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THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Actually, little news of what went on at the Conference in Iran, between President Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin was released in the statement issued on Tuesday of this week. However, it is known that the three leaders were in accord in the progress of the war and on plans for the post-war world. By necessity, little was said about plans agreed upon for the hastening of the war, or of prospective drives against the Axis. It was stated that the Big 3 made plans for attacking Germany on the East, South and West. The balance of the plans were left for the Nazis to guess.

Following the meeting of the Big 3 at Teheran, Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt were reported to have met with leaders of Turkey, and reports issued from Berlin, later, gave out impressions that Turkey may now join wholeheartedly with the Allies in the war against Germany. It is known that Turkey wishes to have a place at the peace conference and is vitally interested in conditions in the Balkans, therefore, it may be possible that new actions will be forthcoming in the Mediterranean area.

While the news of the important conference held most of the headlines this week, reports from Moscow announced the Red Army was stalled in fighting near Kiev. Evidently, Hitler is attempting to outshine the meeting at Teheran at all costs by slowing down the advance of the Allied Armies. Continued bad weather, long lines of communications, and reinforced German troops have caused the slow down on the Russian front.

Hitler is meeting with lesser success on the Italian front. The 5th and 8th Armies, after having pounded the German's winter line with heavy artillery, reported almost as heavy as some of the artillery duels of the first World War, breached the Nazi line at several points and are again advancing on the road to Rome. Heavy fighting has been evident on the front in Italy, but the Allies, gaining several important mountain peaks, now seem to have an even break with the Nazis.

An unconfirmed report from Berne this week stated that Count Ciano, son-in-law of Mussolini, was tried at a court-martial and after being found guilty was executed. Ciano was second in command of the Fascists during Mussolini's reign, but it was reported that he turned against his father-in-law and aided Badoglio to capture the reigns of government.

Good news for housewives was out this week, when it was reported that if the surplus of metals left over from war supplies continues to grow, there may be a relaxation of orders, and washing machines and irons may be produced in greater quantity during 1944.

Public Asked Forego Outside Xmas Lights

Following a recent request by the Office of War Utilities, Mayor V. N. Darden, this week, asked the public to confine Christmas lighting decorations to Christmas trees inside private homes.

The O.W.U. asked that street lighting, community Christmas trees, exterior decorations and interior and exterior decorations of commercial establishments be dispensed with this year, so far as lighting is concerned. The request was made in a nationwide conservation campaign to save critical fuels, used to manufacture electricity.

J. A. Krug, Director of O.W.U., stated: "Because of the shortness of daylight over most of the country at Christmas time, necessary consumption of electricity is at its peak. Everything we can do to avoid any additional load will mean direct savings of fuel, manpower, transportation and materials."

F. F. A. Father - Son Banquet Held Thursday

Members of the Perquimans County Chapter of Future Farmers of America and their dads were entertained Thursday night at the High School building at the annual F. F. A. father-son banquet.

The F. F. A. chapter initiated twenty-eight new members last Friday and the chapter membership now stands at 65.

The members and their guests, last night, were served a delicious dinner, and the program was presided over by G. C. Buck. Mr. Buck is the director of the organization.

Archie T. Lane Chosen Master Of Local Lodge At Election Tuesday

Archie T. Lane was elected to the office of Master of Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., at an election held by the members at the lodge rooms on Tuesday night, and will serve during the year 1944.

Other officers chosen at the meeting Tuesday night were: Senior Warden, C. T. Ely; Junior Warden, C. C. Winslow; secretary, J. S. Vick, and treasurer, B. C. Berry.

Installation of the new officers will take place at the first meeting of the lodge in January, at which time appointive officers will be named.

Sale Of Christmas Seals Lagging Here Chairman States

Mrs. I. A. Ward, chairman of the Perquimans County campaign for the sale of Christmas Seals, stated today that the campaign seemingly is lagging here. She said reports from solicitors have been slow in coming in and the only bright spot has been reports made from schools throughout the county.

Most schools report greater sales this year than in the past, and it is the hope of the T. B. Association that all sales will far surpass 1942 reports.

Mrs. Ward stated that she would like for all solicitors to report to her as soon as possible on sales made to date, and to those solicitors who have not yet canvassed their territory, the chairman urges that they do so immediately.

The campaign is scheduled to close around Christmas time, and the Perquimans County quota is only slightly larger than last year. Inasmuch as it is expected that demands for greater funds to fight tuberculosis will be forthcoming, the local association is urging everybody to purchase more Seals this year than last.

Small Number Tire Certificates Issued By Rationing Board

With the allotment of tires for this county cut somewhat for December, only a small number of certificates for tires and tubes were issued by the Perquimans Ration Board during the past week.

