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Political Interest Expected To Pick Up As Filing Date Nears

April 15 Final Date For Candidates to File For Office

Interest in the 1944 political campaign can be expected to pick up considerably during the next few of St. Brides Va. were Sunday local candidates draws near.

L. N. Hollowell, chairman of the Perquimans Board of Elections announced today that the final filing date will be April 15. That gives candidates for local offices just eight more days to file and pay their fees.

Other members of the Elections Board are Dr. E. S. White and Cecil Winslow. It was stated that the Board would meet this week for the purpose of appointing registrars and these appointments and their schedule will be announced next week.

The primary election will be held May 27 and local offices to be filled by this election include Representative, Register of Deeds, Recorder's Judge, County Treasurer and County Commissioners.

Little interest in politics has been revealed here to date, but with Dr. Ralph McDonald and Gregg Cherry pushing their candidacy for the office of Governor that interest is a bit on the upgrade. It has been announced that Joe H. Towe and Mayor V. N. Darden will be co-managers of the McDonald campaign in Perquimans.

To date no candidate for a local office has announced, but it is expected that all officers will seek reelection to their present posts.

Mr. Hollowell announced that persons who are now on the registration books will not have to register again in order to vote. However, persons who have moved into this county since the last election must register to be eligible to vote in the primary May 27. It is believed the Board of Elections will appoint the same registrars as served two years ago.

The Democratic biennial County Convention is expected to be held in the Court House here probably the last Saturday in April.

Popular Couple Married In Richmond

Miss Frances Gertrude Fleetwood and Sgt. Bernard F. Proctor were united in marriage at the First Baptist Church in Richmond, Va., on Friday, March 24, with the Rev. Theodore F. Adams officiating. The double ring ceremony was used.

The bride wore a suit of tan gabardine, powder blue blouse and gloves, with accessories of brown. Her corsage was of Talisman roses.

Mrs. Proctor is the daughter of Mrs. J. Maynard Fleetwood and the late Mr. Fleetwood of Edenton. She is now a member of the Colerain High School faculty.

Sgt. Proctor is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Proctor of Selma, and is stationed at the Richmond Army Air Base, Richmond, Va.

Treasury Announces Fifth War Loan Drive To Open June 12th

The Treasury Department announced this week that the Fifth War Loan drive will open on June 12 and run through the first week in July. During this drive a total quota of 18 billion dollars worth of war bonds will be sold to the nation.

R. M. Riddick, chairman of the Perquimans War Finance Committee, stated early this week that he had not yet received any information regarding the Fifth War Loan, but his committee will announce plans for the local drive sometime in May.

Sale of War Bonds dropped off in Perquimans during the month of March. A total of \$12,500 worth of bonds was purchased, but the county fell short its monthly quota by six thousand, six hundred dollars.

Mr. Riddick urged local residents, this week to renew the regular buying of War Bonds as a patriotic duty in helping the Government finance the victorious march of our armed forces.

AWARDED PURPLE HEART
Wilbur E. Sawyer, U. S. Navy, has been awarded the Purple Heart. He was on the Plymouth when it was sunk last August. Wilbur is the son of Mrs. J. E. Turner, of New Hope.

SELECTIVE SERVICE ABOLISHES FARM UNITS AS GAUGE FOR DEFERMENTS

Action Follows Recommendation Made By Board of Health

Selective Service officials in Washington have announced the abolition of the 16 farm units as a gauge for deferment of farm workers, effective immediately. Hereafter, local draft boards will review and pass upon cases of deferment upon the merits of each individual case.

Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the local board, stated early this week that the local office had not received these orders, but is expecting them in any mail.

This action by Selective Service is believed in line with the regulations now in effect which does not permit further deferments for youths 18-26 engaged in industry, unless the case is passed by State headquarters. It is thought that a part of future calls filled here may be filled by youths whom the local board deems unnecessary for local farming operations.

Heavy calls are expected to be received to aid in reaching the quotas of the armed forces. An additional call for 25 white men to report for pre-induction examinations on April 15 has been received here and this makes a total of 45 white men for this call.

Thirty Colored selectees left here yesterday for Fort Bragg to undergo their pre-induction examinations, in the first call for men this month. These men were John White, Herman White, Booker T. White, John Johnson, James Mallory, Sim Jones, Cecil Perry, Theodore Cox, Marion Parsons, Andrew Overton, George Long, Henry Riddick, Louis Wynn, Thomas Archer, Edward Brothers, Jasper Archer, Joseph Elliott, Fred Burke, Charlie Holley, Elihu Key, Roosevelt Shread, William Modlin, Raymond Felton, Willie Jones, Miles Reed, Willie White, Sidney Parsons, Jr., William Doms, James Revall, Isaiah Archer, James Adams, Colbert Perry, Willie Rountree, William White, George Blanchard, Robert Key, Elton Rumble and George Davenport.

