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Unfortunate Ones In Hertford Assured A Happy Christmas

Many Agencies Now at Work to Provide Suit- able Gifts

RESTORE TOYS

Miss Davenport Has List of Needy Families Throughout County

With Perquimans folks busily shopping for Christmas gifts for their families and friends, and housekeepers planning to have everything in ship-shape for Christmas, the unfortunate will not be forgotten, for there are many giving time and thought to prepare for the less fortunate to have a happy Christmas, too.

Woman's Club women, members of the Missionary Societies of the various churches, Hi Y girls of the Perquimans High School, and many others are working towards this end. Out at the High School the young people have been mending toys which were donated to be given to children after they have been restored.

Most attractive toys have been made at the WPA sewing room in Hertford, and these will go in the Christmas baskets, which will contain food and in some cases, clothing.

Miss Ruth Davenport, superintendent of Public Welfare in Perquimans, has a list of unfortunate families, poor people, old people, sick people, shut-ins. Already church societies have volunteered to take care of a dozen or more on the list. The Woman's Club will take care of a number, and individuals will contribute to fill a number of baskets.

The money which will be collected from the Christmas Cheer Fund boxes which the Town Criers have distributed about town will be used to help with the work of making Christmas happy for some one who otherwise might not have a visit from Santa Claus.

Why Parents Visit School Is Subject Of Study Course

First Session Conducted By Rev. D. M. Sharpe On Thursday

FINE PROGRAM

Committee Named to Prepare By-laws For Association

Rev. D. M. Sharpe, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church, conducted the first study course immediately preceding the meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Hertford Grammar School on Thursday afternoon, the subject of study being "Why Parents Visit Schools."

Mrs. Harry Broughton, president, presided at the P. T. A. meeting, with Mrs. Lindsey Winslow in charge of the program. Children of the first, second and third grades entertained with songs and selections played on various instruments, under the direction of Mrs. R. M. Riddick, their teacher.

Mrs. W. A. Arnold led the devotional. Mrs. G. R. Tucker read a Christmas message from the National president of P. T. A.

It was reported by Mrs. Carlton Cannon, chairman of the membership committee, that the Association now has 148 members.

Mrs. Charles Skinner, chairman of ways and means committee, reported that after Christmas an entertainment would be given to raise money for basketball equipment, the court to be placed on the school grounds.

Mrs. G. R. Tucker and Miss Mary Sumner were appointed a committee to prepare by-laws for the Association.

Mrs. S. P. Jessup's grade won the attendance prize, and Mrs. Jake White won the door prize, a box of powder which was donated by Darden Bros.

MINNIE WILSONS TO MEET

The Minnie Wilson Society of the Hertford Methodist Church will meet on Monday night at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. S. ...

Postoffice Patrons Requested To Call For Their Packages

In an effort to render a better service during the Christmas season, Postmaster J. E. Morris has announced that patrons of the post office must bring their package notices to the post office in order to receive their package, as it is too much to look through all packages during the Christmas rush.

This rule is to apply every day except Christmas Eve afternoon, when patrons are expected to call if they are expecting a package.

The windows at the post office will be closed for a few minutes each day between 12 and 1 P. M., while mail is being worked. It is requested that packages be mailed before noon—and after 1 P. M. to avoid a wait.

Hertford Saddened At News Of Death Dr. Thomas A. Cox

Veteran Physician Succumbs While In Jackson, Miss.

HAD PNEUMONIA

Funeral Held In Baltimore on Friday Afternoon

There were many saddened hearts in Hertford on Tuesday when it became known that Dr. Thomas A. Cox, veteran Hertford physician and member of one of the old and prominent families of Perquimans, had died the previous night at Jackson, Miss., where he had been spending some time.

Telegrams received by relatives and friends in Hertford from T. A. Lucy, of Jackson, a step-son of Dr. Cox, merely stated that Dr. Cox died of pneumonia on Monday evening; that Mrs. Cox was there and that the funeral would be held at the William Cook Funeral Home in Baltimore, Md., on Friday.

The Doctor's health had been failing for the past year or two and he had practically given up his work. Until leaving Hertford in late November, however, he spent considerable time at his office and enjoyed seeing his friends, and the news of his death came as a shock to the community. Mrs. Cox, who was summoned to Jackson last Friday by a telephone message from her son advising that her husband was ill and had been taken to a hospital, was with him at the time of his death.

Dr. Cox, a son of the late Dr. David Cox and Mrs. Sally White Cox, was born in Hertford in 1868. He received his education at the University of North Carolina. For several years he practiced his profession in the city of Baltimore, where he married Mrs. Nina Lucy, returning to Hertford about thirty years ago. He was a member of the Hertford Methodist Church and a member of the Perquimans Lodge of Masons, being a past master. He was of a very genial and friendly disposition and had many friends throughout the county.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Nina Cox, of Hertford; three brothers, David Cox, Sr., of Elizabeth City; W. G. Cox, of Burlington; J. M. Cox, of Atlanta, Ga.; and four sisters, Mrs. W. M. Urquhardt, Misses Nancy and Virginia Cox, all of Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. James S. McNider, of Hertford.

