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## War Fund Drive Will Open Monday

### WAR FINANCE COMMITTEE PREPARING TO LAUNCH VICTORY DRIVE OCTOBER 29th

#### Meeting Held Wednesday Night By Group Heading Campaign

Faced with the task of selling its share of a national 14 billion dollar quota, the Perquimans County War Finance Committee met Wednesday night to lay plans for launching the Victory Loan drive, scheduled to begin Monday October 29 and continue through the first week in December.

R. M. Riddick, chairman of the committee, who recently returned from a regional war bond meeting held at Miami, Florida, told the group of the need on the part of the government for this final war bond money. He pointed out that while most government contracts for war materials have been cancelled, the government still needs a tremendous sum to support the men remaining in the armed forces; to bring them back home; to maintain the splendid hospital care for the wounded and disabled, and to pay men their mustering out pay when giving out discharges.

All of these items were explained to county chairmen at the regional meeting and following the local meeting here this week, every member of the committee realized the necessity for making the Victory drive a complete success.

The local chairman stated that as yet the quota for Perquimans County has not been released but it is likely that the quota will be about the same as during the fourth war loan drive.

He stated that a meeting of the general county committee and solicitors would be held next week, at which time supplies and materials for solicitors would be handed out in order that each of them could begin a house to house canvass of their neighborhood on the opening day of the drive.

As during the past three drives, a school children of the county will play a big part in the selling of bonds during this Victory campaign. They will be asked to sell bonds to their neighbors and parents. Supplies for the students will be delivered to the various schools before the loan campaign opens.

### Central PTA Hears Lunch Room Report

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Perquimans Grammar School met on Monday evening, October 15.

The meeting opened with the song "America the Beautiful." The devotional was conducted by Wallace Wood.

The secretary read the minutes, which were approved, and also a note of thanks. D. L. Barber gave the treasurer's report and Mrs. B. F. Bray gave an interesting report on the district PTA meeting held at Ahoskie on October 9.

A report was given from the membership chairman, Miss Alma Leggett, who urged 100 per cent family representation, rather than just PTA members. She announced that the Fifth Grade had reported the first 100 per cent family representation.

Room representatives for each grade were read. Announcements were made by the Publicity and Safety Chairmen and Mr. Baker gave a report on the lunch room. The Study Group chairman announced the theme "Together We Build" and appointed chairmen for future study groups for the various communities.

The program for next month was announced, "The Library An Open Door," with the White Hat-Snow Hill community in charge. A solo was rendered by Mrs. Benson of Elizabeth City.

The attendance prize was won by Mrs. H. R. Winslow's room, First Grade.

### Church To Entertain Pastor Monday Night

Hertford's Baptist Church will honor its pastor, the Rev. H. G. Dawkins and Mrs. Dawkins at a party to be held at the church on Monday night, October 22, at 8:15 o'clock. All members are cordially invited to be present.

The Rev. Mr. Dawkins recently resigned as pastor of the local church and he and his family will leave Hertford about November 1 to begin duties at Kinston, where Mr. Dawkins will be pastor of the First Baptist Church.

### THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Pierre Laval, several times premier of France during the past 20 years, became the first big-shot politician to be executed for crimes committed during World War II. Laval was shot as a traitor Tuesday noon, after having been convicted of collaborating with the Nazis during the occupation of France. Several minor leaders of Nazis, mainly those in charge of concentration camps, have been convicted and put to death during the past few weeks, but the biggest trial to be held, the hearings for the top Nazi leaders, is yet to begin.

Strikers still hold up reconversion in the United States, although a few of the strikers have returned to work. Shortage of coal, due to the coal miners' strike, is the biggest headache to industry right now. Heavy industry is way off due to inability to operate for lack of coal. These strikes have held up production of many consumer items expected back on the market before this date.

The Navy Department has revised the casualty figures for losses sustained in the typhoon on Okinawa. Thirty-five were listed as dead and 41 missing, but these figures are expected to increase on receipt of more information. Ninety-one persons were seriously injured and 332 received minor injury. The Navy also announced Wednesday the lowering of point scores for personnel in obtaining discharge. Enlisted men now have 41 points and officers have 46 points. The Army expects to lower its point score to 30 by November 1.

Secretary of the Treasury Vinson this week stated there was a possibility that the budget for the U. S. could be balanced in 1948, if the Senate voted down the House tax reduction bill and adopted the treasury plan in its place. Both plans call for about the same reduction in 1946, but the House bill votes a bigger reduction in 1947. Most persons will get at least a 10 per cent reduction in his tax bill next year.

