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Perquimans Red Cross Chapter Held Special Budget Meeting Saturday P. M.

Marie Fowler Elected New Secretary; Plans For Annual Drive

A special meeting of the officers and directors of the Perquimans Chapter of the American Red Cross was held last Saturday night at the Court House with the Rev. B. C. Reavis, county chairman, presiding.

By-laws for the chapter were introduced and adopted by the members present, as was the budget for the chapter for this year. The budget adopted was without change over the past twelve months.

The officers voted to aid in the payment of a hospital bill for a county youth injured in a hit-and-run automobile accident, which occurred near Belvidere a short time ago.

Miss Marie Fowler was elected to serve as secretary for the chapter during 1947.

Miss Frances Maness was named as chairman for the annual roll call drive which is expected to get under way some time in March. Plans for the roll call were discussed but no definite action was taken for the time being pending plans and quotas to be assigned by the national headquarters.

Various committees named last year by the county chairman were selected to carry on the Red Cross work through 1947, and a report was drawn for inspection by a national officer expected to visit the Perquimans chapter in the near future.

Local Baseball Fans Form Athletic Club At Meeting Monday

Group to Sponsor Team In Albemarle League Next Summer

Baseball has become the chief topic of conversation for local sport fans now that the news is confirmed that the Norfolk Tars will come to Hertford for spring training, and a group of the fans met Monday night to form the Perquimans County Athletic Association.

A. W. Hefren was elected president of the association, W. H. Pitt treasurer, H. N. Nixon secretary and W. H. Oakley, Jr., J. W. Hampton, Edgar Morris and D. S. Darden directors to serve with the officers of the association.

The purpose of the association is to sponsor a baseball team in the Albemarle League during the coming season. Mr. Hefren was named as the Hertford director for any board set up by the league.

A large number of fans was present for the meeting held here Monday. However, it was pointed out following the organization that any person in Perquimans County may become a member of the group. No fees or dues are charged for membership, and the association hopes to enroll a large number of baseball fans who desire to see a strong team represent Hertford during the next season.

The group voted Monday night it will attempt to secure the services of a well known player to act as manager of the Hertford team during the coming summer.

Mr. Hefren was authorized to attend a meeting of the Albemarle League in Edenton on Tuesday, and to speak for the local organization on all matters pertaining to the organization of the league for the year.

Central PTA Meets Monday Night At 7:30

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Perquimans County Central Grammar School will meet Monday night, January 20, at 7:30 at the school building in Winfall.

The Whiteston community will have charge of the program, the subject of which will be "A Strong and Steady Foundation—Education." The young men's quartet of Belvidere will provide special music for the meeting. All members are urged to attend and the public is invited.

VFW TO MEET

A special meeting of the Perquimans Post of VFW will be held Monday night at 7:30 at the post room over Barber store. All members are urged to attend.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Long, Edenton Route 2, announce the birth of a daughter, born Tuesday, January 14, at Norfolk General Hospital. Mrs. Long before her marriage was Miss Ruby Keaton.

Hertford PTA Endorses Good Health Program

Members of the Hertford Grammar School PTA went on record at their meeting last Thursday night as favoring a thirty per cent increase in the pay for teachers. The local PTA passed a resolution endorsing such an increase for teachers and notified Senators Charles H. Jenkins and Lorimer Midgett of the action.

The PTA also passed a resolution endorsing the North Carolina Good Health Program. Mrs. Emmett Winslow, vice chairman of the program for Perquimans County, outlined to the members the purposes of the program.

The group voted a contribution of \$25 for the Perquimans High School Band.

Portion Of Town Lot To Be Converted For Children Play Space

Hertford Town Board voted Monday night to convert part of the town lot, located on Grubb street, for use of the children of the town as a play ground, it was announced Tuesday by Mayor V. N. Darden. Silas M. Whedbee appeared before the board requesting such action be taken to provide additional play ground space for the children. A portion of the lot will be fenced off for the use of the children on all week days excepting Saturdays. The lot is used on Saturdays as a parking space for motorists.

The board went on record favoring action be taken by the State Highway Commission to improve the Chowan River bridge in Chowan County. It passed a resolution calling upon the State Commission to take steps to remedy the bad condition the bridge is now in by constructing a new span across the river. Little work has been done on this bridge in the past several years, due to shortage of materials and labor, and it has fallen into a bad condition of repair. Built about 20 years ago the bridge is now considered to be too narrow for present day traffic and officials of neighboring counties desire that the bridge also be widened.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Republican harmony in Congress seemingly hit snags this week when indecision was apparent in the immediate steps to be taken regarding legislation on proposed tax levy. Some of the Republican groups stand for repeal of excise taxes and a 20 per cent reduction on all incomes, while other groups favor the President's proposal of keeping the excise taxes and lowering income taxes on a graduated scale. The Republican majority, it has been reported, has adopted a cautious plan toward labor legislation, and apparently will "go slow" in making any changes in present labor laws.

