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THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

American forces in North Africa celebrated July 4th by renewing the attack against German forces, pushing eastward from their line near Haye du Puits. The British and Canadians near Caen advanced some distance against the Nazis after having repulsed heavy German armor attacks. Allied troops are rapidly cleaning up Cherbourg and reports state this port will soon be available for use by the Allies.

In the East, Russian armies have overrun the Germans, having captured Minsk, last strong point of the Germans east of Prussia. Reports from Moscow state the Reds are advancing into old Poland and are headed for the city of Wilno. Thousands of Germans are reported killed or captured and hundreds of populated places liberated. Moscow also reports continued Russian advances against German and Finnish forces in the North.

In Italy, American and British troops are still surging forward against stronger resistance from the Germans. The Fifth Army is nearing the port of Leghorn, while the Eighth Army continues to gain on the Adriatic side of the peninsula. Reports state the Germans are expected to attempt a stand along a line running from Leghorn through Florence to the East, but their heaviest defense is not expected before they reach the Po River line.

Fighting is still fierce in the Marianas, costliest battle yet for American forces in the Pacific. However, the Marines and Army troops have captured Garapan, capital of the islands and the first Jap city taken by the Allies. Reports from this front indicate few Japs are being taken prisoner, most of them have been killed in their strong resistance to the American advance.

After being practically grounded for several days due to bad weather, Allied flyers roared into action again Tuesday of this week, bombing German Europe. Great fleets of American and British planes blasted targets from the invasion coast to Romania. Weather in the area is reported the worst in years.

Draft Board To Call 85 For Preinduction Examination In July

The Perquimans County Draft Board has received pre-induction calls for a total of 85 men during the month of July. Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the board, announced this week. Forty-five white men will be ordered to report on July 26 and 40 Negro registrants will be called July 12.

Mrs. Sumner stated these calls would exhaust the local board's pool of registrants between the ages of 18 and 25 and future calls would have to be filled with men between 26 and 29.

No official report has been received as yet as to the number of selectees accepted for service from the group of 35 white registrants who reported to Fort Bragg last week. However, unofficial reports state that between 35 and 40 of the youths were passed for service. If true, this would be the largest percentage of men accepted from any call from this county.

Seven Negroes will leave for induction stations on July 10 to fill the first of two induction calls for this month. The inductees are Bernice Woodward, Jimmy Melton, Wiley Welch, George Jordan, Alphonso Taylor, William Brothers and Charlie Allen.

Eleven white men will be ordered to report for induction on July 19. This call will take the entire pool of white registrants who have been accepted for service prior to the last group who passed pre-induction exams.

Visits Brother On Trip From France

Major W. C. Ward, Army doctor, spent Friday of last week visiting his brother, Dr. L. A. Ward, and Mrs. Ward.

Major Ward had recently arrived in this country from France, being in charge of a hospital ship returning from the invasion of the United States. Major Ward was attached to the units that invaded France on D-Day. He stated that most of the prisoners released here are youths between 16 and 20 years old, some of whom had been wounded.

COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE BUILDING TEMPORARY NEGRO SCHOOL BUILDING

Project to Cost Approximately \$7,000; Order Sheriff to Advertise Taxes

The Board of County Commissioners, meeting on Monday morning, authorized the Board of Education to construct a temporary building in Winfall to be used for the holding of Negro school classes during the coming year. The building was estimated to cost in the neighborhood of \$7,000.

Work on the building, which will be used as an agriculture and home economics department after the completion of a new school building expected to be constructed after the war, will be started just as soon as the Board of Education can purchase the materials. It is understood that Henry Swain will be placed in charge of construction. F. T. Johnson, superintendent of schools, said he thought the building would be ready for use some time in October. The building will be constructed of wood, with cement floor and tin roofing, and contain six class rooms. It will be 90 feet long and 48 feet wide.

The Commissioners received a report from J. W. Nowell, county fire warden, who reported during the past year 18 forest fires in Perquimans which burned over 5,950 acres of timber. The Board voted to continue the fire control program in this county with the cooperation of the State Board of Conservation. The cost to the county for this program is not to exceed \$1,200 per year.

Following many complaints made by citizens, the Commissioners passed an ordinance prohibiting the shining of shoes and parking of automobiles upon the Court House Green. A group of Negro boys, who have been making quite a business of the shoe shining occupation, have become so noisy and bothersome that they have become nuisances, and thus the County Board feels obligated to furnish a place for them to conduct their business.

The Commissioners are now working out the budget for the next fiscal year, and it was announced that the county tax rate would be set at the next meeting. The rate is expected to remain at \$1.50 per hundred dollars.

The Board ordered Sheriff J. Emmett Winslow to advertise all 1943 delinquent property taxes for sale during the month of August and to hold the sale the first Monday in September.

