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FINAL PLANS PERQUIMANS UNITED WAR FUND DRIVE TO BE MADE AT MEETING

County Committee Will Meet Tonight; Drive To Open October 25 For Ten Days

A meeting of the county committee of the Perquimans United War Fund will be held at the Court House on Friday night at 8 o'clock for the purpose of mapping final plans for the United War Fund Drive, which opens here on October 25th.

The United War Fund of Perquimans will conduct a drive to raise \$3,500, which is its quota in the North Carolina United War Fund. The funds raised will be used by all the charitable organizations, now carrying on war work, with the exception of the American Red Cross.

The local committee, headed by J. Emmett Winslow and the Rev. B. C. Reavis as co-chairmen, will name township committees at the meeting tonight, and these committees will be urged to make a house-to-house canvass during the brief campaign to be conducted.

Commenting on the drive, Mr. Winslow said: "We should have no trouble in raising our quota in this county as the USO is spending a lot of money in Hertford in order to construct a recreational center for the men from Harvey Point, and we will receive more than we give."

Commissioners Pick Names Of Jury For Fall Court Term

The Board of Commissioners for Perquimans County met in regular session on Monday and, in addition to handling routine affairs, made the annual settlement with Sheriff J. Emmett Winslow on tax collections for the year.

Sheriff Winslow reported tax collections greater this year than for the past ten years. Just a shade more than \$3,000 in delinquent property taxes were sold last month by the Sheriff in closing out the delinquent 1942 real property taxes.

The Commissioners also drew the list of names of citizens for service on the jury at the November Term of Perquimans Superior Court.

The jury list is composed of Ralph R. White, George Cartwright, E. A. Goodman, Sr., D. M. Jackson, P. M. Colson, Roy Harrell, M. C. Boyce, Clarence Dail, E. R. Whedbee, Sr., W. E. White, J. Alton Winslow, W. M. Williams, G. A. Umphlett, W. F. Madre, Shelton G. Chappell, L. A. Smith, J. H. Scaff, Earl E. Winslow, O. D. Layden, Johnnie Lane, H. E. Bogue, Ralph Miller, W. F. Howell, J. E. Perry, W. C. Dozier, Mathews Smith, George Trueblood, Mercer Thomas, Tom Cox, Willie H. Lamb, W. B. Tucker, Archie T. Lane, T. S. Gregory, D. F. Reed, James Nixon, and E. L. Jennings.

Aircraft Spotters Relieved Of Duty At Observation Tower

Howard G. Dawkins, chief observation officer for the Hertford post, has been notified that aircraft spotters have been relieved of their duty at the local observation tower, with the exception of a four-hour shift each Wednesday afternoon.

This announcement followed the Army's decision to suspend the observation post system which has been conducted on a 24-hour basis for several months, and request that observers be placed on the alert, to resume the work on a moment's notice.

Mr. Dawkins has issued a call for volunteers to man the post on Wednesday afternoons, and urges any person wishing to serve on a two-hour shift to see him immediately. Four persons will be needed for each week.

Materials Available To Farmers Who Have Completed Program

Perquimans County farmers, who have fulfilled at least one hundred dollars worth of conservation allotment programs, may obtain additional conservation materials without costs, according to an announcement made this week by the AAA offices here.

Many local farmers, it was stated, have fulfilled their programs and are receiving additional materials, and those who are not obtaining this aid and who have completed their programs are requested to look into this matter at once.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

After capturing the city of Naples late last week, General Mark Clark's 5th Army now threatens to cut off the German retreat toward Rome. The Allied troops are advancing all along the battle line in southern Italy. The British 8th Army on the eastern side of Italy has advanced farther north after repulsing German counter-attacks near Poggia. French and American forces on the island of Corsica have all but completed occupation of the entire island.

Fighting on the Russian front has reached a lull, with the Red Army attempting to locate weak points in the German lines along the Dnieper River. Arriving at the front last week Hitler called upon his generals to hold the present battle line at all costs. It is believed the Germans have reached their pre-arranged defensive line for the winter and that heavy fighting will become evident as the Russians attempt to break through the present positions.

There is some indication, in reports from the battles in the Pacific, that the Japs may be withdrawing from some outposts in the Solomons, such as they did in Kiska. General MacArthur's forces have launched a new attack toward Madang in New Guinea, and reports state heavy damage has been inflicted on Japs in this area.

Plans seem to be complete for the meeting of American, British and Russian diplomats in Moscow in the near future. Secretary of State Hull is reported ready to leave for the meeting, during which it is hoped diplomatic questions regarding the war may be worked out.

