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F. T. Johnson Named Chairman Perquimans County USO Campaign; Drive Opens Soon

County Is Requested to Raise \$803; Funds For USO Only

F. T. Johnson, superintendent of Perquimans County schools, has been named chairman of the 1946 USO campaign to be conducted in this county, it was announced today. Mr. Johnson has accepted the appointment and stated the drive for \$803, which is the county quota for this year, will get underway next week and will continue through the month of December.

Pointing out that more than one million men, of which 56,000 are from North Carolina, are still in the armed forces and that the USO is continuing to provide entertainment and clubs for these men, Mr. Johnson urges all residents of this county to have an active part in this drive to help USO operate during the coming year.

Funds raised in the campaign this year will be used only by the USO in maintaining its operation in providing amusement, entertainment and clubs for American soldiers, sailors and marines. None of the funds collected will be used for relief purposes in any part of the world.

Relief agencies, formerly tied in with the USO campaign, have been separated from the drive and now conduct their own funds.

The county chairman began the task of forming the county committee early this week and meetings of this group will be held next week to formulate the plans for conducting the drive in this county. The amount requested from Perquimans County this year is about one-fourth of the quota last year and it is the hope of the chairman that the people of Perquimans will meet this goal cheerfully and quickly as a means of letting the boys still in service know that they are receiving the support of the folks at home.

Hunting Season Will Open Thanksgiving

November 28, Thanksgiving Day, brought the open season on several of the favorite game species of Tar Heel sportsmen.

The open season on quail, one of the most popular game birds of the State, began on this date and will continue through January 1, with several exceptions and reports from the field offer prospects for approximately an average crop of birds except in the sections along the coast where heavy rains caused damage to the young crop of birds early in the season.

The open season on quail this season is one week shorter than that of last year, and the daily bag limit for this species has been reduced to eight rather than the former 10. The season bag limit of 150 remains the same.

Special exceptions to the dates for the quail shooting season are that Hyde, Martin, Tyrrell and Washington counties, quail hunting is to be allowed only on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, with the provision that quail may be hunted on Christmas and New Year's Day in the counties mentioned.

Thanksgiving Day also opened the season on turkey, rabbit and ruffed grouse. Because of a decrease in the quail population, there has been a severe cut in the open season on turkey. Legal hunting of this species will be limited to Hyde, Halifax, Martin, Northampton and Washington counties with the season extending through January 31, and the bag limit set at one a day and two per season.

For the first time a daily bag limit has been set for rabbits. Ten of this species may be taken per day, but there is still no season bag limit. Dates for rabbit shooting continue through January 31.

New Kaiser Car On Display Here

Officials of the Hertford Motor Company announced this week the debut of a new Kaiser automobile, which is now on display at the company's show room, Edenton highway. The public is invited to see this motor car, which has been long anticipated and much publicized. The low silhouette and graceful lines place it among the style leaders. The Kaiser is a 100-horsepower car which combines unprecedented seating width with streamlined

Perquimans Band Plays At Windsor

The Perquimans High School Band, 40 strong, was a feature attraction at a 4-H Club program presented at Windsor Tuesday afternoon. The band left the high school building by bus at noon and returned following the close of the program.

New uniforms have been received for most of the members and the band is making a fine appearance in the new outfits. The band is receiving more and more invitations to perform at functions in nearby towns which have no bands, and this is the second trip the band has made to Windsor.

Contributions for the band fund have now reached \$1,341.25, the latest contribution coming from the Fort Raleigh Grill of Elizabeth City.

Draft Board Making Inventory Of Men

Local Board Now Complete; Two Old Members Resume Duty

Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the Perquimans County draft board, stated Monday the local board is now making an inventory to determine the number of registrants eligible for military service. The inventory is to be completed by December 2 and record cards of every registrant of the board will be drawn.

Selective Service, which has been taking a holiday on inductions for the past two months, will again become active January 1, although at the present time it remains unknown whether or not inductions will be resumed.

The local board is now complete with three members, R. M. Riddick, Jr., and Thad C. Campbell, former members of the board, resumed duty as board members here recently. The other member of the board is J. R. Futrell.

A list of veterans, recently discharged from service, who have reported their separation from the army and reported same at the local office include: Jesse Winslow, Joe Nowell, Jr., Melford Trueblood, William E. Winslow, Merrill Layden, Charles F. Murray, Henry Lewis and Charles W. Miller, white and Hazel Ferebee, Luther Turner, Jr., and Floyd Norfleet, colored.

Aunt Tillie Goes To Sea Title Junior Class Play

The junior class of the Perquimans County High School will present a play entitled "Aunt Tillie Goes To Sea", on Thursday evening December 5, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the local school.