Thomas H. Hollowell Wins Distinguished Unit Badge In Italy

15th AAF In Italy—Pfc. Thomas H. Hollowell, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nixon Hollowell, Route 1, Hertford, has been awarded the Distinguished Unit Badge, being a member of a B-24 Liberator heavy bombardment group that has twice received the coveted Presidential citation for its outstanding performance. The first citation was given for the low-level attack on the Ploesti oil fields, Roumania, last August. The second citation was received for outstanding efficiency and sustained operations.

Pfc. Hollowell is a member of his squadron's armament department and before entering the Army, August 5, 1942, worked on his father's farm. He graduated from Perquimans High School, class of 1940, and while in the Army attended armament school at Buckley Field, Denver, Colo., graduating November 25, 1942.

His heavy bombardment group is one of the oldest stationed overseas and helped chase Rommel across the desert into North Africa and ultimately off the Dark Continent. The group has scored major successes in attacks upon Italy, Greece, Bulgaria, Roumania, Austria, Hungary, France and Germany.

Pfc. Hollowell has also been awarded the Good Conduct Medal European-Middle East-African Ribbon, plus three stars.

Luncheon And Social For Officers' Wives

Edgar J. Hill, director of the Hertford USO, announced that a luncheon and social would be held at the club on Monday, July 10, at 12:30 for officers' wives. All officers' wives are invited to the affair. The rest of the program of the USO on Monday includes informal dancing, games, cards and ping-pong.

Contest Winner



Pictured here is little Linda Bass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bass, who was the winner of the baby contest conducted by the Y. W. A. of the Hertford Baptist Church, to raise funds for the purpose of building a tennis court. As the winner of the contest, little Linda was awarded ten dollars in war stamps.

Tubes Taken From Rationing List, 56 Motorists Get Tires

Rubber automobile tubes have been removed from the list of rationed articles by OPA, and motorists need no longer apply to ration boards when in need of tubes but may purchase them at any dealer station. Miss Mary Frances Dail, clerk of the Perquimans Board, stated this week.

She also announced a total of 56 certificates of purchase for tires were issued by the local board during the past week.

Passenger type tires were issued to W. J. Benton 2, Jack Riddick 1, Grant Cooper 1, Amy Thompson 1, James Jarvis 2, L. E. Umphlett 2, Willie Moore 1, John DiNapoli 2, C. A. Davenport 2, Gutherie Joliff 1, U. C. Caddy 2, Hertford Cab Co. 2, James Burke 1, R. L. Revel 1, W. M. Wood 1, J. H. White 1, E. M. Perry 1, Marion Parson 1, Elihu Alexander 1, George Hunter 1, Dewey Newby 1, Joe Perry 1, Jordan Gregory 1, J. E. Stallings 1, Thomas Nixon 1, W. T. Whedbee 2, J. E. Delaney 1, Claude Rountree 1, Australia Lightfoot 1, Sidney Parson 1, Leroy White 1, J. R. Futrell 1, Julia Burke 1, Galey Chappell 1, James Hinton 1, Nathan Mathews 1, L. M. Field 1, D. C. Perry 1, L. B. Sitterton 1, J. J. Spellman 1, H. E. Calcutt 1, G. S. Caddy 1, W. J. Perry 1, Mrs. L. S. White 1, D. T. Hopkins 1, Sam Jones 1, Luther Dunne 1, John Correw 1, Addie Hoffer 1, Charlie Umphlett 1 and James Moran 1.

Truck types were issued Julian White 1, George Barbee 1 and Walter Moore 1.

It was announced that little hope is seen for holders of A gasoline ration cards to obtain grade 1 tire certificates before the first of next year. The demand for tires is exceeding present supply and all motorists are urged to take extra care of their present tires as an effort to brighten the rubber situation.

Report Given On Red Cross Sewing Project

Officials of the Perquimans County Chapter of the Red Cross announced this week that it had recently shipped to national headquarters 432 filled kit bags, 350 unfilled kit bags and have on hand 144 others. It had sent to Harvey Point 25 pairs of mules and 30 hospital bags, and now has ready for shipment to Atlanta 100 BP covers, 100 wash cloths, 100 hospital bags, 100 kit bags and 100 pairs of mules.

The chapter has been requested to complete 144 more kit bags, the material for which is on hand, and interested people desiring to help with this sewing project are asked to contact their street leaders.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cox announce the birth of a son, Thomas Alexander, Jr., on Friday, June 30.

Professional Woman Assistant Assigned Hertford USO Club

Block Dance Feature of Program During the Coming Week

Edgar J. Hill, director of the Hertford USO Club, stated he had been advised by his national office that a professional woman worker had been assigned to the Hertford Club to assist the director in the operation of the USO here.

