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Changes Announced In Ration Of Sugar And C Gas Books

Canning Allotments Are Cut; New Coupon Time Extended

Housewives, who had been planning to receive 20 pounds of sugar per member of their families, for canning purposes, were jolted Tuesday morning when the OPA announced that due to drastic shortage of sugar that allotments had been cut, not only on sugar for canning but on the new sugar stamp which became valid May 1.

The new stamp, No. 36, is good for the same number of pounds, but this sugar must last four months instead of the usual three. According to the announcement, each person will be allotted only 15 pounds of sugar for canning purposes and no family may receive more than 120 pounds. Last year the maximum amount was 160 pounds.

Restaurants, schools and hotels were also cut in sugar allotment, and OPA officials stated no increase in total sugar supply can be expected for more than a year. Commercial bakeries are expected to be cut in their allotment about July 1.

The action taken by OPA was attributed to a sharp reduction of sugar supplies, tremendously increased requirements for liberated Europe and a rate of civilian consumption exceeding allocations.

Persons who were told last week, while registering for canning sugar, that they would receive 20 pounds per member of the family, should disregard the statement, as local OPA workers at the time were not aware of the action announced this week.

Important change in OPA gasoline regulations, affecting issuance of "C" coupons, became effective on May 1. Theodore S. Johnson, OPA district director, reminds Eastern North Carolina motorists. Some drivers now holding "C" rations will be transferred to a new group falling between the present "B" and "C" classifications, and others now in the "E" classification will be eligible only for "B" ration, Johnson said. "The new 'semi-preferred' classification, with an 825 mile monthly allowance is intended to cover certain motorists now holding "C" rations, the nature of whose war work mileage requirements does not justify the higher rating. Beginning May 1 a delivery record (OPA form R-585-Rev) will be issued to each non-highway gasoline consumer with his "E" and "R" coupons of this type that each consumer receives will be noted on the form by the War Price and Rationing Board, and each delivery on these "E" and "R" coupons will be entered on the record of the supplier," Johnson said.

Juniors Fete Seniors At Party Thursday

Members of the Senior Class of Perquimans High School were guests at the annual Junior-Senior banquet held last night in the auditorium of the high school building.

The Juniors, hosts for the occasion, had converted the stage into a night club scene and opened the pre-commencement activities with a grand party enjoyed by guests and the large number of spectators that filled the auditorium proper.

Molly Oakley was mistress of ceremonies for the El Morocco, the name selected for the night club which opened and closed on the same evening, and the program including solos by Miss Margaret Pearson and Nonie Lou Layne and piano selections by Ray Wydiek, Sk 2-c, from Harvey Point, and imitations by Durwood Barber. A toast to the Seniors was given by Mary Leland Winslow; to Mr. Johnson by Thomas Butt; to the faculty by Eula Virginia White; to the officials by Mary Inez Chappell; to the coaches by Billy Elliott and to the future by Georgia Barnett.

Following the banquet the Juniors and Seniors enjoyed a dance, held at the school building.

Revival Services Through May 9th

The Rev. Howard G. Dawkins announced this week that the revival services now in progress at the Hertford Baptist Church will continue through next Wednesday, May 9.

Services are being conducted twice daily, at 8 a. m. and 8 p. m. by the Rev. Albert Stams. Large assemblies are reported in attendance at each service, and the public who have not yet attended are cordially invited to hear the guest evangelist.

Building And Loan Office Is Moved

The office of the Hertford Building and Loan Association was moved this week from Johnson-White and Company to the office of The Perquimans Weekly, and members are requested to make payments at this new office beginning this week.

Max Campbell, who recently was named by the board of directors as secretary and treasurer of the local Building and Loan, began his duties on Tuesday, taking the place of W. H. Hardcastle, who had served as the secretary and treasurer for the past twenty years.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Hamburg radio, one of the few remaining in Germany in operation, announced that Adolf Hitler had died at his Chancellery in Berlin, then followed a speech by Admiral Doenitz, who stated Hitler had appointed him as the new German Fuehrer. He called upon the German people to continue at the war and to maintain order in the territory not yet overrun by the Allies. Doenitz stated the Germans will continue the war, but want to fight only the Russians. There is no confirmation of the announcement that Hitler is dead, but some world capitals believe the time had arrived to replace him as the Nazi leader, whether dead or still alive. Moscow called the announcement a Fascist trick.

