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Public Tea Climax Of National Home Demonstration Week

Local Clubs Observing Event With Tour, Tea And Window Displays

Members of the Perquimans County Home Demonstration Clubs, under the direction of Miss Frances Maness, County Home Agent, have been observing National Home Demonstration Club Week and will climax the event with a public silver tea Friday afternoon, May 9, at the Agriculture Building in Hertford. The tea will be given by members of the County Council during the hours from three to five o'clock.

A large number of members enjoyed a tour to the various gardens in the Norfolk area on May 1 as part of the observance. The tour was held earlier than the National Home Demonstration Week due to circumstances necessitating.

Another part of the program being carried out here is displays exhibited in the windows of Bagley's, Blanchard's and the Paragon Beauty Salon. The display at Bagley's shows a model farmstead complete with home, garage and other outbuildings. The display in the Blanchard's window is of clothing articles made by members of the local clubs from feed bags. Two exhibits are on display at the Paragon, a window showing books and magazines in homes and the other showing the care of the sick in the home.

National Home Demonstration Week is being observed throughout the nation this week, May 4 to 10, and the local club members have shown much interest in the program arranged here by Miss Maness.

Seventeen Scouts At First Meeting Of Troop Monday

Seventeen boys reported to Scoutmaster Paul Fisher at the first meeting of the Hertford Boy Scout Troop 755, held Monday night in the Court House. This was the first meeting of the troop since plans were made several weeks ago for the reorganization of the local troop. The boys reporting and expressing a desire to renew their membership were Bill White, Ben Thatch, Laurence Sutton, Garland Walker, Arthur Woods, Tommy Sumner, Carroll Berry, Johnny Cox, Jay Duling, Julian White, Corbin Dozier, John Holmes, Tommy Jones, Pete Mathews, George Lapaine, Jack Roberson and Hudson Fisher.

Sgt. Paul R. Fisher of the local Army U. S. Recruiting Station, who is Scoutmaster, conducted the meeting, with the aid of F. A. McGoogan, assistant Scoutmaster. Charles Vann, a member of the troop committee, and Bill Warren also attended as did a large number of parents of the boys joining the troop. It is the hope of the Scout leaders to have all the boys signed up and a charter granted the troop within a short time, and then plans will be made for a busy summer.

The Scout leaders wish to remind all the parents that the success of the group will depend largely upon their support and interest.

Meetings will be held regularly on Monday nights at 7:30 at the Court House, and any boy between 12 and 16 will be welcome to join.

Special Service At Piney Woods Sunday

Mrs. Gladys Walser of New York City, a returned missionary from Japan and an official of the W.I.L. staff, will be present at Piney Woods Friends Church with a message at the 11 o'clock services next Sunday.

Mrs. Walser attended the International Congress of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom at Luxembourg in 1946 and, according to reports, is well informed on conditions in Europe. She comes to the Piney Woods Friends Church recommended as an excellent speaker.

Mrs. Charlotte Adams, leader of the W.I.L. group at Chapel Hill, N. C., will also be present and assist in the service. A cordial invitation is extended the public to hear these speakers.

EASTERN STAR TO MEET
The Perquimans Chapter of the Eastern Star will meet at the lodge rooms on Monday night, May 12, at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

Major Loomis Makes Offer Toward Gym

A liberal gift toward the completion of a gymnasium for Perquimans County High School has been offered the Board of Education by Major Loomis Lumber Company, it was learned here Wednesday.

The offer to furnish free of charge all hardwood flooring needed for the building was made to the Board by A. W. Heffren, president of the local lumber company, at a meeting of the School Committee, at which time the much needed gym was discussed by the committee. The offer was estimated to amount to about \$1,800 worth of flooring.

The need for a modern and regulation size gymnasium, the School Committee was told, is great and should be constructed in order that proper physical education classes can be started at the High School. In addition to the physical education classes, the building would also be used for the holding of indoor athletic contests such as basketball.

