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THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

News late last week revealed that the Office of Production Management has assured the automobile industry that it will not have to cut 1942 model production 50 per cent beginning August 1, as tentatively scheduled. The original OPM 20 per cent cut will be affected.

Japan jumped into the top headlines by moving into French Indo-China and as a result that move, President Roosevelt immediately froze all Japanese assets in this country. This will cause restriction on trade between the U. S. and Japan . . . and probably means a shortage of silk in the U. S.

President Roosevelt also consolidated the U. S. armed forces with those of the Philippines in order to be ready for any eventuality in the Far East. General Douglas MacArthur, former chief of staff, was placed at the top of the forces in the Philippines.

London is again the target of German bombers. During the last few days the Nazis have been bombing England but not to any great degree as previous bombings by the German air force. The R. A. F. has continuously bombed French invasion ports and cities in Germany since the beginning of the Russo-German war. The English are now using the largest bombers made in the U. S.

Finland severed diplomatic relations with Great Britain this week. The Finnish foreign minister gave the official notice to the British Foreign Office on Monday. Finland is now a co-belligerent with Germany against Russia.

Japanese ships, several of which were on their way to U. S. ports when President Roosevelt froze the Japanese assets, are still hovering around the West Coast waiting developments before making port. None of the ships have revealed their position for several days.

Action on the extension of Army Service for draftees and guardsmen is expected daily and it is reported that the time of service will be extended as requested by Army officials. The measure will no doubt meet with opposition when it is placed before the Senate, nevertheless, it is predicted that the Army will gain its point.

The Russo-German war continues in what seems a deadlock on the Eastern front. The Nazi drive has been stalled at Smolensk for the past two weeks however, German sources say the battle is practically won and will open the road to Moscow. Red officials continue to deny the Germans' claim of success and say that the Russian Army is holding on all fronts and counter-attacking the Nazis.

Prime Minister Churchill's critics in the House of Commons this week called for an invasion of the continent by British forces. They stated this was the only way to assure Russia of help and relieve the situation on the Eastern front. Churchill countered that the United States is moving angrily "to the very verge of war."

The Nazis claimed this week that the British were attempting to stir up internal trouble within Germany by having British planes drop down clothing ration cards in Germany. A German newspaper warned the populace that anyone trying to use these cards would be liable to death or long prison terms. Finders were expected to hand over the cards to the police.

The State of North Carolina closed the 1940-1941 fiscal year with a general fund balance of over seven million dollars. However, it was reported that the proposed spending during the present year will dissipate all of this with the exception of about 250 thousand dollars.

The Japanese bombing of the U. S. Gunboat "Tutuila" at Chungking, China, drew sharp criticism of the Japs from Sumner Welles, Under Secretary of State this week and further heightened the crisis in the Far East. The U. S. gunboat was slightly damaged in a bombing raid of the Chinese city by Japanese bombers.

Harry Hopkins, chief advisor of President Roosevelt, on Wednesday conferred with Joseph Stalin as to the needs of Russia in its war with Germany. This interview held at the Kremlin probably will result in the release of some American materials to Russia under the lend-lease act.

Legionnaires Meet With Boy Scouts Next Friday Night

The Perquimans Post of the American Legion will meet jointly with the Hertford Boy Scouts at the Court-house on Friday evening, August 9, at 8 o'clock.

The membership drive of Post 126 is now in full swing and officers of the local post are hopeful that at least 50 per cent of the present membership will be signed up by the meeting next week. The Post is anxious to gain this quota in order to be able to report the same to a conference meeting of Legion officials to be held in Raleigh August 9.

Post Commander Charles F. Sumner, V. N. Darden and B. C. Berry represented Post 126 at the installation of officers of the Elizabeth City Post on Monday evening.

Instructions Given Local Draft Board Regarding Draftees

Personnel of Local Board Changes Today

As a result of some men throughout the State seemingly making every effort to forego military training, State Draft officials this week issued instructions to local draft boards pertaining to registrants who get married on the eve of induction or after being ordered to report to the doctor for physical examination.

Men who do this will do it at their own risk and will find that their marriage will not keep them out of the army.

This was made clear by General J. Van B. Metz, State Director of Selective Service, as he announced a modification of the former policy of leniency toward married men which has been recommended by State Headquarters. This new move was made necessary, General Metz stated, because so many men apparently are abusing the policy.

The local draft board also received instructions this week from State Headquarters to endeavor to see that draftees who leave for induction centers are sober and have no liquor with them. This request came after a bus carrying draftees from Pasquotank, Perquimans and Edgecombe counties was badly damaged last week by the draftees on their way to camp. The bus seats were cut and broken, windows broken, and panel mirrors were taken off. It was claimed that the men were in a drunk and disorderly condition. However, investigation by officials failed to reveal which group was responsible.

