and keep it too," says L. W. Anderson, County Farm Agent. "No, Sir, that does not apply to the farm timber crop when we use common sense in cutting the annual supply of firewood. Every good farmer is interested in keeping every acre of his land at work producing an income and at the same time supplying the needs of the farm. Quite a few farmers are finding it good business to help their woodland grow a better and bigger crop of commercial timber by practicing timber stand improvement through a systematic thinning of their timber.

"Using this method the farmer can make his firewood cutting serve as a 'two-edged sword.' He gets his needed fuel to heat the home, cook the meals, cure tobacco and at the same time improve the growing condition for his timber crop by taking out the crowded, crippled, diseased, or otherwise defective trees. He thus reduces competition for both roots and crown of the choicer trees, giving each tree an opportunity to develop a smooth, straight stem or trunk and grow fast enough to pay good profit for use of the land. Folks, it's just a 'common sense' way of doing the job—just like thinning and weeding your corn or chopping your cotton.

"The firewood needs on the farms of Perquimans County can be taken from our farm woodlands through these thinning and the cutting of otherwise worthless trees without the necessity of clearing more land to become idle and non-productive.

"If you will walk through your woodland you will see acre after acre where trees are too thick for growth. By cutting out the crowded, diseased, and crippled trees these areas will yield 5 to 10 and even as much as 15 cords of good firewood and leave a full stand of 200 to 600 choice trees per acre, according to age and size of timber. On other acres previously cut over, you will find many trees of a quality too poor for timber at time of logging and under these a good stand of reproduction fighting for ground space below and sunlight above. Cutting these cull trees now will serve the double purpose of furnishing firewood and releasing the young trees for a future timber crop.

"The winter season is wood cutting time. Why not do the job systematically? We are now planning for a number of Timber Thinning demonstrations in Perquimans County. Would you like to have one of these demonstrations on your farm or in your community? Let us have your request early."

#### Prizes Announced For B. & L. Slogan Contest

The building, savings and loan associations of North Carolina are using newspapers as the advertising medium for announcing and advertising the Slogan Contest, which the associations will run from November 7th through November 30th.

Two hundred dollars in prizes will be awarded, consisting of \$100, first prize; and 20 prizes of \$5 each, for a slogan of not more than 12 words suitable for use by the building, savings and loan associations. The North Carolina Building and Loan League at Raleigh is working out the details of the contest which will be open only to residents of North Carolina.

All of the building, savings and loan associations in the state are cooperating in this state wide contest and will have entry blanks available at the office of the associations.

#### 833 Bales Cotton Ginned In County

Census reports, according to Willie M. Harrell, special agent, show that 833 bales of cotton were ginned in Perquimans County from the crop of 1938 prior to October 18, as compared with 2,219 bales for the crop of 1937.

## Morris Resigns

J. E. Morris resigned his position as postmaster at the Hertford post office on Wednesday. Mr. Morris has accepted another position which he does not divulge. However, he will remain in Hertford until the first of the year. An acting postmaster has already been appointed, but the representative of The Weekly could not learn his name. Just when Mr. Morris' resignation is effective was not known Thursday.

## Schoolmasters Meet Monday At Perquimans High

### Very Timely Questions Discussed By Field Representative

#### FINE DINNER

### Every County In District Represented at Meeting

The Albemarle Schoolmasters met Monday night at Perquimans High School to hear Mrs. Everett, field representative of N. C. E. A., speak briefly on the school program, present and future, and to partake of a delicious dinner prepared and served by members of the Home Economics Department of the high school.

Mrs. Everett discussed the twelfth grade, or fifth high school year, about which much is being said in educational circles. She also mentioned the nine month year and retirement for teachers.

Mrs. I. A. Ward, district chairwoman of the Parent-Teachers Association, made a short talk, extending greetings to the visitors.

On the program were two solos by Miss Katherine Jessup, and readings by Miss Elizabeth Knowles. Mrs. G. W. Barbee, member of the high school faculty, gave a test on the Carl Georch style, "How well do you know your state?"

