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Influx Of Workers Expected At Harvey Point By July 1st As Navy Expands Base Plans

Construction workers, numbering between 300 and 400, are expected to be employed at the Harvey Point Naval Air Facility, Hertford, by July 1, according to a report given the Tri-County Industrial Committee in Edenton last Monday by Capt. K. B. Sanger, USN, from the Navy Department in Washington.

The meeting of the committee, called by the Edenton Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of exploring possibilities of keeping the Edenton Marine Base open, developed into a report on Navy plans for the Harvey Point Seaplane Base.

Capt. Sanger told the 75 persons attending the meeting that the Edenton base will be closed as now planned but development of plans for Harvey Point should provide economic support not only to Hertford but to Edenton and Elizabeth City. He also advised the committee the Navy had selected the Harvey Point site as a base for the seaplane because the bases at Elizabeth City and Edenton were not suitable for basing the Martin Sea-Master plane which will be stationed at Harvey Point.

He told the gathering that plans for Harvey Point call for new

contracts totaling 6.4 million dollars to be let between April and July for construction through June of 1959. Additional contracts, calling for outlay of \$10 million will be let each year thereafter for four years.

At the present time about 50 persons are employed at the base but another 50 are expected to be hired within thirty days and this total will continue to grow as the construction at the site progresses.

The present schedule for the base calls for it to be placed in operation by 1961. However, construction will continue through 1963. Plans for personnel at the base has been enlarged. Originally plans called for 100 civilian employees with about 1,500 Navy personnel but these figures have been moved upward. Capt. Sanger estimated civilian personnel will number 367 while the Navy will have 265 officers and 2,200 enlisted men stationed at the base.

He also advised the meeting that no federal housing is presently planned in connection with the new base and that the Navy has requested the State Highway Commission to improve roads in the area to make more accessible highways to Hertford, Edenton and Elizabeth City.

A large number of State and Federal officials, including Congressman Herbert C. Bonner, were present for the meeting on Monday and brief remarks on the economic outlook for this area, with Hertford as the hub of activities, were given by a number of the visitors.

In Washington last Friday, Congressman Bonner stated the big Seaplane Base at Harvey Point may be the only one of its kind in the United States. It is scheduled to house 30 Martin Sea-Master planes which are now under construction at the Martin plant in Baltimore. Navy plans for a similar base for the west coast have been scrapped.

Representing Hertford and the Perquimans County Industrial Committee at the meeting in Edenton were Mayor V. N. Darden and Robert L. Hollowell, chairman of the local committee.



ARMY MIGHT HAVE DONE IT—Army Secretary Wilbur Brucker holds a model of the Jupiter-C missile at his office in Washington. Brucker told Congress that the Army might have launched an earth satellite two years ago if the Pentagon had not blocked the project.

J. Emmett Winslow Announces As Candidate For State Senate

J. Emmett Winslow, Perquimans County business man and former State Senator, has announced his candidacy for one of the two positions as State Senator for the First Senatorial District of North Carolina.

Mr. Winslow, prominent in Democratic party circles in North Carolina, served the District as State Senator during the 1949 and 1951 sessions of the General Assembly.

Last July Mr. Winslow completed a four-year term as Highway Commissioner for the First Division, having been appointed to the post by the late Governor William Umstead. He served as Sheriff of Perquimans County for 14 years, retiring from the office in 1946 without seeking re-election. He is a member of the Executive Committee for the First Congressional District and was twice a delegate to the National Democratic Convention in Chicago.

As a veteran of World War I, during which he served as a pilot in the Air Force, he has taken an active part in county activities during recent years, having served as chairman of War Fund drives, County Salvage Committee and was district



supervisor for the Army Air Force Warning Service.

Mr. Winslow is a member of the American Legion, Hertford Rotary Club, a Mason and Shriner, and a member of the Woodmen of the World. He owns the Hertford Hardware & Supply Company, is president of the Albemarle Chemical Company and manages the Winslow Oil Com-

Warrant Charging Murder Served On John E. Chappell; Coroner's Inquest Set Today

John Edgar Chappell, 36, of the Belvidere section, was late Wednesday formally charged with the slaying of Norman Oliver Chappell, 69, it was reported by Sheriff J. K. White.

Norman Oliver Chappell, 69, was found dead on the floor of the kitchen in his home near Belvidere last Sunday morning at about 12:30 o'clock by Sheriff White and County Coroner Dr. C. A. Davenport who were called to the scene at about 11:30 Saturday night.

Following a four-day investigation conducted by Sheriff White, who was assisted by SBI Agent John B. Edwards, the warrant charging John Edgar Chappell with the crime was served Wednesday.