A House sub-committee this week recommended higher payments to dependents of men inducted into military service. Now that fathers are being inducted, the move seems necessary to provide for wives and children of these men. The committee, it was reported, recommended wives should continue to receive \$50 per month, but an increase from 12 to 22 dollars per month for the first child and \$18 per month for each additional child should be made.

The possibility that a ten percent sales tax may be passed by the present Congress, as a means for raising the tremendous amount in taxes needed for the coming year, loomed this week when Rep. Taber of New York, recommended this action along with strict economy by the Government as a way to meet the requirements of the Treasury Department.

Deputy Collector Issues Warning On Vehicle Use Stamp

Geo. D. Gravely, U. S. Deputy Collector, announced today that he had been instructed to issue summonses for all motor vehicle owners on which the yellow auto stamp for the fiscal year July 1, 1943, to June 30, 1944, is not displayed.

Gravely stated in traveling around Perquimans County and other counties of his territory, that he had observed that a large percentage of motor vehicles now being used do not have these stamps displayed.

The stamps should have been purchased and displayed during the months of June and July, in accordance with the law, he said.

Gravely has quite a large territory to cover but he expects to be in Hertford a day or so in the near future and at that time will issue summonses to all motor vehicle owners who do not have the stamps.

Fifteen Cases Heard In Recorder's Court On Tuesday Morning

Majority of Docket Is Composed of Motorists For Speeding

Fifteen cases, ten of which were for violation of the speed law, were called for hearing in Recorder's Court Tuesday morning. The Court disposed of thirteen of the cases and continued two until the next term of court.

The case charging Stirling Miller, John Coston and Earl Spence, all Negroes, with stealing and carrying away property was continued until the officers apprehend Stirling, who thus far has not been found.

Leroy Duncan, charged with speeding, failed to appear and a warrant was returned to the officers for service.

Floyd Munden entered a plea of guilty to speeding and was taxed with a fine of \$10 and court costs.

James A. Moore plead guilty to driving without a license and was assessed costs. A fine of \$15 was suspended upon condition the defendant does not drive until a license is obtained.

Lester Jones was taxed with court costs, after pleading guilty to speeding.

Daniel Wynn entered a plea of guilty to driving with insufficient brakes and paid the costs of court. Thomas Carroll paid the costs of court for exceeding the 35-mile speed law.

William Houston was fined \$25 and costs, after pleading guilty to speeding.

Floyd Hendrix was fined \$10 and costs for speeding.

Joseph Francis paid the costs of court, after pleading guilty to speeding.

Judgment was suspended in the case charging Edward Harvey, Negro, for violating the stock law, upon condition the defendant keeps up his hogs.

A nol prois was taken in the case charging Jesse Pervis, colored, with assault and costs were assessed against Hazel Pervis, the prosecuting witness.

William Hughes paid the costs of court on a charge of speeding.

Robert Winesett entered a plea of guilty to speeding and paid the costs of court.

James Fabey was taxed court costs after pleading guilty to speeding.

Lions Club Festival Opens Monday Night

The members of the Hertford Lions Club drafted final plans for the holding of their annual Fall Festival, which opens next Monday night with the Kaus Exposition Shows furnishing the entertainment on the midway.

The Kaus Exposition will arrive here in time to open the festival to the public on Monday night and a large crowd is expected to attend.

The Festival is a week later this year than last, but this was due to unavoidable travel difficulties of the amusement company. The midway will have the usual number of rides for kiddies and grown-ups and a number of shows for the entertainment of all.

Proceeds gained by the local civic club from the Festival will be used to carry on the charitable work the club has undertaken during the past several years.

Night Services Held At Catholic Church

For the first time in about seven years, except during the Holy Season of Lent, evening devotions were begun last Sunday in St. Ann's Catholic Church, Edenton, with the Reverend Father Henry Borelli, O. F. M. (Franciscan of the Order of Friars Minor), current Catholic chaplain at Edenton Air Station, officiating and preaching on "The Most Holy Rosary," announced the Reverend Father Francis J. McCourt, pastor of St. Ann's and chaplain to all Catholics connected with the Harvey Point Air Station.

Continuing every Sunday, choir practice 7:30 p. m., night services 8:15, Father Borelli preaching next Sunday, hymns, Rosary, Litany, prayer, sermon and benediction.

