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Drivers Required To Take Exam For License Renewal

Names Beginning With A and B Must Apply Before January 1st

B. H. Smith, automobile license examiner for the State, calls attention to the new Highway Safety Act, which went into effect July 1, and requires all automobile drivers to take a re-examination within the next four years. Drivers will be examined in alphabetical order, with those whose last names begin with A or B required to take the examination before January 1, 1948. The C's and D's will come up between January 1, 1948, and June 30, 1948. Schedules for other drivers will be announced later.

Experts in Raleigh, including Landon C. Rosser, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, and Col. H. J. Hatcher, head of the Highway Safety Division, advise the A's and B's to get their licenses now instead of waiting until the end of the year.

"Get them early and avoid the rush," they warn.

It is reported that the examination is comparatively easy for a driver who has studied his driver manual and observes all the traffic regulations on the roads and highways.

An applicant coming for re-examination—or a person getting his license for the first time—is required to take an eye test, with the poorest visual reading permitted, with glasses, to be 20-50.

Next, an applicant is given a printed questionnaire, which is required to be filled out. Here are some sample questions:

What is the speed limit on open highways, in business districts, in residential districts?

More people have gone on record as missing this question than any other, as most of them give the old speed limits. The 1947 General Assembly fixed speed limits at 55 miles per hour on the open highway, 20 in business districts and 15 in residential districts.

Some of the questions are direct—you fill in the answers; others are multiple choice, and others are true-false.

Examples:

1. In cities, who are more likely to be killed, pedestrians or drivers?

2. If you hear an ambulance, police car or fire truck coming, what are you required to do?

3. How far from a corner at which you are going to turn should you give a signal?

4. What are the correct hand signals for stop, right turn and left turn?

When you have finished the questionnaire, containing about 25 questions, your examiner will show you a notebook filled with about 30 photographs of road signs, intersections, waving railroad signals, and side roads to the left and right. You have to identify each sign and tell what to do in each case. Naturally, all good drivers know that a diamond sign means a curve or winding road, and warns the driver to reduce his speed. Square signs mean caution, and usually indicate that a driver is approaching a school, intersection, or men working. Round signs indicate railroad crossings and octagonal signs mean "Stop."

Applicants must know their signs and what they mean, or they lose out in this third stage.

Next comes the final stage, when

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C and D Board To Hold Summer Meeting

The board of Conservation and Development will hold its summer meeting in Morehead City, July 28, 29 and 30, it was announced today by R. Bruce Etheridge, Director of the Department. All sessions will be at the Ocean King Hotel, Atlantic Beach.

Governor Cherry, as chairman of the board, will speak to the board Monday morning, July 28th.

Most of the first day will be devoted to public hearings, when any person may appear and discuss with the board any matters connected with the natural resources over which the board has supervision. Etheridge said. Later there will be reports by division heads and committee chairman, and meetings of the various division committees.

The board expects to make an official inspection of the former Naval Base which it has acquired at Morehead City, and which is to house research and instruction units of the greater University of North Carolina.



The Garden Party scene from The Lost Colony. Queen Elizabeth greets the Indians from the New World and consents for Sir Walter Raleigh to establish a colony on Roanoke Island.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

A former Russian official who served the Communists as a member of its purchasing agency in this country, then later broke with Russia and elected to remain in the U. S., told a Congressional committee this week that Russia was infesting the United States with spies that pursue a course that will make war inevitable. The speaker was Victor Kravchenko, and he told his listeners that even with the death of Josef Stalin, present leader of Russia, the Reds' course would remain unchanged. He told of vast reports on American enterprises he had seen in the hands of Russian officials.

A Senate-House conference committee this week broke the deadlock over the national farm program, thus assuring benefit payments to farmers during 1948. The farm program has been in a static stage for several weeks pending the outcome of the Congressional conference. By mutual agreement, some 150 million dollars will be appropriated for the benefit payments. The House had previously voted to eliminate benefit payments but credit for the continuation is given a strong bi-partisan bloc in the Senate.

Another war-time measure which was enacted as a brake against inflation seems headed for discard as Congress voted this week to end the curb over installment buying. The law, known as Regulation W, limited payment periods on a number of items such as automobiles, washing machines, refrigerators, furniture and floor coverings. President Truman had requested he be given peace-time authority to continue control but the vote this week brushed aside this request.