Overseas Relief Drive Ends Sunday

The drive for overseas relief in Perquimans County ends on Mother's Day, it was announced today by C. Edgar White, local chairman.

Residents of Hertford will have an opportunity Saturday, May 10, to give their items to a group of young men, who will make a house to house canvass. Those residing in the county were urged to turn their articles over to their respective churches and those assisting in the collection. In addition to those previously named, for collecting items for overseas relief, C. Edgar White stated the following have volunteered to aid in the drive: Mrs. Edna White, Piney Woods; Mrs. Edna Howell, Cedar Grove; Mrs. Edna Harrell, Woodland; Mrs. Joe White, Berea; Miss Myrtle Whidbee, Berea; Mrs. Willie Lane, Bethel; Mrs. Noah Felton, Anderson; T. W. Nixon, Assembly of God. Collectors are requested to turn in all items on Monday, May 12 at Z. A. Harris' store in Hertford.

Speaking of the drive, Mr. White said, "It is again urged that the citizens of this county give generously for this desperately needed cause. Items collected will be immediately shipped to Church World Service, New Windsor, Maryland, from where goods will be shipped overseas with economy and efficiency. Shipping to 28 nations and from within six to eight weeks after your gifts reach New Windsor, they are distributed to the neediest by the churches overseas. Much depends upon the public for helping in every possible way the millions of human beings in dire circumstances. The need is greatly known, especially by veterans who saw first hand the conditions under which many people in these foreign lands are living. They can tell you of the plight of these people. You can help by making a donation of old clothing, shoes and bedding."

He also added that shoe repair shops, department stores and cleaners will be contacted on Saturday for any and all donations from these sources.

Charles Vann New President Of Lions

Charles R. Vann was elected president of the Hertford Lions Club at a meeting of the club last Friday night. Vann will assume his new office on July 1. Other officers elected were Bill Cox, first vice president, Clarence Phillips, second vice president, Clinton Eley, third vice president, Norman N. Trueblood, secretary and treasurer. New directors, selected at this election were Jarvis Ward and G. C. Buck.

Plans were completed by the Lions for the holding of their annual Ladies' party, which will be held on Friday night, May 16, at the Hertford Methodist Church. Edmund Harding of Washington, well known after dinner speaker, has been secured as the guest speaker for the occasion.

Recorder's Court In Recess Tuesday

All cases listed on the calendar of the Perquimans Recorder's Court for hearing on Tuesday were continued until the next term of Court, May 13. The local court was in recess this week due to the courtroom being used for the holding of the election for the Town of Hertford.

Clerk of Court W. H. Pitt reported only four cases listed for hearing this week, and these will be heard next Tuesday.

Indians Defeated Chowan In Fourth Baseball Victory

Creswell Nine to Play Indians on Memorial Field Tonight at 8

The Perquimans Indians chalked up their fourth straight baseball victory out of five games at the expense of Chowan High School Tuesday night on Memorial Field. The final score was 8-0. The victory was sweet revenge for the Indians, who suffered their only loss of the season to Chowan.

Earl Rogerson, left-handed twirler for the Indians, went the entire seven innings, allowing only two hits and striking out 12 Chowan batters.

The game was a tight affair, with the score standing 1-0 through the first three innings. Perquimans tallied another run in the fourth, then collected two in the fifth. Rogerson found himself in trouble in the sixth inning when he walked two men and filled the bases. The locals tightened their defense and Chowan failed to score.

The big inning for the Indians came in the sixth when two errors and four hits accounted for four Indian runs.

Coach Max Campbell used fourteen players in the Indians line-up, while Chowan played the game with eleven. Elmore and Symons did the receiving for Perquimans. Toppin and J. Leary were the battery for Chowan.

The Indians will continue their schedule for home games here Friday night when Creswell comes to Memorial Field to furnish opposition for the Perquimans team. The game is scheduled to start at eight o'clock. The Indians defeated Creswell in a game earlier this season.

