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THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Seven men, residents of the Rich Square community of Northampton County, face kidnap charges in Northampton Superior Court as the result of an attempted lynch party staged in Jackson last Friday morning. The charges grew out of a confession made by one of the men. The attempted lynching took place after a young Negro had been placed in jail, charged with an attempted assault with intent to commit rape upon a young married white woman of Rich Square. The abductors forced the Northampton jailer to release the prisoner to them and upon leaving the jail the prisoner broke and ran from the trio leading him from the jail to waiting automobiles. The Negro hid in the woods near Jackson for two days and sent word through his father he would give himself up to authorities if promised protection. When taken into custody the second time the Negro was taken to State Prison in Raleigh for safe keeping, to await a hearing on the charge of attempted rape.

Forty-nine Nazi operators of a death mill at the Mauthausen concentration camp were hanged at Landsberg, Germany, this week, following their conviction of being war criminals. The executions were handled by members of the United States occupational forces. The Nazis were charged with murdering prisoners of the camp, using barbaric methods such as crushing bodies in cement mixers, throwing them to hungry dogs, thrusting red hot poker down throats and burying alive.

Democratic members of the Senate this week failed in an effort to delay the Republican vote on slashing income taxes. The Senate voted on a measure calling for reduction of taxes, but it is indicated that the reduction will be effective July 1 and will not revert back to January 1. Tuesday the Senate voted down an amendment which would grant the filing of separate returns for men and their wives from all States. This policy is followed in States having community property laws.

Russia, in a sweeping order of the day, this week abolished capital punishment. Henceforth persons convicted of capital crimes in Russia will face a 25-year hard labor sentence. Russian officials stated the abolition was made possible through Russia's growing power and the patriotism of its people.

Hog Support Price Schedule Revised

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that the revised hog support price for the final six months of the 1946-47 marketing year—the April-September, 1947, period—will average \$1.35 per hundred pounds higher than the schedule announced last October. Weekly prices, which will continue seasonal variations—are based on an annual average support price of \$15.00 per hundred pounds, Chicago basis, as compared with the average of \$14.25 in effect from October, 1946, through March, 1947. The revision results from the recent sharp increase in parity. It is also in accordance with the recently approved policy that the hog support price be established at 90 per cent of parity—as required by law—at the beginning of the two marketing seasons, spring and fall, during the marketing year. Under this policy, the support price for the first six months of the marketing year, the October-March marketing season, is based on the September parity price of hogs. The support price for the April-September season is based on the March parity price. Most of the spring pig crop is marketed during the October-March season, while the bulk of the fall pigs are marketed during the April-September season. The parity price of hogs for September, 1946, when the October, 1946-March, 1947 season began, was \$14.50 per hundred pounds, but the support price for that period allowed for a parity price of \$15.10. The high level of the support price during the October, 1946-March, 1947 season was \$15.00, Chicago basis, the first week in October, while the low level was \$12.75 during December, 1946. For the four weeks ended March 19, the Chicago support price was \$14.50. Officials pointed out that in view of the continuing strong demand for meat, it is unlikely that the Government will have to take any price support action on hogs during the current year.

Albemarle League Ready For Opening Of Second Baseball Season On June 2nd

Hertford Opens With Edenton Playing on Local Field June 3

All is in readiness for the opening game in the Albemarle Baseball League, which gets under way Sunday when Elizabeth City and Suffolk tangle in a game at Suffolk. The other four teams in the league, Hertford, Edenton, Windsor and Colerain, will see action on Monday, June 2.

The first game for the Hertford team will be played in Edenton, with the Colonials returning the game in Hertford on Tuesday night, June 3. Directors of the league met in Hertford Monday night for the purpose of ironing out last minute problems, selecting local base umpires and submitting a list of names of players on each team in the league.

In opening the meeting, W. H. Oakley, Jr., president, urged the directors to keep each team playing for the sport of the game, to avoid unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of fans and players and to keep the various teams in a financial even keel. He urged the teams not to enter into a financial race with other teams in an attempt to out-bid each other for players, thus making it impossible financially to keep the league in operation. He also recommended to the directors that they inform the umpires of each game to keep the games moving fast and give the fans the highest type of game with a minimum of bickering.

The president also assessed each team in the league a sum of \$40, payable each week, for meeting of expenses of the league. This sum will be used to pay the umpires, league scorer and miscellaneous expense of the president's office.

