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## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Representatives of the United Nations have voted that the site of the UNO organization should be some city in the United States. The vote came after bitter argument for the site to be placed in Europe. Russia joined other countries in voting for the U. S. Boston and Philadelphia seem to have the lead on other cities as the place for the permanent site.

Strikes still remain the big news in this country, the union has rejected a pay increase offered by Ford Motor Co., and the deadlock continues between the union and General Motors. Steel workers are scheduled to walk out on January 14. Reports from Washington indicate the government will attempt to find a solution to the entire problem.

Evidence introduced at the war crimes trial being conducted at Nuenberg offered proof that Hitler lied about his war casualties. A document presented this week showed the German High Command admitted just prior to the counter-attack of the Bulge that German losses in men killed or missing totalled 3,544,284. Sixty five per cent of these losses occurred on the Eastern front. The total does not include the number of men wounded.

The United States Supreme Court stepped into the War Criminal trials this week and stayed the execution of Jap-general Yamashita, who had been sentenced to hang after being found guilty by an Army court in the Philippines. The action was termed unusual and it was not known whether the court would take over as the legal devise to pass final judgement on war criminals.

Former Jap Premier Prince Konoye beat the rap for being a war criminal by committing suicide this week. Konoye died by taking poison, a few hours before he was to surrender to U. S. officials in Tokyo. He held a party the night before, and then wrote his suicide note, in which he acknowledged blame for the China incident. In his note Konoye stated he believed Russia would join the Axis, later he felt Nazi leader Ribbentrop had lured the Japs into attacking the U. S.

Seven persons were killed and more than 60 injured early this week when two trains of the Seaboard Air Lines collided near Kollock. One train heading from Florida north was running onto a siding when a south-bound express crashed into the north bound. Weather conditions were reported partly as causes for the accident.

## Draft Calls Halted For Holiday Season

Draft calls will be halted beginning December 20 for the holidays, according to an order received by the local board here on Monday. Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the board has announced. The two calls to be filled by the Perquimans board, however, were ordered prior to the holiday date. Two youths, George Wood and Wilmer Chappell left on Monday for preinduction exams and five more were ordered to leave yesterday for induction.

Fourteen more Perquimans county veterans reported at the draft office and recorded their discharge from service with the local board, seven of the veterans were white men and seven Negro. The white veterans reporting during the week were Carlton Whedbee, Edward McDonald, Marshall Sawyer, Henry Layden, Clifton Howell, Jesse Lee Harris and Alphonso Goodwin.

The Negro veterans were William Lindsey, Arthur Jones, Virgin Stewart, John Skinner, Jr., George Taylor, Adolphus Lee and Vernon Davis.

## Rush At Post Office Going Full Speed

It's Christmastime at the Postoffice and the rush of incoming and outgoing mail is expected to reach its peak today or tomorrow. While mail this year has not been as heavy as in the past two years, due to the closing of Harvey Point, it has been heavy enough to give the postoffice department a lot of extra work.

The public was asked to separate local and out of town mail to aid the postoffice clerks in dispatching mail, and Postmaster S. M. Whedbee today expressed his appreciation to the public for their cooperation in the matter. He stated, as usual, the Postoffice will be closed all day Christmas and there will be no mail delivery of any type except special delivery.



*It occurs to us that the ideal and spirit of Christmas should be of three hundred and sixty-five days duration. So, right now, please accept our sincerest Best Wishes for every day of the New Year.*

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## Winter Grips County Snow, Cold Prevail During Week-end

Winter weather took a firm grip on the county during the past week-end and snow, which fell for the first time last Thursday, and low temperatures prevailed for several days. The snow and rain, of Thursday continued into Friday, when lower temperatures brought more snow which soon covered the ground. Monday was reported as the coldest day of the year here.

The cold wave, according to weather reports, was pushed into the area by a severe storm from the North Pole, the storm swept the mid-west and converged on the Eastern Seaboard.

Travel conditions were bad because of the snow and rain and local police officials reported nine accidents last Thursday alone. Most of the accidents were of a minor nature, cars running into ditches because of slippery roads; however Patrolman Charles Payne reported Ben Gray, a carpenter employed at the Midway Service station, near Woodville, was seriously injured when a car smashed into a truck, parked near the service station. According to Patrolman Payne, Gray was summoned to the truck to give the driver directions when a car driven by Floyd Manning approached the curve in the road at this point, the Manning car slid on the icy road and hit the truck. The body of the truck was bashed in and parts hit Gray in the chest. Gray was taken to the Albemarle Hospital, where his condition was reported serious.

