

Bloodmobile Failed To Make Visit Here On Last Friday

Chairman Of Blood Program Resigns Post In Protest

A Red Cross bloodmobile unit, scheduled to visit Hertford last Friday for the purpose of collecting blood donations from county residents, failed to make its appearance, and caused a great deal of inconvenience to members of the county committee, who had worked hard toward having this county meet its blood quota.

Mrs. W. C. Cherry, chairman of the committee, told this newspaper on Monday that she had resigned as chairman of the program.

She added that she had contacted the Red Cross Bloodmobile Office in Norfolk, and was told the failure of the unit to visit Hertford was an oversight.

The chairman also stated it was her belief that if the bloodmobile had appeared here as it was scheduled to do so that a sufficient number of donors would have been present to provide this county's quota for the Red Cross.

A large number of blood donors, Mrs. Cherry reported, appeared to fill their appointment but upon learning the bloodmobile had not appeared they left the headquarters, and others phoned in asking why the bloodmobile had failed to visit Hertford as scheduled.

Census Report Says Corn Is Top Crop In Perquimans

Crops were harvested in 1951 from 45 per cent of the 102,347 acres of farm land in Perquimans County, according to a report released this week by B. W. Johnson of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. The 1952 Farm Census survey shows crops were harvested from 46,459 acres, while 1,008 acres of crop land was idle.

The summary shows 1,594 acres of improved pasture, 428 acres of other pasture and 52,836 acres of woods, wasteland and homesteads.

Corn and soybeans were the major crops harvested in 1951, with corn representing 42 per cent and soybeans 39 per cent of all crops harvested. Peanuts represented 10 per cent of all harvested crops while cotton accounted for four per cent.

Acres devoted to various crops were listed as follows: corn, 19,708; cotton, 1,970; peanuts, 4,428; wheat, 38; oats, 206; soybeans, 18,268; lupine, 257; hay, all types, 471; Irish potatoes, 60; sweet potatoes, 112; other vegetables, 239.

Farmers used a total of 7,572 tons of commercial fertilizer, according to the report.

Livestock was shown as follows: sows and gilts, 1,658; cows and heifers, kept for milk, 508; kept for beef, 608; hens and pullets, 38,707.

Finally the report revealed there were 4,558 people living on the tracts of three or more acres of land in January, 1952, this is compared with 4,374 people living on similar size tracts of land in 1951.

Ruritans Retain Lead In Softball

Plenty of action was displayed in the community softball league the past week. The Lions handed the Ruritans and VFW defeats and the VFW topped the Jaycees.

Two fine games were played Monday night of this week with the Jaycees outscoring the Lions 15-14 in a wild game and the VFW winning from the Ruritans by a 21-20 margin.

The Ruritans retained the lead in the league despite three losses, and interest is mounting with each game played. Large crowds are turning out for the games played on the playground each Monday and Thursday evenings.

Standing of the clubs is as follows:

Ruritans	3
VFW	4
Jaycees	1
Lions	1

FREE CALLS

Hertford firemen were called to the town dump on three different occasions Sunday to extinguish a blaze which had started among the trash burned on the dump. No report was given as to the cause of the fire, but the blaze after the third call to the water early Monday morning.



RELICS OF ADMIRAL PEARY'S SUCCESSFUL POLAR EXPEDITION OF 1909—Three broken sled runners, lashed to form a tripod (left) mark this cache of metal boxes left on the ice-locked coast of Ellesmere Island by Admiral Robert E. Peary on his memorable journey to the North Pole which he discovered April 6, 1909. Right, Lt. Col. Joseph O. Fletcher (left) and Lt. Col. William P. Benedict, pilot of the U. S. Air Force C-47 which landed at the geographic North Pole on May 3, 1952. Peary spent more than a year on his expedition. The American airmen accomplished their mission in a few hours.

Hertford Water Supply Being Treated To Rid System Of Odor Detected Thursday

Elizabeth City Chemist Aiding Town Officials In Task

Hertford's water supply, which developed an obnoxious odor last Thursday morning, was back to near normalcy early this week after Town officials had taken a number of steps to correct the cause of the odor.

Numerous complaints were registered with town officials during Thursday and immediate steps were taken to determine the cause of the odor and to correct it.

R. W. Luther, water specialist and chemist for Elizabeth City, was called here and he ran a number of tests on the local water supply, and made a number of recommendations as to changes in treatment of the water.

Town employees drained the water mains on several occasions, but this action was dropped Saturday at the request of Mr. Luther, who stated he believed the treatment given the water supply would be more effective.

As to the cause of the odor, this has not been definitely determined but it was believed due to a development of algae in the system, which developed a sour smell due to the intense heat of the past few weeks.

