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Residential Mail Delivery in Town Of Hertford Reduced Last Monday

Action Follows Order Of Postmaster General Donaldson

Postmaster W. W. White announced here Monday that under orders received from the Post Office Department in Washington late last week, mail delivery in the residential areas of Hertford has been reduced to one delivery each day. The order became effective here Monday.

Under the orders, which were released last week by Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson, mail delivery in business districts will be made twice daily and there will be no curtailment of service at the Post Office; thus the orders will only slow down residential deliveries.

In connection with the orders and the curtailment of service Postmaster White urges patrons of the Hertford Post Office to cooperate with local postal employees in carrying out the orders. He requests that residents of Hertford who receive mail by carrier not apply at the Post Office for mail, rather he asks them to wait until deliveries are made each morning.

The order, effecting the delivery of mail, came from Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson as part of a general cut in residential mail delivery service throughout the nation. Donaldson explained the cut as necessary in view of Congress' decision against his recommendation for postal rate increases amounting to about \$600,000,000 a year.

Considerable criticism has resulted from the order and congressmen have claimed Donaldson's move is an attempt to pressure Congress into authorizing the delivery service reduction. Donaldson expects to decrease postal employees by about 12,000 before the end of the fiscal year.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

A nation-wide telephone strike, scheduled for Wednesday, was called off by the union. However, a key division of the union, installation workers, were on strike. The long-distance operators planning to strike Wednesday reported an agreement had been reached between the union and the American Telephone & Telegraph Company.

President Truman this week lashed out at critics, whom he stated were carrying out the Communist investigations, and he stated that there is real danger that the Communists will swallow up more free nations and strengthen Russia for an ultimate attack on the U. S. The President reported that insofar as the U. S. is concerned, there is no threat that the Communists will take over the country.

A report from Sweden this week said that parts of a plane was found in the Baltic Sea which could be part of the U. S. Navy plane which has been missing since early this month. Two life rafts, the report said, have also been found near the same area where the plane parts were discovered by Swedish fishermen.

Forest fires were reported raging over many parts of North Carolina this week and thousands of acres of woodland have been damaged. Officials reported that rain was needed to stop many of the fires. State Forest Inspector J. E. Hubbard reported Wednesday that this district was the only one in the State that did not have a forest fire going.

Indians Win Second Game From Plymouth

Catch Ellis Fearing's Perquimans Indians banged out their second baseball victory of the year against Plymouth, in a contest played here last Tuesday afternoon. It was the seventh straight win for the Indians in the Albemarle Conference. Final score was 10-4.

Vance Bright and Gene Phillips led the Indians at bat, each getting four hits for the winners. Hunter batted in four runs on a double and two singles.

Paul Rogerson, ace left-hander for the Indians, struck out 14 Plymouth batters and allowed only eight hits. The Indians got 10 runs on 15 hits. The game will play Williamson Friday afternoon, in a return match with the Green Wave. The game will start at two o'clock.

County Managers

Senator Frank Graham, a candidate for re-election to the U. S. Senate, has named Silas M. Whedbee, Carroll Berry and Miss Mae Wood Winslow, to be co-chairmen for his campaign in Perquimans County, according to an announcement made by Graham's headquarters in Raleigh last Saturday.

Senator Graham visited in Perquimans last Thursday, stopping here en route to Elizabeth City where he spoke at a political meeting last Thursday night.

The local co-managers for Senator Graham are well known throughout the county. Whedbee, former postmaster here, is an attorney, Berry is a merchant and members of Hertford Town Board and Miss Winslow is active in farm and civic affairs.

Trailer Museum With French Gifts Will Visit County

On Exhibit At Various Schools In County On May 1 and 2

A specially equipped trailer museum, containing 26 separate representative exhibits of these gifts received in North Carolina last year from the French Gratitude Train, will be displayed in Perquimans County on Monday and Tuesday, May 1-2, School Supt. John T. Biggers announced today.

These exhibits, including pictures, books, dolls, china, lace, toys, a wedding gown and other items, were displayed for some time in Raleigh, but are now being sent throughout the State in the trailer museum, Biggers said.

The State Department of Archives and History, which is administering the program with the support of the State Department of Public Instruction, is asking the cooperation of all county school officials in the display of this collection.

Accordingly, Biggers has announced the following schedule:

Monday, May 1, 8:30 A. M., to 11:30 A. M., Perquimans County High School; 1:00 P. M., to 3:15 P. M., Hertford High School (Negro); and 7 P. M., to 9 P. M., Hertford Grammar School.

