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## Harvey Point Air Station Offered For Sale

### Norfolk Tars Play Binghamton In First Exhibition Sunday

### Moe Bauer Will Pitch For Wake Forest In Game Thursday

Baseball fans of the Albemarle will have the opportunity of witnessing their first exhibition game of the current season Sunday afternoon when Buddy Hassett and his Norfolk Tars tangle with the Binghamton Triplets on Memorial Field at 3 o'clock.

The Triplets are training in Edenton and are managed by Lefty Gomez, former pitcher for the New York Yankees.

The Tars opened their spring training Monday of this week when about 15 players reported to Hassett; later in the day some 15 additional players arrived and heavier drills were scheduled for Tuesday. About 35 players are on hand at the present time.

Plans are being made for a gala exhibition on Thursday, April 3, when the Tars will play Wake Forest College at Memorial Field. The day has been designated as Moe Bauer Day, as Bauer, who pitched for Hertford in the Albemarle league last season will be the starting hurler for the college outfit.

The Norfolk roster lists 15 pitching candidates, with quite a few boasting of experience in professional baseball. Only two catchers, DiGiorgio and Paul Hasle, Norfolk receiver in 1945, are scheduled to report for spring drills.

Players under orders to report to Manager Hassett are:

Pitchers—George Vondrahek, Roger Pontbriand, Robert George Newton, Robert Francis Pirelli, Gene Clarence Wainwright, Tom Gorman, George Worgul, James Gorman Thomas, Jr., Earl Lloyd Rexrode, Alfred Prior and Bob Porterfield.

Infielders—William (Chick) Leahy, Arthur Shultz, Eddie Cooper, Eugene Herbert, John Borch, Bobby Koraleski, Frank Match and Brownie Blazak.

Catchers—Dante DiGiorgio and Paul Hazle.

Outfielders—Malcolm Mick, Harry Ahlers and Roy Turner.

### THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Reports from Moscow indicate some progress is being made by the foreign ministers of the United States, Britain, France and Russia toward writing the peace for Germany. Russia indicated this week it favored a centralized government for the Reich, this point being advanced by the U. S. and Great Britain. However, France is reported desiring a weak central government in Germany. General George Marshall, Secretary of State, this week called for a program whereby the entire German population be made responsible for compliance of the treaty.

Unless last minute negotiations bring forth a settlement, the nation will face a crippling strike on April 7 when the telephone workers of the country will go on strike. The union has rejected proposals made by the Bell Telephone System to continue bargaining on a local scale. The telephone workers seek higher wages.

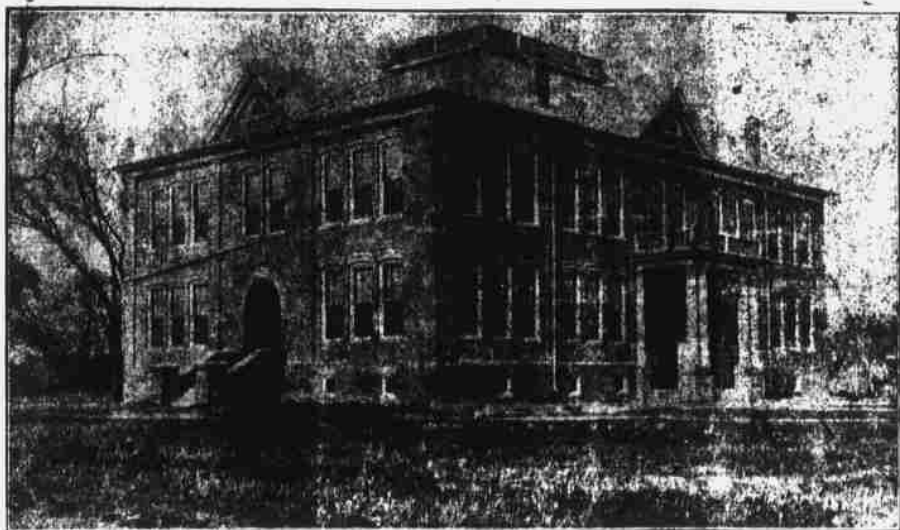
Spring weather gave way to a freak storm which lashed out over the mid west Monday, causing ten deaths and high property damage. The coast saw temperatures drop as the storm rolled toward the sea. Winds up to 60 and 65 miles per hour were reported in some areas of North Carolina.

An explosion in an Illinois coal mine trapped more than 100 miners Tuesday, with some of the miners reported trapped as far as four miles from the shaft. Sixteen were reported dead and several injured from the blast.

