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DRAFT STATUS YOUNGER REGISTRANTS EXPLAINED BY STATEMENT FROM BOARDS

Boards of Armed Forces For Younger Men Are Pointed Out

A joint meeting of the Perquimans County Board and the County U.S.D.A. Board, called at the request of the State Selective Service Headquarters, was held at the Agricultural Building on Wednesday, March 29, for the purpose of considering the policy of the Selective Service with reference to the classification of registrants between the ages of 18 and 26. Two representatives of the State Selective Service, the chairman of the State U.S.A. War Board and the Assistant Director of Cooperative Extension Work were present.

At the meeting the following statement was issued by L. W. Anderson, representing the War Board: "The draft board has been much confused by controversy relative to the 'Age Amendment' to the Selective Service Act. It would appear that the publicity which has been given this Amendment, that registrants who are bona fide farmers and are regularly employed in farm work, are eligible for deferment from the armed forces. However, no definite standards have been set up to determine when a registrant's activities are 'essential to the war effort.'"

50 Easter Program Feature Musicale and Sunrise Service

In addition to regular church worship on Easter Sunday at all churches, the local USO will sponsor sunrise service on the lawn of Mrs. Brinn, and a musicale to be held at the Naval Base Sunday afternoon and at the Baptist church 8 o'clock Sunday night.

The change of location for the Sunrise Service is made as it was announced last week the services would be held on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. Brinn.

The sunrise services will be held at 6:45 o'clock Sunday morning, with Harvey Point chaplain, Lt. H. C. Irving, delivering the message. Services are expected to last thirty minutes.

The Easter musicale will be presented by the USO in cooperation with churches and the Chaplain at Harvey Point, with Miss Kate Blanchard as organist.

An order of worship was announced by Edgar J. Hill, USO director, as follows:

1. To Worship, Rev. H. G. Dawson No. 78.

2. Prayers, Rev. B. C. Reavis.

3. Solo, Miss Margaret Pearson.

4. Presentation Tithes, Rev. Dawkins.

5. Song, No. 105.

6. The Crucifixion, Rev. Dawkins.

Serves With Navy



AUBREY BAKER



JAMES S. BAKER

Pictured here are two brothers, Aubrey Baker and James S. Baker, who are serving in the Navy. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Baker of Route 1, Hertford. James is 22 years old and has been in the Navy for two years and is now somewhere in the South Pacific. Aubrey, who is 20 years old, has been in the Navy three years and is now stationed in California awaiting assignment to a ship.

John C. Moore Dies At Home Tuesday P. M. Funeral Thursday

John C. Moore, 59, well known resident of Hertford, died at his home on Market Street Tuesday afternoon after suffering a stroke earlier in the day.

A former employee of the New York Central Railroad, Mr. Moore was retired from service because of his health and for the past several years had operated a second hand clothing store here.

Surviving besides the widow are one son, William Moore, now stationed in England with the Army Air Corps; one granddaughter, Patricia Ann Moore; three sisters, Mrs. S. J. Kelly of Durham, N. C., Mrs. Elva Hinton and Mrs. Jane Wynn, both of Columbia, S. C., and three brothers, W. L. of Gulf, N. C., T. C. of Raleigh and Edgar Moore of Baltimore, Md.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Lynch Funeral Home by the Rev. Howard G. Dawkins, assisted by the Rev. B. C. Reavis and the Rev. E. T. Jilson.

Preinduction Call For 13 White Men Ordered For April 4

Orders to report to the local Draft Board offices for pre-induction examinations on Wednesday, April 4, were mailed out to 13 white registrants this week, according to Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the local Board.

The men will leave next week for Fort Bragg for their examinations, and those receiving orders to report are: William Cartwright, Johnnie Grey, William White, Eddie Byrum, Boyd Morris, George Chavonell, Lester Layden, Sedic Moore, William Parry, Dennis Euse, Jr., Carl Winslow, Preston Divers and Joseph Evans.

The largest induction call received here in recent months was filled this week when 24 white selectees left here on Wednesday for Fort Bragg to begin service in the armed forces.

