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COMMISSIONERS WILL CALL SPECIAL ELECTION TO DECIDE GYMNASIUM PROJECT

No Cost to Taxpayer Entailed in Election, Expenses to Be Paid By County Commissioners and Clubs

DATE NOT YET SET

Project Will Be Drawn Up and Details Made Public Before Election Date Is Set

The County Commissioners had more than their usual number of visitors at their regular meeting on Monday. A large group of ladies, representing the Parent-Teacher Association, and a smaller group of men, representing the Hertford Rotary and Lions Clubs, asked the Board to consider calling a special election for the purpose of "floating a bond issue" that would enable the County, with the aid of the PWA to build a Perquimans County gymnasium.

After considering the proposition the Board advised the chairman of the Rotary Club committee that it would be willing to call for a special election . . . providing that there would be no cost to the taxpayers in the conduct of such an election. They further signified their intention by stating that the members of the board, personally, would pay for the cost of the ballots necessary in the election, if the clubs sponsoring the project would assume the remaining financial obligations. It is assumed that the clubs will meet this proposition.

At the meeting with the County Commissioners Mrs. Alice Futrell, representing the P. T. A., told of the need of such a building. W. H. Pitt, W. A. Hefren and Silas Whedbee spoke in behalf of the Rotary Club, and L. N. Hollowell and Max Campbell spoke for the Lions Club.

Stating to the Commissioners that up to the present time no definite details of the project had been worked out, the committee said that they first wanted to learn if the Board would call an election to determine whether or not the people of the County wanted such a bond issue as would be necessary for the purpose of raising funds needed for the construction of a gymnasium.

With the Commissioners agreeing to call for a special election it is now expected that the committees from the three clubs will go into definite details concerning the type and construction of the building as well as the full amount of cost to the County.

These details must be worked out definitely before an election can be called in order to determine the amount necessary, and in order that the amount needed can be so stated in the election.

It is our understanding that if and when the election is called a special registration of voters will be necessary and that it will take a majority of those registered voting in favor of the project in order for it to carry.

County To Build Portable T. B. Room

A badly needed health aid will soon be a reality in Perquimans County.

The County Commissioners on Monday approved of a project for the construction of a portable isolation room that will be used in the fight on tuberculosis in this County.

According to Miss Ruth Davenport, Supervisor of Public Welfare, the room will be built so that it may be moved from place to place throughout the County as it is needed.

Miss Davenport stated that many times there is a need of such a room because it makes possible the isolation of a patient, waiting to be admitted to a sanatorium or who has failed to respond to further treatment, thus this isolation will aid in the prevention of the spreading of the disease.

It will be constructed so that it can be moved to adjoin a house, where insufficient room prevents the best healthy conditions.

It was stated that the room will cost approximately \$40.

Service At Woodland

There will be preaching service at Woodland Methodist Church on Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The Rev. J. D. Crawford will preach and the public is cordially invited.

Eastern Star Holds Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the lodge room of the Order for the purpose of entertaining visiting officials of the Order.

The guests were Worthy Grand Matron, Leola Eyerby, Worthy Grand Patron, John L. Orr; Grand Conductress, Mrs. Mary K. Fleet; District Grand Matron, Mrs. Blanche Twiford, and District Grand Patron, William J. Pell.

After a very interesting meeting, an enjoyable social hour was held.

Election Closes Saturday For AAA Program Officers

Ballots Sent Producers; Each Township Will Elect Their Individual Officers For Year

Two producers have been nominated for each of the five offices that will be filled for Community Committeemen and Delegates to the County Convention, representing the five townships of Perquimans County, to serve on the AAA Farm Program for 1941.

Candidates whose names appear on the ballots mailed this week to county producers were nominated by representative producers from each township.

Voters are warned by L. W. Anderson, county farm agent, not to mail the ballots after Saturday, October 12, because they will arrive too late to be counted.

The nominees for the various offices of each township are as follows:

Belvidere Township: Chairman of the Community Committee (delegate to County Convention) Dr. E. S. White, and Archie B. White, vice chairman Community Committee (alternate delegate) L. L. Lane and J. M. Copeland, regular member of Community Committee: C. T. Rogerson and Oscar Roy Winslow; first alternate member of Community Committee: W. I. Winslow and Arba E. Winslow; second alternate, Clarence Chappell and Howard Williams.

