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THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Hitler surprised the world again this week, when on Sunday he declared war against his former ally, Russia. Charging that Russia had consistently broken the terms of their pact, Hitler said that he had placed the matter in the hands of his soldiers.

The House on Wednesday voted funds for the construction of the Naval blimp base at Elizabeth City. Work on this base, it is understood, will start sometime in the very near future.

The action caught all nations off guard inasmuch as few expected Hitler would fight Russia or vice versa. Russia, it was stated, was expected to yield to the demands made by Germany last week.

As yet definite news of the progress of the war on the Eastern front is not available. Claims and counter-claims have been made by the belligerents but none of them have been official. Authorities, both in England and the United States, seemingly have little hope that the Red Army can hold out against the Nazis. However, both have stated they will aid Russia in battling Germany.

The United States had another submarine tragedy when the O-9 sank in over 400 feet of water, while attempting a test dive off Portsmouth, N. H. Thirty-three officers and men were lost. The Navy held official memorial services over the spot on Sunday.

It is unlikely that the U. S. will aid Russia directly under the Lend-Lease bill. Thus far official Washington has been avoiding the issue, but it may be possible that we will aid indirectly by having Britain pass on materials given her under the law. England has promised aid to Russia as long as it fights Hitler.

Owners of good farming land in Eastern North Carolina who wish to sell their farms, or who desire tenants, are requested to get in touch with Walter R. Jones, Jr., negotiator in charge of land acquisition for the U. S. Marine base at Jacksonville, N. C. It is estimated that 75 to 100 farm families who are moving from the Onslow County site are interested in locating elsewhere.

Government agents, working out of Elizabeth City, captured a 700-gallon still and 3,500 gallons of mash, last Saturday when they trapped bootleggers at the still near Indian-town. The still was dynamited and the mash destroyed.

The United States, this week, released the funds of Russia which were frozen ten days ago. This action will give Russia the opportunity to purchase war materials needed to fight Germany.

Little Finland continues neutral in the Nazi attack on Russia, but reports say she is preparing for the worse. Finland was overwhelmed by the Reds in the winter of 1939 after it had put up a brave defense of its territory. It is likely now that Finland will regain the lost land she ceded to Russia at the close of that war.

England's battle against Germany has been overshadowed by the new war in the East, but the British R. A. F. have been pounding French invasion ports and German cities for the past two weeks. The British and Free French armies seemingly are gaining headway in Syria and hope to have that colony completely under control before the Russo-German war gains too much headway.

Late reports on Thursday indicated that Russia was counter-attacking the German forces and driving them back out of Russia at some points. However, these were Russian reports and nothing definite has come from Nazi sources, except reports that German armed forces were proceeding on schedule.

Finland announced late Wednesday that she was taking defensive measures against Russian attacks. This statement was not elaborated but reports told of Russian air attacks on Finnish towns and cities, thus the Finns may be ready to retaliate.

Price Administrator Leon Henderson announced Wednesday that the Government may put a ceiling on the price of automobiles. This statement followed a meeting between government officials and auto manufacturers regarding the recent increase in prices of cars. It is likely that the government will take similar steps with regards to automobile tires and other rubber goods.

District Governor



Norman Trueblood, Secretary of the Hertford Lions Club, was chosen Governor of District 31-C at the State Convention of Lions Clubs held this week in Asheville. Trueblood will assume his new office following the International Convention in New Orleans, July 22.

Country's Birthday Will Be Observed Here Next Week

Although Governor Broughton has proclaimed July 4th and 5th to be official holidays, indications here are that the majority of stores will observe the National Holiday, but not to that extended length.

Majority Of Stores Indicate Closing Thursday P. M. And All Day Friday

A survey made by The Weekly regarding the closing of Hertford stores for the 4th of July revealed that the majority of the stores intend to close for the usual half-holiday Thursday afternoon and remain closed all day Friday, opening again on Saturday morning.

However, some of the store owners and managers stated that they would stay open all day Thursday and close for the holiday on Friday. This group includes most of the grocery stores in Hertford.

The postoffice will be closed all day Friday, the 4th. However, mail will be dispatched and placed in boxes at the postoffice.

The Hertford Bank will be closed Thursday afternoon and all day Friday. R. M. Riddick, cashier, stated there was a possibility that the bank would also close on Saturday to reopen Monday morning, but no decision had been reached as yet.