General MacArthur announced this week that the demobilization of Japan's once great army and navy had been completed, and that the occupation is going forward with American forces showing the Japanese a free man's way of life in actual action. Admiral Halsey, who played a big part in defeating the Jap navy, returned to this country during the week and stated the Japanese were thoroughly defeated and have been reduced to a third rate nation.

### Baptist Meeting At Murfreesboro Tuesday

The annual meeting of the Elizabeth City Division of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of North Carolina will be held on Tuesday, October 23, in the Murfreesboro Baptist Church.

The morning devotional will be led by Mrs. John Senterfitt, Jr., of Edenton. Among other speakers will be Mrs. J. S. Farmer and Mrs. Charles E. Maddry, both of Raleigh, and Dr. R. E. Wall, Divisional R. A. Councilor, Elizabeth City. Special music will be rendered by the Murfreesboro W. M. U.

### Local Man Reported Missing; Turns Up

Harry Overton, who was reported as missing last week to police officers of North Carolina and Virginia, turned up at his lodging house in Norfolk following the report.

Overton's family lives here while he is employed in Norfolk. He appeared at his boarding house and supposedly obtained clothing prior to his disappearance. He turned up at his home here several days later.

### LIONS MEET TONIGHT

The Hertford Lions Club will meet tonight (Friday) at the Colonial Tourist Home at 7:15 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

MASONS MEET NEXT TUESDAY Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will hold its weekly meeting Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

### Indians Swamped By Elizabeth City In Last Week's Grid Game

#### Local Team to Meet Tarboro On Memorial Field Tonight

Perquimans High School's football team suffered its worst defeat in three years last Friday night at the hands of a highly inspired Elizabeth City team, which appeared here for the first game to be played under Hertford's new flood lights. The final score for Elizabeth City 40, Perquimans 0.

The Indians started off by receiving the kick-off and fumbled on the first play of the game and from then on the local team seemingly was unable to click in their usual manner. Elizabeth City, after recovering the fumble, powered their way through the Indian line for a first down, the ball being on the 20-yard line. After a series of plays the Yellow Jackets took the ball over for the first score. The try for extra point was good and the score was 7-0. Perquimans received the kick-off again and were unable to gain against the visitors and on an attempt to punt, the Yellow Jackets blocked the kick and ran for a second goal. Try for extra point was good and the score was 14-0 for Elizabeth City. The visitors scored their third touchdown late in the first period, which ended 21-0 for Elizabeth City.

During the second quarter the teams matched each other in a series of scrimmages, with Elizabeth City having a decided edge in the playing. Neither team scored during this period. The Yellow Jackets crossed the Indian goal line twice during the third period to run the score up to 34-0, while the Perquimans team attempted to recover themselves sufficiently to threaten the visitors' goal line. Chester Winslow recovered a punt late in the third period on the Elizabeth City's 20-yard-line, but the Indians were unable to advance the ball against the inspired Yellow Jacket team. During the final period the Jackets pushed over their sixth touchdown of the game, making their score 40 to Perquimans 0.

Smarting under the defeat handed them last Friday night, the Indians, most of whom came out of the game in fairly good shape, have been drilling this week in preparation for the game tonight against Tarboro, which is to be played on Memorial Field at 8 o'clock. Coach Max Campbell has shuffled the lineup for the game tonight and the team has been playing up to form in practice this week.

The game last Friday night was played before what was the largest crowd ever to witness a football game in Hertford. People from Elizabeth City, Edenton, Gatesville and other towns in this area were in attendance. Another large crowd is expected to witness the game here tonight.

During the intermission of last week's game, the Elizabeth City Band, one of the best high school bands in the United States, gave a superb performance in music and band drilling, which thrilled the large crowd.

### Livestock Market Holds First Sale

Managers of the newly opened Hertford Livestock & Supply Company auction are extremely pleased with the results of the first auction held at the market last Tuesday.

"The patronage was much greater than expected and we had buyers from eight counties in the Albemarle, as well as from other places. The prices were good throughout the entire sale," one of the partners said after the sale closed.

Auction sales will be held at the local market every Tuesday, beginning at one o'clock.

### Court House Interior Being Repainted

Perquimans County's Courthouse is undergoing a thorough renovation before the opening of the October term of Superior Court. The various offices, halls and the courtroom are being repainted and the job is progressing rapidly.

The work is being done by Ashley Fleetwood, who contracted with the Board of Commissioners for the painting job.

