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## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

The war still continues spectacular on the Russian front, according to the communiques from Moscow. After the longest siege of the war, the Russian forces broke through German lines this week to free the trapped city of Leningrad. The Germans had had this second Russian city under siege for 17 months. Strong Russian action was reported in the Northern sector, and in the South, where Red troops have been pushing the Axis troops back toward Rostov, reports state that thousands of Axis troops have been killed or captured. The Russians are reported about sixty miles from Rostov, and even Berlin reports the action is causing removal of German troops to safest positions.

In North Africa the Allied forces have all but taken the last Axis stronghold outside Tunisia. British forces, under General Montgomery, were only 30 miles from Tripoli on Wednesday, and it is likely that the British may capture this key point before this has gone to press. In Tunisia, the battle is not going so favorably for the Allies. The American and British forces there are in a stalemate with the Axis armies, and it may be several weeks before a decisive battle is fought.

Little news has come out of the Pacific area during this week. General MacArthur's troops in New Guinea have captured all but a few strong positions of the Japs, and these will be under control shortly. The position of the Japs had been likened to the Americans on Bataan, when the Japs with superior forces and supplies practically starved out the defenders. In the Solomons, on New Guinea, the Japs have been unable to re-inforce their troops and it is reported that they suffer from lack of supplies and men. The Navy Department announced on Wednesday the sinking of five more Jap merchant marine ships. All attempts of the Japs to furnish supplies to their troops have been made by war ships, it has been stated.

The Selective Service Bureau announced Wednesday a liberalization of the requirements for Agricultural deferments. Previously a farmer, to obtain deferment, had to farm 16 units, but this plan has been revised and it is understood that each local board will be guided by individual cases.

Leon Henderson was finally replaced as chief of the OPA. Former Senator Prentiss M. Brown, of Michigan, was this week named to the office as Price Administrator, and has assumed the duties of the position. Just what position Brown will take regarding several rulings placed in effect by Henderson remains to be seen. Brown has conferred with Henderson regarding the duties of the post.

President Roosevelt this week ordered the coal miners on strike to return to their jobs or else the government would step in and take over. According to reports Wednesday, the miners defied the President's orders and the majority were still away from their work.

Berlin was the target of two RAF raids during the past week-end. The British bombers struck at the heart of Germany on Saturday and Sunday nights and inflicted heavy damage, according to London reports. Only one plane was lost in the Saturday raid, while it was reported 22 failed to return Sunday. Fliers on the raid, reported little resistance from German ground forces and all stated that huge fires were started by the four-ton-block bursting bombs used by the RAF.

## Start Campaign For Collection Of Hose

Do you have old, worn-out silk and nylon hose?  
If so, the Navy and War Departments need them.

A campaign for the collection of old silk and nylon hose has been started here in this county under the direction of Miss Frances Maness, and collection depots have been established at Simon's, J. C. Blanchard and Co., Darden Brothers, in Hertford, Jackson's Store at New Hope, and Towne's and Quincy's Store at Chapinoka.

Residents of the county who have old silk and nylon hose are urged to turn them in at any one of these collection depots in order that they may be used to further the war effort. The old hose are used on powder casings, and for other purposes, and are badly needed at the battle fronts.

## Request Red Cross Wool Be Returned By February First

Miss Helen Vick, chairman of the local Red Cross knitting project, today issued a request to all ladies having Red Cross wool to return the same to her not later than February first. Miss Vick stated that the wool, whether completed into sweaters or not, must be returned to Red Cross Headquarters by that time.

She urged all ladies to complete sweaters if possible, but pointed out that inasmuch as the wool had been out for nearly a year, the job should be completed. The Red Cross badly needs the garments for issue to men in service, but has notified the local chairman to return all finished and unfinished items this month.

## Final Rites For Mrs. Maggie Broughton Held Last Friday

Funeral services for Mrs. Maggie C. Broughton, aged 77, who died at her home in Bethel Township on January 13, were conducted last Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home. The Rev. John T. Byrum, pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church, assisted by the Rev. H. G. Dawkins, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, officiated.

Mrs. Broughton was a native and life-long resident of Perquimans County and had lived most of her life in Bethel Township. She was always most active in community affairs and was held in high esteem by all.

