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Paving Of Highway Opens New Territory

Work Begun to Connect Whiteston and Trotville

7.2 MILES LONG

Regarded as Great Improvement For Entire Section

Work has begun in preparation of paving the link in the highway from Whiteston to Trotville, which connects at Baker's Store with the pavement recently completed from Whites-ton to the Belvidere road.

A force of men went to work on Monday morning, clearing the right of way. The F. D. Clegg Construction Co., which company had the contract for the paving of the link recently completed, are paving this road also.

J. R. Love, Superintendent, in charge of the operations, with others connected with the work, are making their headquarters in Hertford.

This bit of road is an important link in the highway, opening up an entirely new territory, and is regarded as a great improvement for the entire section.

In fact, the link recently completed from Whiteston to the Belvidere Highway, represents a wonderful improvement, apart from the fact that it is a link which connects Highway 32, near the Virginia line. It is of much benefit to our local people. H. L. Williams, prominent Whiteston resident, who was in Hertford on Monday, says that it puts Hertford within 15 minutes of Whiteston, whereas it formerly took from 30 to 40 minutes to travel this distance, depending, of course, on the condition of the road.

The distance to be paved, from Whiteston to Trotville, is 7.2 miles.

James Love Makes Record As Wrestler

A remarkable record as a wrestler at Carolina is being made by James T. Love, who was in Hertford during the Christmas holidays, and who made many friends here.

The young man is a son of F. S. Love, superintendent of the road construction which has been going on in this vicinity, and who is now at the Hotel Hertford.

Young Love was a member of the freshmen football team this year. He has participated in a few wrestling bouts and has won with a fall each time. He has played against V. P. L. V. M. L., Washington & Lee, State and Newberry College. He wrestles on Saturday of this week at Duke.

TWO CASES DOCKETED AT TUESDAY COURT SESSION

Only two cases were tried in Recorder's Court on Tuesday. James Nelson, colored, was convicted of possessing liquor for the purpose of sale and was sent to the roads for sixty days.

Johnnie Collins, colored, charged with abandonment and non-support, was found not guilty.

WALTER DAIL WILL LOCATE IN MURFREESBORO

Walter Dail, Hertford barber, who has been working in Murfreesboro for the past two weeks, has decided to locate permanently at that place and the family will leave Hertford shortly.

Mrs. Dail and their little daughter, Rebecca, expect to spend some time, probably until school is over, at the home of Mrs. Dail's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baker, at Whiteston, before moving to Murfreesboro.

UNDERGOES OPERATION

Mrs. I. N. White, who was taken to Norfolk, Va., on Monday to consult a head specialist, underwent an operation on Tuesday. Her condition is reported as satisfactory.

MISS GAITHER IMPROVING

Miss Helen Gaither, who has been quite sick, is improving somewhat. She is still unable to be out, but is able to sit up for a while each day.

ROBERT JENKINS ILL

Robert, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jenkins, has been quite sick for some time. He has been out of school for more than a week.

Town's Collections Show An Increase

The Town of Hertford business is picking up. Collections for everything connected with the municipal affairs, during the first seven months of this fiscal year, show an increase of \$3,900.00 over collections for the same period last year, according to W. G. Newby, Town Clerk.

Building And Loan Reelects Old Directors

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hertford Building and Loan Association, held on Friday afternoon, the entire board of directors was reelected, including A. W. Hefren, W. H. Harcastle, C. P. Morris, J. P. Perry, Chas. Johnson, W. E. White, Chas. E. Johnson, R. M. Riddick, Dr. C. A. Davenport, V. N. Darden, Dr. G. E. Newby, and S. M. Whedbee.

At the meeting of the directors on Monday night the officers were reelected as follows: A. W. Hefren, president; C. P. Morris, vice-president; J. P. Perry, secretary; W. H. Harcastle, secretary-treasurer; and Chas. E. Johnson, attorney.

A new series of stock of the Building and Loan Association will be issued in May.

The fourteenth series matured on January 31, representing \$7,500.00.

F. T. Johnson Desires Better School Facilities

A new school building for Winfall, as well as a number of other much needed repairs, additions and improvements to school property, will be asked for by F. T. Johnson, Superintendent of Schools of Perquimans.

if it develops that federal funds can be secured to pay for them.

While Mr. Johnson says he hopes nobody will be too confident about the outcome of his efforts to get the Winfall school, the repairs to the Hertford Grammar School, a gymnasium, repairs for the Hertford colored school, a new building for the colored Industrial School at Winfall, and so on, he means to get his petition in for anything the federal government is going to give.