Tom White Accepts Position With U. S. Rubber Company

Tom White, of Hertford, has accepted a position with the United States Rubber Company and left Tuesday for Baltimore, where he will attend the classes for special instruction in connection with his new duties. He will be there for about a month.

The young man is a son of Capt. and Mrs. T. S. White, of Hertford.

Cotton Ginning Still Ahead Of Last Year

Wille M. Harrell, special agent for the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, reports that there were 4,554 bales of cotton ginned in Perquimans County from the crop of 1937 prior to December 1 as compared with 4,558 bales ginned in December 1 of the 1936 crop.



George W. Jackson Elected New Head Of Masonic Lodge

Election Held at Regular Meeting Held on Tuesday Night

George W. Jackson was elected Worshipful Master of Perquimans Lodge No. 106 at the regular meeting of the Masons on Tuesday night, succeeding A. L. Skinner. Other officers elected for the coming year were F. T. Johnson, Senior Warden; J. G. Roberson, Junior Warden; A. L. Skinner, treasurer, and G. C. Buck, secretary.

These officers, together with the appointed officers, will be installed at the meeting on the first Tuesday in January. Refreshments will be served following the ceremony.

Mr. Jackson is not a resident of the Town of Hertford, but is a prominent young business man of the county, living in his attractive new home on the Elizabeth City highway, which was recently completed.

The Senior Warden, Mr. Johnson, is superintendent of schools for Perquimans County. The Junior Warden, Mr. Roberson, is the proprietor and manager of Roberson's Drug Store, "The Druggist of the County." The treasurer, Mr. Skinner, holds an important position with J. C. Blanchard & Company. Mr. Buck, the secretary, is the teacher of vocational agriculture in the Perquimans High School.

A list of the officers to be appointed will appear as soon as the names are available.

Operation On Horse Attracts Big Crowd

Ten-Inch Piece of Iron Removed From Animal's Hip

A horse, which had been injured in an automobile accident on the Perquimans River Bridge on Wednesday afternoon, underwent a major operation at the hands of Dr. Victor Finck, veterinary surgeon of Elizabeth City, shortly afterwards.

Dr. Finck removed a piece of iron approximately ten inches in length from the hip of the horse, owned by Jesse Hurdle, Perquimans farmer.

The horse, one of a pair hitched to a farm wagon and driven by a son of the owner, was struck, according to the driver of the wagon, by a log truck from Edenton, the driver of which had not been apprehended at this writing.

According to the best information available, the piece of iron which injured the horse was protruding from the side of the truck, which was loaded with piling, and the accident occurred while the driver of the truck was passing the horse-drawn wagon.

A huge crowd of spectators witnessed the operation, which was performed on the lot at the rear of Morgan Walker's store.

Hertford Churches To Observe White Christmas Sunday

Pageant Also at Methodist Church Sunday Night

"White Christmas," meaning among other things that gifts wrapped in white paper and tied with bright ribbons are a feature, the gifts to be distributed to the less fortunate, will be observed in Hertford next Sunday.

At Holy Trinity Episcopal Church the "White Christmas" will be observed at 9:45 in the morning in the Parish House. There will be a Christmas tree and the children and older folks will bring their gifts.

No services will be held at Holy Trinity at 11 o'clock, this being the regular Sunday when the rector, Rev. E. T. Jilson, conducts services at Sunbury in the morning. There will be services at 7:30 in the evening, as well as the regular celebration of the Holy Communion at 9 o'clock in the morning.

At the Methodist Church "White Christmas" will be observed in the evening, at the regular hour of service, when a Christmas pageant is to be presented.

The pageant, "The Light of the World," is being directed by Miss Ann Wilson, with Mrs. H. C. Stokes as reader; Rev. D. M. Sharpe as the Prophet, and Miss Kate Blanchard at the organ.

Mrs. T. E. Harrell takes the part of Mary; G. R. Tucker is Joseph; the three kings being Rev. D. M. Sharpe, A. L. Skinner and W. H. Pitt. The Shepherds include Jimmie Smith and Alfred Williams.

Christmas Program At Woodland Thursday

A very interesting Christmas program will be held at Woodland Church Thursday, December 23, at 7:30 P. M.

On the program will be special music, a pageant, recitations, dialogues and the old favorite Christmas hymns.

To each and every one is extended a most cordial welcome. Old Santa Claus will be there, so be sure that the Christmas entertainment at Woodland Church in the Snow Hill community is not forgotten on Thursday evening, December 23, at 7:30.

QUARTERLY MEETING AT WINFALL CHURCH SATURDAY

The first quarterly meeting of the conference year will be held at the Winfall M. E. Church on Saturday.

The Rev. B. B. Slaughter, Presiding Elder of the Elizabeth City District, will preach at 11 o'clock, the business session to follow.

NAME ADDITIONAL MEMBERS

Three new members of the Perquimans County Hospital Committee have been named by Chairman R. M. Riddick. They are J. G. Roberson, Chas. Whedden and W. A. Williams, representing the Rotary Club.

