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## All-Day Holiday In Hertford On Monday

Postoffice, Bank and Stores to Observe Labor Day  
**NO MAIL**

Most All Stores Sign Agreement to Close For Day

Not only the postoffice and bank will be closed Monday, Labor Day but all the principal business houses of the town have agreed to keep their places of business closed all day, as well.

The all-day holiday will, besides giving sportsmen a final shot at their favorite pastime, soft ball, fishing, or what not, provide what may be their last opportunity for many to view Paul Green's musical drama, "The Lost Colony" which has been shown at regular and frequent intervals through the past two months.

An agreement which was circulated on Wednesday in Hertford, and which reads "We the undersigned, agree to close our doors all day Monday," was signed by the following: Winslow-White Motor Co.; Simon's; Mrs. Jake White; Rose's; Gregory's; Iilda's Beauty Shop; Darden Bros.; H. C. Stokes; Pender's; R. S. Jordan; Carolina Hardware Co.; Bill Jordan's Barber Shop; Johnson, White & Co.; Hertford Banking Co.; Davenport & Blanchard; H. G. Winslow; Louis Winslow; W. M. Morgan; Morgan's Modern Grocery; Sanitary Barber Shop; Central Grocery; Hertford Hardware & Supply Co.; Towe Motor Co.; J. C. Blanchard & Co.; White's Electric Shoe Repair Shop; Farm Equipment Co.; Hollowell Chevrolet Co.

The Hertford postoffice will be closed all day. There will be no deliveries, either city or rural. Mail will, however, be dispatched as usual, and the stamp window will be open from 11:00 a. m. until 12:00 a. m.

## Two Weeks Vacation For Recorder's Court

The Recorder's Court is having a two-weeks vacation. There will not be another session of Perquimans County's Recorder's Court until September 14. Walter H. Oakey, Jr., judge of this court, is out of town and will probably not return before this date. No warrants have been issued during the past week, according to W. H. Pitt, Clerk of the Court, and any warrants which may be drawn during the absence of the Recorder will be made returnable September 14.

### ROTARY MEETING OFF

Hertford Rotarians attended an inter-city meeting held in Elizabeth City on Monday night. No meeting being held here this week.

## Begins This Week in Perquimans Weekly

An exciting serial by Sophie Kerr...

## THERE'S ONLY ONE

Rachel Vincent's fascinating story told in serial style by a famous writer. Learn what happened when the mother and her mother for the first time. Don't miss a chapter of "There's Only One" as it unfolds serially in this newspaper. A real Boston treat.

## SCHOOLS SHORT THREE TEACHERS

Supt. Johnson Experiencing Much Trouble In Securing Teacher To Act as Coach

The schools of Perquimans are short three teachers, with the opening of schools set for Wednesday of next week. Twice Superintendent F. T. Johnson has had the position of science teacher and coach for boys athletics arranged for, each time the applicant resigning. The last one handed in his resignation last week, leaving a vacancy which the superintendent is having trouble to fill. There is, according to Mr. Johnson, a shortage of male teachers in the state.

In addition to the vacancy in the high school, there are two in elementary schools in the county yet to be filled.

Mrs. Mary Lucille Britt Sutton, former teacher in the Hertford Grammar School and this year assigned to the Bethel School when the grammar school lost a teacher, has resigned and will teach at Clayton.

Miss Rebecca Webb, principal and teacher of the sixth and seventh grades of the New Hope school, has resigned to teach at Robersonville, taking the place made vacant in that school by the resignation of Miss Mary Onella Relfe, of Hertford, who will teach this year in the Perquimans High School.

With the exception of Miss Relfe and the new teacher yet to be assigned, the personnel of the high school faculty remains as it was last year. Mrs. T. L. Jessup resigned her position on the faculty and will not teach this year. This vacancy is filled by Miss Relfe. The position of science teacher and coach for boys athletics was held last year by Carl Rogers, who resigned last spring.

## Hertford Included On Itinerary Of Tour Travel Counsellors

A tour is to be conducted by the Department of Conservation and Development from October 9th to 20th which will include as guests some 85 to 90 leading travel editors and counsellors from all parts of the Eastern and Mid-western states.