Mr. Luther has returned here several times since last Thursday, and is still running tests on the water supply. Among changes he recommended as to the treatment of the water was the addition of more chlorine; this is expected to change, somewhat, the taste of the water but at the same time will aid in exterminating the offensive odor.

The public is advised that any change noted in the taste of the water will be due to the additional chlorine treatment, and will not be a continuation of the same trouble experienced last week.

Officials Praise New Playground

A dedication of the community playground, recently constructed here by the Hertford Junior Chamber of Commerce, was held on Thursday night of last week with the project being dedicated to the children of the county.

The formal opening of the playground brought praise from local officials for the Jaycees, who sponsored the project and who in addition to expending funds for equipment, put in many hours of labor preparing the site for a playground for the children in this community.

In connection with the dedication of the playground A. T. Lane, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, said, "We are indeed indebted to the Junior Chamber of Commerce for initiating and promoting this most worthwhile project, which will bring pleasure and joy to the very young and older alike."

"For some time I have felt there was a great need for a recreational area, and as I have driven by this spot for the past few weeks, it has been gratifying to see the children at play, and more recently the softball league in action."

Mayor V. N. Darden also praised the project as very worthy, and stated the playground was a tremendous asset to the community and that he hoped to see it grow and expand to the position of providing full recreational facilities to the children of Hertford and Perquimans County.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Hank Gustafson announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Louise, born July 28th at the Elizabeth City Hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz. and is the former Miss Margie O'Brien.

Hertford Scouts At Camp Darden

Twelve members of Hertford Scout Troop 155, left Sunday for Camp Darden, near Franklin, Va., for their annual summer camping event. The local scouts were accompanied by Pete Mathews, who is serving as their leader.

The boys left Hertford Sunday afternoon by car, the transportation being furnished by U. T. Biggers and Pete Mathews. They will return Saturday afternoon.

Members of the local troop, leaving to attend the camp were Bobby Mathews, Tommy Mathews, Sonny Mathews, Hazel Mathews, Tommy Lane, Bobby Brown, Billy Yagel, Howard Felton, Corbin Cherry, Douglas Coleman, Charlie Johnson and Dickie Owens.

Highway Program Is Nearing Goal

A total of 11,446 miles of secondary roads had been hard surfaced in North Carolina by June 30 with funds from the \$200,000,000 bond issue voted in 1949, Highway Chairman Henry W. Jordan reported today.

Jordan said the aggregate mileage paved was 95.40 per cent of Government or Scott's requested 12,000-mile paving goal on farm-to-market roads.

With nearly 300 road projects now under way, the goal is expected to be reached within the next few weeks.

The quarterly progress report, which was prepared by the Statistics and Planning Division, showed that an additional 16,571 miles of county roads had been stabilized for all-weather use. That's approximately 45 per cent of the 36,000-mile goal for stabilization, which is being stepped up now that the bond paving program is approaching its end.

Jordan reported that up to June 30, a total of \$181,369,770 of the bond money had been allotted to specific projects on secondary roads, leaving approximately \$18,650,000 yet to be allotted. The Highway Commission has actually paid out \$150,260,000 of the bond money.

Thirty-five counties had passed their paving goal under the secondary road program by June 30. This group included all counties in the mid-State Sixth and Seventh highway divisions. These counties are thus assured of getting as much or more new paved mileage than they were promised when the program began, Jordan reported. Business-like administration of the secondary road program has meant "bonus" mileage to the State.

Counties in which the paving goal has been passed are Chowan, Edgecombe, Hertford, Greene, Lenoir, Pitt, Bladen, Brunswick, Cumberland, Duplin, Sampson, Franklin, Johnston, Nash, Wayne, Wilson, Chatham, Davidson, Harnett, Hoke, Lee, Moore, Randolph, Robeson, Scotland, Anson, Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Richmond, Rowan, Stanly, Union, Alexander and Polk.

Additional paving will be done in those counties that still have unexpended allotments.

Figures on the bond program paving do not include paving on primary highways or other projects not included in the secondary road program, and do not cover resurfacing or widening of secondary roads.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kimbrell of DeCATAL, Ala., announce the birth of a daughter, Linda Karen, born Friday, July 25, at the DeCATAL Hospital. Mrs. Kimbrell, before her marriage, was Miss Blanche Louise Cannon.

Jordan-Stevenson Vows Spoken At Robersonville

The marriage of Miss Doris Marie Stevenson, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Elmer C. Stevenson, of Hamilton, to Robert Spencer Jordan, Jr., son of Mrs. Charles E. Sutton, of Hertford and the late Robert Spencer Jordan, took place Saturday, July 19 at 5:00 o'clock at the Primitive Baptist Church, Robersonville.