While the world awaits news that the European war is over, American armies are still moving ahead in the southern part of Germany and Northern Italy. The Third Army captured Hitler's birthplace in Austria, while the Seventh Army took Munich, birthplace of the Nazi party. In Italy General Mark Clark's Fifth Army has pushed to near the Bremer Pass, which separates Italy from Austria. General Clark has announced the large-scale fighting in Italy is over. Some 25 German divisions there have been whipped and smashed. Some 140,000 Germans have been captured. Along the northern German line the British and Americans are still on the Elbe River, mopping up the remaining pockets of German resistance.

Several new junctions between Allied troops and the Russians, moving in from the East, have taken place. Moscow reports the Red troops have nearly completed the battle for Berlin. On Tuesday Russian forces had moved to within 300 yards of the German Chancellery and had captured most of the German government buildings. Reports stated the Germans have lost 183,000 men in the fighting for Berlin. There were expectations everywhere that the end in Europe is near.

American positions on Okinawa in the Pacific fighting were improved during the week, and reports state Americans and Australians have invaded the rich Dutch island of Borneo. China reports that Japan is making peace overtures to its government, but has been told to take them to the United Nations. General MacArthur's troops in the Philippines continue to retake territory from the Japs.

Prospects are that several leading members of the San Francisco conference will return to their homes this week. Molotov is going back to Russia and Eden to England. Pressing matters, possibly relative to the fall of Germany, is reported the reason. Russia failed in an attempt to block the admittance of Argentina into the conference and also failed to have the Moscow recognized Polish government seated. Molotov did, however, block the naming of Secretary Stettinius as permanent chairman of the meeting.

Here in North Carolina, Governor R. Gregg Cherry named Sandy Graham as chairman of the State Highway Commission and Merrill Evans of Ahooskie as commissioner for this division. Five members of the old commission were re-named to the Board by the Governor, but in this division, Mr. Evans replaces Carroll Wilson of Roanoke Rapids as a member of the commission.

SERVICE MEN'S PICTURES AT STATE THIS WEEK

Mrs. Vera Broughton, manager of the State Theatre, announced today that the pictures of service men to be shown on the screen this week included those of M. E. Dail, Q. A. Dail, N. P. Gregory, T. Gregory, J. L. Lane, W. E. Lane, Kermit Kirby, G. W. Lassiter, E. S. White, G. Butler, F. Davis, J. E. Sumner, H. Nordest, W. Hobbs, J. Elliott, M. Eure, G. White, H. T. Spivey, H. Overton and R. Rogerson.

Recorder's Court Hears Seven Cases; Four Are Continued

Several Defendants Fail To Appear; Ordered Held on Bail

Seven cases, six of which were for traffic violations, were disposed of by Perquimans County's Recorder's Court here Tuesday morning and four cases were continued. Three defendants, cited to appear for hearings Tuesday morning failed to appear to answer charges and Judge Charles E. Johnson ordered the warrants returned and the defendants held on \$100 bonds.

Much time was consumed in the hearing charging Norman Gatling, Negro, with assault with a deadly weapon. The age-old triangle question was raised by the prosecuting witness but the State failed to get the evidence before the court and the verdict was a special ruling of not guilty, thus leaving the State an option to appeal the case to Superior Court.

D. E. Simons was found not guilty of a charge of permitting his car to be operated without a license. However, Maglene Perry, charged with driving the car without a license was found guilty and given a 30-day suspended sentence upon payment of a fine of \$10 and court costs.

Vernon White, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of driving with insufficient brakes and paid the costs of court.

William Riddick, Negro, paid the costs of court after pleading guilty to a charge of driving without a license.

Thomas White was fined \$10 and ordered to pay the costs of court after pleading guilty to a charge of speeding.

Haywood Lilly, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a speeding charge and was fined \$10 and ordered to pay court costs.

Pat Small failed to appear for hearing and was ordered held on \$100 bond.