As a result of the bad weather police officials warn all motorists to drive with care especially when weather conditions are as they have been during the past week-end.

## Recorder Hears Four Cases Tuesday A. M.

Four cases were disposed of by Judge Charles E. Johnson in Perquimans Recorder's Court here on Tuesday morning.

George Davenport and his wife, Emmaline, Negroes, were found guilty of trespassing, destroying property and using profane language. They were given a 30 day suspended sentence and ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs.

Raymond Bateman was found not guilty on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Judge Johnson continued the case of Dallas Gilliam, who was found guilty of driving with improper lights.

James Riddick, Negro, was found guilty of interfering with an officer while in the performance of his duty. He was given a 30 day road sentence, to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$25 and costs of court.

## Rotary Club Will Not Meet For Two Weeks

Because two holidays, Christmas and New Year, fall on their regular meeting nights, members of the Hertford Rotary club voted to suspend their next two meetings. The next meeting of the club will be held on January 8.

## Elizabeth City Cops 2 Cage Games From Perquimans Teams

Perquimans High School's girls and boys basketball teams met defeat at the hands of two Elizabeth City teams in games played Tuesday night at the Yellow Jacket gym. The Indian Squaws lost by a 35 to 16 count, while the Indians bowed 10 to 13.

In the preliminary game the Squaws had difficulty in hitting the basket and were overpowered by an aggressive Lady Jacket team. The host school took an 11 to 0 lead at the end of the first period and increased this to 18-3 advantage at half time. Each team scored eight points in the third period, then Elizabeth City pulled away again in the final canto to rack up nine points to Perquimans' five.

Both teams were about evenly matched in all departments except hitting the hoop, and the local girls were definitely off their stride in Tuesday's game.

In the boys' game, the Indians were without the services of George Wood and L. C. Elliott, and after getting off to a slow start out played the Yellow Jackets during the greater part of the game. The host team gained a four to one lead at the close of the first quarter, but the Indians came back strong in the second and tallied six points while holding Elizabeth City scoreless. The half time score was seven to four for the Indians. In the third period the Jackets took the offensive and hit for seven points while holding the Indians to three and the home team held a one point advantage, 11-10. Both teams were missing many shots, and the Indians seemingly were permitting the Jackets to get loose on the offensive. During the final period Elizabeth City hit four times from the field to tally eight points and the Indians counted for only three more. The final count was 19-13.

## Applications For Tires Drop Here

Applications for new tires were on the decline at the Perquimans ration office during the past week, according to Mrs. Helen Davenport, who stated 19 motorists were issued permits to purchase new tires at a meeting of the board Monday.

Permits were issued to Murden Stokely, 2, C. W. Phillips, J. L. Lane, G. H. Jolliff, 2, G. B. Winslow, 2, W. C. Strowd, Vivian Matthews, Robert Harrell, 2, Arba Winslow, L. E. Umphlett, W. T. Jones, 2, Ernest Morse, 2, W. E. Dail, Henry Perry, T. B. Sumner, 2, Carson Winslow, Jasper Winslow, 2, White & Hefren, 2, and Major-Loomis, 6.

## SERVICES AT BEREÄ

The Rev. Preston Cayton will fill his regular appointment at 11 o'clock Sunday morning at the Bereä church. There will be a Christmas program presented at the church on Sunday evening at seven o'clock. The public is invited to both services.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wood, Jr., from Edenton announce the birth of a son, Charles Wood, 3rd born Sunday, December the 9th. Mrs. Wood before her marriage was Miss Nell Riddick.

## Perquimans Splits Doubleheader With Columbia Hoopsters

### Squaws Win Easily But Indians Are on Losing Side

Perquimans High school's basketball teams split a double header with Columbia's basketekers in games played Friday night on the Columbia court. The Perquimans Squaws won easily 29-20, while the Indians failed to cope with the Columbia boys and lost by a 29-19 count.

The accurate shooting of Wood and Perry for the Perquimans girls was too much for the Columbia sextet and the Squaws gained an advantage at the start of the preliminary game, which Columbia could not overcome. Wood tallied 19 points for the local girls, while her running mate, Perry hit for 8. E. White tallied one basket to make the total 29. For Columbia Liverman was high point getter, scoring 16 of her team's 20 points. The Squaws played well throughout the entire game and were never in danger of being overtaken by the Columbia girls. The entire reserve list was used in the action for the game.