Perquimans ran up some kind of a record last Friday night when they turned back the Sunbury High School nine by a 33-3 score. Collecting 12 runs in the first inning, the Indians continued to hit the opposing pitcher at will and tallied seven runs in the second, five in the third, six in the fourth, one in the fifth and two in the sixth inning.

The remainder of the schedule for the Indians follows: Weeksville here next Tuesday; South Mills here, May 16, and Edenton here on May 20. The Indians close their season with the Edenton game.

Girl Scout Troop To Hold Bridge Party

The Hertford Girl Scouts, with the help of their Troop Committee, are planning a benefit bridge party to be given at the home of Mrs. T. P. Brinn on Saturday night, May 10, at eight o'clock. Prizes have been donated by Hertford merchants and refreshments will be provided by the Girl Scout mothers. The public is cordially invited.

Proceeds from the party will be used to improve the Girl Scout room and to purchase much needed handicraft materials.

The Girl Scouts have now completed their formal registration requirements. There are three patrols of intermediate Scouts with 16 girls in each patrol. There is also a Brownie patrol led by Mrs. Frank Coover, with Mrs. Hutchinson as assistant leader. The Girl Scouts are sponsored by the Hertford Grammar School PTA, with a troop committee consisting of Mrs. Tom Perry, Mrs. T. P. Brinn, Mrs. Joe Towle, Mrs. Fred Morrill, Mrs. I. C. Yagel, Mrs. R. S. Mondas and Mrs. Charles Williford. The leaders of the intermediate troop are Mrs. T. P. Brinn with Miss Nancy Darden, Mrs. Fred Morrill and Miss Mary Pascoe White as assistants. The Girl Scout headquarters are in two adjoining rooms located in the Gregory Building on Church Street. The troop meeting is held on the first Monday of each month, with separate patrols meeting weekly on Monday, Tuesday and Friday.

Twenty-two Girl Scouts went on a hike last Saturday, leaving the scout rooms at 10 A. M. They hiked across Walter's bridge and to the river shore beach of Newbold's farm. After a picnic dinner they enjoyed wading and collecting flowers.

Severe Hail Storm Hits Town Monday

A severe hail storm struck Hertford and vicinity Monday at about 12:30 and reports indicate some damage was done to nearby small crops. The hail was preceded and accompanied by a heavy rain storm. The hail stones, the largest of which were about the size of marbles, covered the ground in many places.

County Board Plans Sale Of Property On New Part Route 17

Hear Petition For Improvement Of Goodwin Mill Road

Plans were completed by members of the Board of County Commissioners, at a meeting Monday to advertise and sell a portion of the county property on that new portion of Route 17 running from the causeway to the County Farm. The property to be sold has been staked off and a plat of the lots made is now being drawn. As soon as this plat of the property is completed the land will be offered for sale.

The Board voted to advertise and sell the timber now growing on this property, and the timber is to be removed by the purchaser within sixty days after the sale.

The Board of Commissioners will reserve the right to reject any and all bids made on both the timber and the lots. The lots to be sold have been marked off with 50 feet frontage for each.

A delegation of Negroes from various parts of the county requested the Board to appropriate a sufficient amount of money to provide the employment of a Negro County Home Agent for Perquimans. The delegation stated it had investigated into the matter and expressed a desire for such a leader for the Negro home-makers. The Board took the proposal under advisement.

A petition signed by 66 residents of the road, was handed the Board requesting the State Highway Commission to make improvement to the Goodwin Mill Road, beginning at Nixon's corner and running to the intersection of the Belvidere highway. The Board authorized J. W. Ward to write the State Highway Commission concerning the improvement and to forward the petition to the Commission.

No further word has been released by the Highway Commission regarding construction work on the Center Hill-Hertford Highway, which had been promised as soon as warm weather permitted construction to be started. This stretch of highway, left unfinished several years ago, has deteriorated considerably and is badly in need of repair.