Aubrey Wiggins and Jack Wilkins, Negroes, also failed to appear for hearings and the warrants were returned with orders to hold the defendants on \$100 bonds.

Winslow Reported Liberated And Safe

Eldon Winslow, who was reported as missing in action since March 25 over enemy territory, has been liberated and is safe, according to word received here late last week.

Mrs. Riddick Chappell, aunt of the youth, received word from her niece and Mr. Winslow's sister, Mrs. Ruth Korngay, that the War Department had notified her that Eldon had been liberated and was safe.

Winslow was a gunner in the U. S. Army Air Corps, and was stationed in Italy.

Fuel Oil Rationing To Remain Unchanged

The simplified fuel oil rationing system, adopted at the beginning of the heating year, ending August 31, will be operative during the 1945-46 heating season, OPA District Director Theodore S. Johnson said today.

In order to start the movement of next winter's supplies, first "period" coupons, having a value of 10 gallons each, will become valid June 1, he said.

About the same amount, or less, fuel oil will be available for civilian use this year, and the rationing program has been organized to provide approximately the same basic rations as last year, he explained. The kerosene supply is expected to be even smaller. One departure from last year's policy, Johnson said, will invalidate all of this year's coupons at the close of the present season, August 31, 1945.

HOLLOWELL-LAMB

In a quiet but impressive ceremony Miss Elodia Flora Lamb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Lamb of Belvidere, became the bride of Donald Wayland Hollowell, son of Mrs. Mattie Hollowell and the late Mr. Hollowell, of Hobbville, Saturday, April 28, at 4:30 o'clock at Elizabeth City with J. F. Meggs, justice of the peace, officiating.

The bride was attired in a navy blue dress with white accessories. Their only attendants were Miss Gladys Chappell and Sidney Stallings of Belvidere.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollowell are making their home with Mrs. Mattie Hollowell.

False Peace Report Sets Off V-E Signal Here Saturday Night

German Surrender Expected Daily as Rumors Grow

A false report that the Germans had surrendered unconditionally, which was broadcast by radio around 8 o'clock Saturday night, set off planned victory signals here in Hertford, and started a short-lived celebration, which died down when President Truman denied the rumor some fifty minutes later.

The rumor, according to reports published later, started in San Francisco when a reporter was told by Senator Connally, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, that the Germans had surrendered and he expected an announcement from the White House momentarily.

When the report was heard here, as in other towns and cities, the order was given by Mayor V. N. Darden to blow the fire siren one long blast, and shortly thereafter the church bells began to ring. People up and down the streets expressed thanks and joy that the European part of the war had come to an end. Sailors from Harvey Point were joyous over the news and many of them broke into song while walking along with their buddies. One part of the planned V-E Day program was not carried out, that being that stores did not close inasmuch as only a short time remained until they would close as usual on Saturday night.

Since Saturday night the German surrender has been expected almost daily by the public, as reports continue to come out of Europe that attempts are being made to bring the war to a close. Heinrich Himmler, now evidently the top ranking Nazi, is reported meeting with Count Bernadotte, of Sweden, to bring about the surrender. At first it was reported the Germans were willing to surrender to the United States and Great Britain, but this offer was refused unless it also included Russia.

Mayor Darden stated this week that when the official word of surrender is now announced by the President that the signal will be given and the fire siren shall be sounded in a waving blast similar to the one used for air raid signals.

Marvin Ownley Killed In Germany April 11

Another Perquimans County youth has made the supreme sacrifice while fighting the enemy in Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ownley, Route Three, were notified last Friday that their son, Marvin Ownley, had been killed in action in Germany on April 11.

This was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Ownley have lost during the war. Their son, Garland, was stationed in the Philippines when the war began. A third son is a member of the Naval forces.

Robert L. Stevenson Graduates As Ensign

Robert L. Stevenson of Hertford Route 2, was commissioned an ensign on April 27th in the U. S. Naval Reserve at graduation exercises for the eleventh class of midshipmen to complete training at the Naval Training School at Cornell University.

Capt. Edward R. Durgin, USN, assistant director of training, Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, D. C., addressed the class of 185 midshipmen.

HELEN GAITHER CLUB MEETS

The Helen Gaither Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. J. T. White on Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was called to order by the vice president. "A Prayer" was read by the club.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the roll was called.