Those motorists issued certificates were:

Grade I Passenger Tires—W. E. Spruill, 2 tires and 2 tubes; Addison Medford, tire; F. T. Duncan, tire and tube; W. J. Moore, tire and tube; Percy Winslow, tire and tube; W. J. Williamson, Jr., tire; D. C. Jaquint, tire; J. V. Dragne, tire; Edgar Riddick, tire; W. L. Lowe, tire; H. L. Ward, tire; J. C. Capone, tire and tube; Joe Perry, tire, and Fred Mathews, tire and tube.

Grade III—Will Jones, 2; Warnus Madre, 2; W. S. Felton, 2; Henry C. Sullivan, tire and tube; Joe Butt, 3; W. H. Barber, tire and tube; G. W. Gaines, 2 tires and 2 tubes; Henry Perry, 2; Johnnie Gregory, tube; Jimmie Thach, 2 tires and 1 tube.

Truck Tires—Fred Winslow, 10 tires and 8 tubes; Town of Hertford, tire; Henry L. Perry, 2 tires; Riddick & Roach, tire and tube; S. F. Harrell, tire and tube.

The ration office was out of stove certificates this week, thus no certificates for the purchase of stoves were issued by the board.

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SERVICES SCHEDULED FOR NEXT WEEK

The Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered every Sunday at 8:45 a. m., at the Harvey Point Air Station and at 11 a. m. in St. Ann's Catholic Church, corner of N. Broad and Albemarle Streets, Edenton, stated the Reverend Father Francis J. McCourt, Chaplain and Pastor. Confessions are heard for half-hour before each Mass, which will include Sermon on "Catholic Church's Marriage Regulations," and Holy Communion and conclude in 45 minutes. Sundays—8:15 p. m., Rosary, Sermon on "The Immaculate Conception," Hymns, Benediction; 9:45 to 9:15 p. m., Choir Practice. Everybody invited to all St. Ann's Services.

Court Orders Names Vagrants Referred Employment Office

Twelve Cases Disposed Of In Perquimans Court on Tuesday

Judge Charles Johnson, in hearings at the Perquimans Recorder's Court on Tuesday, found five Negroes, James Brickhouse, William Felton, Bink Ferebee, Dennis Welch and Clinton Ferebee, all guilty of violating the special vagrants law, as outlined in a proclamation issued by Governor Broughton, and suspended judgment. However, the Court ordered that the names of the defendants be certified for work with the U. S. Employment Office, and warned the defendants, in the event they were again found guilty of a similar charge, the judgment of the cases heard this week would be invoked.

The Court reminded these defendants that under the emergency laws, prescribed by the Governor, every able-bodied man must work at least 48 hours every week.

Harry Russell entered a plea of guilty to non-support of his wife and five children. After hearing the testimony of the case, Judge Johnson sentenced Russell to six months on the roads, sentence to be suspended upon condition that Russell pay \$45 per month to his wife for support of herself and children. Russell was placed under bond to provide payment.

John James was given a 30-day suspended sentence, after pleading guilty to driving without a license. He was ordered to pay court costs.

James Harris paid the costs of court for driving without a license.

G. E. Wood, James Harrell and E. D. Merrill each plead guilty to a charge of speeding, and each was taxed with court costs.

William Edward White, Negro, plead guilty to being drunk and disorderly and was given a 30-day suspended sentence and fined \$10 and costs.

Paul Bembry, Negro, was taxed with court costs for being drunk and disorderly.

Levy Revells, Negro, paid a fine of \$5 and costs, after pleading guilty to being drunk.

Eula Hill and Melvin Hill were assessed court costs, after pleading guilty to assault.

Johnnie Hooker was taxed with court costs for driving without a license.

December War Bond Quota Remains Same As Last Month

R. M. Riddick, chairman of the Perquimans County War Finance Committee, announced today that he had received notice from State headquarters that the December war bond quota for this month will be \$21,976. This is the same quota given the county last month.

During November war bond sales dropped to a low ebb, according to Mr. Riddick, and it was stated that the Finance Committee has hopes that the December quota will be met. In cooperation with the Treasury Department and the Merchants Association, the local committee is urging Perquimans residents to use war bonds as Christmas presents this year. The plan was adopted early in November and, according to reports, is meeting with much success.

It has been pointed out that by giving war bonds as Christmas presents, a person not only receives a gift usable later, but also receives a gift which grows in value as time passes.

The local chairman said, "Our people should remember that even though the news from the war fronts is encouraging, the war is far from being over. Our government still needs millions of dollars to carry the fight to victory, and we here at home should readily loan the money to hasten the day when victory will be final."

