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France Crushed; World Awaits New Phase of War Against British Isles

Will England Be Blockaded or Bombed or Both?

ABOUT THE NAVY

On Final Disposition of French Navy Probably Rests Outcome of Second World War

As Great Britain brings a week of war news to a fitting close with reports of ineffectual raids on several German-held French seaport towns, the world still ponders the question "where is the bulk of the French fleet and who will eventually get it?"

For instance, the giant Normandie, not a member of the naval force, but part of the French merchant marine, has been tied up in New York along with two lesser vessels since the beginning of the war. With no recognizable French government to turn to for instructions, what will be the disposition of the gigantic liner? America has as just a claim on it as any other nation.

Will French battleship skippers assert their just privileges as "Lords of all they Survey" once their command is at sea, and join the English battle force? Or will they recognize the terms of the French surrender and put about for French ports now German-held ports?

The whole outcome of the Second World War hinges on the answering of these questions.

France has surrendered and the world trembles in suspense as the British Isles dig in for a siege that is advertised to put to shame anything of like nature that mankind has ever seen.

But there are more questions; questions that recognize our position on world affairs can no more answer than we can here in Hertford on the courthouse green.

What form will Adolf Hitler's assault in England take?

With auxiliaries from the French Fleet, will he blockade the Isles and starve them into surrender . . . or, as he promises . . . will he wipe England off the map in three weeks after the attack is launched on a big scale?

The menace of Hitler is a power to reckon with and to stand in dread of. The writer has long since stopped proclaiming that "Hitler can't do this or that" . . . since the Führer's first blitzkrieg war stamped out the country of Poland.

We'd like to say this . . . "While the German and Italian masses and French traitors and Fifth Columnists are celebrating the down- (Continued on Page Five)

Elmwood Farms Has Milk Distributor At Nags Head Beach

Local Distributor Reports Gratifying Acceptance of Golden Guernsey Dairy Wares

Though formal opening has been delayed due to difficulties in locating a power line to supply electric current, Braxton Dawson's Elmwood Farms Dairy out on the Elizabeth City Highway has already expanded its operation by making Golden Guernsey milk available to summer cottagers at Nags Head and in Dare County.

The service was inaugurated Monday morning. George Lambert of Nags Head, will distribute Elmwood Farms Golden Guernsey milk there.

Though milking only half the Golden Guernsey herd (the only one between Durham and Norfolk) the new dairy has been supplying Decapack bottles of Golden Guernsey milk to dozens of families in Hertford and vicinity for several weeks through J. Oliver White, local distributor.

John A. Bartlett, manager and dairyman of wide experience, is proud of the fact that not one of the 55 cows milked and grazed on a portion of the 300-acre Thomas Nixon estate came from another dairy.

More than half of them are pure-bred registered stock and came from farms that were overstocked.

Mr. White reports enthusiastic response of the new dairy product in Hertford and surrounding places, and the results of his change in dis-

E. S. Pierce, Funeral Director, Dies



Pictured above is Ernest S. Pierce, funeral director in Hertford for the past 14 years, who died at his home on Market Street Friday night a few hours after returning from Duke Hospital in Durham, where he had been a patient for the past eight days.

Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon. Mr. Pierce, 51, was a native of Sumbury.

Ernest S. Pierce, Funeral Director, Died Last Friday

Final Rites Held At Home Monday; Son Drowned Here Several Years Ago

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon for Ernest S. Pierce, 51, prominent Hertford mortician for the past 14 years, who died at his home on Market Street Friday night a few hours after returning from Duke Hospital, where he had been undergoing treatment for the previous eight days.

Though his condition was known to be serious, the death came as a shock to his family and friends.

Mr. Pierce and his family, wife and three children, came to Hertford in 1926. A first tragedy entered his life shortly thereafter with the drowning of his small son, Ernest, in the Perquimans River. The death of his son was followed shortly by the death of his wife, the former Ellen Hill of Sumbury.

