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## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

The Senate Finance Committee on Monday approved of additional cuts in Income-Tax Exemptions. If the reports of this committee are carried out the exemption would lower unmarried men's and women's figure to \$750 and married men would pay tax if their yearly income reached the \$1,500 mark. The committee rejected a proposal that a nation-wide sales tax be invoked.

North Carolina's tobacco farmers were rejoicing this week at the high prices paid on the opening of the Bright Belt markets. The average for the opening day was \$28 which was nearly ten dollars higher than the sales a year ago.

Senator Bailey, chairman of the Senate Commerce committee, on Tuesday appointed Senator Maloney (D-Conn.) to head an investigation committee to probe the gasoline and oil shortage now proclaimed in the Eastern States by Secretary Ickes. Conflicting statements made by Ickes and Petroleum officials, it is believed, led to the appointment of the committee to seek the facts.

The Russo-German war continues at about the same pace on the Eastern front. The Nazis are still making a strong drive to capture Odessa and Leningrad, but the Reds claim to be holding on all fronts. The Nazi forces have Odessa encircled and it is believed that city will fall to the German army. Weather conditions along the entire front have been reported as bad during this week and the Reds claim that this has also helped to bog down the blitzkrieg.

Governor Broughton announced on Tuesday that the toll on Inlet ferries was removed, thus the toll ferries joined the toll bridges as a thing of the past and the people of the Outer Banks, especially, were well pleased to learn of this riddance.

Great Britain and Russia, this week, invaded the small nation of Iran, sometimes known as Persia, and thus cut short any hopes Germany had of gaining the rich oil fields located there. The Allies served notice on Iran late last week to expel Nazi "tourists" from the country, and on receiving a reply, which was termed unsatisfactory, the country was invaded from three directions.

It is believed that very little resistance will be made by the Iran army and that the Allies will have the territory under complete control within a very short time.

Installment buying was curbed in this country during the week-end when new laws went into effect whereby purchases of certain items, such as automobiles, refrigerators, stoves, furniture and the like, were to be sold only on stipulated plans. The greatest length of time now allowed for the purchase of items will be eighteen months, and larger down payments must be made.

The Navy took over the operations of the Kearny Shipyards, located in New Jersey, after the owners and union officials failed to get together for a settlement of their differences. Reports state that all laborers have returned to work under the Navy supervision and work on defense orders being filled by the concern is now going ahead.

The War Department this week reduced the 10-year sentence handed out to Private John Habinyak, at a court-martial held at Fort Bragg, to three years. The soldier was charged with disobedience of orders.

Trouble continues in Paris. Many acts of sabotage have occurred within the occupied French territory despite the fact that the Nazis are holding the French people within the territory as hostages against such acts. Reports state that five acts of sabotage have been committed against railroads alone, near the Paris district.

France's former premier, and pro-Nazi, Pierre Laval was shot and seriously wounded near Paris Wednesday by a French youth, whom the Nazis claim is a self-confessed Red. Laval was reported in a dangerous condition. The shooting was another episode in the revolting in France.

Leon Henderson, price administrator, Wednesday placed a "ceiling" on gasoline prices throughout the Eastern States, listing the prices for 40 principal cities along the seaboard. The prices ranged from 16.5 cents a gallon in Washington, D. C., to 20.1 cents a gallon in Manchester, N. H. The prices were announced for North Carolina.

## Boswood Anxious To Help Buyers Of Feed, Seed, Fertilizer

G. C. Boswood, Representative in the General Assembly from Currituck County and representing the inspection service for feed, seed and fertilizers provided by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, was in Hertford Wednesday in the interest of informing purchasers of feed, seed and fertilizers about the North Carolina seed law.

According to the new law, each container of agricultural or vegetable seeds shall have attached thereto a North Carolina seed analysis tax purchased from the Department of Agriculture upon which is listed information relative to the seed as a protection to the buyer.

Mr. Boswood took a very active part in the seed law legislation and urges buyers of seed and fertilizer to buy only such kind as are tagged with the N. C. Department of Agriculture tag, which is a safe-guard in preventing purchase of those of inferior grade.

## Merchants To Start Sale Of Stamps On September First

Defense Savings Stamps will soon be available at your local stores, according to a statement made Wednesday by R. M. Riddick, Perquimans County Chairman of the Defense Savings Staff.

Mr. Riddick has made a canvass of all merchants in the county and all have agreed to aid in the defense work by selling Savings Stamps directly to their customers. Complete arrangements for placing the stamps with local merchants are now being made and it is believed that the sale will begin by September 1.

The plan of having local stores sell Savings Stamps is a part of a nation-wide campaign to sell the stamps in order to raise money for the national defense program.

