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## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

American soldiers and Marines pushed the European battles aside this week when they invaded the Jap-held islands of Maranal and Gilbert and established beachheads against the heavier Jap. reinforcements. The American forces were reported as firmly established on two of the island atolls and were engaged in making new landings daily. This invasion was heralded as a new blow at the Japanese in the Pacific and some authorities believe it may lead to more direct blows at Japan itself, instead of the island hopping tactics used thus far in that war zone.

After receiving a temporary setback late last week when the Germans recaptured Zhitomir, the Red Army unleashed new attacks against the Nazis and were reported as gaining new objectives in the Dnieper River sector. The Russians were reported as tightening the ring around the key town of Gomel, one of the Germans' important transportation and communication centers. The Germans are reported as having thrown more reinforcements into the fighting on the Russian front in an effort to stem the Red advance.

The Allied forces in Italy are still bogged down by the terrain and the weather in the advance on Rome. The 5th Army has gained little ground against the strong Nazi forces during the past two weeks; however, the British 8th Army, it was reported, gained several miles this week, capturing several towns and threatening to flank the German winter lines. It is believed the Allies may be forced to use heavy artillery in blasting the Germans from their mountain strongholds to open the way to the capture of Rome.

Following a report by Drew Pearson that General Patton, commander of the American 7th Army, had been repudiated by General Eisenhower and probably would not be used in combat further, the Allied headquarters in Africa denied the allegation and stated that Patton has been and is still in command of the 7th Army.

An unofficial report from Stockholm on Tuesday reported that Mussolini has committed suicide at his Lake Garba villa. The report was made as coming from Switzerland. The Duke has been attempting to form a government in Italy since his release by the Germans, but no confirmed reports as to his whereabouts or condition have been made.

Following debates over the contributions to be made by participating governments in the work of relief after the war, the committee seems now to be drafting plans for operation. No report has been made covering the assessments of the Allied nations cooperating but at first it was reported that the United States was asked to contribute one and a half billion of the two and a half billion dollars needed to carry out the program.

## Christmas Savings Checks To Be Mailed Out December 1-6

Those dimes, quarters and dollars people have been saving the past year through the Hertford Banking Company's Christmas Savings Club will come back in the form of Christmas savings checks sometime between December 1 and 6.

R. M. Riddick, cashier of the bank, announced today that the savings club will mail checks in the amount of twelve thousand dollars to the members, this being the largest amount ever paid through the Christmas Savings plan by the local bank. He also stated that new Christmas Savings Clubs will start soon after the checks are mailed out.

## Perquimans United War Fund Now \$3,700

Although the United War Fund drive officially closed two weeks ago, a number of belated contributions have been received by the local committee and the fund now totals more than \$3,700, according to Julian White, treasurer of the Perquimans Committee.

A check for the County's quota has already been mailed to the State War Relocation Authority, and the local committee has expressed the decision to rebalance the balance of the fund here on the next day, and this balance will then be used to aid in meeting the next quota.

## THANKSGIVING 1943



Beautiful South Pacific islands, steaming jungles, European cities, hot sandy deserts, and towns and plains of Asia have been washed in the blood of conquering and defending armies alike. Have we Americans had to search through the smoldering ruins of what was once our home? American towns have never been subject to such barbarism, and for this we all should be grateful. There is every reason for intelligent men and women who believe in God to turn reverently toward Him on this Thanksgiving Day and express thanks for the Divine goodness which has brought blessings far above what we deserve.

## Ration Board Issues Tire Certificates To 31 Motorists

A decided decrease in the number of tire certificates issued by the local ration board is noted these days, as OPA continues to reduce allotments to conserve the present stock of tires throughout the nation. Only 31 certificates were issued this week by the Perquimans Board and these went to the motorists listed below:

Truck Type: Perquimans Board of Education, 4 tires and 4 tubes; Kenneth Miller, 2 tires and 2 tubes; A. W. Ray, 4 tires and 5 tubes; Hollowell Bros., tire and tube; Wallace Bright, 2 tires and 2 tubes; H. S. Lane, 2 tires and 2 tubes; Major Loomis Co., 4 tires and 4 tubes; C. W. Morgan, 2 tires.

