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\$1.25 Per Year

\$477 For Flood Relief Given In Perquimans

County Collects Almost Eight Times First Quota Asked

EXPECT MORE

Twelve Barrels Clothing Also Shipped From Hertford

Not only from individuals whose hearts have been touched by the reports from the flood areas, but from all kinds of organizations, from the churches, from Sunday schools, schools missionary societies, home demonstrations clubs, in fact, from everywhere where men or women are banded together in any kind of an association here in Perquimans, there have gone out substantial contributions to the Red Cross to be used for the relief of the suffering of the flood victims of the Ohio and Mississippi valleys.

Nearly eight times the amount originally asked for by Red Cross headquarters has been turned in to the National C. S. I. by County Chairman Silas J. Whedbee, who with his fine corps of workers have done a splendid job of raising money and clothing for the flood victims.

The sum of \$477.00 in cash has been contributed up to this writing, and twelve barrels of clothing have been shipped from Hertford.

The money is still coming in, for not every one in Perquimans has yet contributed, though some have made more than one contribution. More is still needed, and the local chairman is confidently looking for more to come in so long as the need exists.

Any one with clothing to contribute may send them to the store of Garden Bros., where they will be packed and shipped.

The names of those who have contributed cash since the last list was published in this newspaper are as follows: Winfall School, Woodland Church, Epworth Church, A. J. Parrish, Whiteston Home Demonstration Club, J. Van Roach, Belvidere School, T. E. Madre, John Lane, New Hope Sunday School, Perquimans High School.

Services Announced For Lenten Season

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, was observed at Holy Trinity Church with the celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 o'clock in the morning, and with a brief evening service at 7:30.

The services for the remainder of the Lenten period, as announced by the Rector, Rev. E. T. Jilison, are as follows: Services at 7:30 o'clock on Wednesday evening, and the celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning.

The evening services will be very short, lasting only three quarters of an hour, and the theme of these services throughout the Lenten period will be the Faith of the Church. The Rector has announced that he will be very glad to discuss any question which any one desires to submit at these services, as has been the custom at this time for a number of years.

A cordial welcome is extended to every one to attend both services.

Perquimans Gets First Taste Winter

After weeks of rain and cloud, with only now and then a day of sunshine, Perquimans and the Albemarle had its first taste of real winter last night. Snow began to fall on Thursday night and for a few hours fell thick and fast, leaving a pretty coating of snow on everything, most of which melted on Friday. However, the temperature dropped on Friday night to around 35, the first really cold weather of the entire winter.

Considerable rain has fallen for the past few days but at this writing Thursday the sun is shining brightly after a night when the thermometer dropped to below freezing.

MR. PEARCE IMPROVES
T. A. Pearce, Manager of the County Sales Co., local wholesaler, has been critically ill for some time, but is still quite sick, though he is reported as much more comfortable.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MEETS
The Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church met on Thursday night with Mrs. T. F. Winslow.

P. T. A. OBSERVES FOUNDER'S DAY

Various Subjects Entertainingly Discussed as Past Presidents Participate on Program

Founder's Day, marking the fortieth anniversary of the Parent-Teacher Association in America, was observed at the regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Hertford Grammar School on Thursday, when the program, in charge of Mrs. Jenkins Walters and Mrs. C. T. Skinner, turned back the pages of the local history of the Hertford PTA with all of the past presidents who have served since the association was organized taking part.

The past presidents, in the order in which they served, are as follows: Mrs. J. P. Perry, Mrs. W. E. White, Mrs. C. P. Morris, Mrs. J. E. White, Mrs. V. N. Darden, Mrs. J. O. Felton, Mrs. Charles Johnson, Mrs. E. W. Lordley and Mrs. Harry Broughton. Mrs. Harry Broughton presided and the devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. J. E. White, after which Mrs. Darden gave a history of the first Founder's Day.

Looking Backward and Forward was the subject of Mrs. J. C. Felton's contribution, and a comparison of the ideals of the past with those of the present was discussed by Mrs. W. E. White.

Following this Mrs. B. G. Koonce, sang very effectively, "I Would Be True."

