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Two Defendants Receive Fines In Belvidere Case

Third Defendant Found Not Guilty; 11 Cases Heard

Fines totalling \$500 were assessed against two of the three defendants charged with disturbing a political rally at Belvidere on Wednesday night of last week, following a hearing of the cases conducted Tuesday in Perquimans Recorder's Court before Judge Charles E. Johnson.

Wayland White, Jr., found guilty on four counts, was sentenced to jail for 12 months, sentence to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$400. His father, Wayland White, Sr., charged on two counts, was sentenced to jail for 30 days, sentence to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$100. Preston Copeland, the third defendant in the case was acquitted of the charge of interfering with an officer.

Wayland White, Jr., was charged with assaulting Sheriff M. G. Owens, resisting arrest, using profanity and disturbing a political meeting. Wayland White, Sr., was charged with interfering with an officer and disturbing a political meeting. Copeland was charged as was White, Sr., but a motion for a non-suit as to disturbance of not guilty was returned as verdict of not guilty was returned as to interfering with an officer.

The case grew out of an affray which, according to the testimony presented at the hearing, interrupted the political rally at Belvidere last week. A large number of witnesses testified both for the State and the defense, and conflicting stories were given by many of the witnesses. However, according to the testimony, the trouble started with an argument between Sheriff Owens and Wayland White, Jr., seemingly over an article which appeared in a newspaper. This argument led to Sheriff Owens telling White he was under arrest, whereupon White resisted and blows were exchanged between the two, while spectators attempted to stop the affray. Sheriff Owens later obtained warrants against all three defendants and, assisted by the State Highway Patrol, arrested Wayland White, Sr., and Preston Copeland the same night. Wayland White, Jr., surrendered to the Sheriff on last Friday.

Witnesses used by the State besides Sheriff Owens were F. T. Mathews, Crafton Mathews, Hazel Mathews, Tom Eason, Jim Carver and R. A. White, while those called by the defense were Herman Monds, Charlie White, John Chappell, Lon Dail, Harold Copeland, Wallace Morgan, Preston Copeland and Wayland White, Sr. In returning his verdict of guilty as to two of the defendants, Judge Johnson stated that situations such as these are serious, but too little attention is paid when such situations

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Perquimans 4-H Entries In Show



Pictured in the top photo is Clarence Chappell, Horace Layden and John Hill, Perquimans 4-H Clubbers who won top prizes as the best all-around County group in the Fat Stock Show held in Elizabeth City last week. The bottom picture is that of Harry Lee Winslow who captured the blue ribbon for displaying the best showmanship.

Forty-seven Perquimans Seniors To Receive Diplomas At Commencement

Forty-seven seniors at Perquimans County High School will receive diplomas at commencement exercises to be conducted at the school next Tuesday night, it was announced today by E. C. Woodard, principal.

Commencement exercises will open at the school Sunday evening, May 28, with the baccalaureate sermon being delivered by the Rev. Paul C. Nickens, pastor of the Baptist Church at Plymouth.

The Seniors will hold their class night program on Monday and this entire service will be in the hands of members of the class.

Graduation services will be held Tuesday night with the Rev. Fred Lauhon, pastor of the Tabot Park Baptist Church, Norfolk delivering the address.

Members of the graduating class, according to Mr. Woodard are: Airlene Covert, Lois Faye Benton, Shirley Butt, Mildred Byrum, Ella Cartwright, Doris Carver, Velma Carver, Lary Lee Chappell, Willie Mae Chappell, Geraldine Gregory, Bernice Harrell, Ruth Hoskett, Laura Hopkins, Claire Hunter, Carolyn Hurdle, Marion Ivey, Dorothy Moore, Ruby Lane, Sarah Layden, Willie Ann Madre, Dorothy Miller, Mildred Ownley, Janice Perry, Marjorie Perry, Pattie Phillips, Emma Rogerson, Peggy Sawyer Winslow, Lillian Russell, Faye Rae Synons, Norma Winslow, Lindsey Barber, Albert Benton, Carroll Berry, Ronald Butt, John Elliott, Albert Euse, Garland Euse, Robert Jordan, Wade Jordan, Horace Layden, Gene Phillips, Nathan Spivey, Thomas Umphlett, James Umphlett, Harry Lee Winslow, Billy Winslow and James White.

