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Public Installation Of Officers Held At Court House

New Commissioners, New Judge; Register Of Deeds Take Oath Of Office

Perquimans County's newly chosen officers were installed on Monday at a public installation service held at the Courthouse. This meeting, which probably drew more people to witness the installation of officers than any previous held in the County, was in charge of L. N. Hollowell, chairman of the Board of Elections.

Mr. Hollowell stated that he had been asked by the Institute of Government to have such a meeting and on such short notice he thought the attendance was very good. Approximately 150 people watched as the new officers took oath of office.

L. W. Anderson led the group in songs both before and after the installation. The Rev. C. E. Hobgood, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, gave a short talk.

Among the officers taking positions Monday were: C. E. White, L. L. Winslow and E. U. Morgan, new members of the Board of Commissioners. A. T. Lane and E. M. Perry retained their positions on the board. Granberry Tucker was installed as judge of the Recorder's Court, and J. W. Ward was again installed in the office of Register of Deeds.

Immediately following the public service, the out-going Board of County Commissioners met for the last time. Little business was placed before it. They adjourned at noon.

During the afternoon the new Board of Commissioners held its organization meeting and chose E. M. Perry as chairman of the Board. Charles Whedbee was chosen as County Attorney, and Charles E. Johnson was selected to fill the post of County Solicitor. These offices were for a period of two years.

Judge Tucker appeared before the new board and asked that the board consider changing the day for the holding of Recorder's Court from Tuesday to Monday, but due to the fact that the Commissioners must meet on the first Monday of each month, this was deemed inadvisable.

Tax lists for next year were also named by the new body. R. S. Chappell was named for Belvidere; J. O. White, Hertford; N. R. Elliott, Parkville, and L. R. Webb for New Hope. The tax lists will meet very shortly to determine the places and days that they will sit for tax listing.

Commissioners Pick Names For Jury Duty January Term Court

One of the first duties carried out by the new Board of County Commissioners was the drawing of names for jury service for the January Term of Superior Court.

The date for the court opening is January 15. The Weekly has learned that only civil cases will be heard at this term of court.

The names drawn for jury service are: Joseph A. Winslow, W. A. Eason, B. F. Ainsley, John B. Mathews, S. J. Mathews, J. Clifton Morgan, T. B. Sumner, Clarence Hunter, L. A. Goodwin, A. J. Winslow, E. L. Goodwin, George E. Carver, Vernon Ward, Nathan Riddick, Davis O. Cartwright, Norman Winslow, J. O. White, Jr., E. A. Spivey, T. H. Jones, William W. Chappell, Claude Rountree, V. L. Proctor, E. T. Phillips, and T. C. Chappell.

Music Program At Grammar School On Monday, December 16

Mrs. R. M. Riddick's piano class, the Junior Grammar School Band and the High School Glee Club will give an informal musical program at the Hertford Grammar School on Monday evening, December 16. The public is invited to attend.

Rotary Club Attends Turkey Supper

The Hertford Rotary Club passed its regular meeting Tuesday evening at the Hotel Hertford. Members attended a turkey supper given by the Johnson Memorial Class of the Baptist Church.

School Making Drive For Old Clothes And Toys This Week

The students and teachers of Perquimans County Grammar School are making a drive to collect old clothing and toys to be delivered to the homes of the less fortunate during the holiday season.

The school will appreciate anyone sending in anything that may have been discarded. It is asked that articles be sent in before December 20, in order that there may be time to mend and repair any article before delivering it.

Hertford Dressed In Decorations For Holiday Season

Hertford is ready for the holiday season. Stores and store windows have been decorated in keeping with the occasion. It is expected that the street lighting system will be turned on the latter part of this week to add to the attractiveness of the downtown section.

Merchants of Hertford have piled their counters high with goods for the Christmas shoppers. They are displaying holiday merchandise earlier this year than usual to enable shoppers to do their Christmas buying with more convenience.

To add to the scene the Hertford Banking Company has mailed out hundreds of Christmas Savings checks this week that will add to the purchasing power of the local residents.

