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Inspection Made Wednesday of Negro School At Winfall

Building Expected to Be Ready For Opening of Schools September 5

An inspection tour of the Negro Union School at Winfall was made Wednesday afternoon by State Engineer William Duff, J. W. Griffin, architect and J. T. Biggers, superintendent of schools. Final approval was made in regards to the general contract, with a few minor jobs to be completed by the contractor.

Approval of the plumbing and heating projects and the electrical work will not be given until an inspection of this work is made at a later date.

The general contract is between 99 and 100 per cent complete, but the plumbing and electrical contractors still have considerable work to do before the building will be accepted by the Board of Education.

Mr. Biggers stated, following the inspection Wednesday, these contractors will have to increase the speed of their work in order for the building to be ready for the opening of schools in a little more than four weeks. The plumbing contractor was present at the inspection this week and he stated he will complete his contract in a week or 10 days time.

The new building, one of the most modern in the entire State, is a spacious well-lighted and ventilated school with 18 class rooms, a gymnasium and a combination lunch room and library. A giant-sized heating unit is located in the boiler room and is of sufficient size to provide ample heat for the large building.

A complete water and sanitary system is also included in the school.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Price controls were eased somewhat Wednesday when President Truman signed the new control law, passed recently by Congress, however, the President termed the new law deficient and stated he would have vetoed the measure if rents and other essentials had not been tied in the bill.

Cease-fire talks, in Korea, this week centered around the issue of establishing a buffer zone between UN and Communist forces, according to reports from UN Headquarters in Korea. The Communists had proposed the withdrawal of all foreign troops from the country but when UN representatives flatly turned down this proposal, the Reds then balked on the UN proposed buffer zone.

Diplomatic relations between the U. S. and Czechoslovakia continued as a hot subject this week with an announcement from Washington that the U. S. is breaking off contract trade agreements with the Czechs. The action hinges on the imprisonment of an American by the Czechs, who charged the U. S. newsmen was a spy.

A United Nations Commission, this week, began a task of hunting down more than half a million prisoners of World War II, most of them reported to be in Russia. The Commission will attempt to locate the POW's and return them to their rightful homes.

A report from Raleigh on Wednesday stated Governor Scott may appoint a committee to investigate the alleged fixing of prices on gasoline in this state. The proposal was made by Attorney General McMullan, who recently stated, after some investigation, it appeared a major oil company fixes the price of gasoline in North Carolina areas.

VFW Undefeated In Softball League

Interest in Hertford's soft ball league continues to grow, as the VFW team continued to hold the top spot in the league standing with eight victories and no losses. The Jaycees dumped the Lions twice last week to tie the Independents for second place in the standing and the Lions Club are still looking for that "first" win.

Games next week are as follows: Monday, Jaycees vs. Independents; Wednesday, VFW vs. Independents; Friday, Lions vs. Jaycees.

STANDING OF CLUBS

	W	L	Pct.
VFW	8	0	100%
Jaycees	6	4	50%
Independents	4	4	50%
Lions	0	8	0.000%

Myers Being Held In Connection With Robberies; Court Sets Bond At \$3,000

Johnny Alton Myers, 19-year-old Hertford youth, is being held in Perquimans County jail, on six counts in connection with the two robberies which occurred here over the weekend of July 21-22.

Myers surrendered himself to Sheriff M. G. Owens last Friday morning after a telephone conversation with his mother, who advised him to give up to the authorities, who were then searching for the youth.

The youth is charged with breaking and entering the Hollowell Chevrolet warehouse, on two occasions, and the W. M. Divers & Son Jewelry Store. He is also charged with driving without a license, and the theft of a revolver from C. H. Twiddy and tools from the Southern Cotton Oil Company.

Bond was set for Myers at \$4,000, but in a preliminary hearing given the youth on Tuesday in Recorder's Court, on a motion of Attorney W. H. Oakley, the bond was reduced to \$3,000. However, an additional \$1,000 bond is required by Pitty County, in connection with the theft of a car in Greenville.

Through his attorney, Myers indicated a desire to waive a hearing on the various charges and the case was continued until next week, pending the possibility bond will be raised for the defendant.

In a statement made to Sheriff Owens, immediately after Myers surrendered last Friday morning, Myers related detailed account of his activities starting on Saturday night, July 21, when he broke into the Hollowell Chevrolet warehouse and stole the first of two cars from this place. He drove the first car to Woodville, gassed it up and drove through the country to Edenton, where he wrecked and abandoned this auto. He returned to Hertford, walking the railroad track the entire distance and took the second car from the Hollowell car in Greenville, then abandoning the Hollowell car, and drove toward Hertford. He passed through Hertford Thursday night and stayed awhile in a tourist court near Elizabeth City. About one A. M., Friday he left this point and drove back to Edenton and spent the rest of Thursday night. He then drove to Washington, N. C., and realizing the authorities were probably hot on his trail, he called his mother and talked with her. He stated his mother advised him to give himself up; immediately he left Washington and drove back to Hertford, leaving the third stolen car back of the jail and entered the sheriff's office and surrendered.