Guerrilla warfare continues in Greece with reports that the guerrillas are attacking women and children in their effort to break the control thrown around them by government forces. Meanwhile, on the other side of the world fighting has broken out in Dutch Indonesia with Dutch troops fighting forces claiming to be the Indonesian Republic. The Dutch forces maintain the fighting results from a break down in negotiations over independence issue with the Indonesians.

Kenneth Royal, native of Goldsboro, who was sworn in as Secretary of War on Thursday, succeeding Robert W. Patterson, issued a statement on Wednesday that he had made no statement he intended seeking the office as Governor of North Carolina. Reports recently have stated Royal might be a candidate for the office.

Softball League Has Three Teams

Play in the softball league, which was organized last week, got under way when the Rotary Club defeated the Lions Club last Friday night, then split a doubleheader with the Independents. The league is comprised of the three teams.

The Rotary team downed the Lions 8-5 behind some fine pitching by Dan Berry, who also led the Rotary hitting with a homer, a double and two singles. Clinton Eley was the pitcher for the Lions. The scores of the games Sunday were Rotary 7-10, Independents 5-13.

A schedule of the league games has been announced as follows:

July 25, Lions vs. Rotary; July 28, Independents vs. Lions; July 30, Lions vs. Independents; August 3, Independents vs. Rotary; August 5, Rotary vs. Lions; August 8, Lions vs. Independents; August 10, Rotary vs. Independents; August 14, Lions vs. Rotary; August 17, Independents vs. Rotary; August 18, Lions vs. Independents; August 20, Rotary vs. Lions.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

First Sergeant and Mrs. Richard Mansfield announce the birth of a son, born July 17 at Granville Hospital, Oxford, N. C.

Escaped Prisoners Recaptured Sat. P. M.

Two long-term convicts, who escaped from a road gang while working near Center Hill last Thursday afternoon, were recaptured Saturday evening on a farm near Washington, N. C. The prisoners were inmates of the Woodville Prison Camp.

The escape of the prisoners immediately caused a wide spread search throughout the counties of the Albemarle by State Highway Patrolmen and officials of the Prison camp. The prisoners aroused suspicion of themselves, when they alighted from a freight train near Washington and police officials were notified and the two were shortly apprehended.

They were returned to the prison camp by Patrolman Clyde Fentress.

Indians Play Even Games To Retain Third Position

Windsor and Elizabeth City to Meet Locals This Week-end

The Hertford Indians, dividing games since last Thursday, retained their hold on third place position in the Albemarle League, while Edenton and Colerain, first and second in the league standings, continued to set a fast pace for the remainder of the league teams.

Elizabeth City won a hard played game from the Indians by a 2-1 count on Thursday of last week. Gikerson pitched a four-hit game but the Indians were in a hitting slump and failed to connect at crucial moments of the game when a few hits might have changed the outcome.

Rain caused postponement of the Suffolk game on Saturday night but the Indians smothered the Sox in Suffolk on Sunday by an 8-2 score. Bauer hurled for the Indians, allowing five hits, while the Indians, led by Briggman, collected 11 hits off of Holland.

Hertford dropped Tuesday's game to Edenton by a 7-1 count, when errors in the first inning permitted Edenton to tally four runs. Both teams scored once in the second, Edenton scored again in the seventh and ninth. Edenton hit safely ten times while the Indians collected eight hits off of Jordan, Colonial pitcher. Gikerson went the route for Hertford, striking out four batters and walking three. Jordan struck out five Indians before retiring from the game at the beginning of the eighth due to an injury he suffered while running bases in the seventh.

The Colonials made it two in a row Wednesday night when they turned back the Indians by a 10-6 count. Two bad innings for Hertford, the second and seventh, produced seven runs for the Colonials. Edenton scored four runs in the second, two in the third, three in the seventh and one in the eighth. The Indians tallied in the third, fourth, fifth and tied the count at six all in the sixth. Each team committed four errors.

The Indian schedule for next week calls for games in Hertford Thursday with Windsor furnishing the opposition. Elizabeth City will play here on Sunday afternoon, with Hertford in Elizabeth City Monday night. The Indians will play at Colerain next Wednesday afternoon and Colerain will play in Hertford next Thursday night.

Roach Rites Held Saturday Afternoon

Funeral services for John Richard Roach, 77, who died at his home near Winfall Thursday evening, July 17, at 8:30 o'clock, were conducted last Saturday afternoon at 3:30 at Cedar Grove Methodist Church. The Rev. J. D. Stott officiated.

