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Stores Will Observe Thursday Holiday

Firms Sign Agreement To Close Half Day In Hot Weather

START JUNE 6

Employees Look Forward To Pleasure Recreational Period

The Thursday afternoon half holiday will begin for the Hertford business houses on June 6, continuing through August 29. For many years it has been the custom of these firms to take Thursday afternoon as a half holiday, and many are already looking forward to the recreation period with pleasure.

The firms which signed the agreement to close include J. C. Blanchard & Co., Hertford Banking Co., Davenport & Blanchard, Central Grocery, H. C. Stokes, Darden Bros., W. M. Morgan, Grocery Sales Co., Mrs. Jake White, Simms', Hertford Hardware & Supply Co., M. J. Gregory's 5 & 10 Cent Store, Morgan's Modern Grocery, Pohnson, White Co., and Carolina Hardware Co.

62 Colored Students Placed On Honor Roll

Sixty-two students of the Perquimans Training School, colored high school, made the honor roll for the term. They are as follows:

First grade: Margaret Lightfoot, Irene Eason, Pearl Rogerson, Flauy Lawrence, Florence Wilder, Dora Mae Boyce, Winnie Jones, Percy Spellman and Daniel Thomas Felton.

Second grade: Jesse Rogerson, Hattie Rumble, Clarence Johnson, Mattie Jones and Jesse Spellman.

Third grade: Elizabeth Reid, Grace Mae Wiggins, Mary Emma Overton, and Joseph Tolson.

Fourth grade: Rosa Lee Overton, Edna Rumble and Clara Miller.

Fifth grade: Mildred Felton and Evangeline Archie.

Sixth grade: Hilda Twine, Aleen Waffe, Maggie Hathaway, Philander Wiggins, Louis Wynn and Matthew Riddick.

Seventh grade: Velma Hunter, Dorothy Eason and Ethel Hurdle.

High School
English: Ruth Harrell, Wesley Ingram, Dixie Jones, Clarissa Newby, Dorothy Newby, Evelyn Bishop, and Molton Zachary.

French: James Washington, Rosetta Riddick, Blanche Perry, and Molton Zachary.

Geometry: Rosetta Riddick and Molton Zachary.

Biology: Evelyn Bishop, Dorothy Newby and Clarissa Newby.

Geography: Molton Zachary and James Reid.

History: Molton Zachary and James Reid.

Agriculture: Molton Zachary, James Reid, James Lightfoot, and James Washington.

Music: Ruth Harrell, Laura M. Zachary, Dixie Jones, Marie Cooper, Ethel Winslow and Eva Winslow.

All Grammar School Teachers Re-elected

All of the grammar school teachers in the county were re-elected at a meeting of the committee held on Monday night.

Of these teachers, numbering 28, Mrs. J. T. Basnight, the teacher of the White Hat school, has resigned and will not teach next year.

Sixth Special Sermon Delivered On Sunday

Rev. D. S. Dempsey, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, announces that the sixth sermon in the series of seven on the general theme of Immortality will be delivered on next Sunday night. The subject of this discourse is "Shall We Know Our Loved Ones In Heaven?"

A quartet from Green's Cross Baptist Church will sing on this occasion.

In the words of Mr. Dempsey, "A welcome awaits you."

MRS. GAITHER IMPROVED

The condition of Mrs. W. G. Gaither is much improved. Mrs. Gaither was taken to the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City last week, after having suffered an attack of appendicitis. Mrs. Gaither responded satisfactorily to treatment and it was not found necessary to operate. She returned home on Wednesday of this week.

WINFALL SCHOOL WINS P. T. A. COUNCIL PRIZE

Twelve Schools Compete In Best Book Contest Thursday

The Winfall school won the prize, a book, given at the P. T. A. Council held at the Hertford Grammar School on Thursday night, when twelve county schools competed for the best book characterization.

"Little Black Sambo," participated in by children of the lower grades, was the winning book.

Each representation was picturesque and well carried out, with the children most attractively costumed and well trained.

The first book portrayed was "Uncle Tom's Cabin," by the Ballahack school.

The White Hat school gave "Rip Van Winkle."

"Little Black Sambo," by Winfall, was next.

