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Sudan Temple Parade Saturday Sept. 13th

Job Corps Gives Local Youth New Opportunity

Joe, dressed neatly in a blue shirt and dark pants, spoke softly about his family, his ambitions and his reasons for dropping out of school.

Across the desk from him sat Mrs. Hazel Taylor, listening intently to the youth's words. Occasionally she would stop the youth, probe the question at hand, and take some notes.

Joe was applying for Job Corps training, and Mrs. Taylor was hoping to recruit him. Her title is Job Corps Counselor, and she works for the State Department of Social Services.

Joe is a typical case that Mrs. Taylor and the ten other Job Corps Counselors that cover the State come in contact with daily. He is only one of the approximately 40 per cent of students that drop out of North Carolina's public schools yearly.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969, 2,511 North Carolina male youths between 16 and 21 years of age applied for enrollment in Job Corps. The Regional Office accepted 2,433 applicants and 1,724 enrollees departed for a Job Corps Center. According to figures obtained from the National Office of Job Corps, North Carolina maintained the national enrollment rate.

Reports from the State Department of Social Services show 5 male youths from Perquimans County were enrolled in Job Corps Centers as of July 1, 1969. During the past 46 months 21 male youths from this county reported to Job Corps Centers. Of that number 9 resigned before 90 days, 2 after 90 days but did not graduate, and 21 graduated.

Mrs. Taylor assists applicants in filling out their application and administers a verbal matching test and a short written test to determine whether the applicant would go to a conservation camp or an urban camp.

Applicants face a maximum of 3 weeks waiting period while forms are processed in the Regional Office. After they are officially accepted into the program, Mrs. Taylor will receive transportation tickets for them to the center where they are assigned.

Once at the center, an applicant's life will take on a rapid pace, molding him for a future with business opportunities. He will take part in a physical fitness program to strengthen his body, he will work toward a high school diploma, he will take part in recreational programs with boys his own age and he will enter a job-training program.

At the center he will learn to dress neatly and speak clearly. He will be given instruction on how to approach an employer and seek a job. A new self-confidence will be built in him, making him a valuable asset to the community and to himself.

He will be at the center until he completes his job training and graduates from the program. He will then either enter an on-the-job training program in industry or take a position in his field of training.

While he is at the center, he will earn \$30 a month for spending money, and \$50 a month will be saved for him toward the time he graduates.

The Job Corps is open to young men and women between the ages of 16 and 21, who are out of school, unable to find an adequate job, and in need of a change of environment to become useful and productive citizens.

Mrs. Taylor can be contacted at P. O. Box 325, Aulander, N. C. 27805, or Perquimans County Department of Social Services, Hertford, N. C. 27944.

Mrs. Taylor is not responsible for recruiting female Job Corps applicants, but she can provide interested persons with information on where to apply.

Pfc. R. W. Hoffer Dies In Vietnam



Pfc. Richard William Hoffer was killed in action in Vietnam August 31, according to a Defense Department report.

Pfc. Hoffer, a son of James Monroe Hoffer, Sr., of 263 Grove Ave., Verona, N.J. (native of Hertford) and Mrs. Nan Price Hoffer of 1865 Dominion Ave., Norfolk, Va., had been in the war zone three months.

A native of Hertford, he graduated from Craddock High School in 1968 and entered the U.S. Marine Corps last December. He was sent to Vietnam June 1, had his nineteenth birthday June 15 and was killed in action August 31. He was a member of Company A, 2nd Platoon, 1st Marine Battalion. He was a member of Alexander Baptist Church, Portsmouth, Va.

Also surviving are three brothers, Donald S. Hoffer, of Hanover, N. J., James M. Hoffer, Jr. of Norfolk, Va., Charles S. Hoffer of Arlington, Va., a sister, Mrs. Dorothy Branch of Portsmouth, Va., and grandfather, Mark E. Price, Sr. of Hampton, Va.