The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Elmer C. Stevenson, father of the bride, in a setting of fern, white gladioli, gypsophila and lighted candles. Mrs. Robert A. Blair, pianist, and Mrs. Clyde Williams, soloist, sisters of the groom, rendered the wedding music. Mrs. Blair played "Indian Love Call," "Traumerel," "Lieberstrum," and "Shubert's Serenade." Mrs. Williams sang "The Sweetest Story Ever Told" and "I Love You Truly."

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Clifton Coburn of Hampton, Va. She wore a wedding gown of white organdy with an embroidered organdy yoke, snug bodice buttoned up the front with small covered buttons and wore embroidered organdy mitts. Her fingertip veil of illusion was arranged from a halo of illusion ruching outlined with lilies of the valley. She carried a white Bible topped with a purple throated orchid with love knot streamers.

Mrs. Jack Perry of Wilson, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore a gown of yellow organdy made with a full gathered skirt, snug fitted bodice, white tucked yoke and a wide white organdy sash. She wore a matching halo bonnet of illusion ruching and carried an old fashioned nosegay of purple asters and yellow roses.

The bridesmaids were Mrs. Allen Stallings of Norfolk, Va., and Miss Lynn Stevenson of Hamilton, N. C., sisters of the bride, and Miss Anne Speight and Miss Mary Hall of Newport News, Va. Their gowns were of pale green organdy fashioned like that of the Matron of Honor, with matching halo bonnets of illusion ruching. Their flowers were nosegays of purple asters and yellow roses.

Little Miss Layne Perry, niece of the bride, was flower girl and wore a yellow organdy dress with a full gathered skirt and white sash. She also wore a yellow halo bonnet of illusion ruching and carried a nosegay of pink and yellow roses.

Leslie H. Perry of Hertford was best man and the groomsmen were Paul Stevenson of Hamilton, brother of the bride and Robert A. Blair of Hampton, Va.

The mother of the groom wore a dress of pink and gray silk with white accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

Mrs. Thomas Perry of Hertford, cousin of the groom, was mistress of ceremonies.

A small reception was held at the home of the bride's parents for the bridal attendants, relatives and out of town guests. Later Mr. and Mrs. Jordan left for a wedding trip to western North Carolina, after which they will reside in Newport News, Va. For traveling the bride wore a pale blue nylon dress with white accessories and an orchid corsage.

County Board Meets On Monday Morning

The Board of County Commissioners will hold its regular August meeting next Monday in the Courtroom at the Court House, it was reported by J. W. Ward, clerk to the board.

Individuals having business to bring before the board are advised the meeting will start at 10 o'clock.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Parker Perry of Mexico City, announce the birth of a son, born Sunday, July 27. Mrs. Perry is the former Miss Sarah Brinn.

Robbery At Harris Store On Monday Morning Nets Thief \$700 In Cash

County And Town To Get Intangible Taxes

Perquimans County will receive, sometime next week, a total of \$4,326.97 and the Town of Hertford, \$720.71, from the division of intangible taxes collected in the State of North Carolina, according to an announcement made in Raleigh on Tuesday.

Intangible tax collections cover bank deposits, stocks, bonds, notes, charge accounts, interest and similar items.

The State collected a total of \$4,227,873 in intangible taxes for 1952. It will retain 20 per cent of this amount and the remaining 80 per cent will be divided among the counties, towns and cities of the State.

New Benefits For Veterans Provided By Recent Law

Education and training benefits comparable to those for World War II veterans in the original GI Bill are provided for veterans who have served in the armed forces anywhere since June 27, 1950, under terms of the new GI Bill for Korean veterans which became law with the President's signature on July 16.

The new law took effect on that date, but no training allowances may be paid for any period prior to August 20.

A veteran is allowed one and one-half days of training for each day he had in service after the outbreak of the Korean fighting—regardless of where the service was performed—up to a maximum of 36 months.

However, veterans who have previously trained under earlier veterans' training laws—the World War II GI Bill or Public Law 16 or 894 for the disabled—may get up to 48 months, minus whatever time they have already spent in training under those earlier programs.

A veteran may train in school or college, on-the-job or on-the-farm, so long as the school or training establishment has been approved by an appropriate State Approving Agency and meets other qualifications of the law. Only one change of course program is allowed, except under certain conditions determined by the VA.

Veterans in GI Bill training will receive an education and training allowance each month from the Government to meet part of the expenses of their training and living costs. Tuition, books, supplies and equipment will not be paid by the Government. Instead, they will have to be paid out of the monthly allowance.