J. W. Ward Installed As President Of The Hertford Rotary Club

The Hertford Rotary Club held installation of new officers at its regular meeting Tuesday night at the Hotel Hertford. J. W. Ward, registrar of deeds of Perquimans County, is the new president of the local club, and Barnard Proctor is the secretary-treasurer.

Perquimans Students Make Honor Roll

Mary L. Chappell of Belvidere, Celia Blanche Dail of Durants Neck, Nancy Darden of Hertford, and Madge Lane of Winfall, were among the 189 students on the honor roll at Eastern Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, for the spring term, according to an announcement made by college officials this week.

Claude White New President Of Lions

The Hertford Lions Club held its regular meeting at the Hertford Hotel last Friday night and installed new officers for the 1941-42 year which begins July 1.

The following officers were installed: President, Claude D. White; first vice president, Archie T. Lane; second vice president, J. H. Tower; third vice president, Reginald Tucker; secretary-treasurer, Norman Trueblood; Lion Tamer, Morgan Walker; Tail Twister, Clinton Eley; Directors, Littleton Gibbs, C. E. Hobgood, R. F. Munnis and J. Alvin White.

Trueblood Chosen District Governor Lions Convention

Hertford Club Wins More Honors; Lane Serves on Rules Committee

Norman Trueblood, secretary of the Hertford Lions Club, and an outstanding worker in Lions activities, was elected Governor of District 31-C at the State Convention of Lions Clubs held this week in Asheville. The election of the district governor took place on Tuesday.

Mr. Trueblood was chosen for the high office over Luther T. Rogers, who was sponsored by his home club of Wilmington.

The Lions gathered in Asheville Sunday and the convention continued in session through Tuesday night.

Monday and Tuesday were red letter days for the Hertford Lions. Other Lions from all over the State became very much Hertford conscious on Monday when Archie T. Lane was appointed to serve on the important Rules Committee.

At the district luncheon held that day, the Hertford Club was awarded Second Place Honor Roll Cup, missing first place by only one point. It was also awarded second place cup for yearly attendance. On Tuesday Norman Trueblood was chairman of the Club Secretaries Luncheon.

At the business session on Tuesday, Trueblood was nominated by Archie T. Lane for Governor of District 31-C, and his nomination was seconded by President-elect Ralph E. Parrish of the Edenton Club. What had been expected to be a very close race developed into a band-wagon rush for the local candidate after it was learned that the Raleigh Club had held a caucus and decided to support Trueblood and he thus became the first successful candidate who had not previously served his club as president. He also became the youngest district governor-elect in both age and in the length of time he had been a Lion. He will assume office at the close of the International Convention which begins July 22 at New Orleans.

At the District Governors' banquet Tuesday night, Hertford was awarded the cup for attendance at the convention, based on the number of man miles traveled for clubs with 35 members, more or less. Also at this banquet the cup annually given to the most efficient secretary in the district was awarded Norman Trueblood. The cups presented to the local club were accepted by Archie Lane, who is the first vice president of the local club.

The local delegation composed of Archie T. Lane, Charles Williford and Fred Chalk, and Mr. Trueblood was well pleased with the accomplishment of the Hertford Club at the convention and returned home on Wednesday.

Peanut Prices Are Advancing Rapidly According To Report

The lulling peanut market, which stayed around 3 and 3/4 cents for many months sprung into action the last two weeks and the prices have advanced to new highs. A government report released jointly by the North Carolina and United States Departments of Agriculture listed peanuts at 5 3/4 for the best Jumbos and 5 1/4 for good bunch the latter part of last week.

The report added that recent rains had been helpful to the crop, but that farmers are a bit disturbed at the continued coolness of the weather.

Hog prices are also on the upgrade, advancing as much as 6 cents last week with the top standing at \$9.95 in Rocky Mount and \$9.25 in Richmond.

Officer Arrests Two For Transporting

Patrolman Jack Gaskill stopped McKinley Bond and Rufus Harvey, both Negroes, last Saturday afternoon for a routine check-up on their car and driving permits. When Patrolman Gaskill started to get into their car to test the brakes, he discovered the Negroes were transporting non-tax-paid liquor.

Bond and Harvey were immediately placed in jail and a hearing will be held for them at the next term of Recorder's Court, July 1.

No court was conducted this week and all cases scheduled to be held were carried over to next week.

R. M. Riddick Named Chairman Of County Committee On Bonds

Local Committee to Aid In National Defense Savings Program

C. H. Robertson, of Greensboro, State Administrator of the Defense Saving Staff, announces the appointment of R. M. Riddick, cashier of the Hertford Banking Company, as chairman of the local committee for Perquimans County. Other community leaders who have been asked to serve on this committee are F. P. Johnson, Charles Whedbee, J. W. Ward, J. S. McNider, C. P. Morris, Max Campbell and Mrs. B. G. Koonce.