Marjorie Perry, is Valedictorian of the class, with a grade average of 97 while Claire Hunter, with the same average, is class Salutatorian.

Marshals for the commencement exercises are Calvin Butt, chief, Mary Faye Allen, Mary Sue Cook, Tommy Sumner, Amy Van Roach, Mable Martin Whodbee, Faye Butt, John Morris and Jean Butt.

County Agent Warns Of Crop Threat

I. C. Yagel, County Agent, today issued a warning to Perquimans farmers that the armyworm has appeared in some parts of this county and in Pasquotank and he urges that growers of wheat and oats to take precaution to stamp out the pest.

He stated that while the infestation is not widespread yet, unless farmers examine their fields and use proper insecticides the pest can be the cause of major damage to crops.

Indians Win Games From Two Rivals As Season Closes

Gatesville Contest Rained Out; May Be Played Friday

The Perquimans Indians chalked up baseball victories number 12 and 13 at the expense of Elizabeth City and Edenton, in contests played here on Memorial Field last Friday and Monday night.

By trouncing Elizabeth City 7 to 3, the Indians gained sweet revenge for a 9-6 victory the Jackets handed the Indians two weeks ago. This was the only loss the Indians suffered this season. Bill Winslow went the route as moundman for Perquimans and he had the Jackets under control most of the way. Garland Walker's timely hit in the seventh inning sewed up the game for the Indians, coming with the bases loaded and the Indians trailing 3-1. Perquimans scored once in the first, four in the 7th and twice in the eighth for a total of seven runs while Elizabeth City collected three in the third inning.

The Indians outclassed the Edenton team in a game here Monday, when Earl Rogerson did the pitching for Perquimans. He gave up three hits and walked three. Goodwin, Edenton hurler, walked 13 Indians and allowed three hits. Perquimans scored once in the first inning and three more in the fourth. Rogerson struck out 15 Edenton batters.

The Indians made it two in a row over the Edenton Aces when they traveled to Edenton Tuesday afternoon for a return game with their old rivals. Coach Fearing started Bright on the mound for Perquimans but he was later rebuffed by Earl Rogerson who pitched most of the contest for Perquimans. The Indians won by a 15-7 score, after collecting a total of 15 hits off the Edenton hurler.

The game scheduled to be played Wednesday night between the Indians and Gatesville was rained out but Coach Fearing was making attempts to re-schedule the game, possibly for Friday night, and if arrangements are made announcement will be made sometime today.

Legion Services Held At New Hope Last Sunday Night

In special memorial services held by the Perquimans County Post of the American Legion at the Methodist Church Sunday night at New Hope, the Rev. E. D. Edwards, post chaplain, and pastor of the Winfall Methodist Church, declared that those who died in World War I and II had not died in vain, even though lasting peace in our world is not yet immediately at hand.

"Out of each of the great wars, beginning with the revolution when the colonists who founded our country broke away from the oppression of England, has come the resulting progress that has made out nation what is, and their greatest desire is for peace," he continued.

"In glorifying our war dead, however, the American Legion does not glorify war, for the men of the Legion know first hand how terrible war is, and their greatest desire is for peace," he continued.

In closing the chaplain pointed out the grave peril to world peace today by advance of communism, the need for clear thinking by every American, and proper military preparation, if war must come again.

Preceding the sermon, after attending membership of the William Paul Stallings Post had filed in, to be seated in special pews in the front of the church, chairman of the memorial ceremony committee, B. C. Berry of Hertford, explained briefly the custom of this annual observance of Memorial Day, in some church in the county, on a Sunday shortly before or after National Memorial Day on May 30.

Mr. Berry explained the true aim and meaning of the American Legion, by reading the preamble of the Legion constitution.

