

VFW Post Selects Henry Stokes, Jr., As New Commander

Plans Made For Observance of VFW's 50th Anniversary

Henry Stokes, Jr., was elected to serve as commander of the Garland H. Onley Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, for the coming year, at a meeting held at the post hall here Monday night.

Stokes, who succeeds Eldon Winslow as commander, is a charter member of the three-year-old post and has served in the capacity of post quartermaster during the past year.

Other officers elected at Monday night's meeting include Broughton T. Dail as senior vice commander, succeeding Edison Harris and Doward Jones as junior vice commander, replacing Harry Overton, Jr. Otis White was named to serve as quartermaster.

Installation of the new officers will take place at the post hall on Monday night, April 11, during the regular business session with James E. Newby, past post commander, taking charge of the ceremonies.

Members also voted in favor of observing the VFW's 50th anniversary National Golden Jubilee week with a banquet and dance to be held Saturday, April 16. All members will be invited to attend a dutch dinner and the general public will be invited to attend the dance, to be held at the club. The banquet place will be announced as soon as arrangements have been completed.

Final plans were made by members of the club, following a lengthy discussion, to sponsor what will be known as the VFW's blood donors day with Edgar White, superintendent of public welfare, Perquimans County, being named as chairman to head a drive to list residents of the county who will volunteer to give blood at the event that an emergency organ-

Crop Insurance Program Assured

A sufficient number of applications for multiple crop insurance have been secured from Perquimans County farmers to assure the program being carried out, it was announced this week by Charlie Vann, chief clerk for the local project.

Thursday, March 31, was the deadline for taking of applications and Mr. Vann pointed out that more than 200 farm units needed to carry out the program here were insured under the system.

Multiple crop insurance is a new program sponsored by the Federal Government, and Perquimans County is among the three or four counties in the nation in which the program is being organized. This county was selected for the program due to the varied crop production here.

Suspended Sentence Given Defendant In Wood Stealing Case

Willie Parker, Negro, didn't consider taking wood from the woodpile at the Bay Branch colored school as stealing, or so he told Judge Charles E. Johnson in Recorder's Court here Tuesday morning. However, Judge Johnson considered it as larceny and ordered Parker to pay the costs of court on the charge and to cut and haul six loads of gum wood to the school for use there. Parker was given until May 15 to comply with the sentence. A 60-day road sentence was suspended upon condition that Parker carry out the order of the court.

Other cases disposed of at this week's session of the court included those of Ellis Garrett, Wright Demsey and Lucius Armstrong, all Negroes, charged with driving without a license. Each entered a plea of guilty and paid fines of \$25 and costs of court.

William Turner plead guilty to a charge of reckless driving and paid a fine of \$25 and costs.

Hubert White, Negro, was fined \$10 and costs after pleading guilty to a charge of speeding. Jesse Cooper, charged with driving drunk, entered a plea of nolo contendere. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$100 and costs of court and his driver's license was revoked for a period of one year.

Carol Miller was fined \$25 and ordered to pay the costs of court after entering a plea of guilty to a charge of driving without a license.

Casini Ochman was fined \$10 and costs on a charge of speeding. James Collins, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of assault on Mary Foster, Negro. He was ordered to pay the costs of court.

A verdict of not guilty was returned in the case charging Charlie Copeland and Melvin Copeland with trespass.

George Michael was found guilty of a charge of driving with improper license. He was fined \$25 and costs, the fine to be suspended upon condition that Michael properly license the car within two weeks.

Prize Offered For Peanut Contest

Possibilities that Perquimans County will have two farm contests during this year appeared this week when L. N. Hollowell offered to donate cash prizes for a peanut growing contest among farmers of the county. A corn growing contest is already planned, and full details for the peanut competition as suggested by Mr. Hollowell are being worked out now by I. C. Yagel, County Agent.

At least ten local farmers must signify intentions of competing in the peanut contest in order for the plan to go through. Growers interested in entering the contest are asked to contact Mr. Hollowell or Mr. Yagel.

Electric Power Off Sunday 5:30 to 11 A. M.

Electric customers of the Town of Hertford will be without power next Sunday morning from 5:30 A. M. until 11 A. M., it was reported today by Mayor V. N. Darden, who stated that the current will be shut off to permit the installation of the new electric switchboard at the town plant.

Easter Seals Sale Starts Here Monday, Quota Set At \$300

Drive to Be Conducted Through School Children Chairman Says

The annual sale of Easter Seals, conducted to raise funds for crippled children, will get under way in this county next week, it was announced today by C. Edgar White, superintendent of Perquimans Welfare Department, who is advisor to the committee in charge of the campaign.

