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Commanding Vote Given State, County Candidates Here

Governor J. M. Broughton Carries Every Precinct In County

The results of the State and County elections in Perquimans County was overwhelmingly Democratic. The State officers were given commanding leads over their Republican opponents, even in Belvidere and Nicamor precincts where in the National contest the high votes went for Willkie.

Governor J. M. Broughton carried 1,154 votes in the county, while McNeill, the Republican nominee, received but 148. This percentage was almost 8 to 1.

The rest of the State ticket follows:

For Lieutenant Governor, R. L. Harris (D) 1,125; H. B. Leavitt (R) 145.

Secretary of State Thad Eure (D) 1,143; A. I. Feree (R) 145.

For Auditor, George Ross Pou (D) 1,129; J. M. Van Hoy (R) 145.

For Treasurer, Charles M. Johnson (D) 1,143; W. H. Gragg (R) 144.

For Attorney General, Harry McMullan (D) 1,137; W. C. Downing (R) 143.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction, Clyde Erwin (D) 1,129; Lawrence J. Pace (R) 143.

For Commissioner of Agriculture, W. Kerr Scott (D) 1,138; C. T. Allen (R) 142.

For Insurance Commissioner, Dan C. Boney (D) 1,131; John L. Phelps (R) 142.

For Labor Commissioner, Forrest Shuford (D) 1,123; B. C. Fussell (R) 142.

For Congressman from the First District, Herbert Bonner polled 1,129 over his G. O. P. opponent, John A. Wilkinson, who got 148. For the unexpired term of Lindsay Warren, for which he was unopposed, he received 1,047.

The County ticket was unopposed and all candidates were automatically elected to their offices, the votes cast for the candidates being:

For State Senate, Herbert Leary 1,165; Merrill Evans 1,083.

Representative J. T. Benton 1,180.

Register of Deeds J. W. Ward 1,218.

For Recorder, Granberry Tucker, 1,068.

For Coroner, Dr. C. A. Davenport, 1,183.

County Treasurer, Jacob L. White 1,165.

For County Commissioners, A. T. Lane 1,145; L. L. Winslow 1,149; E. M. Perry 1,143; C. E. White 1,139; E. U. Morgan 1,133.

For Board of Education, D. L. Barber 1,137; W. E. Dail 1,119; Shelton M. Long 1,110.

To Conduct Drive In Effort To Raise Funds For Uniforms

\$400 Needed to Furnish Uniforms For High School Band

An intensive drive will be made throughout Perquimans County starting next week in order to raise between \$350 and \$400 to be used to equip the Perquimans County High School Band with uniforms.

At the present time the band is without adequate uniforms and its opportunities at various civic programs will be enhanced if these uniforms can be supplied the members.

A group of citizens will be named next week to act as canvassers in the attempt to raise the amount. Meanwhile, Rufus Riddick, cashier of the Hertford Banking Company has been named as treasurer of the group and all moneys collected toward the project will be turned over to him.

No doubt every person residing in the county will be asked to contribute to the cause and it is one that should be well received.

School officials have worked hard in getting the band started and now it is possible that uniforms can be furnished members, they will take their place among other bands of the State in appearance as well as in quality of music.

In a mighty fine line . . . so the cause along and let's get uniforms for the band.

Local Draft Board Offices Are Located In Postoffice Building

For the benefit of those persons who may have business with the Perquimans County draft board The Weekly again publishes this notice that the local board has offices in the Postoffice Building. The offices are located on the second floor of the building and are next door to the office occupied by J. R. Stokes.

Mrs. T. B. Sumner is clerk for the board and is in the office during every day in the week.

Long Session To Clear Recorder's Court On Tuesday

Court Held In Clerk's Office While Court Room Used For the Election

A day-long session was necessary to clear the docket in Recorder's Court here on Tuesday. After a decision not to hold court until November 12, due to the fact that the court room was being used as one of the polling places during the election, Judge J. S. McNider reconsidered and held his court in the offices of the Clerk of Court.

The scene was a bit informal, but the cases rolled along and some eight defendants faced the judge during the day.

In the case of David Lane, charged with illegal possession of non-tax-paid liquor, a plea of not guilty was entered by his attorney, but Lane was found guilty. Due to his seemingly good reputation throughout the community where he lives, Lane was assessed the cost of court and warned by the Court not to become involved again.

