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Chas. Johnson Heads Relief Organization

Practically Same Personnel To Remain In Local Office

Charles E. Johnson has been placed at the head of the local unit of the new emergency relief set-up, in which E. W. Lordley, the former administrator of the Perquimans County Emergency Relief organization, was given the position of district administrator, with headquarters at Elizabeth City.

Mr. Johnson, whose position is that of head case worker, will be assisted by practically the same personnel which has heretofore worked in the local office. Mrs. E. Leigh Winslow and Miss Ursula Bateman, both of whom were formerly known as case workers, are now designated as senior visitors. Miss Edna Fields will retain her position as stenographer-clerk. B. G. Koonce, formerly bookkeeper in the local office, is now employed in the district office at Elizabeth City.

Many View New Train

The new stream lined train of the Norfolk Southern Railroad made its initial stop in Hertford, one of the three stops made on this side of the Sound, on its second trip to Raleigh, on Thursday of this week.

A crowd of interested spectators gathered at the station to watch, and throngs crowded through to get a good look at the interesting and beautiful coach. The train remained at the station for something like half an hour and gave everybody time to inspect it.

Of the officials of the Norfolk Southern on the car making the trip were C. P. Dougan, general superintendent of the stream line; L. P. Wickersham, general superintendent of the electric division; Robert Bobbitt, road foreman of engineering; Mr. Rae, chief claim agent, and a number of engineers who are being broken in. Mr. Peabody, of the American Car & Coach Company, builders of the car, was also making the run.

Mrs. J. S. Riggs, wife of the conductor, and her three daughters, Misses Hattie, Evelyn and Lila, were passengers.

Several Elizabeth City residents made the trip from Elizabeth City to Hertford, and two passengers from Hertford traveled on the new car to Edenton.

The car is 57 feet long and will seat 58 passengers. It is built of metal, consisting of Corten steel, a very light weight high strength steel, and aluminum alloy. It is powered with a 180-horse power Hall Scott motor built into a steel frame under the car. There is no machinery above the car except the front control.

This car is the first of its kind. It made 74 miles an hour on the B. & O. Railroad on the test. It will go up to a speed of 62 miles an hour from start in one minute, according to an official of the car who was present when these tests were made. The car has one horse power for every 250 pounds of weight.

The interior of the coach is most comfortable, and the new type train is said to be far more safe than the ordinary steam train. The coach is to be air conditioned in the early summer.

While neither of the two cars now in operation are to run on this branch of the Norfolk Southern at present, it is believed that they will eventually replace the steam trains now in operation.

Reckless Parking In Town Will Be Stopped

Motorists, don't park carelessly in Hertford after the first of January. If you do you are liable to have to pay a fine of three dollars, according to Mayor E. L. Reed, who has issued a notice to that effect.

By virtue of a recent ordinance passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Hertford, no parking will be allowed on Church, Grubb, Market, Covent Garden and Edenton Road Streets except in the area marked off by the Town.

Crop rotation plans begun by Hertford County farmers in 1929 are still being followed and are proving profitable, they report.

THE NEW YEAR

By GEORGE COOPER
In Indianapolis News

A SONG for the Old
While its knell is tolled,
And its parting moments fly!
But a song and a cheer
For the glad New Year,
While we watch the Old Year die!
Oh! its grief and pain
Ne'er can come again,
And its care lies buried deep;
But what joy untold
Doth the New Year hold,
And what hopes within it sleep!

A song for the Old,
While its knell is tolled,
And the friends it gave so true!
But, with hearts of glee,
Let us merrily
Welcome in the bright, bright New!
For the heights we gained,
For the good attained,
We will not the Old despise;
But a joy more sweet,
Making life complete,
In the golden New Year lies.

A song for the Old,
While its knell is tolled,
With a grander, broader seal,
And a forward view,
Let us greet the New,
Heart and purpose ever leal!
Let the ill we met,
And the sad regret,
With the Old be buried deep;
For what joy untold
Doth the New Year hold,
And what hopes within it sleep!