The assistant to the director, Miss Elizabeth Steward, arrived here this week to assume her duties. She is a native of Kansas and has had special training in USO work.

The addition to Miss Steward now gives the Hertford USO a well-rounded and complete staff of workers. The need for the additional worker was noted by the steady growth in attendance at the club. Attendance during the month of June, according to a report by Mr. Hill, was 13,844.

Programs held each night at the USO, with the exception of Sunday and Monday, when the club observes open house, have been increasing the attendance. The free movie each Thursday is proving to be a popular program as well as the two bingo parties each month.

The feature of next week's program will be a block dance, to be held next Wednesday night on Church street from 9 o'clock until 11:30. The Naval Air Station Band from Weeksville has been secured to furnish the music and all service people are invited to attend the dance. The public is invited to attend as spectators, but the dance is restricted to service people.

Another appeal to the men hosts of the club to remember their night on duty at the club has been issued, and the committee in charge of this group is hoping that more men of the community will report to serve at the club on their scheduled night. A number of men asked to serve on this committee have failed to show up and thus caused extra duty for the group chairman. A report shows that the hostess group, composed of ladies of the town, has been doing a splendid job serving at the club.

County Board Seeks Completion Of Road Paving On Route 17

The Board of County Commissioners, acting in an effort to safeguard health and prevent accidents, have passed a resolution and will petition the State Highway Commission to complete the project on Highway 17, leading from the Hertford causeway to a point about five miles north of Hertford.

This project, known as the Winfall cut-off, was started several years ago and the State completed the road bed and installation of bridges and culverts. However, the war stopped the paving project and under present conditions the paving cannot be done unless requested by the Army or Navy.

Dr. D. C. Hackett, county health officer, appeared before the commissioners and urged some action be taken as a preventative measure for public health. It is believed there is a possibility that the project can be authorized to be completed and the local board will work toward that end.

Dr. Hackett stated he had been informed that all fatal accidents on this highway in the past few years had occurred on the section of road which the cut off would serve, there being several dangerous curves on the present highway.

The cut off when completed will not only offer a better and safer road, but it will save almost two miles of driving between the two points.

New Race Track Has Large Crowd July 4

A Fourth of July crowd estimated at 1,500 people, attended the horse racing at the newly established track on the S. P. Jessup farm near Hertford Tuesday.

Two races, consisting of six heats, were run and from all reports the spectators thoroughly enjoyed the renewal of this sport of kings here in this county. The crowd included residents from Chowan, Bertie, Gates and Pasquotank and Perquimans counties.

The new track is owned by S. P. Jessup and it has been announced racing events were to be continued at the track from time to time.

PERQUIMANS COUNTY'S FIFTH WAR LOAN SALES AMOUNT TO MORE THAN \$500,000

Polio Committee Sends Funds For Epidemic

Dr. T. P. Brinn, chairman of the Perquimans County Infantile Paralysis fund committee, announced Monday the county had sent one-half of the funds of the local treasury to the Emergency Committee, formed in Raleigh this week to help combat the present epidemic in Western North Carolina.

The Perquimans committee was called upon by the Emergency Committee, of which former Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus is acting as chairman, for funds to aid in combating the outbreak of the disease. A total of 149 cases have been reported to the State Health Department.

The local committee had \$696 in its treasury, never having been called upon to see any of the amounts collected here, and one-half of this amount was sent to the Emergency Committee to help the counties in which the epidemic is raging.

Health Department Issues Warning On Infantile Paralysis

Infantile paralysis is present in epidemic form in approximately 15 counties in the central part of North Carolina. This epidemic has been in progress for a little over two weeks, 149 cases having been reported to the State Board of Health prior to Monday morning. Up to the present time, the rate of spread of the disease seems to have been fairly well controlled by quarantine measures. The Perquimans County Chapter of the National Foundation For Infantile Paralysis has contributed to the State Emergency Fund which is being raised to try to control this outbreak.

"While it would not be justified to apply quarantine measures in the Perquimans Health District at the present time, we must remind our citizens that all unnecessary travel, especially of children, tends to spread such a disease as Polio. All of our rivers are contaminated, the Pasquotank and Perquimans Rivers are heavily polluted by Elizabeth City and Hertford, and the Little River which flows by Nixonton is polluted by the Woodville Prison Camp," Dr. D. C. Hackett, county health officer, said.

He added, "While the exact method of spread of Polio has not been completely proven, the virus has been found in sewers from cities during epidemics. Swimming in water polluted by sewage must be stopped if we hope to protect ourselves. Flies can apparently carry the disease, and we should protect our food and our eating places as well as possible from flies. Unsanitary privies and septic tanks should be repaired and made inaccessible to flies.