The personnel of the Perquimans draft board will be changed today when the resignation of J. R. Stokes, who has been chairman of the local board since last October, becomes effective. A. W. Hefren will fill the place made vacant by Mr. Stokes on the local board.

No calls, as yet, have been received by the board for white men during the month of August. Fifteen Negroes have been called for August 2 and these men will be selected as soon as the board has heard from medical examinations taken by registrants.

Hertford Lions Club Votes Suspension Of County Fair

The Hertford Lions Club held its regular meeting last Friday night at the Hotel Hertford. Vice President Archie T. Lane presided in the absence of President Claude White.

The Club voted to forego plans for a County Fair this year. However, it was voted that during the week that the Crescent Amusement Company plays a return engagement here this fall that the local Club would sponsor a special day, probably for the children, and at the same time make arrangements that will bring a large gathering to Hertford on that day.

Norman Trueblood, secretary of the local Club and District Governor, was also absent from the meeting. Mr. Trueblood was attending the Lions national convention at New Orleans, La.

Attending 4-H Short Course At Raleigh

Six members of the Perquimans County 4-H Clubs and L. W. Anderson, County Agent, went to Raleigh Monday to attend the 4-H Short Course being held this week at State College. The group will return from Raleigh on Saturday.

Check Passer Held For Action Of Grand Jury October Court

Judge Tucker Finds Probable Cause In Forgery Case

Judge Granberry Tucker found probable cause in the case of the State versus Percy Hurdle, Negro, in Recorder's Court Tuesday morning and ordered that the Negro be held under a \$200 bond for action of the Grand Jury at the October Term of Perquimans Superior Court.

Hurdle attempted to pass a forged check at the Hertford Banking Company on June 28, and when bank officials became suspicious and started to call an officer the Negro ran from the bank. Later he was arrested by Deputy Sheriff M. G. Owens.

Maxwell Copeland, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to the charge of transporting 12 gallons of bootleg liquor, which he claimed he found in a field. He was taxed with the costs of court and placed on good behavior for a period of two years.

Richard Lee Goodwin pleaded guilty to the charge of driving drunk and was sentenced to 60 days on the roads, to be suspended on payment of a \$50 fine and costs. Goodwin's driving license was revoked for one year.

The case of Roy and Ralph Lane, charged with being drunk and disorderly, assault, use of profanity on the highway was continued until August 12 term of court.

The case of Claude Dail, Negro, charged with assault on a female, was continued until August 5.

Leroy Parsons, Negro, was found not guilty of assault with a deadly weapon, and Percy Twine, Negro, was found not guilty of forcible trespass.

A nol pros was taken by the State in the cases of Robert Umphlett, Negro, charged with transporting, and Willie Parker, Negro, charged with being implicated in the Percy Hurdle case.

Eugene Spencer was sentenced to 60 days on the roads after pleading guilty to driving under the influence of intoxicants. Sentence was suspended upon payment of a \$50 fine and costs. His driver's license was revoked for one year.

James Felton, Negro, was taxed with the costs of court after a plea of guilty to the charge of reckless driving.

A warrant was issued and handed to the officers for Lee Clemens, who failed to appear in court to answer a charge.

Robert Key, Negro, was sentenced to 90 days on the roads after being found guilty of assault on his wife.

Aircraft Warning Posts Established By County Chairman

A part of the Civilian Defense program is the establishment of Aircraft Warning posts throughout the county that will serve as "eyes" for Army officials in detecting the advance of planes.

J. Emmett Winslow, chairman of the Aircraft Warning Committee for Perquimans this week completed the establishment of the Perquimans observation posts and named the chief observer for each.

Sometime in the near future it is expected that a mock invasion will be staged to give each post opportunity to practice the work as outlined in the program.

Observation posts in this county are located at New Hope, the Perquimans Prison Farm, Hertford, Belvidere, a section near the Elmwood Farms Dairy and a spot near the northeastern section of the county, near Joppa.

Mr. Winslow announced that the following people will serve as chief observers and assistants at the posts: New Hope, E. A. Turner, C. O.; S. T. Perry; Prison Farm, Captain J. M. Tolar, C. O.; Mr. Barclift; Hertford, Captain Charles F. Sumner, C. O.; Tom Cox; Belvidere, Dr. E. S. White, C. O.; Willie Winslow. The chief observer and assistant for the Joppa and Elmwood Farms Dairy posts will be named as soon as chosen.

TO MEET MONDAY

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Hertford Methodist Church will meet at the church on Monday evening, August 4, at 8 o'clock. Miss Mary Sumner and Mrs. J. S. McNider will have charge of the program. All members are urged to attend.

