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Merchants Ready For Christmas Trade

Post Office Goes Into New Quarters After July First

Department Leases Attractive Carolina Bank Building

MORRIS GLAD

Improvements Will Result In Adequate Facilities

Hertford's postoffice is to be housed in the Carolina Bank Building after the first of July. J. R. Stokes, owner of the building, was notified on Monday of this week by the Postoffice Department that his bid for leasing this building for a ten-year period had been accepted.

Bids were opened last summer when it was announced that new quarters would have to be found for the postoffice in order to provide more space and Mr. Stokes filed a bid for leasing this building which he had purchased some months before.

Postmaster J. E. Morris is delighted that the new quarters are to be in this building, which is peculiarly suited to the purpose. Constructed to be used as a bank and, as a matter of fact, having been used as a bank for a number of years, it has a tiled floor and other features which make it particularly desirable as postoffice quarters.

The building is to be enlarged, with an addition to the rear, according to Postmaster Morris, who says that a government architect will come down to supervise the improvements to the building and also to supervise the installation of new fixtures, which are to be built in. In addition to these improvements, a steam heating system will be installed. When the improvements are completed the

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Civil Term Superior Court Begins Jan. 17

The January Term of Perquimans Superior Court will convene on January 17, with Hon. J. Vernon Cowper, of Kinston, presiding. This term is for the trial of civil cases only.

The jurors for this term, drawn at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners on Monday, are as follows: J. G. Robbins, D. W. Williams, B. W. Thach, L. L. White, Wayland White, W. D. Stallings, Alvin Winslow, James A. Carver, N. A. Chappell, L. W. Hobbs, J. A. Bray, J. E. Roach, Charles E. Mathews, H. H. Butt, C. G. Stephens, J. M. Benton, J. T. Harris, R. T. Brinn, W. D. Russell, W. W. Spencer, J. E. Rogerson, J. W. Ferrell, J. T. Wood and C. T. White.

Christmas Seals Go On Sale Friday

Lucius Blanchard Named Chairman For Perquimans County

The Christmas Seals will go on sale on Friday of this week. Lucius Blanchard has been appointed chairman of the sale in Perquimans County and will place some of the seals in the hands of all country school teachers, who in turn will exhibit the seals of their pupils in selling the seals. Every effort will be made to sell as many of the seals as possible. They are very attractive this year and every one is asked to use these seals and help the great cause for which they are sold.

The proceeds, as every one knows, go toward the support of tuberculosis institutions and for backing research work in the fight against the white plague.

Half of the funds from the sale is retained in the county, for local work. The proceeds of last year's sale went toward defraying the local expenses of the tuberculosis clinic conducted here in the spring. During the year two children, one white girl and a colored boy, were sent to the tuberculosis sanatorium, a part of the money being paid from the proceeds of the sale. Another child was sent to the sanatorium where she had been living with her mother.

Town Criers Appeal For Funds Spread Christmas Cheer

The Town Criers are placing boxes in convenient places about town to receive contributions to the Christmas Cheer Fund.

Every one is asked to contribute to this fund, which will be used to make Christmas brighter for those who are unfortunate. No amount is too small to be acceptable, and, of course, there is no limit to the amount one may give.

A box will be placed at Roberson's Drug Store, one at Walker's, one at Hertford Banking Company, probably one at the postoffice, and others at such places as may be suitable.

Seven On Committee To Assist Riddick In Hospitality Scheme

Chairman Selects Outstanding Men and Women

WILL ORGANIZE

State Chairman Meets With Local Group Thursday

R. M. Riddick, who was appointed Chairman of the Perquimans County Hospitality Committee by Governor Clyde R. Hoey, named his committee of seven last week, which is composed of outstanding men and women of the county and includes Miss Mae Wood Winslow, Mrs. J. G. Roberson, Mrs. W. H. Pitt, Earl M. Perry, Dr. E. S. White, Silas M. Whedbee and Charles E. Johnson.

This committee will cooperate with the Governor's Hospitality Committee, which is composed of all the members of the State Board of Conservation and Development, in attempting to arouse a greater degree of interest among the people of the state in showing real North Carolina hospitality to all who come here from other states, either as tourists or permanent residents.

Mr. Riddick was advised on Wednesday that T. E. Picard, Jr., Chairman of the Governor's Hospitality Committee, would be in Hertford on Thursday, at which time he would like to get in touch with members of the county committee and others. A comprehensive program will be presented to the local committee by the state committee which is expected to bring about cooperation from every section of the state in their efforts to make North Carolina the "Friendly State."

RECORDER'S COURT

Ira Jones, colored, couldn't undo the damage he did in the space of some fifteen minutes, but he will spend over two years on the roads because of it.

Ira, whose weakness is liquor, got so drunk he didn't even know what he was doing, according to his own statement, but he climbed into a truck which belonged to Thad C. Chappell and which was parked on the street, drove it a little way in the country and wrecked it.

Judge Oakley gave him a year on the roads for driving while drunk and another year for larceny of the truck. A thirty-day sentence which had been suspended in October upon good behavior was ordered into effect.