A review of the by-laws revealed that a team may make changes in its players during the first three weeks of play, and thus use more than five hired players. However, after the 21st day of play each team must keep its roster unless a player is released outright and in that event a new player may be secured for replacement.

The directors of the league took no action on a proposal that the Albemarle League become associated with the National Baseball Congress.

The Hertford Indians, practicing almost daily this week, in preparation for the league opening, defeated Windsor in a game at Windsor Sunday by a score of 17-8. The local team released Tommy Reeves, who expects to play with Elizabeth City this season, but was bolstered by the return of Claude Brinn and five hired players of the local squad are expected to arrive here this week.

Services Held For Durwood G. Mathews

Funeral services were conducted for Durwood G. Mathews Monday afternoon at the Lynch Funeral Home at 3:30 by the Rev. J. D. Stott, pastor of Perquimans Church.

Mr. Mathews was a native of Perquimans County but had recently been living in Baltimore. He was a veteran of the Navy and at the time of his death he was with the Merchant Marine in St. John's, Canada. During the service the Methodist Choir sang "Abide With Me" and "When They Ring the Golden Bells" and Mrs. Eddie Harrell and Jack Benton sang "Under His Wing." They were all accompanied at the organ by Miss Kate Blanchard.

Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were James Seymour, Floyd Mathews, Ralph Harrell, James Harrell, Ashley Jordan and Kermit Benton.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. W. M. Mathews; two sisters, Mrs. Will Hoffer, Jr., of Hertford, Mrs. Russell Baker of Whiteston; three half sisters, Mrs. Maude Godwin of Hertford and Mrs. Lillian Jordan of Norfolk; and Mrs. Ulric Caddy of Hertford; four half brothers, Graham Mathews of Baltimore, Howard Mathews of Burgess, Henry and Jake of Hertford, and a number of nieces and nephews.

American Legion To Elect Officers

The Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion will meet next Thursday night, June 5, at 7:30 o'clock at the Agriculture Building in Hertford. The post will elect new officers for the year and will select delegates to attend the State Convention of the American Legion to be held at Carolina Beach during the month.

Members are urged to note the change of meeting night from Friday to Thursday and a full attendance is requested.

Quarterly Meeting At Piney Woods Church

Quarterly meeting will be held at Piney Woods Friends Church Saturday and Sunday. Services will be at 11 a. m. Cuthbert Wigham, a Friend from England, traveling in America at this time, will be present. John C. Trivette, a former pastor and his wife and two daughters will also be present. They will give special messages in song. A meeting will be held Sunday night and religious pictures will be shown. The public is cordially invited to attend the services.

Belvidere Resident Died Sunday A. M.

Jack Henry Layden, 74, retired farmer of near Belvidere, died suddenly at his home Sunday at 11 A. M.

Layden was a son of the late Joseph and Mary Jordan Layden and husband of Mrs. Cornelia Terry Layden.

He is survived by two sons, Herman Layden, of Tyner, and Wallace Layden of Belvidere; three daughters, Mrs. Julian Mathews, of Belvidere and Mrs. Jackson Stafford, of near Elizabeth City, and Mrs. Everett Babb, of Whiteville; four brothers, T. P., Herbert and J. R. Layden, of Hertford, and Alfonso Layden, of Baltimore; two sisters, Mrs. Ella White of Belvidere and Mrs. Sally Copeland of Portsmouth and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home by the Rev. Harry F. Bean, pastor of Sawyers Creek Baptist Church.

Burial was in the family cemetery.

Central PTA Held Final Meeting May 19

The Parent-Teachers Association of Central Grammar School held its last meeting of the present school year on Monday night May 19, with Mrs. B. F. Bray presiding.

The meeting opened with the group singing Home Sweet Home. The Cumberland and Bagley Swamp communities had charge of the program, the topic being Home and Family Life. Rev. Oscar Williams of Elizabeth City gave the devotional. A solo was rendered by Miss Mozelle Smith, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Elwood White. Mrs. E. U. Morgan gave an interesting talk on Home and Family Life. Minutes of the previous meeting and a treasurer's report were given by Mrs. E. S. White. A report on the lunch room was given by W. A. Gurganus and Mrs. Byran, district director gave a short talk on PTA.

Officers of the PTA for next year were then installed. The third grade, taught by Miss Johnnie White won the attendance award.

WILLIFORD-WHITE

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland L. White of Belvidere announce the marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Atlessa, to Harry Richard Williford, of Wilson, N. C., son of Mrs. Charles V. Williford and the late Mr. Williford of Hertford, on Saturday, April 19.