The local board has received two induction calls for the Navy and one induction call for the Army. Three white men, Littleton Gibbs, Edward Barber and Lloyd Owens, will leave April 10 for induction in the Army, while one white man will leave for the Navy on April 14, and one Colored man will be inducted into the Navy on April 18.

Health Board Passes New Regulations For Control Of Disease

New regulations for the vaccination of school children, as a control for prevention of diseases, were passed by the Perquimans Board of Health at a meeting held Monday.

The new regulations require that school children shall be vaccinated for small pox upon entry into school and every seven years thereafter; they must be immune to diphtheria, as evidenced by a Schick test; and they must maintain immunity from typhoid fever.

Dr. A. B. Bonner was elected a member of the Board at this meeting and all other members were present.

A brief discussion was held regarding the milk supply situation and it was announced that the OPA will be requested to remove present price restrictions as they pertain to this county.

The Board also voted to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners that it file an application for the construction of a public health center in Hertford.

Legion Meets Tonight At Agriculture Bldg.

The Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion will hold its regular meeting Friday night April 7, at 8 o'clock, at the Agriculture Building, Post Commander J. D. Cranford announced today.

All members are urged to remember the date and to attend.

Easter Cantata Sunday At Winfall Church

An Easter cantata, entitled, "The Lord Has Risen," will be presented at the Winfall Methodist Church on Sunday evening at eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Frank Brown Given DFC Medal In England

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brown have received word from their son, Sgt. Frank P. Brown, that he recently completed his 25th bombing mission as a turret gunner on a flying fortress, and that he has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Sgt. Brown has been a member of the American Air Forces stationed in England since June, 1942.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Following up their successful drive into Rumania from the Ukraine sector, the Russians are now scoring advances against the Germans in drive through Poland. Moscow announced this week that the conquest for Tarnopol great German base for supplies and communications, is nearing completion. It is believed that almost 200,000 Germans and Rumanians are trapped against the Black Sea port of Odessa, which is slowly falling to the Reds. American airmen, to aid the Russian fight in Rumania, bombed Bucharest, the Rumanian capital, for the first time this week. Reports from the Balkans indicate natives in Rumania, Hungary and Bulgaria are in panic over the invasion of the Russians into Rumania.

Fighting continued slow in Italy. Reports stated that Italian units had recaptured several points near Cassino, but that the Allies have with drawn their forces from the advanced positions, possibly in a move to reorganize and prepare for another drive to open the road to Rome. Reports state that the forces on the Anzio beachhead have been reinforced with both men and material, and a possible attack may be forthcoming from this area. American flyers stationed in Italy have continued to bomb German points as well as factories and cities in the Balkans.

American victories in the Pacific continue to be reported. Secretary of Navy Knox announced this week that in the attack on Palau at least three Jap warships were sunk and that American subs have sunk 11 more Jap vessels. The attack on Palau, only 900 miles from Manila indicates that the U. S. Navy is rapidly gaining superiority in the air and on the seas in the Pacific. It was reported that the Japs have been repulsed in their invasion of India and have set fire to the jungle in an effort to dislodge British and Indian troops holding back the advance.

According to reports, the peace between Finland and Russia has been held up again, possibly until after Easter. Finnish envoys returned to Helsinki from Moscow last week-end and the Finnish Parliament has been given new Russian terms. It has been announced that these terms are liberal.

Senior Class Play Next Thursday Night

The members of the Senior Class of Perquimans County High School will present their annual play at the High School auditorium next Thursday night, April 13, at 8 o'clock.

The play is entitled "The Importance of Being Earnest" and includes in the cast of characters James Butler, Broughton Dail, Margaret Divers, Belle Landing, Eunice White, W. B. Jones and Gale Winslow.

The cast was coached for the play by Miss Eloise Scott.

Ceiling Price Lists Available To Farmers

Miss Mary Frances Dail, price clerk of the local rationing board, announced this week that ceiling price lists on butter, eggs, poultry and fresh and smoked meats and canned goods are now available to interested farmers at the local ration offices.

The OPA established ceiling prices on these items when sold to consumers by farmers, and individuals dealing in these items should acquaint themselves with the ceiling prices.

Red Cross War Fund Now At Thousand Dollars Under Goal

Local Chapter to Continue Drive Until Full Quota Is Reached

You have given, but have you given enough is the theme adopted by the Red Cross War Fund committee, which announced today that the Perquimans County fund is still one thousand dollars short of its goal. Solicitors' reports turned in up to Wednesday, showed \$4,300 has been collected. The county's quota is \$5,300.