### Recorder's Court In Long Session With Varied Docket

#### Sixteen Cases Heard at This Week's Term of Lower Court

Following a week's recess, the Perquimans County Recorder's Court had a day long session here on Tuesday in disposing of a varied docket consisting of 16 cases.

James Felton, Negro, who came to court prepared to plead guilty to a charge of carrying a concealed weapon, was found not guilty of the charge after testimony was heard by the court.

Edward Welch, Negro, was found not guilty of a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Vernon Wiggins, Negro, was sentenced to 60 days on the roads after being convicted of assault, trespassing and resisting arrest. The defendant noted an appeal to the Superior Court.

Paul Thompson, Negro, paid the costs of court after pleading guilty to a charge of being drunk.

Mike Wright, Negro, was released on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon and court costs were assessed against the prosecuting witness.

John Jordan, Negro, was fined \$10 and ordered to pay the court costs on charges of driving without a license and having improper brakes.

Floyd Jennings, Negro, was ordered to pay the prosecuting witness \$100 for her use and the costs of court on a charge of non-support.

Mrs. M. D. Curl was taxed with the costs of court on a charge of driving without a license.

Virginia McElroy entered a plea of guilty to driving without a license and paid the costs of court.

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

Willie Jones, Negro, was found not guilty of charges for larceny and assault with a deadly weapon.

Jasper Layden was ordered to pay the costs of court after pleading guilty to driving with improper lights.

Benjamin Riddick, Negro, paid the court costs on a charge of driving with improper lights.

Louis Hoffer, Negro, was taxed with court costs for being drunk.

Dan Roberson was fined \$30 and court costs on a charge of reckless driving.

C. J. Jones, Negro, waived a hearing on a charge of forgery and he will be tried at the October term of Superior Court.

### Nine More Veterans Return From Army

Nine more Perquimans County veterans of World War II have reported at the local draft office that they have returned home with their discharges from the armed forces, Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the board, stated Monday.

The veterans who have returned since last week are Julian Powell, Earl Lane, Julian Dail, Linford Pierce, William H. Cannon, Harold Copeland and Willard Baker.

All veterans are urged to remember that they are to report at the draft office and notify the board of their discharge from the Army, Navy or Marine Corps.

### 4-H Club Member In District Dress Revue

Miss Marjorie Perry of the High School 4-H Club represented Perquimans County in the District Dress Revue held in Elizabeth City recently. Miss Perry's outfit consisted of a yellow rayon serge dress with pocketbook and hat made of black serge.

Eight counties took part in the revue.

In the clothing achievement contest Ethel Frances Elliott of the Hertford Grammar 4-H Club was winner.

### W. M. S. TO MEET

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Hertford Baptist Church will meet Monday afternoon, October 22nd at 3:30 o'clock at the church. All members are urged to be present.

### IN MANILA

Word was received this week by Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Buck from their son, Cleveland, that he has been promoted to Corporal and is serving with the armed forces in Manila and is getting along nicely.

### SOLICITORS TO MAKE HOUSE TO HOUSE CANVASS TO RAISE GOAL IN FINAL DRIVE

#### Governor's Plea

The following telegram addressed to County Chairman J. E. Winslow of the United War Fund Drive, was sent by Governor Gregg Cherry, the honorary chairman of the drive in this State appealing for 100 per cent support of the drive:

"Gratitude to fighting men for military victory at great sacrifice demands that we finish their job to insure peace. Realization that millions throughout the world owe every existence to our generosity and pride in North Carolina's record of success plus in every previous form of war campaign effort demands that we strive for nothing less than one hundred per cent of allocated war fund goal in every county. Urge that you encourage chairmen and solicitors to double and redouble efforts. Appreciate your efforts."

### Association Formed To Back Athletics At Local School

A large group of Hertford men, who were instrumental in raising the funds for the building of Perquimans High School's Memorial Field, met Monday night and organized an athletic association for the purpose of boosting all forms of sports at the local school.

Enthusiasm by the largest crowd ever to witness a sports event in Hertford, at the Perquimans-Elizabeth City football game last Friday night, the group felt the need for a permanent association to assist in the promotion and maintenance of the field.

J. H. Towe was elected chairman of the club, with W. H. Pitt vice-chairman and L. C. Winslow secretary-treasurer. Members of a board of directors were named as follows: W. A. Hefren, D. M. Jackson, C. P. Morris and C. E. Woodard. Mr. Woodard was named as business manager for the club.

The group also named J. W. Hampton, Clinton Ely and Fenton Britt as a maintenance committee for the athletic field.

Following the election of officers, plans were discussed for the completion of the field as rapidly as possible, with additional bleachers being constructed for football, and the building of a fence around the entire field and completion of the bath house for players.