Pfc. Hoffer was a nephew of Mrs. Tom Cox and Mrs. Thomas Tilley of Hertford and Mrs. Casper Meekins and Jack Hoffer of Elizabeth City.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon in Alexander Baptist Church in Portsmouth, Va. Sturtevant Funeral Home has charge.

The family will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Branch 4629 Mallard Cres. Portsmouth.

Dist. Jail Discussed At Hertford Meeting

Woodburn C. Williams, chief of the Jail and Detention Services of the North Carolina Department of Social Services, discussed a District Jail Plan here Wednesday night for Chowan, Pasquotank, Camden, Chowan and Perquimans Counties. All counties were represented but Chowan.

Williams stated that the cost for a regional jail would be around \$384,000.00 and the approximate total cost would be \$600,000.00 if built individually by counties.

He also said the State Legislature appropriated \$200,000.00 last year for jail improvements, but priorities for spending the money would be given the idea of District Jails. All of these counties have sub-standard jails, which is a perfect example of the need for a District Jail.

Funeral Services Held Tuesday For Mrs. Lydia Turner

Mrs. Lydia Margaret Dail Turner, 83, of route 1, Hertford died Saturday afternoon in the Chowan County Convalescent Home following a long illness. She was a native of Perquimans County and a daughter of the late Miles and Mrs. Sally Dail. She was a Methodist.

Surviving are: her husband, Jerry Floyd Turner; three sons, Jerry A. Turner of Eau Gallie, Fla., Elton W. Turner of Chesapeake, Va., and Russell R. Turner of Watauga, N.C.; three daughters, Mrs. T. T. Harrell of Hertford, Mrs. C. J. Lloyd of Jacksonville, Fla., and Mrs. Roseman Corlew of Cocoa, Fla.; one brother, Walter Dail of Hertford; one half-brother, Ernest Dail of Ocean View, Va.; one half-sister, Mrs. Della Edward of Va. Beach, Va.; seventeen grandchildren and thirty-one great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3:30 in the Chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home by the Rev. Roy Carter and the Rev. O. T. Holton. Burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

"An Evening Prayer" was sung by Mrs. Horace Miller and "Goodnight and Goodmorning" was sung by J. B. Perry, William Stallings and William Lane. They were accompanied by Mrs. Chester Winslow, organist.

The casket pall was made of white chrysanthemums, red roses, baby's breath and fern. Pallbearers were Winston Lane, Walton Lane, Irving Long, Ward Hunter, Alfred Lane and Josiah Proctor.

Clarence Simpson Dies of Injuries

Clarence Lee Simpson, 44, of 710 Beech St., died from injuries he received in a car accident Saturday morning at 7 o'clock on Highway No. 10 Rushmere, Va. in Isle of Wight County, Va.

He was a native and lifelong resident of Elizabeth City. He was employed by the Stone and Webster Construction Co. at Hog Island. He was a member of the Pentecostal Holiness Church, a member of the Local No. 79 of Norfolk Iron Workers and a member of the Elizabeth City Homing Pigeon Club. He was the son of Mrs. Eria Bell Simpson and the late Clarence E. Simpson and husband of Mrs. Margaret Peffer Simpson.

Besides his wife and mother, he is survived by two sons, Donald Ray Simpson and Thomas Lee Simpson both of Elizabeth City. Four sisters, Mrs. Nellie Edwards, Mrs. Margie Harrell both of Elizabeth City, Mrs. Barbara Mongul of Miami, Fla. and Mrs. Mavis Harrell of Hertford, N. C. Four brothers, James C. Simpson, Melvin Simpson, Douglas Simpson all of Elizabeth City and Arthur Simpson of Pawtucket, R. I.

The boys were the sons of Mr. and Mrs. James Jones of Rt. 1, Hertford.

Rufus M. Riddick, Jr., Banker Of Hertford Dies Suddenly

Rufus Marion Riddick, Jr., 83, retired executive vice-president of the Peoples Bank and Trust Company in Hertford, died suddenly early Saturday morning in his home, 211 Dobb Street.