This report is slightly better than the one of last week, when only \$2,800 had been collected, but Mrs. C. P. Morris, chairman of the drive, stated that her committee is repeating its appeal to the general public for even more contributions to swell the fund past the goal.

The local committee has announced that the county drive will continue until such time as the full \$5,300 has been raised, and urges the residents of Perquimans to make another donation to their community solicitors. Several communities, Mrs. Morris reports, have come through splendidly with additional contributions, but as a whole communities are lagging behind the plan of giving double the amount in 1944 than was given in 1943.

It is believed that a good many people have given the Red Cross drive little thought this year, or possibly not enough thought to realize the great need for the Red Cross to raise its 1944 War Fund. It is estimated that before the close of this year there will be nearly three times as many men in the armed forces than were in service during the last World War. Therefore, the Red Cross faces its greatest job in seeing that these men will receive personal assistance in the way of medical aid, home aid, clothing, and many other items, including food boxes sent to prisoners of war, which the Red Cross provides.

Persons who desire to contribute again to the Red Cross fund and who do not know the name of the community solicitor for their neighborhood may leave their contributions with S. M. Whedbee at the Hertford postoffice.

Hertford Baptist Church Has Its 90th Anniversary Sunday

Special Easter services, commemorating its 90th anniversary, will be held at the Hertford Baptist Church on Sunday, April 9, the Rev. Howard G. Dawkins, pastor, announced today.

Mr. Dawkins will bring a special Easter message to those attending the morning service at 11 o'clock, and C. R. Holmes will give a history of the church at the evening service. The church has accomplished much during its 90 years of service to this community and the record, as given by Mr. Holmes, is expected to be an interesting one.

The Rev. Mr. Dawkins issued a special invitation to all old and new friends to join in the services on Easter Sunday.

Small Number Tire Certificates Issued

Seventeen motorists were issued purchase certificates for tires and tubes during the past week, Mrs. Helen Davenport, clerk of the ration board announced today.

Certificates were issued for passenger tires to Ralph Winslow, tire and tube; Kenneth Miller, 2 tires and 2 tubes; Hubert Zachary, tire and tube; B. F. Ainsley, 2 tires and 2 tubes; W. H. Cartwright, Jr., tire and 2 tubes; Ralph Fisher, 1; Theodore Felton, 1; Garland Lane, 2 tires and 2 tubes; T. E. Mansfield, 1; W. C. Lassiter, tire and tube; E. S. Perry, 3 tires and 2 tubes; Sterling Colson, tire and tube and Isaac Lowe 1 tire.

Truck Type Tires: Hattie J. Jordan, 2 tires and 2 tubes; G. W. Bright, tire and tube; Kenneth Miller, 2 tires and 2 tubes, and H. W. Lynch, tire and tube.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Morgan announce the birth of a son, born on Saturday, April 1, at General Hospital, Norfolk, Va. Mother and son are getting along nicely.

COUNTY BOARD TO MAKE APPLICATION CONSTRUCTION PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER

Local Beauty Shop Changes Ownership

Mrs. Kelly White, who has been employed in Norfolk, Va., for the past year, returned here last week to assume ownership and management of the Paragon Beauty Shop.

Mrs. White purchased the shop last Saturday, according to an announcement made at that time, and will continue operation of the salon. She is well-known throughout the county, and was formerly manager of the J. C. Blanchard Beauty Shop.

Pre-Easter Service At Methodist Church Closes Sunday Night

A series of pre-Easter evangelistic services are being conducted at the First Methodist Church in Hertford this week with the pastor, the Rev. B. C. Reavis, doing the preaching. Mr. Reavis is using as the general theme of the sermons "The Cross of Christ," and under that head, the subjects are as follows: Monday night, "The Need of the Cross"; Tuesday night, "The Substitute on the Cross"; Wednesday night, "The Loneliness of the Cross"; Friday afternoon at two o'clock, "Christ on the Cross", and Friday night, "The Verdict of the Cross."

Thursday at 7:30 p. m. Holy Communion will be administered and it will be in the form of silent communion. Those who come may come, pray, commune and go at will. The regular worship service will begin at 8 o'clock as usual. It will be noted that Good Friday Service will be conducted on Friday, 2 to 3 p. m., in addition to the regular 8 p. m. service.

These services will come to a climax on Easter Sunday morning at which time special Easter music will be furnished by the senior and junior choirs and guest soloists, the Easter sermon will be delivered by the pastor, a Love Offering be taken and a large number received into the membership of the church.