The club donated \$3.00 to the cancer control movement.

Miss Maness gave a very interesting demonstration on "Color In the Home."

A very enjoyable contest was given by Miss Maness on apple eating. Mrs. Jake Chesson ate her apple first.

The hostess served drinks, candy and cakes to the following: Mesdames Jake Chesson, Jesse Chesson, Jake White, Warner Madre, Color Jackson and Misses Annie Parker and Frances Maness.

IN FRANCE

Mrs. Addie N. Jones has received a letter from her son, Pvt. Doward Jones, stating that he has arrived safely in France.

Saturday Final Day For Registration

Saturday is the final day for registering for the special election to be held on May 14 to determine whether or not the limits of Hertford shall be extended at the western edge of the town, Mrs. B. G. Koonce, registrar, stated today.

Mrs. Koonce is sitting at the Court House each day for the purpose of registering eligible voters for the election. Persons already on the registration books for the Town of Hertford need not register again to be eligible to vote in the special election.

Sixteen Selectees Receive Draft Call

Sixteen white men of Perquimans County have received orders to report to the local Draft Board office on May 10 to leave for Fort Bragg, where they will be given pre-induction examinations. Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the local Board, stated today.

The registrants ordered to report next week include Robert Spear, Guy H. Webb, Joseph Nowell, Jr., Horace Boyce, Thomas Baker, Daryl Hurdle, Cornelius Lamb, John Davenport, Willis Baccus, Louis Lamb, Floyd Monds, Sidney Blanchard, Bernard Winslow, Clarence Byrum, Garland Baker and Malcolm Nixon.

The first call for induction this month will be filled on May 21 when 15 Negro selectees will be ordered to begin military training.

The local Board registered eleven 18-year-olds during the month of April which, Mrs. Sumner stated, was the largest number of 18-year-olds to register in recent months. The usual number of new registrants ranges from five to six or seven.

Piano Class To Give Recital Friday Night

Mrs. R. M. Riddick's piano class, assisted by Fred Matthews, Margaret Banks, Clifton Towe and Ocia Lee Elliott, and by the Seventh Grade Glee Club, will give their annual recital at the Hertford Grammar School Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Pupils taking part are: Marjorie Brinn, Mary Elliott Brinn, Louise Chappell, Jean Long, Evelyn Chappell, Jack Phillips, Vernon White, Lina Ruth Proctor, Marion White, Suzanne Towe, Marguerite Butler, Katherine Baker, Charles Phillips, Julian Robertson, Joan Trueblood, Elizabeth Proctor, Catherine Alice Nixon, Gene Phillips, Betty Jean Winslow, Edna King, Ruth Hasket, Marjorie Perry, Mary Lee Chappell, Horace Layden, Ann Madre, Pat Phillips, Peggy Sawyer, Elvin Chappell, Pat Morris, Jo Ann Winslow, Dorothy Faye White, Harriet Lou Layden, Catherine Perry, Carolyn Trueblood, Louise Banks, Anne Proctor, Lelia Lee Winslow, Esther Winslow, Ruth Foster, Bobby Jordan and Charles Phillips.

William M. Moore Awarded Air Medal

An Eighth Air Force Bomber Station, England—Corporal William M. Moore, 27, Fayetteville, N. C., top turret gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress of the 96th Bombing Group, has been awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement" while participating in Eighth Air Force bombing attacks on German war targets.

The presentation was made by Col. Robert W. Warren, Vernon, Texas, commander of the group which has more than 300 missions to its credit. Before entering the service in July, 1942, Cpl. Moore was a clerk in Civilian Personnel at Fort Bragg, N. C. He is the son of Mrs. John C. Moore of Hertford. Cpl. Moore is married, Mrs. Moore residing at 334 Dick Street, Fayetteville.

W. W. White Appointed On Insurance Group

Governor Gregg Cherry this week appointed W. W. White to serve as a member of the State Commission on Insurance and Compensation for injury or damage by motor vehicles on the State highways, according to word received here.