Leaving the mountains, the motorcade will visit leading communities in the Piedmont, thence through the Sandhills and the State Capital. Continuing, the trip will extend eastward into Rocky Mount where it will turn southward to Wilmington and nearby points of attraction. The tour will turn northward from that point through New Bern, Washington, Edenton, Hertford and other towns to Elizabeth City and Roanoke Island. The tour will terminate after the return of the guests to Elizabeth City.

Special entertainment features have been prepared for the visitors at virtually every stop. Bus companies, hotels, chambers of commerce, cities, and many other organizations which will be mentioned later are cooperating toward making an extraordinary occasion of the tour.

## Roshashono, Jewish Holiday, On Monday

Observing the Jewish New Year, "Roshashono", the store of Simon's will be closed all day on Monday. The proprietor, Simon Rubenberg, accompanied by Mrs. Rubenberg, will go to Norfolk on this occasion, as is their custom, to attend services at Great Synagogue Temple, where the Rabbi, Dr. L. D. Mendosa, will conduct services.

On Wednesday following, which is September 8, the great Jewish holiday, "Yomkipur", or "Day of Atonement", will be observed. This is the greatest of all the Hebrew holidays. Mr. Rubenberg, following a life-long custom, will fast from sun-set on Tuesday until sun-set on Wednesday, neither eating nor drinking anything at all during this period.

Beginning on Sunday following "Yomkipur", is a time of feasting, "Succoth", when many delicious foods, particularly sweetmeats, are served in Jewish homes. This period lasts for eight days following the Day of Atonement.

Mr. Rubenberg's store will be closed on both holidays, Monday and Wednesday.

**DRESSED UP FOR FALL!**  
The Hertford Hardware & Supply Co. is getting all dressed up for fall, with the store front and windows being painted.

## PANHANDLERS DE LUXE



Judging from the expression on the face of Zee Doll-Lantis, pretty photo girl of the 1937 Golden Gate International Exposition, and Sam Johnston, president of the Angels Camp "Call", Boosters' Club, who is seen here as a miner, there's plenty of pay dirt in the pan. Miss Lantis unearths the smile while Johnston reveals plans for a "Forty-nine Mining Camp" at the Exposition.

## NEXT WEDNESDAY SET FOR OPENING COUNTY SCHOOLS

New School at Winfall Attracts Considerable Attention

PATRONS INVITED

Colored Schools to Have A Month's Holiday

Perquimans County schools will open on Wednesday, September 8. This means the Perquimans High School, the Hertford Grammar School, the small elementary schools of the county, and the new consolidated school at Winfall, which is opening for the first time. This building, which is a handsome brick structure, was finished shortly before the schools closed last year but it was decided, for various reasons, not to use the building until the beginning of the new term.

The Winfall school takes the place of the old Winfall school, also Belvidere, Whiteston, Chapanoke, Woodville and Snow Hill. There will be opening exercises at the schools at 9:30 o'clock when, according to Superintendent F. T. Johnson, parents and friends will be cordially welcomed.

The bus drivers for the Perquimans High School and for the Winfall School were given an examination by State Highway Patrolman Clyde W. Gibson on Wednesday of this week, preparatory to taking over the work for the new school year. Each driver was given a separate road test and an examination on signals and laws of the highway.

Though the colored schools of the county opened on Monday, August 30, ten days before the opening of the white schools, these schools will continue in operation for only one month and then will take a holiday of a month to allow the children time for picking cotton. The schools will resume operation at the end of the month's holiday.

The colored bus drivers have also been given an examination by patrolman Gibson.

## Perquimans People At World Conference

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. White and Mrs. L. J. Winslow, of Belvidere, and Mr. and Mrs. John T. Lane and J. L. Lane, of Whiteston, are among the Perquimans people who are attending the All Friends World Conference at Swarthmore and Haverford Colleges in Pennsylvania this week.

**RIFLE MEET**  
Walter H. Oakey, Jr., is at Camp Perry, Ohio, attending the annual rifle matches.

Mr. Oakey who is a crack shot attends the rifle meet each year. Two years ago he won the Hercules Trophy.

**MRS. BRITT IN HOSPITAL**  
Mrs. Frances Britt underwent an operation on last Thursday at the Norfolk General Hospital and her condition is reported as favorable. Miss Edith Everett is substituting for Mrs. Britt in the office of the Hertford Clinic.