Mr. Roach was the son of the late Josiah and Sarah Sawyer Roach.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Susan Nixon Roach; two sons, G. T. and J. Van, both of Winfall; two daughters, Mrs. B. C. Hare of Edenton and Beulah Roach of Norfolk; 15 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Heavy Fines Handed Traffic Violators By Recorder's Judge

Seven Cases Heard In Court Here Tuesday; Three Continued

The penalty for violating the State's new highway laws was evident here this week when Judge Charles E. Johnson meted out heavy minimum fines to a number of motorists charged with violations under the new law. Seven cases were disposed of during the session which took up most of the day due to much testimony being given in several of the hearings.

A verdict of not guilty was returned in the case of Howard Spence, Negro, charged with reckless driving. Spence's car hit the marker on Church Street on the morning of July 9th, causing some property damage, but Judge Johnson ruled there was no evidence of reckless driving.

Clarence Felton, Negro, was found guilty as charged of assault with a deadly weapon upon Clifford Shambry, Negro, and was fined \$25 and costs. Claude Felton, charged with assault on the Shambry youth, was remanded to juvenile court, when it was shown the youth was under 16 years of age.

A bench warrant was issued for Clifford Shambry, prosecuting witness in the case, when it was shown by the testimony the youth was involved in the melee.

Charlie Ferebee, Negro, was ordered to pay three dollars per week for the benefit of his child, following a verdict of guilty on a charge of non-support.

Alfonzia Riddick, Negro, submitted to a charge of driving with improper steering equipment and paid a fine of \$10 and costs of court.

Susie Collins, Negro, was fined \$25 and ordered to pay the costs of court on a charge of driving without a license.

Percy Dail submitted to a charge of reckless driving and paid a fine of \$500 and costs of court.

Joseph Elliott, Negro, was fined \$25 and costs of court on a charge of driving without a chauffeur's license.

Wildlife Club Seeks Local Game Warden

Members of the Perquimans County Wildlife Club went on record at a meeting of the club held at the Court House Monday favoring the appointment of a Perquimans County resident as game warden for this county. The request for a local warden will be placed before the Wildlife Resources Commission when that group meets in August.

The local club also voiced approval of the season and bag limits as set up by the State Commission for the 1947-48 season.

Some objections were voiced at the meeting Monday regarding the closed season on bears, when it was pointed out by members from the Nicotian community that bears are causing considerable damage to crops in that vicinity. A request that an open season be declared on bears may be made to the State Commission, along with the request for a resident game warden.

Health Department Conducting Clinics

Ten communities in Perquimans County have been designated as locations for vaccination clinics being conducted by the Health Department during this week and next. The department is conducting the clinics for vaccinations against Typhoid Fever, Diphtheria, Small Pox and Whooping Cough.

A schedule giving the hours and locations of the clinics will be found elsewhere in this issue, and the public is requested to appear at a clinic nearest home.

District Governor Pays Official Visit To Hertford Rotary

Vic Huggins of Chapel Hill Advises Local Club on Program

Vic Huggins, Governor of District 189 of Rotary International, was the guest of the Hertford Rotary Club at its meeting held Tuesday night at the Hotel Hertford. The occasion was the official visit of the District Governor to the local club to advise the club's new officers on the Rotary program for this year.

Speaking to the club membership, Mr. Huggins exhorted the local Rotarians to lend full influence to such programs as the better health program, additional assistance to our schools and school teachers and worthy programs leading to better civic conditions within the community.

Following the regular meeting, the District Governor met with the club officers, Max Campbell, W. E. Amesley, James Newby, Henry C. Sullivan and committee chairman, Robert Hollowell, C. P. Morris and R. C. Murray to discuss the local program planned for this coming year.

He advised the club assembly of various methods used successfully by other Rotary Clubs in the 189th District to expand the civic betterment program and made suggestions he believed would be helpful in improving civic understanding in this county.

He especially urged the local club to take increased interest in the local schools and to map programs planned to aid the school system in better training of school children.

A resident of Chapel Hill, Mr. Huggins succeeded Ike M. Bailey of Raleigh as governor of the 189th District of Rotary. He recently attended the International Conference, held in San Francisco and also a conference at Sun Valley, Idaho. He reported to the local club that the 189th District is comprised of 36 clubs which boasts more than 1,500 members.

Farmers Borrowing Money Repay Soon

Reflecting the increased costs of producing crops and the availability of more farm equipment, the volume of bank credit used by North Carolina farmers is currently higher than it was a year ago, according to R. M. Riddick, Jr., president of the Hertford bank, who represents the North Carolina Bankers Association as Perquimans County banker.