Mr. Johnson may or may not be successful in his efforts, but he has shown himself something of a wizard in the way of doing the impossible. It will be remembered that it was Mr. Johnson who engineered the matter of retaining the home economics department in the high school, by securing government aid. Also, he pulled sufficient wires somehow to inaugurate a commercial department in the Perquimans High School in this, his first year.

The matter of securing school buildings, however, is an entirely different thing. Whether or not the federal government will make a grant for this purpose remains to be seen. If it does, Perquimans County will not fail to get its share.

OBSERVE HOLIDAY

Friday of this week being Washington's Birthday, the postoffice will be closed and there will be no rural or town delivery of mail.

The bank will also be closed on Friday.

CALLED TO CHARLOTTEVILLE

T. G. Hurt, Department Head at J. C. Blanchard & Co.'s store, was called to Charlottesville, Va., on Saturday by the critical illness of his father.

HIT OR MISS

That Hertford needs a community house, a building to be centrally located, and to be of sufficient proportions to contain an auditorium, a recreation hall, a library, reading rooms, is hardly to be disputed.

Absolutely nothing is provided by Hertford for the entertainment of, or for safeguarding, our youth. I don't think we realize how little has ever been done for the young people of Hertford.

With a recreation hall where basket ball games and other games could be played, a place not so far removed from the residential section of the town as to keep spectators from walking the distance, with a place where

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LOCAL CASE BEFORE U. S. SUPREME COURT

One of Few Cases Presented From This Part of State

One of the few cases from any county in this section of the State to go to the Supreme Court of the United States is that of Mrs. Louise W. Campbell vs. Norfolk-Southern Railroad and the Virginia Beach Bus Line, which is now before that body.

This case was instituted in Perquimans Superior Court in September 1931. On motion of the defendant, it was removed to the United States District Court, and tried before Judge I. M. Meekins and a jury in May 1932, resulting in a verdict for the plaintiff against the Virginia Beach Bus Line, a non suit being allowed as to the Railroad.

The defendant appealed to the Circuit Court of Appeals before which the case was argued in April 1934. This court affirmed the decision of the lower court and subsequently refused to re-hear on motion of the defendant. This week notice was received by Walter H. Oakey, Jr., attorney for Mrs. Campbell, that a petition to review the case had been filed in the Supreme Court of the United States.

Shooting Of Nathan Trueblood A Mystery

The shooting of Nathan Trueblood, of Bagley Swamp neighborhood, two miles from Hertford, on Monday night, remains as much a mystery as it was when the young man, accompanied by Adrien Smith, rushed to Hertford shortly after the shooting and reported the matter to the Sheriff.

Nathan Trueblood, is the twenty-four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Trueblood. He is unmarried and lives with his parents, the farm being situated on a dirt road leading from the main Belvidere-Hertford Highway. The story as told by the young man is that he was visiting a home of Ernest Stephens, a neighbor, after supper, and that he noticed that a car kept running up and down the road, now and then parking. Sometime around 8 o'clock he left to visit a young lady who lives in the neighborhood, and that as he walked along the highway, passing woods, he heard a stick snap in the woods and stopped, and as he did so a shot was fired, the bullet whizzing by him. The young man ran, where upon another shot was fired, this time grazing his left side. He continued to run, cutting across a field to the home of Adrien Smith, where it was discovered the bullet had not done any serious injury.

Sheriff Winslow, upon being notified, went to the scene. Somewhere in the vicinity of where the shot was fired there was picked up a shell from a 32 automatic. Trueblood says he owns a 32 automatic, from which this shell was probably thrown when he shot at a cat near this point some time ago.

On Wednesday morning young Trueblood reported to the sheriff that his father had picked up, that morning, a bullet which fits a 38 revolver. Sheriff Winslow is making further investigation.

Old-Timer Relates Being Lost At Sea

Lost in a small boat at sea, E. W. Brewington, tailoring representative of Baltimore, Md., who is at Simon's Store this week, once drifted for three days without food or water.

It was in the year 1898. Mr. Brewington, who has been making regular trips to Hertford for the past twenty years, says it was a long time ago. He recalls that it was during the Spanish-American War.

There were five, counting himself all youngsters, who left the Florida coast to sail a boat for Cuba. Out of sight of land the schooner grounded on a sand reef and the boys couldn't float the craft. They finally decided they would embark in a small lifeboat and row to land. They wanted to get help to get the boat off of the sand bar. So sure were they that it would only be a matter of hours before they would reach land, they did not even take any water aboard.