Dr. Davenport ordered summons for a coroner's jury on Monday and this jury, composed of Wallace Barrow, Cecil White, Lester Keel, J. W. Dillon, Frank Brown and Ralph Winslow, recessed after holding a short session on Monday. The coroner's jury will reconvene at the Court House in Hertford at two o'clock Friday afternoon to continue inquiry into the slaying.

An intensive investigation has been under way in connection with the death, since Sheriff J. K. White was notified last Saturday night to come to the Chappell home. Accompanied by Dr. Davenport, the sheriff reached the home at about 12:30 A. M. Sunday and found Chappell dead on the floor of the kitchen in the home. Officers believed death occurred at approximately 10:30 o'clock Saturday night or about one and one-half hours before the sheriff was notified.

Dr. Davenport, on viewing the body, pronounced Chappell dead and declared death resulted from a blow or blows, delivered by a blunt instrument, to Chappell's head.

It was reported Mr. Chappell

suffered a severe beating and sustained a broken jaw and injuries to the nose and head around the area of the temple.

The officers found a blood-stained high chair in the kitchen but they do not claim this was the instrument used as a weapon. The chair along with some other articles found are being checked for evidence.

John Edgar Chappell was taken into custody by the officers on Sunday morning, being held for investigation. Mrs. Margaret O. Chappell, widow of the deceased man, was also taken into custody being held as a material witness.

Red Cross Chapter Names Officers; Plans Fund Drive

Reorganization of the Perquimans Chapter of the American Red Cross was completed here last Friday night at a meeting of the chapter's Board of Directors when a large number of interested citizens volunteered to serve the chapter in various capacities.

Heading up the chapter activities will be Marion Swindell, as chairman, Mrs. Elwood Nowell, vice chairman; James Divers, secretary-treasurer; the Rev. James Auman, Home Service Officer; Talmage Rose, Blood Chairman; Mrs. Keith Haskett, fund drive chairman; Dick Brewer, first aid chairman, and J. T. Biggers, disaster chairman.

These officers, along with the 12-man board of directors, will direct the Red Cross work in the county during the coming year.

Other action taken at the meeting last Friday was completing arrangements for the annual fund drive for the Red Cross which will get under way March 10, with the county quota set at \$1,458. The drive will be conducted on a township basis, each of the townships being assigned part of the overall goal.

Directing the fund drive will be Mrs. Keith Haskett, chairman, and Hertford Township chairman; Mrs. Julian Long, Bethel; Mrs. Russell Baker and Mrs. Harold White, Belvidere; Mrs. Irwin Turner, New Hope; Mrs. Ernest Long, Parkville; W. C. Stroud and Mrs. M. B. Taylor, Negro division. These fund chairmen met Monday night to develop further plans for the campaign which will be announced later.

Also appointed were Township chairmen to direct the blood program and this committee is composed of Talmage Rose, Hertford chairman; Mrs. Dewey Perry, Jr., Bethel; Joe Nowell and Clifford Winslow, Belvidere; Carson Spivey, New Hope; Floyd Mathews, Parkville; W. C. Stroud and Mrs.
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Mrs. Auman To Lead Church Institute At Elizabeth City

An Institute for Vacation Church School workers will be conducted at First Methodist Church, Elizabeth City, Monday, March 3. Beginning at 9:30 A. M., the Institute will provide an opportunity for children's workers to become acquainted with new materials for vacation schools, and to begin formulating plans for this summer's activities with children in their local churches.

Mrs. James A. Auman of Hertford, district director of children's work, will be in charge of the day's activities, and will also lead the kindergarten workshop. Other workshop leaders are: Mrs. Senah Pulliam, Seven Mile Ford, Va.; Primary—Mrs. Harry Mitcham, Atlanta, Ga.; Junior: Rev. Owen Fitzgerald, Murfreesboro, Intermediate. A workshop group for those responsible for planning and directing vacation schools will be led by Mrs. Chas. Saunders, Elizabeth City. The conference director of children's work, Mrs. V. E. Queen, Durham, will probably be present and will serve as resource person for this group.

The 1958 theme for vacation church schools in the Methodist Church is "Jesus". Persons attending are asked to bring sandwiches for lunch. Drink and dessert will be provided.

A new feature of this year's Institute will be the presentation of an introductory film, proposed by the Children's Television series, entitled "Run Away Home." This film will be for information and evaluation and will help to prepare for sharing projects in Vacation Church School this summer.

Indians Down Aces For Tourney Title Squaws Are Second

The Perquimans Indians defeated Ahoskie and Edenton to capture the annual Albemarle Conference basketball tourney conducted last week at Ahoskie. By winning the meet the Indians ran true to form having been top-seeded among the competing teams.

The Indian Squaws were runners-up in the girls' division, having defeated Edenton girls but losing to Plymouth in the final round.