Then came the "Old Fashioned Girl," by the Perquimans High School, followed by "Mother Goose," by Beech Spring.

Chapanoke school furnished "Uncle Remus."

"Red Riding Hood" was presented by New Hope.

Snow Hill school put on "Tom Sawyer."

"Robinson Crusoe" was the contribution of Belvidere.

"Little Women" was given by the Hertford Grammar School, and "Huckleberry Finn" was given by Bethel.

Mrs. B. G. Koonce was in charge of the second part of the program, which included a chorus by selected voices, a solo by Mrs. Chas. E. Johnson, a reading by Mrs. W. E. White, a piano solo by Miss Martha Elizabeth Jordan, a vocal solo by Dorothy Mae Hoffer, and a solo by L. W. Anderson, followed by a solo by young Jack Anderson.

After the presentation of the prize in the Book Carnival by Superintendent P. T. Jonson, Miss Nellie Butler made the presentation to the Grammar School of several books, donated by Mrs. B. G. Koonce, in memory of Mrs. Koonce's sister, Miss Sallie Wood McMullan, who taught for twenty-five years in the Hertford Grammar School, and whose tragic death occurred four years ago. This was immediately followed by the reading of James Whitcomb Riley's poem, "Away," by Mrs. W. E. White.

Miss Dora White was the winner of the lucky number prize, given by Simon's Store.

J. M. Newbold Unable Attend Chemists' Meet

J. M. Newbold, of Hertford, chemist of the Eastern Cotton Oil Co., will be unable to attend the meeting of the American Oil Chemist Society to be held at Memphis, Tenn., next week. A paper which Mr. Newbold has prepared, however, will be read at the meeting. The subject on which Mr. Newbold has written is "The Effect of the Different Types of Mills on the Products of Cotton Seed."

Mr. Newbold, who is in charge of all of the laboratory work of the eleven plants of the Eastern Cotton Oil Company, is recognized as an authority on cotton seed products, as well as on soya bean products.

The laboratory of the Eastern Cotton Oil Company is located in Hertford.

S. M. Hughes Will Coach In Maine

S. M. Hughes, athletic coach of the Perquimans High School, will spend the summer at Trip Lake Camp, Poland, Maine, where he will act as athletic coach.

MISS MILDRED REED TAKING TREATMENT IN HOSPITAL

Miss Mildred Reed is a patient in a Norfolk, Va., hospital, where she is undergoing treatment. Miss Reed was taken sick before she finished her school work at Selma, where she was teaching, and was a patient in a Greenville hospital for a few days before returning home. Her condition has improved since she was taken to Norfolk last week and it is believed she will not have to undergo an operation.

PERQUIMANS FARMERS ATTEND MEETING IN WASHINGTON

Dr. Elbert S. White, of Belvidere; George W. Nowell, of Winfall; B. W. Thach, of Hertford; J. T. Benton, of Parkville; and Earl M. Perry, of New Hope, attended the special meeting of farmers in Washington, D. C., this week, held in support of the AAA program.

CLYDE A. ERWIN SPEAKS TO SCHOOL GRADUATES

57 Boys and Girls Receive Diplomas During Exercises

Clyde A. Erwin, State Superintendent of Education, made his first public appearance in Hertford on Thursday night, when he delivered the graduation address to the 1935 class of Perquimans High School.

The auditorium of the school was filled to capacity to witness the last of the commencement exercises of the school, when 57 boys and girls received their diplomas.

Class Day exercises were held on Wednesday night.

Fenton Butler delivered the valedictory address and Joyce Harrell gave the salutatory.

The class prophecy was given by Mattie Bert Belfe.

Grace Knowles presented the gifts.

Lucille Lane gave the interesting class history.

Patricia Stephens gave the grumbles.

The following medals were presented: Valedictory, Fenton Butler; Salutatory, Joyce Harrell; Best All Round, or Service, Joyce Harrell; Effort, Fannie Eure.

The baccalaureate sermon was preached on Sunday night by Rev. D. S. Dempsey, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church.

Quarterly Meeting Held May 25-26

The May Quarterly Meeting will be held at the Piney Woods Friends Church at Belvidere, on Saturday and Sunday of next week, May 25 and 26.