Grade I Passenger Type: W. A. Sullivan, 2 tires and 2 tubes; Ralph E. Williamson, 4 tires; J. E. Winslow, 4 tires and 4 tubes; Philip Parshley, tire and tube; James Jarvis, tire and tube; J. A. Capone, 2 tires and 2 tubes; G. W. Riddick, tire and tube; W. A. Sherrill, tire; Major Loomis, tire and tube.

Grade III: Johnnie Stallings, tire and tube; Mrs. Fronnie Lamb, 4 tires; Mitchell Zachary, tire and tube; R. W. Jones, tire and tube; Howard Williams, tire and tube; D. J. Rogerson, tire and tube; J. L. Delaney, tire and tube; J. K. Lightfoot, 2 tires and 2 tubes; Travers White, tube; Harwood Riddick, 3 tires, and H. M. Layden, tire and tube.

Stove Certificates were issued to Clifton Parker, Mrs. J. T. Brinn, McCarthy Mitchell, M. E. Nixon, D. M. Cartwright, Rev. J. H. Skinner, Henry Brickhouse, W. E. Drake, Alfreda Winslow, R. L. Gordon, Wiley Gordon, Mrs. W. D. Stanford and Thomas Overton.

## Heating System At High School Breaks; Students Get Holiday

Students at the Perquimans County High School received an unexpected Thanksgiving holiday this week, when it was discovered on Tuesday that one of the boilers in the school's heating system had cracked and it was impossible to heat the building. F. T. Johnson, superintendent, announced that school would be closed for the rest of the week, at least. It is hoped that the heating system can be fixed in time for school to reopen Monday.

## HARRELL JOHNSON HEADS FEAT AT WAKE FOREST

Harrell Johnson, son of Mrs. Chas. Johnson, has recently been elected as president of his fraternity, FKA, at Wake Forest College. He is also president of the Senior Class and the Student Legislature at Wake Forest College.

## Lost And Found

Have you failed to receive some coupons you expected from the Ration Office, or have you lost your ration books?

If you have, you may find them at the local Ration Office in Hertford. Mrs. Helen Davenport, clerk of the Ration Board, announced today the following list of persons, whose addresses are unknown to local postal officials, have envelopes awaiting them at the local office: William E. Jordan, H. L. Ramey, Mary Hassell, E. R. Winslow, Mrs. Leon White and Earl A. Felton.

A number of ration books, the owners listed as John T. Winslow, George E. Hunter, Joyce A. Winslow, Mattie Welch, Sylvester Welch, Dixie Welch, Lola Welch, George T. Skinner, Riley Skinner, Ray Skinner and Dorothy Skinner, are also at the local office and may be obtained if the rightful owner applies for them.

## Indians Close Foot Ball Season In Game With Edenton Aces

The Perquimans High School Indians rang down the curtain on their 1943 football season by playing their old rivals, the Edenton High School team, a game yesterday.

Results of the game cannot be published as The Weekly went to press before the game was played.

The Indians lost a well-played, hard fought game to the Plymouth High School last Friday night by a score of 20-0. Although the score does not indicate the good game.

Plymouth scored midway in the first quarter and led at half-time 7-0. Both teams were playing about the same brand of football, but Plymouth managed to make their playing count when in scoring position.

Berry and Wood did some excellent ball carrying for the Indians, but the lack of experience by the majority of the locals showed when the Indians needed extra strength to score. The Plymouth eleven scored twice during the final quarter and the game ended 20-0.

## Mrs. Annie B. Willis Dies At Home Tuesday

Mrs. Annie Blanchard Willis died suddenly at her home here late Tuesday afternoon, following a heart attack.

A native of the county, Mrs. Willis had made her home in Hertford since the death of her husband, the late Rev. R. H. Willis, and was active in church and civic affairs. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

Surviving are three brothers, J. C. Blanchard, Dr. Julian Blanchard, of New York City, and L. E. Blanchard, of Raleigh; and two sisters, Mrs. F. L. Bostick of Raleigh, and Mrs. Chas. Christmas, of Charlotte.