Mr. Riddick announced Wednesday that he would call a meeting of the Perquimans Committee to work out plans for carrying out the program here.

In announcing this new program, the Honorable Henry Morgenthau, Jr., secretary of the Treasury, said, "Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps give us all a way to take direct part in building the defense of our Country—an American Way to find the billions needed for National Defense. The United States is today, as it has always been, the best investment in the world. This is an opportunity for each citizen to buy a share in America."

The success of the Defense Savings program will be measured by the number of men, women and children who serve their country by saving. The Secretary of the Treasury has said repeatedly that his chief objective in this program is to spread the cost of defense as widely as possible among the American people. His main purpose is to give every American a sense of direct participation in the financing of national defense.

If the Defense Savings program is to be brought to the attention of all Americans, in all parts of the country in all walks of life, the effort must be made in every local community. If it is to be done in a manner consistent with our democratic traditions, the active support of public-spirited citizens must be enlisted everywhere. For these reasons, the Treasury has created State committees in every state, and will encourage the formation of similar local committees reaching into every part of the country. This Committee for Perquimans is a part of this nationwide organization. The all important task of this and other like committees will be to spread information about the Defense Savings program among 130,000,000 Americans.

WIL Board Meeting

The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom will hold a board meeting at the home of Mrs. Linwood Winslow on Saturday afternoon, June 28, at 2:30 o'clock. All others interested are invited to attend this meeting.

Funeral Services For Mrs. Lona Wilson Held Tuesday P. M.

Funeral services for Mrs. Lona Cartwright Wilson, 45, of New Hope, wife of Lee R. Wilson, were held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home. Interment was made in the Wilson Cemetery at New Hope.

Mrs. Wilson died in the Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City, Monday morning at 7:45 o'clock.

Suffers Injuries In Car Accident Sunday Night

Mr. and Mrs. David Porter and Miss Jane Smith, sister of Mrs. Porter, who have been making their home in Hertford while Mr. Porter is connected with the work of constructing the Hertford-Center Hill highway, were painfully injured in an auto collision Sunday night near New Bern.

While attempting to pass a car stopped on the highway, Mr. Porter, who was driving toward Hertford, collided with a car headed south. All three occupants of the Porter car were badly bruised when thrown completely out of the car by the impact. Mrs. Porter suffered a broken rib and pelvic bone, while Miss Smith and Mr. Porter received minor cuts.

LOCAL DRAFT BOARD PREPARED FOR SECOND REGISTRATION DAY ON JULY 1

First Cotton Bloom Of New Crop Brought To The Weekly Office

Cotton is blooming in Perquimans. Lee Williamston, Negro, who resides on Jake White's farm in the Bear Swamp section, brought the first cotton bloom of the 1941 crop to the office of The Weekly on Thursday morning.

The bloom was found on Wednesday but since it had turned red in color it was believed to have opened on Tuesday.

As has been the custom in the past, The Weekly is awarding Williamston a one-year subscription to The Weekly for having brought in the first bloom of this year's cotton crop.

Board Receives Call For Twenty Men In July; Five Negroes Leave Monday

Preparations have been completed by the Perquimans Draft Board for the handling of the second registration on July 1, according to J. K. Stokes, chairman of the local board.

Governor Broughton, this week, issued a proclamation calling for the registration within the State of North Carolina, and all men who have reached the age of twenty-one since last October 16, must report at the local draft office between the hours of 7 a. m. and 9 p. m., for the purpose of registering for military service.

Officials of the local draft board will be on hand at the local office, located over the bus station, for the purpose of registering men. It was estimated that between fifty and seventy-five men will register here.

Men who should register on July 1, and who fail to do so, are subject to heavy fines and penalties. However, special arrangements will be made for those unable to call at the draft office due to illness or incapacity.

Mrs. T. B. Sumner, clerk of the Perquimans board, announced that the board had completed the mailing of all questionnaires to men who registered last October. These men are now classified and will soon have their classification cards.

All men, upon receiving their classification cards and who wish to appeal the classification are warned that they must do so within five days after the cards are received. Cooperation in this matter is urged by local draft board officials.

The Perquimans board received a call for ten white men and ten Negroes to be selected for service during the month of July. The ten Negroes will leave for Fort Jackson on July 16, and the ten white men will go to Fort Bragg on July 23. This quota will be the largest yet filled by Perquimans County.