A native of Gates County, he was a son of the late R. M. Riddick, Sr. and Mrs. Emma Roberts Riddick.

Mr. Riddick began his banking career at the Bank of Gatesville July 1, 1908. He came to Hertford Banking Company on February 1, 1922 where he worked his way up to president of the company, a position he held until its merger with Peoples Bank and Trust Company in 1960.

He remained as Senior Vice President until his retirement in June 1968. He was a former director of the Peoples Bank and Trust and pastor chairman of the Hertford Advisory Board. A former treasurer of the N. C. Bankers Association, he held offices in both the Group and State Bankers Association.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church where he had held most of the offices in the church's official board.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Dora Taylor Riddick; two sons, R. Marion Riddick, III, of Hertford and Charles Robert Riddick of St. Joseph, Michigan; two daughters, Mrs. Carolyn Wells of Edenton and Mrs. Hatie Weaver Perry of Windsor;



RUFUS M. RIDDICK

six grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday at 3:00 in the First United Methodist Church by the Rev. C. J. Andrews with burial in Cedarwood Cemetery.

"Faith of Our Fathers" was played during the service by Miss Carolina Wright, organist.

The casket pall was made of red roses, white chrysanthemums and fern.

Pallbearers were R. L. Stevenson, R. S. Chappell, Jr., Melvin Owens, Charles Payne, Wesley Nelson and Edgar White.

Social Security For Student With Deceased Parents

Children of parents who are deceased, retired, or disabled can continue to receive social security benefits until age 22 as long as they are full-time students at an approved school and are unmarried. In addition, payments can be made during vacations from school as long as the student is not out of school over 4 months.

Children currently receiving benefits need to let us know if they will continue to attend school after their eighteenth birthday. Students not receiving social security payments who feel they may be eligible for them, are urged to contact the Elizabeth City Social Security Office for information. The office is located at 401 S. Dyer Street, Elizabeth City, N. C. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:45 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon.

Albemarle EMC Annual Meet To Be Held Sept. 13

Member-Owners of Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation will gather at 2:30 on Saturday afternoon, September 13th, at the Perquimans County High School to hear reports of the officers, management and to elect three directors. One director each will be elected from Chowan, Pasquotank and Perquimans Counties.

Entertainment will be furnished by Ernie Bivins and many useful prizes will be awarded during the meeting. Every Albemarle EMC member is urged to attend and take an active part in their business.

Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation was organized in 1945 to serve electricity to rural members in Camden, Currituck, Pasquotank, Perquimans and Chowan Counties. At the present time the Cooperative has 721 miles of lines serving over 4000 members.

J. D. Coston is general manager of the Cooperative. Present officers and directors are: J. A. Whitehurst, President, South Mills; J. A. Wiggins, Vice-President, Tyner; W. R. Lowry, Treasurer, Rt. 4, Elizabeth City; Floyd Mathews, Secretary, Rt. 3, Hertford; Joseph A. Byrum, Tyner; A. T. Lane, Rt. 1, Hertford; W. E. Meigs, Camden; Everett Sawyer, South Mills; and Tommie Temple, Rt. 5, Elizabeth City.

Red Cross Seeks Help For Hurricane Camille Victims

Total Red Cross relief for Hurricane Camille victims is now expected to rise to at least \$15,000,000. The Perquimans County Chapter of the Red Cross has been informed that its quota has been set at \$237,00.

After careful on the scene observation it was found that the damage from Hurricane Camille was much worse than reported on the first rough appraisal. Severe damage in Virginia and West Virginia will require substantial expenditures. Help will be needed for approximately 69,000 families who suffered losses in Hurricane Camille.

George White, Jr., Perquimans County Chapter Chairman, urges everyone to please come to the assistance of these victims (it could easily have been the Perquimans County area experiencing this disaster).

Anyone who would like to make a donation is asked to send it to Mr. White. (In case of check, make notation that it is for Hurricane Camille Victims Fund).