Brooder House Burns; Thousand Dollar Loss

A fire of undetermined origin totally destroyed a brooder house of Shelton G. Chappell, of near Belvidere, early last Friday morning, and burned to death 600 broilers, weighing about two pounds each. Mr. Chappell estimated his loss was about one thousand dollars, which was not covered by insurance.

Armed Forces Take Five Selectees From County's Last Call

Sixty-five Negroes Will Leave For Fort Bragg December 30

Five selectees out of the fifteen white registrants who took their final physical examinations at Fort Bragg last week were accepted for service in the armed forces, Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the Perquimans Draft Board, announced Monday.

The five men accepted were Wilbur Owens, Fenton Hurdle, Simon Stallings, Horace Stallings and Elvin Spivey. These men will report for training after being at home on a 21-day furlough.

The local board, Mrs. Sumner said, is now preparing to order 65 colored selectees to report for induction on December 30, the last call to be filled this year by the local office. These registrants will probably receive their induction orders about the 20th.

Included in this group will be a large number of selectees, previously rejected because they were afflicted with venereal disease. The Army is now inducing certain numbers of this classification, taking a given percentage each month.

No calls for January have yet been received, but information received at the local board office indicates that calls during the next month will be approximately 80 per cent of the December quotas.

Youths who are approaching their 18th birthday are also reminded that they must appear at the local board office and register for military service. About 6 to 10 youths have been registered each month under this plan, and Mrs. Sumner stated that the average is expected to continue at about that rate. The majority of the youths registering are reported to be colored.

Some registrants of this county, who previously were classified in 4-F because of hernia may expect to be reclassified under new regulations recently issued by the State Headquarters. The army is now accepting some selectees for limited service, who were previously rejected on this ground.

Mrs. Vera Broughton Notified Navy Dept. Lists Son Deceased

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, in a letter of recent date, notified Mrs. Vera Broughton, of Hertford, that the Navy Department now considers her son, David H. Broughton, as deceased.

In his letter, the Secretary said, "A year has now elapsed since your son, David Houston Broughton, Torpedoman's Mate third class, U. S. Navy, was reported missing in action. He was a member of the crew and serving aboard the U. S. S. Laffey, and was reported missing following the participation of that vessel in the Third Battle of Savo Island on 13 November, 1942.

"In view of the immediate and subsequent searches made for the personnel after the battle, and due to the length of time that has elapsed without any indication that your son has survived, I am reluctantly forced to the conclusion that he is deceased. Pursuant to Section 5 of Public Laws 490, 77th Congress, as amended, his death is presumed to have occurred on November 14, 1942, which is the day following the day of expiration of an absence of twelve months.

"I extend to you my sincere sympathy in your great loss and hope you may find comfort in the knowledge that your son gave his life for his country, in order that freedom may again reign throughout the civilized world."

JOSEPH PERRY, JR., WINS GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

S.-Sgt. Joseph, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Perry, has been awarded a good conduct medal for having demonstrated faithful and exact performance of duty while a member of the armed forces.

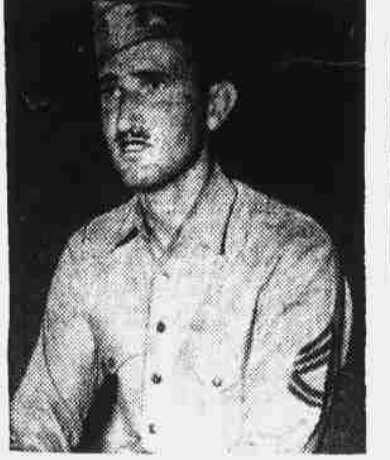
The award was made November 18, according to an announcement received here recently.

EASTERN STAR TO MEET MONDAY NIGHT

The Perquimans County Chapter of the Eastern Star will meet Monday night at 8 o'clock, at the lodge rooms in the Court House. All members are urged to be present.

DECISION TO CONTINUE SCRAP DRIVE ANNOUNCED BY SALVAGE CHAIRMAN

In Pacific Area



Gunnery Sergeant Ernest W. Sutton, 28, of Hertford, has been in the Marine Corps for over 10 years and made two raids on enemy-held islands—but hasn't seen any combat. He was in a Naval task force that raided Marcus and Tarawa Islands, but they could find no Japs. Gunnery aboard a vessel protecting an aircraft carrier, the Marine explains that he didn't see even one Japanese plane or find it necessary to fire a shot on either occasion. His Leatherneck career, he says, has been a case of "wrong place, right time."

Awarding of Bond Delayed; Plan Concerted Drive For January

A. R. Winslow, Jr., chairman of the Perquimans County salvage committee, announced today that his committee had, after considering the lack of interest shown in the recent effort to collect scrap iron and steel, decided to continue the campaign through part of January.

