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Peanut Growers To Get Together On Legislation Talk

Big Meeting and Barbecue Dinner on Tap For Early Date

ARNOLD SPEAKS

Several Farm Bureau Members Attend Conference With Arnold In Jackson

A series of three meetings, one at New Hope, Winfall and Belvidere will be held before a general mass meeting and barbecue for farmers in the county is called in Hertford at the High School within the next few weeks.

The Farm Bureau is at the bottom of it, and T. S. White, Will Dail, A. T. Lane, J. W. Ward and Irvin Nixon are in charge of the big meeting to be held in Hertford.

According to Mr. Nixon, secretary of the Perquimans County Farm Bureau, these meetings and the finale in Hertford, are for the purpose of getting the county's farmers together and giving them a chance to organize and lay plans before certain bills are passed by Congress.

Plans were made for the series at a meeting of the Farm Bureau in the Agricultural Building last Friday night when E. F. Arnold, executive secretary of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, was the featured speaker.

Mr. Arnold talked mainly on the necessity for organization among farmers, he urged an organization large enough and strong enough to make Congress listen. He elaborated on the two different types of legislation now pending in regard to the price of peanuts and control of acreage.

He pointed out how important it is to the farmer in this peanut growing section, and how much it will mean to them in dollars and cents if the farmers will hurry in the matter of organization and put pressure on Congress in order to make the legislation favorable to the peanut grower.

Figuring peanuts at two cents a pound with no control, and peanuts at four cents a pound with control, it was pointed out that the difference in price of two or three bags of peanuts would buy membership in the organization that is backing up the legislation.

Dates for the meetings have not been announced, but Mr. Nixon will make them public as soon as the proper moves are determined.

Mr. Nixon, T. S. White, Tim Brinn and A. T. Lane yesterday (Thursday) attended a conference in Jackson with Mr. Arnold who spent last week in Washington working on the peanut situation.

"I think the time has come," he said, "for the leaders in the peanut belt to get together and plan their spring organization campaign and determine the kind of legislation they will support."

"The situation confronting the peanut growers," he went on, "is very serious and unless we can do something to meet the price situation this Fall, it looks like two cents per pound for peanuts."

Mr. Nixon, in commenting on the meeting to be held later in Hertford, said that T. S. White, E. D. Mathews, Claude Williams, N. H. Stallings and J. W. Ward will furnish the pigs for the barbecue dinner to be given in connection with the meeting.

"Out-Of-School" Youth Classes Are Holding Interest

Classes for "out-of-school" youth which are being conducted each Wednesday night at the Perquimans County High School, and each Friday night at the Belvidere Community House, are increasing with each meeting in both interest and attendance.

The programs are based on the needs and problems of the out-of-school boys and girls, and are informational, inspirational and recreational.

All out-of-school boys and girls are invited to come in and attend at least one of these classes. They are conducted and directed by the departments of Vocational and Agriculture and Home Economics of the Perquimans County High School.

Jury Drawn For April Term Superior Court

Those whose names appear below will be summoned for jury duty when the April term of Perquimans County Superior Court convenes next month. The names were drawn Monday at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners:

G. C. Buck, Jones Perry, D. G. Newby, W. S. Butler, Fenton Harrell, Joseph F. Chappell, W. H. Hardcastle, W. P. Davis, Job Stallings, Wilson Reed, E. D. Mathews, A. F. Proctor, Lloyd White, C. C. Chappell, C. E. Cannon, J. W. Jackson, Jr., E. Y. Kirby, W. I. Winslow, J. S. Lane, T. P. Brinn, Julian C. Howell, Wayland Howell, E. M. Perry, J. R. Webb, Alec Stallings, C. A. Perry, Willie H. Lamb, W. L. Sawyer, Robert Robbins, C. B. Goodman, W. E. Mathews, J. E. Perry, N. J. Smith, W. H. of L. B. Winslow, Joseph R. Elliott and J. K. Miller.

To Circulate Five Thousand Books Cost Library \$13.85

WPA Bookmobile Covered 1,600 Miles; Library Board Planning To Buy More Books

To circulate more than 5,000 books throughout the county for two months and over more than 1,600 miles, the county library board itself was put to the expense of only \$13.85, according to a statement from Miss Mae Wood Winslow.

The method of circulation was by way of the WPA Bookmobile working in cooperation with the State Library Commission. The traveling bookmobile will be brought back to the county again, according to Granberry Tucker, member of the library board. "We are gratified with the response and with the number of requests for books," he said.