Rev. L. W. McFarland, evangelistic superintendent of the North Carolina Yearly Meeting of Friends, will be the principal speaker at the Quarterly Meeting.

Mr. McFarland, who is one of the outstanding ministers of the state, is well known in Perquimans, having visited Belvidere on a number of occasions. He is always warmly received by his many friends.

Aragon Club Meeting With Clarence Chalk

Clarence Chalk and Alvin White were hosts at the home of the former, to the Aragon Club at the regular meeting held on Monday night.

Music and dancing were enjoyed and dainty refreshments were served.

The members present included Mary Lou Perry, Hatie Weaver Riddick, Leah Nachman, Edith Blount Skinner, Mary Carson, Guy Newby, Russell Winslow, and the visitors were Earl Pierce of Norfolk, Dick Goodwin, Ned White and Crook Hollowell of Edenton.

L. W. Anderson At Manteo Meeting

L. W. Anderson, farm demonstration agent of Perquimans, is at Nags Head, attending the annual meet of farm demonstration agents of Eastern North Carolina. Mr. Anderson expects to return on Saturday.

Whedbee And Brown Return From Raleigh

Hon. Charles Whedbee returned home on Saturday. Mr. Whedbee has been in Raleigh since the convening of the General Assembly in January, where he has served as legislative adviser to the Governor.

W. T. Brown, Perquimans County's representative in the Legislature, has also returned.

County Unemployed Registered Friday

A member of the staff of the re-employment office, Edenton, will be in Hertford at the Court House on May 17th from 9:30 A. M. to 4 P. M. to take registrations and re-registrations of the unemployed in Perquimans County.

Recital Thursday By Music Pupils

Music, singing, dancing, all will be features of the recital to be given at the Hertford Grammar School on Thursday night of next week, when Mrs. R. M. Riddick's music class, assisted by the dancing class of Miss Martha Outlaw, and by Miss Nelle Riddick, of Gatesville, who was the district winner in the high school music contest held at Gatesville, will entertain. The public is invited. No admission fee will be charged.

Preparing To Widen Route Through Town

Claude Brinn Named Life Guard For Beach

Claude Brinn was appointed life guard for the Hertford bathing beach for the summer at the meeting of the Town Council on Tuesday night. Mr. Brinn will take over his duties on June 1st, and will be on guard every week day from 2 to 5 o'clock.

Many Hear Sermon To School Seniors

"Give me also of this power," the 19th verse of the 8th chapter of The Acts of the Apostles, was the text of the baccalaureate sermon delivered by the Rev. D. S. Dempsey, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, to the graduating class of the Perquimans High School on Sunday night in the school auditorium.

A large congregation attended the service, in which the Rev. Miss Bertha V. Smith, pastor of the Piney Woods Friends Church, and the Rev. B. P. Robinson, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church, also took part, with Superintendent of Education F. T. Johnson introducing the speaker.

A choir of selected young voices furnished the music, which included "Lead On Oh King Eternal," as a processional, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind," as the hymn, "Ancient of Days" as the recessional, and the anthem "Lift Up Your Heads."

Mr. Dempsey introduced his address with the statement that there is one universal longing of the human heart, the longing for power. "Men have forfeited their name, their character, all that they were, and all that they had, for power," he said.

Noting the difference in physical power and spiritual power, the speaker said that physical power is sometimes the result of one's position in life, of his social position, or his standing in the community, but stated that this is never true of spiritual power, that spiritual power can only come from living the life of the Christian. He touched briefly on the wonder and the beauty of the life of the man or woman who possesses spiritual power and of the splendid possibilities of service from such power.

Describing a great power house, the source of the power that lights the homes, the business houses, the cities, that drives the great wheels of industry, he drew a vivid picture of the havoc wrought when there was disconnection with the source of power. He stated that God is the great source of all spiritual power and that it is necessary first to contact that source before man can receive this spiritual power, which contact can only be made by prayer.

That spiritual power can never come through selfishness, never to the sluggard, never to the sinful, was especially stressed and emphasized by the speaker. "Sinfulness stops the flow of power through the human soul," he said. This great and wonderful power can never be bought, can never be used for self alone.

