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Draft Board Orders Men To Report For Two Calls Next Week

Selective Service Expected to Continue Through Next Year

Two contingents of Negro selectees will leave here next week to fill draft calls for the month of August. Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the local draft board stated today. The first group, composed of 15 men will leave for Fort Bragg on August 8, where they will undergo preinduction examinations and the second group composed of five men will leave for induction in the armed forces on August 9.

The group called up for production examinations is composed of Kermit Winslow, Eugene Dail, Jr., Alvin Lee, Benjamin Wilson, Johnnie Skinner, William Burke, William Love, Claude Winslow, John Royal, Frank Whedbee, Joseph Gordon, Booker T. White, Joshua Lilly, Carlton Felton and John Lightfoot.

The selectees ordered up for induction are George Ellis, Cornelius Sharp, Johnnie Davis, Francis Overton and Thomas Riddick.

Prospects that drafting of men into the armed forces will continue through 1946, despite any turn in the war with Japan were voiced early this week by General Hersey, head of the Selective Service, who told a group of Legionnaires in Indianapolis that Selective Service now plans on drafting 100,000 men per month through June, 1946. He stated large numbers of men are needed as replacements in the armed forces and to help form the armies of occupation. The replacements would be for those men now being discharged from service. He added, however, that in the event the war with Japan terminated any time soon the quotas might be dropped below the 1,000 men per month mark.

Large Number USO Volunteers Receive Awards For Service

Local residents who served as volunteer workers at the Hertford USO Club during the past year and one-half were guests of the USO staff at an open house dance held at the club rooms Tuesday night. During the intermission the workers were presented awards for their services by Edgar J. Hill, USO director.

Mr. Hill announced that the groups, divided into GSO girls, Senior Hostesses and Senior Hosts, were given awards based upon the number of hours served at the club. However, since the method of keeping track of hours served was voluntary and subject to errors, it was possible that some volunteers may not have received credit for all hours worked. If volunteers failed to sign at the club on nights they served, it was possible that no credit was given. However, the awards were made on the basis of the records available at the USO Club.

Large USO pins were given men hosts who served at least 40 hours, small pins to hosts who served a minimum of 10 hours and certificates to those who served under ten hours. Likewise GSO girls received identical awards for 200 hours, 100 hours and under 100 hours. Senior hostesses were given awards based upon 50 hours, 22 hours and under 22 hours.

Those receiving awards at the open house party and the hours served were announced by Mr. Hill as follows:

GSO Girls, 300 hours—Sybil Skinner, Buena Mae Godwin; 200 hours, Romano Divers, Marjorie Forehand, Lucy Spivey, Ruth Tucker, Mary Jane Spruill; 150 hours, Hazel Dale, Ruth Elliott, Inez Hampton, Myra Layden, Lillian Eas Perry, Barbara Winslow, Myrtle Winslow, Nancy Zachary; 100 hours, Doris Byrum, Lib Darden, Marie Fowler, Joyce Harrell, Pauline Reavis, Flay Stallings; below 100 hours, Nancy Darden, Dot Edwards, Myrtle Elliott, Jayne Griffin, Eva Harris, Evelyn Long, Rosa Lassiter, Christine Mathews, Pauline Smith, Ida Lee White, Mary White, Ruth Winslow, Peggy Felton, Helen Dvorak, Harriett Lou Layden, Mary Jane Riddick, Janet Murray and Dorothy Faye White.

Senior Hostesses, 50-92 hours—Mrs. Joyce Applewhite, Mrs. C. A. Davenport, Mrs. G. E. Fields, Miss Mary Gaither, Mrs. Mark Gregory, Miss Nettie Gregory, Mrs. W. H. Hardesty, Mrs. Mary Holliday, Mrs. Raymond Holmes, Mrs. S. P. Jessup, Mrs. R. B. Kirby, Miss Frances Maness, Mrs. E. C. Murray, Miss Helene (Continued on Page Two)

Plan Exchange At School Lunch Room

Members of the Lunch Room Committee of the Hertford Grammar School are preparing to launch an exchange plan at the lunch room when school opens next month whereby children may exchange canned items for tickets good for hot lunches.

The committee is urging parents of children attending the school to can as much surplus as possible and to exchange cans of corn, beans, other vegetables and fruit at the lunch room for children's lunches. The committee especially desires to obtain large quantities of canned fruits due to the high cost, in ration points, of these items. One member of the committee stated that each child, possibly, can obtain tickets for two or three lunches for each canned item brought to the lunch room.