Local, State and National achievements of the PTA was the subject under discussion by Mrs. C. P. Morris.

In connection with the oak tree planted on the school grounds by the PTA, Mrs. J. P. Perry made a very interesting talk based on the oak, which is the symbol of the PTA.

There was a beautiful birthday cake with forty glowing candles on the stage, and this was cut and served to the members present at the close of the program.

Examination Called For Sub Carrier At Hertford Postoffice

Announcement is made of a United States civil service examination for substitute clerk-village carrier, post office service in Hertford.

Applications must be on file with the manager, fourth U. S. civil service district, Washington, D. C., not later than February 20, 1937.

Persons admitted to this examination will not be allowed to enter any other examination the receipt of applications for which closes on the date shown above.

The United States Civil Service Commission invites attention to the fact that if, at the post office for which this examination is announced, vacancies subsequently occur in the position of city delivery carrier which are not filled by reinstatement, transfer, or promotion under civil service rules, such vacancies will be filled from the register resulting from this examination so long as the register is on effect.

Attention is also invited to the fact that the height and weight requirements for this examination have been amended to read as follows:

"Male applicants must be at least 5 feet 4 inches in height, without shoes; female applicants at least 5 feet without shoes. At the time of appointment male applicants must weigh at least 125 pounds in street clothing, without overcoat or hat. Height and weight requirements are waived for persons entitled to preference because of military or naval service."

MR. KEATON'S CONDITION WORSE

The condition of R. E. Keaton, prominent Hertford resident, is reported as not so favorable. Mr. Keaton has been sick for a long time, having recently spent several weeks in a hospital. He is suffering much pain and his condition is very grave.

VALENTINE PARTY

If you want to have a good time, to enjoy a good old-fashioned party, like grabbing in the grab bag and doing other funny stunts, they say it can be had at that Valentine Party at the Community House at Winfall on Friday night of this week. No admission fee will be charged.

MRS. SAMOUCI VISITS HERE

Mrs. N. A. Samouci, of Lynchburg, Va., is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. B. Darden, this week.

REV. D. M. SHARPE LEADS HERTFORD BOY SCOUT TROOP

Nine Boys Already Registered In New Organization

MEET FRIDAY

All Who Wish to Join Urged Attend Meeting At Parsonage

The Boy Scouts are organized under the leadership of Rev. D. M. Sharpe, who reports that regular weekly meetings are held every Friday night.

"We would," said Mr. Sharpe, "like for all boys who wish to join to come to the meeting at the Methodist parsonage on Friday night, so that we may send their names in this month. If any parent has boys who want to join, please send the boys and give them fifty cents each for dues. The dues must go in before registration. Books, which cost fifty cents, also may be purchased after registration."

The names of the boys who have registered as members of the new scout troop are as follows: Jack C. Anderson, Jimmie Allan Arnold, Leigh Winslow, R. Clarke Stokes, Emmitt Eugene Landing, Jack Winslow, Harrell Johnson, Francis B. Nixon and Durwood Reed.

Dixieland Minstrel Nets School About \$30

The Dixie Land Minstrel went over in a big way, from every standpoint.

The minstrel, in which 200 children took part, is an annual affair staged every year by the Primary Schools of Elizabeth City, and coached by the principal, Miss Hattie Harney, and this is the third year that the show has been given in Hertford, where there is always an enthusiastic audience.

Despite the fact that the show was postponed twice, once because the schools were closed, and again because of snow and cold weather, there was a big crowd in the auditorium of the Perquimans High School when the curtain went up. "Better than ever" was the comment heard when the curtain was rung down on the last number.

Mrs. G. W. Barbee, of the Perquimans High faculty, reports that approximately thirty dollars is this school's portion of the proceeds which will be used to defray the expense of the junior-senior banquet.

MISS PERRY VISITING HERE
Miss Minnie Perry, of Sunbury, is the guest of Mrs. D. S. Darden this week.

I VISIT FLORIDA By Mattie Lister White

They said it was beautiful. They told me it was wonderful and delightful, and all that, the folks who returned from Florida, for every winter numerous Perquimans folks travel down to enjoy the sunny clime. And I supposed, of course, it was. Few have ever told me little else about Florida, except that they saw oranges growing on trees.