Every Sunday 8:30 a. m., Mass at Harvey Point A. S., 11 a. m.; St. Ann's, week-mornings 8 St. Ann's.

Everybody invited to all St. Ann's services.

More Fathers To Be Called For Service During Next Month

Congress Debating the Problem; Contingent Left Wednesday

While Congress continues to debate the problems arising from the drafting of fathers throughout the nation, the Perquimans Draft Board is confronted with the task of reviewing more and more files in re-classifying pre-war fathers for possible induction into military service.

No definite action had been taken by Congress regarding a solution at the time The Weekly went to press, but it is unlikely that any change will be made in the method now that many boards throughout the nation have already sent the first contingent of fathers to induction centers. The first group of fathers left here Wednesday for Fort Bragg to receive their final physical examination. A total of thirteen men were inducted in the group, five non-fathers and eight fathers.

It is believed that Perquimans is one of the first counties in this area to be forced to draw upon the father pool in order to fill a call for men.

This is due to the fact that the local board has exhausted all other categories from which to draw. The local board has a number of single men and non-fathers listed in essential positions and on farms, and these men are in deferred classifications because Selective Service regulations allow for time deferments for such occupations. The local board is also controlled in its classification of men by the system known as the replacement schedule, which is under strict supervision of the War Manpower Commission and Selective Service regulations.

Men registered and classified under this replacement schedule cannot be reclassified by local boards until such time as the replacement schedule calls for such action, regardless of positions taken by local boards.

Meanwhile, it was announced from Washington this week that possibly some 900,000 fathers might be inducted into service by July, 1944, unless some change in the induction is ordered by the military or Selective Service.

Calls for men from Perquimans County are expected to be about twenty-five per cent greater during November than this month.

Indians To Begin Practice On Monday

The 1943 Perquimans Indians football team will start practice next Monday, according to an announcement made this week by F. T. Johnson, superintendent of schools.

The team will practice from 12 Noon until 1:15 each day, and a large number of boys is expected to turn out for the first drill. Max Campbell, who will coach the team, stated that a whole new backfield will have to be found before the opening game, as practically the entire string of backs of last year's team are not in school this fall. Several likely prospects for backfield positions are expected to turn up at Monday's practice.

It is hoped that the boys can be conditioned for an opening game by October 22, but until practice has been under way for a while, the date of the opening game will not be set.

Attempts will be made to schedule games with Williamston, Edenton, Columbia, Ahoskie, Elizabeth City, Plymouth and Manteo. All of these schools are reported as having teams this year and it is hoped that the Indians can meet all of them.

County Youth Wounded In African Campaign

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rountree, of Route 2, have received word that their son, Alfred Rountree, Jr., is now in an Army hospital in New York, recovering from wounds received during the African campaign.

Young Rountree has been a member of the Armed Forces for about five years.

Definite information regarding the youth's condition had not been learned when The Weekly went to Press.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Lieut. and Mrs. Robert D. Turgeon, Jr., announce the birth of a daughter, born Wednesday, October 6, at the General Hospital, Norfolk, Va. Mother and baby are doing nicely. Mrs. Turgeon is the former Miss Ann Felton.

WAR BOND SALES OVER 300 THOUSAND DOLLARS; PRIZES AWARDED

Union Prayer Service At Baptist Church Wednesday Night

A Union Prayer Service will be conducted at the Hertford Baptist Church on Wednesday night, October 13, at 7:30 o'clock, with the Rev. J. D. Cranford as leader.

The services, called for the purpose of honoring men from this county now in the armed forces, is being sponsored by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist Church. The public is cordially invited to attend the services.

Area Rent Director Gives Additional Rent Control Data

Thomas J. Markham, area rent director for the Elizabeth City area, has released for the benefit of landlords of Pasquotank, Perquimans and Chowan Counties the following information:

"Landlords in rent control areas who fail to file with their area rent director a registration statement within 30 days after renting a housing accommodation not previously registered will be subject to a refund to the tenant of any rent charged in excess of the maximum which OPA sets."

This provision, written into all rent regulations for housing, applies only where the maximum rent is established by the landlord, under specified circumstances, and subject to OPA review and approval. The principal instances where this is allowed is in the renting of newly constructed housing accommodations or housing accommodations changed so as to increase or decrease the number of dwelling units.

The amendment specifies that if the landlord fails to file the required registration statement within 30 days after first renting, any decrease later ordered by a rent director will be effective from the date of first renting. The amendment is effective October 1, 1943, and in no event would a refund be required for any period prior to this date.