Stores In Hertford Open At Night For Benefit Of Shoppers

The shopping public may select their Christmas gifts at their leisure in Hertford, for the stores are already open at night for the convenience of those shoppers who find it more convenient to make their purchases at night than during the day time.

Beginning on Wednesday night of this week, the stores of the town will be open every night until 9 o'clock.

Riddick Appointed Chairman Bankers' Educational Group

Named By President of Association, Frank Spruill

PLANS PROGRAM

Purpose to Create Better Feeling Between Public and Banker

R. M. Riddick, Jr., cashier of the Hertford Banking Company, was recently appointed chairman of the Public Education Committee of Group One of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, the appointment being made by Frank Spruill, of Rocky Mount, president of the Association.

Among the duties of Chairman Riddick is the appointment of sub-chairmen in the seventeen counties represented in the group, a list of which is given below.

The duty of these sub-chairmen is to acquaint the public with the new rules and regulations of banking and to give a better understanding of banking and to create a better feeling between the banker and the public, according to Mr. Riddick, who says that the program will be carried out by making talks before high school students, before groups of various kinds as represented in civic organizations, and in every way possible acquainting the public with the attitude of the bank. "We want," said Mr. Riddick, "to give the public a better understanding of how their funds are being protected and what the bank is trying to give to the public."

Following is a list of the sub-chairmen appointed this week by Mr. Riddick:

H. B. Copeland, Ahsokie; A. P. Godwin, Jr., Gatesville; J. L. Hoffer, Jr., Windsor; C. D. Carstarphen, Williamston; J. H. Waldrop, Greenville; H. R. Paschall, Washington; D. M. Warren, Edenton; W. E. Griffin, Elizabeth City; the Superintendent of Schools, Camden; W. W. Smith, Moyock; Cola C. Lupton, Columbia; W. A. Pearce, Manteo; George R. Little, Aurora; C. L. Baum, Beaufort; M. A. Matthews, Englehardt; and H. E. Beam, Plymouth.

BALL CHAIRMAN



Hertford will have a birthday ball for the President this year, for the first time taking part in the big celebration to raise funds for fighting infantile paralysis.

A. Linwood Skinner has been named Chairman for Perquimans County for the celebration of the President's Birthday, according to a telegram received from George E. Allen, of Washington, D. C., on Wednesday.

Mr. Skinner will name the members of his committee within the next week and will proceed to plan for the birthday ball at ...

Town Council Cracks Down On Bicyclists And Roller Skaters

Both Prohibited on Side- walks In Down Town Section

TOO CARELESS

Fireworks Ordinance to Be Enforced This Year

Bicycle riding and roller skating will no longer be allowed on the down-town sidewalks. The restricted area is the business district, between the Post Office and the intersection of Dobb Street, on Church Street, and between the Hotel Hertford and the Bank on Market Street.

The ordinance, passed at the regular meeting of the Town Council on Monday night, is designed primarily for the protection of the children, according to Mayor Silas M. Whedbee, who announced that reckless bicycle riding and reckless skating will not be allowed on those sidewalks where they are prohibited. It was pointed out by the Mayor that riders of bicycles and skaters can be very reckless and cause considerable damage by carelessness, and it is the purpose of the Town Council to protect pedestrians.

Another regulation with respect to bicycles is that they may not be parked on the sidewalks in the area where bicycles may not be ridden on the sidewalks. There has been a good deal of complaint because of the habit of bicycle riders leaving their wheels lying on the sidewalks where pedestrians are subjected to inconvenience and danger of stumbling.

Another matter taken up at the town meeting was the firing of fireworks. There is an ordinance which provides that no one may fire firecrackers in the streets or on the sidewalks. It is not, however, illegal to shoot firecrackers on one's own premises.

This ordinance is to be enforced this year, according to a ruling of the Town Council, and those who have been careless as to shooting firecrackers off their own premises are warned to desist. The officers are asking that the citizens of the town cooperate with them in their attempt to enforce this ordinance.

Baptists Banquet With Church's New Pastor On Friday

Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Stegall Formally Introduced to Friends

125 PRESENT

Newcomer Asks For Co- operation and Love of Local People

At the annual get-together banquet given by the ladies of the Hertford Baptist Church on Friday night at the Woman's Club House, the new pastor of the church, Rev. J. F. Stegall, and Mrs. Stegall, were introduced.

Mrs. I. A. Ward, president of the Woman's Missionary Society, acted as toastmistress. She presented Rev. R. S. Monds, who welcomed the group and introduced the leaders of the various phases of church work in the Association, C. R. Holmes and N. N. Trueblood.

Dr. I. A. Ward, Rev. D. M. Sharpe, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church, G. R. Tucker, J. W. Ward and W. F. C. Edwards were introduced as local workers, and each responded with hearty words of welcome for the new pastor and his family.

Mr. Stegall, the new minister, was then introduced by Mr. Monds. Mr. Stegall, in a few words, asked for the love and cooperation of the church and also of the town.

Mrs. Charles E. Johnson and R. S. Monds, Jr., rendered beautiful vocal solos.

Covers were laid for 125 and a delicious supper was served by the W. A. girls of the church and their sponsors.

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