A walk around the town will convince most anyone that Hertford's stores are really prepared to serve Perquimans folks with their wants and needs for this Christmas season. There is a spirit of Christmas in the air . . . and Hertford merchants await you to be at your service.

This week The Perquimans Weekly carries many items of special value for the Christmas shopper. We urge you to come to Hertford to do your shopping. You will find plenty of parking space, cooperating merchants and real values.

Indians Break Even In Basketball Opener Against Chowan Hi

The 1940-41 basketball season opened here Wednesday night with the Perquimans High School teams meeting the boys' and girls' teams from Chowan High School.

The Perquimans girls easily won from their opponents, 34-16, but the Indians were defeated by the score of 38-17.

In the curtain-raiser to the Indian-Red Bird game, the Perquimans Squaws took an early lead over the girls from Chowan, and the outcome was never in doubt. The Chowan girls failed to score during the entire second half. Score by quarters of the girls' game was 10-6 at the first quarter, 16-16 at the half, 24-16 at the third and 34-16 at the end of the game.

Mildred Gault was high scorer for the Squaws, tallying 18 points, while Wally Mayes scored 11, Evelyn White 2, Helen Mae White 2, and Betty Winslow 1.

Although the boys' game was fast for the opener of the season, the Chowan boys had the edge on the Indians in height and started off on a scoring spree that made it impossible for the Indians to overcome.

Score at the end of the first quarter was 9-4 in favor of Chowan, during the second quarter the boys from Cross Roads turned on and ran their total to 22 points, while they held the local boys scoreless. Hertford came back in the third quarter to out point the Red Birds, but slowed down again during the final period with the game ending 36-17 against the Indians.

Garland Asbell, 6-foot, 4-inch center for the Chowan High team, was the outstanding player of the game. He chucked in seven two-pointers for a total of 14 points for the visitors.

The Indians with very little practice, showed well during the game and although Coach Dave Fuller has little in the way of substitutes, the Indians show promise and they will give their opponents plenty of worry before the season is over.

Charles Stokes was top scorer for Hertford, garnering 6 points, while Byron scored 5, Nowell 2, Dillard 2, and Nixon 1.

Cotton Referendum Will Decide Fate Of Marketing Quotas

L. W. Anderson, County Agent, Announces Poll Holders and Polling Places

Cotton growers of North Carolina and other states in the Nation where the lint crop is produced will go to the polls Saturday to decide in a referendum whether to have cotton marketing quotas in effect on the 1941 crop. Quotas have been in effect for the past three years, including 1940.

E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer of N. C. State College, urges every farmer who produced cotton this year to go to his community polling place and express his opinion. "A large majority of cotton growers voting will mean that the referendum outcome represents the true opinion of producers as a whole," he declared.

The nation-wide vote in favor of cotton marketing quotas for 1940 was 877,297 for quotas and 84,976 against quotas, or 91.2 percent of those voting in favor of quotas. North Carolina gave 1940 quotas a 50,737 to 5,767 vote (89.8 percent) vote of approval.

Floyd pointed out that cotton loans, which have helped this year in maintaining cotton farmers' incomes, can be made available to cotton growers in 1941 only if marketing quotas are approved in Saturday's referendum. The Agricultural Adjustment Act, passed by Congress in 1938, specifically provides that if quotas are proclaimed and then voted down, loans cannot be made.

The Trip-A officer also said that if marketing quotas are rejected, the 1940 cotton loan program would have to cease at the time ballot results are announced, and a loan could not again be available until August 1, 1942.

L. W. Anderson, Perquimans County Agent, announced today the polling places and poll-holders for Saturday's election.

Commenting upon the election, Mr. Anderson urged that all cotton producers vote at some polling place. If less than two-thirds majority vote for marketing quotas, there will be no cotton loans in 1941. All cotton producers in 1940 are eligible to vote in the election Saturday.

However, no person will be allowed to vote more than once, regardless of the number of farms owned or represented.

Below is listed the polling places and poll-holders. The polling places will be open from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.: Belvidere Township—Belvidere Community House; Poll-holders: L. L. Lane, C. T. Rogerson, W. I. Winslow.