The committee is headed by Mrs. R. L. Hollowell as chairman, Mrs. S. P. Jessup, treasurer, and Mrs. Willis Jessup, secretary. It was announced that the campaign this year will be conducted entirely through the county schools. Children will be asked to serve as solicitors, contacting their families and neighbors, in selling the seals. The county quota has been set at \$300, and the drive which will open Monday will continue for two weeks until Easter Sunday.

In discussing the Easter Seal drive, Mr. White pointed out that the campaign is conducted by the North Carolina League of Crippled Children, a private charitable organization that cooperates with but does not duplicate the work of other public or private agencies. It aids the crippled children throughout the area, and the only condition for aid needs is a valid need not otherwise provided for. The only source of income the league has is the sale of Easter Seals.

One-half of the funds raised annually through the drive remain in the county for use of the local committee, which last year assisted a number of Perquimans children to receive medical aid and assistance which might not have been provided for had it not been for the funds raised through the sale of the tiny seals. The public is urged to cooperate with the drive this year and buy Easter Seals.

Officers Installed For Eastern Star

The Hertford Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star conducted installation services for its new officers at the meeting of the chapter last Monday night. After the business session the installing officers were appointed and these were Mrs. Gertrude Zachary, installing grand matron, Mrs. Spivey Matthews, installing grand marshal, Mrs. W. M. Bray, grand chaplain, Mrs. Ruth Overman, grand organist, Mrs. Vera Hutchinson, grand secretary and Mrs. Laura Roberson, grand warden.

Officers installed during the services were Mrs. Sally Boner, worthy Matron, Peter Carlton, Worthy Patron, Mrs. Dorothy Bass, Assistant Matron, Cecil C. Winslow, Assistant Patron, Mrs. Lucille Winslow, secretary, David Pritchard, treasurer, Mrs. Ernestine Leete, conductress, Mrs. Doris Ainsley, assistant conductress, Lena Gregory, chaplain, Mrs. Edna Eley, marshall, Mrs. Ruth Overman, organist, Mrs. Viola Nachman, warden, Spencer Vick, sentinel, Mrs. Lois Carlton, Adah, Mrs. Lucille Satchwell, Ruth, Mrs. Heine Buck, Esther, Mrs. Margaret Bagley, Martha and Mary White, Electa.

Following the installation services, refreshments were enjoyed during a social hour.

Indians Trounce Washington 14-4

Perquimans High School's baseball team opened its 1949 season last Tuesday afternoon by trouncing the Washington Pam Pack 14-4, in a hit-fest led by Howard Pitt and Edward Lane. The Pam-Pack found the going rough against the Indians and scored only in the second inning.

Bill Winslow, right-handed hurler for the Indians, went the route in the opening game and allowed only seven hits. He struck out 10 Washington batters.

Pitt for three hits for five times at bat and Lane got two out of four. Lane hit one triple and a double.

In the ninth inning Coach Levinson's boys had a field day at bat and scored seven runs.

The Indians will play Columbia at Columbia Friday afternoon and play Gatesville on Memorial Field next Tuesday afternoon.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Bundy of Hertford Route 1 announces the birth of a daughter, Phyllis Lee, born Monday, March 28. Mrs. Bundy was before her marriage Miss Lela Winslow.

BPW Nominating Committee Named For Club Election

Group Hears Program On Health; Protest Telegraph Action

The Perquimans Business and Professional Women's Club at its regular meeting last Friday night at Hotel Hertford, named Mrs. R. M. Kiddick, chairman, Miss Thelma Elliott and Miss Audrey Umphlett to serve on the Nominating Committee to prepare a slate of officers to be elected at the next dinner meeting, April 22.

Miss Mary Inez Chappell, public affairs chairman, was asked to write Western Union headquarters pertaining to the curtailment of Western Union service in Hertford.

Mrs. Lawrence Towe, president, announced the business meeting scheduled for April 8 will be cancelled due to the senior class play being presented the same night. Letters were read from Senator J. E. Winslow and Senator Margaret Chase Smith. Plans for the State convention in Morehead City were discussed.

Mrs. Dorothy Costen of Suffolk, guest of Miss Elizabeth Fowler, and K. J. Eyer, district sanitarian of Elizabeth City, guest of the club, were recognized.

Miss Audrey Umphlett, health and safety chairman, had charge of an interesting program. She introduced Mr. Eyer, who showed a health film, "Mr. Williams Wakes Up." The picture was made in North Carolina. An interesting feature of the picture was a scene of a puppet show entertaining a group of school children. Miss Frances Cely, a BPW member, was shown with the puppet show.

Mrs. Allen Bonner will be program chairman for April. She plans a BPW birthday party. Every member should be present for its first anniversary.

Baseball Fans Hear Plans For Local Club

An open meeting for directors, fans and players of the Hertford Indians, Perquimans' entry in the Albarbar league, was held at the Courthouse in Hertford Wednesday night with a large number of persons present.