"Unnecessary gatherings of children should be avoided. We are very fortunate that this first outbreak has occurred some distance from our district. Compliance with these suggestions should help us to avoid being struck by this epidemic."

Mrs. Susan Winslow Dies At Home Near Belvidere On Sunday

Mrs. Susan Joliff Winslow, 69, wife of A. E. Winslow, died Sunday evening at 7:45, at her home near Belvidere, after a lingering illness.

Anative and life-long resident of Perquimans, she was well-known and beloved by those of the community.

Besides her husband, she is survived by eight children, Lindsay, Cecil and Raymond Winslow and Mrs. Adrain Smith, all of Hertford; Linwood Winslow and Mrs. Thomas Riddick, of Belvidere; Sidney Winslow of Winston-Salem, and Randolph Winslow, of the armed forces, now in England; 17 grandchildren; one brother, the Rev. J. M. Joliff of Gatesville; one sister, Mrs. Eugenia Winslow of Winston, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Bethany Methodist Church by the Rev. A. R. Stevens.

Interment was in the family plot at Up River Friends Church.

County First to Meet Complete Goal; Rally Saturday Sold Over \$15,000 E Bonds

War bond sales in Perquimans County during the Fifth War Loan, now amount to more than \$525,000, according to R. M. Riddick, chairman of the War Finance Committee, who stated the county reached its complete goal by purchasing \$15,000 worth of Series E bonds at the war bond rally held here last Saturday night.

The overall quota of \$267,000 was reached on June 21. However, the \$14,000 Series E quota was not reached until the close of the bond rally. W. H. Woodward, chairman of Region One, stated here Saturday that so far as he knew Perquimans was the first county in the State to meet its complete goal, including E bonds. The county's record in sales during the Fifth War Loan, which does not close officially until July 8, is almost 200 per cent. The overall quota was \$267,000.

The rally here Saturday drew a huge crowd and a lot of fun was had by those bidding for bonds and the prizes donated by the merchants and business houses of Hertford. The Naval Air Station band from Elizabeth City furnished some splendid music prior to the opening of the auction, which was conducted by Ray Oglesby, nationally known tobacco auctioneer of Greenville. Mr. Oglesby did a fine job in promoting the sale of Series E bonds during the rally, obtaining bids of \$1,000 worth of bonds on several of the articles offered.

The highest bid made during the evening was \$1,100 for a case of beer. It was purchased by the Hertford Cafe. J. L. Perry bid \$1,000 for a pair of hose; W. L. Wood bid more than \$1,000 to obtain a magazine rack and Bryant Miller received \$40 worth of war stamps for his bid of \$1,000 in bonds. C. M. Harrell also bid \$1,000 for two sheets and F. T. Mathews carried off several of the articles auctioned. His highest bid was \$1,025 for \$10 worth of war stamps.

More than forty articles were donated by the merchants and each of these brought an excellent figure when placed up for sale by the auctioneer.

W. H. Woodward, region chairman, was introduced to the crowd by Mr. Riddick, and he told of the purpose for holding these war loan drives. He commended the people of Perquimans County for the splendid record they have established in purchasing war bonds since 1940. Mr. Riddick told the audience that the Hertford Bank has sold more than two million dollars' worth of bonds since they were first offered for sale.

The local chairman at the close of the rally expressed the thanks and appreciation of the county's War Finance Committee for the assistance of the Naval Band, Lt. Colonel John F. Staub, Mr. Oglesby and the merchants of Hertford and the people of the county for helping to make this Fifth War Loan so successful here.

Legion Meets Friday For Installation Of Officers For Year

The Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion will meet Friday night at 8 o'clock at the Agriculture Building for the purpose of installing new officers for the coming year.

Commander J. D. Cranford urges that all members attend and announces refreshments will be served. Shelton G. Chappell will be installed as the new commander of the Post at the meeting tonight, and other officers are: Ralph White, first vice commander; J. R. Futrell, second vice commander; G. C. Buck, third vice commander; W. G. Hollowell, adjutant; V. N. Darden, finance officer; W. T. Willoughby, chaplain; F. T. Johnson, service officer; W. S. Butler and E. L. Hurdle, sergeants-at-arms.

Guardianship officer, G. T. Roach; historian, Carroll V. Ward; athletic officer, Cecil White; child welfare, Anderson E. Layden; Americanism officer, J. D. Cranford; national defense officer, Charles F. Sumner; graves, J. A. Perry; employment, Charles E. White; Boy's State officer, Oliver White; Boy Scout, Durwood Reed; membership chairman, Shelton G. Chappell; publicity, B. C. Berry; oratorical contest chairman, G. C. Buck; Sons of Legion chairman, C. A. Davenport.