They got lost. Mr. Brewington says they rowed and rowed, but there was no sight of land. There had been a strong breeze, but it died out and the water was calm, and the sun burned unmercifully. They had neither food nor water. At last, a light-house tender spied the small craft and reported their plight to a revenue cutter and the boys were rescued.

Enthusiasm Mounts Steadily In Perquimans Weekly Campaign

HERE'S HOW THEY STAND

Mrs. Roy Parks, Ryland	935,000
Mrs. J. L. Nixon, Winfall	933,000
Miss Ann Barclift Hertford	932,000
Mrs. J. C. Wilson, Chapanoke	929,000
Mr. Edgar Fields, Hertford	925,000
Mrs. C. F. Reed, R. F. D. Hertford	865,000
Mrs. Charles Skinner, Hertford	705,000
Miss William Spivey, Hobbsville	585,000
Miss Vida Banks, New Hope	425,000
Mr. Jesse Lane, Hertford	225,000

Physical Education Discussed By Teachers

At the second in the series of county-wide teachers' meetings held at the Grammar School on Friday night, with Supt. of Education F. T. Johnson presiding, the general objectives of a physical educational program were stressed.

There were many interesting comments on such general terms as the development of physical efficiency, the development of mental alertness, the development of moral appreciation in reference to the physical, mental and social life of the child, the specific objectives being the development of such traits as honesty, courage, loyalty, self-control, alertness, independent thinking, appreciation, politeness, sportsmanship and co-operation.

Mrs. S. P. Jessup gave a report of the survey she had made with respect to the playground equipment in the Perquimans schools, showing that the equipment in the grammar schools for each child costs 10 cents per child, and that of the high school 36 cents.

Mr. Hughes, athletic coach of the Perquimans High School, reported on the space available for physical education for each child, and also read a paper on posture and play, bringing out the fact that many games which children indulge in are actually harmful to posture, although they may serve another form of physical education.

Mrs. Thad Chappell, chairman of the criteria committee, set up standards for selecting activities.

Miss Nancy Woods reported standards for selection of playthings and equipment.

Mrs. Herman Winslow made a talk on the physical education objectives of the grammar grades and Mrs. H. T. Bond talked on playground equipment for the grammar grades.

The next meeting will be held on March 8, at the same place.

Book Club Meets With Mrs. Charles Whedbee

The Book Club met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Whedbee, with Mrs. Whedbee and Mrs. W. E. White as joint hostesses. In the absence of the chairman Miss Mae Wood Winslow had charge of the program, the topic of which was Architecture. Most interesting and informative readings, one by Miss Winslow, entitled "The ABC of Architecture," and one by Mrs. E. W. Lordley, entitled "Architecture," were given. The current topic for the day was given by Mrs. W. E. White. It was an article from the March number of the American entitled "Trader Jones" by L. F. Griswold.

After the program the hostesses assisted by Miss Jocelyn Whedbee served a salad course.

Those present included Miss Mae Wood Winslow, Mrs. Trim Wilson, Mrs. H. A. Whitley, Mrs. C. P. Morris, Mrs. Nathan Tucker, Mrs. L. N. Hollowell, Mrs. J. E. White, Miss Kate Blanchard, Mrs. R. T. White, Mrs. H. C. Stokes, and Mrs. E. W. Lordley.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR RESPECTED COLORED MAN

Funeral services for Worley Mixon, well-known and highly respected colored resident of Hertford, were held on Wednesday afternoon at Pierce's Funeral Parlor, and burial took place in the Hertford Colored Cemetery.

Mixon, who was about sixty years of age, died Saturday in a Norfolk hospital, following a week's illness. Surviving are his wife, Lou Mixon, and two children, Caroline Bonner and Maria Sylvester.

Perquimans Parents Register 41 Babies

Perquimans County parents are starting their reports to Washington of the births of children born in the county during the past 12 months. Cards mailed during the first two weeks of the "Register Your Baby" campaign show that 41 children have been properly registered.

This is compared with 248 children which were recorded as having been born in this county during the year 1933, as shown in the files of the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the State Board of Health in Raleigh. Parents are urged by Dr. John H. Hamilton, director of the Bureau, to send in these cards as early as possible.

North Carolina had 75,238 births properly recorded in 1933, and in complete figures show that 79,350 births had been recorded for 1934, by which Dr. Hamilton estimates that enough more will be added to make the number of births in the State last year 80,000, or more.

With almost a 5,000 increase in births in 1934 over those in 1933, as shown by the records, it is believed that North Carolina has the chance of again taking her place at the head of the list in birth rate, a position held for many years, but from which she was dislodged last year by New Mexico, and tied with Utah for second place.