The boys game opened fast with both teams hitting from the field early in the opening minutes and the count was tied at 4-4. Columbia then hit two more from the field and Perquimans counted from the foul line. The Indians called for time with the count at 8 to 5 for Columbia. Columbia's towering center, Cohoon hit two more baskets before the period ended and Perquimans was trailing 12-5 at the end of the first quarter. The Tyrrell county boys continued to hit the hoop during the second period and rolled up 12 points to Perquimans' seven. The score at half time was 24 to 12 in favor of Columbia. The Indians were playing without the services of Perry but Elliott and Cecil Winslow played stellar ball throughout the half.

During the third period the Indians controlled the ball most of the time but the Wildcats shooting was uncanny and they rolled in 8 more points while the Indians counted only three. During the final period the Wildcats hit for seven more points and held the Indians to four, the final score was 39 to 19 for Columbia. This was the first conference loss for the Indians since the 1943 season.

## Brabble-Ward Vows Spoken December 8

Miss Agnes Lois Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll V. Ward of Belvidere, and James Thomas Brabble, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Brabble of Edenton were married Saturday afternoon, December 8 at 3 o'clock in Elizabeth City. The Rev. W. R. Stephens was the officiating minister and the double ring ceremony was used.

The bride wore a slate blue wool gabardine suit with white blouse and navy accessories. Her flowers were a corsage of American Beauty rose buds.

Those witnessing the ceremony were: Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brabble of Edenton, Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Banister of Norfolk, Va., Miss Elizabeth Byrum of Hertford, and John Ward of Belvidere.

The bride is a graduate of Perquimans County High school and at present is employed by Major and Loomis Lumber Company.

Mr. Brabble was a prominent farmer of Chowan county, prior to his induction into the Army. He was recently discharged after serving 21 months in the European area.

Following the wedding a reception was given by Mrs. T. R. Kirby, Mrs. Roy Newsoms and Mrs. Eugene Baker at the home of Mrs. Kirby.

Guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Roy Newsoms. Mrs. Eugene Baker poured punch and Mrs. T. R. Kirby served sandwiches, salad and pickles. The dining table was centered with a large wedding cake topped with a bride and groom. The cake was cut and served to the guests. Approximately 55 guests were present.

After the reception the couple left for a short wedding trip. Upon their return they will make their home with the groom's parents.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Miller announce the birth of a son born Thursday, December 13 at the Norfolk General Hospital. Mother and son are doing nicely.

## DISCHARGED

Willie Ainsley who has received an honorable discharge from the service arrived home last week.

## Xmas Seals Chairman Reminds Public To Mail Back Envelopes

Mrs. C. A. Davenport, chairman of the Perquimans County Christmas Seals drive, announced today that the response to the appeal to purchase Christmas Seals to help in the battle against tuberculosis has been gratifying, and although a check on total sales has not been made as yet, she expects the final total to be near what it was last year.

Mrs. Davenport stated that of all the envelopes mailed out, containing Christmas Seals, but a few have been returned containing remittances for the seals. She urges all persons who received seals by mail to return their envelopes before Christmas Day, the closing date for the drive.

## Father-Son Banquet At Perquimans High

Members of the Perquimans County Chapter of Future Farmers of America held their annual Father and Son Banquet on Thursday night on the stage in the high school auditorium. The boys had full charge of the program, which had as its theme "The Change From War to Peace." Those taking part on the program were as follows:

Blessing, by Trafton Phillips; welcome, by Maynard Chappell; response, by Dad W. A. Chappell; From War to Peace, led by Elsberry Riddick and several chapter members; Boy's Composition on "Man—Most Men," by Melvin Colson.

The following guests were recognized by President Thomas Butt: T. B. Elliott, District Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture, Woodland, N. C., members of the County Board of Education, County Superintendent, F. T. Johnson, members of the Board of County Commissioners, Vocational Agriculture Teacher, W. F. Thompson of Central High School and the President of Central Chapter, Principal E. C. Woodard, and W. C. Chappell. Mr. Woodard and Mr. Chappell were made honorary members of the F. F. A. in an appropriate ceremony which was carried out by the officers of the chapter.

The President then recognized the F. F. A. teacher and adviser, G. C. Buck, who gave a little token of appreciation to Dad W. A. Chappell for the excellent response for the dads. The F. F. A. officers serving were as follows: President, Thomas Butt; Vice President, Paul Smith; Secretary, Josiah Smith; Treasurer, Clifford Winslow; Reporter, Sidney Layden, Jr.; Assistant Adviser, Dan Berry. A loud-speaking system was installed on the stage which added greatly to the enjoyment of the program.