James Green, Negro, charged with trespass, entered a plea of guilty. William Gibbs, Negro, charged with trespass and as a passing Tom, was found guilty by the Court and judgment was suspended upon payment of cost.

G. Ashley Jordan was found guilty of passing a school bus and judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

George C. White, Negro, was found guilty of having insufficient brakes and was taxed with the cost of Court.

Ernest Earl Morse was guilty of having improper lights and assessed one-half of the costs.

John Blanchard, Negro, arrested by State police for reckless driving, entered a plea of guilty. Judgment was suspended on payment of costs.

Bill Everett, charged with drunk, was found guilty and taxed with the costs of Court.

Hertford Lions Club Induct Three Members At Belvidere Meeting

The Hertford Lions Club held its regular meeting last Friday night at the Belvidere Community House, and were served by the Belvidere Home Demonstration Club.

During the meeting the Club voted to sponsor a Lions Club in Elizabeth City. It is expected that an organization meeting in that city will be held in the near future.

Three new members were inducted into the Club at the Belvidere meeting, the Rev. Clarence E. Hobgood, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church; G. R. Tucker, assistant cashier of the Hertford Bank, and Clinton T. Ely, local representative for the V. E. P.

Dr. E. S. White of Belvidere, was a guest of the Club.

Local Volunteer Now Stationed At Fort Belvoir, Virginia

William (Red) Elliott, son of Mrs. Mattie Elliott, who enlisted in the United States army on October 26, is now reported to be stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Young Elliott, who is 18 years old, reports that he is getting along fine.

Durants Neck Club Sponsors Play At New Hope Tonight

The Durants Neck Home Demonstration Club will sponsor a play at the New Hope Community House tonight (Friday) at 7:45.

The play, "A Womanless Wedding" will be presented by players from Westville. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Questionnaires To Be Mailed This Week To Registrants

Local Draft Board Begins Classification of Men; Quota Is Still Unknown

The classification of registrants under the selective service act will begin in this county probably by Friday when the local draft board will start mailing questionnaires to those men who hold the first order numbers.

The exact number of questionnaires that will be mailed each day will not exceed fifty, no questionnaires will be mailed on Sunday, but each day during the week the local board will place a number of them in the mail until every man registered throughout the county will have received one and returned it for his classification.

The local draft board received a master list carrying the national lottery order numbers earlier this week and it immediately started numbering the cards. The lists posted in the courthouse now carry both a serial number and an order number and any person desiring to know his order number can check the lists in the courthouse and learn his order number.

This order number designates the rotation of the questionnaires . . . for example, if your order number is 50 you will probably be one of the first to receive a questionnaire . . . then you will have five days to return that to the draft board.

No official word has been received by J. R. Stokes, chairman of the local draft board, as to the number of men Perquimans County will be called on to help fill the first quota, but it is highly probable that the number of volunteers that the local office has received will be sufficient to fill that quota.

There has been a total of nine volunteers through the local board, (Continued On Page Four)

Demonstration Clubs Soliciting Subscriptions

Clubs Receive 25 Per Cent on All Renewals Sold By November 16

The subscription drive being made by the Home Demonstration Clubs is making real progress as the first week of the drive closes tomorrow. Several of the clubs report a good response from subscribers and as the result those clubs are making extra money for themselves.

The drive comes to a close on Saturday, November 16, and at that time the regular subscription rate of The Weekly will be restored to \$1.25 per year. During the present drive club members are selling renewals to The Perquimans Weekly at \$1.00, thereby saving the subscribers twenty-five cents on their subscriptions.

This subscription drive by the Home Demonstration Clubs is not a contest. It is purely a business arrangement between the management of The Weekly and the Clubs whereby the various Clubs throughout the county can earn extra money for their activities.

All Clubs receive 25% commissions for all subscriptions sold during the two weeks of the drive, and any club selling as many as thirty subscriptions will receive a bonus of \$5.00 for the effort.

Subscribers of The Weekly are urged to cooperate with the clubs and renew their subscriptions now . . . many subscriptions will expire shortly and this is a good time to renew. You will save money, and at the same time you will be helping your local demonstration club earn extra money for club work.

Presidents of the various clubs are requested to see members of their group and remind them that this offer expires in one more week, and to be sure to report all subscriptions to club presidents in time for them to be turned into The Weekly office by November 16.

Prison Guard Hurt

Clyde Scott, a guard at the Woodville Prison Camp, was painfully injured Wednesday morning when a truck overturned and pinned him beneath the cab of the truck.