He is survived by his second wife, Mrs. Nellie Hoskins Pierce; one son, Earl Pierce, of Ocean City, Md.; one daughter, Maewood Pierce, of Hertford; two step-sons, Bill and Tom Cox; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Pierce, of Sumbury; and one sister, Mrs. L. M. Rountree, of Corapeake.

Funeral services were held at the home at 3:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, the Rev. R. F. Munns, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church, and the Rev. E. T. Jilison, rector of Holy Trinity Church, conducting. Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were C. P. Harris, A. W. Hefron, J. W. Ward, J. H. Towe, R. M. Riddick, W. H. Hardcastle, Dr. C. A. Davenport and Dr. T. P. Brinn. Mr. Pierce was well-known in Elizabeth City as well as in Hertford and in Sumbury. He was in the undertaking business with the firm of Pierce and Tozey.

Banking Company Opens New Service in Personal Loans

The Hertford Banking Company, in an advertisement on another page of this newspaper, announces the opening of a personal loan department. The establishment is now prepared to make low cost loans to salaried employees, professional men and women, executives, wage earners, merchants and business men.

Prompt service is assured, and patrons are invited to make applications at once.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fredland Copeland, at their home near Balls Bluff, on June 27, a daughter.

Crescent Company Amusements Doing Good Business

Saturday Is Last Day In Hertford For Lions Sponsored "Cleanest Midway on Earth"

The Lions Club sponsored attractions of the Crescent Amusement Company, located on the town lot this week, are attracting a great deal of interest among young and old alike.

The club expects to realize a tidy sum for its participation in the amusements. To divert the kiddies are a Ferris wheel, merry-go-round, chair-o-plane and other rides.

There are target booths and other attractions for those who prefer a milder form of entertainment.

The Crescent shows, which have visited Hertford on several other occasions in the past three years, are said to have the cleanest midway in the world, meaning there is no dirt or questionable shows.

The rides and booths begin operation soon after the noon hour and continue on until about midnight. Saturday will be the last day here for the Crescent Amusement Company on the present engagement.

It will move on to Belhaven early Sunday morning for the Fourth of July Celebration. It came to Hertford from a Lion-sponsored engagement in Edenton.

Employers Have Until June 30 to Pay Unemployed Tax

Employers Paying Contributions To State Fund Will Avoid Stiff Penalty

Numbers of North Carolina employers who are delinquent in their payment of the State Unemployment Compensation taxes for 1939, have until June 30, and no longer, to pay their contributions to the State fund and avoid the heavy penalty—almost double the original amount—that will be imposed by the Federal Government, it is pointed out by E. W. Price, director of the Unemployment Compensation Division of the State Unemployment Compensation Commission.

Congress, last year, relaxed the stringent requirement that unless an employer paid the full amount of his contribution to the State agency by the last of January for the previous calendar year, then the full 100 per cent of the three per cent tax would be collected by the Federal Government, and the 90 per cent could be collected by the State. The new provision is that if the 90 per cent, or 2.7 per cent of the payroll, is paid to the State agency after January 31, and on or before June 30, then the employer can take 90 per cent of the 90 per cent credit, or 81 per cent credit, on his payment to the State agency.

"Unless the few hundred employers delinquent on their 1938 taxes make proper payments to the State by or before June 30, then they will have to pay the State 2.7 per cent of their 1939 payrolls, plus interest at the rate of one per cent a month, and will also have to pay the Federal Collector of Internal Revenue the full three per cent of their payrolls, or a total of 5.7 per cent of their 1939 payrolls," Mr. Price reminded.

Demonstration Club Members To Tour To Old Williamsburg

Many members of Perquimans County's twelve Home Demonstration Clubs will tour to old Williamsburg on July 11th, according to an announcement from Miss Frances Maness, Perquimans County Home Demonstration Agent.

The trip, a one-day journey, will be made in a bus belonging to Paul T. Ricks, of Greenville. Anyone interested should notify Miss Maness before July 8th.

Williamsburg on the James River in Virginia, is a mecca for those interested in the early history of America. The city was recently restored to all its pre-Revolutionary War glory.