Rates for veterans in full-time training in schools and colleges range from \$110 to \$160 per month, depending on the number of dependents. Those in training less than full time will receive lower monthly rates. For on-the-job trainees the top monthly rates vary from \$70 to \$105. For institutional on-farm trainees the rates range from \$95 to \$130. The law requires that on-job and on-farm rates be reduced, at four-month intervals, as the training progresses and the veteran's own earnings increase. It also specifies that veterans taking institutional on-farm training must devote full time to their program.

Heat Records Again Topped In This Area

The summer of 1952, if for no other reason, can long be remembered for the sustained heat waves. First there was June, then July, with each month claiming records for heat waves. Only the weather man can predict what is ahead for August.

Unofficial weather reports for this week pointed to temperatures ranging as high as those of last week when on Monday and Tuesday, the temperature charts reached new highs.

The weatherman has promised, at least, a break in the heat wave the latter part of this week.

Racing Winners Announced Monday

Winners in the outboard motor racing held Sunday at Hertford Beach, were announced Monday morning by Jake Mathews, co-sponsor, as follows:

Hydro class, C. J. Carter; A. U. Class, J. F. McNaughton 1, Charles Thompson 2, Grayson Pearce 3; C Class, C. B. Dowe; BH Class, Bert Munden 1, Otis Smith 2, George Cooper 3; Free for all, Bruce Carlson; 3rd AH, R. H. Olmstead; 2nd AH, A. C. Brower; 3rd BU, F. E. Collier; 1st BU, G. E. Preddy; 2nd BU, A. W. Sealey, Jr., and 2nd AV, H. L. Nixon.

Sheriff Investigating A Number Of Clues In Regard To Theft

Local law enforcement officers are continuing investigation of the theft of approximately \$700 in cash from the Z. A. Harris Store, on Grubb Street early Monday morning.

Sheriff M. G. Owens stated Monday afternoon that a number of leads were being investigated which might lead to a solution of the robbery.

The loss at the store was discovered at about eight o'clock Monday morning by Z. A. Harris. The money, all in bills and silver, had been taken from the cash box, located in the safe of the store. The safe had been opened earlier during the morning, and it was noted that the money was in the cash box at that time.

It was learned that the robber located the key to the cash box, which was kept adjacent to the safe, and unlocked the cash box to get at the money. Members of the Harris family, which work in the store, reported the cash box was kept locked at the hour during which the robbery occurred.

A major portion of the total amount was in bills, ranging from one \$50 bill down to a large number of one dollar bills. A large amount in silver money was also taken from the box.

Sheriff Owens questioned a number of people known to have been in the store during the hours when the robbery was believed to have taken place. These persons were questioned to learn if they had observed anyone near the safe, or seen anything happen which might provide a clue to the theft.

Shriners To Play Benefit Baseball Game Next Friday

A benefit baseball game will be played on Memorial Field in Elizabeth City next Friday night, August 8, at eight o'clock between members of the Elizabeth City and Suffolk Shrine Clubs.

Dr. A. B. Bonner, Hertford dentist, president of the Elizabeth City Shrine, and who will pitch the first ball of the game, announced today proceeds of the contest will go to the treasury of the Elizabeth City Shrine Club.

The roster of the two teams will be made up of members of the Shrine of the two cities. Bonner stated there are 12 members of the Elizabeth City Club residing in Perquimans County.

The public is invited to turn out for this game . . . for fun and laughs, and at the same time to assist these worthy organizations to obtain funds for the support of the clubs.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

A long secret FBI report, released Tuesday, says Russian Premier Stalin has decided Communists can climb to power in the United States only by forcible destruction of the government—never by peaceful means. The report said Stalin wrote the opinion back in 1939.

Delegates to the Democratic national convention named Governor Adlai Stevenson and Senator John Sparkman to head the Democratic ticket as candidates for the Presidency and vice presidency. Reports Wednesday hinted at some dissension in Southern States, mainly in Virginia, Louisiana, Mississippi and South Carolina over the results of the convention.

The nation's steel mills are operating again, following settlement of the steel strike last Friday. Effects of the steel strike are expected to be felt for some time due to the shortage of steel. The 53 day strike was ended last Friday when President Truman called representatives of the industry and union to the White House and demanded a settlement.

Egypt's playboy, King Farouk, was forced to abdicate his throne last Friday in a coup which saw the Egyptian Army take over control of government. Reports from Cairo stated the action followed a determination to wipe out graft and corruption within the government. Farouk was ordered into exile and he fled to Italy. Unconfirmed reports state Farouk may seek refuge in the United States.