Get Your Ballot To The C Of C Office

Here's a reminder to all Chamber of Commerce members - to get your ballots into the Chamber office in time for them to be counted on Sept. 15.

Your vote is mighty important. It will determine who will be your Chamber representatives - who will help to make decisions important to the community for the next year.

Your ballot can be mailed in or brought to the Chamber office.

Two Perquimans Brothers Drown

Two brothers drowned Saturday afternoon and a third brother was saved while swimming in the Perquimans River.

The three brothers, Kenneth Jones, 11, James Thomas Jones, 12, and Donnell Jones, 9, were swimming and crabbing with a neighborhood youth, Garland McDonald, near the southern bank of the river about one half mile east of the U.S. 17 bypass bridge when the accident occurred.

The two youths drowned in a fenced off area where the river had been dredged from 4 to 30 feet deep for use in the bypass causeway.

Sheriff Julian Broughton, who was in charge of the Rescue Operation, said that the boys were immediately in trouble when they got into the deep water. The McDonald boy saved the youngest brother, but was unable to help the other two.

Both bodies were found about 5:30 p.m., approximately a half hour after the authorities were notified.

The boys were the sons of Mr. and Mrs. James Jones of Rt. 1, Hertford.

PTA Serves You

The Kitchen Committee of the Hertford Grammar School Parent-Teachers Association would like to remind clubs and other organizations that if they need help in a dinner meeting, the PTA will cook and serve, at the school, for a nominal price.

You save money, time and effort, have a successful gathering and aid the PTA in its work, by letting PTA do the cooking, serving and cleaning for you.

For reservations or further information, call Mrs. Bryant Woodell at 426-5241 or Mrs. E. J. Proctor Jr. at 426-7514.

PTA Executive Committee members are reminded of a meeting at the school, Thursday night (Sept. 11) at 8 p.m.

C Of C Meetings Set For Monday Night

The examining committee of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce will meet Monday night, September 15, 1969 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal. The Board of Directors will meet at 8:00 p.m. on the same date and the membership committee will meet at 8:30 p.m. also the same date and place. All members are urged to be present.

Perquimans High Cheerleaders Ready for First Game



Friday night, Sept. 12, begins the new football season for Perquimans County High School. The new cheerleaders are all ready with many new cheers and old ones too. They are very interested in helping their team to have a good year.

Therefore, they are doing all they possibly can to spread cheer - and winning spirit to their schoolmates. Our cheerleaders are well qualified this year with 10 members and Mrs. Walter Humphlett as sponsor. Angela Baker is

Chief; Co-Chiefs are Nan Ambrose and Pam Sutton; Beth Brinn is Sec. and Treasurer. They have also selected a mascot this year who is Jackie Hunter, daughter of Pete Hunter, Girl's Basketball Coach.

Angela and Pam attended Cheerleader's Camp this summer and brought back a trophy and a Blue Ribbon - So come on out - watch your High School team - and as an extra nice attraction see your Blue Ribbon Cheerleaders perform.

Annual Pilgrimage of Sudan Temple Shrine Sept. 13

Sudan Temple of the Shrine made public this week plans for its annual Pilgrimage in eastern North Carolina cities and towns. Recorder Nelson B. Banks announced that the Potentate, Ed R. Higgins, of Durham, and other Divan officers of the Temple would visit Elizabeth City, Hertford, Edenton, and Plymouth on Saturday, September 13, 1969. Accompanying the Divan will be seven of the uniformed parade units. In each of the places visited, parades will be held. Purpose of the visits is to recognize and create interest in the Shrine and its benevolent work in behalf of Crippled and Burned Childrens Hospitals.

The schedule calls for parades in Elizabeth City at 10:30 a.m., in Hertford at 12:00 Noon, in Edenton at 2:30 p.m., in Plymouth at 4:30 p.m. The Temple Units, dressed in full colorful regalia will be the Band, Oriental Band, Clowns, Chanters, Legion of Honor, Motor Patrol, and Sudan Patrol.