She was a daughter of the late Nathan and Louise White, of Belvidere. She was raised of Quaker faith, but later joined the Baptist Church. She was first united in marriage to James Gatling and to this union was born two sons, J. W. Gatling of South Norfolk, Va., and W. C. Gatling of Suffolk, Va. After the death of her first husband, she married Thomas Broughton, who preceded her in death several years ago.

Surviving, besides the two sons, are fifteen step-children: W. E. Gatling and Mrs. Mary Hill of Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. I. A. White of Hertford, Mrs. J. J. Long of Edenton, John and H. T. Broughton and Mrs. Milton Dail, all of Hertford, Mrs. T. E. Harrell and Mrs. J. C. Sitterson of Edenton, Sam and Charlie Broughton of Dunn, Sydney and Louis Broughton of Georgia, Jesse and Julian Broughton of Detroit Mich., two sisters, Mrs. Luvena Perry and Miss Anna White of Elizabeth City; three grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

During the service, the Rev. Mr. Byrum read several passages from her favorite Scriptures and "Crossing the Bar." The Rev. Mr. Poythress of South Norfolk, Va., sang "Tell Mother I'll Be There" and "Lay My Head Beneath a Rose." Pallbearers were: Roy Chappell, Charlie Phillips, Willie Curtis, Milton Dail, R. L. Standin, J. C. Hobbs and Shelton Long.

She was laid to rest under a blanket of beautiful flowers in the Gatling Burying Grounds, near her home.

## Farm Bureau State Meeting Scheduled For January 26th

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Farm Bureau will be held at the Sir Walter Hotel, in Raleigh, on January 26 and 27, according to R. Flake Shaw, Executive Secretary.

Archie T. Lane, president of the Perquimans County Farm Bureau, has been named to the Resolution Committee for the meeting, and with other leaders from this county expects to attend.

The meeting will have for its theme "Food a Vital Weapon in the Struggle for Freedom." Outstanding State and National Agricultural leaders will present a program showing the problems facing the farmers during the present year.

Mr. Shaw, in a message to Mr. Lane, requested that outstanding agricultural leaders of the county attend the meeting if at all possible.

## Hertford Lions Club Meets Friday Night

The Hertford Lions Club will meet Friday night at 7:15 o'clock at the Colonial Tourist Home. Archie T. Lane, president, urges all members to attend. Several new members are expected to join the local club at the meeting this week.

## Former Hertford Boy Killed In Airplane Accident In Europe

### Lt. Joseph H. Bagley, Jr., of Suffolk Killed January 10th

First Lieutenant Joseph H. Bagley, Jr., 23-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Bagley, of Suffolk, Va., who were former residents of Hertford, was killed in an airplane accident over the Western European area on Sunday, January 10, according to a telegram received last week by Mrs. Bagley from the War Department.

Lieutenant Bagley was an Army Bombardier, having graduated from the Bombardier School, Sloan's Field, Midland, Texas, on May 29, 1942. He was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant at that time. He received his promotion to the rank of First Lieutenant just a few weeks ago.

Following his graduation, he was stationed at Langley Field, Virginia, where he served on patrol duty until he left for overseas November 6. He was stationed somewhere in England.

He was a graduate of Suffolk High School and Elon College, and was one of the most popular young men of his home town.

Lieutenant Bagley was well-known in Hertford, having visited here often after his parents had moved to Suffolk.

He was married in June, 1942, to Miss Martha Virginia Flam, daughter of Mrs. Mary Woodward Flam, of Suffolk.

He is survived by his wife; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Bagley; one sister, Miss Mary Lou Bagley, all of Suffolk, Va.; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. C. V. Willford, of Hertford, and a number of uncles and aunts.

## Draft Board Seeking Information On Five Local Registrants

The Perquimans County Draft Board is seeking information as to the whereabouts of five local registrants, since the recent order pertaining to the carrying of classification cards beginning February 1, was announced by the Selective Service.

