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New State Theatre Opens Auspiciously Today

Ask State Take Over Bear Swamp Road

Private Thoroughfare Now Regularly Used By Many

BAD CONDITION County Commissioners Urge Improvements In Bethel Roads

A committee composed of Charles E. Johnson, Dr. T. P. Brinn and W. E. White appeared before the Board of County Commissioners on Monday with a request that recommendation be made that a certain road in the Bear Swamp community be taken over by the State Highway Commission and placed under the regular system.

Mr. Johnson, who presented the matter, stated that the road, which has always been known as a private road, is traveled by a large number of persons who use it regularly and that it is in very bad condition and in need of improvement. The road lies between Ballahack School and Great Hope Church and adjoins the property of a number of citizens. The Board agreed to make the recommendation to the State Highway Department.

It was also decided to recommend to the State Highway Commission that some improvement be made in roads in the Bethel community, where it is said there are deep holes and mud comes up almost to the axles of cars and it is a common occurrence for cars to be stuck in a thickly populated community.

Demonstration Clubs Have Best Attendance At December Meetings

Stating that the home demonstration clubs of the county had the best attendance of the whole year during the month of December, Miss Gladys Hamrick, agent, told the Board of Commissioners on Monday when she made her report that one club attended one hundred per cent and two others 90 per cent. The goal in attendance for all clubs for the year, said Miss Hamrick, is 80 per cent.

Meetings for the month of January are announced by Miss Hamrick as follows:

Chapanoke club met with Mrs. Geo. W. Alexander, on January 5, the White Hat club met on the 6th with Mrs. Edna Miller, and the Whiteston club on January 7 with Miss Johnnie White.

Mr. H. D. Copeland will be host at the Ballahack club on Friday the 12th, the place of meeting being at the home of Mrs. H. D. Copeland. The Bethel Spring club met at the school house on the 13th. The New Hope club meets on the 14th with the place of meeting at the school house on the 15th. The school house at White Hat is the place of meeting for the White Hat Club, on the 19th.

Mrs. J. A. Chappell will be hostess at the Belvidere Club on the 20th. C. L. Dale will entertain the Galther Club on the 21st, and the next meeting in the month will be at the Snow Hill Club, which will meet at the school house on the 22nd. The demonstration for the month will be at the school house.

W. T. Brown Leaves For Raleigh Duties

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CHARGED WITH "AFTER THE THIN MAN"

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Former Perquimans Boy Making Good In Chosen Field

The following item, lifted from the Tabor City Tattler, will be of interest to the old friends of Allison A. White, who is a native of Perquimans County, a son of Mrs. Martha Winslow of the Whiteston community and who has a number of relatives in Whiteston and Belvidere:

"The present principal of Tabor school is Mr. Allison A. White, an energetic, conscientious school man widely known as a tireless worker with much ability, and an excellent character.

"Mr. White received an A. B. degree from Guilford College, and has done graduate work at the University of North Carolina and State College. At Guilford he won the "Improvement" medal offered by the Henry Clay Literary Society where he represented his college in forensic debates. He was a member of Y.M.C.A. cabinet and did good work on the varsity track and volley ball teams.

"Mr. White is very much interested in the civic and religious organizations of the community as is evidenced by the cooperation with the churches and Sunday schools. He served as president of the Columbus County Sunday School Association, and other important places in civic organizations.

"Mr. White has traveled extensively throughout the United States and Mexico. Being a school man, he took advantage of these splendid opportunities to study school organizations and buildings.

"Before coming to Tabor City he was principal of the Fair Bluff and Hallsboro schools respectively. At each of these places his supervision resulted in increased attendance making possible more teachers and increased housing facilities, and honors in local, county, and state contest.

"Coming to Tabor City in the school year 1933-34, Mr. White has helped to make the Tabor City Schools among the best in eastern North Carolina."

Left fatherless at an early age, Allison White had some difficulty in securing a college education. However, spurred on by the encouragement of certain beloved relatives who were interested in the young man, he worked his way through Guilford College. Like so many others whose early opportunities were restricted, Mr. White is doing outstanding work in his chosen profession and has achieved distinction.