The meeting was presided over by A. W. Hefren, president of the club, and reports were made as to the progress the club has made toward organizing the team for the coming season. Edgar Morris, who along with Mr. Hefren and other directors have contacted a number of players in regards to contracts with the local club, told the group of the arrangements that had been made and were expected to be made.

Fans were told of the improvements being carried out at Memorial during this week. A vast amount of dirt has been moved into the park to build up the playing area and new screen has been installed in front of the grand stand. This work is being carried out jointly by the ball club and the Board of Education.

A temporary appointment as team manager was made, and Little Bud Cayton, second baseman for the Indians for three years, was named to the post. Cayton requested a few days to think over the appointment but agreed to act on a temporary basis to help contact and secure players for the local team. W. H. Pitt was named club treasurer.

Plans for raising \$2,500, estimated as needed before the local club can actually participate in the league, were made and a drive for these funds is expected to get underway very shortly. Fans will be asked to contribute in any amounts desired toward this fund, with the understanding that the club directors plan to operate the organization in such a manner that further contributions will not be sought or needed.

American Legion To Meet Friday Night

The Wm. Paul Stallings Post of the American Legion will meet Friday night at 7:30 o'clock at the Agricultural Building in Hertford. All members are urged to be present. An interesting program, including a film on Eastern Airlines, will be presented. Plans will also be made for the completion of Legion headquarters at Harvey Point. The local Legionnaires began work on this project last fall but halted during the winter months. It is now planned to complete work on this as soon as possible.

Draft Holiday May Extend Indefinitely

Perquimans men subject to selective service regulations may get an indefinite holiday from army induction, according to a statement issued by Maj. Gen. John Dahlquist, army personnel chief. The officer, while testifying before the House armed service committee, said that no men will be inducted into the army before July, 1950, when the present peace time draft expires.

The officer emphasized that the opinion was his own and that no draft policy had been set down and no one knew what the future holds.

There has been no induction under the law since the end of January, when a two-months holiday was declared. However, local draft offices are continuing duties and youths must still register within five days after their 18th birthday and also file questionnaires with the local board.

President Of Chowan College Speaker At Convention Of BTU

One of the feature addresses for the well balanced program of the Regional Training Union Convention in Murfreesboro April 8-9 will be brought by Chowan College President, B. D. Bunn. President Bunn will speak during the Saturday morning session, April 9, on the subject "Faithful to our Mission". He will be received with much interest because of his interest in the youth and educational program of the State as well as his recent appointment to the presidency of Chowan College.

Other speakers on the program of the convention of three sessions are Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., pastor of Hayes-Barton Baptist Church in Raleigh, and Harvey T. Gibson, secretary of the State Training Union Department of Raleigh. Dr. Kincheloe will bring the inspirational address for the Friday night session on the subject "God's Call to Christian Laymen". Secretary Gibson will address the convention, in his official capacity, during the Saturday morning session on the subject "Faithful to our Training Task". Bennie Pledger, student of Wake Forest College, will speak Friday night on "Faithful to the Call".

Besides conferences, demonstrations and inspiring talks the program includes both vocal and instrumental music. A very interesting and appropriate screen projection will be made during the Friday night session by Mr. and Mrs. L. Herman Sawyer of Elizabeth City. Mrs. Joe Fleetwood of Conway will render a program of violin music as a prelude to the Friday night session.

One of the features of the convention claiming widespread interest is the banquet scheduled for 5:45 P. M. Friday. A very interesting and entertaining program and delicious meal are being arranged by the host Murfreesboro Church. As a climax to this period of fellowship, the Rev. William P. Milne, pastor of the Aulander Baptist Church, will bring a short inspirational address on the subject "Faithful In Our Social Activities".

Reservations for the banquet are being received daily by the Rev. Warren F. Taylor in Murfreesboro and those who have not yet made reservations for their groups are urged to do so as early as possible in order to arrange to take care of all those who wish to attend the banquet.

Indications point to good representation from the some 120 Baptist churches of the Chowan and West Chowan Associations and the public is cordially invited to any, and all, of the three sessions Friday and Saturday, April 8-9 at the Murfreesboro Baptist Church.

Winslow Selected For Masonic Post

Cecil C. Winslow, past Master of Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., was recommended for the position as Deputy District Grand Master at a district meeting held here last Friday night.

More than 150 members of the lodges from counties in this part of the State, representing the First District, attended the meeting, which was presided over by W. M. Smith of Elizabeth City, present district deputy Grand Master. The Rev. Charles W. Duling, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, was guest speaker at the meeting. A barbecue and Brunswick stew supper was served the members. R. C. Murray headed the committee in charge of the supper.