Oakey Serves As Court Prosecutor

Major W. H. Oakey, recently retired from the United States Marine Corps, acted as special prosecutor at Tuesday's term of the Perquimans Recorder's Court in the absence of Prosecutor J. S. McNider, who is undergoing observation at Duke Hospital. Mr. Oakey served in the capacity at the request of Judge Charles E. Johnson.

Only a short time was needed to clear the docket of cases this week, with the State taking a nol pros in two hearings and a number of the defendants entering pleas of guilty.

The State took a nol pros with leave in the case charging Lester Hurdle, Negro, with assault with a deadly weapon, after discovering most of the witnesses in the case had failed to appear for the trial. Hurdle was charged with assaulting Chez Williamston, Negro, who was found not guilty of a similar charge in court last week, and it was believed the witnesses failed to appear thinking the charges against both defendants had been determined.

Luther James, Negro, was ordered to pay the costs of court after pleading guilty to a charge of fraud.

A nol pros was taken in the case charging W. F. Smith and P. L. Roberts with being drunk and disorderly. Cursie Aulston, Negro, was fined \$10 and ordered to pay the costs on a charge of speeding.

Linwood Overton plead guilty to a charge of speeding and paid a fine of \$25 and costs of court.

M. M. Thompson was ordered to pay a fine of \$25 and costs after pleading guilty to speeding.

B. P. Martian was fined \$25 and costs on a charge of allowing operation of his car without 1945 license and with no tail light or windshield wiper.

Riley White was fined \$10 and ordered to pay costs on a charge of speeding.

Mathews Jones, Negro, was found guilty of trespassing and sentenced to the roads for 30 days, sentence suspended upon payment of court costs.

Funeral Friday For Mrs. Julia A. Chappell

Funeral services for Mrs. Julia Ann Chappell, 85, widow of John A. Chappell, who died July 25 at the home of her son, Julian A. Chappell, in Norfolk, after a lingering illness were held last Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Whiteville Grove Baptist Church by the Rev. E. L. Wells of Edenton.

During the services the choir sang "Will There Be Any Stars in My Crown" and "Abide With Me."

Flower girls and boys were Dixie Chappell, Blanche Chappell, Thelma Riddick, Vivian Lewis, Mary Louise Chappell, Julian Chappell, John Chappell, Marjorie Forbes, Cecil Forbes, Jr., and William Simpson.

Pallbearers were Cecil P. Forbes, Julian A. Chappell, William Simpson, Clyde Layden, Thurman Riddick and B. Lewis.

Burial was in the family plot near Belvidere.

Weather Delays Work On Athletic Field

Weather conditions of the past month have delayed the work of constructing the Memorial Athletic Field at Perquimans High School, according to reports this week. However, with practically all of the equipment received here, the committee in charge of the project expects to have the field completed in time for football this fall.

Work, already started on the field, will be resumed as soon as weather conditions permit, and it is believed the field can be ready within a short period of time.



Released by U. S. War Department, Bureau of Public Relations. GOOD-BYE, ITALY—Pilots of a night fighter squadron take a farewell ramble to the famous Leaning Tower at Pisa before leaving for more active theaters of war. This unique picture is an Air Force photo.

Feild-Sumner Vows Spoken Wednesday At Methodist Church

T/Sgt. William Sumner Feild, son of Mrs. Elmira Feild of Hertford, and Miss Anne Sumnar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Sumnar of Murfreesboro, Tenn., were united in marriage on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock in a quiet but impressive ceremony at the Hertford Methodist Church by the Rev. B. C. Reavis, pastor of the church. The double ring ceremony was used.

The bride, who was given in marriage by T. B. Sumner, wore a dress of white marquisette and her corsage was of white gardenias.

Mrs. T. B. Sumner was matron of honor and Jack Winslow was best man.

During the services Miss Kate Blanchard, organist, rendered selections of nuptial music.

Following the ceremony the bridal party was entertained at a wedding luncheon at the home of Miss Mary Sumner, aunt of the bridegroom. Immediately after the luncheon the young couple left on a wedding trip to an unidentified destination.

Case Of Diphtheria Reported In Town

A case of diphtheria, which occurred in a nine-year-old colored boy living on Market street in Hertford, was reported last Saturday to the Perquimans County Health Department. Fortunately, the Health Department reported, the patient has not been very sick, and with the excellent care of the family physician, the patient has recovered without serious injury.

However, since this case was reported, the Health Department urges all mothers and fathers to bring all of their children who have not been immunized against diphtheria into the Health Department for protective toxoid before the opening of schools.

Diphtheria, according to the local Health Department, is a communicable disease transmitted from person to person in the same method as an ordinary cold, but new preventive medicine, when injected into the skin brings about a permanent protection from diphtheria.