Bethel Township—J. C. Hobbs' Store at Bethel; Poll-holders: S. P. Mathews, J. C. Hobbs, C. T. Phillips. Hertford Township—Agricultural Building; Poll-holders: C. W. Reed, J. E. Hunter, A. D. Thatch.

Parkville Township—Baker's Store at Winfall; Poll-holders: J. A. Bray, G. W. Jackson, J. R. Mathews.

New Hope Township—New Hope Community House; Poll-holders: J. W. Overton, Carson Spivey, John Q. Hurdle.

Any person so desiring may cast his vote at the Agricultural Building in Hertford instead of the polling place in his home township. It is not required that an eligible voter must vote at his township polling place.

Christmas Seal Sale Successfully Under Way Here

Mrs. I. A. Ward, chairman of the Christmas Seal sale for Perquimans County, reports a good response to the drive thus far this year. Complete reports from the canvassers are lacking, but indications are that the fund will reach a high mark for this year.

Mrs. Ward urges everyone to support this fight against tuberculosis by purchasing Christmas Seals. Persons who have not been solicited may purchase Seals by phoning Mrs. I. A. Ward, whose phone number is 2681, Hertford.

Recorder's Court Not In Session Tuesday

Due to the absence of Solicitor Charles E. Johnson, the regular Tuesday term of Recorder's Court was postponed until December 10th. Mr. Johnson was on a trip to St. Louis, Missouri.

Granberry Tucker, newly installed Judge of Recorder's Court, will preside at the next term of the court.

Red Cross Roll Call Figures Released By Mrs. C. P. Morris

Incomplete Returns Reveal Large Total of Memberships Secured This Year

Incomplete figures on the Perquimans County Red Cross Roll Call were released this week by Mrs. C. P. Morris, chairman of the local drive.

Several solicitors are yet to be heard from and Mrs. Morris expects good response from these workers. At the present there has been a total of 193 memberships and the sum of \$206.50 collected through the Roll Call for this year.

Mrs. Morris stated that she was well pleased with the response given the Red Cross drive this year and that it was highly probable that the total membership this year will exceed that of previous years.

Outstanding among the list of memberships in Perquimans County was one contributing membership . . . that of Mrs. K. R. Newbold, of Hertford.

The membership list for Perquimans County this year follows:

Mrs. A. W. Hefren, Mrs. R. S. Monds, L. S. White, C. E. Cannon, A. W. Hefren, Dr. J. W. Zachary, Bill Jordan, Broughton Bros., Central Grocery, Charles E. Johnson, Mrs. R. T. Clarke, T. S. White, Rev. and Mrs. E. T. Jilson (\$3.00), Mrs. J. C. Moore, Cannon Cleaning Works, Hertford Clinic, Hertford Hotel, Mrs. T. F. Winslow, Miss Mae Wood Winslow, Mrs. Pattie Warren, Mrs. T. S. Sutton, Mrs. E. S. Pierce, Miss Kate Blanchard, Mrs. Annie Willis, Mrs. E. E. Payne, Mrs. E. W. Mayes, Rev. R. F. Munns, Mrs. William Mardre.

Mrs. C. P. Morris, Mrs. James Sawyer, Mrs. B. S. Hoskins, Mrs. J. T. White, Mrs. T. B. Walters, Mrs. W. F. Madre, Jr., W. O. Hunter, T. E. Madre, Milton Dail, Mrs. N. N. Trueblood, Mrs. W. L. Madre, Mrs. Effie Miller, Jasper Winslow, John T. Lane, Mrs. Joe Perry, Miss Mary Sumner, Miss Mildred Reed, Miss T. J. Walters, Miss Mary Jane Spruill, Mrs. Julia Stokes, Jake White, J. F. Winslow, Miss Ruth Elliott, Mrs. C. T. Phillips, Mrs. S. M. Long, Mrs. A. F. Proctor, S. S. Class No. 3 of Bethel Church, S. S. Class No. 4 of Bethel Church.