The whole district was represented at the meeting: Chowan, Gates, Pasquotank, Camden, Currituck and Dare, and Elizabeth City and Edenton, special charter members.

## N. C. Educational Group Meeting In Greenville Today

### One Session of School to Allow Teachers to Attend

According to F. T. Johnson, county superintendent of public schools, the district meeting of the North Carolina Educational Association will be held in Greenville on Friday (today) at three o'clock. One session will be the school program for the day, so that teachers may attend the meetings, classes ending at the noon recess.

## Mrs. White Begins Class In Shorthand

Mrs. Mattie Lister White, Superior Court stenographer and former editor of The Perquimans Weekly, will conduct classes in shorthand beginning next week.

The classes will be held at her home on Church Street on Tuesday and Friday nights, probably in two-hour sessions. Several young people have already applied for the shorthand course, many of them having requested Mrs. White's instructive services.

Her Superior Court work, a tedious activity which requires speed and precision, more than qualifies her to instruct.

## Ballots Indorse Four Year Terms; Pitt - Sheriff Lead

### Department of Justice Also Wins Favor In County Vote

#### NICANOR BUCKS

### Townships Cast Small Vote In Uneventful Election

Alternating moments of sunshine and shower greeted the voters who waited until after lunch Tuesday to cast their ballots in an uninteresting general election, and though several candidates worked very hard to get out a big vote, the ballots cast in Perquimans County totaled less than 400, with 303 favoring the four year term for sheriffs and coroners and 85 voting against the amendment.

Judge C. Everett Thompson polled the largest number of votes on the State ticket with 369 to his credit. The highest Republican vote went to Charles A. Jones, Republican candidate for U. S. Senator.

Sheriff J. Emmett Winslow and Clerk of Court Howard Pitt drew the highest number of votes in the election, 392 and 396, respectively.

Jacob L. White, county treasurer, gathered 390 votes; Granbery Tucker, county recorder, 388 votes; Dr. C. A. Davenport, coroner, 386 votes; J. T. Benton, representative, 385 votes; Charles E. Johnson, recorder's court prosecuting attorney, collected 382 votes. There were no Republicans on the county ticket, and no Republican names were "written in."

Chester Morris gathered 388 votes for solicitor of the district, and members of the board of County Commissioners on the ballot were: Archie T. Lane, 385; J. C. Baker, 385; E. M. Perry, 371; J. O. White, Jr., 386; and Roy S. Chappell, 375.

Voting for the county board of education ran as follows: Carroll V. Ward, 380; J. H. Baker, 380; S. M. Long, 371; T. S. White, 371, and W. E. Dail, 370.

The little Nicanor Township drew the most attention, trying to defeat both the amendments with a six to one vote against the four-year term for sheriffs and coroners, and six to nothing against a state department of justice.

In the county State Senators W. I. Halstead and J. J. Hughes collected 382 and 366 votes respectively. Lindsay C. Warren, representative of the first congressional district, polled 368. Senator R. R. Reynolds was given 363 votes.

A total of 58 voted against the department of justice amendment while 236 voted for its adoption.

## NO MORE WARS

Twenty years ago today, at eleven o'clock, the nations of the world, sickened of war after the greatest conflict man has ever known, called a halt to the senseless slaughter and came to terms in a pact to outlaw war forever . . . and the world rejoiced.

On the eleventh of November, twenty years ago, no man or woman, hysterically celebrating the signing of the Armistice, expected to live to see another major conflict, or even expected their children to witness and become involved in the nightmare of another world catastrophe.

It taxed the brain of all mankind on that day to believe that any nation could possibly forget the utter uselessness and futility of the last massacre.

The world was sickened of the sight of blood, the smell of gun powder and poison gas still polluted the air while church bells, sirens and whistles, in Hertford and elsewhere, blended in an uproar of sound determined to drive out the last lingering thunder of guns and rumble of war machinery.

No more war! The wounds of those maimed overseas were still unhealed.

No more wars! Heart-broken mothers murmured the words even as they realized that the laughing son who fought gallantly against another gallant son, would never return.