Chappell Appeals From Judgment In Non-Support Case

Defense Charges Action Brought to Raise Funds to Pay Recent Fine of \$50

Appeal to Superior Court from a decision of guilty rendered by Recorder Granberry Tucker in county court Tuesday furnished the highest point of interest on an unusually skimpy docket, as Arthur Chappell of the Belvidere section bucked a verdict against him on charges of failing to support his wife, Clio Chappell.

The Court adjudged that Chappell would serve six months on the road, the sentence to be suspended upon payment of costs in the action and \$2.50 for the support of his wife, from whom he has been separated for four years.

C. R. Holmes, local attorney, defending Chappell, tried to show that Mrs. Chappell's only reason for bringing her husband into court on non-support charges was that she needed money to pay a fine recently imposed on her for carrying a concealed weapon.

According to testimony . . . Mr. Chappell left his wife when she refused to move from the house they were living in to a house on another piece of property he owned. He said his reason for wanting to move was that too many men were hanging around and they always ran when he approached.

Mrs. Chappell said the men hanging around their house came to buy whiskey from Mr. Chappell . . . and she didn't like it. And that her reason for not going with her husband when he moved was that the house "wasn't fit to live in."

Mrs. Chappell said she had been supporting herself for the past two years. The verdict was guilty, but Chappell appealed and bond was set at \$100. The case will probably come up at the October Term.

Durants Neck Man Seriously Injured In Farm Accident

W. C. Hurdle Falls Off Hay Rake; Suffers Possible Skull Fracture, Other Injuries

W. C. Hurdle, Durants Neck farmer, was seriously injured Tuesday morning when he was apparently thrown under a hay rake farming implement on which he was riding.

He was rushed to the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City by an ambulance from Hertford, and it was said here that his injuries included severe head wounds, including lacerations and possibly a fractured skull, as well as bruises and lacerations of the body.

Mr. Hurdle was alone at the time of the accident, and the explanation was offered that the mules pulling the hay rake bolted and ran away when the hay rake might have uncovered ground bees which stung the team and frightened them.

Two Baseball Games This Week-end; Two On Fourth of July

Two baseball games are on schedule for the coming week-end. The locals will engage the Edenton aggregation on Saturday afternoon in the high school ball park, and on Sunday afternoon the Cross Roads group will invade the same park.

Two games are booked for the Fourth of July, next Thursday, when morning and afternoon games will see the locals in action with the Portsmouth Red Sox.

Supervisors Checking AAA Compliance

Eight men are working in the county checking compliance among those cooperating in the 1941 crop control program. L. W. Anderson, county farm agent, hopes that whenever possible farmers will accompany the compliance supervisor on his round of the farm or send someone with him who is familiar with the farm and to tell the supervisor whether any lime was used and whether it was government lime, and to advise him about cover crops.

J. T. BENTON LEADS IN SECOND PRIMARY VOTING FOR COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE

Opens New Dress Shop Business



After twelve years in the cleaning and pressing business in Hertford, Mrs. Ellie Goodwin, above, has sold the Riddick's Cleaning Works and opened Goodwin's Dress Shoppe on Church Street.

The ladies' and children's establishment, formerly the Doris Shop, is to be personally operated by Mrs. Goodwin and is being renovated throughout the interior. There is a complete new stock of merchandise and new arrangements are being made for attractive display.

Dick Hines Resigns Position Here As Town Engineer

Goes To Kings Mountain to Become City Manager; Came Here Seven Years Ago

R. N. (Dick) Hines, town engineer for the past seven years, has resigned his job, it is said, to take a similar position as city manager of the town of Kings Mountain.

Mr. Hines came to Hertford in 1933 to take over the duties of the job left vacant by the late J. R. Elliott, who quit his post because of failing health two years before he died in 1935.

The duties of the office at that time amounted to those of a town electrician, but under Mr. Hines they expanded to take in the streets, water and electric light departments.