W. E. White, Mrs. J. S. Vick, Mrs. C. G. Stephens, Mrs. B. C. Beyer, Dr. I. A. Ward, Bill & Viv's, H. A. Whitely, Sammie Sutton, One Stop, Mrs. Lindsay Winslow, Mrs. Charles Whedbee, Miss Jocelyn Whedbee, Mrs. J. E. Winslow, Mrs. W. T. Brown, Wilson Reed, Mrs. Ernest Reed, Mrs. Dick Brinn, Miss Helen Gaither, Mrs. W. G. Gaither, J. S. McNIder, J. T. Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jessup, Miss Frances Maness, Miss Helen Nixon, Zack Robertson, Mrs. J. E. White, Joe and Bill's, Towe Motor Co., Mrs. K. R. Newbold, Mrs. W. H. Pitt, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Riddick, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williford, Mrs. R. T. White, Mrs. W. H. Harcastle, L. W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Skinner, Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Jackson, W. H. Harcastle, E. L. Winslow, Rev. John C. Trivette, Miss Lucy White, Miss Margaret B. White, Dr. E. S. White, Miss Clara M. White, Mrs. Nora Winslow, F. C. White, William C. Chappell.

Mrs. J. E. Morris, Mrs. Ed Harrell, Mrs. Beverly Tucker, Sidney P. Jessup, Mrs. Stella Fowler, Guy Newby, Mrs. Rosser Brinn, Mrs. C. (Continued on page 17c)

Home Demonstration Clubs Have Reported Subscription Sales

The Home Demonstration Clubs have made final reports to The Perquimans Weekly on the subscription drive and the report of each club was very good. All subscriptions have been reported and The Weekly is rapidly placing the new subscribers on the list and marking up the expiration dates of those who renewed during the drive.

Although there was no contest during the drive, several of the clubs ran a neck and neck race for honors of turning in the largest number of subscriptions. The Bethel Club won that honor, with Whiteston and Belvidere close behind, in the order named.

Each club was paid a commission on every subscription sold and those clubs reporting 30 or more subscriptions were given a bonus of \$5.00.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White wish to announce the birth of a son, born on Wednesday, December 4th, 1940. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

F.F.A. Holds Annual Banquet For Fathers And Sons Thursday

The annual F. F. A. Father and Son banquet was held at the Perquimans High School Building on Thursday evening with approximately 130 fathers and sons attending.

District Supervisor of the Future Farmers of America E. N. Meekins, of Raleigh, was a guest at the banquet.

Following the banquet, a meeting in charge of the members of the local chapter of the F. F. A. was held. The ritual of the association was carried out throughout the meeting.

Fire Department Called To Winfall To Fight Blaze

The Hertford Fire Department was called to Winfall Tuesday night at 8:30 to aid Winfall residents extinguish a fire at the home of Octavius Reed, Negro.

The fire started from a defective chimney and had gained considerable headway when the local firemen were called, but with the aid of Hertford's new fire truck the blaze was soon under control.

The new pumper has proven its value on its first two fire trips since arriving last month. The first fire after the arrival of the truck was at the home of J. O. Felton . . . almost a year to the day when the Felton home was destroyed by a fire which resulted in the town's purchasing the new engine . . . then again Tuesday night.

There being no water system in Winfall the small auxiliary water tank, carried on the truck, was thrown into use and the water was pumped into the hose from this tank. It took the local firemen approximately 15 minutes to bring the fire under control . . . had it not been for Hertford's new fire truck with its pumper equipment, the house in Winfall would have been ashes today.

School Authorities Planning Classes For Out Of School Boys

In cooperation with the National Defense program, plans are now under consideration at Perquimans High School for the establishment of classes for out-of-school youths to learn general shop work and elementary electrical engineering.

Superintendent F. T. Johnson and G. C. Buck, instructor in vocational agriculture, attended a meeting in Williamston on Wednesday during which these classes were discussed. The meeting was called by T. E. Brown, of Raleigh, State Director of vocational education.