### Norman Concert Singers Here Tonight

The Norman Concert Singers of Elizabeth City will render a musical program in the Courthouse in Hertford tonight, beginning at 8 o'clock. Proceeds from the concert will be for the benefit of St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Church.

### Hertford Grammar School Before Renovations



Many former students of Hertford Grammar School will remember this picture as the old school building before its renovation several years ago. The cut was among those found recently by Henry Clay Sullivan and one of the series which has appeared in The Weekly.

### New Members

The Perquimans Weekly learned on good authority this week that Representative E. Leigh Winslow will present a bill to the General Assembly calling for an increase in the number of members of the Board of Education for Perquimans County. It was also reported that in the event the bill is ratified, Mr. Winslow will name the persons who will become members of the Board for their first term.

It was also understood that the new members, if authorized by the Legislature for appointment, will be women. The present Board is composed of five men.

### Morris And Graham Take Oath As Court Officers Of District

Governor Gregg Cherry on Monday appointed Chester Morris, of Currituck County, as resident judge of the First District to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge C. E. Thompson. At the same time he named John Graham of Edenton to the post as solicitor of the district, this office being vacated through the appointment of Mr. Morris.

Morris, who had served as solicitor since 1938, took the oath of office Tuesday and Graham is to take the oath of his office in Raleigh today.

The appointment of Mr. Morris to the bench came as no surprise as the popular young man from Currituck had the backing of the bar and democratic committees from every county in the District; however, the appointment of Graham as solicitor, while not entirely unexpected, did surprise many party followers due to the number of applicants seeking the office.

The Governor, it was reported, was determined to appoint a veteran to the office and when this fact became known last Friday John McMullan of Elizabeth City entered the field after his law partner Elton Aydtett had withdrawn his name from the list. This left three veterans seeking the office, besides Graham and McMullan, W. H. Oakley, Jr., of Hertford also sought the post.

Judge Morris, a native of Gates County, was admitted to the bar in 1926 and has practiced law in Currituck County since that time. Prior to his election as solicitor he served as county prosecutor for Currituck. Mr. Graham was born in Hillsboro, but has lived most of his life in Edenton. A veteran of World War II, he served in the Navy from 1942 to 1946. He represented Chowan County in the current session of the General Assembly.

### Demonstration Set For Next Tuesday

Miss Jean Burtis, a specialist of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington, D. C., will conduct a fish cookery demonstration next Tuesday afternoon, April 1, at 2:30 o'clock at the Agriculture Building in Hertford. It was announced today by Miss Frances Maness, County Home Agent.

Miss Burtis will also give a short talk on the subjects of "Types of Fish Products," the Care and Storage of the Products, and Marketing Forms for Fish Products." The public is cordially invited to attend the demonstration, which is expected to last about one hour and 15 minutes.

### Recorder's Court Has Heavy Docket After Week Recess

### Youth Placed on Probation For Theft of Merchandise

A total of 32 cases were listed on the docket of the Perquimans Recorder's Court which convened here Tuesday following a recess last week. Twenty-four of the cases were disposed of at this week's session and eight were continued until the next term of court.

James Lee Collins, Negro, youthful defendant in the case involving the theft of 11 pairs of pants from the Z. A. Harris warehouse, was found guilty on a charge of larceny. He was given a 30 day sentence, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$20 and costs of court. He was ordered placed on probation for a period of six months. Clifton Welch, Negro, who entered a plea of nolo contendere, to a charge of receiving stolen property, having purchased some of the pants from Collins was given a 60 day sentence, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$25 and costs.

Lillie Mae Thach, Negro, was found not guilty of using profanity in a public place.

Lucinda Jenkins, prosecuting witness in the case charging Rufus Enoch with assault, was taxed with the costs of the case.

James Harrell, Negro, plead guilty to being drunk on the streets of Hertford and paid the costs of court.

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

Crafton Russell and Lindsay Russell were found guilty of simple assault and each was given a 30-day sentence suspended upon payment of a fine of \$15 and costs.

Robert Sutton, Negro, was found not guilty of a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Dan Robertson was taxed with the costs of court and fined \$5 on a charge of being drunk.

James Blount, William B. Chappell, Ella Colson were taxed with the costs of court after entering pleas of guilty to charges of driving with insufficient brakes.

James Hunter, Negro, was taxed with the costs of court for driving with insufficient brakes.

Isaac Whedbee, Negro, was fined \$10 and costs of court after submitting to charges of driving without a license and with insufficient brakes.