Plans are being made now to buy more books when the county takes over the remaining half of its appropriation to the library board. Three hundred dollars is the amount still due from the county treasury.

A number of books from the free Pratt Library in Baltimore were received recently, which brings the total number from that source to about 1,500 volumes.

Mr. Tucker requests that people in the county interested in securing distribution from the local library should contact either Miss Winslow, Mrs. Brooks Whedbee, librarian, at himself, for the purpose of setting out distribution points.

All that is required of the distribution center, Mr. Tucker said, is someone to keep track of the lending cards and to provide shelves on which to keep the books.

Entrance Date In Home Yard Beautification Contest Extended

Entrance date for the Home and Garden Club's Beautification for West Hertford has been extended until Wednesday, March 13th, according to Miss Frances Maness, county demonstration agent.

Homes and yards entered in the contest will be judged the first time on the morning of March 14th, and the contest will continue until the final judging on September 1st. Cash awards will be made for the first and second prizes. The prizes will be awarded on Achievement Day in the fall.

Bill Boyce Injured In Highway Accident

Bill Boyce, automobile mechanic at Winslow-White Motor Company, was injured in an automobile accident on the new Sound bridge road early Sunday afternoon when his car left the road and overturned in the swamp half a mile from U. S. 17.

Mr. Boyce, it is reported, suffered among other injuries, a broken collar bone and a broken arm. Shelton Bagley, a passenger in the car, was less seriously injured. Mr. Boyce is confined to his home.

The car, a 1937 Ford sedan, was badly damaged.

PEACE LEAGUE TO MEET

The Woman's International League for Peace and Freedom will meet in the Agricultural Building on Friday, March 15th.

Claude Dail Found Not Guilty Liquor Possession Charge

Resisting Arrest Count Is Non-suited; Trial Resulted In Number Amusing Episodes

Next time they'll bring the evidence; or the remnants of the evidence at any rate.

Sergeant G. I. Dail "didn't think it was necessary."

Everybody was in a gay mood. Defense Attorney J. S. McNider had more fun than anybody else. He dubbed Patrolman Jack Gaskill "Little Jack", and stuck the name with him throughout the trial which started around ten o'clock and ended a few minutes after four.

The case was against Claude Dail of the Bear Swamp section.

The charges were possession of non-tax paid liquor and resisting arrest.

The verdict was not guilty on the possession count, and the resisting charge was non-suited.

Gaskill, "Little Jack," who weighs around two hundred pounds, was in a joyful mood; so was Sergeant Dail. Prosecutor Charles Johnson, and above all, Attorney McNider.

The only parties involved who weren't entirely carried away with merriment at one time or another, were the defendant, Claude Dail, and Recorder J. Granberry Tucker.

Dail, the defendant, is on probation, and a conviction on any count would have been serious as far as he was concerned. But Judge Tucker wasn't convinced "beyond a reasonable doubt," and Dail was found not guilty.

The case was continued from the last session of county court, and Tuesday, when it came to trial, testimony brought out that the case had its origin when Dail and Gaskill accompanied Deputy Sheriff M. G. Owens on an errand of arresting Johnny Elliott, who was wanted on another and entirely separate item.

Elliott was at Dail's home when the officers arrived. He ran, and Owens and Gaskill gave chase on foot.

"They caught him. But while they were gone, Sergeant Dail saw Claude Dail take a bottle from his car and break it on a wagon wheel.

He arrested Dail for possession of non-taxpaid liquor; then in Recorder's Court Tuesday testifying that (Continued On Page Four)

Aunt Jerushy Will Go On Warpath Some Time Later

The opening date of the stage comedy "Aunt Jerushy on the Warpath," has been delayed indefinitely, according to Mrs. B. G. Koonce, director.

Aunt Jerushy was to have been presented in the Grammar School auditorium in an effort to boost the financial part Perquimans County played in the annual drive for the Warm Springs Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and the Celebration of the President's Birthday.

The play will be given at a date to be announced later. Mrs. Koonce says there is so much outside activity at present that the cast cannot be gotten together for adequate rehearsals.