## November War Bond Sales Smallest In Months In County

The sale of war bonds in Perquimans County this month dropped to an all-time low, according to R. M. Riddick, chairman of the War Finance Committee, who reported Tuesday sales thus far this month amounted to only two thousand, six hundred and forty-three dollars, while the quota, issued early in the month gave the county some \$21,000.

Mr. Riddick stated he could not understand why so few sales have been made, but pointed out that the Government still needs millions of dollars to carry on this war, and the sale of war bonds is the chief method for obtaining it.

He said he hoped many local people would join with the Treasury Department's plan of giving war bonds as Christmas presents, and thus swelling the sales during the month of December. The quota for next month has not been announced as yet, but the Treasury has announced that the Fourth War Loan will be held during January and February.

According to the announcement, a national goal of 14 billion dollars has been set for the Fourth War Loan which will open January 18 and continue through February 15.

During this drive the Government will offer the series E, F and G bonds as well as series C 2½ per cent bonds of 1965-70; 2¼ per cent bonds of 1956-59 and seven-eighth per cent certificates of indebtedness.

Individual quotas for the Fourth War Loan have been set at five and one-half billion dollars. The balance will be offered to corporations, companies and other types of investors.

## Recorder's Court In Recess; 18 Cases On Docket Next Week

With Judge Charles E. Johnson out of town on Tuesday, the Perquimans Recorder's Court recessed this week. However, a large docket is to be heard at the next term of court is in the offing.

Clerk of Court W. H. Pitt reported that eighteen cases have been docketed for hearing next Tuesday. Most of the cases to be heard are for traffic violations, arrested by local officers over the week-end.

## Red Cross Chapter Requests Material

The local Red Cross Chapter has issued an appeal to all persons having Red Cross material to complete their sewing and knitting and turn in all completed garments at once, Mrs. E. Leigh Winslow stated today.

The chapter has received a call from national headquarters to ship all available sweaters at once, and local chapter authorities wish to make a shipment as soon as possible.

## Eighty Men To Be Called For Draft During December

Fifteen White Men to Leave Dec. 2nd; 65 Negroes Dec. 30

Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the local Draft Board, announced today that calls have been received for the induction of eighty Perquimans County men during the month of December. Fifteen white men are to leave for their final examinations on December 2, and sixty Negroes will receive orders for induction on December 30.

Ten white men left here on Tuesday for the only induction scheduled for this month.

Included in the call for colored registrants on December 30 will be thirty men who have been previously classified as 4-F because of venereal disease. The Army is now calling on local boards to return a percentage of registrants having this disease and they will be examined and inducted into the service, providing they pass other physical requirements.

Mrs. Sumner stated that men who will be ordered to report on December 2nd are Horace Stallings, Archie Riddick, Ernest Symons, Haywood Goodwin, Fenton Hurdle, Lycurgus Spivey, Claude Moore, Simon Stallings, Ralph E. White, Tom Cox, Carlton Chappell, John Chalk, Wilbur Owens, Thomas Jordan and Joseph C. Monda.

No official word has been received as yet as to how many of the men who left Tuesday were accepted for service.

Some persons, it has been reported, are misunderstanding the action taken last week by Congress and headlined as having placed fathers at the bottom of the draft list. The action taken does require local boards to place fathers at the bottom of the draft list, but it also states that no father shall be called until local boards have exhausted their pool of single men and non-fathers not engaged in essential occupations.

According to information at the local draft office, this routine has been followed for several months, but the local board having already exhausted the men in categories above fathers, have been calling fathers since October. The local board is, and has been, following the procedure as listed by Congress, but due to the fact that a large percentage of registrants are listed in 2-C and 3-C for farming purposes and others are listed in other essential occupations, the local board has been forced to induct fathers in order to fill calls.

## Treasury Department Reminds Taxpayers Of December 15 Payment

The Treasury Department, this week, issued a reminder to all taxpayers to determine if they are required to file either original or amended "declarations of estimate income and victory tax" on or before December 15.