County To Take Part In Old Clothes Drive Opening On Monday

Civic Clubs Sponsor Campaign to Provide Relief to People

Beginning next Monday and continuing through the entire month of April, Hertford's two civic clubs, the Rotary and Lions, assisted by members of the Home Demonstration Clubs of the county, will conduct an old clothes drive as a part of a nationwide campaign to collect 150 million pounds of old clothing to be distributed to people living in liberated areas of the world.

Charlie Vann, representing the Lions Club and F. T. Johnson of the Rotary Club are co-chairmen of the local drive and they announced today plans for conducting the drive here. The school children of the county are being asked to collect old clothing from their homes and neighbors' and to bring same to school as the bundles are collected. In Hertford boxes will be placed at the post office, Darden's and Pender's Store and persons having old clothing to contribute are urged to bring the bundles to these designations and drop in the boxes. Members of the Home Demonstration Clubs will be asked to cooperate and their method will be told at club meetings by Miss Frances Maness, Home Agent.

The need for this drive has been pointed out by war relief boards which stated that as many war victims have died from exposure and lack of adequate clothing as have died from starvation, and some 30 million people in war-torn areas are practically without clothes of any description.

Since there is very little new clothing for relief, the American people are asked to provide this relief by digging out old forgotten garments now lying useless in homes and attics throughout the nation.

Perquimans County has no allotted goal for this drive, but the people are urged to contribute all the old clothing they can find in their homes and to give it to any school child or to bring it to one of the stores named above.

Red Cross Official Checks Storm Loss; Little Aid Needed

Hertford rapidly cleared the debris which strewn the streets following the cyclone of last Wednesday a week ago, and there was little evidence of the storm noted this week. However, a large number of houses are still in need of repair due to shortage of contractors to fix the damage caused by the storm.

An official of the Red Cross Disaster Committee inspected the town late last week and stated he found little need of aid here. Most of the damage was covered by insurance. Arrangements were made, however, to obtain a priority for lumber needed for repairs.

The official also stated that the cyclone evidently passed over the town "high," otherwise there might have been greater damage than occurred.

Without doubt, the heaviest damage was sustained at the Hertford Grammar school, but contractors were at work on the building last Thursday and soon had the roof covered with tar paper to prevent damage by rain. The school will be re-roofed as soon as the contractor can complete the job.

Theatre To Feature Service Men's Picture

The management of the State Theatre has just completed arrangements for the reproduction of pictures of service men and women from Perquimans County upon the screen of the local theatre, Mrs. Vera Broughton, manager, announced this week.

Parents and friends of local service personnel who desire to have pictures of the youths shown are requested to leave a photo of the service man at the box office of the theatre, with the name and rank of the service man printed plainly on the back of the picture. It will be made into a picture suitable for screen reproduction and the pictures will be shown on the local screen every Thursday night until all pictures are shown.

Photographs must be left at the box office not later than April 7, if relatives wish the picture reproduced. All pictures left with the theatre management will be returned.

Heavy Fine Assessed Defendant In Fire Setting Case Tues.

Court Continues Case Charging Bus Driver With Violation

For violating the fire prevention law, and causing untold damage to timberland in his neighborhood, William White, Negro, was sentenced to sixty days on the roads, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and court costs, which included another \$50 to be paid the informant in the case which led to the conviction of White in Recorder's Court here Tuesday morning. J. W. Nowell, county fire warden, presented the State's testimony on evidence supplied by Elisha Winslow. White set fire to some brush in clearing a ditch which later was left unnoticed and spread to woods nearby. The act was in violation of the fire prevention law, which provides that persons before starting such fires shall obtain permits from the county warden, and observe regulations to prevent the spreading of the fire.

Other cases heard by the court this week included those of James Johnson, who was taxed with the court costs for driving with insufficient brakes.

Gordon Winslow was ordered to pay the costs of court for speeding.

Thomas Rogerson plead guilty to a charge of speeding and paid the court costs.

Roy Sutton, Negro, plead guilty to assaulting a female and judgment was suspended upon good behavior for 60 days.

Salvatore Bronzine was fined \$10 and ordered to pay the costs on a speeding charge.

Charlie Hudson, Negro, was taxed with court costs after pleading guilty to a charge of trespass.

James Jordan was given a sixty day suspended sentence and ordered to pay the costs of court for driving without a license.

Wren Norfleet, Negro, paid the costs of court after pleading guilty to being drunk on the highways.