Perquimans High won the first round games, the girls defeating Edenton 30 to 30. Letitia McGowan scoring 23 points, led the Perquimans side while Spencer, with 19 points, was high scorer for Edenton. The Squaws gained a 12-8 lead during the first quarter and never relinquished the advantage. Halftime score was 23 to 14.

Tommy Mathews canned 24 points to lead the Indians to victory over Ahoskie in the opening round. The Indians gained a 17-10 lead over Ahoskie in the first period, led 25 to 15 at the half and 39 to 25 at the start of the final quarter. Miller scored 9 points, Burton 5, W. Mathews 8.

Baker with 16 points was high for Ahoskie.

In the championship rounds played on Friday night the Plymouth girls edged out the Squaws 31 to 28. Plymouth gained an early lead in the game and the local girls were unable to overtake the Washington County ladies. Harrison of Plymouth was top scorer with 21 points while McGoogan led Perquimans with 14 points.

Perquimans Indians played well to win the championship from the Edenton Aces by a five point margin 42 to 37. The Indians built up a five-point lead in the first period and stretched this to a 27-20 advantage at halftime. They maintained the five-point lead throughout the second half. Millax led the Indians in scoring with 13 points. Mathews got 10, W. Mathews 7, Burton and Tucker six each, Griffin had 13 points for Edenton.

The teams were presented tournament trophies following the games.

Rev. Paul Shultz Resigns As Rector

The Rev. Paul Shultz, rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Hertford, has tendered his resignation to accept a call to the Episcopal Church at Estero, Florida. It was announced here Monday.

The resignation, which was effective April 15, 1958, was announced by the church last Sunday. The Rev. Shultz and his family are going to Florida sometime in the next few weeks.

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

New rates for postal services are expected to be approved during this session of Congress but reports Wednesday indicated some opposition has developed to a proposal that first class letter rates be increased to five cents. Some Washington officials predict, however, letter rates will go from three to four cents. Rates on other classes of mail will increase accordingly.

Senator Harry Byrd (D-Va.) has changed his mind about being a candidate for re-election this year. Friends of Byrd, who has an outstanding record as a public official, pleaded with him to retain his Senate position. He had previously announced he was retiring from the Congress this year.

President Eisenhower, seeking \$3.9 billion for foreign aid, has started a campaign for approval of this program during the current session of Congress. Strong opposition to the \$3.9 billion figure must be overcome and some Washington reports indicate the planned aid will be reduced before final adoption.

Costs of living reached a new high during January. It was reported by the Government this week. Increasing costs of food was given as a reason for the jump in HCL. The report said prices of some items are being reduced but it is unlikely food prices will drop during the next several months.

The Wright Memorial Bridge over the Currituck Sound, closed to traffic since Thursday of last week due to damage sustained by the recent storm, was reopened on Tuesday.

Sales Tax Gain Shown By County

Despite room for improvement in the economic situation, Perquimans County sales tax report showed an increase for the 12 month period from February 1957 through January 1958, according to James S. Cutler of the State Department of Revenue.

Mr. Cutler reported sales tax collections in Perquimans County from February 1957 through January 1958 totaled \$30,887. A gain of .11 per cent.

BALE SALE

The members of the St. Catharine Guild of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church will hold a balesale Saturday, March 1, at 10 A. M. at the Elizabeth City Store on Church Street.

Chappel Funeral Conducted Monday

Funeral services for Norman Oliver Chappell, age 69, who died Saturday night at his home in the Belvidere section, were conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Twiford Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Earl Redding, pastor of Piney Woods Friends Meeting.

Dr. Harold White sang "My Jesus As Thou Wilt," accompanied by Mrs. J. Ellie White, organist. At the graveside he sang "Abide With Me."

The casket was covered with a pall of white gladioli, white asters and red carnations and fern. Pallbearers were John William Chappell, Gilliam Twine, Charlie Thomas Rogerson, Beecher Chappell, Harvey Chappell and Paul Smith.

Burial followed in the family cemetery near Belvidere.

Mr. Chappell was a native and life-long resident of Perquimans County, having resided in the Belvidere section. He was the son of the late George and Harriette Anne Copeland Chappell and is survived by his wife, Mrs. Margaret Oakes Chappell of Belvidere; four daughters, Mrs. Claude Winslow of Belvidere, Mrs. Ashby Jordan of Greenville, Mrs. Forrest Cole and Mrs. Dawella Sun Chappell of Belvidere; a stepdaughter, Miss Bobbie Sabones of Belvidere; one son, Gailther Chappell of Norfolk; three sisters, Mrs. Bessie Chappell of Belvidere, Mrs. Willie Lamb of Hertford and Mrs. Oliver Twine of Norfolk; four brothers, Sidney Chappell of Wilson, Louis Chappell of Raleigh, Fernando Chappell and Saelter Chappell of Belvidere; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Baby Suffocates In Fire Saturday

Bond Chairman Gives Sales Total For Perquimans

In North Carolina, January sales of Series E and H Savings Bonds were the best for any one month for the past 12 months. It was reported today by R. M. Riddick, Volunteer Savings Bonds Chairman for Perquimans County.