LITTLE BOY BREAKS ARM

Dan, Jr., the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Williams, had the misfortune to break an arm last Thursday. The boy, who is nine, was playing in a yard when he tripped over a stump and fell. Dan's father only saw the boy from a hospital, where he was taken for an operation.



CHARLES BUSH RETIRES AFTER 50 YEARS OF REMARKABLE SERVICE WITH RAILROAD

Returns to Perquimans County Farm After Driving Crack Pennsylvania Line Train 3,000,000 Miles Without Having Single Major Accident

Perquimans County relatives and friends of Charles R. Bush, of Washington, D. C., who last week rounded out 50 years of railroading on the Pennsylvania Railroad, having for 45 years served as engineer on the run between Washington and New York, will be interested to read excerpts from Washington papers.

The Washington Herald, in connection with Engineer Bush's last run, carried a picture of the veteran engineer as he alighted from his cab as he completed the last trip which ended three million miles of travel between New York and Washington. There was also a picture of the engineer with his wife, the former Miss Nettie White, of Hertford, a sister of Mrs. G. T. Hawkins and Jacob T. White, of Hertford, and below was written:

"As No. 155, the Constitutional, rolled into Union Station at 7:30 o'clock last night, its pilot, Charles R. Bush, stepped out of the cab to be kissed by his wife and to say good-bye forever to railroading after 45 years at the throttle of Pennsy's fastest locomotives.

"The 70-year-old veteran, who has driven the line's crack steam and electric engines more than 3,000,000 miles between Washington and New York, was met at stops all along the route this afternoon by throngs of his old railroad friends.

"At Baltimore C. J. Wilcox, road foreman of engines, joined him in the cab for the last lap of the journey.

"Too overcome to respond to the crowd which greeted him, Bush could only smile and glance at the big electric locomotive which he knew so well.

Maryland Man Faces Three Court Charges

Newman Sterling, of Chriesfield, Maryland, is in Perquimans County jail, awaiting trial next Tuesday on the charge of driving an automobile while under the influence of liquor, or narcotics, with resisting an officer, and with driving without a driver's permit.

He was arrested by State Highway Patrolman Clyde Gibson at Winfall on Tuesday night.

AN OMISSION

Through error the name of Grocery Sales Company was left out of the list of those who joined the Red Cross Roll Call in Perquimans published last week in The Perquimans Weekly. We are glad to make this correction.

Thieves stole a large gospel tent owned by Rev. B. E. Alden, which he had set up in a field near Berlin.

"As a boy of 19 Bush came to Washington from North Carolina to enter the employ of the Pennsylvania as a brakeman. In five years he was behind the throttle on the New York run. In 1900 he was the first man to run the line's crack Congressional limited from Washington to New York in five hours flat.

"In all his long record of service he can boast that not one of his passengers was ever killed, and that he has never had a major accident.

The Washington Star, which also carried a picture of the engineer.

"C. G. Wilcox, road foreman of engineers for the Pennsy, boarded the Constitutional last night at Baltimore to pay tribute to 'one of the greatest engineers who ever held a throttle.'

"Mr. Wilcox stood beside the retiring engineer on the last leg of his run and saw a miracle performed. What with holiday crowds and the bus strike, the Constitutional was crowded to the gunwales. It carried 16 cars filled with passengers—and made one extra stop at Elkton, which delayed the train 7 minutes 'on a tight schedule.' Seemed as if there was no way in the world to make up that lost time, but Charlie Bush not only brought the train in on time, he came to Washington 30 seconds ahead of the schedule running time."

Mr. Bush spent the week-end with his sister-in-law, Mrs. G. T. Hawkins, and expects to visit his farm in Dumonts Neck this week, where he contemplates spending the greater portion of next year. To retire on his farm will be the fulfillment of the dream of a life-time.

Mother Of Mrs. Perry Dies In Elizabeth City

Many Perquimans County people attended the funeral of Mrs. W. T. Hinton, the mother of Mrs. J. E. Perry, of the Beech Spring community, which was held at the home of Mrs. M. Leigh Sheep, in Elizabeth City, on Friday, with the Rev. B. B. Slaughter, Presiding Elder of the Elizabeth City District, officiating.

"Going Home" was sung by Mrs. T. P. Bennett, Mrs. J. W. Foreman, Raymond Benton and J. W. Foreman. Mrs. Foreman sang as a solo, "Crossing the Bar."

Flowerbearers were A. J. Parrish, Jones Perry, N. Elbert Chappell, all of Perquimans, and Harold Foreman, Harry Sheep and Garland Towe, of Elizabeth City.

Nile Gosman, a North Dakota farmer, caught a 60-pound hog in a trap.

Unusual Stock Secured For Convenience Of Shoppers

Esso News Reporter Uses Hertford Story In Radio Broadcast

Hertford folks listening to the Esso news broadcast on Friday at 12 o'clock got a surprise when the reporter read a news item from Hertford.

The story was "A White Story," which appeared on the front page of The Perquimans Weekly last week and which had been sent to the Associated Press by Mattie Lister White, editor of The Perquimans Weekly, who represents this news gathering agency in Hertford.