Superintendent Johnson stated that a minimum of 10 students, composed of youths now out of school, will be necessary for the formation of these classes. Youths enrolled in the classes must be between the ages of 17 and 24. Classes will be held for three hours each day, five days a week for a minimum of eight weeks.

At the present time the local school officials have an instructor available for electrical instruction but none for the general shop work. Instructors in these classes will be paid at the rate of \$100 per hour. Students will receive no pay.

A definite decision regarding the formation of these classes will probably be made after Mr. Johnson and Mr. Buck return from the Williamston meeting and the plan has been thoroughly investigated by the local school officials.

Important Meeting Of W.O.W. Scheduled For December 12

An important business meeting of the Woodmen of the World will be held at the lodge rooms on Thursday night, December 12, and all members are urged to be present.

In addition to the important business to be discussed, the officers of the lodge have arranged a special program for the evening. Cash prizes will be awarded during the program.

Lions Club Meets Tonight At Hotel

The Hertford Lions Club will hold its regular meeting tonight (Friday) at the Hotel Hertford. Important announcements will be made and all members are urged to attend.

Draft Board Names Volunteers To Fill County's First Quota

George Butler and John Henry Phillips First County Men Called For Military Training

The Perquimans County Draft board named two volunteers to be the first men to represent this county under Uncle Sam's Selective Service Act. The board met Wednesday to determine just which men will be selected to fill the quota for the county on the first call.

George Butler and John Henry Phillips, Negro, were the volunteers chosen by the local board to be the first to start the year's training under the Act.

Butler is a registrant in the draft, but he volunteered to the local board shortly after the registration held early in October, and by this action he will be the first white man from the county to begin his military service under the selective service act.

Phillips, while not of registration age, gained the consent of his parents to volunteer and he will be the first Negro from Perquimans to serve under the defense program.

These two men will report to Fort Bragg, where they will be inducted into military service by army officials at that fort. Butler will leave Hertford at 9:40 on December 10, and Phillips will follow on December 12.

Both of these men have passed the physical examination given by Dr. C. A. Davenport, local medical examining officer, but they will also have to pass examinations given by army officers after they reach Fort Bragg.

After these two men have been accepted by the army, the first quota for Perquimans County will have been filled and another call for men is not expected until sometime in January of 1941. Perquimans County's quota is 50 men to be furnished by not later than June 30, 1941.

Meanwhile, the local draft board, headed by J. R. Stokes, chairman, is going ahead with the classification of men in order to be ready for the next call. A total of 132 men have been classified to date and of this number 26 have been placed in Class I by members of the board.

Two alternates have been chosen by the board for the first two men in case either of them fail to fill the required quota. These alternates are: Francis Willey and Bernice Woodward, Negro.

The draft board composed of Mr. Stokes, W. G. Hollowell and W. W. Spence, will accompany each of the men to the bus station on the day of his departure and see that each man is properly entrained for camp.

Navy To Choose Air Base Site Within Very Short Time

Captain C. E. Rosendahl, accompanied by Congressman Herbert C. Bonner and two other Naval officials, visited Hertford early Tuesday morning to confer with a committee regarding the site for the location of the proposed Naval Air Base to be built in this section.

The officials came here from Elizabeth City, after having inspected sites along the coast from the Virginia State Line. The Weekly has learned that the Air Base will probably be located in one of the counties in Northeastern North Carolina.

Norman Trueblood, Clinton Ely, Mayor V. N. Darden, Sheriff J. E. Winslow, C. P. Morris and L. W. Anderson met the group upon its arrival in Hertford. Maps showing various sites available in Perquimans County were shown the officials and Captain Rosendahl outlined to the committee just what will be needed. He asked that a complete outline of sites in this county be written up and mailed to him at his office as soon as possible, because it is expected that the Navy Department will decide within a very short time just where the Base will be located.

Captain Rosendahl explained that it will take from a year to 15 months to complete the construction of the air base and that a crew of approximately 400 men will be stationed at the same.

Norman Trueblood, secretary of the Lions Club, assured the officials that he would have a prospectus of the Perquimans sites in the hands of the officials by Saturday morning in order that they may consider this county in determining the location of the base.