Farmers Invited To Poultry School At E. City January 11

L. W. Anderson, county agent urges all Perquimans County farmers and their wives, who are interested in the production of poultry to attend a poultry school in the Pasquotank County Court House, Elizabeth City, on Monday, Jan. 11. The morning session will be held between 10 and 12 o'clock and the afternoon session will be held between 1 and 3 o'clock.

Mr. Parrish, Mr. Brown, Mr. Mauphi and Dr. Beary, poultry specialists from the State College at Raleigh will conduct the school. If there are any problems to be solved or any questions to ask relative to farm flocks, they will be glad to help. If any are interested in making money on poultry, it will pay them to attend this meeting. Don't forget the date, Monday January 11th, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

WINSLOWS MOVE TO HERTFORD

The L. C. Winslow family, formerly of Whiteston, have moved to Hertford and are making their home at the old home place of Miss Emily Skinner, on Church Street.

Mr. Winslow, who is a member of the firm of J. C. Blanchard & Co., has for many years driven to and from Hertford each day. The family consists of Mr. and Mrs. Winslow and two attractive little daughters, Barbara, who is nine, and Bette Jean, four.

ZACHARYS RETURN

Zachary, Mrs. Zachary and children, who have returned from their trip to the States, were met at the station by their relatives.

COUNTY RESIDENT FIRST CLINIC FOR IS FOUND KILLED WHEN TREE FALLS

Gustave Koch of Edenton Road Loses Life Wednesday

NAVAL VETERAN

Funeral This Afternoon At Holy Trinity Church

Gustave Koch, 68 well known and highly esteemed Perquimans County resident, who lived on the Hertford-Edenton Highway, three miles from Hertford, was killed on Wednesday afternoon when struck by a branch of a tree he had felled in the woods a short distance from his home.

The tree had been cut down previously and the branches had caught and lodged in the fork of another tree, and Mr. Koch had been cutting away sections of the felled tree at the stump end. It was while cutting away one of these sections that the tree became disengaged from the other tree and fell, a limb striking Mr. Koch and pinning him beneath.

Mr. Koch was alone in the woods and there is no means of knowing how long he may have lain in an unconscious condition beneath the tree, but he had left home around 1 o'clock and was found sometime around three or three-thirty. Taken to his home, he died shortly after the arrival of a physician.

Mr. Koch was a native of Frankfurt, Germany but had been a citizen of this country for many years, having served for several years in the U. S. Navy. He had made his home in Perquimans for a number of years. He married Miss Myrtle Irene Lane, of this county.

Surviving are his wife and two children, Elizabeth twelve and Gustave, four.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Hertford, with the Rector the Rev. E. T. Jilison, officiating, and burial will be made in the church yard.

He was a member of the Perquimans Lodge of Masons, and was also a member of the Shrine.

Important Meeting Of County Council Be Held January 14

Miss Gladys Hamrick, Home Demonstration Agent, has announced that the first quarterly meeting of the County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs will be held in the conference room of the Agricultural Building on next Thursday, January 14, at 2:30 o'clock.

This meeting, says Miss Hamrick, is very important, as the program of work for the year will be mapped out, and there will be many matters of general interest to be discussed by the council members, who represent all of the clubs all over the county.

Council members include: Messrs. E. M. Perry, Maude Lane, M. B. Dail, C. P. Quincy, W. J. Perry, Wayland Howell, A. E. Layden, Ellis Miller, David Trueblood, Eunice Winslow, Lindsey Winslow, J. H. Gregory, S. T. Perry, J. M. Fleetwood, Reuben Stallings, F. M. Copeland, J. W. Chappell, W. A. Hunter, Bristow Perry, Claude Perry, John Symons, L. J. Winslow, T. P. Layden, C. T. Rogerson, Mattie Barcliff, Thomas Bure, and Misses Elizabeth White, Mildred Lewis, Margaret Bogue, Mary Elizabeth White, Lucille Lane, Gertrude Chappell, Fannie Mae Coffield, and Hazel Ainsley.

January Term Of Court Opens Monday

The January term of Perquimans Superior court for the trial of civil cases only will convene in Hertford Monday, Judge C. V. Cowper of Kinston will preside.