The play is a happy-go-lucky farce and will be presented in three acts, written by Wilbur Braum, author of "Aunt Tillie Goes To Town".

The entire action of the play takes place in the lounge on board the S.S. Hazard, an ocean liner bound for Hawaii.

The cast includes Anne Proctor, the laughable Aunt Tillie; Howard Broughton, a nervous bridegroom; Peggy Cook, his sympathetic bride; Bill White, the handsome steward; Myrtle Elliott, a colored maid; Eugene Hurdle, a famous but hen-pecked chiropractor; Anna Faye Copeland, a bossy wife; Reggie Tucker, a wealthy man upon a secret mission; Daphne Winslow, his beautiful secretary; Nan Ward, a case of mistaken identity; L. C. Elliott, the ship's news reporter; and Eloise Godwin, who has matrimonial aspirations.

Farm Bureau Names Delegates To Meeting

At a recent meeting of its board of directors, the Perquimans County Farm Bureau selected two delegates to the National Farm Bureau Convention which meets in San Francisco, Cal., December 8-11. Jacob L. White and Fred Matthews were selected to go. Perquimans County having gone over their quota of 310 members, is entitled to send one delegate with transportation paid by the State Farm Bureau. Jacob L. White having secured 112 memberships, is high man in the county, thereby winning the free trip. Fred Matthews was second high with 45 memberships to his credit. White and Matthews will leave the county Sunday, December 1, and will be gone approximately two weeks.

The directors are planning to meet in December to plan activities for the local Farm Bureau during the coming year.

Indians Open Basket Ball Season Tuesday Night At Weeksville

Eighteen Games Listed On Schedule; Teams Ready For Opener

Perquimans High School will open its 1946-47 basket ball season next Tuesday night when the girls and boys teams of Perquimans meet the Weeksville High School on the Weeksville court. This will mark the opening of the Albemarle Rural Conference of which Perquimans is a member. Ten schools are participating in the conference this season and each school will play eighteen games.

The Perquimans teams under the direction of Miss Ann Garris and Max Campbell have been practicing for the past two weeks in preparation for the season ahead. As yet neither of the coaches has chosen teams from the large number of candidates reporting for practice. However, the regular squads are expected to be chosen before the opening game Tuesday night.

The schedule of games to be played by the Indians during the season is as follows:

- Dec. 3. Weeksville, there.
- Dec. 6. Columbia, here.
- Dec. 10. Gatesville, there.
- Dec. 13. Central, there.
- Dec. 17. Moyock, here.
- Jan. 3. Poplar Branch, there.
- Jan. 10. South Mills, there.
- Jan. 17. Manteo, here.
- Jan. 21. Hobbville, here.
- Jan. 24. Weeksville, here.
- Jan. 28. Columbia, there.
- Jan. 31. Gatesville, here.
- Feb. 4. Central, here.
- Feb. 7. Moyock, there.
- Feb. 14. Poplar Branch, here.
- Feb. 18. South Mills, here.
- Feb. 21. Manteo, there.
- Feb. 25. Hobbville, there.

Candidates for this year's team left over from last season include: Cecil Winslow, Chester Winslow, L. C. Elliott, Reggie Tucker, Edward Lane, Sidney Layden, Howard Pitt, Horace Webb, and these veterans are being bolstered by a large number of boys trying out for the team for the first time.

ACP Election Called For Saturday, Dec. 7

An election to nominate and elect community committeemen, alternates and delegates to the county convention of the Agricultural Conservation program of Perquimans County, will be held on Saturday, December 7.

The polls, set up at the places listed below, will be open from 9 A. M. until 6 P. M.

Belvidere—Community House. Nicanor—Ralph White's store. Bethel—C. T. Phillips' store. Hertford—Agricultural Building. New Hope and Durants Neck—Community House.

Parkville—T. L. Jessup's store. All eligible farmers have been notified to go to the polling place in their respective communities and cast their vote.

W. E. White, secretary, states that it is very important that each farmer express by his vote his choice of the community committeemen. It is also important that he express his choice of a delegate, as the delegate of the various communities will elect the County Committee. The County Committee, together with the Community Committee, will administer the 1947 farm program for Perquimans County.

Coal Strike Causes Change In Schedule

The coal strike affected train and mail schedules in Hertford this week, when the Norfolk Southern was ordered to curtail train service by 25 per cent. The order was given by the Government to aid in conserving the nation's stock pile of coal.

Under strike conditions, and until the strike is settled, N&S trains will run only once each day. The south bound train will run on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and the north bound train will run Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Mail carried by the N&S will thus be affected.