TO HOLD FOOD SALE
Members of the Hertford Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will hold a home-cooked food sale, on the Court House green, Saturday, May 27, beginning at 10 A. M., it was announced today.

MASONS WILL MEET TUESDAY
Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night in the Court House.

Heavy Vote Expected To Be Cast In County Democratic Primary Saturday

New Manager Named For Local REA Office

Archie T. Lane, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation, announced today the appointment of John T. Coston of Hookerton to the position as manager of the local REA. Mr. Coston will succeed Gilbert L. Whitley who has served as REA manager here for several years. Mr. Whitley resigned his position here to accept a similar one at Farmville.

Mr. Coston comes to the local office highly recommended, and has served as manager of the Hookerton Electric Department for some years. He will assume his duties here on July 1.

Perquimans Calves Bring Top Prices At Auction Sale

Perquimans County 4-H beef calves topped the average selling price of steers, in the fifth annual Albemarle Fat Stock Sale by three and one half cent per pound. The Perquimans County 4-H steers averaged 39.9 cents per pound compared with 36.4 average for the sale as a whole. The highest priced calf from this county was owned by 4-H Clubber, Clarence Chappell, Jr. His Reserve Champion steer sold for 61 cents, per pound and was bought by Miller and Umphlette Stock Market of Hertford, N. C. John Hill's third placed 4-H steer was the second highest priced steer from the county and was bought by Elmer Bros. of Elizabeth City for 45 cents per pound. The Hertford Livestock Market bought 4-H member Horace Layden's 950 pound steer for 323 dollars. Janie Winslow, the only 4-H girl entry from Perquimans County sold her 830 pound steer to Major Loomis Lumber Co., of Hertford for \$278.00. J. Emmett Winslow and C. P. Morris, both businessmen of Hertford, each bought half of 4-H'er Harry Lee Winslow's steer. Dolan Winslow, Whiteston 4-H member, sold his steer to the Hertford Freezer Locker Co. for 33 cents per pound.

All the steers from Perquimans County sold for a total of \$2,136.81. The hogs sold for a total of \$342.45. Prizes won by this county's 4-H members at the show totaled \$71.00 plus a \$15.00, \$10.00 and \$5.00 prize for the best barrow. The total prizes won amounted to \$106.00. The Hertford Bank donated the special county prizes for Fat Steers and Harrell Gas and Coal Company donated the county hog prize. The 4-H members from this county won prizes and sold animals for a total of \$2,585.26.

School Complaint Before State Board

A petition alleging discrimination against Negro school children in Perquimans County has been sent to the State Board of Education, according to a report coming out Raleigh on Wednesday.

The report stated that Attorney General Harry McMillan had sent the petition to State School Superintendent Clyde Erwin suggesting that he ascertain the facts. The Attorney General added that the matters referred to in the petition were for local authorities to handle.

It is believed here that the petition is similar to one placed before the Perquimans County Board of Education several months ago, at which time the local Board discussed the school situation with an attorney representing a number of Perquimans County Negro citizens.

At that time the local Board pointed out to the petitioners that plans underway for the construction of a Union School at Winfall and the construction of additional class rooms at Hertford will provide space needed for all students and at the same time permit additional courses being added to those now offered students.

Firemen Answer Call On Tuesday

Hertford's Fire Department answered a call Tuesday morning to Major Loomis Company, to extinguish a fire at one of the mill houses near the company's plant. According to a report, an occupant of the house had gone to bed with a lighted cigarette and this, later, caused the bed to catch fire. No damage, other than to the bed, was reported.

Interest In Local Candidates Is Leading Factor; Polls Will Be Opened at 6:30 A. M.

Wide interest in the large number of local candidates seeking county offices and the U. S. Senatorial contest between Frank P. Graham, Willis Smith and Robert Reynolds is expected to result in a heavy vote being cast in the Democratic Primary scheduled for Saturday. Some

In connection with the election, W. F. Ainsley, chairman of the Perquimans Board of Election announced today that the polling places in the six precincts of the county will be open from 6:30 A. M., until 6:30 P. M., for county residents to cast their ballots. He also stated that there apparently is some misunderstanding about the eligibility for voting. He said that, contrary to some reports, there has been no new registration in this county and persons who were on the registration books prior to this election, are eligible to vote.

