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Indians Defeated By Elizabeth City, Split With Creswell

Local Teams Will Play Sunbury High Friday Night

Both basketball teams of Perquimans High School met defeat at the hands of the Elizabeth City teams last Friday night when the fast-moving Yellow Jackets visited the local court for the annual tilt with the Indians.

In the opening battle between the girls' teams of the rival schools, the visitors had the situation well in hand from the opening whistle. The Squaws were outplayed and out-shot throughout the entire game and the final gun showed Elizabeth City the victors by a 46-24 count.

Mayes, Gault and White played the offensive side for Perquimans and scored all the points, but they were not up to their usual brand of shooting.

In the second game, between the Indians and the Jackets, Hertford scored on the opening play, but was overtaken by the Elizabeth City boys and trailed at the end of the first period 7-4. The second period was a see-saw affair and the half-time showed Elizabeth City ahead 12-10.

The Indians came back strong during the second half and knotted the score on several occasions, but did not have the strength to maintain a lead. Elizabeth City boys spurred to an eight point lead during the final period after the Indians had gained a one point margin right after the opening of the fourth quarter. Final score was 28 to 19 with the visitors on the big end of the points.

Wednesday night both Perquimans teams journeyed to Edenton to play the Creswell teams on a neutral floor, Creswell having signified that it desired that arrangement rather than play for the second time this year on the local floor.

The Indian Squaws outplayed the girls from Creswell and won an easy victory 19 to 14. White was high scorer for the Indians, with 7 points. Mayes and Gault tallied six points each. Pat Edwards, E. White and Ann Tucker started the game at the guard positions for Hertford.

In the boys' game, the Creswell team handed the Indians the short end of the score for the second time this season. Final count was 28 for Creswell, 18 for Hertford.

The Perquimans' teams will play Sunbury tonight, but as yet no floor has been selected for the game.

Students Complete 4 Weeks In Defense Class Training

The Perquimans County Defense Training Class has been going on now four weeks and will continue for four more weeks. The class meets in the High School garage at 7 o'clock on Monday night, Tuesday night, Thursday night, and Saturday morning. This class is for out-of-school boys between the ages of 17 and 24, and runs for eight weeks. The course now being given is "Automobile, Truck and Tractor Repairs, Care and Operation." The class is supervised by G. C. Buck and taught by J. W. Hampton. It is a practice course where every boy actually does the job assigned to him.

The boys now taking this course are Thomas Chappell, Johnnie Hollowell, Thomas Hollowell, Frank Jessup, W. L. Jessup, Freness Lane, Oliver Layden, Jr., Ernest Morgan, J. B. Perry, Leslie Perry, Herbert Ward.

Another class is now being planned to start soon. All boys who are interested in one of these classes are asked to see Mr. Buck and register for it.

Officer Arrests Negro In Theft Of 45 Dollars

James Whitehurst, Negro of Wintfall, was arrested and placed in jail, in default of \$200 bond, and is charged with stealing \$45 in cash, a wrist watch and a gold pin.

Whitehurst was taken into custody Tuesday morning by Deputy Sheriff M. G. Owens, after the theft had been reported as occurring Monday night.

The Negro is alleged to have taken the property from the car of Clyde Layden, who had parked in front of a store in Wintfall and on returning to his car noted that his wife's purse had been ransacked.

Parent-Teachers Club To Hold Study Class At Grammar School

The first of a series of study classes conducted by the Parent-Teacher Association was held at the Hertford Grammar School yesterday afternoon with Mrs. I. A. Ward speaking on the subject of the Relationship of the Parent to the Child in School.

The second class of the series will be conducted this (Friday) afternoon when Mrs. F. T. Johnson will speak on the subject What Do Parents Expect of Children? The class will convene at the Grammar School at 3:30 o'clock.

On next Thursday and Friday afternoons, the classes will be taught by the Rev. R. F. Munns and the Rev. C. E. Hobgood, respectively. On Thursday afternoon the Rev. Mr. Munns will speak, using as his subject Partnership in Homes. The Rev. Mr. Hobgood has not made known his subject for Friday afternoon.

These classes will likewise be held from 3:30 to 4:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Fire Causes Large Damage To White's Tourist Home

A fire of undetermined origin caused between \$3,000 and \$5,000 damage to the Albemarle Tourist Home operated by Mrs. J. E. White on last Saturday morning. A large portion of the damage was due to water and smoke, although the flames did considerable damage to the attic of the home.

The fire was discovered at 11:15 by a maid, who was cleaning up stairs and a call for the fire department was placed immediately.

By the time the department arrived heavy smoke clouds were rolling out from the house making the roof invisible from the street, and thus hindering the firemen in locating the exact spot of the fire.