Mr. Markham says also that he wishes to call to the attention of the landlords and all persons renting housing accommodations to section 7 (B) which reads as follows: "Posting maximum rents. Within 45 days after the effective date, August 1, 1943, of regulation, every landlord shall post and thereafter keep posted conspicuously in each room rented or offered for rent a card or sign plainly stating the maximum rent or rents for all terms of occupancy and for all numbers of occupants for which the room is rented or offered for rent. Where the taking of meals by the tenant or prospective tenant is a condition of renting such rooms, the card or sign shall so state. Should the maximum rent or rents for the room be changed by order of the Administrator the landlord shall alter the card or sign so that it states the changed rent or rents."

A strict compliance with the requirements of Section 7 (B), quoted above is urged by the area rent director in order to prevent violation of regulations which carries a penalty.

Serial Number Needed For Army Information

If it becomes necessary to make an inquiry to the War Department concerning the status of a soldier, either enlisted man or officer, the public is requested to give his serial number, it was stressed today at headquarters, Fourth Service Command.

The request was made in view of experience which has shown that much time is wasted by War Department personnel and the person making the inquiry—whether written or oral—if the number is not given when the initial inquiry is made.

It is pointed out that many members of the armed forces have identical names and the only method of absolute identification is by serial number. Any other pertinent facts concerning the soldier and which can be included in the inquiry is of benefit and much time and material can be saved by giving all data possible as it often requires correspondence for complete information before the request or inquiry can be acted upon.

MASONS MEET
The local Masonic Lodge will meet as usual Tuesday night.

Third War Loan Complete Success Here; Chairman Expresses Appreciation

War bond sales in Perquimans County during the Third War Loan drive has passed the three hundred thousand dollar mark, according to a statement issued this week by R. M. Riddick, chairman of the local war finance committee.

Sales up to Wednesday noon amounted to \$303,126.25, Mr. Riddick said.

This total surpasses the Perquimans County goal by more than forty-two thousand dollars, and the final figures will be tabulated for the drive on October 16th. All Series E, F and G bonds sold up to that date will count in the drive figures.

A committee composed of Mayor V. N. Darden, C. P. Morris and Max Campbell met on Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of reviewing the bonds sold and purchased during the days from September 9 to 30 in order to determine the winners of the two \$25 war bonds offered as prizes in the drive and the lawn set offered by W. M. Morgan, local furniture man, to the person purchasing the largest amount in bonds.

After carefully considering the returns the committee found that J. C. Blanchard purchased the largest amount in bonds and was winner of the lawn set, while Mrs. Viola Nachman had sold the largest amount in bonds and was winner of one of the bonds, and Shelton M. Long had sold the greatest number of individual bonds and was winner of the other \$25 bond. The winners may obtain their prizes by calling for them at the bank.

In determining the winner of the bond for selling the greatest number of bonds, the committee awarded the prize on the number of bonds actually sold and not on the number of orders written; unless the order was filled and bonds issued for the same order were not counted toward the prize.

Commenting on the drive, Mr. Riddick stated, "We can be proud of the record we have achieved, but the credit for the success in the drive belongs to the many members of the committees, who worked hard to make the drive a success and to the public which responded so splendidly in lending the money to our Government for the purposes needed."

"I want to express my appreciation to all members of the War Finance committee and to all solicitors for their work in the drive and to the residents of the county who put the county over the top by buying so liberally," the chairman said.

Even though the Third War Loan drive has reached its goal here, the public should remember the war continues, and our Government still needs millions of dollars to carry on the fight . . . so bonds should be purchased regularly by everybody.

Ration Book Four To Be Distributed Last Part Of This Month

War Ration Book Four, which will last approximately two years, will be issued to residents of Perquimans County, through the system organization, during the last ten days of this month, the Office of Price Administration announced this week.

Time and places where the public may obtain the new ration book will be announced locally as regional OPA offices complete arrangements for its distribution. The book will be used early in November.

The sizes of the stamps in the new book will be decreased in order to provide more stamps to lengthen the life of the book. Another change made will be the introduction of red and blue tokens, to be used in making change for stamps in purchasing meats, fats and rationed dairy products.

The book will contain eight pages of stamps, totaling 384 stamps, and it is expected that the book will be used in the buying of all rationed articles, except gasoline and tires.

PROMOTED TO MAJOR
T. S. White, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. White, of Hertford, has recently been promoted from the rank of captain to major in the United States Army, according to an announcement received here.

Major White has been on foreign duty during the past year, and is stationed in England.