The final quota for the fiscal year ending June 30, will be filled when five Negroes leave Hertford next Monday. These men have been selected for the call: Vernon Wiggins, Arthur Beasley, James Jordan, Ellis Lee and Robert Leigh. They will be trained for Fort Bragg, where they will be inducted into service.

Vocational Teachers Convene For Classes At Perquimans High

Vocational agricultural teachers of the Albemarle district have enrolled at a Manual Training Class being conducted at the Perquimans High School Shop, by Wallace Johnson, of Oxford.

The class will continue for three weeks and will give the teachers further training in Industrial Arts and Manual Training. The course consists of work in shop machinery, operation and care, etc., electrical work, metal work, wood work, finishing and refinishing of wood work.

The following teachers and schools are represented in the class: S. L. Lowry, Central; J. L. Tunnel, Weaverville; I. C. Yagel, Moyock; M. J. Chappell, Poplar Branch; M. P. Taylor, Sunbury; J. G. Pollack, Gatesville; Mr. Mullins, Gates; C. O. Myers, Chowan; A. H. Tucker, Creswell; C. L. Floyd, Roper; Mr. Moore, Plymouth; Mr. Worrell, Englehard, and G. C. Buck, Perquimans.

Lions Club Realize Considerable Amount From Carnival Week

The Hertford Lions Club received a gross sum of \$190 from the Crescent Amusement Company which played here during last week. The club was paid this amount as its portion for sponsoring the carnival.

After the expenses of the local club are deducted from this amount, the balance will be placed in the club treasury to be used by the club in carrying out its work throughout the county.

NYA Holds Open House Yesterday

The sixth anniversary of the establishment of the National Youth Administration was marked by the holding of open house on all NYA projects in Perquimans County. The open house was held yesterday.

The NYA is now operating two projects in Perquimans, including clerical work and a home service project, at 92 Grubb Street in Hertford. The projects were open all day yesterday to visitors and many persons called at the local project center to inspect the work being done there.

Fort Raleigh Ready For Fifth Season Of The Lost Colony

Paul Green's Famous Drama Expected to Attract 100,000

The 354th anniversary celebration of the founding of Anglo-American civilization and the Birth of Virginia Dare at Fort Raleigh will begin July 3rd, with the opening of the 5th season of Paul Green's patriotic drama "The Lost Colony" as the highlight of the summer-long celebration.

With more than 325,000 persons from all sections of the nation and several foreign countries attending the celebration during the past four years, 100,000 more are expected here at the Birthplace of the Nation before the season closes with a gala performance on Labor Day, September 1, 1941.

Roanoke Islanders are making plans this summer to present the most brilliant production of "The Lost Colony" since it was first given in 1937 as the highlight of the 350th anniversary celebration. Director Samuel Selden has cast the show from leading Broadway players, Carolina Playmakers and native islanders.

D. Bradford Fearing, President of the Roanoke Island Historical Association which sponsors the celebrations as a non-profit venture, says that more inquiries than ever before have reached his office for information and reservations to attend the summer-long presentation of "The Lost Colony."

Facilities to accommodate visitors of the Roanoke Island land of Sir Walter Raleigh have been doubled since last summer both in Manteo and on the nearby beaches of Kitty Hawk and Nags Head. Dining facilities are more than adequate for the visitors expected this summer. There are many new inns, restaurants, and tourists homes.

V. N. Darden Named Vice Commander Of First District

Mayor V. N. Darden, of Hertford, was elected Vice Commander of the American Legion First District at the State Convention held this week in Durham. Mr. Darden will hold the office for two years.

Mr. Darden, B. C. Berry, A. A. Nobles and A. B. Gilliam attended the State Convention as representatives of the Perquimans Post. Berry and Darden were delegates.

The Legionnaires went on record and passed as their Number One resolution for the coming year "that every person and every organization in the United States give full support to the man now in uniform."

The local Legionnaires returned to Hertford late Tuesday and announced a fine time was had at the State Convention.

School Bus Routes Being Drawn By State Commission

B. F. Kendall, representative of the State School Commission, was in Hertford this week for the purpose of drawing the school bus routes for the next term of Perquimans Schools. The bus routes will be approved by the Commission and announcement of the routes as drawn by Mr. Kendall will be published later.

F. T. Johnson, County Superintendent of Schools, stated that schools will open here either on September 3rd or the 10th. The definite date has not yet been set.