Schools Take Holiday For Thanksgiving

Perquimans County schools were dismissed Thursday and Friday of this week in observance of the Thanksgiving holidays. Classes will be resumed on regular schedule Monday, it was announced by F. T. Johnson, county superintendent.

New Agency Set Up For Groups Serving Farming Interests

A. Houston Edwards to Direct Affairs In Perquimans County

The Farmers Home Administration, as authorized by the Congress, began operation in North Carolina November 1, says A. Houston Edwards, FSA Supervisor for Perquimans, Chowan and Gates counties, who recently attended a meeting at Raleigh of personnel who will direct the affairs of the new agency.

FHA replaces both the Farm Security Administration and the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan section of the Farm Credit Administration, and takes over the personnel and assets of both agencies. Mr. Edwards said that for the time being FHA offices will be maintained with the same personnel at all points where FSA and ECFL have operated. Both agencies have made loans to small farmers and the new agency will continue to serve this group.

Also attending the meeting at Raleigh were Elizabeth P. Sanderlin, FSA home supervisor for Perquimans and Gates counties; Annie L. Spoon, FSA home supervisor for Chowan County and E. F. Morgan, field supervisor ECFL. Discussions were led by John B. Slack, State FSA director, Vance E. Swift, State FSA supervisor and A. E. Rozar, State ECFL supervisor.

Two types of loans will be made by Farmers Home Administration. Farm purchase loans will be made to tenants, sharecroppers, farm laborers and veterans with agricultural experience and training. Loans can be made for the purchase, development and improvement of family-type farms.

A variable repayment plan will make it possible for borrowers to make larger than average payments in years when farm income is high or above normal, and less than average payments in years when farm income is below normal.

Production and subsistence loans, the second type, will be made to farmers and stockmen for the purchase of livestock, farm equipment, seed, fertilizer and other farm and home needs. Such loans can be made to either owners or tenants who live on and operate family-type farms and who derive the major portion of their income from farming. These loans carry an interest rate of five per cent and are repayable in from one to five years.

To be eligible for an FHA loan an applicant must be unable to get adequate financing on reasonable terms from other credit sources available in the community where he lives, such as banks, insurance companies and the Federal Land Bank. "FHA is not in competition with any existing credit source, private or Federal," says Mr. Edwards. Applicants must be certified as eligible by a committee of three individuals residing in the county where he lives, at least two of whom must be farmers.

Xmas Saving Checks Mailed This Week

Christmas savings club checks, totaling approximately twenty thousand dollars, were mailed out to club members by the Hertford Banking Company this week according to R. M. Riddick, president of the local financial institution.

This year's savings club was the largest in the history of the local bank. Mr. Riddick stated, both in members participating and in the amount of money paid out to members.

The sizable sum of money, it is expected, will be used to a great extent in purchasing items for Christmas, as is the usual custom of most of the club members.

The bank's 1947 club is now open for members to start savings for the next year. Already a number of persons have joined the club and bank officials expect more to do so during the next two weeks.

High School Paper Issued Last Friday

The first number of the re-established Per-Co-Hi Tattler, semi-monthly paper for the Perquimans County High School was issued to the students last Friday.

The school paper is excellently edited and gives a fine description of the activities at the school. The paper is written and edited by students under the supervision of E. C. Woodard, principal and Miss Esther Evans.

Christmas TB Seal Sales Opened This Week; Public Is Urged To Support Drive

Mrs. Laura Sutton Passes At Raleigh

Mrs. Laura Elizabeth Small Sutton, 58, of New Hope, died last Friday afternoon in a Raleigh hospital following a long illness.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at a funeral home in Elizabeth City by the Rev. Preston Cayton, pastor of the Berea Christian Church of which Mrs. Sutton was a member.

Surviving are her husband, Eddie Sutton, five sons, Joshua, Robert and Lawrence, all of Route 3, Sgt. Ernest Sutton, with the Marine Corps at Quantico, Va., and Virgie Sutton of Indianapolis, Ind., a half sister, Mrs. Sally Hurdle of New Hope; a half brother, Joe Raper of Covington, Ky., and seven grandchildren.

Final Rites Held Last Friday For William T. Brown

Former Representative Died at the Albemarle Hospital

Funeral services for William Thomas Brown, 68, former Perquimans County representative, who died in the Albemarle Hospital on Wednesday, November 29, were conducted at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock by the Rev. E. T. Jilson, pastor of the church.

Members of the Perquimans Lodge No. 106 A. F. & A. M. conducted a graveside ritual and were pall bearers.

Mr. Brown was the husband of Mrs. Mary Picard Brown and the son of the late William J. and Sarah Lewis Brown. He was a native of Bertie County, but lived in Hertford for the past 35 years.