The Health Department is open on Saturday mornings for the specific purpose of giving vaccinations for smallpox and immunizations for typhoid fever, whooping cough and diphtheria.

Start Construction Of New Building

Workmen this week began tearing down the old store room at the back of J. C. Blanchard and Company to make way for a new building to be constructed on the spot.

When completed the new building will house the farm machinery equipment department of the local store. The new building will be of brick construction and will contain a large show room for new equipment.

Southern Cotton Oil Importing 5,100 Tons Peanuts From S. A.

C. P. Morris, General Manager of The Southern Cotton Oil Company, announced this week that his company was importing 5,100 tons of peanuts from South America, to be crushed into oil and meal at the local plant. The first shipment of the approximately 130 carloads of the peanuts is expected to arrive here within the next few days. The peanuts are being imported from Argentina, according to Mr. Morris, who stated this was the first time in some 25 years that his company has imported any peanuts.

Running at normal capacity, Mr. Morris stated, it will take about four months for the local plant to crush the entire amount of the peanuts and that the oil, no doubt, will be diverted for war use, while the proteins will go into the making of feeds.

Veteran Of Ardennes Now Enroute Home

With the 28th Infantry Division in Assembly Area Command—Pfc. Ernest W. White is enroute home from the European Theater of Operations with the veteran "Bloody Bucket" Division, which in eight months saw vicious combat action from Normandy's hedgerows to the heart of the Reich.

Entering action July 30, 1944, at St. Lo, the "Bloody Bucket" men battled across Normandy, paraded through Paris, proceeded east through Belgium and Luxembourg and smashed into the Siegfried Line September 11—the first troops to enter Germany in strength.

After its November fight in Hurtgen Forest, the 28th moved to the "quiet" Luxembourg sector. On December 16, it caught the full force of Von Rundstedt's Ardennes offensive. Quickly recuperating, the 28th moved south to help liberate Colmar in Alsace and drive to the Rhine. Within a month, it was again at the Rhine near Coblenz.

Pfc. White is the husband of Mrs. Annie Maude White, Route 3, Hertford. He holds the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Editors To Hear Army Plans For Japs

Newspaper editors of this area will be the guests of the Army's Fourth Service Command at a conference to be held next Sunday afternoon at Rocky Mount, at which time Army representatives will present the latest official information on the Japanese war problems.

A large number of newspaper people, including the editor of this newspaper, are expected to attend the meeting and hear the Army's discussions on how we will write "end" to the Japanese war. The discussions will include redeployment, partial demobilization, war production and logistics.

Hollowell Resigns From Election Board

L. N. Hollowell, chairman of the Perquimans County board of elections for the past twelve years tendered his resignation of the post to C. P. Morris, chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee early this week.

Mr. Hollowell gave as his reason for resigning the position the increasing duties of his own business. The resignation was accepted but Mr. Morris stated that no action on the naming of a new chairman would be taken until his committee met sometime in the near future.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Slashing at Japanese ports and ships, between blackout periods, the U. S. Third Fleet has destroyed 1,346 Jap planes and more than one thousand Jap ships, many of the latter being warships. Reports from U. S. headquarters in Guam indicate the Jap Navy has ceased to be more than of nuisance value. Little opposition to the attacks of the Third Fleet has been offered by the Japs. While carrier planes have attacked shipping and air fields in Japan, the big battleships of the fleet have steamed practically into the port cities and heavily shelled all installations.

The Army Air Force also continues its heavy raids on Jap positions. B29s of the 20th AAF dropped leaflets on 12 more Jap cities notifying the residents the towns were marked for destruction and the Japs faced death unless they evacuated the places. The State Department announced this week that the Japs are moving American prisoners of war and civilian internees into the spots in an effort to halt the terrible bombing. The Jap move is made, it is believed, in hope the American forces will not endanger the lives of their countrymen.

President Truman is expected to start for home late this week from the Big Three conference at Potsdam. Reports from Berlin say the conference may end sometime Thursday, with all problems settled by Truman, Atlee and Stalin. Mr. Atlee succeeded Winston Churchill at the conference following the victory of the Labor party in the British elections and the naming of Atlee as Prime Minister. No official reports of the action taken at Potsdam have been made public but President Truman is expected to reveal the results of the conference in a speech after reaching Washington.

Pierre Laval, arch traitor of France and chief collaborator with the Nazis during the occupation of France, was turned over to French officials this week following his internment by U. S. Army officials in Austria. Laval has been in Spain, but that country removed him and he landed in American territory near Vienna. Laval is expected to testify in the Petain trial now in process in France. Petain is charged with treason and the government has concluded its evidence and Petain is now beginning his defense.