Political rallies, the last of which was held in Hertford on Thursday night have resulted in much interest being manifested in the county races, and all the candidates have done a bit of vote soliciting during the past several weeks. This has been a leading factor in bringing about what is expected to be a heavy vote in the election tomorrow.

The races which are to be decided at the election tomorrow, and the candidates in each of these contests are as follows:

U. S. Senate, Frank P. Graham, Willis Smith, Robert Reynolds and Olla Ray Boyd.

State Senate, J. Emmett Winslow, Steve Askew and William Copeland.

Representative, C. R. Holmes and E. M. Perry.

Sheriff, M. G. Owens, Herbert N. Nixon, J. Kelly White and Nathan Trueblood.

County Commissioner, Bethel Township, Roy S. Chappell, Charles R. Ward and Freeman Long.

Hertford Township, Archie T. Lane, George Powell and Joe Towne.

Parkville Township, Charlie Umphlett and Earl Hollowell.

New Hope Township, Ervin Turner and W. A. Chappell.

Belvidere Township, Shelton G. Chappell, William C. Chappell and W. A. Winslow.

A number of incumbents are without opposition in the primary and are thereby certified as the nominees for the offices. These are Herbert C. Bonner, Congressman; Walter C. Bonner, District Solicitor; W. H. Pitt, Clerk of Court; Charles E. Johnson, Judge Recorder's Court, and Max Campbell, treasurer.

Officials for the primary, as named by the County Board of Elections, are: Hertford Township, Mrs. B. G. Koonce, registrar; D. J. Pritchard, Mrs. J. H. Satchwell and W. A. Hoffler, judges; Bethel; E. Y. Berry, registrar, Charlie Ward, Sr., and J. B. Perry, judges; Belvidere; J. M. Copeland, registrar; M. Bacus and L. C. Winslow, judges; Nicanor; R. M. Raker, registrar; Tom Eason and Archie White, judges; Parkville, Harry Barber, registrar; Mrs. Harry Barber and Nelson Smith, judges; New Hope; Mrs. W. E. Dail, registrar; S. D. Banks and E. A. Goodman, Sr., judges.

58 Volunteers Give Blood To Red Cross

Perquimans County residents turned out in large numbers here Tuesday to donate blood to the Red Cross for its program of providing free transfusions for patients in hospitals in this area, it was reported by Charles M. Harrell, chairman of the local committee.

Fifty-eight pints of blood were collected when the bloodmobile came here this week, and 14 volunteers who applied to give blood were turned down for various reasons after being given a thorough test by the unit technicians.

In reporting the results obtained for the program this week Mr. Harrell said, "It was gratifying to have so many more volunteers this time than we had last February, and the committee hopes that as the program continues we will have even more citizens volunteer to participate and donate blood."

The bloodmobile schedule calls for Perquimans County to donate 150 pints of blood each year, and this is collected when the unit comes here every four months. The next trip of the bloodmobile to Hertford will be sometime this fall.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Communist police of Eastern Berlin have warned east German Communists to stay out of western Berlin during the May Day activities being staged throughout Russian held territory, it was reported Wednesday. A report that the Communists planned to "take over" Berlin resulted in stern measures being adopted by American, British and French occupation forces, and this action, it was reported, forced the Communists to change their plans.

An agreement was reached between General Motors and Union officials on Tuesday which will halt any proposed strike at General Motors plants in the near future. Talks have been going on between company officers and the union for several days and the accord was reached this week. The Union claimed gains for the employees but according to the report, the new agreement gives employees about the same terms as given in other automobile contracts for labor.

An additional \$120,000,000 of Federal funds will be allocated toward construction of North Carolina highways during 1951 and 1952 if a bill passed by the House is approved by the Senate and becomes law, it was reported from Washington this week. The funds will be allocated on the basis of Federal aid for use on national highways providing the measure is fully approved.