AT M. E. CHURCH SUNDAY

Church School—9:45 A. M. Preaching 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. by the pastor, Rev. D. M. Sharpe. Prayer service, Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. Subject, "I Need Someone to Master Me."

Sunday morning sermon, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," Psalm 133. Sunday evening service, "The Love of the Lord," Ex.

FIRST CLINIC FOR BLIND HELD HERE ON JANUARY 20

Optical Services Sponsored By Hertford Rotary Club

SURVEY MADE

County-wide Benefit Offered to All Needing Help

A clinic, which is sponsored by the Hertford Rotary Club, and which is provided through the State Commission for the Blind by the local welfare department, will be held in Hertford on January 20, the place to be announced later.

It was formerly announced that this clinic would be held jointly with Chowan County. Arrangements have been made, however, to hold the clinic for one day exclusively for residents of this county. Chowan County will also have its clinic but on a different date.

It will be possible, according to Miss Ruth Davenport, Welfare Officer, to examine in this clinic twenty-five persons, and glasses may be secured through this medium at a reduced rate, probably costing from three to five dollars.

The clinic is held for persons not able to obtain this service otherwise.

Those who have children whose sight is impaired and who need glasses and any one who knows of an older person who is in need of examination and is unable to pay for such examination, should get in touch with the Welfare Department, the office of which is in the courthouse.

It is particularly stressed that all children needing glasses put in application.

Every effort is being made by those in charge to make this a county-wide benefit and it is hoped that many who are suffering from poor vision or whose sight is impaired and are unable to secure the service, will be reached at this time. It is the first time such a clinic has been held in Perquimans County.

A survey, to ascertain the number of totally blind persons in the county, was made last spring by the State Commission for the Blind.

Some weeks ago Miss Ruth Davenport, Welfare Officer, who had notice that this clinic was available for Perquimans, with the proper sponsorship, appeared before the Hertford Rotary Club with the request that that body assume the responsibility. The Rotarians agreed to this, with the result that the clinic will be held on January 20.

New Project Leaders For Chapanoke Club Named At Meeting

The first home demonstration club meeting of the new year was held at the home of Mrs. George Alexander, when the Chapanoke Club met, on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Oscar Byrum and Mrs. John Asbell as joint hostesses. There was an interesting demonstration, followed by discussion, of sewing equipment, which is the topic of the month and a generally interesting meeting resulted, with the hostesses serving dainty refreshments at the close.

Project leaders for the year were named as follows: Food and nutrition, Mrs. Ackiss Gregory; food conservation, Mrs. John Asbell; clothing, Mrs. C. P. Quincy; house furnishing, Mrs. John Symons; home management, Mrs. W. W. Lewis; home beautification, Mrs. Daisy Perry; home gardens, Mrs. Geo. Alexander; home poultry, Mrs. Joe Elliott; home dairy, Miss Lillian Bright, and parent education, Mrs. W. A. Hogard.

Those present included Miss Gladys Hamrick, Meedames J. C. Wilson, C. P. Quincy, Bertha Whitehead, Ray Pierce, Jean Asbell, Mollie Trueblood, John Symons, W. R. Perry, Clarence Byrum, Henry Elliott, W. H. Elliott, G. W. Gregory, W. T. Lewis, W. H. Overman, Emmett Stallings, Elihu Lane, and Misses Lillian Bright, Mattie Ferrell, Emma Deal, Mildred Lewis, Margaret Bogue.

One new member, Mrs. Elihu Lane, was welcomed into the club.

ADVERTISING PAYS

"Don't that make ad in the Perquimans Weekly pays this week," said L. N. Hollowell. "We could not make from that ad."

Opening Show 3 P.M. Dedication At Night

PRESIDENT



W. T. CULPEPPER
Mr. Culpepper is president of the Carolina Amusement Company of Elizabeth City, owners of Hertford's handsome new State Theatre, which will open at 3 o'clock today (Friday).

MANAGER



HORACE JONES
Mr. Jones will act in the capacity of manager of the State Theatre. He is formerly of Elizabeth City, but has recently moved to Hertford.

Fine Shows Planned For New State Theatre

The list of shows which will appear at the new State Theatre in the immediate future is very interesting.