Perquimans Ranks 85th Among Nation's Peanut Producers

Eleven North Carolina counties are among the 100 leading peanut-growing counties in the United States, according to figures from the 1945 Census of Agriculture issued by J. C. Capt, Director, Bureau of Census, Department of Commerce.

According to this report Perquimans County ranks tenth among the State counties and 85th among all the counties of the nation. The 11 leading North Carolina counties reported 240,896 acres in peanuts harvested for nuts in 1944. This was 88 percent of the 272,326 North Carolina acres in peanuts harvested for nuts and eight percent of the Nation's 2,957,943 acres in this crop.

The eleven leading North Carolina peanut counties and their 1944 acreage of peanuts harvested are shown with their national rank and then the 1944 acreage of peanuts harvested:

County	National Ranking	1944 Acreage of Peanuts Harvested For Nuts
Northampton	17	39,654
Bertie	19	36,865
Halifax	20	36,249
Edgecombe	37	25,089
Martin	39	24,392
Hertford	41	22,430
Pitt	61	14,356
Chowan	78	11,617
Gates	79	11,290
Perquimans	85	10,059
Bladen	89	8,895

Rotary Club To Hold Ladies' Night June 17

Final plans for holding the Hertford Rotary Club's annual ladies' night party were made at a meeting of the club held at Newbold's Beach Wednesday evening.

The annual party will be held Tuesday night, June 17.

The club held an outing this week at Newbold's in place of the regular Tuesday night meeting at the Hotel Hertford, and enjoyed a fried chicken supper.

Dr. C. A. Davenport and A. W. Hefren, program chairmen for the ladies' night event, reported the program almost complete with Wade Marr of Elizabeth City scheduled as the guest speaker for the occasion.

R. S. Monds, Jr., chairman of the favors-for-the-ladies committee, reported that the favors had arrived and were ready for presentation.

POST OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAY, MAY 30

S. M. Whedbee, Hertford postmaster, announced Wednesday the local post office will be closed all day Friday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day. Mail will be received and dispatched, but no service offered at the post office windows nor deliveries will be made.

The Hertford Banking Company also observes the holiday and will close all day Friday, reopening for business Saturday morning.

RETURNED FROM KOREA

Major Arthur R. Woods, USA, who has been stationed in Korea for the past two years, has returned to the States. He was met in Washington by Mrs. Woods, the former Miss Louise Crawford, of Hertford. Major and Mrs. Woods are spending this week in Washington and will come to Hertford shortly.

Commencement Exercises Friday Night Marks Close Of School Term In County

Rev. Cade To Preach In County Sunday

The Rev. W. A. Cade of Raleigh will preach three times in Perquimans County Sunday, June 1, according to the Rev. J. D. Stott, pastor of the Perquimans charge. Mr. Cade will preach at New Hope at 11 a. m., at Oak Grove at 3:30 and at Woodland at 7:30. Dr. Cade is the president of the Board of Trustees of Louisburg College and also the executive secretary of the Methodist College Advance for the North Carolina Conference.

As a member of the Conference, he has served as pastor of some of the leading churches in the Conference and was also a district superintendent. The public is invited to these services.

Poppy Day Sales Netted \$150 Here

Poppy Day sales, held here in Hertford last Saturday by the Perquimans Auxiliary of the American Legion, for the benefit of disabled war veterans, netted approximately \$150, according to Mrs. J. Emmett Winslow, who served as chairman of the poppy sales.

Mrs. Winslow contributed much of the success of the sales to members of the Girl Scout troop, who made a thorough canvass of the business section all day selling the tiny poppies. The chairman expressed her appreciation to the Girl Scouts for their splendid cooperation. Members of the troop who assisted in the sales were Susanne Towe, Mary Frances Winslow, Janice Yagel, Sue P. White, Julia Ann Stokes, Pat Coover, Mary Beth Perry, Shirley Ann Skinner, Margaret Ann Banks, Mabel Martin Whedbee, Billie Skinner, Marguerite Butler, Anne Myers, Alice Jean Jackson and Anne Morrill.

Owens Rites Held Saturday Afternoon

Shepard H. Owens, 53, son of Mrs. Sallie Owens and the late Eddie Owens and native of Currituck county, died at his home in Hertford at 8:30 last Friday night, after an illness of three months.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Lynch Funeral Home by the Rev. B. C. Reavis, assisted by the Rev. C. W. Duling and the Rev. A. L. G. Stevenson.