Survey Conducted On Rent Decontrol

The Perquimans Weekly learned this week that rent control may be lifted in Perquimans County within the next few days.

A survey was made here this week for the purpose of determining whether or not further control of rents was needed in this area. The census of the survey seemed to indicate that control was no longer necessary, and inasmuch as the government agency now handling rent control is attempting to effect a saving in this department, the possibility looms that decontrol may be ordered for this county.

C. R. Holmes of Hertford is the area rent control officer, having been appointed to the position three years ago. Control of rents was ordered for this area in 1942 when the community became overcrowded due to the influx of service personnel stationed at Harvey Point. During the time control has been in effect here, Mr. Holmes stated only a few cases of violations have been reported and these were handled in a satisfactory manner.

Health Department Names Clinic Dates

The Perquimans County Health Department today released the dates and locations for the holding of pre-school clinics during the month of May. The schedule will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Parents are requested to bring their children to the clinics on dates listed. Pre-school children of the smaller rural colored school districts may come to either the Perquimans Training School Clinic or the one at Hertford Colored School.

G. C. Buck Appointed Rabies Inspector

G. C. Buck, agricultural teacher at Perquimans High School, was reappointed as rabies inspector for Perquimans County by the Board of County Commissioners at a meeting held Monday.

MUSIC RECITAL FRIDAY
The music class of Miss Kate Blanchard will present a recital Friday night, May 9, at the home of Mrs. Joe Towle on Church Street.

Balloting Light In Town Election

Little interest was shown in the general election for officers of the Town of Hertford, held Tuesday, and only a few more than 150 votes were cast during the election.

Mayor V. N. Darden was re-elected to office, as were the commissioners nominated at the primary election held last Monday.

Mayor Darden received a total of 147 votes, while the balloting for the Commissioners was as follows: Henry C. Sullivan, 149; W. H. Hardcastle, 147; M. J. Gregory, 146 and E. C. Berry, 145.

The officials selected in the election Tuesday will assume their offices July 1 for a term of four years.

PCHS Commercial Class Wins Honors

The bookkeeping class of Perquimans County High School has been awarded honorable mention in a nationwide bookkeeping contest conducted by the Business Education World Magazine, Miss Annie Eliza Garris, instructor of the class, was notified last week by the publishers, the Group Publishing Company of New York City. An impressive Superior Achievement Certificate, issued by the Business Education World, will be added to the trophy collection of the school.

Miss Garris' students competed with 12,500 students through the United States, Canada, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. The award was made on the basis of the percentage of the class membership that took part, as well as on consistent excellence of the solutions submitted. The award attests, contest authorities stated, that the work of the entire class was of superior quality.

Miss Faye Winslow, a senior, has been awarded a savings stamp prize for her entry in the Tenth Annual Bookkeeping Contest of the Business Education World, business teachers' magazine published in New York City.

Twenty students submitted entries to the contest. As their papers met the prescribed standards, the following fifteen boys and girls have received two-color pocket size International Contest Certificates: Louise Banks, Loraine Britton, Lois Chappell, Mary Inez Chappell, Novella Chappell, Mather Hurdle, Catherine Jordan, Dotmegan Lane, Anna Mae Perry, Mildred Pike, Mary Lina Raper, Eula Virginia White, Kader White, Cecil Winslow and Faye Winslow.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

The telephone union, in a drastic change of policy Tuesday, abandoned its stand on bargaining the phone strike on a national basis and returned final action back to local unions to settle the dispute. Reports indicate the telephone strike, now a month old, may be settled shortly. Many workers have returned to work in many localities, thus hindering the union's stand on the strike.

Reports from Washington state that Congress will attempt to adjourn for the summer months by July 31. Important bills affecting income taxes, labor laws and aid to Greece and Turkey must be passed upon before this adjournment. The Greek-Turkish aid program bill passed over its first big jump in the House this week, and is likely this bill will be authorized by Congress.