Louis Payne and Joe Wilson were taxed with court costs on speeding charges.

Luke Carter, Negro, plead guilty to a charge of speeding and paid the court costs.

The case charging Carl Winslow with passing a school bus was continued until the next term of court.

Clothing Made Here Distributed Among Liberated People

Clothing, especially shirts, made here by the volunteers of the Red Cross Chapter's sewing project, have been distributed among the American and Allied nationals liberated from Los Banos, in the Philippine Islands, according to a letter received here last week by Silas M. Wheelbee, chairman of the Perquimans Chapter.

The letter was written by C. Leo Wilhelm, director of civilian aid for the American Red Cross, who wrote: "I felt it might be of interest to the volunteers in your chapter to know that the men's shirts produced by them have been distributed to American and Allied nationals recovered in the spectacular airborne release of Los Banos in the Philippine Islands. 'Few of these people had any new clothing for more than three years. Their hazardous amphibious evacuation required that most of their possessions be left behind.'"

"It has been my privilege to distribute these items on behalf of Americans... words are not adequate to express their gratitude for the efforts of the Chapter volunteers in the States."

Cpl. Wood Wounded In Battle On Iwo

Mr. and Mrs. J. Elmer Wood of Route Three have received word from their son, Cpl. John Elmer Wood, that he was wounded at the battle of Iwo Jima three hours after landing on D-Day. He was sent to a hospital somewhere in the Pacific and is getting along satisfactorily.

In his letter Cpl. Wood stated the Japs gave the Marines a hot reception at Iwo, and that he was hit by shrapnel, which cut his pocketbook to shreds, but prevented more serious wounds. He received shrapnel wounds in the hip, but was able to walk about at the time he wrote.

Iwo Jima was the fourth invasion for the local Marine. He was in the action at Marshall Islands, Saipan, Tinian and Iwo Jima.

RED CROSS WAR FUND OVERSUBSCRIBED; TOTAL REACHES \$6,354, CHAIRMAN SAYS

Volunteers Needed

Housewives in Perquimans County will be delayed in receiving coupons for sugar for canning purposes this year, unless a number of volunteers come forward to assist the clerks of the local ration office in taking applications, it was stated this week by an OPA official.

The local ration office does not have a sufficient number of clerks to receive and pass upon applications rapidly and much delay is expected unless some of the housewives volunteer to help.

Volunteers are needed for taking applications at Bethel, Belvidere, Chapanoke, New Hope and Hertford, and any person desiring to volunteer her services is asked to call at the ration office.

If a sufficient number of volunteers are available a class will be held for the purpose of explaining the procedure of taking applications, and thus expediting the issuing of sugar coupons.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

While complete reports of the advance of the seven Allied armies is not available due to the news blackout on the Western front, reports by newsmen and various headquarters indicate a collapse of the German defense. The fast moving American, British and Canadian armies sense victory in the air and are driving ahead, deeper into Germany, as fast as they can move up supplies and gasoline. The First Army was reported 27 miles east of the Rhine, and capturing more towns almost without firing a shot. The whereabouts of General Patton's army was a secret but one report placed it near the German town of Nuernberg, deep in Bavaria. The British First Army, after fighting stubborn resistance at the northern tip of the offensive, which began last week, has broken through the German defenses and are out on the north German plains, on the road to Berlin. Thousands of Germans are surrendering and others are reported as deserting their posts.

A false report of peace in Europe was racing throughout Washington early this week, but it was nothing but rumor. General Eisenhower issued a statement that the Germans are whipped, but that they may still form a line of resistance at a point where the Allied lines are stretched thin, and thereby renew the fight. He stated he does not expect a negotiated unconditional surrender. A neutral source reported a meeting of high German officials took place last Saturday, but no confirmation of what took place has been made.

Russians carried their advance further into Austria this week, their troops advancing to within 58 miles of Vienna, thus threatening the southern German defenses. Red soldiers also moved in on Danzig and Gdynia, important seaports on the Baltic, where the Germans still are holding out. Heavy fighting continues between the Germans and Russians on the Berlin front. However, no change in the battle line is reported.