HIT OR MISS

Dr. T. A. Cox, Hertford physician, may not look like Santa Claus to you or to me, but it is highly probable that a number of Perquimans County children consider him a right good representation of the kind old gentleman.

The doctor noticed that there were a lot of folks on the streets on Christmas Eve, particularly children. Some of the youngsters looked like they might not have so much. The doctor got a five dollar bill changed into small silver and set out to have a good time. He moved about among the crowds, sauntering through some of the stores, and here and there dropping a coin into the small fist of a boy or girl. It didn't make any difference whether the child happened to be white or colored, wherever the doctor thought he might bring a little Christmas cheer he did so. I wonder who was made happier, Dr. Cox or the children. What do you think?

That Perquimans County has at least one prosperous farmer is evidenced by a recent real estate transfer. J. T. Lane, well known farmer who lives just outside the town limits, has recently purchased "Spring City," a Hertford suburb containing a number of tenant houses, and located west of Hertford. Not everybody can buy a city. Congratulations, Mr. Lane.

The woman wiped the tears from her eyes and looked up as her Swedish servant girl entered. "What for you crying?" asked the maid. "I have just said goodbye to my boy," answered the mistress. You know he has been spending the Christmas holidays at home and he left this morning to return to Yale. "Yes," answered the girl, sympathetically, "I know just how you feel. My brother he came in Yale two times since Christmas."

"Did all of you go?" This question was asked of the head of a certain large Perquimans County family. "Well," was the reply, "not all about eight of us went."

Chief Britt arrested his eight-year-old son for shooting firecrackers on the street. The little lad was tried in Juvenile Court before Howard Pitt, Clerk of the Superior Court, and ordered to pay the fine of one dollar. That was the only arrest Chief Britt made of violators of the new town ordinance prohibiting the shooting of firecrackers on the street.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hunter and their daughter, Miss Lucy Hunter, of Route One, were in Hertford on Saturday.



D. D. Dudley Injured In Automobile Wreck

D. D. Dudley, manager of the Carolina Hardware Company of Hertford, who was injured in an automobile accident on the Hertford-Elizabeth City highway, near Woodville, on Wednesday night of last week, is still in a semi-conscious condition at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City, where he was taken immediately following the accident.

Mr. Dudley is believed to have suffered a fractured skull, as a result of being thrown from his car when the door was flung open by the impact of the truck with which the car in which he was driving was in collision.

For several days following the accident the patient was totally unconscious. Recently, however, he has had moments of consciousness, lapsing into unconsciousness within a short time.

F. F. Garrett, member of the firm of Elizabeth City, is temporarily in charge of the Carolina Hardware Company.

HEATING PLANT AT LOCAL CHURCH NOW FUNCTIONING

The boiler of the heating plant of the Hertford Methodist Church, which has been out of commission, has been repaired and services will be held as usual in the church on Sunday next. Due to the fact that it was impossible to heat the auditorium on last Sunday no services were held.

Through Capitol Keyholes

By BESS HINTON SILVER

CHERRY BLOSSOMS — Raleigh politicians are inclined to take the newly-hatched boom in behalf of Representative R. Gregg Cherry, of Gaston, for speaker of the 1935 House of Representatives with a grain of salt. The opinion is expressed freely on Capitol Hill that Mr. Cherry's friends would like to see him get chairmanship of an important committee and it is known by one and all that a good way to assure that is to line up some votes in the speakership race.

CONSOLIDATION — Sentiment for county consolidations is growing in North Carolina but the prognosticators will stake their reputation that the idea doesn't get beyond the dream stage during the coming session of the General Assembly. Home-town courthouse politicians would howl to high heaven if their representatives began talking about abolishing their jobs and the natives would get into no end of squabbles about the county seats of the new districts. Capitol Hill believes that consolidation of counties will be among those things not done by the Legislature next year.