Forty Motorists Get Tire Certificates

Forty motorists were issued certificates for the purchase of new tires by the Perquimans Ration Board this week. Mrs. Helen Davenport, clerk of the Board, stated Monday.

Passenger type permits were issued to Preston Rogerson, C. H. Warwick, A. K. Winslow, Willie White, W. H. Overman, Herbert Chappell, Nathan Riddick, A. L. Godfrey, Joseph Layden, Hattie Perry, Harry Chappell, E. M. Fields, Frank Elliott, W. S. Long, Amy Thompson, Nellie F. Walker, Willie Johnkins, W. B. Tucker, Dewey Perry, Jr., T. P. Byrum, Tom White, S. P. Jessup, 2, Willie Lamb, Juanita Stallings, E. C. Chappell, 2, W. W. Boyce, 2, James Lamb, 2, E. J. Boyce, 2, Seth Umphlett, 2, Johnnie Smith, J. R. Norfleet, Lassiter White, Earlie Goodwin and W. H. Lane.

Truck type—J. O. Layden, Major-Loomis 7, Hollowell Chevrolet Co., Wayland White, Willie Lamb and Carroll Ward.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Major and Mrs. T. S. White, Jr., announce the birth of a son, T. S. White, 3rd, born Friday, July 27, in Washington, D. C., where Major White is stationed. Mother and son are doing nicely.

USO Regional Staff Votes To Close Out Hertford USO Club

Prospects Appear Slim For Community Project Locally Operated

Edgar J. Hill, director of the Hertford USO Club, notified his operating committee late last week that the officials of the USO Regional Conference voted to close out the local USO Club as of August 31. The action was taken at a staff meeting held in Richmond, Va., last week.

Mr. Hill, in his report to the local operating committee, also stated that the prospects of obtaining a community conducted USO grant for the Hertford club was slim. The Regional officials have taken the proposal under advisement, but Mr. Hill has been informed that the main factor in considering the proposition would hinge on the Navy retaining some men at the Harvey Point base and according to information available this action seems unlikely.

Unless a number of men are left at Harvey Point, it now seems that the Hertford USO Club will not continue to operate after August 31. The Regional authorities, no doubt, will notify Mayor V. N. Darden of official action taken on the proposal to continue the club under a community conducted plan.

The present staff and the function of the USO will cease as of the last day of this month and the club rooms will be closed at that time, pending disposal of the USO furniture and fixtures and the return of the building to its landlord. In his report, Mr. Hill stated that attendance at the club had dropped to a new low, even less than during the slack period of December, 1944, to June, 1945, and it therefore appeared very probable that the club would be closed out soon.

Reports early this week stated that Mr. Hill, who has served as the local USO director for the past year and one-half, would be transferred to the USO Club at Laurel, Maryland. The club there is operated for the use of men stationed at Fort Meade.

OPA To Eliminate All C Gas Coupons

Plans are being completed to discontinue use of "C" gasoline coupons beginning October 1. Theodore S. Johnson, Raleigh OPA district director, has announced. After that date it is expected that supplemental mileage will be issued only with "B" coupons.

Elimination of "C" coupons will not affect the amount of gasoline granted to drivers in the preferred mileage class, Johnson explained. These applicants will continue to be allowed as much supplementary mileage gasoline with "B" coupons as they received with "C" coupons.

"C" coupons will continue to be valid for some time even after their issuance is discontinued so motorists will not have to exchange these they hold now or are issued before October 1 for "B" coupons, he said.

Elimination of the "C" coupons will simplify ordering, distributing and recording procedures as well as the handling of coupons by War Price and Rationing Boards, industry and ration banks, Johnson said.

The use of two types of coupons was of statistical value during much of the rationing period, he explained. However, the recent increase in the "B" ceiling and the addition of a new semi-preferred group limited to 825 miles per month will distort these statistics except as over-all supplemental issuance totals. For these reasons, keeping two types of supplemental coupons no longer is of statistical value.

4-H Club Members Leave For Camp Mon.

Forty-five members of the various 4-H Clubs of Perquimans County, under the supervision of Miss Frances Maness, will leave Hertford next Monday morning for their week's camp at Jamestown, Virginia.

Miss Maness stated this week that the boys and girls are requested to be at the Agriculture Building, in Hertford, not later than 8 o'clock Monday morning as the truck which will carry the group to Jamestown will leave promptly at 8:30 o'clock.

The local 4-H Clubbers will be joined at Jamestown by other groups from Camden, Pasquotank and Chowan counties and an estimated 200 club members are expected to attend the camp this year.