France ousted its Communist cabinet members this week after 186 Communist members of the House of Deputies had voted against Premier Paul Ramadier in a vote of confidence. Recent polls show a slackening of Communist trends in France as well as other western European nations.

Rev. Stott Speaker At Rotary Meeting

The Rev. J. T. Stott, pastor of the Winfall Methodist Church, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Hertford Rotary Club on Tuesday night. Mr. Stott, who spent ten years in Japan doing missionary work, spoke on the life of Japanese. He briefly compared the vocations and manner of living with various members of the Rotary Club, whose position corresponds with the Japanese he described.

C. Edgar White was installed as a new member of the club.

Ill At Home
Mrs. Dan Reed has been confined to her home because of illness.

Triple A Committee Releases Report On Farmers' Benefits

More Than \$36,000 Paid Out For Agriculture In 1946 Program

A report released here this week by the Perquimans County AAA Committee revealed that a total of \$36,079.63 was paid out to local farmers as payment for participation in the 1946 AAA program. The report was made to the Board of County Commissioners at its meeting Monday.

According to the report, which omitted any reference to the permanent improvement to the farm lands of the county and which is the primary purpose of the program, out of the 946 farms in the county, 649 participated in the program last year. 126 of these farms received conservation materials in lieu of cash payment. Of the remaining 523 farms, 518 made application for carrying out certain soil-building practices listed in the Perquimans County Hand Book, and checks aggregating the amount of \$20,877.13 have been mailed to the producers. Six remaining applications to be submitted will amount to \$81.30.

Conservation materials furnished farmers for carrying out soil-building practices were listed as follows: AAA lime, 2,800 tons, \$10,640; superphosphates, 145 1/2 tons, \$2,329.20; Austrian winter peas, 9,000 pounds, \$450; crimson clover, 6,300 pounds, \$945; rye grass, 6,900 pounds, \$552. The total amount for these materials was \$14,916.20.

A total of \$622.56 was paid out in cash payments to farmers participating under the dairy feed program and a total of \$322.44 was paid to farmers under the sheep and lamb program.

The report was submitted to the County Commissioners by Miss Mae Wood Winslow of the County Committee and W. E. White, secretary of the AAA Committee.

Considerable interest has been reported on the part of the farmers of the county in the program for this year.

Major Oakey Named Recruiting Officer For Marine Reserves

Major W. H. Oakey, Jr., has been named as recruiting officer for the Marine Corps Volunteer Reserve for the Albemarle District, according to an announcement received here late last week.

In explaining his reserve post, Major Oakey said it represented an effort on the part of the Marine Corps to provide reserve recruiting facilities for honorably discharged Marines in areas not served by regular Marine recruiting establishments.

"All honorably discharged Marines are eligible to join the volunteer reserve (Class HI-B)," Major Oakey pointed out, in urging former Marines in this area to affiliate themselves with the organization, and so maintain their former rank and status in the Corps.

He further explained that the Volunteer Reserves did not entail active duty but constituted a reserve force for the Marine Corps which could be summoned to active duty in the event of war or national emergency. The goal of the Volunteer Reserves is 25,000 officers and 100,000 enlisted men.

Former Marines should get in contact with Major Oakey at Hertford for complete and detailed information concerning the Marine Corps Reserve.

Legion Post Changes Night Of Meetings

The William Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion voted at its last meeting to change the dates of its meetings from the first Friday night of each month to the first Thursday night. Members are urged to bear in mind this change made in the nights for meetings and to attend on schedule.

The Post also voted to present the State Utilities Commission with a protest concerning the Norfolk Southern proposal to discontinue passenger service over its lines. The protest has been forwarded to the proper officials.

STUDENTS TO PRESENT RECITAL

The piano students of Mrs. R. E. White will present a musical playlet entitled "Please Stand By" on Thursday evening, May 15, at 8 o'clock at the Perquimans County Central Grammar School, Winfall. The public is invited to attend.