The Supreme Court this week took under advisement the case of John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers. The hearing was appealed from a U. S. District Court, which fined the miners' union three and a half million dollars and Lewis ten thousand dollars after Lewis had called a strike of the coal miners in violation of a court injunction. No decision by the Supreme Court is expected soon.

The State Legislature is slowly getting down to its work in Raleigh. Governor Cherry presented the administration budget this week, but the Assembly had devoted much of its time to the discussion and vote on an increase in salary for teachers and State employees. A House bill, calling for a 30 per cent increase in pay met a set-back, and this was a victory for the administration, when the Senate declined to act on the House measure. The administration is recommending a 20 per cent increase.

The United States granted Italy a \$100,000 loan in credits this week and took emergency action to send 50,000 tons of wheat to Italy to stave off famine and food riots. The credit loan was announced by the Import and Export Bank, while the wheat was allocated through the UNRRA. The credit was provided when the Import and Export Bank decided to aid Italy in restoring and expanding part of Italian industry.

Perquimans Squaws Defeat South Mills; Indians Lose To Boys

High School Teams to Play Manteo Tonight On Local Court

The girls basketball team of Perquimans High School had little difficulty in racking up its fifth victory in seven starts at the expense of the South Mills High School girls' team last Friday night. The game was played on Central court. The final score was 38-9.

Playing before a fairly large crowd of fans, the local girls opened slowly but gained a 7-3 advantage in the first period. They tallied nine more points in the second quarter to hold a 16-6 lead at half time. The South Mills sextet was unable to cope with the offensive drive of the Perquimans team and failed to score during the third period, while the Squaws racked up eight additional points for a total of 24 at the close of the third embo. Using a number of substitutes during the final quarter, the Squaws continued to roll in the points and collected 14 pointers in the final period while South Mills scored three. The final score was 38-9.

The Indians lost another close tilt in the second game of the evening when South Mills boys won by a 21-20 score. Perquimans gained a two-point advantage in the opening minute of play but South Mills soon ran its total to five and Perquimans was never able to win the lead again during the game. The first quarter ended with the teams tied 5-5 and South Mills led at half time 11-9. During the third period South Mills counted for five points while the Indians hit two fielders for four points. The Indians outscored the host team in the final quarter seven points to five, but were unable to overcome the South Mills lead. The score was tied at several points during the game but poor shooting on the part of the Indians accounted for the loss.

The Perquimans teams will resume play on their home court this week by meeting the Manteo High School boys and girls in a double header here tonight. The first game will start at 7:30 o'clock.

Wildlife Club Meets Saturday At 8 P. M. To Elect Officers

An important meeting of the Perquimans County Wildlife Club has been called by W. H. Oakley, Jr., president of the local club, for Saturday night at 8 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the court room in Hertford.

Mr. Oakley announced this meeting would be held for the purpose of electing officers for the year and considering several other important matters pertaining to the club's program will be discussed.

All members of the Perquimans Wildlife Club are urged to attend and sportsmen of the county who are not members are invited to be present.

Local Jeweler Member Albemarle Association

The Wright Jewelry Store of Hertford became a member of the Albemarle Jeweler's Association at a meeting of the group held in Elizabeth City on January 7. The meeting was a reorganization of the Elizabeth City Association which became the Albemarle Jeweler's Association when Wright's of Hertford and Campen's of Edenton were voted membership with the group.

Jerry Wright, owner of the local store, attended at the invitation of the association.

Frank Schig was elected president of the association, and welcomed the new members.

Membership in the association is made up of seven jewelry stores in the Albemarle.

Veterans Report To Local Draft Board

A list of World War II veterans who have reported recently to the Perquimans Draft Board filing their separation papers with the clerk, Mrs. Ruth Sumner, include Lloyd Lane, Levi Goodwin, Jr., John Riddick, Ralph Higgins, Milton Dail, Jr., Lloyd S. Lane, Ephraim Sawyer, Hallett Evans, Edward Hurdle, Jr., Clinton Winslow and James Rountree, white, and Luther Turner, Francis Overton, Floyd Norfleet, Madison Mebane, Henry White, Herbert N. White, Earl Zachary and James White, Negroes.