All stores carrying Savings Stamps for sale will have placards and window displays announcing their cooperation in the drive, thus the public will soon be able to buy the stamps conveniently from its neighboring merchants without having to make a trip to the post office or bank.

In preparation for a further drive for the sale of Defense Bonds, Mr. Riddick announced that he had appointed a committee chairman for each township in the county and these are: W. E. Dail, New Hope; Charles E. White, Bethel; C. P. Morris, Hertford; John T. Lane, Belvidere, and Mrs. C. F. Garrett, Parkville. These chairmen will direct the drive in their respective townships.

A meeting of the entire Perquimans County committee will be held very shortly, according to Mr. Riddick, and the plans of the Defense Savings Staff will then be outlined by C. H. Robertson, State chairman. Members of the committee will be notified of the meeting by Mr. Riddick.

## One Hundred Fifty Attend Club Picnic Last Thursday P. M.

One hundred and fifty people, members of the Perquimans County Home Demonstration Clubs and their families, attended the annual County-wide picnic held last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Davenport.

After enjoying many interesting games and swimming, which were directed by P. H. Jamieson, Assistant Farm Agent, the large group did justice to a sumptuous picnic supper prepared by the ladies of the Home Demonstration Clubs.

## Hertford Lions Club Held Meeting Friday

The Hertford Lions Club held its regular meeting last Friday night at the Hotel Hertford. In addition to the regular business session, the local club entertained eight members of the Elizabeth City Lions Club and three representatives of the National Youth Administration.

## PREACHING AT WOODLAND METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. J. D. Cranford will preach at Woodland Methodist Church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, Eastern Standard Time. An extra effort is being made to finish raising all of the orphanage assessment for Woodland Church. Everyone is cordially invited to come and bring friends to take part in this wonderful work which is helping the orphan children at Raleigh.

## Petitioners Seek Mail Service On Hertford Route 2

### Possibility That Delivery May Be Added In Near Future

After two turn-downs by the Post Office Department, it now seems that seven families residing in the Beecn Spring section will soon be added to Hertford Rural Route Two, and thus receive their mail deliveries at their homes.

Last January the petitioners, Alfred Rountree, Carson Howell, Wayland Howell, W. F. Howell, Jones Perry and W. M. Byrum, enlisted the aid of the Hertford Lions Club and presented their plea to the Post Office Department through Congressman Herbert Bonner. A total of 22 persons is affected by the service.

After an investigation by the Postal Department, it was learned that the extension asked for by the petitioners did not meet the requirements of the Department, inasmuch as four families do not live on the road for each mile asked to be added. Therefore, the Department has suggested that 1.2 miles be added to the route. This will give service to six of the seven families petitioning for the extension. Postmaster S. M. Whedbee has been asked by the Department to contact the petitioners to learn if this extension will be satisfactory and it is possible that if the 1.2 miles extension meets with approval the added service will start within the next two months.

## Special Labor Day Program On Monday At Albemarle Beach

A special Labor Day program will be held at Albemarle Beach, near Plymouth, on Monday, September 1. At that time local unions of the A. F. of L. will hold their annual celebration which will include speakers of national fame. Boat races will feature the afternoon program.

At night a dance will be held with music by Hal Thurston and his orchestra featuring a vocalist, favors and a grand march.

The affair is expected to attract a large number of people from Washington County as well as from adjoining counties.

## Four Cases Heard Recorder's Court

Four cases were heard in Perquimans Recorder's Court here Tuesday morning when Judge Granberry Tucker continued prayer for judgement in the case of S. B. Seymour, who was found guilty of stopping a motor vehicle on the highway without proper use of flares.

The case was an outgrowth of an accident which occurred on the Hertford-Edenton Highway two weeks ago when David Pike and Lanwood Pierce smashed head-on into the rear of a truck being driven by Seymour. The youths testified they were unable to see the truck until it was too late to miss striking it. Seymour testified that something went wrong with the truck and the lights dimmed out and the motor stopped running just as the collision occurred and he had no time to make the proper precautions.

Judge Tucker continued judgement until the total amount of damages to Pike and Pierce could be determined. Russell East, 17-year-old Hertford youth, was given a three months suspended sentence and placed on probation for a period of two years after pleading guilty to a charge of larceny. The State took a nol proes to a charge of breaking and entering. East broke into the home of Brooks Whedbee and it was stated took a piece of pie, a bottle of milk and some cookies.

Mary Etta Webb, Negress, was found guilty of using profanity on the streets and was taxed with the costs of court. Hazel Felton, Negress, was found guilty of being drunk and disorderly and was assessed the costs of court.