The State took a nol pro in the case charging Willie Lee Rogers, Negro, with reckless driving.

Louis Holley, Negro, was fined \$30 and ordered to pay the costs of court on charges of reckless driving and driving without a license.

Robert Winslow, Negro, was assessed the court costs on a charge of driving without a license.

Junior James, Negro, paid a fine of \$10 and costs for driving without a license and with insufficient brakes.

Charlie Hudson, Negro, paid the costs of court on a charge of driving with insufficient brakes.

George Lee Simpson, Negro, failed to appear for a hearing on a charge of driving with insufficient brakes. He was ordered held on a \$50 bond.

James Hinton paid the costs of court on a charge of speeding.

Clyde Bunch was fined \$75 and ordered to pay the costs of court after submitting to a charge of driving drunk.

### Selective Service Act Expires Monday

### Local Draft Office to Remain Open For Indefinite Period

Barring last minute action by Congress, which is not expected, the Selective Service Act will expire at midnight next Monday, March 31, and with that expiration will pass the duties of local draft boards.

Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the Perquimans board, stated Monday the local board has been ordered to continue registering eighteen-year-olds through the final day of the act, but the board has stopped classification and were not sending out any more questionnaires. Definite orders regarding the future of the draft board office will await action of Congress this week. It has been announced by government officials the offices will remain open for an indefinite period, and that all records will be kept intact during this time. However, confidential portions of registrants files are now being destroyed, by order, in all draft offices.

Present members of the Perquimans draft board, whose duties will cease Monday, are J. R. Futrell, chairman, Thad C. Chappell and R. M. Riddick.

The Selective Service Act became law back in 1940 and more than three thousand draft boards sprang into being, registering, classifying and ordering men into the armed forces during the war. The members of the various boards served without pay during the entire period.

### Dates Announced For Eastern Regional BTU Convention

Definite dates for the annual Eastern Regional Training Union Convention have been released by the executive committee as Friday and Saturday, April 18 and April 19. The Aulander First Baptist Church will be host to the convention and all training union members, workers, officers, leaders and pastors will be interested in this announcement.

The Eastern Region is composed of some 120 churches of the Chowan and West Chowan Associations. It embraces the territory from the Virginia State line through Hyde County and from the Roanoke River to the Atlantic Ocean. Each church is requested to appoint official delegates and all training union members and all others interested in B.T.U. work are cordially invited to attend.

According to reports from the Regional Director, John Elliott of Edenton, a very interesting program of addresses, talks, conferences, demonstrations, plays, vocal and instrumental music is being arranged. The program will be divided into four sessions with a banquet at 5:45 Friday afternoon and the convention opens at 2:55 Friday afternoon and closes at 8:00 P. M. Saturday afternoon. All church directors and pastors are asked to begin now to make plans for the attendance of their groups.

From Trenton, N. J. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spencer of Trenton, N. J., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Towe. Mr. Spencer has returned home, but Mr. Spencer remained for a few days.

### Harmony Prevails At Baseball Meeting Held Monday Night

### Albemarle League By-Laws Adopted; Five Games Each Week

After holding a 25 minute caucus the directors of the Albemarle Baseball League restored complete harmony to the meeting held Monday night in the Courthouse. Prior to the meeting of the directors, which was held for the purpose of adopting a set of by-laws under which the league will operate, there were rumors that Colerain and Suffolk would withdraw from the league. During the private session the various directors ironed out the difficulties confronting the teams and an agreement, which was placed in the minutes for observation during the 1947 season only, was reached whereby Colerain would be given the township of Hesseville as a base and others of the other teams would be permitted to hire five non-resident players. The directors also agreed to play five games each week for a period of one month and then another meeting would determine whether or not the five game schedule could be continued.

An amendment to the above agreement was made whereby any player who participated in games last year became the property of the team he last played with prior to the championship games.

Opening the meeting Monday night, W. H. Oakley, Jr., president of the league, told the directors it was his opinion that the directors must cooperate in a more efficient manner for the good of baseball if the league was to become a permanent affair. He urged each director to form opinions for the good of the league rather than just the team he represented.

Each team was urged to hand the president the names of three men from each town to serve as base umpires during the season and Mr. Oakley appointed Dave Holton, Edenton, as chairman of the umpire committee.

Edgar Morris, Hertford, and Dave Holton, Edenton, were appointed to draw a schedule for the league games and to present this schedule at the next meeting of the directors to be held in Edenton on the night of April 28.