The accident happened on the road running between New Hope and Westville.

Red Cross Roll Call Begins On Monday; Need Is Greater

Canvassers Announced By Mrs. C. P. Morris, Chairman of Drive

The Annual Red Cross Roll Call gets under way in Perquimans County next Monday. The local chapter leaders have chosen canvassers to conduct the work necessary to enroll Perquimans County 100 per cent for this worthy cause.

Mrs. C. P. Morris, chairman of the Roll Call, announced this week that Miss Frances Maness, Home Demonstration Agent, will act as co-chairman and will assist in the work throughout the various communities in the county.

Mrs. S. P. Jessup, Mrs. W. E. White, Mrs. Leigh Winslow, Mrs. Sidney Broughton and Mrs. E. E. Payne will conduct the canvass in the residential sections of Hertford. S. M. Wheelbee will canvass the business district and W. R. Privott will be in charge of the drive among the Negroes.

The Roll Call will begin November 11, and will continue until Thanksgiving Day, November 28. Residents of Perquimans County are urged to co-operate with the Red Cross chapter in its endeavor to make this the best drive ever conducted.

The need for funds by the Red Cross is far greater this year than it has been in the past. Every effort is being made by the American Red Cross to relieve the suffering of war refugees, and to aid American boys who are in military training. Therefore, it is necessary to gain every possible member in this coming drive. You can help humanity by subscribing to the Red Cross.

The knitting project which the local chapter is hopeful of gaining for Perquimans County is still open to volunteers, according to Mr. Wheelbee. Several people have already volunteered for this work, but the Red Cross chapter can use more.

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High School Will Observe National Book Week

Hi-Y Girls to Sponsor Tag Day; Students to Vote for Choice of Books

Plans have been made at Perquimans County High School for observance of National Book Week, November 10-16. In addition to a campaign program to be presented by home room 8c on Friday to stress the significance of Book Week, the girls' Hi-Y Club is planning to sponsor Tag Day to boost the Perquimans High School Library.

The proceeds obtained from the sale of these tags will be used to buy books for the library. School patrons are urged to help the Hi-Y girls make Tag Day a success by buying the tags. Students who buy the tags may use them as ballots to vote for books they would like to have in the library.

Book Week began back in 1919 with the slogan, "More Books in the Home," and has varied its mood since then year after year. The slogan for 1940 is "Good Books—Good Friends."

W. P. Bigelow, editor of Good Housekeeping Magazine, says "We all need to widen our horizons. In most of our towns and cities life for the average person is alarmingly dull—a little round of accustomed duties and pleasures—tomorrow will repeat today. That the towns and cities lack can be found in books if one craves for books. There is a book for every mood and one can journey the world around by merely going to the library or the book store. The significance of this is lost upon too many parents, otherwise there would be no need for Book Week."

Indians Play Today

Perquimans High School meets Mantoo on the football field this (Friday) afternoon in what may be the last home game of this season. The game is scheduled to start at 2:30 o'clock.

The Indians are in good shape for this game and are counting on revenge for the defeat suffered at the hands of the Mantoo team earlier this season. Fans come out and watch the boys play.

North Carolina Will Celebrate Thanksgiving On November 28

North Carolina will again, this year, observe Thanksgiving Day on the traditional last Thursday in November, according to word received from Governor Hoes' office this week.

The majority of the states throughout the country have joined President Roosevelt and will observe the holiday on November 21, but North Carolina will have its holiday on the 28th.

Commissioners Act On Recommendation Of Grand Jury

Resolution Is Passed Regarding a Negro School In Winfall

The County Commissioners, holding their regular November meeting on Monday, acted upon the recommendations given to the Superior Court by the Grand Jury regarding the heating equipment in the county jail, repairing the Court House front, the building of a Negro school in Winfall and the destruction of old buildings in Winfall, supposedly in dangerous state.

There was practically no other business placed before the Commissioners, in what was the present board's next to last meeting. Three of the present Commissioners were defeated for re-election and thus a practically new board will be installed at the December meeting.

A resolution was passed by the Board on Monday stating that the members had received and carefully noted the contents of the recommendations made by the Grand Jury and that the Board, along with sheriff J. E. Winslow, would install a heater for the jail. The Sheriff was to be instructed to see to minor repairs to the jail.

J. W. Ward, clerk of the Board, was authorized and instructed to see to the repairs of the Court House especially the pillars in front of the building.