### Ration Board Issues Tire Permits To 37

Thirty-seven local motorists were issued certificates for the purchase of new tires by the Perquimans Ration Board at a meeting last Friday, Mrs. Helen Davenport, clerk of the Board, stated Monday.

Passenger type permits were issued to H. S. Lane 2, Ed Mathews, W. N. Chappell 2, Mrs. W. C. Hurdle, Alex Long 2, C. J. Rice, Mrs. Troy Elliott, Enos Mallory, D. F. Reed, W. B. Tucker, J. C. Howell 2, B. M. Miller, W. W. Trueblood, Edgar Long 2, Roscoe Lane 2, William Farmer 2, William Simpson 2, Elihu White 2, R. W. Smith, E. L. Brooks, Earl Daughtry 2, F. B. Stevenson 2, W. H. Elliott 2, C. H. Sawyer 2, Penelope Bembry 2, H. E. Kirby, W. T. Brown, Maty Ward 2, Sterling Colson 2, E. Y. Berry 2, Laura Overton, Dewey Perry, Jr., 2, and Edison Harris.

Truck type permits were issued to O. C. Long, Jr., Major-Loomis 10, J. T. Godfrey 2, and W. H. Morgan.

### Town Board Adopts Budget For Year

Members of the Town Board, in a special meeting Monday night, adopted a budget for the present fiscal year, following a review of the audit made by W. O. Williams, certified public accountant.

Few changes were made in the budget for this year as compared to the last one and the tax rate, which was set during July, remains at \$1.10 per hundred dollar valuation.

The Board was informed by the auditor that the Town's financial status is excellent and there is a possibility that the tax rate for the Town will be lowered for the next fiscal year, that is for 1947.

### Chairman Urging Cooperation; Points Out Need For Money

Perquimans County's final campaign for funds for the United War Fund will get under way next Monday morning, according to an announcement by J. E. Winslow and B. C. Reavis, co-chairmen of the local committee. The executive committee met last Tuesday night for the purpose of mapping the final campaign and these plans will be placed before the county committee and all township solicitors at a dinner to be held Friday night at 7 o'clock at the Hertford Methodist Church. It has been announced that Henry Leroy, district chairman for the drive, will be present and give out some details concerning the campaign.

A goal of \$4,200 has been accepted by the United War Fund Committee of this county for this final drive. Some people have asked why this campaign is necessary, now that the war is over. To this question the co-chairmen point out that:

"The war is over, but humanitarian needs continue, and while the fighting has stopped, there will be weary, lonesome months of waiting for many of the boys still in the armed forces. The War Department has asked the USO not to decrease, but to increase its work during these months, especially for occupation troops.

"A thorough check has been made of all agencies concerned by the United War Fund and budgets have been re-arranged, but the money being asked for in this final drive is the minimum amount needed to carry on the task for the remaining 15 months estimated to clear up the work for both the USO and the relief agencies to various Allied countries."

The co-chairmen also appeal to the public to cooperate with the local solicitors who will make a house to house canvass seeking contributions toward the county goal. These men and women are donating time, automobiles, gas and oil to help finish the job. They receive no expenses or pay for the task they are doing and should receive the praise and commendation of their fellow citizens for volunteering for the job.

### High School Band To Be Organized

Perquimans High School's Band, which was forced to give up its practice of music about three years ago, due to the loss of the band instructor, will be reorganized at a meeting at the school on Friday, according to an announcement made today by C. E. Woodard, principal.

About forty students are expected to try out for the band, and Burt Ainsworth, band director for Currituck County, will be in charge. Mr. Ainsworth will work with the Perquimans Band two days each week, on Tuesday and Friday.

The band will be organized on a tuition basis, each student paying his own tuition, with the school furnishing the instruments and uniforms, it was announced.

It is expected that it will take the band about one year to become proficient enough to make public appearances, but a concert is now planned for next Spring, at which time the students will show the progress made during the winter months of practice.

### Perquimans Charge Has Record Year

An outstanding record has been set during the past year by the Perquimans charge of the Methodist Church, according to announcements made at the Fourth Quarterly Conference, held last Saturday at the Oak Grove Church.

The Charge had paid all indebtedness in full by October 13, and the total budget for the year was \$7,800. This amount was the largest budget ever made for this charge.

The Rev. J. D. Cranford is pastor of the Charge and is now serving his sixth year in that capacity. The majority of memberships of the Charge are requesting that Mr. Cranford be returned to the county, when the annual Methodist Conference is held next month.