He represented Perquimans County in the assembly in 1931, 1933 and 1935 and was sergeant at arms in the House in 1937 and 1939.

Besides his wife, he is survived by one son, Frank Picard Brown of Hertford; three sisters, Mrs. John Brinn of Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. W. J. Brinn of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. S. M. Tynch of Tyner; two brothers, James H. Brown and Frank Brown, both of Baltimore.

He was a member of the Perquimans Lodge 106 of the A. F. & A. M., and the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Pipelines, used during the war to ease the gas and oil shortage of the east coast, may be utilized during the current coal strike to supply natural gas to cities and industry, if a plan offered by the pipeline companies is adopted. The company officials claim they can supply fuel gas, all that is needed, within three weeks. Many industries and utility companies are switching to this type of fuel to avoid further delay and hold up by coal mine strikes. Meanwhile, in Washington John L. Lewis was ordered to report to court for trial on Wednesday. Lewis is charged with contempt of court for failure to comply with a restraining order forbidding his union from breaking its contract with the government.

President Truman got the jump on the new Republican Congress by ordering a special commission set up to purge the government of Communists and other subversive persons now on the Federal payroll. The commission will report to the President on February 1 what new legislation or other steps will be needed to complete the purge.

The War Department has asked the Interstate Commerce Commission to force railroads and bus companies to continue their policy of granting special furlough rates for service men. Unless the ICC acts this week, furloughed service men in the eastern states will have to pay full fare on buses and trains beginning next week.

MASONS WILL MEET TUESDAY

The regular meeting of Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will be held Tuesday night in the Court House. All Masons are invited to attend.

Sales Being Conducted By Mail and Through School Children

The annual sale of Christmas TB seals opened in Perquimans County Tuesday of this week when Mrs. C. A. Davenport, chairman of the sales drive, mailed out hundreds of the tiny seals to residents of the county who are expected to buy the seals to help promote the fight against tuberculosis. Each envelope containing the seals also carries a return envelope for individuals to mail back remittances to Mrs. Davenport.

The drive will continue until Christmas eve and persons desiring to purchase the seals, and who do not receive any through the mails may obtain them through school children, also aiding the sales, or by calling Mrs. Davenport.

Seventy-five per cent of the money raised through the sale of the seals is retained here in this county to aid in combatting TB. Almost 1,000 X-ray examinations have been made in Perquimans County during the past four years, and during this time 32 patients have been admitted to sanatorium. A glance at the record of the disease in this county shows that the fight must be continued and carried on to the utmost. The death rate in Perquimans from TB in 1941 was 61.2 per 100,000 persons, while in 1945 this rate had been reduced to 10.2. It needs to be cut further and the public can help by purchasing the tiny seals now being sold throughout the nation.

The sale of seals is the only way the fight against tuberculosis is financed and the public is urged to remember that when they buy seals, bonds or bargains they are helping to eradicate the disease from this county.

The sale of seals was begun in this country in 1907, after it had been started in Denmark, and each year the sales have grown until now the public uses this method to contribute to the fight against the disease. Have you bought your seals? Buy them today.

County Officials Take Office Oaths Monday, December 2

Perquimans County officials, elected at the general election in November, will take their oath of office and assume their duties on Monday, December 2.

The officials are Melvin G. Owens, sheriff; W. H. Pitt, clerk of court; E. Leigh Winslow, representative; Charles E. Johnson, recorder judge; Max Campbell, treasurer; Dr. C. A. Davenport, coroner; E. M. Perry, L. L. Winslow, T. R. Brinn, Charles E. White and George W. Jackson, county commissioners.

The only changes in the official family from the present are those of the sheriff's office, with Mr. Owens succeeding J. Emmett Winslow and E. Leigh Winslow succeeding W. W. White as representative. Neither Mr. Winslow nor Mr. White sought reelection.

The county commissioners will meet on Monday at two sessions, the board will wind up all old business as the last meeting of the present term then will meet again to reorganize as a new board. Following this the board will name appointive officials to be selected at this time.

Recorder's Court Has Short Docket

Six cases were heard in Perquimans Recorder's Court this week by Judge Charles E. Johnson.

James Cherry, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of reckless driving and received a fine of \$30 and costs of court.

Raymond Felton, Negro, was assessed the costs of court on a charge of being drunk and disorderly.

Willie Webb, Negro, was found not guilty on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

A non-suit was granted in the case charging James Pierce, Negro, with breaking and entering.

Joseph Felton, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of driving with insufficient brakes. He paid the costs of court.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Percy L. Winslow of Belvidere announce the birth of a son, Lot Winslow, born November 14, at the Medical Center in Elizabeth City. Mother and son are doing nicely.