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## Large Number Local People Attend Lions Night In E. City

### Governor J. M. Broughton Makes Principal Talk at Charter Night Meeting

Approximately fifty people from Hertford, members of the local Lions Club, their wives and friends attended the Charter Night meeting and dance sponsored by the Elizabeth City Lions Club in that city on Wednesday night.

The neighboring city formed a Lions Club during January and with the meeting held Wednesday night the members of the Club were presented with their charter and full fledged memberships into the national organization. The Elizabeth City Club was formed and sponsored through the efforts of the Hertford Lions Club.

A large number of State notables and visiting Lions and Lionesses were on hand at the banquet to hear Governor J. M. Broughton make the principal address of the evening, after which the Lions and their guests were entertained at a dance. Nearly one hundred and fifty guests attended the dance.

Highlights of the Charter Night meeting included the address of welcome by Lion C. Penn McIntosh of the Elizabeth City Club, and the response given by Leroy Haskett of the Edenton Club. Julian White, president of the Hertford Club, presented the hosts with a bell and gavel, presents from the local club. The Edenton Club presented them with an American flag. Presentation of the flag was made by W. J. Taylor, secretary of the Edenton Club.

Norman Trueblood, secretary of the Hertford Club and Zone Chairman, acted as toastmaster for the occasion.

District Governor Lion James H. Parker presented the new club with its charter, after being introduced by William Privott, past president of the Edenton club.

Governor Broughton was introduced to the gathering by the toastmaster, Mr. Trueblood.

During the evening Julian White, Archie Lane and Norman Trueblood, all members of the Hertford club, were presented with silver lions, a present from the National organization, for having reported the total of twenty-seven new members during the month of January. These presentations were made by James Parker, district governor.

## Install Facilities To Make Trailers

Facilities to manufacture truck trailers of every type have been installed at the Hollowell Chevrolet Company, and the work of building has already begun.

The new equipment, which includes power drills, power hack saws, electric welder, forge, rip saw, band saw, and planer will enable Hollowell's to build log trailers, flat-bodied trailers and vans.

Mr. Hollowell said that he is in a position to take orders for trailers of any specification. He says that only the best of every type material will be stocked. Cost will be governed by weight of material specified, he said.

Old model trailers will be taken in trade, and new trailer purchases will be financed by Hollowell's.

A new warehouse, 50 by 100 feet, is being built on a lot back of the business district to house cars and trucks, so that the entire floor space of the present garage may be used for a workshop.

This is one of the most important forward steps taken by the Hollowell Chevrolet Company since it opened business in Hertford in 1927.

## Boy Scouts Travel To Norfolk For Swim Tests

Some twenty to twenty-five members of the Boy Scout Troop of Hertford motored to Norfolk, Va., on Wednesday and were given swimming instructions. They also took tests in life-saving.

The boys were under the supervision of Scoutmaster W. H. Pitt.

## Rotary Meeting

The Hertford Rotary Club held its regular meeting Tuesday night at the Hotel Hertford. In the absence of R. S. Mondak, club president, F. T. Johnson presided.

## Grandparents Treat Students At Central Grammar School

The entire student body of the Perquimans County Central Grammar School were guests last Friday afternoon at delightful parties given in each room by the respective grandparents of the children.

Each grade presented a short program in its room and was served ice cream, nuts, candy, popcorn balls, apples and oranges.

There were approximately forty grandparents present.

## Young Men's Bible Class Formed At Methodist Church

A Young Men's Bible Class was formed at the Methodist Church on last Sunday morning and will have as its teacher, the Rev. R. F. Munns. An attendance contest is being staged between the class and the Young Ladies' Class of the same church, and all young men are cordially invited to attend this new class each Sunday.

## Court Sends Negro Volunteer To Roads On Three Charges

Vernon Wiggins, one of Perquimans County's Negro volunteer draftees, will have to forego his plans to take a year's training with Uncle Sam's Army until after he has served something like 90 days on the roads. Sentence was passed on Wiggins in Recorder's Court here on Tuesday.

Wiggins was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and trespassing. He pleaded guilty to the first count and was found guilty of the second charge when testimony showed that he had had trouble and was ordered out of a filling station in Winfall.

Before Judge Tucker passed sentence upon Wiggins, Solicitor Charles Johnson called the attention of the Court to a suspended sentence hanging over Wiggins on a good behavior clause and this 30 days was added to the 60 days meted out on the charges tried Tuesday.

Wiggins took an appeal on the sentence given Tuesday and his bond was fixed at \$100. However, he will be sent to the roads to serve the 30 days revoked on his previous conviction.