The combined E and H sales of \$4,744,111 represents 9.7 per cent of the annual goal of \$49 million and is also a record performance of achievement against quota recorded for any January in the past 5 years.

The Series H Bonds sales were up 88 per cent over January, 1957 figures. The tremendous increase in the sale of this bond, which is an investor's bond, is evidence of the public's interest and faith in Savings Bonds as a safe and sound investment.

Nation-wide sales of Series E and H Bonds were the best for any month for the past 24 months. While sales were increasing in January, redemptions were decreasing by 5 per cent.

Total holdings of E and H Savings Bonds by approximately 48 million Americans reached another new peak of \$41,688 billion by the end of January.

In Perquimans County, the sales were \$3,901.30 which represents 3.6 per cent of the county's goal of \$107,800.00 for this year.

MASONS TO MEET

The Perquimans Masonic Lodge No. 106, A. F. & A. M., will meet Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

Franklin McGoogan To Receive Eagle Scout Award Sun.

Franklin McGoogan, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. McGoogan, will receive the Eagle Award in Scouting Sunday night, March 2, at 7:30 o'clock in special services at the First Methodist Church. Participating in the service will be all the Boy Scouts of the local Troop No. 155, members of the Explorer Post, special representatives of the Tidewater Council, former Eagle Scouts, as well as Franklin's minister, the Rev. James A. Auman. The Lions Club, sponsor for the local Scouting program, will sit in a reserved section Sunday night.

Franklin, who joined the Boy Scouts in January, 1955, has served as patrol leader, senior patrol leader, assistant junior scoutmaster and scribe. He was a representative to the National Jamboree at Valley Forge last summer, and while there was assistant patrol leader of the Lee Patrol. His record in Scouting shows that he has completed work and received 21 merit badges and has successfully advanced from First Class Scout to Star and to Life Scout prior to application for Eagle rank.

Russell Willis is Scoutmaster of Troop 155, and R. S. Chappell is assistant Scoutmaster. Working with the recently-formed Explorer Post as advisors are John Beers and Dick Brewer.

Sunday night's award service is open to the public. It was pointed out by Scoutmaster Willis that the formal ceremony for presentation of the Eagle Award is a most impressive service and that anyone interested in Scouting should attend.

County Board To Meet Next Monday

Two meetings are scheduled for the Board of County Commissioners for the month of March. The Board will conduct its regular March meeting next Monday, beginning at 10 A. M. On Monday March 17, the Commissioners will sit as a Board of Equalization and Review for the purpose of adjusting any complaints arising over property valuation. This latter meeting will begin at 10 o'clock A. M.

Rites Held Tuesday For Mrs. Wheeler

Mrs. Elizabeth Wheeler, 44, died early Monday morning in the Chowan Hospital in Edenton after a short illness.

She was a native and life-long resident of Perquimans County, a member of Hertford Baptist Church, daughter of Trotman and Mollie Bass Miller and wife of Elick Wheeler.

In addition to her parents and husband, she is survived by three sons, Elick Wheeler, Jr., of the U. S. Marines at Camp Lejeune, Richard and Jimmy Wheeler of Hertford; one daughter, Mrs. O. J. Bunch of Edenton.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Lynch Funeral Home by the Rev. James O. Mattox, pastor of the Baptist Church. During the services the men's choir of the church sang "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" and "Have Thine Own Way." The pall was pink carnations and fern.

Pallbearers were Pete Riddick, Bill Tarkenton, Edgar White, Ray White, W. A. White and Keith Haskett. Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

Variety Of Cases Before Recorder Here Last Tuesday

Sixteen cases were disposed of during Tuesday's session of Perquimans Recorder's Court presided over by Judge Chas. E. Johnson, and two defendants were ordered apprehended and held for bond for failure to appear in court to answer charges in their warrants.

Four defendants submitted to charges of speeding and paid the costs of court, these being Roy Cahoon, Phillip Perry, William Beck and James Cozzens. Wilbert Brooks and Claud Felton, Negroes, charged with driving with expired license tags, submitted and each paid the costs of court.

Essex Owens, Jr., Negro, was taxed with the costs of court after he plead guilty to a charge as to drinking and payment of a highway.

James White, Negro, entered a plea of guilty to using improper lights and paid a fine of \$10 and court costs. William Hollowell, Negro, paid the court costs after submitting to a charge of driving with an expired license tag.
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