As to the construction of a school in Winfall for Negro students, the resolution stated that the Board had had this under consideration for some time but that due to the financial condition of the county it was impossible to do anything about it at present, but it would possibly be done as soon as the county was able.

As to the recommendation of old buildings in Winfall, that matter was referred to the town officials of Winfall.

A copy of the resolution is to be mailed to Judge W. C. Harris, who presided at the October term of Superior Court.

Association To Hold Meeting In Hertford Thursday, November 14

Plans for a meeting of the Greater Albemarle Association in Hertford on Thursday, November 14 have been made and a large number of members are expected to visit here during that meeting.

Hopes of organizing a working chapter of the Association in Perquimans County is the aim of the meeting which will be held in the Court House.

The meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are urged to attend.

Post Office To Close For Armistice Day

The Hertford Post Office will be closed on Armistice Day, next Monday, with the exception of one hour, from 11 until 12 noon, when the stamp window will be open for the convenience of the public.

There will be no town or county delivery, except special delivery, but mail will be dispatched and placed in lock boxes as usual, according to S. M. Wheelbee, postmaster.

Father Night Program At P. T. A. Meeting On Thursday Night

Fathers' Night was the feature attraction at the Parent-Teacher Association meeting held at the Hertford Grammar School on Thursday night. The program was presented entirely by the fathers of the Association.

A large membership was present for the meeting and delicious refreshments were served.

President Roosevelt Carries County By 2nd Largest Vote

Only 103 Short of 1932 High Figure; Total Electoral Votes Will Be Around 468

Election forecasters missed the count on the number of votes that would be cast in Perquimans County last Tuesday . . . the vote was expected to be around 1,200, but when the complete tally had been made it was found that over 1,400 citizens of Perquimans had voted during the day.

President Roosevelt was given 1,177 votes to Wendell Willkie's 228. Thus the President carried the county by a little over a 5-1 count. Two precincts in the county gave Willkie more votes than the President. In Belvidere Willkie received 68 votes, while Roosevelt counted for 54; Nicamor tallied 56 for Willkie and 39 for Roosevelt. Bethel Township gave Roosevelt the largest percentage in the county, the vote in that precinct was Roosevelt 144, Willkie 5, about 28 to 1.

Hertford Township cast 590 votes for the President and 39 for Willkie, this percentage was about 15 to 1. In Parkville the score was Roosevelt 240, Willkie 40; New Hope's vote was 110 for Roosevelt and 20 for Willkie.

The vote given President Roosevelt was the second largest vote cast for a president by Perquimans County since 1920. Perquimans voted a total of 1,208 for Roosevelt in 1932, likewise the total vote cast was the third largest cast in the last six national elections.

According to the latest figures available before going to press the scope of the national vote for Roosevelt was over 25,000,000, while Willkie had a little over 21,000,000; thus President Roosevelt's popular lead was well over the 4,000,000 mark. In the electoral vote the President's lead was 48 to 31, Roosevelt carrying 41 states while Willkie carried nine.

Most of the votes had been counted by Thursday night, but there were a few outposts that had not reported; therefore we can not give the final score on the popular vote.

Greeks Drive Italians Back Into Albania On Balkan War Front

Germany Continues Air Raids on London as R. A. F. Retaliates

The Greeks must have a word for it.

The small Greek army has seized the offensive on the Italian invasion of the Balkan nation and are hurling the Italians back into Albania from whence they came.

Although some officials believe that the Italian forces have not as yet thrown their might into the battle of Greece, the Axis forces are having a struggle to maintain their soldiers on Greek soil.

The first major battle of the almost two weeks of fighting was won by the Greeks when they pushed the Italians back and captured the Albanian town of Koritza, taking some 30,000 Italian prisoners.

The Greek forces, according to word from Athens, are holding a fast line along the Greek-Albanian border which stretches through mountainous country for one hundred miles.

Along the Western Front the Nazi air raiders are still hammering at London, but lately they have changed their tactics and are now "lonewolfing", instead of bombing the city by squadrons. Londoners heard air-raid warnings throughout the night for the past several days now, and reports say that German airmen are attacking the city, one plane at a time for safety sake. The British marksmanship has been too good for the Germans to continue the mass attacks.

Meanwhile the R. A. F. has been punishing Germany and Italy with daily raids. Three times during this week English planes have bombed Naples and done much damage there by their bombs.

The interior of Germany as well as the Channel ports of France have been daily targets for the R. A. F. during the past week. Although little has been said about the amount of damage done.