Bethel Township: Chairman (Delegate) S. P. Matthews and R. S. Chappell; vice chairman (alternate delegate) J. C. Hobbs and A. F. Proctor; regular member, Winston Lane and C. T. Phillips; first alternate; J. T. Harris and Willie Lane; second alternate, W. M. Harrell, Sr., and W. D. Perry.

Hertford Township: Chairman (delegate) Milton Dail and Clarence Dail; vice chairman (alternate) B. W. Thach and C. W. Reed; regular member, J. E. Hunter and V. C. Winslow; first alternate; A. D. Thach and W. J. Perry; second alternate; Clinton Perry and Wm. F. Madre, Jr.

New Hope Township: Chairman (delegate) C. W. Umphlett and S. D. Banks; vice chairman (alternate) John T. Wood and J. W. Overton; regular member, A. R. Cook and Carson Spivey, first alternate, C. A. Butt and John Q. Hurdle; second alternate, Eddie Harrell and L. R. Webb.

Parkville Township: Chairman (delegate) J. A. Bray and C. B. White, vice chairman (alternate) G. W. Jackson and L. A. Smith; regular member, J. R. Matthews and Wallace Bright; first alternate, Claude Williams and A. J. Smith; second alternate, O. J. Lane and T. E. Morgan.

Voting only for nominees from their individual townships, the producers will elect a chairman, vice chairman, a regular member, a first and second alternate member.

Envelopes were enclosed with the ballots sent to the producers and Mr. Anderson urges every producer to get his ballot returned before the deadline Saturday.

District Newspaper People To Meet In Ahoskie Saturday

The Northeastern North Carolina Weekly newspaper editors and publishers will hold their monthly meeting Saturday night at Ahoskie.

The Parker Brothers, who recently celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary in the publishing business, will play hosts to the newspaper group.

Democratic Rally Brings Huge Crowd To Hertford

Welcome Is Extended To Visiting Notables; Barbecue Dinner Is Served to All

Approximately one thousand people visited Hertford on Thursday to attend the First Congressional District Rally held at the State Theatre, and ending on the Town Lot with a big free barbecue dinner.

Plans for the rally were made throughout the week and those in charge of the various committees did things in fine manner. All was in readiness when the rally opened with a routine organization meeting just prior to speaking by State notables that included Governor-Elect J. M. Broughton and Representative-Elect Herbert Bonner.

Introduction of the speakers was made by Mrs. Alice Futrell, Richard Dixon, of Edenton, and C. P. Morris. It was an enthusiastic group that greeted the next Governor of North Carolina and the next Representative for this District. They came from the fourteen counties that comprise the First District, including Dare, Beaufort, Camden, Currituck, Pasquotank, Chowan, Gates, Hyde, Tyrrell, Hertford, Washington, Perquimans, Pitt and Martin.

Immediately after the speech-making, the entire attendance was treated to a free barbecue dinner, the menu consisting of barbecue, brunswick stew, slaw, corn bread and soft drinks.

The local committees in charge of the rally were: General Chairman, J. Emmett Winslow; finance committee, R. M. Riddick, Charles Johnson, W. H. Harcastle, Dr. C. A. Davenport and Z. A. Harris.

Dinner Committee: Norman Trueblood, C. P. Morris and A. W. Hefren; Program and Decoration Committee: Riley Monds, Mrs. B. G. Koonce, Julian White, Littleton Gibbs and W. H. Pitt.

Reception Committee: C. P. Morris, J. W. Ward, J. S. McNider, Chas. Whedbee, Tom Brown, T. B. Sumner, Vivian Darden, Mrs. Alice Futrell, Dr. E. S. White and E. M. Perry.

Registration For General Election To Be Held Saturday

If you did not register in May . . . you may do so Saturday. No, this registration is not for the military service . . . it is for the general elections to be held Tuesday, November 5th, and if your name is not on the registration books and you want to vote on election day, you must register Saturday, October 12th, to be eligible to cast your vote.

L. N. Hollowell, chairman of the Board of Elections, has his registrars all set to take care of those who either forget or didn't have time to register during the time prior to the primary election in May. It's your last chance, so be sure to register before the books close Saturday evening.

To Observe Holiday Saturday, October 12

Simon Rutenburg announced today that Simon's Store will be closed on Saturday until 6 o'clock in observance of the Jewish Holiday, Yom Kippur. The store will be open for business Saturday evening.