NYA Home Training Unit To Locate In Shannonhouse Home

Employment Opened For Girls In Perquimans County

Employment and training for 40 Perquimans County girls at the home service unit to be opened in Hertford in the very near future is assured by Mrs. Gladys C. Carowan, NYA Area Supervisor, who was in Hertford last week, upon compliance of the local people with the requirements, which include among other items provision of a suitable building to house the unit. Twenty girls will be employed in each two-week shift in the month.

The former home service project in Hertford was closed at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, due partially to the fact that the quarters provided were unsatisfactory and inadequate, according to Mrs. Carowan. That obstacle was overcome with the leasing of the old Shannonhouse Home Place, on Market Street, the interior of which will be renovated and repaired.

Ample space will be available in this location for the sewing and home training work, and there is in addition class rooms for the related training class in stenography and typing formerly conducted at the Courthouse by Mrs. Mattie Lister White. Mrs. White will also be in charge of this unit.

NYA began its fiscal year on July 1st, with an entirely new set-up, with the State divided into nine districts instead of the original three, and with Mrs. Carowan, who has had long experience with NYA work, in charge of this area, which embraces all the counties of the First Congressional District. Headquarters for Area No. 1 are at Washington, North Carolina.

Mrs. J. G. Fearing, of Elizabeth City, is personnel interviewer, and as such makes regular trips to Hertford each Monday, sitting at the Agricultural Building from 10 until 2, for the purpose of interviewing the young people interested, not only in employment and training to be had in Hertford, but also for those who wish to be sent to any of the various training centers now in operation.

The program includes vocational training in the following subjects: home management, sewing, clerical, cooking, nursing, canning, woodwork, agriculture, laundry operation, farm shop, forestry, gardening, auto mechanics, cafeteria service, radio, concrete work, landscaping, photography and welding.

Homecoming At New Hope M. E. Church Sunday, August 3rd

Another great home-coming day, at which time every former member and resident of the neighborhood is being asked to come back for the day to meet old friends and make new acquaintances, will be observed by the New Hope Methodist Church next Sunday, August 3rd.

The home-coming day will inaugurate a week's revival which will be held at the church all next week with a home boy, Rev. C. D. Barclift, filling the pulpit. The Rev. Mr. Barclift is recognized as one of the State's outstanding Methodist ministers.

The home-coming message will be brought by Dr. H. E. Spence, Duke School of Religion, at 11 o'clock in the morning, it has been announced by the pastor, the Rev. J. D. Cranford.

The event this year, as last, will be an all-day affair with an old fashioned dinner-on-the-ground and everybody invited to enjoy themselves. There will be an afternoon program.

Last year's home-coming, the first held by the church, attracted a crowd estimated at well over 500 people. Old residents of the neighborhood, men and women, who had left to make their homes and living in other places, came back to mingle with friends and relatives for the day, and it was such a huge success that everyone was agreed it should be made an annual event. Those in charge of the home-coming activities hope that all former residents of the neighborhood and former members of the church will return this year even in greater numbers than last.

CIRCLE THREE MEETS
Circle Number Three of the W. M. S. of the Hertford Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. C. R. Holmes on Monday evening, August 4, at 8

Future Farmers Of America Planning Annual Encampment

The Perquimans County Future Farmers of America are now busy making plans for their annual encampment at White Lake during the week beginning August 4th. A meeting of all F. F. A. members and their friends will be held at the Court House in Hertford on Friday night, August 1st, at which time final plans, arrangements, and sign-up will be made, according to their leader and adviser, G. C. Buck. All members and interested boys are requested to attend this meeting.

Daylight Time Now In Effect Throughout North Carolina

Stores, Churches and Postoffice Observing New Schedule

With practically every person turning up his clock one hour last Sunday night, Daylight Saving Time has now become fairly well established in North Carolina.

There are still several hitches in the new schedule, but it is expected that within a few days most everyone will be familiar with the new time and call for mail and arrive at bus stations and railroad stations at the proper time, if one is traveling or looking for mail.

Here in Hertford, the Town Board held a special meeting last Saturday morning and officially adopted daylight saving time, thus the town employees were switched to the new time and all merchants cooperated by adopting the new schedule for store hours.

The churches of Hertford will also observe daylight saving time, and all persons are requested to remember that next Sunday's services, both Sunday School and Church, will begin with the new time.

The Hertford postoffice has arranged a schedule whereby the stamp windows and office will operate on daylight time. However, Postmaster S. M. Whedbee stated that town delivery and rural delivery service will remain in regular eastern standard time, thus delivery and dispatching of mail and placing the same in the boxes at the postoffice will be an hour later than under the old time.

Mail formerly received at the postoffice at 12 noon, will now come in at 12:51 daylight saving time, and will be placed in the boxes probably by 1:30. The stamp windows will be opened and operated on daylight time.