The men should contact the local board immediately in order to clear their cases of delinquency. The registrants, as announced by Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk to the board, are: Columbus Edward Layden, (white) last known address SS Berwindvale, C&O Bldg., Newport News, Va.; Floyd Sutton, (Negro) Route 1, Hertford; Curt Hurdle, (Negro) address 23 Church St., Hertford; Rudolph Burke, 903 Wide St., Norfolk, Va. and James Edward Johnson, 148 Walnut St., Akron, Ohio. Persons knowing the whereabouts of these registrants will be doing them a favor by having them get in touch with their local boards.

A heavy fine or imprisonment, or both, is the penalty for delinquents located after the deadline date.

Mrs. Sumner stated that the local board has calls for 25 white men to be inducted into service on February 4, and 30 Negroes to be inducted on February 18.

A contingent of white men will leave Hertford Saturday morning for final physical examination at Fort Bragg.

## Receives Notice Brother Interned In Japanese Camp

Mrs. Fenton Britt has been notified that her brother, Staff Sergeant Rankin H. Ward, has been interned in a Japanese Prison Camp in Tokyo. He was a member of the U. S. Army Air Corps stationed in the Philippine Islands.

Mrs. Britt received her message from the International Red Cross which gave her brother's address as Prisoner of War Mail, care of the Japanese Red Cross, New York.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Riddick, of Hobbville, are receiving congratulations on the birth of twin sons, Clarence Lynn and Lawrence Glenn, born Wednesday, December 30, 1942, at Lakeview Hospital, Suffolk, Va. Mother and babies are getting along nicely.

Mrs. Riddick is the former Miss Katherine Eason, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Eason, of Belvidere.

## Health Officer Is Speaker At Rotary Meeting Tuesday

### Dr. D. C. Hackett Tells Civic Club of Service In County

Dr. D. C. Hackett, Perquimans County Health Officer, was guest speaker of the meeting of the Hertford Rotary Club Tuesday night. Dr. Hackett gave an interesting talk on the health problems within the county and area.

Reviewing health problems as revealed in mortality and morbidity statistics in the county in the past five years, Dr. Hackett praised the county's tuberculosis record, which is but from one-third to one-half of the State's average.

On the contrary, the county had a rate of three or four times greater than the State average on infant deaths due to diarrhea, enteritis and whooping cough, he said. Influenza also has been reported with much frequency, he stated.

The officer praised the county's medical fraternity, commenting "the reporting of diseases by physicians in the county appears to have been very accurate," and stated that it will help the department here to a great extent.

Later Dr. Hackett reviewed some of the problems which might arise in this county due to war activity, particularly as pertaining to housing.

... which may mean trailers, the taxing of restaurant facilities and a heavy demand on the milk supply.

He pointed out that the recently passed trailer ordinance would help to combat these problems, making it possible to regulate the locations and sanitary conditions from the beginning.

Dr. G. T. Perry, assistant health officer, and J. E. Miller, sanitation officer, were also guests at the meeting.

## Seventeen Enrolled In Red Cross Home Nursing Course

Seventeen ladies are enrolled in the Home Nursing Course, being sponsored here by the Perquimans Chapter of the American Red Cross, according to Mrs. Johnnie Bray, instructor of the course.

The class is meeting twice weekly, on each Monday and Thursday night, at 8 o'clock, in the Red Cross rooms of the Shannonhouse home on Market Street. Mrs. Bray stated that the class is off to an excellent start in studying the methods outlined by the American Red Cross to render assistance in home nursing.

Members enrolled in the class are: Mrs. C. P. Morris, Mrs. R. M. Riddick, Miss Jocelyn Whedbee, Miss Helen Nixon, Miss Sarah Brinn, Mrs. T. P. Brinn, Mrs. W. H. Oakley, Mrs. J. E. Winslow, Mrs. Silas Whedbee, Mrs. J. W. Zachary, Mrs. Corbin Dozier, Mrs. R. S. Monds, Mrs. A. E. Hendley, Miss Frances Maness, Mrs. C. P. Sumner, Mrs. C. A. Davenport and Mrs. Walther.

## Mrs. C. B. Parker Dies In Durham Hospital

Mrs. Carroll B. Parker, wife of C. B. Parker, retired rural mail carrier, died in Duke Hospital, Durham, on Wednesday morning, after an illness of some time.

Mrs. Parker was a resident of Bethel Township, and was 63 years of age at the time of her death.