Benjamin Jordan Dies At Home In Bagley Swamp Section

Funeral services for Benjamin F. Jordan, 70, who died Saturday morning, were held at the home in the Bagley Swamp community Sunday afternoon, the Rev. J. T. Byrum, pastor of Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, officiating. Mr. Jordan was a member of Mt. Sinai Church. Burial was made in the family burying ground in Chowan County.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Maggie Jordan; five daughters, Mrs. Otheus Boyce, of Hertford, Mrs. Melvina Saviger, of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. Ella Marie Winslow, of Belvidere, Mrs. Margaret Winslow and Miss Anna Jordan, of Bagley Swamp; three sons, Alvin Jordan, of Hertford, Mathew Jordan, of Newport News, Va., and Otha Jordan, of Suffolk, Va.; and two brothers, N. E. Jordan, of Ryland, and George Jordan, of Baltimore, Md.

Mr. Jordan had suffered a paralytic stroke last Tuesday.

Home Agent Here



FRANCES MANESS

Already at work with the farm women of Perquimans County is Miss Frances Maness (above), who was appointed to succeed Miss Gladys Hamrick as county home demonstration agent. The State College Extension Service transferred Miss Hamrick to Stanly County. Miss Maness is a native of Troy and is a graduate of East Carolina Teachers College. For the past two years she has been home economics teacher in the Merry Hill school in Bertie County.

To Celebrate Its Anniversary With Wide Open House

Everybody Invited to Old-fashioned Breakdown In Woodmen's Hall on March 14th

The Woodmen of the World are holding open house at the lodge headquarters in the WOW hall above the store of Morgan Walker on the evening of March 14th.

It's an "old-fashioned breakdown," according to A. A. Nobles, field representative of WOW. "It's a free-for-all with refreshments, dancing, fighting or what have you."

Everyone is invited to help the Albemarle Camp Number 463 celebrate its fifteenth anniversary. "You can't make the invitation too strong," Mr. Nobles told the Perquimans Weekly reporter Tuesday. "Invite everybody and tell them there are refreshments, enough for all. This is our Fifteenth Anniversary... an occasion for celebrating... and we intend to celebrate it."

"There will be music—old-fashioned music of every description—and those who don't like to listen or dance, can fight among themselves."

The WOW meets in the hall above Walker's on alternating Thursdays.

Farmers Placing Increasing Orders For Limestone

More limestone has already been unloaded here this year than ever before. Like farmers in the western part of the State who were leery of using oyster shells, farmers in the section were skeptical for a time about using ground limestone.

"Looks too much like sand," they said.

But, in a few weeks now, lime shipped in as a government grant of aid and taken out of the next year's conservation checks, will have amounted to more than thirty carloads of cooperative orders. Willie Jessup takes orders in the Agricultural Building.

Educating eastern farmers in agricultural lime, which, it is said, comes cheaper than oyster shells, it is pointed out that lime improves the texture of the soil and makes it more tillable, that it decomposes potash compounds and makes them more readily available, that it makes sandy soils more cohesive and retentive of moisture, it makes clay soils more porous and granular, and that lime assists in restoring land to its high yielding power and original productivity.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Mathews wish to announce the birth of a daughter, Catherine Alice, on Monday, March 4th. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

FORTY-YEAR-OLD SYSTEM NOMINATING COMMISSIONERS CHANGED BY ASSEMBLY

Granberry Tucker First Candidate For Reelection

County Judge Says Will Seek to Remain on the Recorder's Bench; No Other County Bids

The first candidate to make public bid for a county office is Judge J. Granberry Tucker, who announces today that he will seek to succeed as Recorder of Perquimans County.

Says Judge Tucker in announcing his candidacy, "I shall be a candidate to succeed myself as Recorder of the Perquimans County Court, subject to the action of the Democratic voters in the Primary Election. I take this means of again expressing my appreciation for the support given me in the elections two years ago, and particularly for the splendid encouragement, cooperation and assistance which I have received throughout my service as Recorder from all the officials and lawyers and people of the county."

"The position necessarily imposes many unpleasant duties on the incumbent; but their kindly feeling has gone far to make them less unpleasant... and for it I am deeply grateful. Their continued support is earnestly requested."

Mr. Tucker is rounding out his first full term as Recorder of the county court. He polled high in the 1938 primary over incumbent James S. McNider, who resigned in June, 1938, and did not ask for a runoff in the general election. Mr. Tucker was appointed to fill the vacancy.

There have been no other announcements of candidacy for election or re-election to other county offices.

Recreation Pier Begins Take Definite Shape

The recreation pier at the foot of Grubb Street has reached a point two hundred feet or more out in the river. The floor of the pier, for a distance of approximately 75 feet, is yet to be laid.