As the party of which I was a member neared home last week, I, who had visited Florida for the first time, was asked what had impressed me most of all the sights, and also what was the most beautiful spot I had seen.

Well, generally speaking, and I am willing to admit before anybody makes a wisecrack, that during my waking moments I am generally speaking, I should say that from the standpoint of beauty I was most impressed with Florida's lovely lakes. There are literally hundreds of these clear, spring-fed lakes.

There was so much of beauty that I made up my mind I wouldn't come home and merely say it was beautiful and let it go at that, and yet when one actually tries to put it into words, words are found to be inadequate. That is, my vocabulary is inadequate.

But after all, the beauty of the country and the delightfulness of the warm, sunny climate, was overshadowed, to my mind, by the charm of the old Spanish Town of St. Augustine, oldest town in America, where so many ancient buildings, walls, the fort and other relics of a bygone day unfold the story of a phase of life in America before the beginning of the history of the American colonies.

WILL OPEN CAFE IN OLD OFFICES DR. DAVENPORT

J. S. Assad of Jacksonville Leases Place This Week

ONE VACANT STORE

Always Is Shortage of Stores and Dwellings In Hertford

A cafe is to be opened shortly in the quarters made vacant by the removal of Dr. C. A. Davenport into the new Medical Building, recently completed. The place, which is located on Market street, near the intersection of Church, has been leased by J. S. Assad, of Jacksonville.

Not for long were the former offices of Dr. Davenport or those of Dr. Brinn vacant. In fact, it might be said that they haven't been vacant at all.

For years, all through the years of the depression, there was not a vacant store in the town, and at present there is only one, the place on Market street made vacant by the removal of Walker's to his new location on Church street.

The offices formerly occupied by Dr. T. P. Brinn and owned by Charles Johnson, have been rented by T. S. White, Jr., as an insurance office. Mr. White will open for business probably next week.

H. C. Stokes, who owns the place leased by Mr. Assad, stated this week that he had no knowledge of just when his new tenant will open his cafe but probably in the very near future. He operates a cafe at Jacksonville at the present time.

There is generally not only a shortage of stores in Hertford, but of living quarters as well.

Simon In Baltimore For Nephew's Funeral

Simon Rutenberg was called to Baltimore on Tuesday by the death of a nephew, Melvin Marks, which occurred at 4 o'clock on Tuesday morning.

The young man, who was only 20 years of age, had been in ill health for several years and a few days ago was stricken with spinal meningitis, from which he died.

Funeral services and burial took place in Baltimore.

Mr. Marks was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Marks, of Baltimore.

His mother was the former Miss Vera Rutenberg, and lived during her girlhood in Hertford, where she had many friends.

Mr. Rutenberg is expected to return home on Friday.

Commissioners Make Sliding Current Rate

May Thompson Evans Assistant Director Of National Committee



MAY THOMPSON EVANS

The appointment of May Thompson Evans of Raleigh, North Carolina, as assistant director of the women's division of the Democratic National Committee was announced by Miss Mary W. Dawson, vice chairman of the committee, today. Mrs. Evans will assume the position on March 1, with offices in the National Press Building in Washington.

She resigned recently as director of the North Carolina State Employment Service and National Reemployment Service, a position she has held for the past year and a half. She is one of the four women in the country to hold a state directorship in this important New Deal Agency. Previous to this post, she served as state supervisor and assistant director in the National Reemployment Service. She has also been a member of the State Employment Insurance Commission.

Mrs. Evans has a vibrant personality and keen intelligence. She is widely known for her ability as a speaker and an organizer. In 1932, first as vice president and then as president of the North Carolina Young Democrats she toured all the congressional districts in the state building up a strong organization.

Upon graduation from Westhampton College in Richmond, Virginia, she taught in the public schools of Detroit, then went to Columbia University where she took her Master's degree. For four years she was on the faculty of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. At one time she was recording clerk of the Senate Constitution Committee of North Carolina.