The new daylight time schedule for outgoing mail is as follows: North Bound: 7:30 a. m. and 3:15 p. m.; South Bound: 12:30 p. m., and 6 p. m. Incoming mail will arrive at 7:30 a. m. and 12:51 p. m.; 3:45 p. m. and 5:45 p. m., all time shown in daylight saving time.

Perquimans Clubs Will Attend Farm And Home Meeting

Perquimans County's Home Demonstration Clubs will have members attending the Farm and Home Week at State College, Raleigh, August 4-8. The group will leave Hertford Monday and return on Friday.

Representatives of the clubs who will attend the meeting are: Mrs. W. T. Lewis and Miss Beulah Bogue, Chapanoke Club; Miss Lillian Ray Perry and Mrs. A. E. Layden, Beech Spring Club; Miss Hazel Mathews, Snow Hill-White Hat Club; Misses Lucille Lane, Della Winslow, Lena Winslow and Iris Winslow, Whiteston Club; Mrs. Tommy Mathews and Mrs. Sidney Layden, Burgess Club; Misses Myles Turner and Willie Hurdle, Durants Neck Club; Mrs. Effie Miller, Winfall Club; Mrs. W. O. Hunter, Mrs. J. T. White, Helen Gaither Club. Others who will attend are Miss Elizabeth Nixon, Mrs. Doris Miller, Mrs. Penelope Davenport, Anderson Layden, and Miss Frances Maness, Home Demonstration Agent.

Construction Work Progressing On Road To Center Hill

Construction work on the new all-weather highway from Hertford to Center Hill is progressing and it is expected that the work will be completed within a short time.

The new road bed has been completed and the construction company in charge of the operations are beginning the treatment of the sand and gravel mixture, making ready for the surface treatment to be applied as the final step. It is expected that the road will be completed within the next six weeks.

Rotary Club Makes Donation To Britain

The Hertford Rotary Club held its regular meeting Tuesday night at the Hotel Hertford. Each club member present contributed to a relief fund which will be forwarded to England for war relief work. The club plans to make a monthly contribution to this fund and present it as a gift from the Hertford club.

County Council Of Demonstration Clubs Choose New Officers

Mrs. J. B. Basnight to Head Federation; Picnic August 21

The County Council of the Perquimans Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs met in executive session last Saturday afternoon at the Agricultural Building and named new officers for the coming club year.

Mrs. J. B. Basnight was nominated for the presidency of the County Council; Mrs. Tom Madre was nominated for vice president; Mrs. Percy Rogerson, secretary; Mrs. S. T. White, assistant secretary; Mrs. E. N. Miller, treasurer; Mrs. Regina Tucker, pianist, and Mrs. J. A. Bray, song leader.

At roll call the Belvidere, Durants Neck, Whiteston, Winfall, Burgess, Bethel, Beech Spring and Chapanoke Clubs were represented at the meeting one hundred percent.

The report of the nominating committee was given after the opening of the meeting and the reading of the minutes of the April meeting.

The County Federation's picnic will be held this year on August 21, on the lawn at the home of Mrs. H. S. Davenport, on the Perquimans River.

Miss Frances Maness, County Home Agent, explained to the members present the importance of the aluminum drive being conducted and asked that all club members give an unselfish aluminum piece to the defense cause. Miss Maness, also, announced that reservations had been made for eighteen club women to attend the Farm and Home Week at Raleigh.

The meeting was adjourned after the members had thoroughly enjoyed an exhibit of beautifully colored picture slides of flower arrangements by Laura Lee Burroughs.

Annual Cooperative Conference At Piney Woods Church Today

The seventeenth annual Cooperative Conference of Tidewater Virginia and Eastern Carolina Friends will be held today, August 1, at Piney Woods Church, Belvidere, according to the Rev. John C. Trivette, minister of the church.

The theme of the conference will be, "What Does the Future Hold for the Society of Friends?"

The conference is scheduled to begin at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, with registration and the opening hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers." The Woodland Meeting will give the devotional, followed by the business session.

Sidney Cadwallader and Jesse Stanfield will open the general conference at 3:30 with talks on "Civilian Public Service." Their talks will be followed by a duet by Edith and John C. Trivette. Mattie Saunders will give a talk on "Peace and Friends" and Mr. Trivette will close the afternoon session with a talk, "Rebuilding the Future."

Recreation and supper will be observed at 5 o'clock. The evening session will start at 7:30, with the following program: Quartet by Up River boys; Devotional by Virginia Friends; Reports on Y. F. Camps and Conferences by Edith Trivette, Walter Neave and Philip Jacobs; Quartet by Up River boys.

The Conference group includes the following meetings: Bethel, Corinth, Somerton, Up River, Cedar Grove, Black Creek, Richmond, Piney Woods, Rich Square and Snow Hill.