Surviving are: her husband; one daughter, Mrs. Nathan Spivey, of Woodville; one son, Ben Parker, of Roanoke Rapids; one sister, Mrs. Addie Tucker, and one brother, Ben Thatch.

Funeral arrangements had not been announced when The Weekly went to press.

## Attending Furniture Show In High Point

W. M. Morgan, Hertford Furniture Man, left Sunday for High Point to attend the annual Furniture Show held in that city. He was accompanied by Miss Helen Morgan.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Nixon, of Hertford, Route 2, announce the birth of a son, born Tuesday, January 12th. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

## Post Office Address Change Announced By Navy Department

The standard post office address for ships in the Pacific area shall be "c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Calif.," and for ships in the Atlantic area, "c/o Fleet Post Office, New York, N. Y.," the Navy Department has announced.

This change in address for Naval personnel at sea or on foreign service applies to all mail—letters, packages or other postal material—sent to men of the fleet.

Heretofore mail for Navy men was sent "c/o Postmaster," in New York or San Francisco, depending upon whether the man was in service with the Atlantic or Pacific fleet.

## Much Time Used In Clearing Docket In Recorder's Court

A day-long session was needed to clear the docket in Perquimans Recorder's Court here Tuesday. It was not that a great number of cases were on the calendar, but a large number of witnesses to be heard during one trial consumed most of the time.

C. R. Holmes served as solicitor during this term of court, filing the post of Granberry Tucker, whose resignation was effective January 15.

Practically the whole day was spent hearing the case against Ben Owens, Kyree Copeland, Robert Harrell and Troy Elliott, who were charged with assaulting Maurice Shoveik and Sam Swearinger, both of Elizabeth City. A nol pros was taken in the case against Troy Elliott, but the remaining three defendants were found guilty and each received a \$25 fine and costs of court.

Judge Charles E. Johnson also ruled that the defendants must pay doctors' bills of the two men injured during a fight which occurred at the Mansfield Service Station on Highway 17.

According to the testimony given by Shoveik and Swearinger, they entered the service station and were assaulted by the trio, after a soft drink had been knocked over and spilled over Shoveik's clothing. Some six or seven witnesses for the defense were called to the stand, all of whom testified that the Elizabeth City men were at fault and began the fight. Judge Johnson ruled however, that their testimony was somewhat varied while the plaintiffs did not, and found a verdict of guilty.

Other cases heard Tuesday included those of A. M. Jones, who was fined \$5 for driving with improper lights.

Bennie Winslow was assessed costs of court for driving with improper lights.

Hubert Meacomes entered a plea of guilty to driving drunk and paid a fine of \$50 and costs of court.

Matilda Sears was taxed with the costs of court after pleading guilty to driving without an operator's license.

A nol pros was taken in the case charging Dennis Welch, Negro, with larceny.

## Mrs. Elizabeth Wood Gaither Dies At Home Monday Evening

Mrs. Elizabeth Wood Gaither, 96, widow of the late W. G. Gaither, died at her home in Hertford on Monday evening at 6:20 o'clock, after a long illness.

A native and life-long resident of this county, she was the daughter of the late Charles W. and Mary Skinner Wood Gaither. She was prominent in church and civic affairs and was well-known throughout the community.

Surviving are seven daughters: Miss Helen Gaither at home, Mrs. G. B. Lewis of Richmond, Va., Miss Mary Gaither and Mrs. E. C. Conger of Elizabeth City, Mrs. W. H. Huffman of Fayetteville, Mrs. J. E. Warren of Edenton, and Mrs. R. B. Albers of Portsmouth, Va.; three sons, W. G. and Charles W. Gaither of Elizabeth City, and the Rev. E. W. Wood Gaither of Creswell.

Funeral services were conducted at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The Rev. E. T. Jilson, pastor of the church, officiated.

Pallbearers were: E. Leigh Winslow, J. Emmett Winslow, Frank Skinner, Herbert Nixon, D. S. Darden, D. F. Reed, J. H. Conger and R. N. Hines, of Edenton.

Interment was made in the Episcopal churchyard.

Funeral services were under the direction of the Lynch Funeral home.