Best Of Pictures Put On At State Theatre

A glimpse into the future discloses that the State, Hertford's fine new theatre which opened on January 8 with a picture which was released only a week before and which at the time was being shown in New York City, will continue to give to the Perquimans public the kind of pictures which it has featured since the opening.

Local theatre goers have been entertained with numerous pictures which rate four stars, which as every one knows, is the highest rating a picture can have, and many of these have been recently released.

Among the four-star pictures which have as yet not been advertised, but which are to appear in the very near future, are "Stowaway", "Camille", "Libel Lady", "Go West, Young Man" starring Mae West, "The Texas Rangers" and "Lloyds of London". "Stowaway", starring little Shirley Temple, will be shown on Thursday and Friday of next week.

Hertford Clinic Now In Medical Building

The Hertford Clinic is the name given the medical association recently formed by Dr. C. A. Davenport and Dr. T. P. Brinn, who are now occupying their handsome new quarters, the Medical Building, where they have everything in the way of modern conveniences and equipment to aid them in the practice of their profession.

LADIES COUNCIL MEETS WITH MRS. BAKER WOOD

The Ladies Council of Bethlehem Christian Church will meet Friday afternoon, February 12, at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Baker Wood in Hertford. All members are urged to attend.

Designed to Induce Patrons to Use More Electricity

POWER ONLY

Further Cuts to Follow If Increase In Sales Is Noted

As an incentive to power users to use more electrical appliances and equipment in order to take advantage of lower rates, the Town Commissioners at their meeting on Monday night arranged a new sliding rate scale as to power. The light rate is for the present unchanged, but if conditions justify there will be a lowering of this rate in the near future.

This sliding scale, which at present it is admitted will affect only a small minority of the power users in Hertford, is designed to induce the people of Hertford to use such electrical equipment in their homes and places of business as will consume sufficient power for them to get the benefit of the lower rate in the scale, with the end in view that enough current may be consumed by the Hertford patrons to justify additional cuts in the rate and eventually a cut in the light rate, as well.

The Town of Hertford has for a long time realized a good profit on the sale of electric current. Citizens of the town have long argued that this being true, a rate scale which would induce the purchase of more current would work to the advantage of both the town and the customer, in that the greater volume of business would result in still greater profit.

The town authorities have refrained from applying the profit made on the sale of current to a reduction of the current rate, because for the present the earnings of the plant are necessary in the carrying on of the town's affairs, to avoid an increase in the tax rate.

The new rates are explained in an advertisement in this issue of the Perquimans Weekly, where an example statement is made out to give a practical idea of how the new scale works.

The new rates go into effect next month. The present power rate, which has been in effect for several years, is 5 cents per kilowatt up to 200 kilowatts, 3 1-2 cents for the next 200 and 2 1-2 cents for all over 400 kilowatts.

From rate No. 1, as shown in the advertisement, it will be seen that for those householders who have any kind of electrical equipment other than for lighting purposes there will be little change in the rate, unless they make use of more current than the average Hertford householder does at present. However, to those who use not only electric refrigerators but stoves, heaters and other equipment a considerable advantage over the old rate will be had, as will appear from rate No. 2 in the advertisement.

R. N. Hines, General Superintendent, states that it will be to the advantage of any patron who considers the installation of additional appliances or equipment to get in touch with him before purchasing such equipment, as he feels he may be of service.

This step, Mr. Hines stated, is the beginning of a long-range program for ultimately having all loads metered on one meter, with a reduction in all current in view.

T. S. White, Jr., Opens Office In Hertford

T. S. White, Jr., has leased the offices formerly occupied by Dr. T. P. Brinn, on Market street.

Mr. White, a native of Hertford, who has spent several years in Richmond, where he was associated with the insurance firm of Jett, White & Co., is going into the insurance business here.

He recently passed the state, insurance examination for life, fire and casualty insurance, which is a recent requirement of the state of North Carolina.

The new firm, known as T. S. White, Jr., Insurance, will probably be open for business next week.

TO VISIT FLORIDA

Mrs. T. F. Winslow and her daughter, Miss Mae Wood Winslow, will leave next week for Florida, where they expect to spend a couple of weeks.