## Sheriff To Sell Property Monday

Sheriff J. Emmett Winslow will sell at public auction on Monday, September 1, at 12 o'clock noon, all real property on which 1940 taxes have not been paid. The sale will be held at the Courthouse door. The list of properties to be sold appears in this issue of The Weekly for the last time.

## Officials Outline Details Diversion Of Peanut Crop

### Quota Peanuts May Be Sold To Peanut Cooperative

Details of a program to divert peanuts produced in 1941 into the manufacture of oil and by-products, similar to the diversion programs of previous years, was announced this week by the Department of Agriculture.

Under the program, quota peanuts, which are those produced on the 1941 AAA peanut acreage allotment can be sold by North Carolina growers to the Growers' Peanut Cooperative, Inc., at prices established by Secretary of Agriculture Wickard on August 1.

Federal payments will be made to the cooperating producers for quota peanuts diverted to the manufacture of oil and by-products. The payments will be the difference between value of the peanuts for oil and the scheduled price plus handling, storage, and selling costs.

Under the program producers also may deliver non-quota or excess peanuts (produced on acreages in excess of the acreage allotment) to the same agencies without being subject to penalties provided under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 as amended.

In accordance with that act, producers who market their excess peanuts through the designated agencies must be paid not less than the market value for crushing for oil on the day of delivery, less estimated costs of handling, storing and selling of the peanuts. Excess peanuts marketed outside the designated agencies will be subject to 3-cents per pound penalty.

It is possible that all excess peanuts acquired by a designated agency cannot be sold immediately. If the required prices paid the producers are more than the amount received by the agencies, Federal payments are provided to reimburse the agencies.

Quota peanuts purchased by the cooperating agencies likely will be warehoused until demand from the edible trade can be determined, while non-quota peanuts probably will be sold to crushing mills as soon as they are acquired. No Federal payments will be made for quota or non-quota peanuts resold to the edible trade or for any purpose other than for crushing for oil.

## School Bus Drivers Get Brief Training

A brief training course for Perquimans County's fourteen regular school bus drivers, and six substitute drivers, was held at the High School building on Tuesday.

The meeting was conducted by Mrs. J. R. Futrell, District Supervisor of the State Highway Safety Division, and Highway Patrolman Jack Gaskill. A complete program for highway safety was outlined to the bus drivers and a short quiz was given at the close of the course. Both Mrs. Futrell and Patrolman Gaskill commended the local drivers on the showing they made at the completion of the course.

The entire group was guests at a luncheon served at noon at the Hotel Hertford.

The training course was given in preparation of the opening of the coming school year, when the school bus drivers will take over the transportation of Perquimans school children to and from school.

## Baptist Group To Meet In Edenton September 23 - 24

Members of the Edenton Baptist Church will be hosts to the Chowan Baptist Association which will meet in the Edenton church Tuesday and Wednesday, September 23 and 24. The Association is composed of six eastern counties and present plans point to a very delightful and enlightening program.

Dr. E. W. Potts, of Elizabeth City, will be moderator during the two-day session, with the principal address scheduled to be delivered by the Rev. W. A. Huggins of Raleigh, secretary of the State Baptist Convention. Another feature of the meetings will be addresses by two missionaries, one from China and the other from Japan.

## American Legion To Meet Friday Night At Court House

The Perquimans Post of the American Legion will hold its regular August meeting Friday night, August 29, at 8 o'clock (DST), at the Courthouse.

Post Adjutant B. C. Berry stated that the report of the 1942 membership drive will be given by the membership committee and it is hoped that personal citations may be presented to at least two members at the meeting Friday evening. The citations will be given those members who have signed at least ten veterans to membership in Post 126.

The post will also make plans for a "dutch-treat" fish fry to be held in September.

Mr. Berry urges all veterans, either those who are non-members of the local post, the 1941 members and the 1942 members to attend the Friday meeting in order that the 1942 membership drive may be explained to all veterans of the County.

## Deadline For Essays Set September 15th By UDC Historian

Mrs. J. J. Andoe, of Greensboro, historian for the North Carolina Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, announces that essays competing for the score of trophies and cash prizes offered this year must be in her hands by September 15. Historical essays competing for prizes offered by the General United Daughters of the Confederacy must be received by Mrs. Andoe on or before the same date.

A new prize has been added to the list made public early in the year. Ten dollars offered by Mrs. E. L. McKee, of Sylvia, a former division president, will be awarded to the district director who does the best all around district work and who has her annual report in on time.