## WILLIAM MARDRE LAST SURVIVING VETERAN, IS SICK

Active Physically and Mentally Until Very Recently

IS NEARLY 93

Recalls Laying Corner Stone at Baptist Church

William Mardre, last surviving Confederate veteran in Perquimans County and believed to be the only Southern soldier left in the entire Albemarle, has been quite sick at his home in Hertford for the past two weeks, having been confined to his bed for the past month.

Mr. Mardre, who is in his ninety-third year, has until comparatively recently been in a fine condition for a man of his years, active physically and his mental faculties unimpaired. But he has been failing for some time and his condition is now regarded as very serious.

A native of Perquimans, having been born in the Bethel community, Mr. Mardre has spent most of his life here. As a small boy, Mr. Mardre attended with his mother the ceremony of the laying of the corner stone of the Baptist Church in Hertford. For many, many years he has been the only person living who remembered this occasion.

His only child, Miss Harriet Frances Mardre, who recently returned from a trip abroad, is at home now with her parents.

## Vacationists Starting Trek Toward Home

With the advent of September, most of the Perquimans folks who have been staying at the sea-side are returning home, though there are exceptions, as Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nixon and Mrs. Walter H. Oakey, Jr., and her two daughters, Dorothy Gordon and Mollie, who lift this week to spend a few weeks at Nags Head. Mr. and Mrs. T. S. White, who have been spending the summer at Nags Head, are remaining there until the middle of the month.

Among those who returned home this week are Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Sumner and their son, Tommy, Miss Mary Wood Koonce, Ben Koonce, Jr., Miss Katherine Jessup and Bill Jessup.

Mrs. S. P. Jessup will be up in time to begin her work as teacher in the Hertford Grammar School. The Jessups have been occupying their new cottage which was completed early in the summer.

Mrs. C. W. Morgan, Mrs. G. E. Newby, Mrs. W. H. Pitt and Howard Pitt, Jr., also came up from Nags Head this week.

Dr. and Mrs. T. P. Brinn and their little daughter, Mary Elliott, returned home also on Wednesday.

Mrs. T. F. Winslow and her daughter, Miss Mae Wood Winslow, who have been staying at their cottage at Nags Head during July and August, will probably return home next week. Mrs. J. O. Falton and her family who have been spending the summer at Nags Head, have also returned home.

## Woodmen Meeting Proved Big Success

OIL COMPANY TO START BUYING COTTON SEPT. 15

Beginning of Oil Mill Season Brings Optimistic Feeling Among Hertford's Merchants

The Southern Cotton Oil Company will begin to buy cotton about the 15th of September, which means that the cotton gin will then begin operation, and following this, in about ten days, the operation of the oil mill will begin.

With the beginning of the season for the oil mill, business in Hertford assumes a different tempo, practically everybody being affected in one way or another by the cotton and cotton oil mill activities.

The pay roll means a good deal to the business of the town, as some 70 extra men are put to work at the plant, to say nothing of the money which flows into local business from the returns to the farmers of the county from the sale of their cotton.

Very little cotton has been picked in Perquimans, and none as yet offered for sale. Due to the frequent rains of the past few weeks, little cotton will be open for the next week but following that cotton picking should be general all over the county.

Many Students Plan Leave For Colleges

Perquimans girls and boys, along with the young people everywhere, will shortly be leaving for the various schools and colleges, most of the Perquimans girls and boys attending schools and colleges in the State of North Carolina.

Two Hertford girls and one young man will be seniors at the University of North Carolina. They are Miss Eloise Broughton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Broughton; Miss Louise Payne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Payne, and Herman Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ward. Guy Newby, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Newby, will be a junior at the University. Jesse Lee Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Harris, goes to the University also.

Miss Ruth Elliott, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Elliott, will be a senior at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, at Greensboro.

Miss Joyce Harrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Harrell, and Miss Prue Newby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Newby, will return to East Carolina Teachers College, at Greenville. Miss Harrell is a senior this year.

Miss Patricia Stephens returns to Atlantic Christian College, at Wilson, and Miss Katherine Stephens has returned to the University of Maryland Hospital in Baltimore, where she is taking a course in nursing. Both these young ladies are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Stephens.

Miss Ona Mary Stephens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Stephens, is returning to Elon College.