The site of the pavilion is already floored, and the bath houses at the shore end are beginning to take the shape of buildings. A concrete bulkhead rises at the shore end and the walkway has been constructed all the distance out to the pavilion.

The handrails along the boardwalk have not been erected, neither have steps been built down to the river bottom, but the matter of driving piles and laying the pier floor is well underway.

WEA labor and a Federal grant of more than \$5,000 are building the recreation pier. No work along the Grubb Street extension, the approach to the pier, has yet been undertaken.

Prominent Stores Make Personnel Change

A shift in personnel of two Hertford businesses sends Marshall Owens, formerly in charge of the J. C. Blanchard and Company hardware department, to the store of J. G. Roberson to replace James Byrum who left his job there to enter the bookkeeping department of J. C. Blanchard and Company.

Mr. Byrum, after finishing a business course, will take up his duties with the Blanchard firm to replace Miss Hazel Mayes, who has resigned her position. Miss Mayes will be married this month to J. A. Hooper of Elizabeth City.

Arthur (Frog) White is now in charge of both the hardware and grocery departments at Blanchard's.

Tuttle To Help With Income Tax Returns

R. F. Tuttle, of Edenton, deputy revenue commissioner, will be at the Hotel Hertford on March 13th, 14th and 15th, for the purpose of assisting Perquimans County people in filing their State Income Tax Returns.

Rotary Club Had Oyster Supper Last Night

Approximately fifteen members of the Hertford Rotary Club journeyed to the land of sea breezes near Virginia Beach last night (Thursday) for an oyster supper outing.

The regular Tuesday night meeting in the dining room of the Hotel Hertford was foregone in favor of the outing on Thursday.

Townships to Nominate Own Candidates Even If Drafting Method Has to Be Used; Each Township Will Be Represented From Now On

Following the coming election each individual township in Perquimans County will be represented in the Board of County Commissioners.

An act to provide for the nomination and election of the County Commissioners of Perquimans adopted by the last General Assembly changes the procedure that made it possible since the year 1900 to elect the county's whole governmental body from one township alone.

It was possible... not probable. Hertford township is represented on the Board of County Commissioners by two members, while Parkville is not represented by a member from that township.

Usually the elections ended with all townships represented on the Board, but now and then it worked out that one or two townships were not represented and one other township could have two or even three members on the Board.

Here is the act that will govern the primary and election this year:

"That at the next general primary to be held in Perquimans County in one thousand nine hundred and forty, and biennially thereafter, there shall be nominated one candidate from each of the five townships in said County by the qualified voters of Perquimans County participating in the general primary or primaries, of each of the recognized political parties, and should there be more than one candidate for such nomination of any of the said recognized political parties, from anyone of the aforesaid five townships, the candidate from said township receiving the highest number of votes in his respective primary shall be declared the nominee of his party from such township for election in the general election to be held in one thousand nine hundred and forty, and biennially thereafter, and said nominee for each of the five townships shall be elected by the qualified voters of Perquimans County; Provided, that in the event there is no candidate in any one or more townships in said (Continued On Page Five)

To Give Safety Program Before Parent-Teachers

The Central Grammar School Parent-Teacher Association will sponsor a Safety Patrol Program at the regular meeting Monday night. The school will cooperate with the PTA in this program and the sixth and seventh grades will arrange a display of Safety Posters. Other grades will take part, and members of the Safety Patrol will explain their duties.

It is reported that the Central Grammar School Safety Patrol, organized last fall, has been extremely helpful in preventing accidents on the school grounds. It has been highly active during the school year and the members expect to get their belts and badges this week.

Gale Winslow is captain of the patrol; Clara Smith is first lieutenant, and Earl Sherlock is second lieutenant. Other members are, Eunice White, Eloise Winslow, Evelyn Whedbee, Calvin Bundy, Paul Smith, Robert Perry, Florence Monds, Louise Stokely, Hilton White and Herbert Eure.

Boy Scouts Entertain At Chapel Program In Hertford School

Seventh Grade members of the Boy Scouts of America had charge of the regular chapel program at the Hertford Grammar School last Friday morning. Howard Pitt is scoutmaster of the Hertford troop, and with Miss Mary Sumner, seventh grade teacher, directed the program.

The program consisted of Scout activities: some of the boys tied fancy Scout knots; they carried out the salute and the Scout code, and entertained the student body generally along the lines of Boy Scout activities everywhere in America.

Those taking part were: White, Johnnie Hunter, Frank Lee, Jimmie Clark, Bobbie Doward Jones and...