"However, North Carolina farm families are probably in the strongest financial position that they have ever been," Mr. Riddick said. "Continuing high farm incomes make it possible to finance operations out of income and when credit is used, it is retired when crops are sold."

Reporting on the results of a third national survey of bank lending made by the Agricultural Commission of the American Bankers Association, Mr. Riddick said that North Carolina farmers used only a fraction of the bank credit available to them during 1946. However, the 207 insured commercial banks which serve agriculture in this state made 187,686 loans to 75,766 farmers. These loans aggregated \$67,209,000, of which \$23,400,000 remained outstanding on January 1, 1947. Banks had at least \$199,815,000 available for additional loans to farmers if the demand existed.

During 1946, loans on farm real estate in North Carolina increased slightly. There were 6,731 farm mortgages made for a total amount of \$15,683,000; and \$15,046,000 of this volume remained outstanding on January 1, 1947. The farm mortgage debt is higher than it was a year ago, although it still remains only about one-half of the volume that existed in the comparable period following World War I.

County Agent Advises On Care Of Sheep

I. C. Yagel, County Farm Agent, advises local sheep raisers to use a simple treatment for the protection of flocks from worms and thus increase profits from sheep.

According to Mr. Yagel, sheep raisers should mix one pound of powdered phenothiazine with 12 pounds of loose salt, placing the mixture in a salt box, easily accessible to the sheep, and keeping the salt box sheltered from the weather. Farmers are warned not to give their sheep any other salt in addition to the above mixture.

Triple A Office Given Go-Ahead Sign On Farm Program

County Secretary Advised Benefit Payments Assured

Perquimans County Triple A officials have been notified that from all present indications benefit payment, planned under the 1947 farm program, will be forthcoming and local AAA offices may go ahead with programs as planned.

W. E. White, County AAA Secretary, announced Wednesday he had received the go-ahead sign from the Washington office and that the Perquimans office will again resume activity on this basis. The local office was notified early in June to halt proceedings pending action by Congress, but the order received this week seemingly assures local farmers that payments will be forthcoming for all soil building practices carried out under the plans signed some time ago.

The announcement received here this week, according to Mr. White, stated:

"Pending final action of Congress on the appropriation for the 1947 Agricultural Conservation Program, county offices should proceed on work in connection with the program as outlined below: In counties which have completed the determination of the minimum assistance established for all farms within the county allocation and which may or may not have mailed such notices and Farm Plans to all farmers:

"Conservation materials can be furnished up to the minimum assistance approved for the farm.

"If Farm Plans and notices of minimum assistance have not been mailed they should now be prepared for mailing.

"The minimum assistance as established for individual farms is not to be increased or decreased by the County Committee until notified by the State Committee, after the appropriation has been finally determined by Congress.

"In counties where farmers have not been notified of minimum farm assistance, county committees should complete the preparation of notices preparatory to mailing and hold such notices until notified by the State Committee to release them."

Town Orders Switch Board And Meters

Hertford's Town Board, meeting in special session Monday night, placed an order for a new electric switchboard, to be installed in the municipal plant to replace the present board which has been in use for 20 years and which has been found to be unsatisfactory in handling the increased volume of current now used by the town.

The new switchboard will cost approximately \$5,000, completely installed with new cable and other devices. It is estimated that it will take about 12 months time for the order for the board to be filled.

Mayor V. N. Darden advised the Board he had placed an order for parking meters to be installed on the streets of Hertford. The meters ordered will be timed for motorists to park from 12 minutes to two hours, the parking fee will range from one cent for 12 minutes to ten cents for two hours.

The Mayor stated the meters will be installed within 30 to 60 days and violators of the parking ordinance, which is expected to be passed by the Board at its next meeting, will be subject to a fine by the Mayor, in event the violator submits to the charge. Otherwise, all violators will be cited into Recorder's Court.

Employees of the Street Department are continuing the work of laying curb and gutters on Front Street and the project is expected to be completed shortly, adding additional parking space on this street as well as providing better drainage for the area.

SERVICES AT BEREA

Services at the Berea Christian Church on Sunday, July 27, have been announced as follows: Bible School at 10 o'clock A. M.; preaching at 11 A. M., by the Rev. P. E. Cayton. Evening services at 8 o'clock.

STANDING OF CLUBS

	W.	L.	Pct.
Edenton	24	9	.729
Colerain	23	14	.622
Hertford	18	15	.545
Suffolk	14	18	.438
Elizabeth City	13	22	.371
Windsor	11	25	.306