Explaining only a limited percentage of taxpayers need make any filing at this time, the collector of revenue suggested that every one should make sure whether he is affected. Most taxpayers need not file another return until March 15. However, some taxpayers who filed in September have an installment payment due in December and a bill for the amount will be mailed out by the collector of internal revenue.

## Christmas Seals Campaign Now Open

The annual sale of Christmas Seals opened here on Monday, under the direction of Mrs. I. A. Ward who reported on Wednesday that sales are progressing nicely, but she hopes the people of this county will support the movement this year as never before.

The local Tuberculosis Association, which benefits from the sale of Christmas Seals, has used some of the funds obtained in years past to aid the Perquimans Health Department to conduct the Tuberculosis clinics here recently.

The county's quota this year is slightly larger than last year, but this is due to greater services being rendered by the Tuberculosis Association in carrying out the program to combat tuberculosis.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Perry, Jr., of Norfolk, Va., announce the birth of a son, Joseph Irvin Perry, III, born on Monday, November 15, in Norfolk. Mrs. Perry, before her marriage, was Miss Mary Elizabeth White.

## Health Department Makes Report On TB Clinic Held Here

X-Rays Now Being Developed; Patients Will Be Informed

The X-ray clinic which was conducted in Hertford for residents of Perquimans County on November 16, 17 and 18, was entirely successful. These X-rays were done for all school children who showed positive tuberculin tests, and for others who were known to have been exposed to cases of tuberculosis.

During October and early November 2,003 tuberculin tests were made, and 468 or 23 percent of these were positive.

In Perquimans County 494 X-rays were made. The X-ray charge was 50 cents, slightly less than the actual cost of the films. Those children whose parents were unable to pay were examined free.

The entire clinic was made possible and successful by the cooperation of the Perquimans County Tuberculosis Seal Sale Committee who provided funds for the X-rays and who arranged for two ladies to be present during all the time that X-rays were being made, to help with the clerical work and help the children in dressing and undressing. Dr. C. A. Davenport and Dr. T. P. Brinn made it possible for the X-rays to be done in Hertford by allowing the use of their X-ray equipment and office facilities.

The X-rays will be read by Dr. P. P. McCain, Superintendent of the State Sanatorium. Dr. Hackett expects to spend a week at the Sanatorium in order to get the full report on X-rays of patients who will need treatment; and reports on the X-rays will be forwarded to the patients or their parents about December 15 by the Health Department.

The 1943 Christmas Seal Sale has started. Much work remains to be done to find and care for unrecognized cases of tuberculosis. More X-rays will have to be made. The purchase of Christmas Seals now, and the use of them on every letter, card and package, will assure the continuance of the Tuberculosis Control Program which has now been well begun.

## Election Of County Committeemen To Be Held Thursday Night

An election of Township committeemen, to administer the Agricultural Conservation Program of Perquimans County during the next year, will be held on Thursday night December 2, according to an announcement made today by the Perquimans Agricultural Conservation Association.

Voting places have been designated and set up at the following locations: Belvidere—Vote at Belvidere Community House.

Nicanor—R. M. Baker's Store. Bethel Township—C. T. Phillips' Store.

Hertford Township—Agricultural Building.

New Hope Community—New Hope Community House.

Parkville Township—Jessup's Store.

All farmers are urged to turn out and vote for their committeemen during this election.

## Special Services At Baptist Church On Thanksgiving Day

A special Thanksgiving service was conducted at the Hertford Baptist Church on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, with Chaplain G. A. Morrill delivering the message.

The Rev. Mr. Morrill is the Protestant chaplain at the Harvey Point Naval Air Station.

A large number of town and county people attended the services and were inspired by the Thanksgiving message of the chaplain.

## Mrs. B. G. Koonce Heads Paralysis Committee

Mrs. B. G. Koonce has again been named as chairman of the Perquimans County Committee of the Infantile Paralysis campaign.

Mrs. Koonce said this week that she had not yet received a quota for this county, but that she expected to start making plans soon for the campaign which will be conducted late in January. The drive last year was very successful and it is the hope of the chairman that the coming campaign will be equally well supported.