Other cases heard before Judge Tucker Tuesday included the case of Wilson Ferebee, Negro. The Court found probable cause in the hearing charging Ferebee with breaking and entering and he was bound over to the Superior Court for hearing at the April Term.

Linwood Lane pleaded guilty to operating a car with improper lights and was taxed with one-half the costs of court.

Emanuel Miller and Hiram Riddick were found guilty of using profanity upon a public road and with being drunk and disorderly. Both defendants were fined the costs of court, and sentenced to 30 days in jail. Sentence to be suspended upon payments of the costs and good behavior for two years.

A nol pros was taken by the State in the case of Ephraim White, charged with receiving stolen money.

## Patrons Of Negro P. T. A. Entertain Teachers Tuesday

The Parent-Teachers Association of the Hertford Graded-High School met in special session Tuesday evening with the president, Rev. J. H. Tucker, presiding.

After hastily transacting all the important business found on the calendar, the special business session was adjourned to make way for activities of a social nature. The program follows with Mrs. Annie Nixon acting as mistress of ceremonies:

Group Singing; Scripture Lesson, Mrs. Ethel Perry; Prayer, Eugene Felton; Solo, Mrs. Della Jordan; Welcome Address, F. J. Elliott; Response, Mrs. J. S. Thompson; Solo, Raymond Grizzle; Recitation, Mrs. Emma White; Inspirational Speech, Theodore Felton; Solo, Mrs. Mamie Everett; Presentation of Gift by President, J. H. Tucker to Principal W. J. Thompson; Remarks of Acceptance by W. J. Thompson; Group Singing; Closing Remarks.

The menu, served in banquet style to 62 patrons and teachers, was as follows: baked chicken, hot rolls, potato salad, crackers, ham sandwiches, hot coffee, ice cream and cake.

## SUNBEAMS TO MEET SUNDAY

Sunbeam members are urged to meet at the Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, March 2nd, at 2 o'clock.

## Girls' Basketball Team Competes In Conference Play

### Teams Close Season With Weeksville; Win One and Lost One on Monday Night

The Perquimans High School girls basketball team earned the right to participate in the Albemarle Rural Conference tourney being staged this week at the Central High gym through its season's play during which it won more than half the games played.

The Indians are not taking part in the tourney. Central, Creswell, Chowan, Poplar Branch, Hobbsville, Manteo, Shiloh and South Mills are the schools represented by the boys.

In the drawing of the tourney, Manteo and Central were ceded number one and number two and Kitty Hawk along with Weeksville was given the other ceded spots due to its record during the season.

Perquimans, Hobbsville, Moyock and Shiloh were chosen as the remaining girl teams to play. In the drawing, Perquimans played Kitty Hawk at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and the winner of this game is scheduled to meet the winner of the Manteo-Shiloh game at nine o'clock Friday night.

Both the Perquimans teams closed their regular season's schedule Monday night when they traveled to Weeksville to play a return game with the Pasquotank teams. The Indians came out victorious in the game with the Weeksville boys, but the Squaws were defeated.

A return game was played on the local court last Thursday with the teams from Sunbury. The Indians and Squaws won both games by one-sided scores.

All in all, the basketball season at the local school has been highly satisfactory. Both the boys and girls finished the season with a high percentage in the win column and prospects for next year's teams look bright.

Coach Dave Fuller is to be commended upon the showing of the team, inasmuch as he had very little material to work with when the season opened and the teams developed into two of the best in this section before the season closed last Monday.

## Funeral Services Held Thursday For Simon F. Stallings

Simon F. Stallings, 80, one of Hertford's highly respected residents, died at his home Tuesday night at 11:20 o'clock, following a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the late residence Thursday afternoon at three o'clock and burial was made in the cemetery at Cedar Grove Methodist Church, of which Mr. Stallings was a faithful member.

A native and life-long resident of Perquimans County, Mr. Stallings was well-known throughout the county. He served as keeper of the County Home for 38 years and was beloved by the unfortunates under his care.

Survivors include two children, Mrs. C. O. Fowyer and Miss Mamie Stallings, both of Hertford; nine grandchildren, Mrs. M. K. Hodges, of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. S. E. Bush, William, Elizabeth and Marie Fowler, all of Hertford; Mrs. Earl Jackson, of Elizabeth City; Mrs. Will Hall, Simon Stallings and Mary Ruth Stallings, of Winfall; two great-grandchildren, Kilgore Hodges, Jr., of Norfolk, Va., and Nell Baxter Jackson, of Elizabeth City; two sisters, Mrs. Sallie Rogerson, of Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. Will Jones, of Moyock.