Part Of Denver Team To Join Norfolk Tars In Spring Training

Club Official Releases Dates For Training Period In Hertford

Following action taken at a meeting of the Board of Education last Friday, when it was voted to lease Memorial Field to the Norfolk Baseball Club for the purpose of that club to hold spring practice in Hertford. Definite plans for the club to train in Hertford was made by Norfolk club officials.

H. P. Dawson, business manager for the Tars, announced that part of the Denver, Colo., team would join the Tars here in Hertford, and part of the team would practice with the Binghamton team in Edenton. About forty players are expected to be in Hertford for the purpose of training with the two teams. Mr. Dawson announced in Norfolk this week that the Tars will come to Hertford about March 25 and remain here until April 20, when they will return to Norfolk to open a series of exhibition games prior to the opening of the Piedmont League.

The majority of the baseball players will be quartered at the Hotel Hertford, but, due to the fact that the club is bringing in part of the Denver team, additional space will be needed and some of the players will be quartered in private homes.

According to information available at this time, the Tars plan to exhibit games to be played in Memorial Field prior to their games in Norfolk. However, arrangements for some games here may be made after the team has arrived and training gets under way.

Memorial Field, where the Tars will train, according to Norfolk Tars officials, is an ideal field for spring training for any team. The field is large enough for any team to carry on a complete program with plenty of room for infielders and outfielders to practice at the same time.

The Norfolk club is a farm of the New York Yankees, and will be managed this year by Buddy Hassett, former first baseman for the Yankees. The Denver team and the Binghamton club are also farm organizations of the New York club.

Oakey Chosen As Temporary Prexy Albemarle League

W. H. Oakley, Jr., of Hertford was selected as temporary president of the Albemarle Baseball League, when between 75 and 100 interested fans gathered in Edenton Tuesday night for the purpose of drawing up regulations to govern the league for the coming season.

With applications from Suffolk and Plymouth, representatives who desire to enter teams in the league this year, it seems possible that eight teams may comprise the league this year.

Much time was taken up in this first meeting by the representatives in seeking by-laws that will minimize friction than was evident last year. Various proposals were presented for consideration regarding the playing field of each team, lights for night games, bonds put up by each team to guarantee full completion of schedules and observance of all league rules.

In addition to Mr. Oakley, other temporary officers chosen were Walter Holton of Edenton as vice president and Cadar Harris, Jr., of Elizabeth City as secretary. Towns or clubs represented at the meeting included Hertford, Edenton, Windsor, Colerain, Camden, Elizabeth City and Plymouth. Suffolk applied for entry by letter.

The Hertford delegation to the meeting was headed by A. W. Hefren, director, Edgar Morris, W. H. Oakley, J. W. Hampton and H. N. Nixon.

Local Stream Gets Supply Of Fish

A supply of small perch was placed in the Perquimans River last week by S. M. Whedbee, who received the fish from a U. S. Fishery, for replenishing the local stream. Whedbee was aided by Congressman Herbert C. Bonner in obtaining the fish for the county river.

He stated promise had been made for delivery of some bass to be placed in the river next spring.

W. M. S. TO MEET

The Womens Missionary Society of the Baptist church will meet Monday night, January 20th at seven thirty at the church. Mrs. I. A. Ward presiding.

TOWN AND COUNTY OFFICIALS ASSURED ROAD CONTRACT TO BE LET THIS MONTH

Final Warning

Hertford motorists who fail to purchase and display their 1947 town automobile license by February 1, face a penalty as a result of action taken by the Town Board at its meeting Monday night.

The board ordered that the February 1 date be the deadline for the purchase and display of the tag and all motorists tagged by local police for failure to comply with the law will be assessed an extra dollar for their town tags. The cost will be two dollars instead of the usual tax of one dollar if the license is not purchased and displayed before the deadline date.

Baptist Meet Here To Plan Activities For Sunday School

Baptists in the nine-county area of the Chowan Association are planning bigger things this year in Sunday School activities. At Hertford Baptist Church on the night of January 21, at 7:30, the sixty churches of this area will send Sunday School representatives to the big meeting planned to present and review the 1946 Sunday School program.

A roll call will be made of every Sunday School. Leaders will bring messages about the scope and opportunities that lie ahead in the greater Sunday School program. The Rev. W. V. Carroll, the associational superintendent, has set a goal of three hundred in attendance that night in Hertford. The Rev. C. W. Bazemore, the associational secretary of enlargement, stated this week that a study of enrollments and attendance show that every Sunday School in this area has definite possibilities of enlargement this year.

The Rev. W. W. Finlator of Elizabeth City, will make the main address of the evening, on the subject, "Advancing With Christ."