The committee will thus delay the awarding of the war bond prize to the school gathering the greatest amount of scrap, until the campaign is closed on January 15. Mr. Winslow stated the results obtained thus far did not warrant the awarding of a prize, and the committee hopes that by continuing the campaign and awarding the bond after the January date, better results will be obtained.

The chairman said that little interest has been shown by the people generally, and so far as he knew, the only scrap collected had been that gathered by his crew of men and donated to the stock pile at the Central Grammar School. He added that the information he gave regarding the sale of scrap also showed small results.

The committee decided to continue the scrap drive until January 15, and beginning on January 3rd, a concerted effort will be made to gather all available scrap material for shipment to war plants, where the scrap is badly needed to carry on the production of war materials.

Mr. Winslow stated, in regards to the awarding of the war bond to the school gathering the greatest amount of scrap, that the present scrap material gathered during the past month will be counted toward the final awarding of the bond.

He urged the people of this county, who have scrap, to get into this campaign and see that all scrap materials now lying about houses, farms, etc., be collected and turned over to his committee. "It is a sad state when we know there is a great amount of old iron and steel lying around doing no good, which will make weapons to hasten victory, but for the lack of interest on the part of the people will not get this material to the stock piles," the chairman said.

Tax Listers Named By Commissioners

The Board of County Commissioners, meeting in regular session on Monday morning, appointed list takers for 1944 taxes.

The list takers, by townships, are: Belvidere, E. L. Chappell; Bethel, Roy S. Chappell; Hertford, John O. White; New Hope, Carson Spivey, and Parkville, George W. Jackson.

The list takers will start their work on January 1, and all persons must list real and personal property with their township lister before the end of January, 1944. A schedule of places and time where the list takers may be found will be published in this newspaper soon.

The Commissioners adjourned, after hearing routine business matters, brought to their attention at the meeting Monday.

Local Youth Making Excellent Record At The Citadel

Leigh Winslow, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Leigh Winslow, is making himself an excellent record at The Citadel, a military college at Charleston, S. C., according to a report received here this week.

According to the report, Leigh is the leader of the first section of Rangers at the school and, in order to be chosen for training with the group, the youth must have an outstanding record. The training given is very similar to that being taught in all military centers.

Leigh was recently cited for recommendation for his actions while his group was on maneuvers. It was reported that the youths of his group think he is "tops."

Belvidere Girl Edits Louisburg Annual

Miss Lois Asbell, of Belvidere, is the new editor of The Oak, Louisburg College annual, according to an announcement received here this week. Miss Asbell was recently elected to the post, following the resignation of Oscar Fuller, who left college to be inducted into the Navy.

High School Basketball Teams Open Season This Week

Following the close of the 1943 football season here last Friday, the boys and girls at Perquimans High School began practice this week for the opening of the winter's basketball program.

F. T. Johnson, superintendent, announced that the Rev. H. G. Dawkins will coach the girls' team, while Max Campbell will tutor the boys in the hardwood art.

The first game of the season is scheduled for Friday night, when both the Squaws and the Indians will meet the boys and girls of Chowan High School at the Cross Roads gym. Since neither of the local teams will have had much time for preliminary practice, it will be hard to judge just what will be the outcome of the games.

Coach Dawkins has had a large number of girls reporting this week for try-outs for the Squaws, but the number of boys reporting for basketball has been small.

The Perquimans team will participate in games with schools representing the Rural Conference this year, and will also see action against Edenton, Elizabeth City, and possibly several service teams from Harvey Point, the Coast Guard Station at Elizabeth City and the Elizabeth City Naval Air Station.

The schedule of games arranged so far follows:

- December 10—Chowan, there.
- December 15—Edenton, there.
- January 14—Central, here.
- January 21—Weeksville, here.
- January 28—Moyock, there.
- February 4—Chowan, here.
- February 18—Central, there.
- February 25—Weeksville, there.

OPA Gives Price On Country Sausage

The OPA, following several requests for ceiling prices for country sausage, this week issued the following memoranda regarding prices on this item.

According to the release, the OPA stated that very few farmers make Type 1 special pork sausage, and therefore, the following prices are listed for Type 2 fresh pork sausage:

Hog casings wrapped: 31c to retailers; 44c to consumers; artificial casings: 29 1/2c to retailers; 42c to consumers; bulk: 27 1/2c to retailers; 39c to consumers.

Housing Project To Be Started This Month

Aubrey G. McCabe, State director of the Federal Housing Authority, notified Mayor V. N. Darden this week that his office had approved the application of the Albemarle Housing Company for the construction of 35 new houses in the Town of Hertford.

According to Mr. McCabe's letter, 20 of the houses are to be started during the month of December and the other 15 will be started during January. All houses, according to the announcement, are scheduled to be completed by March, 1944.