## W. M. S. EXECUTIVE MEETING

An executive session of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist Church was held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. P. Perry. Mrs. I. A. Ward, president, presided. Mrs. C. R. Holmes opened the meeting with prayer.

After the business session, the hostess served a sweet course to the eleven members present.

## WORLD PRAYER SERVICE

The combined churches of Hertford will meet for a World Prayer Service on (this) Friday afternoon from 7 to 8 o'clock at the Methodist Church. The public is cordially invited to attend any time during these hours.

## Bill Before Congress To Authorize Funds For New Air Base

### Weekly Predicted Such Action In January; Little Opposition Expected

As indicated in these columns during January, announcement was made late last week that a bill was being introduced in Congress asking an appropriation of \$5,205,000 for the construction of an air base some where in the Albemarle section.

The bill was introduced by Chairman Vinson of the House Naval Affairs Committee, and it was indicated that the bill met with the approval of Secretary of the Navy Knox. Shortly after the movement to establish the air base was started Secretary Knox was supposed to have expressed opposition to the lighter-than-air craft, but seemingly these objections have been ironed out and the base may soon become a reality.

Representative Herbert Bonner, who has been working closely with Captain C. E. Rosendahl on this project, recently disclosed that all opposition to the proposed construction has been overcome and that the item has the approval of the budget bureau. It is quite likely that the bill will meet with favorable action in the House.

Definite selection of the site for the air base in this section is yet to be made. The committee has some 30 sites to be considered, but at this time it is probable that the number has narrowed down considerably.

The Weekly has learned from a high source that at the present time Chowan County seems to have the inside track for the project, and if that county is named as the site for the base, it will be constructed near the new Albemarle Sound bridge. This will put the new base approximately eight miles from Hertford.

Chairman Vinson expected that brief hearings on the bill will be concluded before the end of this week.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Winslow wish to announce the birth of a son, born Friday at Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

## Tentative Date Set For Installation Of Legion Post

B. C. Berry, adjutant of the Perquimans Post of the American Legion, announced Wednesday that Saturday, March 8, has been set as a tentative date for the installation services of the local Post into the National organization.

Mr. Berry received word from Dave Hall, State Commander of the American Legion, that the date is satisfactory with him if it met the approval of the local Post.

Present plans call for State officers and District officers of the Legion to meet here on that date, along with all the Posts included within the First District.

The services will be held at the Agricultural Building and all veterans in the county are urged to gain membership in the local Post before the installation date in order to be classed as charter members of the Post.

## Perquimans Post Lets Change In Election Number

B. C. Berry, adjutant of the Perquimans Post of the American Legion, has been notified by State officers that the number of the local Post will be 126 instead of the number 226, originally assigned the Post at the organization meeting held here.

## Woman's Club Holds Bingo Party Friday At Community House

The Hertford Woman's Club will hold a bingo party at the Community House on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Proceeds of the party will go into the building fund of the club for the construction of its new club house. The public is cordially invited to attend the party. Refreshments will be served.

## Construction On Road Expected To Begin Soon

Construction of the new road leaving Hertford and joining Route No. 17 north of Winfall is expected to get under way within a short time. Announcements from Raleigh late last week indicated that a contract for the construction will be let soon, and operators of the service station at the fork of the highway and the New Hope Road have vacated the property which will be the starting point of the new cut-off road.

This new stretch of highway, when completed, will eliminate the Town of Winfall from U. S. Highway No. 17.

## Local Girl Among Honor Students At Elon College

According to reports issued this week by A. L. Hook, registrar at Elon College, Miss Lila B. Stephens of Hertford, was among the students included on last semester's honor roll.

The honor roll was composed of 86 students who made a scholastic average of 90% or better.

## Perquimans Farm Meeting Scheduled For March Third

A county-by-county campaign to acquaint North Carolina farmers with provisions of the double-barreled 1941 supplementary AAA program begins this week, announces John W. Goodman, assistant director of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

First of the meetings starts Thursday in ten counties, as an equal number of teams of agricultural specialists open the drive. Last of the meetings will be held March 8, in the time intervening, every county affected by the program will have been reached.

In Perquimans County, a special meeting has been called for March 3, at the Agricultural Building in Hertford.

As outlined, the new program will enable growers to take cotton land out of production for which they will receive Federal stamps exchangeable in retail stores for cotton goods manufactured in this country.