Fractures Arm While Roller Skating

Lindsay Reed, small son of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Reed, sustained a bad fracture of the elbow while roller-skating last Saturday.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING DRAFT REGISTRATION

Due to the tremendous task of registering men of Perquimans County eligible for military service, L. N. Hollowell, who has charge of the registration, announces today that Superintendent F. T. Johnson has decreed a school holiday for Wednesday, October 16, in order that teachers and members of the P. T. A. may assist in the registration.

At least 120 assistant registrars will be needed for the selective draft registration and Mr. Hollowell requests that any person willing to donate his or her service, free of charge, for the work should attend a meeting at the Court House on Thursday night, or see the chief

Library Board Announces 40 New Books Have Arrived

Librarian Warns Borrowers That All Books Must Be Returned on Time

The Library Board announces this week the purchase of forty new books to be added to the ever-growing number of volumes of the local library. The new books are among the latest editions and all are highly recommended.

At the same time, the Board wishes to announce that it has been advised by the District Librarian that all books must be returned on time. If they are not returned on the date due, then the fines must be paid by the borrower.

The following new books have just been received: Chad Hanna, Full Meridian, Heart Is A Lonely Hunter, King's Row, Lion in the Garden, Love In Our Time, Love In the Sun, Road to Glenfairlie, Stars on the Sea, Tamarack, Through the House Door, Vantage Point, When The Whippoorwill, Women Will Be Doctors, Bitter Creek, Brandons, Four Part Setting, Peculiar Treasure, Out of the Fog, Whiteoak Heritage, Capital City, Chiffon Scarf, Singapore Exile Murders, They Wanted to Live, Animals Are Like That, Autobiography With Letters, Down Wind, Failure of a Mission, Goody Fellowship, How War Came, I Believe, It's a Woman's Business, My Ten Years In the Studios, Our Family, A Southerner Discovers New England, Strange Lives of One Man, Pride and Prejudice, Murder of Roger Ackroyd, Scarab Murder Case, and Before Lunch.

Elmwood Farms Hold Open House To Large Number Of People

Visitors Impressed With Cleanliness of Modern Dairy

Perquimans County's newest enterprise held open house for the public all Tuesday. It was the official opening of Elmwood Farms, located on Route 17, 5 miles from Hertford.

A large number of people visited the dairy during the day and inspected the modern plant from front to back . . . that is, they were shown the milking barn, then taken throughout the plant where they could see every process the milk was subjected to before being bottled and readied for delivery to the customer.

Without doubt the most striking view the public had of the dairy was the absolute cleanliness of the plant . . . rigid regulations are enforced in Golden Guernsey dairies to safeguard the products for the customers.

Aside from the above, many of the visitors were impressed with the pasteurization, cooling system and the bottling machine which were demonstrated at the opening.

The Elmwood Farms Dairy is the only Golden Guernsey dairy east of Durham and is owned and operated by B. B. Dawson, of Elizabeth City. Mr. Dawson stated yesterday that he was gratified by the number of people who visited the dairy on Tuesday, but wanted the public to know that visitors are always welcome . . . if anyone was unable to see the plant on Tuesday he or she may do so at any time.

PERQUIMANS COUNTY DRAFT BOARD NOW SELECTED; REGISTRATION WEDNESDAY

Rotary Club Entertains Four Guests Tuesday

The Hertford Rotary Club entertained four guests at their regular dinner meeting on Tuesday evening at the Hertford Hotel.

C. E. Kramer and J. A. Moore, of Edenton, George Benny, of Greensboro, and Rev. C. E. Hobgood, Baptist minister of Hertford, were guests of the meeting.

War Clouds Gather Over Asia; Britain To Open Burma Road

Bombing Continues In Europe; America Requests Citizens to Come Home

Diplomatic maneuvers have been playing an important part in the war scene during this week, while England and Germany have continued their bombing and Japan has seemingly decided to "soft pedal" their triple alliance. England sent word to Japan that they would on October 17 re-open the Burma Road, so vital to the Chinese cause in the battle with Japan.

This event happens one day after the United States embargo goes into effect against Japan on scrap iron and gasoline. Also it seems that Russia is more than anxious to re-open negotiations with Great Britain and the United States; although it is a wise man that can foresee the actions of the Russian Bear.

On the action front Monday night the K. A. F. gave Berlin the worse bombing it has received in the war . . . it bombed the Nazis for more than four hours. Herr Hitler's men retaliated on London Tuesday night and dropped, according to Hitler's figures, 300 tons of explosives on the city. The figures on the number killed and injured in London have not been given out, but Berlin reports that 25 were killed by the English raid.