BIG WAR — The opinion is growing over the State that North Carolina is going to witness another political "Battle of the Century" in the spring of '35 between the forces of Senator Josiah W. Bailey and those of Governor Ehringhaus. There is no

Superior Court Will Convene January 14

The following calendar for the January Term of Perquimans Superior Court, which will convene in Hertford on January 14, for the trial of civil cases only, was arranged by members of the local bar on Wednesday:

- Monday
Armour & Co. vs. Capt. T. S. White.
J. C. Blanchard vs. I. C. Layden.
Mrs. W. T. McMullan vs. Town of Hertford.
Norfolk Equipment Corporation vs. W. M. Divers & Co.
Lydia G. Whedbee vs. J. F. Winslow.
First & Citizens National Bank vs. Trueblood.
Sallie Kirby vs. Jessup, Administrator.
Virginia Fowler vs. Dare Filling Station.
Growers Peanut Co. vs. E. J. Broughton.
- Tuesday
United Gypsum Co. vs. J. E. Winslow, trading as Hertford Hardware & Supply Co.
International Shoe Co. vs. J. H. Baker.
Darden Bros. vs. Butler.
Darden Bros. vs. Gaither and T. S. White, Trustee.
Jessup Bros. vs. Stokes.
Jessup Bros. vs. G. P. Wood.
Hertford Hardware & Supply Co. vs. Hunter.
- Wednesday
L. W. Anderson vs. T. P. Brinn.
M. R. Winslow vs. -----
- Thursday
Lydia G. Whedbee vs. Chappell.

Trees On Causeway Will Not Be Ruined

NOTICE

By order of the Commissioner of the Town of Hertford, after January 1, 1935, it will be unlawful to park any motor vehicle on the following streets in the Town of Hertford: Church, Grubb, Market, Covent Garden, Edenton Road, except in area marked off by the Town.

The penalty for violating this ordinance is \$3.00.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

E. L. REED, Mayor.

Christmas Observed Quietly In Hertford

Christmas Day was passed very quietly in Hertford, except for the noise of a few firecrackers exploding here and there.

So far as could be learned, only two persons were treated by Hertford physicians for burns from fire works during the holidays, both of the accidents occurring last week.

A colored boy named George Moore, who lives in Old Neck, lost three fingers on one hand when he touched a dynamite cap to the schoolroom stove.

A white boy named Chappell, who lives near Belvidere, was also very painfully hurt in the back, when another boy placed a toy pistol loaded with a firecracker against his back.

New Hope Girl Dies After Brief Illness

Miss Hazel Hoffer, seventeen, died on Wednesday night, December 12, at the home of her parents at New Hope, after a brief illness.

Funeral services were held at New Hope M. E. Church, of which the deceased was a member, on Thursday afternoon, with the Rev. J. W. Dimette, pastor of the church, officiating. Burial was made in the family burying ground at New Hope.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hurdle, and the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. Irvin Turner, Mrs. Sarah Baker, John Hurdle, Rudolph Hurdle, Theodor Hurdle and Hazel Hurdle.

The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful.

County Couple Married On Christmas Night

Miss Addie Mae Williams and Wendell H. Mathews, both of this county, were quietly married on Christmas night at the home of the Rev. J. W. Dimette, pastor of the Winfall M. E. Church, with Mr. Dimette officiating.

The bride wore a brown dress with a green coat and brown accessories. The ceremony was witnessed by Miss Myrtle White and Mr. Claude Williams.

Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for a motor trip to Washington City and other points.

The bride is the attractive daughter of Mrs. E. D. Mathews, of Route Three, and is teaching at the Ballahack school.

The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Mathews, of Burgess. Both young people are very popular with a large circle of friends.

Recent Bride Honored At Bridge Party

Miss Lucille White, whose wedding to Mr. J. F. Jernigan, of Norfolk, took place on Thursday, December 27, was honoree at a delightful bridge party given by Mrs. Herman Winslow on Friday night.