Claude Brinn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rosser Brinn, and Henry Stokes, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stokes, are returning to Louisburg College.

Frank Jessup will probably return to Oak Ridge Military Academy.

Robert Hollowell, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Hollowell, and Bill Jessup will return to Duke University. Carl Britt, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Britt, will return to the Textile Industrial Institute, at Spartanburg, S. C.

Of the Perquimans High School graduates of 1937, Miss Katherine Winslow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Winslow, will enter Converse College, in South Carolina; Miss Sarah Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ward, will enter the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, at Greensboro; William Hardcastle, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hardcastle, who has received an appointment as third alternate to Annapolis, will be a student at Severn School, at Severn Park, Md.; and Miss Virginia White, daughter of Captain and Mrs. T. S. White, will probably enter the University of Maryland Hospital, in Baltimore, to take a course in nursing. Sallie B. Wood and Maude Keaton will enter Louisburg College.

Dick Payne, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Payne, will be a senior at State College, Raleigh, and Roy Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Reed, and Elton Winslow, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Winslow, will enter State this year.

E. A. Wright of High Point Principal Speaker

BIG FISH FRY

Many Congratulations For Hospitality Extended Visitors

A. O. Kiff, of Ahoskie, District Manager of the Woodmen of the World, presided at the annual convention of the order which was held in Hertford on last Thursday, when hundreds of the "woodchoppers", many of them accompanied by their wives, from all over the district known as the Tidewater Association, were present for the "log-rolling."

The local camp was hospitable hosts and there was a general air of welcome which the guests appeared to feel, and it was a friendly, genial group of folks who gathered down on the town lot for the fish-fry at the noon hour.

The morning and afternoon sessions of the convention were held in the Stage Theatre, which was thrown open for the convenience of the Woodmen, the first session being held at 10 o'clock. Rev. D. M. Sharpe, pastor of the Hertford M. E. Church, pronounced the invocation, after which there was a brief entertainment program, when R. S. Monds, Jr., whose singing is always a treat on any program, sang the lovely old song, "Annie Laurie", with Mrs. R. M. Riddick accompanying. Mrs. W. E. White gave a humorous reading, which was followed by two song and dance numbers by the popular Fearing children, Julia and Jane, of Elizabeth City, with their mother, Mrs. George Fearing at the piano.

Mayor Silas M. Whedbee made the address of welcome, in which he welcomed most heartily the visitors, assuring them that the people of Hertford were honored to have them as guests and hoped that they would enjoy so much their visit to Hertford that they would shortly come again.

T. E. Newton, of Kinston, State Manager of the Woodmen of the World, responded with a few cordial remarks, paying high tribute to the folks of this section of the State and expressing the pleasure of the visitors at being present.

The speaker of the day, E. A. Wright, of High Point, who took the place of the Charles Hines, of Greensboro, who was unable to appear, was introduced by Mr. Kiff. Mr. Wright spoke highly of the fraternal side of the WOW and outlined to his hearers some of the benefits to be derived from affiliation with the order of Woodmen of the World, apart from the financial aspect.

Forming a line in front of the State Theatre, headed by the Ahoskie Band and followed next by the Degree Team of the Order, the entire company paraded to the town lot for the fish-fry lunch which had been prepared. Delicious fresh fish, piping hot from the large frying pans arranged near the river shore, were served, with other good things to eat.

A business session was held immediately after lunch, following which the Woodmen and their wives were entertained by the local camp at a special matinee at the State Theatre. The last session was held at night in the W. O. W. hall.

Not only Roy S. Chappell, Council Commander, and A. W. Hefren, Secretary-Treasurer, of the Hertford Camp, who were introduced by Mr. Kiff at the morning session, but the entire group of Woodmen who worked so hard to make a success of the affair, and whose plans were carried out so well, as well as Mayor Whedbee, Horace Jones, Manager of the State Theatre, and other business men in Hertford, were congratulated for the success of the convention.

### ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Holmes have returned from Farmville, where they attended the funeral services for Mr. Holmes' mother, Mrs. J. H. Holmes. Mrs. Holmes died on Monday night at the Rocky Mount Hospital, where she has been a patient for some time. Having been critically ill two weeks ago and the end momentarily expected, she rallied and improved to such an extent that she was expected last week to recover.