No more war! There were fields to till, wheels to turn, other work to be done. Reconstruction!

No more war! For those who still lived, the horror was too great to even talk about.

No more war! The eight million who paid our debt to the Gods of War surely had not died in vain.

## \$18,620 In Cotton Checks Arrive For County's Farmers

### Part of Payment For 1937 Price Adjustment Payments

#### 645 CHECKS

### More Coming to Farmers For Compliance With Program

Of an expected total of approximately \$40,000 in cotton price adjustment payments for last year's crop, checks amounting to \$18,620.83 have been received in the office of L. W. Anderson, county farm agent. This amount marks the settlement of 362 applications in 645 checks. Applications were made in the county for cotton price adjustment payments on 776 farms. There will, of course, be another cotton price adjustment program next year and more checks on this year's crop then.

Another batch of checks, scheduled to find their way into the pockets of Perquimans farmers in the near future is in the form of recompense for compliance with the terms of the 1938 soil conservation program.

## Group Selected To Serve County For Year 1939

### County Committeemen Elected at Various Meetings

The Perquimans County Agricultural Conservation Association in five simultaneous meetings last week elected their community committeemen and then elected the county committee to serve for the year 1939.

In Belvidere, John T. Lane, J. M. Copeland and H. L. Williams were elected. In Bethel, C. E. White, E. Y. Berry and J. C. Hobbs. In Hertford Township, E. L. Reed, Seth W. Long and J. T. White. In New Hope, S. D. Banks, J. B. Webb and E. A. Goodman. And in Parkville, E. D. Matthews, J. A. Bray and C. B. White.

To the county conservation committee, were elected Dr. E. S. White, chairman, C. W. Umphlett, vice chairman, J. M. Fleetwood, regular member, T. E. Morgan, first alternate, and B. W. Thatch, second alternate. Mrs. E. N. Hardcastle is treasurer.

## Armistice Day Celebration Will Take Place In Hertford Today Beginning At 10:45

### Door—And Bar

A date for an election on the county liquor store question has not been set. It is not definitely settled that an election will be held, but Mrs. R. T. Clarke, vigorous opponent of liquor stores in any type, asks that "this fearless indictment of the old saloon bar by an unknown author which is equally just of the new type" be published in The Perquimans Weekly:

"A bar to Heaven, a door to Hell—Whoever named it named it well! A bar to manliness and wealth. A door to want and broken health. A bar to honor, pride and fame. A door to sin, and grief and shame. A bar to hope, a bar to prayer. A door to darkness and despair. A bar to honored, useful life. A door to senseless, brawling strife. A bar to all that's true and brave. A door to every drunkard's grave. A bar to joys that home imparts. A door to tears and breaking hearts.

A bar to Heaven, a door to Hell—Whoever named it named it well."

## Jury Finds Negro Guilty Of Assault

### Luther Hawkins Sentenced For Cutting White Man

A six man jury Tuesday in Recorder's Court found Luther Hawkins, Negro, guilty of assaulting J. W. Phelps, county white man, with a knife. The jury deliberated approximately ten minutes before bringing in its findings.

Judge Granbery Tucker suspended judgment upon Hawkins' payment of the costs of court, upon payment of doctor's fees for services to Phelps, who bled so from a cut head artery that he fainted from loss of blood, and upon the condition that he does not visit Phelps' premises during the next two years.

Clyde W. Gray, Army enlisted man, pleaded guilty to a charge of driving drunk, and was placed upon probation for two years, ordered to pay a \$50 fine and costs of court, ordered to pay the damages for another car with which his collided, and ordered to give up his driving permit for six months.

Another charge, hit and run, resulting from the accident, was charged against Gray, but the State took a nol prosee with leave on that count.