At 4 p. m., on Easter Sunday, a baptismal service will be conducted in the main auditorium of the church for any who wish to dedicate their children to the Lord in Holy Baptism. The pastor will use Holy Water, water from the River Jordan, in the service.

Sunday evening at 8, a pageant will be given which will take the place of the regular evening worship service. "The Way of the Cross" is the name of the pageant and it is being directed by Mrs. Ben Koonce. Characters in the pageant are as follows: Jeanette Fields Peggy Felton, Betty Ruth Chappell, Pat Morris, Be Jean Winslow, Ruth Elliott, Mrs. R. S. Monds, Bernice White, Mrs. J. H. Towe, Mrs. H. C. Stokes, Minnie Wilma Hurdle, Beuna Mae Godwin and Ruth Tucker. Special music will be furnished by the senior choir.

Eight Cases Cleared From Court Docket On Tuesday Morning

Eight cases, five of which were traffic violations, were cleared from the Perquimans Recorder's Court docket here on Tuesday morning.

Anthony White, Negro, was found not guilty of non-support of child. Curtis Albertson entered a plea of guilty to a charge of speeding and paid the costs of court.

Raymond Nelson and Hidgon Hutson each plead guilty to a charge of speeding and each paid a fine of \$10 and costs.

Henry Harrell, Negro, was taxed with court costs after pleading guilty to driving with insufficient brakes.

Ernest Hardy, Negro, was fined \$5 and costs on a plea of guilty to driving without an operator's license.

Arthur Kirkman was taxed with court costs, after pleading guilty to being drunk.

Booker T. Felton, Negro, was assessed court costs on a charge of being drunk.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Willis announce the birth of a son, born on Sunday, April 2, at the Medical Center in Elizabeth City. Mother and son are doing nicely.

Additional Call For White Men Received For April 15th

The Board of County Commissioners, meeting in regular session on Monday morning, voted to make an application to the Federal Works Agency for the construction of a Public Health Center in Hertford.

The action followed a recommendation made to the body by the County Board of Health. Such centers, it was announced by Dr. D. C. Hackett, Health Officer are being constructed by WFA under certain wartime regulations. Dr. Hackett told the County Commissioners that centers such as proposed for Hertford are being constructed under two plans; one calling for an expenditure of approximately thirty per cent. by the local government, and the project then becomes property of the county, and the other plan used calls for the Federal Government to erect the center, paying all costs, then retaining ownership of the property. It is likely that some time will elapse before an answer will be received regarding the application.

The center sought for this county would be a one-story building suitable for housing the Health Department, and give ample room for the various clinics conducted by the Department. No estimate as to the cost of the building was made.

The collection of delinquent property taxes was also discussed at length by the Commissioners at this week's meeting, and the county attorney was authorized to take such action as necessary for immediate collection of all back taxes. It is possible that some suits for the foreclosure on tax liens may be started by the county attorney unless prompt payment is made.

On a motion passed by the Board, a letter is to be written to the OPA to request that organization to grant an increase in the retail price of milk, delivered in Perquimans County. At the present time, the milk situation is none too good, due to the fact that OPA has restricted operations by L. Oliver White, local distributor.

The Board concluded the usual routine business and adjourned after a short session.

USO Center To Open First Part Of Week

With workmen now putting the finishing touches on the USO Center, Edgar J. Hill, director, announced today that the Center will be opened to service men the first part of next week, probably Monday night.

The Rev. B. C. Reavis, chairman of the dedication committee stated that tentative plans call for dedication services to be conducted at the USO Sunday afternoon, April 16, from 2 to 3 o'clock.

Most of the committees for the USO have been appointed and these are now at work preparing the various programs connected with the operation of the center.

Mayor V. N. Darden, chairman of the men's host committee, stated that his committee is asking for volunteers, men who will serve as hosts at the center at night during the hours from 9 until 12 midnight. Mr. Darden has asked that any men volunteering, contact and give their names to any member of his committee, which includes C. P. Morris, J. R. Jarvis, J. D. Cranford, Clinton Eley, A. H. Edwards and A. W. Heffern.

Two men are to be asked to serve as hosts each night and the committee hopes to secure enough volunteers so that an individual will have to serve only one night per month.

Easter Services At Holy Trinity Church

The Rev. E. T. Jilison, pastor of Holy Trinity Church, announced the following Easter services to be conducted at the church this week:

Thursday, Memorial celebration of the Lord's Supper at 8 p. m.; Good Friday, service from 2 to 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, evening prayer at 8 p. m.

Easter Day, Church School at 10 a. m., and Holy Eucharist at 11 a. m.

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