Tuesday, May 2, 8:30 A. M., to 11:30 A. M., Hertford Grammar School, and 1 P. M., to 3:30 P. M., Perquimans County Central Grammar School.

Mrs. Anna B. Smith Passes At Home Here

Mrs. Anna B. Smith, widow of the late Robert W. Smith, died at her home in Hertford early Wednesday morning.

Funeral services will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Hertford, of which she was a member, at 11:00 o'clock Friday morning, with the Rev. Edmund T. Jilson, rector of the church officiating, and burial will be made in the family plot in the churchyard.

Mrs. Smith who was a native of Whaleyville, Maryland, was the daughter of the late Seth Mitchell and Isabell Hamlin Whaley, of that place. For a number of years the family resided at Whaleyville, Virginia, and for a number of years she has lived in Hertford, where her husband was a practicing physician.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. M. S. Elliott; one grandson, Sidney Elliott, Jr.; one granddaughter, Anna Smith Elliott, all of Omaha, Nebraska; one sister, Miss Mae Whaley, of Hertford, one brother, Irving Whaley, of Bristol, Va., and several nieces and nephews.

County NEA Met Last Thursday

Members of the Perquimans chapter of the National Educational Association held a dinner meeting at the Hotel Hertford last Thursday night. Miss Ruth Elliott, president, presided over the business session which included reports from the principals and teachers of the county schools.

Each speaker gave a report on the achievements accomplished at the various schools during the past year. Special guests at the meeting were members of the Board of Education, State Senator J. Bennett Whelan and E. M. Perry and G. H. Holmes.

French Gifts To Be On Exhibit



Pictured here is the trailer museum which will visit Perquimans County on May 1 and 2, exhibiting gifts donated by residents of France in appreciation of the food and gifts sent to France on the Friendship Train.

Fire Destroys Saw Mill Near Nicanor Last Saturday, Loss Estimated At \$15,000

Firemen Fight Blaze Several Hours; Origin Undetermined

Fire, discovered at about 11:15 last Saturday morning, completely destroyed a saw mill near Nicanor, owned by Jack and Clifton Stallings.

Loss was unofficially estimated at \$15,000, and according to reports the owners carried no insurance.

The Hertford Fire Department was called to the scene of the fire at about 11:30 A. M., but on the arrival of the firemen, the blaze had gained such headway the firemen were unable to save the mill but did prevent the blaze from spreading to a large pile of logs and to another saw mill. The fire was brought under control after about two hours work on the part of those fighting the flames.

According to reports, Mr. Stallings discovered the blaze after it had gained considerable headway. It is understood that the fire started near a new motor, and this blaze exploded a huge oil tank, which scattered the flames over the mill area.

The mill, which was destroyed, was one of two operated by the Stallings brothers at this location. It had recently been constructed and contained all new equipment, which was a total loss due to fire Saturday.

Herbert L. White Named Chemist

Members of Hertford's Town Board, meeting in special session here last Monday night, employed Herbert L. White, a resident of Hertford, as Town Chemist, and advised him to assume his new duties on May 1.

The employment of a town chemist has been under consideration by the Board for several months and applications were received by the Board during the past month. There were three applications for the position and the employment of White followed a discussion by the Board as to the qualifications of the applicants.

Mr. White is a graduate of Atlantic Christian College, at Wilson, and had 400 hours of post graduate work at N. C. State College, and attended the Naval Industrial College at Washington D. C., and the Midshipman's School USN at Notre Dame.

W. I. L. To Observe Group Anniversary

A special anniversary meeting of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom will be held at the home of Mrs. Dempsey Winslow, of Whiteston, Friday afternoon, April 28 at four o'clock. Plans for the 35th year of the organization will be discussed. According to Miss Mattie Saunders, branch president, special emphasis will be placed on the theme of universal disarmament. "Never before in recent history has there been so great a chance of such a program's success, as now. The prospect of H-bomb warfare makes it imperative to halt the arms race," Miss Saunders said.

"Women working together as we are," she added, "can swing the tide away from war but their voices must be heard, their pressure felt, and that will be possible only if we make a concentrated effort to double our membership." Miss Saunders said. The organization was founded at The Hague shortly after World War I, and boasts a membership in 40 countries.