The house was gayly and attractively decorated with Christmas greens and red flowers, carrying out the color scheme of red and green in all the appointments.

Miss Mary Sumner received the prize for top score and Mrs. John Chappell won the consolation. The guest of honor was presented with a guest's prize. A dainty salad course was served.

Those present included Mesdames Wayland Barbee, Howard Pitt, Tommy Sutton, J. B. Basnight, John Chappell and Misses Helen Morgan, Mary Sumner, Elizabeth Knowles, Blanche Everett and Nellie Fields.

The Caldwell County curb market at Lenoir has sold \$9,008.98 worth of produce for farmers and farm women of the county this year.

Hertford Residents Protest To Emergency Relief Officials

No more trees will be cut down on the Causeway or on the county-owned strip of woodland west of the Perquimans River bridge, where many of the smaller trees have recently been cut.

A force of men, under the direction of the local ERA has been working on this property for about ten days, cutting down trees and trimming and piling the wood to be used for relief purposes near the roadside.

When Hertford residents saw the result of these activities and learned that no trees were to be left standing, a mighty protest arose because the beauty of this strip of woodland, which is a source of pride to many residents of Hertford, was being spoiled.

It seems there was some misunderstanding about the matter, however, and there was little difficulty in having the work stopped. Certain of the County Commissioners when appealed to stated that the work had not been ordered by the Board of County Commissioners. This was explained when it was learned that two of the members of the board, including the chairman, had requested the Emergency Relief administrator to secure a work project for the relief workers of cleaning up this property, which was done, and that the chairman had signed the project.

E. M. Perry, chairman of the Board of Commissioners, when he was appealed to, appeared greatly surprised that there was any objection to cutting down these trees and stated that he had believed the people of Hertford would be glad to have the place cleaned up. He very promptly notified the ERA office not to cut down any more trees.

E. W. Lordley, who received a number of Commissioners, when he was appealed to, stated that the work was done at the suggestion of the two commissioners, and not upon his initiative; that, in fact, he did not even know the county owned the property when he was approached as Administrator of the Perquimans County ERA and asked to get the project through. He expressed regret that some protest was not made before the work went so far. He further stated that it would be necessary to keep a force of men working on this property for some time, in order to clean up the trees which were felled, to cut down some of the tall stumps left standing, and otherwise straighten up the place, which will be a great improvement.

Timothy N. Gregory Laid To Rest Sunday

Funeral services for Timothy N. Gregory, 65, of Hertford, who died at 5 o'clock on Saturday morning, were held from the home on Grubb street, on Sunday afternoon, and were attended by a large crowd of friends. The Rev. A. A. Butler, of Hertford officiated, and music was furnished by the Hertford Baptist Church choir. The Masonic rites were observed at the conclusion of the service by Mr. Butler. Burial was made in Cedarwood Cemetery, Hertford.

Pallbearers included Seth Long, John Butler, Clyde Landing, Charles E. Johnson and Irving Stubbs, of Norfolk, Va.

Mr. Gregory had been a constant sufferer from rheumatism for many years, and for the past 18 months had been confined to his bed most of the time. His condition had been very much worse for some time past and the end had been expected daily for some time.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lena Howell Gregory, and four sons, Noah Gregory, of Hertford, T. N. Gregory, Jr., of Norfolk, Thomas Gregory, of Norfolk, and Julian Gregory, of Roanoke, Va.

BEECH SPRING PARENT-TEACHER GROUP MEETS

The Parent-Teacher Association of Beech Spring school met on Monday night with Mrs. W. J. Perry, president, presiding, and with Miss Delsie Whitehead acting as secretary.

The program included a reading by Miss Stella Rogerson, a poem by Miss Delsie Whitehead, a reading by Minnie Louise Nixon, and a vocal duet by Miss Delsie Whitehead and Mrs. W. J. Perry.

Mrs. Frank Winslow and Mrs. Janice Forehand served refreshments.

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