Complete recording of births is being urged in the State by the U. S. Bureau of the Census, the State Board of Health and the State Emergency Relief Administration.

Evening Class For Adults At Schools

Evening classes for adults are being conducted at certain of the county schools by Miss Maude Pridden, teacher of home economics at the Perquimans High School, and G. C. Buck, teacher of vocational agriculture.

Classes are already organized at the Bethel school, where weekly meetings are held on Tuesday night.

After the lessons in improved methods of home-making and those of improved methods of farming, the men and women meet together and enjoy a social hour.

Another class will be organized at Ballahack school this week.

Perquimans Teams Defeat Williamston

The Perquimans High School basketball teams won a double header from the Williamston High School Wednesday evening on the local court. The boys won 37 to 20, while the girls won a rather one-sided affair 40 to 19.

J. W. DARDEN UNDERGOING TREATMENT AT NORFOLK

J. W. Darden, Hertford magistrate, is spending a week at a Norfolk hospital undergoing treatment.

Mr. Darden, who at 79 years of age is in robust health and very active, has lost the sight of his left eye from a condition which recently developed. It is believed that treatment will save the other eye.

IRENE FEREBEE DIES

The death of Irene Ferebee, 22, Hertford colored girl, which occurred last Saturday, was a tragic event in the lives of her parents, Alpheus Ferebee and his wife, parents of Irene, are both paralyzed, and Irene was their nurse.

Funeral services for Irene were held on Tuesday afternoon at the Colored Baptist Church in Hertford, and burial took place in the Hertford Cemetery.

Second Period Closes In Exciting Race For Lead

STILL THEY COME

Additional Award of Elgin Wrist Watch Who Turns In Most Subscriptions During the Second and Third Periods

Swinging into line, all atingle with high hopes and ambitions, candidates in The Perquimans Weekly now famous campaign have swelled their vote totals to a wonderful high mark and from now on to the finish it will be a pretty exciting race between the leaders.

The first period of the campaign, which closed Saturday night was a success. Tens of thousands of votes were issued and every live candidate profited mightily.

The competition, therefore, so far as the relative standing of the contestants are concerned, depend almost entirely upon the results obtained by the various candidates between now and the finish as to who the ultimate winners will be.

The above is no "mere talk" for the sake of talking, but facts—theories or rumors notwithstanding. Hence the struggle for supremacy will be fought out during the next few days, for the entire campaign comes to a fateful close in just two more weeks.

And now for the whirlwind finish. Now for the sensations, and the surprises. These are the days that will test the resourcefulness of the contestants. Here is where their courage upholds them and makes them fight, or the lack of it takes the stiffness out of their knees and leaves them falling in the dust—"fall-out." There are times, too, when the supreme courage urges them on when they are tired, and that is the gamest fight of all.

The most determined efforts in the big race for the FOUR BIG PRIZES that are soon to be awarded have been launched. Huge waves of determination gripping the aspirants for the BIG PRIZES and votes are increasing in volume and pouring into the election department.

Enthusiasm of the candidates has spread to friends and acquaintances. In many sections of Hertford and the adjacent territory a great amount of "neighborhood" pride is being shown and great efforts are being made to have the BIGGEST PRIZE won by the favorite of each community.

Many candidates who call at the election headquarters are expressing new determination to put forth their best efforts during this important period.

Second Period Closes Saturday Night

The second period that has been in effect all week comes to a close Saturday night at nine o'clock. The candidates are urged to make their reports by that time and to remember that the vote schedule drops with the close of this period.

The longer you delay in getting in "FULL SWING" the less valuable your subscription will be from a vote standpoint. And that is what you are after—VOTES—or you should be after them if you expect to be one of the BIG PRIZE winners. The prizes are to be distributed to those who deserve them—to those who make the best records in the vote columns. "WISHES" won't get you anywhere in this campaign but votes will. The vote producers will be handsomely rewarded in accordance to the effort put forth. This is a campaign of "LIVE ONES."

Race Attracts Attention

The race in the first period was truly a neck and neck affair, and is attracting attention all over this section of the country. It will be interesting to see which of the several contenders prove themselves the most popular in the list—the owners of the FOUR BIG PRIZES.

SILVER TEA TUESDAY

A silver tea will be given at the home of Mrs. Howard Pitt, by the ladies of the Della Shamburger Missionary Society of the Hertford M. E. Church on Tuesday afternoon, from 4 to 6 o'clock. The proceeds will go toward defraying the expenses of repairing the boiler of the heating plant of the church. The public is invited.