Essays must not contain more than 2,500 words and the number of words must be stated on the top left-hand corner of the first page. They must be typed on one side of the paper only and signed with a fictitious name. This name and the essay subject must be written on a sealed envelope containing the author's real name, chapter, and address and attached to the manuscript. Bibliographies must accompany each essay. Manuscripts must not be folded and should be sent to Mrs. J. J. Andoe, Division Historian, 923 N. Eugene Street, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Entries will be judged by competent judges according to the extent of research, originality of thought, accuracy of statement, and excellence of style which they show.

## Letters From Boys Serving The USA

51st Air Base Squadron  
Eglin Field, Florida  
August 22, 1941

Mr. Max Campbell, Editor,  
The Perquimans Weekly,  
Hertford, North Carolina.

Dear Max:  
I received my first issue of The Perquimans Weekly and now I'm much more homesick than I was, although it's really good to read the news. All the boys from Perquimans here at Eglin Field have been receiving clippings from the paper, but as soon as they got their hands on the complete paper you could see their faces brighten.

Eglin Field has surely expanded in the last three weeks. At the time we arrived here, there were only about 1,600 men; now there is double that number. For the last few days we have continuously heard the sound of construction. Ninety stucco and brick barracks are being rapidly built to meet the expanding growth of Eglin Field. Although there is a large number of all new types of Army planes stationed at this field, there has been approximately fifty new pursuit planes transferred here to accommodate the advanced cadets that are now completing their training before being commissioned. With the additional new planes, and when all are in the air, there seems to be a contest between the roar of plane motors and the sound of construction to determine which is making the most noise although the chatter of machine gun fire from the planes over the restricted area just off the field wins the blue ribbon. Now that we are in the Air Corps, and hear this noise, I can understand why we had a more rigid examination of eyes

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## State Draft Officer Advises Registrants On Classification

### Questionnaires to Be Mailed to All New Registrants

Any matter pertaining to the classification of a Selective Service registrant must be taken up directly with the local board with which he is registered, General J. Van B. Metts, State Director of Selective Service, advised registrants, their dependents and employers today.

Communications on this subject addressed to State or National Selective Service Headquarters are always referred to the proper local board, he said, because only local boards can act upon the cases of individual registrants until they have been classified, and appeal from a classification must be made through the local board of the registrant. He said:

"Any person entitled to appeal the classification of a registrant—the registrant himself, any person who claims to be a dependent of the registrant, or any person who has filed written evidence of the occupational necessity of the registrant—may do so within ten days after the registrant's notice of classification was mailed, unless the local board has extended that time. The appeal may be made in either of two ways:

"1. By filing with the local board a written notice of appeal. Such notice need not be in any set form, but it must state the name of the registrant and the name and identity of the appellant to show he has the right to appeal.

"2. By signing the 'Appeal to Board of Appeal' on the registrant's questionnaire (DSS Form 40)."

Director Metts emphasized the provision of Selective Service Regulations that the person who makes an appeal may attach to his notice of appeal, or to the registrant's questionnaire, a statement specifying wherein he believes the local board has been in error; that he may point out any information in the registrant's file which he believes has been passed over without proper consideration, and re-state in full any data which the local board has failed or refused to include in the registrant's file.

"While both State and National Headquarters have sympathetic regard for every registrant, these Headquarters obviously cannot consider the case of each individual registrant" the Director pointed out. "This is the responsibility of the local board. Its members have that intimate knowledge of the registrant, of his personal situation, and of the National Defense needs of his community that must be given primary consideration in any democratic system. The local board must have classified a registrant for selection or deferment before either State or National Headquarters can act upon his case."

The local draft board mailed out ten questionnaires on Wednesday to men who registered July 1. Mrs. T. B. Sumner, clerk of the local board, stated that all men who registered in the July list will receive their questionnaires within the next two weeks.

No call for men to be furnished during September has been received by the Perquimans board.

Four of the seven Negro selectees who went to Fort Bragg on August 21 have been rejected for service by the Army and have returned home. Three of those rejected failed to pass the physical examination.

## Rotarians Enjoy Fishing Trip To Ocean View Thursday

Members of the Hertford Rotary Club gathered at the Raiford Boat House at Ocean View Thursday afternoon and enjoyed a fishing party on Chesapeake Bay. The fishing trip took the place of the regular Tuesday meeting of the local club.

## Bank And Postoffice To Close Monday

The Hertford Banking Company and the Post Office will be closed all day Monday in observance of Labor Day, according to announcements made this week by R. M. Riddick, cashier of the bank, and S. M. Whedbee, postmaster.

The bank will reopen on Tuesday morning.

There will be no rural mail deliveries on Monday, but all mail, incoming and outgoing, received at the post-office will be dispatched and also placed in the boxes at the local office.