Argentina declared war on the Axis nations on Tuesday, evidently in an effort to end her diplomatic isolation. The declaration announced a state of war existed due to the Jap attack on the U. S. at Pearl Harbor and on Germany because she was an ally of Japan. What results this action will bring in returning Argentina to the fold of American nations remains to be seen.

Radio Japan announced this week that American forces invaded the Okinawa Islands, less than 400 miles from the Jap mainland, but there was no confirmation by U. S. Headquarters. General MacArthur announced the American invasion of the island of Cebu, one of the two remaining larger islands in the Philippines still in Jap hands.

Receives Word Son Wounded In Germany

Mrs. Lena Gregory received word late last week that her son, Tim Gregory, had been wounded in battle in Germany. No information regarding the extent of injury sustained was available.

Results Gratifying to Drive Leaders; Few More Reports Yet

Reports tabulated this week by Mrs. R. S. Monds and Miss Frances Maness, co-chairmen of the Perquimans County 1945 Red Cross War Fund drive, showed the county had oversubscribed the fund by more than \$1,000. Totals reported up to Monday of this week amounted to \$6,354.95, according to Mrs. Monds.

The results obtained during the 1945 drive were most gratifying to the drive leaders, who expressed their appreciation to all of the solicitors for their untiring efforts and to the public for the generous response to the Red Cross appeal.

Breaking down the reports made to the chairmen, totals collected in various communities throughout the county was listed as follows:

Town of Hertford, \$4,157.76. Business and professional men contributed \$2,016.52 and the residential section reported \$1,463. Church Street, \$344; Front Street, \$426; Edenton Road Street, \$14.35; Grubb Street, \$141; Market Street, \$190; Dobb Street, \$63.50; West Hertford, \$206.15; housing project, \$78; State Theatre collection, \$150.29; grammar school, \$58.13, and the colored division, which was taken as a whole from collection in all colored schools in the county, \$469.82.

Reports by the rural communities were: Belvidere, Hickory Cross, \$300; New Hope, Woodville, \$201.10; Central Grammar School, \$102.60; Whiteston, Nicanor, \$273.25; Winfall, \$200.75; Burgess, Yeopim, \$49.24; Hertford rural area, \$200.96; Newbolds, \$91; Hurdletown, \$20; Chappell Hill, \$41.25; Bagley Swamp, \$60; Bethel, \$86; Snow Hill, \$80.85; Chapanoke, \$30; Parkville, \$45.87; Hopewell, \$65; Anderson, \$64; Ballahack, \$82.55; White Hat, \$40; Old Neck, \$55; Cumberland, \$53.50 and Beech Springs, \$54.75.

The 1945 goal was \$5,200, thus the county oversubscribed the goal by \$1,154 for the best results obtained here in a number of years. Perquimans was one of the first counties in the State to reach its goal, and the first in this section to notify headquarters the campaign was a success.

Easter Services At Methodist Church Are Announced

Holy Week services are being conducted at the Hertford Methodist Church this week, with sermons delivered by the Rev. B. C. Reavis, the pastor, and special music appropriate to the season is being furnished by the choir and Miss Kate Blanchard, the organist. A service was held each evening at 8 o'clock and Good Friday services will be held at 2:30 P. M. Holy Communion will be administered during the service Thursday evening as it was on Thursday evening of Holy Week that Christ instituted the Holy Supper. There will be no service on Saturday evening.

The congregation will join with the other churches of the community in an Easter sunrise service at 6:45 Sunday morning down by the river on the lawn of Mrs. Bessie Brinn.

The Easter idea will be carried out in each department of the Church School at 9:45 A. M. and it is hoped that every member of the school will be present if possible. The floors of the educational building are being refinished, but will be ready for use next Sunday.

At 11 A. M. the Easter sermon will be delivered by the pastor, the subject being "That First Easter," and the text will be found in St. John 20:1. Special Easter music will be furnished by the choir.

The young people will hold their hour of fellowship and worship at 7:15 in the educational building of the church, but there will be no service in the main auditorium of the church at 8 P. M., as the church is joining with the other churches of the community in a service of Easter music which is being given at the Hertford Baptist Church Sunday at 8 P. M., under the direction of Edgar Hill and Miss Margaret Pearson.

CIRCLE NO. 2 TO MEET

Circle No. 2 of the Hertford Baptist Church will meet Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Tommy Miller. All members are urged to be present.