When he surrendered Myers had in his possession 27 of the watches taken from the local jewelry store. Of these 19 were ladies' watches and eight were men's watches.

To lay the basis for a program of dollar-and-cent "community prices" in the nation's grocery stores, the Office of Price Stabilization will conduct a nation-wide survey of wholesale and retail grocery costs and prices.

"The first survey of wholesalers began in the Raleigh area on July 30, and the retail survey will get under way on August 2," District Director J. G. Clark announced. He added that at first, establishments will be visited every other week, and that this may be stepped up to every week if experience indicates a need for more frequent sampling.

During the course of the nationwide survey, teams from OPS' 84 district offices will regularly visit retail food stores and wholesale establishments gathering information on what grocers pay for foods and what they sell them for. A chief purpose of the survey will be to discover whether there is sufficient stability in the prices of a number of standard grocery items to make a "community pricing program" possible.

Community pricing, the Raleigh OPS explained, is a system under which the country is divided into market areas, and grocery price ceilings are established for each area on the basis of local transportation and other cost factors. These ceilings which are the same in an area for all stores of the same class—are then printed on charts for posting in retail stores where all customers can see them.

In addition to determining the relative stability of prices of food items subject to change of parity provisions, the survey will have two further advantages: (1) It will furnish a broad basis of comparison between the actual selling prices in relation to ceiling prices as now established under Ceiling Price Regulations 14, 15 and 16—the grocery regulations which provide fixed percentage mark-ups for wholesalers and for small and large retail grocery stores. (2) The process of gathering the needed information will prepare and train the OPS staff which will be responsible for the operation of the community food pricing program when such a program actually gets under way.

Commissioners To Meet Next Monday

The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners will meet next Monday, at 10 A. M., for its regular August meeting. In addition to its usual routine business the board is also expected to give final approval to the fiscal budget for the current year.

Residents planning to appear before the board for any purpose are asked to note time and date of this meeting.

60 watches. He told Sheriff Owens he entered the jewelry store by breaking out the skylight and left the building by the same route he had entered.

After looting the jewelry store, he drove to Norfolk where he pawned a number of watches and then began a motor trip which led to Raleigh where he spent Monday night. He pawned some more watches in Raleigh then started driving north, stopping in Washington, D. C., and later drove into Maryland. He had a minor wreck in Maryland but was released by the Maryland State Police when the driver of the other vehicle involved in the wreck stated he had no damages.

Stating traffic was heavy "up there" Myers told the sheriff he then returned to Virginia and pawned some more watches in Petersburg. He then returned to North Carolina and spent considerable time in and around Winston-Salem, New Bern, Washington and Greenville. Meanwhile, he said, he had picked up two hitch hikers, who according to Myers, aided him in pawning some of the watches he still had with him.

He admitted stealing a third car in Greenville, then abandoning the Hollowell car, and drove toward Hertford. He passed through Hertford Thursday night and stayed awhile in a tourist court near Elizabeth City. About one A. M., Friday he left this point and drove back to Edenton and spent the rest of Thursday night. He then drove to Washington, N. C., and realizing the authorities were probably hot on his trail, he called his mother and talked with her. He stated his mother advised him to give himself up; immediately he left Washington and drove back to Hertford, leaving the third stolen car back of the jail and entered the sheriff's office and surrendered.

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Five From County Attend State Meet

Five Home Demonstration Club women, accompanied by Mrs. Nina B. White, Home Agent, left for Farm and Home Week in Raleigh Monday morning. The club women who are attending are: Mrs. M. T. Griffin, Mrs. J. D. Yeates, Mrs. E. J. Proctor, Mrs. Roy Nixon and Mrs. Henry Elliott.

The program this year included group singing, rural Church talks, classes on foods, clothing, shelter, savings and security, health and medical care, recreation, family life, poultry, grooming, parliamentary procedure, and many others.

On Wednesday afternoon they attended a tea at the Governor's Mansion.

The program adjourned on Thursday night after an Ice Show and Revue in the William Neal Reynolds Coliseum. The group from this county are expected to return home Friday.

Check Reveals Boll Weevil On Increase

A check of cotton fields over the county this week shows a considerable increase of weevil infestation, it was reported today by I. C. Yagel. This is due to the large number of second generation weevils hatching out. Untreated fields are showing an average of 77% weevil damage while treated fields show an average of 13%. Rather high infestations in fields where growers have failed to apply treatment at regular 5 and 7 day intervals may look like the control program has done no good, the Agent reported. Making the applications regularly is a very important part of the program. Omitting one week now can spoil the results of a good dusting program. Fields showing from 0 to 10 punctured squares in 100 should be checked twice a week for evidence of rapid build up of weevils. Applications in August are important because weevils sometimes feed on young bolls when squares can no longer be found. It was the growers who dusted regularly and made late applications in 1950 who made the high yields of cotton.