Mr. White, who has served Perquimans County as a member of the General Assembly for the past two terms, has announced his acceptance of the appointment.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Gillam Twine announce the birth of a son, Roy Roger, born Monday, April 23, 1945, at 1 o'clock A. M. The baby weighed nine pounds. Mother and baby are reported doing nicely.

Meeting Of County War Finance Group Called For Friday

Plans For Seventh War Loan To Be Outlined; Drive Opens Soon

Members of the Perquimans County War Finance Executive Committee met Tuesday night and mapped plans for conducting the most intensive war loan drive ever held in this community to successfully meet the Seventh War Loan quota.

These plans will be explained at a meeting of the entire county committee to be held Friday night at 8 o'clock at the Court House. R. M. Riddick, chairman of the committee, has written each member of the township committee, urging attendance at the meeting tonight.

It will be pointed out that Perquimans County's quota for the Seventh War Loan has been set at \$301,000, and of this amount \$130,000 must represent purchases in E bonds. This E bond quota is the largest ever given the county.

To stimulate sales of E bonds, the committee will form an "1800 Club," any person in the county who purchases a \$100 E bond is eligible to membership and the list of members will be published in this newspaper. It has been figured out that if 1,800 persons purchase a \$100 E bond the quota can be met. The "1800 Club" will be open to any man, woman or child who wants to aid the war effort by lending the Government \$100 to help bring victory.

The committee also voted to offer a list of prizes to solicitors who will make a concentrated house-to-house canvass selling E bonds. Two sets of prizes are to be offered, one group to the school children of the county who will begin solicitation next Monday, May 7, and who will continue their campaign for a period of two weeks. One \$25 war bond will be awarded the student selling the largest amount in dollars worth of E bonds. Six dollars and 25 cents worth of war stamps will be awarded the student in the high school, the Hertford Grammar School, Central Grammar School and the New Hope School, having the best record in the respective schools.

One \$25 war bond will be awarded the adult solicitor who sells the largest amount in dollars worth of E bonds during the campaign from May 14 to June 30. The prizes offered the school children cannot be won by an adult solicitor and likewise the adult prize may not be won by a school student. The two offers are separate prizes for separate contests.

The War Finance Committee will make every effort to concentrate this Seventh War Loan drive on the sale of E bonds. Mr. Riddick said, because it will be a big job to bring it to a successful close, and keep the county among those of the State who reach their goals quickly.

Large Number Tire Permits Issued Sat.

Perquimans County's Ration Board issued purchase certificates for new tires to fifty motorists at its meeting last Saturday, Mrs. Helen Davenport, clerk of the Board, announced Monday. This was a larger number of applications than passed in recent weeks.

Passenger type permits were issued to C. C. Mansfield 1, E. C. Chappell 1, G. L. Sutton 1, Dora White 1, N. W. Chappell 2, E. M. Perry 1, William Tucker 1, J. C. Jordan 2, John Lowe 2, James Felton 2, Addie Hoffler 1, Hazel Matthews 2, J. L. Winslow 2, J. E. Parsey 1, Thomas Beares 1, Lawrence Towe 1, Henley Perry 1, Pete Lilly 1, Riddick Ivey 2, W. R. Chappell 2, Freeman Umphlett 1, Andrew Moore 1, H. W. Bateman 2, M. C. Boyce 1, Margaret Hill 2, Dr. C. A. Davenport 2, J. E. Winslow 2, Marion Parson 2, R. J. Ferrell 1, Johnson Downing 1, Clyde Wilson 1, R. T. White 2, J. C. Hobbs 1, W. R. Blanchard 1, W. L. Winslow 2, and Raymond Eure 1.

Truck Type: F. B. Skinner 2, J. I. Barclift 1, W. M. Ward 1, Roach & Riddick 2, Shelton Harrell 1, Preston Nixon 1, C. W. White 2, Nathan Riddick 1, Joel Hollowell 1, W. L. White 1, and J. H. Towe 2.

CORRECTION

An error appeared in the story published last week on the grades of Bill Murray, valedictorian, and Esther Winslow, salutatorian, of the Perquimans Senior class. The grades should have been listed as 95.25 for Murray and 95.25 for Miss Winslow. In the list of names of the honor roll published, the one of Mary Leland Winslow, 10-A, was not furnished but should have been listed.