Saturday, January 16, Edward Arnold appears in "Come and Get it." Bing Crosby plays in "Pennies from Heaven" on Monday and Tuesday, January 18 and 19. Gary Cooper will be seen in "General Died at Dawn" on Wednesday, January 20.

On Thursday, the 21st, Freddie Bartholomew will be seen in "The Devil is a Sissy." Clark Gable appears in "Love on the Run" on Friday and on Saturday, the 23rd, Gene Autry appears in "Round-up Time in Texas."

Dr. T. A. Cox Able To Resume Practice

Dr. T. A. Cox, veteran physician of Hertford, is back in his office and has resumed his practice, which he was forced to abandon for several weeks because of illness.

The Doctor's many friends are congratulating him upon his fine appearance and expressing much pleasure in seeing him going about his regular duties once more.

AT MOTHER'S BEDSIDE

Mrs. I. A. Ward is at Chapanoke, where she has been called by the critical illness of her mother, Mrs. J. R. Lassiter. Mrs. Lassiter was stricken with pneumonia several days ago and her condition is regarded as very serious.

Officials Will Take Part In Dedication Ceremony

FINE INITIAL BILL "After The Thin Man" Starts Place on Way To Sure Success

The long looked for day has arrived, the opening of the new State Theatre.

The first show, "After the Thin Man," a Metro-Goldwyn production, starring William Powell and Myrna Loy, is the one selected for the opening event. The show starts at 3 o'clock on Friday afternoon, January 8.

Although it is anticipated that there will be a full house to witness the initial show at Hertford's beautiful show house, there will be ample opportunity for every one to see this particular picture, as the show will run continuously until 11 o'clock at night, the first beginning at 3, another at 5, the third at 7, and the fourth and last at 9 o'clock.

At 8:45 the formal opening will be held, when not only W. T. Culpepper, President, and J. H. Webster, General Manager of the Carolina Amusement Company, owners of the theatre, and Horace Jones, the local manager, and perhaps other officials, but Mayor H. G. Winslow of Hertford and E. M. Perry, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners will also be on hand to take part in the dedication ceremonies.

On Saturday the State will open at 1:30 and continue until 11 o'clock the picture being Cecil De Mille's "The Plainsman," starring Gary Cooper and Jean Arthur. This picture was released last week.

Beginning on Monday there will be a matinee each day at 3 o'clock and two shows each night, at 7 and 9 o'clock. On Saturdays the show will start at 1:30 and continue until 11.

Admission prices will be 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children at matinees, and 35 cents and 25 cents for adults at night and 10 cents for children. The 25 cent seats at night are limited to balcony seats. The balcony is divided into two divisions, with the northern half for white patrons and the southern division for colored.

The State, which is located on the east side of Church Street, near the intersection of Grub, is said to be the handsomest small theatre in the State of North Carolina. Modern in every particular, from the smallest detail of arrangement, it combines all the elements of beauty and utility.

Absolutely fire proof, with concrete and metal throughout, every provision is made for the safety and comfort of the patrons. The most up-to-date heating and air conditioning system insures against discomfort from improper or disagreeable temperatures. The commodious seats are softly cushioned with leather upholstery.

The walls of the interior are of rust, and the decorative scheme, which combines soft tints in two tones of blue and apricot, with touches of orange and silver, is most pleasing to the eye, the paneling being particularly beautiful.

The foyer is decorated in caen stone and stiple, with silver gray, the wood work being walnut with a black trim. The beautiful large mirror is framed in caen stone with two tones of silver gray and olive tan.

The paintin and decorating of the theatre was done by C. R. Sadler, of Elizabeth City. The mirror and the black plate glass on the outside were installed by the Pittsburg Glass Co., of Pittsburg.

The sound equipment of the State is the well known Microphonic, used in many of the newest theatres and said by the management to be the best to be had, having been selected from a wide variety of systems.

Fred Bishop, of Richmond, the architect, apparently took into consideration the setting in designing the State, and while the exterior of the finished building is very attractive, its beauty is the beauty of simplicity rather than otherwise, and the only feature which might be said to be ornate is the very elaborate but quite appropriate Neon sign which brightens up the entire block with its light and gives the theatre a modern appearance.

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