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Mr. Yagel advised better coverage can be obtained by applying dust in the evening when the leaves are not so wet. No fall worms were found this week. Since this is the same worm which attacks corn, cotton may not be seriously hit until corn passes the silking stage.

BEST ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Decker announce the birth of a daughter, Linda Rae, born Sunday, July 23, at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City. Mrs. Decker, before her marriage, was Miss Blanche Rae Skinner.

Eight Cases Heard By Recorder Judge Here Last Tuesday

Defendant Fined \$200 For Driving After License Revocation

A varied docket of eight cases was disposed of in Perquimans Recorder's Court, in session here last Tuesday, with Judge Chas. E. Johnson presiding.

Elmer Key, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of driving with improper lights. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs and the sum of \$40.95 to Carlton Layton for damages to Layton's car.

Roland Gilliam, Negro, charged with driving after his operator's license had been revoked, entered a plea of guilty. He was given a 60 day sentence, to be suspended, upon payment of a fine of \$200 and costs.

Hoke Eason, Negro, charged with driving on the wrong side of the road, failed to appear to answer the charges and the warrant was ordered returned to the arresting officer for service.

Elmer Yohn, charged on two counts of assaulting Thomas Newby, was found guilty on charges of simple assault and assault with a truck. He was sentenced to jail for 30 days, sentence to be suspended upon payment of a fine of \$30 and the defendant placed on good behavior for 12 months. An appeal bond was set at \$100.

Judson T. Bass entered a plea of guilty to a charge of being drunk in a public place. He paid a fine of \$15 and costs of court.

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Report On Library Circulation Given

Circulation for books through the Perquimans County Library reached a new high mark during the past year, according to an annual report made at the close of the fiscal year, June 30, it was announced today by Mrs. Silas M. Whedbee, Librarian.

The report shows 1,029 new books were added to the library during the year, making a total of 8,694 books now on hand. The total circulation for the year was 42,517. The bookmobile made 104 trips with a circulation of 13,767 books and magazines, showing an increasing popularity of the bookmobile.

Mrs. Whedbee also reported 34 new books had been received during the month of July, and these included non-fiction, adult fiction and teenage books. Among the new titles are, Bulfinch's Mythology, Selected Plays by Bernard Shaw, Windsor, A King's Story, Wouk, The Cain Mutiny, Dresser, Parole Chief, Street, The High Calling, Bassett, Echoes of the Tide, Coles, New or Never, Gardner, Case of the Fiery Fingers, Hambleton, Nobody's Child and Verby, A Woman Called Fancy.

In connection with his 4-H projects Bobby has written the following article on recreation:

"Today in Perquimans County we are rapidly seeing the old saying, 'all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy,' come true. The saying in this case is not meant for any individual, but for all of Perquimans County. It is true that we have seen more clubs spring up in our county, we have seen more and bigger opportunities for our youth in such clubs as 4-H, FFA, Boy and Girl Scouts. For men, we have seen Kuritan Clubs organized in all parts of the county and the Home Demonstration Clubs lead all others for the women.

If we intend to keep this good work successful, we must make the inside part as interesting as possible; anyone who has to go to meetings and listen to long talks, with which they are not concerned about, will soon stop attending meetings. That is why we should let recreation have a part in every club meeting.

"But you may say, we have no

recreation equipment, nor anyone who

can lead us in recreation, what kind of recreation would be proper for our meetings?

"They are just a few of the many questions which should and must be answered before Perquimans County will turn the tide for more and better recreation."

Draft Regulation Explained By Clerk

For the information of registrants of the Perquimans County office of Selective Service, Mrs. Charles Campan, clerk to the local board, today issued the following statement in connection with Selective Service regulations governing the reclassification of registrants: "Registrants are not eligible for reclassification after having passed their pre-induction examinations."

Mrs. Campan reported, under regulation, there is no exception to this procedure.

Registrants are also advised by the local board that any changes in address must be reported to the local board office, and failure to comply with this regulation does not relieve a registrant of his responsibility.

County To Advertise Delinquent Taxes

Sheriff M. G. Owens, today, reminded Perquimans County taxpayers, who have not made settlement for 1950 taxes, that these taxes will be advertised for sale on Monday, August 6.

Sale of the tax liens will be held at the Court House door on Monday, September 3.

Special Bond Election For Town Of Hertford Scheduled For September 11

Thirty Five Donors Visit Bloodmobile

Twenty-seven pints of blood were donated to the Red Cross by Perquimans County residents, last Friday, according to a report issued Monday by C. Edgar White, chairman of the local blood program.

A total of 35 residents appeared to donate blood, but after an examination, eight of these volunteers were advised not to donate blood during this visit of the bloodmobile.

While the blood collected here Friday fell short of the county goal, the committee expressed itself as being satisfied with the results, and pointed out that the extremely hot weather caused some donors to stay away this time, while others were out of town on vacation.

Belvidere Youth Crowned State Health King

Bobby Smith, of Belvidere, was crowned King of Health at the annual 4-H Club health page