He closed with the statement that you can do anything, be anything, go anywhere, God wants you to, if you will live the life. "God help you," he said, "to live the life and to pray the prayer, to make the request that Simon made, 'Lord, give me also this power.'"

Two Cases Up For Trial In Court On Tuesday

H. C. Sexton, of Norfolk, Va., was found guilty of reckless driving and of driving an automobile while under the influence of liquor in Recorder's Court on Tuesday, and was fined fifty dollars and required to pay the court costs. He was also deprived of driving an automobile in North Carolina for the period of six months.

The case against D. Wesley Morgan, of Elizabeth City, charged with issuing a worthless check, which was tried before a jury, consumed most of the day. The jury failing to agree, Judge Walter H. Oakley, Jr., ordered a mis-trial and sent the case to the Superior Court.

Freak Wind Carries Roof Off Shelter

W. A. Lowe and his young son were putting up the car at his home in the Lake Community Tuesday afternoon during the freak wind storm when the roof was lifted from the shelter of the garage where they were standing, and carried into a field near-by.

Not Known Now How Many Trees Will Be Cut Down

ROUTE CHANGED

Traffic Will Be Diverted Through Dobb Street

Work on the thirty-foot highway to be constructed through the Town of Hertford will begin within the next month.

This improvement on Route 342, within the town limits of Hertford, includes the widening of Church Street and the widening of a portion of Edenton Road, as well as the paving of Dobb Street. Contract for the work has been let to the F. D. Cline Co., of Raleigh.

It has not yet been ascertained, whether the paving is to be asphalt or concrete.

At present Route 342 enters Hertford at the town limits on Edenton Road, thence to Market Street, thence to Church, leading over the bridge from Church.

The new route will enter Hertford at Edenton Road, thence into Dobb Street, thence into Church, thence to the bridge.

Dobb Street, from Edenton Road to Church Street will be paved. Church Street, from the postoffice to the Perquimans River Bridge, will be widened to 30 feet, and Edenton Road, from the town limits to Dobb Street, will also be widened to 30 feet.

Frank Kugler, Resident Engineer of the State Highway Commission, in charge of this district, said Wednesday that it was impossible at this time to tell how many of the trees on Church Street would have to be taken down. Surveys are being made to determine this at the present time. Mr. Kugler stated that no trees would be cut, however, which it is not absolutely necessary to cut.

Dog Shot After Biting 2 Cows And 6 Dogs

A mad dog appeared in Winfall Tuesday and bit two cows and six dogs before it was shot.

Its head was sent to Raleigh for examination, and the report received from the laboratory indicated that the dog was afflicted with rabies.

One of the dogs bitten belongs to Mrs. W. G. Hollowell, two were owned by Fred Winslow, one belonged to S. F. Stallings, one was owned by Garland Stanton and one belonged to G. W. Jackson.

Miss Blanchard Wins Music Contest Prize

The Blanchard family seem to be making a record in prize winning. Sometime ago it was announced that Mrs. O. Y. Yarbrough of Louisburg, who was formerly Miss Janie Blanchard, of Hertford, had won one of the Amos 'n' Andy prizes.

Last week Mrs. Yarbrough's sister, Miss Kate M. Blanchard received a check representing one of the cash prizes in the Wagner Music Contest recently conducted by Listerine over the radio.

All County Teachers Will Get Salaries

Perquimans County school teachers will be paid promptly at the close of school this year. For the first time in several years the teachers will not have to wait for their pay. Superintendent F. T. Johnson was notified this week by the State Treasurer that the money for paying Perquimans teachers has already been deposited for this purpose.

City Officials Sworn In Office Tuesday

W. H. Hardcastle, the only new member of the Town Council, met with the Board on Tuesday night.

Mayor E. L. Reed and the Board of Commissioners were sworn in for another term of office, and the Mayor was re-appointed Commissioner of Public Works, and W. G. Newby was re-appointed as Town Clerk.

All members of the Board were present, including the Mayor, W. H. Hardcastle, A. W. Hefren, and Dr. C. A. Davenport.

The Gaston County terracing unit has been running from daylight to dark during recent weeks in the attempt to terrace as much land as possible before planting begins.