The menu consisted of barbecue, slaw, candied yams, rolls, corn bread, pickles, coffee, brick ice cream, cakes, and salted peanuts. 110 dads, F. F. A. members and guests were present and enjoyed the occasion. The banquet was efficiently served by the Home Economics teacher, Miss Prue Newby and her class of Home Economic girls.

## Missionary Group Re-elects Officers

The Women's Missionary Society of the Hertford Baptist Church met last Monday afternoon, and re-elected its present officers for another year.

Mrs. L. A. Ward is president of the group. Other leaders named are Mrs. W. F. Madre and Mrs. L. W. Norman, Sunbeam leaders; Mrs. Hudson Butler, G. A.; Mrs. Tom Madre, R. A. and Miss Doris Byrum, Y. W. A.

A report on the Centennial was made by Mrs. J. W. Ward. Reports were also heard from various circle leaders.

## MRS. B. W. HATHAWAY DIES AT HOME OF DAUGHTER

Mrs. Arnette Preet Hathaway, widow of the late Dr. Burton W. Hathaway, former Perquimans County citizen, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Jones, in Edenton, Saturday morning following an illness of only a few days.

Survivors are four daughters, Mrs. J. M. Jones of Edenton, Mrs. L. T. Avery of Southern Pines, Mrs. E. H. Townsend of Norfolk and Mrs. W. F. Sutton of Kinston. Three grandsons and three granddaughters also survive.

Funeral services were held in St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Edenton Sunday afternoon with the rector, the Rev. Harold W. Gilmer, officiating. Burial was made in Beaver Hill Cemetery in Edenton.

## HERTFORD LIONS CLUB MEETS TONIGHT 6:45

R. R. White, president of the Hertford Lions Club announced a change in time for the meeting of the club to be held tonight at the Colonial Tourist Home. The club will meet at 6:45 instead of 7:15 p. m.

## Victory Bond Sales Reach 3 Quarters Of Million Dollars

### County Among Leaders Of State In E Bond Purchases

Victory bond sales in Perquimans county continued to climb during the past week, and R. M. Riddick, chairman of the finance committee stated Wednesday sales totalled \$777,338, or more than three quarters of a million dollars.

This amount is several thousand dollars less than sales for the previous bond drive, but it is deemed very satisfactory under conditions which have prevailed here during this past fall.

The county is among the leaders of the state in the purchase of E bonds. Sales here have reached \$89,838; and Perquimans is one of eight counties in the state to have reached, or oversubscribed, its E bond quota for the Victory Loan.

The chairman expressed his appreciation to the people of the county for the splendid backing they gave this final bond campaign, and he said, "It's more than gratifying that Perquimans maintained its record in the purchases of government bonds; our record is one of the best in the entire nation and it will stand for a long time. We are all proud that the people of the county bought bonds to help put this drive over and now that the bonds have been purchased, keep them until they mature for they are the best investment one can own."

He added that the prizes offered by the finance committee for best sales performance during the campaign will be awarded sometime next month, after the committee has had time to check the sales of each school child and adult solicitor. The war bonds and war stamps will be awarded to those having the most sales to their credit during the entire drive.

## FFA Parliamentary Contest Held Thurs.

A Parliamentary Procedure Contest, staged by the Future Farmers of America, was held last Thursday at the Perquimans High School with chapters from Perquimans, Central and Moyock participating. Each chapter opened and closed the meeting according to their Ritualistic form, then the presidents of the various chapters drew four cards from several piles of cards, each card having printed upon it certain questions relative to parliamentary procedure and the subject of what each chapter was to practise and demonstrate. Each chapter was in direct competition with the others, and each Agriculture teacher judged each team but his own.

The judges awarded the Perquimans team first place and this honor carried with it a Federation banner to be added to the collection at the high school.

Members of the Perquimans team were Thomas Butt, Paul Smith, Josiah Smith, Clifford Winslow, Sidney Layden and Dan Berry. The team was coached by G. C. Buck.

## Auction Market To Close For Holidays

Auction sales at the Hertford Livestock and Supply Company market will be called off until after the holidays, it was announced today by members of the firm. No sales will be held on Tuesday, December 25 or January 1.

The firm stated, however, that its buying station will be open during the period and purchases would be made by the station.

## Christmas Program At Winfall Church

A special Christmas program by the children and a pageant, The Promised Prince, by the children and adults will be presented at the Epworth Methodist church at Winfall on Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

## Report Shows Cotton Ginning Under 1944

A census report on cotton ginning in the county for 1945 released this week by Willie M. Harrell, special agent, showed that 1,486 bales of cotton had been ginned prior to December 1.

This is almost 3,000 bales under 1944. According to the report 4,119 bales were ginned for the same period last year.