Henc Elected Head Of Wildlife Club

Charles Henc, of Belvidere, was elected president of the Perquimans County Wildlife Club at a meeting of the members held last Saturday night at the Court House. Other officers selected were Alvah Winslow, vice president, and Jack Kanoy, secretary and treasurer.

The meeting was one of the best held by the club in recent months, approximately 40 members were present and following the election of officers the group heard a report on the State convention given by Dr. A. B. Bonner. Eldon Winslow, County Game Protector, reported on a Wildlife School he attended at Chapel Hill for two weeks and told of work carried out in connection with conservation laws. Winslow also reported on recent changes made in fishing laws.

During the business meeting the group discussed conservation projects and planned interesting programs to be presented at future meetings.

Farm Allotments Topic At Meeting

A second meeting concerning farm allotments was held at the Agricultural building in Hertford last Friday night at which time about 100 farmers discussed the present farm program, as it effects county producers and closed the meeting with an adoption of a petition which proposes certain changes in the farm program.

N. C. Spivey was one of the speakers at the meeting and he explained the purpose of the meeting, urging cooperation among program officials and producers to bring about equal distribution of allotments on a percentage basis.

The petition adopted at the meeting calls for the farm program to set up allotments on a percentage basis, and calls for the allotment to stay with a farm so long as allotments are in force. It provides that a producer, can trade, lend or give away an allotment for any given period of time but the allotment is returnable to the original farm the following year.

Much interest was manifested by those attending the meeting regarding changes in the allotment program, however, as yet, there is no word of any official action being taken toward this movement.

Registration Books Open On Saturday

W. F. Ainsley, chairman of the Perquimans Board of Elections, announced today that registration books will be opened Saturday, April 29, at the polling places in the six precincts of the county for the purpose of registering voters for the primary to be held May 27.

The books will remain open until May 13 for registration, and on May 20 for challenge.

Election officials met with the Board of Elections on Tuesday and received instructions concerning changes made in the election laws.

WINS SCHOLARSHIP

Word has been received here that Irvin White, former Hertford resident, has received a Naval Reserve Officer Training Scholarship and will enroll as a midshipman at Pennsylvania State College in September. The scholarship allows for a four year course with two years enlistment as a reserve naval officer.

HUGE STILL CAPTURED IN COUNTY TUESDAY BY U. S. OFFICERS AND SHERIFF

Local Students Tour Raleigh

Seventy four members of the eighth grade class at Perquimans High School, accompanied by Mrs. Harper Dawson, Mrs. Ben Whitley and Mrs. Henry Stokes, Jr., spent Friday in Raleigh visiting government and historic buildings. The trip was in connection with the 8th grade course of study of the history and government of North Carolina.

During the day the students visited the Capitol, Governor's mansion, State Museum, Hall of History, State College and State School for the Blind.

A picnic lunch and merry-go-round rides were enjoyed at Pullen Park. The group returned here Friday night.

Recorder's Court In Long Session After Week Recess

Varied Docket Of 34 Cases Heard; Seven Cases Continued

Perquimans County Recorder's Court held a day-long session here Tuesday clearing a docket of some forty cases which accumulated during the court's recess last week while Superior Court was being held.

Thirty-four cases were disposed of at the session Tuesday and seven were continued until the next term of court.

Entering pleas of guilty to charges of speeding, the following paid the costs of court: Leonard Smith, C. W. Rubais, Melvin David, Jerome Brill, Furman Howard, Dennis Tynes, Ralph Shepard, Frank Musto, Hubert Noland and Harre Sinneman. A fine of \$5 and costs of court was taxed against Leo Schoen, Raymond Perry, Thomas Conte and Jack Dullberry all of whom entered pleas of guilty to charges of speeding.

Thomas O'Brien paid a fine of \$10 and costs on a charge of speeding.

Lester Mills, charged with transporting illegal liquor, plead guilty and paid a fine of \$25 and costs.

Hayward Mills paid a fine of \$15 and costs on a charge of possession of non-tax paid liquor.

John Bipers entered a plea of guilty to a charge of driving drunk and paid a fine of \$100 and costs of court.

Alexander Surton, Negro, was taxed with the court costs on a charge of being drunk and disorderly.

Johnnie Chappell paid the costs of court on a charge of failure to observe a stop sign.

Merit Sawer was found guilty on a charge of non-support of his wife. He was ordered to pay \$40 per month to the court for the use of his wife.

Louis Hoffer, Negro, was ordered to pay the costs of court on a charge of assault.

Hayward Goodwin was sentenced to 30 days in jail on a charge of being drunk.