Residents of the boarding house and tourist home had, meanwhile, carried a large part of the furniture and personal belongings to the yards of the neighbors.

The local troop of Boy Scouts also assisted splendidly by aiding occupants to gather personal property and watching it while the older men carried on with the fire fighting.

One of the volunteer firemen, Ray White, was overcome by smoke and was given first aid by Dr. T. P. Brinn, but it was necessary for White to leave for home.

Damages to the house and furniture were entirely covered by insurance, Mrs. White stated. However, losses of clothing and personal possessions of the roomers were not covered.

Mr. and Mrs. White highly praised the Hertford firemen for their work in extinguishing the flames and thank the many friends and neighbors for their assistance at the fire.

Carolyn Riddick Weds Ahoskie Man At Bennettsville

A wedding of wide interest to their many friends took place Saturday, February 8, when Carolyn Riddick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Riddick, became the bride of C. B. Barker, of Ahoskie.

Mr. Barker is the son of the late Rev. J. J. Barker, a former pastor of the Ahoskie Methodist Church, and the late Mrs. Barker.

The marriage vows were read in the Methodist Parsonage at Bennettsville, S. C., by the Rev. Mr. Clarke, pastor of the Bennettsville Methodist Church.

Mrs. Barker received her education in the Perquimans County Schools and attended both Eastern Carolina Teachers College at Greenville, and Greensboro College. At the present time she is a member of the faculty of New Hope School.

Mr. Barker was graduated from the Ahoskie High School and is employed by McPherson Brothers of that city.

The couple will make their home in Ahoskie.

MINNIE WILSON CIRCLE

The Minnie Wilson Circle will meet Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Thomas Sumner. Members are requested to bring their dimes for the Chinese Bible Women.

Draft Board Gets Call For Five Men During February

Three White Youths to Leave For Camp on 24th; Two Negroes on The 27th

J. R. Stokes, chairman of the Perquimans County draft board, announced this week that the local board has received a call for five men to be furnished by the county during the month of February to fill the quota under the Selective Service Act.

Three white men will be selected to leave Hertford for Fort Bragg on February 24, and two colored men will follow on the 27th. The local board has a total of 26 men classified as A-1 and ready to leave for camp.

At the present time the board has not selected the white men who will leave first. John R. Webb, granted a 30-day deferment, may be included in this group, depending upon action taken in his case next week. Other men who may be used to fill the quota include Robert Morris, Henry W. Bright, Louis Chappell, Edgar Lee Lane, Harold Copeland and William Davis.

The Negroes who will leave for camp on the 27th are Bernice Woodard and Robert M. Riddick, both volunteers. The board has selected Vernon Wiggins and George B. Felton to act as alternates to these selectees.

Fred Forehand, Negro, appeared at the draft board offices last week and volunteered his services for the year's training. This brings to a total of twelve Negro volunteers that the board has on file.

Due to the number of men that the board has classified, and the number now available for service, the draft board has held up the mailing out of questionnaires. Mr. Stokes said that this work will be resumed as soon as it is necessary to add more men to the classified group.

The men who will leave Hertford this month will be inducted into the army at Fort Bragg and later transferred to Fort Jackson, S. C., where they will become a part of the 30th Division of the U. S. Army.

Few Cases Docketed For Recorder's Court

Law and order has been the course taken during the past several weeks by the residents of Perquimans, and by such a course business in the Recorder's Court has dropped to a minimum.

Only three cases were on docket when Judge Granberry Tucker convened court on Tuesday morning and these were hurriedly carried to justice.

Two minor traffic cases which involved Henry Mallory, Negro from the Durants Neck community, and James Cuffie, Negro from Columbia, were heard first. Mallory was taxed one-half the costs of court when he was found guilty of operating a car with improper license; Cuffie was fined \$25 on the charge of reckless driving.

Norman Lee White, Negro, was placed under a \$100 bond and cited to appear in Court on July 15 on hearings of non-support and seduction. The State took a nol pros on the second charge and White pleaded guilty to the first.

The State also took a nol pros in the case against Charlie Welch, who was charged with assault.

The case against O. A. Chappell, charged with passing a worthless check, was continued.

Legionnaires Meet Friday To Elect Officers For Post

The Perquimans County Post of the American Legion will hold its first meeting at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening for the purpose of organizing and electing officers for the Post.

At the present time forty-odd World War veterans have signed up for membership in the local Post, but the organizing committee has mailed out seventy invitations to veterans in the county to attend the meeting tonight.

All veterans are urged to attend the meeting, and it is the hope of the local veterans that the charter membership of the local Post can be raised to fifty before the roll is closed.