## Local Ration Board Names Dates For Tire Inspections

### Large Number Permits Issued By Board at Last Meeting

Final dates for periodic tire inspections, as changed last week, were announced today by the Perquimans Ration Board. Holders of "A" gas books must have their tires inspected by February 28, and every 300 miles thereafter. "B" book holders' final date is scheduled for a future inspection on February 28, and every 300 miles thereafter. "C" book holders' final date is scheduled for a future inspection on February 28, and every 300 miles thereafter.

The board also issued a number of permits at its last meeting. The permits issued were:

Grade III Tires—H. S. Lynch, 1; R. L. Ravel, 2; F. T. Eure, 1; V. J. Copeland, 2; Albert Jordan, 2; W. E. Winslow, 2; S. E. Long, 2; W. M. Douglas, 2; G. W. Gaines, 2; Clifton Jones, 2; J. E. Overton, 1; Shelton White, 2; Soft Umphlett, 2; Andrew Bonner, 2; W. B. Jordan, 1; W. E. Jordan, 2; Martha Blanchard, 1; Herbert Williams, 1; Tom Winslow, 2; Henry Jones, 2; Nathan Riddick, 2; George James, 2; E. F. Banks, 2; H. J. Winslow, 2; Archie Stallings, 2; E. L. Stallings, 2; J. J. Spellman, 2; D. L. Davis, 2; Alvin Winslow, 2; Alex Stallings, 2; W. J. Moore, 1; William Bogue, 2; J. C. Long, 2; Rosa Reed, 2; Wandus Winslow, 2; Robert Harrell, 2; Lettie Sprull, 2.

Passenger Recaps—M. H. Chappell, 1; J. H. White, 1; L. E. Wooten, 1; Z. D. Robertson, 2.

Passenger Tubes—J. T. Godfrey, 3; Travis White, 1; Clarence Chappell, 1; Sidney Layden, 1; Lathan Felton, 2; H. W. Lynch, 1; L. P. Chappell, 2; J. L. White, 1; R. L. Ravel, 1; F. T. Eure, 1; V. J. Copeland, 1; Albert Jordan, 1; S. E. Long, 2; G. W. Gaines, 2; Clifton Jones, 1; Shelton White, 1; Martha Blanchard, 1; Herbert Williams, 1; Tom Winslow, 1; H. J. White, 1; A. W. Stallings, 2; J. J. Spellman, 3; D. L. Davis, 2; Alvin Winslow, 2; William Bogue, 2; Rosa Reed, 2; Wandus Winslow, 1; Robert Harrell, 1; and Harris Phillips, 2.

Truck Tires—S. F. Harrell, 2 tires and 2 tubes; Wallace Bright, tire and tube; P. J. Boyce, tire; E. N. Miller, 2 tires and 2 tubes; W. O. Hunter, tire and tube; J. B. Miller, tire; Elihu Lane, tube; R. L. Layden, 2 tires; Norman Elliott, 2 tires and 2 tubes; M. M. Dillman, 2 tires and one tube.

Truck Recaps—M. M. Dillman, 2.

## Three Youths Charged With Serious Offense

Warrants charging three Perquimans County youths with serious offenses were issued here Tuesday. Gaither Chappell was arrested on a warrant charging him with rape upon the person of Belya Haddock; Percy Winslow and Sherman Copeland have been charged with assault with intent to rape Dolly Mills. The young women are residents of Edenton.

Young Chappell has been released upon bail of \$2,000 and the warrants for Winslow and Copeland had not been returned to the clerk's office Wednesday. However, it is expected that the youths will be given a preliminary hearing in Recorder's Court next week.

Sergeant G. I. Dail, of the State Patrol, was the arresting officer.

## Resigns Position As County Prosecutor

Granberry Tucker has resigned his office as County Prosecutor to accept a position with the Labor Department in Washington.

The resignation was effective on January 15, when Mr. Tucker assumed his new duties in the Nation's Capital.

Mr. Tucker served as Recorder's Court Judge here prior to his appointment as prosecutor last December.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. McCracken, of Hertford, Route 1, announce the birth of a son, born Wednesday, January 13th. Mrs. McCracken, before her marriage, was Miss Alma Davenport.