Costs of court were taxed against Hazel Haynes on a charge of permitting stock to run at large.

Willie Jones, Negro, was taxed with the costs of court on a charge of being drunk.

J. T. McDonald, Negro, was found guilty on a charge of burning brush without a permit. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$50 and costs.

Thomas Felton, Negro, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, was taxed with the court costs.

Richard Walden charged with passing a school bus, entered a plea of guilty and he was fined \$25 and costs.

Dynamite Thrown At Belvidere Home

Sheriff M. G. Owens reported Wednesday that he is continuing the investigation of an attempt to destroy a home in Belvidere Township last Saturday.

According to Sheriff Owens, the incident took place at about 10 P. M. last Saturday. He stated that his investigation has revealed that at about that time some person or persons passed the home of Mrs. Charlie Trueblood and threw two sticks of dynamite into the yard. The explosion of the dynamite caused 15 window panes in the house to break.

The Sheriff stated that Mrs. Trueblood was in her home at the time of the explosion but escaped injury from the blast.

Two Men Arrested In Connection With Raid By Officers

Sheriff Melvin G. Owens, assisted by ATU and ABC Officers of Elizabeth City, arrested Wayland White, Jr., and Edward Smith, of Belvidere Township, Tuesday afternoon on charges of manufacturing illicit liquor and transportation of same.

Officers assisting Sheriff Owens were Jack Gaskill, Mose Harshaw, Arthur Echard, ATU officials and Benny Halstead and A. D. Baum, ABC officers.

Later Tuesday night the same officers arrested Charlie J. Trueblood, of Belvidere, charging him with the same offense.

The arrests followed an investigation conducted by Sheriff Owens over a period of several days. This investigation also revealed the site of a 400 gallon still, allegedly operated by White, Smith and Trueblood.

The officers went to this site, located five miles south of Newby's Bridge, on Wednesday morning and found the 400-gallon still and 1,000 gallons of mash. The still and mash were then destroyed by the officers.

Preliminary hearings for White and Smith were held before a U. S. Commissioner in Elizabeth City Wednesday afternoon, at which time the Commissioner bound the defendants over to Federal Court. A preliminary hearing will be held for Trueblood Saturday morning.

Womanless Wedding Scheduled May 3rd

The Young People of Woodville Baptist Church conducting a drive to raise funds for a building, will present a womanless wedding at the Perquimans Central Grammar School in Winfall on Wednesday night, May 3, at 8 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend the event and help the Young People with their campaign for building funds.

Those taking part in the womanless wedding are:

Bride, Hayward White, groom, G. M. Singletary; maid of honor, G. Wood; best man, Sherrod Fulghum; preacher, Johnnie Gregory.

Flower girls, Billy Bray, Winton Gregory; ring bearers William Gay and Ed Lee Jennings; train bearers, Alden Bray and Carlton White; bridesmaids, Frank Bray, Charlie Lane, A. R. Cook and Kader White.

Pianist, Kader White; soloist, J. P. Snipes; jilted lover, Johnnie White; bride's father, E. S. Fulghum; mother, Abe Godfrey, Sr.; sister, Joe Parrish; grandmother, E. R. Whedbee.

Groom's father, Abe Godfrey, Jr.; mother, Billy Gregory; sisters, Carlton Elliott and Joseph Elliott.

Ushers, J. A. Bray, Hershey E. Gregory, E. A. Allen and Wilson Rountree.

Glenda Lane Wins Beauty Contest

Glenda Lane, of Belvidere, was the popular choice as Perquimans queen to participate in the Potato Festival to be held in Elizabeth City on May 3. She was selected to represent the county by the judges of the contest held last Friday night at the State Theater, according to B. L. Gibbs, manager.

Runners-up in the contest were Willie Mae Chappell and Edna Earl Hurdie. All three of the young ladies were awarded a month's pass to the theater for winning places in the contest.

As Perquimans representative, Miss Lane will participate in a district contest to be held in Elizabeth City tonight. The winner of tonight's contest will be named as queen of the festival and runners-up will be the queen's attendants on May 3.

Senior Class Play To Be Repeated Mon.

By popular demand, the Senior Class of P.C.H.S. will give a repeat performance of its annual play—the musical, "Mammy's Lil' Wild Rose." Playing before a capacity house of approximately one thousand persons, popularity of the play demanded another performance. This command performance will be given at 8 P. M. in the High School Auditorium on Monday night, May 1st.