26 Cases Listed On Calendar For April Term Superior Court

Murder and Manslaughter Cases on Criminal Docket

A total of 26 cases are listed on the calendar for the April term of Superior Court which convenes here April 18, it was announced today by W. H. Pitt, Clerk of Court. Listed on the calendar are nine criminal cases, including one for murder and another charging manslaughter and 17 civil cases. Of the latter, six of the cases are divorce actions.

Judge Leo Carr is scheduled to preside over the April term of court, and it appears likely that considerable time may be consumed by the court especially in view that the criminal docket is headed up by the murder and manslaughter cases. A true bill charging murder was returned by the October grand jury against George Overton, Negro, who it is alleged killed Willie Hurdle on a Sunday night in October last, at a road house located on the Winfall-Belvidere highway. The manslaughter case is against Jackson Costen, Negro, who was involved in a wreck near the causeway, resulting in the death of Kenneth Jordan. Other cases on the criminal docket are four charges of drunken driving, one for assault with a deadly weapon and one for trespass.

The civil cases listed for hearing by the clerk are:

- Thomas Riddick vs. Martha Riddick.
Dixie Felton vs. Carrie Felton.
Benjamin Ashley vs. Lucille Ashley.
Hattie Rountree vs. Linwood Rountree.
James McKnight vs. Marie McKnight.
Howard White vs. Carry White.
Ruth Beasley vs. J. C. Blanchard & Company.
Mattie Toms White vs. North Carolina State Highway and Public Works Commission.
Raymond Boyce vs. L. L. Smith.
William C. Chappell vs. D. M. White, et al.
C. A. Davenport vs. Norfolk Southern Bus Corp.
Chesapeake Auto Co. vs. W. L. Bagley.
Richard Payne vs. James Rogers, et al.
E. T. Hershaw Co. vs. Y. L. Brown.
Ben Lane vs. Seashore Transportation Company.
Roland Gilliam vs. H. C. Stokes.

Board Of Education To Recognize At Meeting Monday

Perquimans County's Board of Education and local school committees will be reorganized at a meeting of the Board to be held next Monday, it was announced today by John T. Biggers, secretary of the Board.

Two new members will begin duties on the Board, Delwin Eure, who will succeed W. E. Dail, and George Caddy, who will succeed D. L. Barber. W. E. Dail, retiring member of the Board, has served for a number of terms as chairman, and with Mr. Dail's retirement the Board must select a new chairman.

Members comprising the new Board, in addition to Mr. Eure and Mr. Caddy, will be Julian A. White, S. M. Long, Carroll V. Ward, Mrs. J. R. Futrell and Mrs. A. R. Cooke. Some changes are expected to be made in the membership of the committees for the Hertford Grammar School and Perquimans High School. These committees will be selected following the organization of the Board of Education. One member of the Grammar School Committee has requested to be relieved of the duties and Mr. Caddy, a member of the High School Committee will be replaced when he moves up to the Board of Education.

The Board members, superintendent and members of the Grammar School Committee have been invited to take lunch at the Grammar School at 1 o'clock next Monday, it was reported by Mr. Biggers.

Rotary Club Names Delegate To Meeting

R. L. Hollowell, president-elect of the Hertford Rotary Club, has been named as voting delegate of the local club for the District Rotary Convention to be held at Nags Head early in May. James E. Newby was named as alternate.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Dr. Frank P. Graham, former president of the University of North Carolina, was sworn in as U. S. Senator on Tuesday. Immediately Senator Graham announced that he will be a candidate in 1950 to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator J. M. Broughton. Mr. Graham was appointed to the position by Governor Scott last week to serve until the next election. More than 500 Tar Heels crowded into the Senate gallery to watch swearing-in ceremonies.

The high costs of living seemed to be sliding downward this week with announcements that price cuts were listed on numerous articles. Kaiser-Frazer autos were reduced from \$198 to \$333, other merchandise marked down included refrigerators, radios, auto batteries, some steel commodities and even ice cream was reported off three cents per quart in Philadelphia.

The Legislature reconvened on Monday and jumped into a rush of work expected to hasten adjournment, although no indication of this action has been announced as yet. The Senate passed Governor Scott's road program bill on the third reading and it now is almost definite that a referendum for a bond issue will be called. House members voted down a bill which would tie up a 300 million dollar fund. Reports state the majority of the Legislature desired this fund be used to help build school buildings throughout the State.

Mrs. R. H. White Dies At Belvidere Home

Funeral services for Mrs. R. H. White, 78, who died at her home near Belvidere Monday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock following an illness of one week, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home by the Rev. J. W. Davis, pastor of the Whiteville Grove Baptist Church.

Mrs. White was a native and lifelong resident of Perquimans County and a member of the Whiteville Grove Baptist Church. She was the wife of the late R. H. White of Belvidere. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. J. M. Jolliff of Newport; two sons, Charlie C. and Elias White, both of Belvidere and several nieces and nephews. Burial was in the family plot near Belvidere.