The buses will arrive in each of the above towns about thirty minutes prior to the arranged schedule. The Units will immediately assemble for the parade through the business section of each town and will be

joined by local Shriners and city and county officials. After the parade in Edenton, provisions have been made to feed the Shriners lunch there as the Edenton Nobility will be holding a Crippled Children's Fish Fry feeding several hundreds of people.

Sudan's Uniformed Units are famed throughout the country and are frequently called on to add color as well as dignity to parades in many cities. The Band is a regular Brass Band and its beautiful garb, smart appearance, and musical excellence are highly praised wherever it appears. The Oriental Band is a group of Shriners who furnish, with unusual instruments, a wonderfully harmonious music reminiscent in rhythm and sound to the music of desert tribesmen. Their dress is in the style of the Middle East and is extremely colorful. They enjoy a nationwide reputation.

The Clowns are a group of Shriners mostly from Dunn, N. C. They dress the part and have a bag full of tricks and gags with which to delight the crowds along a parade route. Funny looking conveyances upon which they ride are hilarious. The Clowns are a favorite with the children as well as tickling an adult or two now and then.

The Chanters are a choral group who exercise a bit of ingenuity by actually singing to the crowds along a parade route, even over the Bands. They manage this by riding atop their bus and amplifying their renditions to the accompaniment of organ and guitar.

The Legion of Honor is a marching group of Nobles, either present or past members of the Armed Forces, and will form an honor guard for the Potentate and Divan. The Sudan Patrol is a crack drill team, who add snap and poise to all Shrine parades with their expert precision marching.

The Motor Patrol is a parade unit which gets about on small motor scooters. Its deft handling of those little machines with intricate maneuvers usually have witnesses oohing and aahing.

Sudan, situated in New Bern, is one of two Shrine Temples in North Carolina and serves the eastern part of the State as headquarters for Shrine activity. Its jurisdiction includes approximately that part of the State from Durham eastward to the coast. It has some over 9000 members and they are recognized throughout the nation for the great contribution they make to the charitable work of the Crippled and Burned Childrens Hospitals.

Technically, the Shrine is called the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. This is usually shortened to the more familiar single term, Area Temples are governed by a Potentate and corp of officers known as the Divan. Local Shrine Clubs are adjuncts to the area Temple and are authorized by it of which there are 37 throughout the jurisdiction of North Carolina. Officers of the Temple will be on hand to meet the Nobility in each town and to hold Press Conferences with the Radio and Newspaper.

Hertford Police Monthly Report

The following monthly report for August was given by Chief Ben L. Gibbs at the regular meeting of Town Council. ARRESTS MADE: Drunk on the Street 2; Speeders 1; Assaults 2; Careless and Reckless Driving 1; Miscellaneous Traffic Arrests 2; Miscellaneous Arrests 1; Citations Issued for Improper Parking 1. ACTIVITIES: Calls Answered and Investigated 118; Accidents Investigated 3; Funerals Worked 5; Courtesies Extended 12; Doors Found Unlocked 2; Fire Calls Answered 3; Radio Calls 227; Lights Reported Out 2.

Restoration Group Organizational Meet To Be Sept. 19th

A meeting to organize a Restoration Committee, will be held in the Municipal Building on Friday night, September 19, instead of on the 22nd as previously announced.

Purpose of the meeting is to organize a group that will work to make the many historic sites in Perquimans County, historical attractions.

The committee will help establish the sites, get funds for preservation and work with an eye toward making the history of this area come alive.

The meeting date again is Friday, Sept. 19 at 8 p.m. in the air conditioned Municipal Building.

Chicken Supper

The Hertford Lions Club will sponsor a Chicken Barbeque Supper on Friday night, Sept. 19, from 5:30 to 7:30 at the Perquimans County High School Cafeteria. Proceeds from the event will be used for the P.C.H.S. Letter Club and the P.C.H.S. Marching Unit.