The entire South will hold such meetings as the one in Hertford, at this time, it being a Southwide Baptist crusade for bigger and better Sunday Schools. Teams of pastors and Sunday School workers will be named to visit every church in the early part of February to fully present the plans for the 1946 program.

Recorder's Court Hears Seven Cases

A light docket of seven cases was disposed of by Perquimans Recorder Court in session here Tuesday. Four of the defendants cited to court entered pleas of guilty and submitted. The other three cases were heard by the court.

Sherman Overton, Negro, was found guilty on two counts, assault and larceny. He was given a 30 day suspended sentence and fined \$15 and costs of court.

Tom Newby was fined \$5 and ordered to pay the court costs on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Elisha Overton, Negro, was taxed with the costs of court after pleading guilty to driving without a license.

A. W. Hoeller, Negro, was fined \$5 and ordered to pay the costs of court when found guilty of allowing stock to run at large.

Janie Mitchell, Negro, was taxed with the costs of court on a charge of assault.

George Chappell was ordered to pay the costs of court after pleading guilty to a charge of being drunk.

Australia Lightfoot, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of driving with improper lights and paid the costs of court.

Schoolmasters Club Met At South Mills

The Albemarle Schoolmasters Club held its January meeting last Monday night at South Mills, and went on record as favoring an increase in salaries for all school bus drivers. The bill before the Legislature calling for an increase in teachers and State employees salaries does not include those of bus drivers.

The Schoolmasters, after a delicious dinner, were addressed by Miss Lucy Holt, principal of the Oceana Grammar School.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hollowell of Ryland, North Carolina, are proud to announce the birth of a daughter, Gloria Ann, on December 30. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Commissioner Promises Action on Center Hill Road

A visit by town and county representatives to the office of the State Highway Commissioner in Ahoskie on Monday resulted in a promise for definite action on the letting of a contract for the completion of the Hertford-Center Hill highway, it was revealed here Tuesday by Mayor V. N. Darden. Mr. Darden, Charles E. Johnson, R. T. Brinn and Archie Lancelotti called on Merrill Evans, Highway Commissioner for this district, Tuesday and requested that the Highway Commission take steps to complete this project.

Mr. Evans promised the group that the project will be up for letting the latter part of this month, and in order to make the job attractive enough for contractors to bid on same, the work on the Center Hill road will be tied in with a contract in Chowan County and it was the belief of the commissioner that bids on this contract will be received.

The Highway Commission advertised for bids on the Center Hill project previously but failed to receive bids acceptable to the Commission, but it is believed by consolidating the Center Hill project with one in the adjoining county will result in an acceptable bid which will hasten the completion of a modern all weather highway between Hertford and Center Hill.

The failure of the Highway Commission to complete this roadway has halted certain improvements that the Town of Hertford plans to make on Grubb Street, in that portion of the town which was incorporated into the town limits recently. Until town officials know definitely the direction to be used by the Highway Department for the new road they are unable to make the planned improvements to the new addition.

Mayor Darden stated that he was advised by Mr. Evans that as soon as the contract had been let for the construction of the new road leading to Center Hill, employees of the department will come to this county for the purpose of staking out the new right of way in order that farmers, across whose land the new road will run, will be able to plant crops accordingly.

Social Security Representative To Be Here Every Month

The Social Security Administration through the Norfolk, Va., field office, which serves this area, announces monthly service in Hertford. R. E. Parsons, field representative, who is in the city this week, stated that the representative will be in Hertford on the second Wednesday of each month. Through the cooperation of C. E. White, superintendent of Perquimans County Board of Public Welfare, the representative will be at the welfare office in the Court House at 9:30 A. M.

Wage earners, 65 years of age, wives, widows and other heirs who qualify under the old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act may confer with the local representative or write to the Norfolk office, 520 Flatiron Building.

Mr. Parsons further pointed out that the provision for "freezing" one's benefits was not generally understood and urged all persons 65 years of age and who may qualify for benefits under the Social Security Act by reason of having worked in employment covered by the law to inquire as to their rights whether or not the person is still working.

Mr. Parsons also referred to the recent amendment to the Social Security Act affecting veterans of World War II. He stated that these provisions did not apply to the veteran himself but survivors of a veteran who died within three years of discharge may be entitled to benefits and suggested that such survivors inquire as to their status.

Winslow Named To Nine Committees

E. Leigh Winslow, Representative for Perquimans County, has been named a member of nine committees at the session of the Legislature now meeting in Raleigh. The appointments were made by Speaker of the House Pearsall.

The committees upon which Mr. Winslow will serve are Agriculture, Conservation, Drainage, Finance, Health, Roads, Rules, Commercial Fishing and Trustees of University.