### Rotary Club To Give Fish Fry For Tars

Members of the Hertford Rotary Club will play host to the Norfolk Tars baseball team at a fish fry at Newbold's Beach next Wednesday afternoon, it was announced today by Dr. A. B. Bonner, president of the club.

Buddy Hassett, manager of the Tars, was a guest of the Rotarians at their meeting Tuesday night. Mr. Hassett told the members of the local civic club his organization appreciated the warm welcome it had received in this community and he was high in praise of Memorial Field as a training site. He stated that he had seen many ball parks in towns larger than Hertford that could not compare with the facilities offered here.

### Holy Week Services Holy Trinity Church

The following Holy Week Services will be held in Holy Trinity Church to all of which the public is welcome.

Tuesday, 10 A. M., Holy Communion.

Wednesday, 10 A. M., Holy Communion; 4 P. M. Church School Service; 8 P. M. Litany and Address.

Thursday, 8 P. M., Memorial Celebration of the Last Supper.

Good Friday, 2-3 P. M., Prayer and Meditation; 8 P. M., Evening Prayer.

Easter Day, 9 A. M., Holy Communion; 10 A. M. Church School; 11 A. M., Holy Eucharist and Sermon.

### Better Seed Program Aim Of County Agent

Many farmers of Perquimans County have joined in the better seed program being advocated by I. C. Yegal, County Agent, and are receiving seed through the County Agent's office, Mr. Yegal stated today.

To date 231 bushels of cotton seed, 84 bushels of hybrid corn seed and 24 bushels of sweet potato seed have been received and distributed through the local office.

### WAA Offers Property Declared As Surplus To Federal Agency

### Details Pertaining to Disposal Available at WAA Office

Notice of the availability of Harvey Point Naval Air Station and the possible coming sale of the base was announced Wednesday by the War Assets Administration Office in Charlotte. The terms pertaining to the disposal of the property are set out in a notice published elsewhere in this issue of The Weekly.

Harvey Point Auxiliary Air Station was constructed for the Navy Department in 1912 and 1913. It was commissioned on June 17, 1943, and placed under command of the District Commandant at Norfolk. The total cost of the base was estimated to be between three and four millions dollars. In addition to the 150 acres of land containing the station, there are 11 buildings on the base.

The Navy Department decommissioned the station in the fall of 1945 and it was then turned over to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, after other Service Departments turned down offers for its use. The RFC used it as a depot and storage site for surplus materials for a period of about one year. The property was then again declared surplus and placed under the authority of the War Assets Administration.

Recently a local corporation, Albemarle Industries, Inc., petitioned WAA for title to the property and attempted to obtain a priority of sufficient high rating to enable it to acquire the property at the time of its sale. The local corporation has had its officers in conference with WAA officials regarding final disposal but what if any definite decisions reached favorable toward the local concern remains unknown.

Persons desiring consideration in the steps being taken by the War Assets Administration must file forms with the Charlotte office of WAA within ten days of the notice published today.

### C. E. White Directing Easter Seal Sales

C. E. White, Perquimans County Superintendent of Welfare, is heading the local committee handling the Easter Seal sales which began last Monday and will continue through Easter. One half of the money raised through the sale of seals remains in this county to be used assisting crippled children to receive medical and other aids. Last year, according to Mr. White, \$35,315 was collected through the campaign, of which \$176,577 remained for use in Perquimans. Twenty two children received benefit from the fund amounting to \$245,577. Fortunately, a reserve fund of \$140,59 from previous years permitted the expenditures of last year.

In addition to benefits received through the Easter Seal campaign crippled children also are benefitted through services by members of the medical profession and the Perquimans County Health Department, much of this service being given free.

Other members of the Easter Seal campaign committee are Mrs. S. P. Jeasup, Mrs. R. L. Hollowell, Miss Mary Helene Newby, Miss Davey Jo Lumsden. The committee urges the public to give generously to this needed cause.

### Local Girl Entered In State Music Meet

Miss Ethel Frances Elliott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Elliott will enter the State High School Music Contest to be staged at Greensboro during the last week in April as a result of winning honors in the Music Festival recently held in Elizabeth City.

Miss Elliott won a rating of one during the recent contest which was the highest rating offered in the festival. She will be the only representative from Hertford in the State contest.

### Cotton Report Shows 896 Bales Ginned Here

A census report issued this week by Willie M. Harrell, special agent, shows that 896 bales of cotton were ginned in Perquimans County from the crop of 1946 prior to March 1, 1947, as compared to 1,576 bales for the crop of 1946.