One Hundred Dollars Cleared For Infantile Paralysis Fund Here

March of Dimes and President's Ball Is Termed Success By Chairman

Between one hundred and ten and one hundred and fifteen dollars will be the net sum cleared in Perquimans County for the Infantile Paralysis Fund, according to figures released this week by S. M. Whedbee, chairman of the program for this county.

Mr. Whedbee stated that the March of Dimes, which was under the direction of F. T. Johnson and W. H. Pitt and was well worked by the school children and Boy Scouts, will raise a sum of around \$75, and that the dance sponsored by the committee will net about \$40.

In his statement Mr. Whedbee thanked every person who took part, either in the March of Dimes or the President's Ball, and expressed his opinion that the program was a success in every way.

The school children and the Boy Scouts made an excellent showing with their work in the March of Dimes. Practically every nook and corner of the county was canvassed by the youngsters in search of the dimes that will be used to aid others less fortunate, to walk again.

Likewise, for the first time since the inauguration of the program, the dance sponsored during the program was a financial success. Approximately 45 couples attended the dance, and the committee unable to obtain the services of an orchestra without paying too large a sum for it, held the costs to a minimum by furnishing the music from the "juke" box located at Walker's.

Fifty per cent of the amount raised here by the celebration will be forwarded to national offices to be used in the fight against Infantile Paralysis on a national scale through research and treatment, and the remainder will stay in the county to be used locally in fighting the disease as it makes its appearances here.

Boy Scouts Appear Before Rotary Club

In observance of National Boy Scout Week, eight members of the Hertford troop appeared before the Rotary Club at its meeting Tuesday evening, and gave a report of the progress of the Hertford Scouts since reorganization last February. The local Rotary Club sponsors the Boy Scout troop.

The report, given by Billy Blanchard, showed that in the past year the troop has grown from a membership of twelve to thirty-eight.

Two members of the troop are in line for the rank of Star Scout, and only six members of the troop are in the Tenderfoot Class, the others being Second Class with the exception of one First Class Scout.

Participating in the program besides Billy Blanchard, were Billy Elliott, Julian Broughton, Johnny Hunter, Bobby Holmes, Louis Sitterson, Marvin Simpson and Thomas Perry.

The Hertford Rotary Club voted this week to invite Robert E. Humber of Pitt County, to speak before a joint meeting of the Rotary and Lions Clubs in the near future. His topic will probably be on World Federation.

Julian White, president of the Lions Club, was a guest at the Rotary meeting.

Music Program At Grammar School On Friday, Feb. 21

A patriotic musical program will be given at the Hertford Grammar School on Friday, February 21, at 7:30 o'clock by the bands and glee clubs of the Grammar School and Perquimans High School.

The program will be under the direction of Miss Mary Jane Spruill, Mrs. R. M. Riddick and Jimmy McCallum. The public is cordially invited to attend.

W. C. T. U. MEETING

Members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at the home of Mrs. K. R. Newbold on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

Lions Club Donates Ten Dollars Toward Curtain Fund

The Hertford Lions Club held its regular meeting at the Hotel Hertford on last Friday night and had as guests, Charles Ford Sumner and P. H. Kelly.

Mr. Sumner made an interesting talk to the members on the conditions of the first World War and compared the events with those of the present struggle going on in Europe.

During the meeting the Club voted to donate the sum of ten dollars to the Hertford Parent-Teachers Association, same to be added to the P. T. A. curtain fund. The P. T. A. is now raising a fund for the purchase of a stage curtain to be used at the Hertford Grammar School.

The Club also voted to forego its regular meeting on February 21, and will meet with the Elizabeth City Lions Club on its Charter Night Friday, February 28.

Short Session Held By Town Board In Meeting Monday

A short business session was held by the Town Board Monday night when it convened for the regular February meeting. Little business was brought before the Board for its attention.

During a discussion of last week's fire, however, it was decided to hold a fire drill for the volunteer firemen in order that each member may become familiar with the new fire-fighting equipment recently purchased, and which should insure more efficiency at future fires. The fire drill will be followed with an oyster roast for the men.

A committee composed of Mrs. J. R. Futrell, Mrs. J. H. Towe, Jr., and Mrs. C. A. Davenport appeared before the Board as representatives of the Hertford Parent-Teachers Association and explained the drive now being made to raise funds for the purchase of a curtain for the stage at the Grammar School. After hearing the committee, the Board voted to donate the sum of \$15 to the fund.

A short discussion regarding the coming primary for Town Officials was held, but complete details of the coming election will be worked out at the regular March meeting.

The primary election of the mayor and town commissioners will be held in April and the election to office will follow in May.

Mayor Darden announced Wednesday that the oyster roast and fire drill will be held on Thursday evening, February 27th, at the Municipal Plant.