Surviving besides the mother are his widow, Mrs. Cora Lee Owens, three daughters, Catherine, Pat and Eva Ann Owens, all of Hertford, four brothers, J. E. C. Owens of Newports Point, Melvin G. Owens of Newports News, Va.; three sisters, Mrs. Lucinda Jones and Mrs. Ruth Sanderlin, both of Shiloh and Mrs. Esther Albertson of Hertford.

Pallbearers were J. E. C. Owens, Melvin G. Owens, Apollon Owens, Marshall Owens, W. W. White and Kelly White.

Interment was in Layden Cemetery on the Center Hill road.

CIRCLE NO. 2 TO MEET

Circle No. 2 of the Hertford Baptist Church will meet Monday night at 8 o'clock with Mrs. J. W. Hampton.

Judge Chester Morris To Deliver Address To Seniors of PCHS

Forty-seven seniors, members of the graduating class at Perquimans High School, will toss their caps in the air, receive their diplomas and complete their local education, with the commencement exercises scheduled for Friday night in the auditorium at the high school building.

Judge Chester Morris, resident judge of the First Judicial District, a resident of Currituck County, will deliver the commencement address. The Judge is no stranger to these parts and his ability as a speaker is well known.

The exercises tonight will mark the close of the present school term. The seniors completed most of their class room work last Friday and have enjoyed a final week of graduating activities that began last Sunday morning when the Rev. B. C. Reavis delivered the baccalaureate sermon in the Hertford Methodist Church. The Rev. Mr. Reavis told the seniors to choose a course in life that will make the best of life available to them. He told the seniors to carry with them all through life the message given in the 13th and 14th verses of the 25th chapter of St. John, relating to the talents. He urged them to live today, not merely exist. He stated, "don't be satisfied with anything but the best. Set your aim high and drive with all your might toward that goal."

Prior to the baccalaureate message the high school glee club, under the direction of Mrs. C. E. Sprague, and accompanied at the organ by Miss Kate Blanchard, rendered musical selections.

Class night was held in the school auditorium on Thursday and the majority of the class had part in the program arranged for the evening.

Top scholastic honors for this year's graduating class were won by Molly Oakley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Oakley, Jr., who by her high grades for four years' study won the post as class Valedictorian and Faye Winslow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Winslow won the honors as class Salutatorian.

Banks Cooperating In Bond Month Drive

The banks of North Carolina will cooperate fully with the Treasury Department in offering the Bond-a-Month plan to depositors, William H. Neal, president of the North Carolina Bankers Association, has announced.

The Bond-a-Month plan, which will be inaugurated on a nationwide scale beginning June 1, is a method whereby bank checking account customers may purchase one or more U. S. Savings Bonds, series E, F or G, monthly by authorizing the bank to charge their accounts with the cost. The bank makes the necessary entries, issues the bonds and mails them to the depositor each month with any charge for the service.

"The bankers consider this plan an excellent supplement to the payroll savings plan," Neal said. "Those who do not have a payroll plan available may use the bank purchase plan if they have a checking account."

"More than 200 banks in the State are sending out enclosures with bank statements this month, explaining the plan and providing a form on which the depositor may indicate the type and amount of bonds desired. Monthly purchases will be one or more full bonds; there is no provision for partial payments. The depositor may select any amount of E, F or G Savings Bonds.

"We heartily recommend this plan for regular saving. It is gratifying to know that North Carolinians own over \$600,000,000 of these savings bonds and that this total is steadily increasing. A great backlog of savings accumulated now when money is more plentiful will prove a tremendously stimulating force in sustaining a high level of business in the years ahead."

VFW Grant Girl Scouts Us Of Post Clubroom

Members of the Perquimans Post of VFW, meeting on Monday night, voted to permit the Hertford troop of Girl Scouts to use the Post's club room as a Scout meeting place. The VFW club room was recently completed and is a very attractive and suitable place for the Girl Scouts to hold their meetings.

The local VFW Post also made plans for the holding of a dance at the club room. The date for the dances will be announced later.

Submitted by U. S. War Department, Bureau of Public Relations.
STANDARD EXERCISE IN ARMY PRACTICE TRAINING—Left, the 50-foot "high boy" on the Weathersby physical conditioning course develops agility and confidence in the trainee. Right, at the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, trainees practice functional swimming as part of their basic training.