Germany's march into Roumania could have been the spark that made Premier Churchill consider the action against Japan. It looks as though Hitler has passed up an invasion of England for the present and will concentrate on the breaking of the English blockade . . . thus spreading the war into the southeastern sections of Europe and if possible force Japan into action against them in the far East.

In view of the events in Asia, President Roosevelt and the State Department have advised all American citizens in Asia to return home as soon as possible, or as soon as their business will permit.

While the war in Europe continues to be a battle of the skies . . . it would seem as though war clouds are rapidly gathering over Asia and may break at any time.

Indians Seek Victory At Williamston Today

Smarting under two straight defeats the Perquimans High School football team will journey to Williamston today to seek its first victory of the 1940 season.

Williamston boasts of a strong team this fall and is expecting an easy time of the local boys, but it may get fooled. The Perquimans lads came out of last week's game in good shape and have been working hard this week to break into the win column. It would be quite an upset for Hertford to beat Williamston . . . but here's hoping.

PTA Meet Oct. 14

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Perquimans County Central Grammar School will hold its second meeting at the school on Monday evening, October 14, at 7:30 o'clock.

The program will be on Safety and will be under the direction of Mrs. Yeates. The Rev. R. F. Munns, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church, will make a talk.

Society To Meet

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet at the Woodland Methodist Church on Thursday afternoon, October 17, at 2:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present; visitors are invited.

Committee Chosen By Governor Selects J. R. Stokes, W. G. Hollowell and W. W. Spencer

DEPENDENT CLAUSE

Dr. C. A. Davenport and J. S. McNider to Assist as Medical Examiner and Government Appeal Agent

The Perquimans County selective draft machinery swung into action here this week in preparation for the registration and drafting of citizen for a year's training in military service.

A committee, composed of W. H. Pitt, Clerk of Court; L. N. Hollowell, Chairman of the Board of Elections, and P. T. Johnson, superintendent of Schools, was chosen by Governor Hoey to appoint the local draft board met Monday morning in the office of the Clerk and made its selection.

James Roger Stokes, Hertford; William G. Hollowell, Winfall, and William W. Spencer, New Hope, were the men chosen to act in the non-paying positions as members of the Perquimans County Draft Board.

Dr. C. A. Davenport was selected to serve as examining physician and J. S. McNider will be the Government's Appeal Agent. These two will also serve without pay. President Roosevelt has designated that members of the draft boards would donate their time free as their contribution to the defense program.

Election Chairman L. N. Hollowell called a meeting of his precinct registrars Thursday night to give them instructions in the handling of the registration which takes place next Wednesday, October 16. The election boards of this State will handle the registration and it is expected that the draft boards will swing into action shortly after the completion of the registration.

According to instructions received by Mr. Hollowell regarding the registration on October 16, it was stated that the hours for registering will be from 7 A. M. to 9 P. M.

Male citizens of Perquimans County, who are between 21 and 36 years of age must register. They can do so at any registering office they care to go to . . . but there will be registrations at Hertford, Belvidere, Winfall and New Hope. It doesn't matter where you register, but difficulties will possibly come to you if you fail to register . . . as fines and penalties will be imposed on those who fail to register.

At the present time it has not been learned just when the draft board will begin its duties, probably sometime around the date of the big lottery in Washington when numbers will be called to determine just which of those registered will be called to serve the year's training.

It is quite possible, also, that the various draft boards throughout the country shall be very lenient toward those asking for deferment or exemption of the training. Accordingly to figures as released from Washington 16,404,000 will register for (Continued on Page Five)

Three Cases Heard In Recorder's Court

Three cases were heard by Judge J. S. McNider in Recorder's Court here on Tuesday.

Nehemiah James, Negro, charged with assault on Ashley Fleetwood was sentenced to the roads for 30 days, suspended upon the payment of costs.

James was apprehended after Roosevelt Smith had been arrested for the assault. Smith was freed.

William A. Elliott, of Edenton, was taxed with the costs of court for driving with improper license.

LeRoy Spruill, Negro, of Winfall, was found guilty of drunken driving and sentenced to 60 days on the road. An appeal to the Superior Court was noted.

Much time was taken by Judge McNider in an attempt to clear up unpaid court costs that are past due. He warned that these costs must be paid and stated from the bench: "If any one sitting in the Court has a friend known to owe cost to the Court it would be a word to the wise" if that friend was informed to make payment. It might save further trouble for the offenders.