Woman's Club Plan Money Raising Party For Building Fund

There was a large representation of the members of the Woman's Club present at the meeting held Tuesday afternoon in the auditorium of the Agricultural Building, with Mrs. I. A. Ward, president, presiding, when numerous important matters of business were discussed.

To raise money for the proposed new Community Building, the Club will give an elaborate bingo party on the night of February 28, when a number of valuable prizes, and some of lesser value, to be donated by various firms and individuals, will be given to the lucky players.

In connection with the work of Bundles for Britain, work hitherto not undertaken in Hertford, Mrs. Ward appointed a committee, Mrs. R. T. Clarke, Mrs. J. J. Fleetwood and Miss Mae Wood Winslow, to institute the work here. The committee represents each of the churches in Hertford, with Mrs. Clarke from the Methodist Church, Mrs. Fleetwood from the Baptist Church, and Miss Winslow from the Episcopal Church.

Mrs. R. T. Brinn, who was one of the winners at the last meeting, again won a door prize, a theatre ticket from the State Theatre. Mrs. C. P. Morris won the second door prize, a gift from Roberson's Drug Store.

Mrs. R. T. Brinn, chairman of the Welfare Department, had charge of the program, with a paper on Welfare Work being read by Miss Ruth Knowles.

Group Of Peanut Growers Protest To Pace Measure

R. C. Holland Heads Delegation of Directors On Trip to National Capital

Following a lengthy article in The News and Observer last week by J. Mayon Parker of Ahoskie, president of the Growers Peanut Cooperative, Inc., in which he criticized R. C. Holland, president of the Peanut Stabilization Cooperative, for registering disapproval in its present form of the marketing quota bill as introduced in Congress by Congressman Stephen Pace of Georgia, Mr. Holland on Saturday made the following statement:

"The directors of the Peanut Stabilization Cooperative have stated their present position on the bill of Congressman Pace of Georgia in writing before the sub-committee of the House Agriculture Committee, which recently held hearings on the bill. That statement will stand."

Mr. Holland went on to say: "Mr. J. Mayon Parker failed to say in his statement that not a single one of the directors representing North Carolina on the directorate of Growers Peanut Cooperative were present with him in Washington at the hearings on the bill, although he urged them to attend the hearings." He further stated, "These directors will shortly make known to their representatives in Congress their objections to the bill and will seek such changes in the bill as appear necessary to give to the peanut farmers of North Carolina fair and equitable treatment."

Mr. Parker, who was in Washington when the Pace bill was considered, expressed the belief that the bill was adequate to protect all peanut growers and that he is in favor of it in all essentials, and for that reason opposed any amendments which might be offered by the Peanut Stabilization Cooperative.

Mr. Holland, last week, requested that the report of the committee on the bill be deferred until after February 17 in order that the directors of his association may have an opportunity to file any suggestions in respect to changes in the bill. These suggestions have been filed, and in order to bring them before the committee, Mr. Holland, together with his directors, seven of the eight of whom are also directors of the Growers Peanut Cooperative, Inc., left for Washington Tuesday and plan to remain on the scene Wednesday and Thursday and even longer if necessary in order to protect the rights of North Carolina's peanut growers, if those rights are not provided for in the bill as it now stands.

Those who are with Mr. Holland in Washington in the interest of the bill are J. B. Fearing representing Bertie County, W. R. Everett representing Martin County, J. G. Shields representing Halifax County, B. D. Stephenson representing Northampton County, M. B. Hobbs representing Gates County, L. E. Hassell representing Washington County, R. V. Knight representing Edgecombe County, and John G. Wood representing Chowan County.

Before leaving Tuesday, Mr. Holland felt greatly encouraged relative to changes in the Pace bill, for according to a newspaper story from Washington in The News and Observer, Congressman Harold D. Cooley introduced an amendment to the bill to increase acreage allotments for North Carolina and other old peanut-producing states in an effort to iron out controversies. Mr. Cooley conferred with Representatives Herbert C. Bonner and John Kerr and Representative Darden of Virginia, and expressed the belief that the amendment would satisfy one of the outstanding objections to the bill.

This particular phase of the peanut marketing quotas has been for over a year one of the principal objectives of the Peanut Stabilization Cooperative for the benefit of peanut growers, and while Mr. Holland was glad to learn that the amendment had been proposed, he felt that there might be other necessary changes in the bill and for that reason he and his group of directors want to be on the scene to carefully scrutinize the bill and offer any changes which will be of benefit to peanut growers.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. White, of Richmond, Va., wish to announce the birth of a son, Thomas Cleaver, born February 3, 1941. Mr. White, a native of Hertford, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake White, of Hertford.