Rotary Club Host To Football Team At Hotel Hertford

Coach and Boys Treated To Turkey Dinner Tuesday Night

TUCKER ABSENT

Glowing Tribute Paid to Coach Bob Bates For Season's Success

The members of the Rotary Club entertained Coach Bob Bates and the members of his winning football squad at a turkey dinner at the Hotel Hertford Tuesday night.

F. T. Johnson, speaking for the Rotary Club, bid the boys welcome and later introduced Coach Bob Bates who in turn introduced the members of his football squad. A. W. Hefren paid a fine oral tribute to Mr. Bates and to his excellent work which resulted in the moulding of a good gridiron machine.

Mr. Bates, on behalf of the boys thanked Rotary for the spread and also for the contributions which helped to make possible the purchase of new football attire this fall.

Among those boys feasted by the Rotarians were: Jarvis Ward, Captain Dox Nixon, Fred Campen, Walter Bond, Rex Gault, David Broughton, Mac White, Charles White, Billy Arnold, Percy Byrum, J. D. Carver, Richard Spivey, Zach Harris, Watt Winslow, Bill Fields, and Coach Bates. Paul Tucker was honored, even though absent.

Enlistment Officer Seeking Recruits

Corporal William H. Crider of the Army Recruiting Service, stationed in Richmond, Va., was in Hertford and vicinity on December 8th, interviewing young men for enlistment in the Regular Army.

At present there are many vacancies in organizations stationed in Hawaii, Panama, the Philippine Islands, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia. There are also many openings for young men with special qualifications as airplane mechanics and repairmen, electricians, plumbers, carpenters, cooks, clerks, telegraph operators and many others.

Musicians who can play band instruments are needed for army bands for foreign service and in the United States. Applications for enlistment and literature explaining the life of a soldier can be secured from your local Postmaster or from the Army Recruiting Station, Post Office Building, Norfolk, Va.

STUDY COURSE HELD

The Woman's Missionary Society of Woodville Baptist Church held its Study Course Tuesday at the church. The book, "Baptists Working Together" was studied. Rev. W. D. Morris leading the discussion. Dinner was served by the members present. Those attending were Rev. W. D. Morris, Mrs. G. W. Gregory, Mrs. Mary Bray, Mrs. H. C. West, Mrs. C. A. Deane, Mrs. Johnnie Bray, Mrs. E. E. Griffin, and Miss Beulah Deane.

Determined to Make It Unnecessary to Shop Out of Town

TWO WEEKS OFF

Assurance Given of a Community Christmas Service

A glance at the advertisements in this issue of The Perquimans Weekly will give some idea of the preparation the Hertford merchants have made for Christmas sales, though a visit to the stores is necessary to fully understand to what extent Hertford merchants have stocked on Christmas merchandise.

With Christmas only a little more than two weeks off, everybody is getting into the spirit of the season, or nearly everybody appears to be.

The windows are all dressed up with lovely gift suggestions which merely give a hint of what is inside. There are toys of every description, to delight any little boy or girl. There is dainty lingerie and other pretty things in woman's wear, cosmetics, electrical household appliances, luggage, china, furniture, men's wear, and all the thousand and one little odds and ends that attract the eye even though you haven't before given a thought to such things, and they are so suggestive of Christmas gifts, always.

Hertford merchants have stocked with unusually beautiful Christmas things this year and many shoppers are taking advantage of the convenience of shopping at home, where better values may be had in many instances for the money than are offered in the larger towns, at so very much less trouble.

Whether or not the innovation of the Christmas street lights last year had anything to do with it, many more pretty Christmas lights are glowing in stores and business houses than ever before, and the town is most brilliantly lighted up at night. But apart from the merchandise which suggests Christmas, and the pretty lights aglow, other plans for Christmas are being made. Nothing

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Worship Conference At Up River Church

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Binford, of Guilford College, and Rev. Murray C. Johnson, Field Secretary of the North Carolina Yearly Meeting of Friends, were recent visitors to Perquimans and conducted at the Up River Friends Church a Worship Conference, in which the people of the Whiteston and Belvidere communities took great interest.

Dr. Binford was formerly president of Guilford College. Both he and Mr. Johnson have visited the Belvidere and Whiteston section of the county on numerous previous occasions and are always warmly welcomed.

Christmas Program By Woman's Club

Christmas Baskets Will Be Distributed Among The Unfortunate

Mrs. Thomas Nixon, chairman of the National organization of Better Homes in America, will have charge of the Christmas program to be given at the meeting of the Hertford Woman's Club, which will be held on Thursday afternoon in the club room in the Community House.

Club members are asked to bring to this meeting their contribution of gifts for the Christmas baskets, which will be packed by Mrs. R. T. Brinn, chairman of Social Service, and her committee. The club women interested in this branch of the work are very anxious that there be sufficient gifts to pack a large number of Christmas baskets this year to be given to the unfortunate.

Mrs. J. G. Roberson, club president, is attempting to interest all of the club women to attend this Christmas meeting, which is always the outstanding meeting of the year.