Then, too, Goodman explained, those who qualify for cotton stamps may also receive a payment for producing and conserving food supplies. A payment of \$1.50 per farm garden is already allowed by the AAA in North Carolina. Now an extra \$3 may be earned by growing additional garden produce, storing food products, or planting small fruits to add to the family food supply. However, to earn this special payment, growers must cooperate in the cotton stamp plan.

"Because of the importance of this program to the cotton farmers of North Carolina," Goodman said, "we hope that every grower affected will make a special effort to attend the meeting in his county so as to get full details of this new plan."

Other meetings in this area will be as follows: Perquimans and Washington, March 3; Cates, March 5; Bertie, March 7.

## Town Criers Divide Treasury Among Four Local Groups

The executive committee of the Town Criers, an organization formed here some time ago, met Monday night and after some discussion decided that the organization was a dead issue and that money which the group had on deposit should be put to better use and it was distributed between the Boy Scouts, the Women's Club, the Library and the Parent-Teachers Association.

The P. T. A. first approached the committee seeking a donation for the curtain fund and, after the discussion Monday, the committee decided to allocate all the funds of the Town Criers. Ten dollars were given the Boy Scouts and a like amount was turned over to the Woman's Club and the Library. The balance, some thirty dollars, was contributed to the P. T. A. to aid in the purchase of a curtain for the stage at the Grammar School.

U. D. C. MEETING  
The Skinner-Jones Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. T. Clarke, with Mrs. J. J. Fleetwood assisting as hostess.

After the business session dainty refreshments were served to the thirteen members present.

The March meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. H. Hardcastle with Mrs. R. B. Cox as assistant hostess.

## Perquimans County Draftees Left For Camp This Week

### Action Still Pending In Case of Roulac Webb, One of the Selectees

Four of the five Perquimans County draftees, selected by the local board to fill the county's February quota, entrained this week for Fort Bragg, where they will be inducted into military training under the Selective Service Act.

John Roulac Webb, the fifth draftee, was notified at the bus on Monday morning that he was not to leave with Robert Morris and Henry Bright, the other two white youths called this month.

The Negro quota for this county was filled on Thursday when Bernice Woodard and Robert M. Kiddick left Hertford for camp. The alternates for these men are George Felton and Henry White. White was substituted for Vernon Wiggins, Negro volunteer, who was sentenced for 30 days on the roads in Recorder's Court on Tuesday.

A large group of citizens was on hand at the bus station on Monday and Thursday to bid the draftees good luck and to see them on their way.

Up to Wednesday evening the local draft board had received no word regarding the action taken in Webb's case. J. R. Stokes, chairman of the local board, was called to the phone on Monday just prior to the departure of the bus carrying the draftees, and was ordered not to send Webb to camp inasmuch as he had an appeal pending before the draft officials.

Saturday the local board refused to grant a hearing on an appeal for deferment, asked by Perquimans Appeal Agent J. S. McNider, in Webb's behalf.

Contact was then made by McNider with the district appeal board which in turn contacted headquarters in Raleigh. The message from Raleigh on Monday morning to the chairman of the local draft board, confirmed McNider's contention that Webb could not be legally sent to an induction center while an appeal before the district board was pending.

"Had Webb gone to Fort Bragg on Monday, with an appeal pending, the draft board would have been forced to recall him to give him a hearing," McNider said.

Mr. Stokes stated that the appeal, which was made on the grounds of business complications, was not considered, because in the opinion of the draft board, it had been made after the deadline set for appeal, in Webb's case.

The Weekly has been unable to learn just when the appeal hearing will be set, but no action will be taken in the case until after the appeal board has passed upon the hearing.

## Fire Destroys Negro School Buildings

Fire, origin of which had not been determined as The Weekly went to press, entirely destroyed the Negro school building in Winfall between 8:30 and 9 o'clock on Thursday morning.

The Hertford Fire Department was called to the scene, but the fire had gained such headway that the local firemen were unable to save the buildings.

It is believed that the fire started from a defective chimney.

These school buildings were termed a "disgrace to the county" by a grand jury during a term of Court last year, but it was said at that time nothing could be done to change the condition due to the lack of finances.

The Weekly understands that the Negro patrons of the school have for some time been attempting to raise funds that will enable them to construct a new school building for the Negro students.

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT

The regular schedule of Lenten services of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church has been announced by the rector, the Rev. E. T. Jilson, as follows: Wednesday evening service at 8 o'clock; Thursday morning, Holy Communion at 10 o'clock.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Reynolds, of Norfolk, Va., announce the birth of a daughter on Sunday, February 23, at St. Vincent's Hospital. Mrs. Reynolds was formerly Miss Stella Rogerson, of Hertford. Mother and baby are doing nicely.