Mr. and Mrs. Hines and their little son, Richard, expect to leave Hertford sometime in July for Kings Mountain. Mrs. Hines is the former Miss Georgia Bland Holmes of Edenton. They were married shortly after Mr. Hines came to Hertford. They live at present in the old Dr. Cox home on Front Street.

Their friends regret the turn of events that carries the Hines family away from Hertford even though the change means promotion for Mr. Hines.

Local Boy Scouts Encamping Next Week At Nags Head

Retiring Rotary President Gives Club Set Rotary Song Books

Arrangements were made at the Tuesday night meeting of the Rotary Club for transportation of the Rotary-sponsored Hertford Boy Scout Troop to Nags Head for one week.

Twenty-five Scouts of the local troop will spend the entire week there, at the T. J. Nixon cottage, and encamped nearby on the beach.

At the same meeting of the Rotary Club, V. N. Darden, retiring president, leaving his duties at the close of the Rotary year Tuesday evening, presented the club with a set of Rotary Song Books.

The new president is Riley S. Monds.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cox wish to announce the birth of a daughter, Rebecca Lee, born Tuesday, June 25, 1940. Mother and baby are doing well.

Farmer - Nominee Goes Back to Legislature For Third Term

36-VOTE MARGIN

McNider Fails to Show Strength In First Primary; Benton Lands All Rural Precincts

In the wind-up Saturday of what started out on May 25th to be Perquimans County's hottest election session in decades, incumbent J. T. Benton overhauled Attorney J. S. McNider's first primary lead and retained his seat in the Lower House by a margin of 36 votes.

It was a listless election day; the county cast a total of 828 votes, of which Benton polled 432 and McNider 396.

The run-off was a triumph of rural strength over sentiment in the Town of Hertford. McNider, high man in a first primary field of five candidates, maintained a wide margin in Hertford Township, but Benton steamed ahead and snowed the attorney under in every rural precinct.

As the tallying in the courthouse Saturday night reached a finale and McNider supporters rejoiced at an 80 vote margin in a total of 358 ballots, it began to look like a lost cause for Benton.

But the rural precincts had not been reckoned with, and as returns drifted in from Parkville, Nicanor and other polling places, the McNider lead rapidly diminished until incumbent Benton topped him and was assured his third term in the General Assembly.

Here is the unofficial vote in Perquimans County—complete—but unofficial:

Precincts	Benton	McNider
Hertford	139	219
Parkville	116	69
New Hope	50	39
Bethel	42	33
Belvidere	28	27
Nicanor	57	9

Totals ----- 432 ----- 396

It was a contest between veterans. The three other candidates in the first primary . . . Mattie Lister White, Joe Campbell and Walter Edwards . . . lost out in the first elimination and left the field to the two men who had each already served two terms for Perquimans County in the Legislature before.

McNider was accorded a 14-vote nod over the incumbent representative in the first contest and his lead looked indicative of the results a second primary would have, but Benton voiced his intentions soon after the final returns were in, and Saturday's balloting neatly put an end to the campaign.

Representative Of Wake Forest Will Conduct Services

Morning services at the Hertford Baptist Church will be conducted by a representative from Wake Forest College, according to an announcement from a member of the Board of Deacons.

The member in charge of arrangements this Sunday could not be reached for identification of the visitor, but it is understood that the representative will probably be a member of the faculty or the administration—not a ministerial student.

Arrangements for the Sunday evening service had not been made and it could not be ascertained whether the Wake Forest representative would be in town for the evening service.

Perquimans Students On E.C.T.C. Honor Roll

The honor roll of East Carolina Teachers College has 184 names on it, from 54 counties, with Pitt leading with 27 names. Northampton comes next with 9; Johnson 8; and Nash, Wilson, and Wake tie with seven each.

This county placed on the honor roll, Nancy C. Darden, Madge Lane and Prus Newby.

The Seniors lead the classes with 62, but those doing practice teaching that term are not included. The other three classes are nearly equally divided. The self-help students, who form 21.4% of the student body, have 37.5% of the honor students.