## Many Local Women At Parent Teachers Meeting In E. City

Among those attending the Ninth District meeting of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers held in Elizabeth City Wednesday were: Mrs. I. A. Ward, district director, Mrs. F. T. Johnson, Mrs. J. R. Futrell, Mrs. Reginald Tucker, Mrs. L. C. Winslow, Mrs. L. N. Hollowell, Mrs. J. W. Zachary, Mrs. H. T. Broughton, Mrs. V. N. Darden, Mrs. Irvin White, Mrs. Charles Skinner, and Mrs. Wallace Umphlett.

## Boy Breaks Leg In Fall From See-Saw

Playing on a see-saw at the Central Grammar School during the noon recess Monday, Tommy Willey, 10-year-old Woodville student, fell and broke his right leg below the knee.

He was treated at the Hertford Clinic and is now resting comfortably at the home of his parents at Woodville.

## Meeting Of Home And Garden Club Changed

The meeting of the Home and Garden Club, announced in the schedule of home demonstration club meetings for November 11, has been postponed so as not to fall on Armistice Day. Miss Gladys Hamrick, demonstration agent, announces that the meeting will be held instead on November 15, at the home of Mrs. G. R. Tucker.

## Decision Follows Stirring Letter By Mattie Saunders

#### PARADE

### Peace Address Delivered By Attorney C. R. Holmes

Such was the hearty response to the appeal to work for World Peace in Mattie Saunders' letter to The Perquimans Weekly last week, that today (Friday) plans have been laid for an Armistice Day celebration, beginning with an automobile parade through Hertford, displaying Peace banners at 10:45, and ending tonight when the members of the Woman's Club entertain their husbands at the annual get-together, which this year takes place on Armistice Day.

The parade, according to Miss Saunders, who was in Hertford Wednesday, will start from the city parking lot on Front Street at 10:45. The parade will end at the courthouse where a peace address will be made by C. R. Holmes, local attorney at 11 o'clock. From that point the plans call for the organization of a local branch of the Woman's International League for Peace and Freedom, which also includes men among its members.

Everyone is invited to attend, and as many as can are urged by the enthusiastic Miss Saunders to add their cars to the parade to help make the celebration a success.

The branch of the Peace League is being organized in order to give all in this section who are interested in World Peace a chance to work effectively by cooperating with others who are working to bring about good will among the nations and to help in passing such laws as will help to prevent wars.

Numbers of people have already offered their names to help in starting the Peace organization, and many have promised the use of their cars in the parade. Miss Saunders realizes that these are busy times, especially for the farmers, "but," she says, "few worthy causes are put through without sacrifice and so we beg you to think deeply about this, and we earnestly hope many will be willing to make the sacrifice."

"With the world in turmoil," says Miss Saunders, "wars in progress in Spain and in the Far East, war clouds hanging over other parts of the world and billions being spent in preparation for more wars, now is the time, if ever, to make every effort to bring about World Peace."

All meetings in the interest of Peace are recorded with World Peacemakers an International organization with which other peace agencies are affiliated, so the Woman's Club meeting at the Club House tonight, where the members entertain their husbands, is also being held in the name of Peace in order to add another meeting to the national grand total.

## Red Cross Roll Call Gets Underway For Quota November 14

The annual Red Cross Roll Call of the local chapter is scheduled to begin Monday, November 14th, according to Chairman S. M. Whedbee, but no further details of the drive or its preliminaries could be determined when this paper went to press.

#### HUSTLERS CLUB ORGANIZED

The Hustlers Club, composed of members of the seventh grade of New Hope school, held its first meeting on Wednesday, November 2nd. The following officers were elected: President, Carroll Perry; vice president, Evelyn Colson; secretary, Lloyd Turner; treasurer, Virgie Morse. On the program committee were appointed Sadie Smith, Etta Mae Wilson, Blanche Russell. Resolution committee, Matt Spivey, Jr., captain; Ray Perry, Ashton Colson, Virginia Turner, Helen Wilson, Dorothy Mae Ivey and Leroy Lamb. After the election of officers, plans for work for the school year were discussed.

#### Returns to Portsmouth

Mrs. R. B. Albertson has returned to her home in Portsmouth, Va., after spending a few days here with her mother, Mrs. W. G. Gaither.