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## THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT

THINGS ABOVE: Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.—Colossians 3:2, 3.

## IN GOOD HANDS

The people make the place, of course. And if it is fortunate for the reputation of the Town of Hertford that there are such people as Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Campbell in charge of the local hotel, for surely nobody could dispense hospitality with more thoroughness of perfection than this couple, both of whom have the gift of making each guest feel a very personal welcome.

The Campbells do this under all circumstances. But they went a step further in the case of the recent guests at the hotel who made a forced stop because of a mishap to themselves and their car. They rendered personal kindnesses not to be expected from the head of such an establishment, and certainly not found everywhere.

The strangers, who through unfortunate circumstances were forced to spend several days in Hertford, will not remember Hertford as the place where they spent three dreary days among strangers following one of the most unpleasant experiences of their lives, as well they might have done but for the Campbells, who introduced them to friends, put them in touch with interesting people, helped them to pass the time. During their three-day stay the Northern tourists received a very definite impression that Hertford is a fine place and that its citizens are friendly and interesting people, kind to strangers.

The Hotel Hertford is an asset to the Town of Hertford. May it continue to remain in the hands of its present owners and managers, and continue to prosper as it is evident from the steady improvements being made in the place it is prospering.

## LET'S HAVE A REAL PARTY

Perquimans ought to make its first Birthday Party for the President a real party.

Until this year Perquimans County has taken no part in the country-wide movement to celebrate President Roosevelt's birthday by giving a party to raise funds with which to fight infantile paralysis. To be sure, many of our young people have attended a Birthday Ball elsewhere, but Hertford has never had one.

This year, under the leadership of A. Linwood Skinner, with the corps of assistants whose names have not yet been given out, Perquimans will have a party.

It ought to be a real party, this first attempt.

We hope to have some definite information as to the details of the plans before next week's issue of The Perquimans Weekly is published.

## W. M. S. MEETS

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Woodville Baptist Church held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon at the church. The meeting was opened by singing "Lead On, O King Eternal." A very interesting program was given with Mrs. J. C. Wilson, Mrs. Rupert Stanton and Mrs. J. A. Bray taking part. The meeting was dismissed by Mrs. J. C. Wilson.

Those present were: Mrs. C. T. White, Mrs. C. A. Bogue, Mrs. J. A. Bray, Mrs. H. G. Swayne, Mrs. Rupert Stanton, Mrs. J. C. Wilson, and Miss Beulah Bogue.

## PENDER ROAD NEWS

Mrs. A. J. Dall, of Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end with her son-in-law and daughter, "Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Stallings."

James J. Smith, of Orlando, Fla., was the guest of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Eaves, a few days this week.

Mrs. Louis Proctor and son, L. C., spent last week with her mother, Mrs. Annie Lane, of the Snow Hill community.

Mrs. R. A. Perry visited her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Perry, at Sunbury, last week. Friends regretted to hear that the home of Joshua Perry, at Sunbury, was destroyed by fire on January 5. Mr. Perry was formerly a resident of the Pender Road community.

Mrs. B. M. Jones spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Eaves.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Morgan and two children, from near Winfall, visited Mrs. Morgan's mother, Mrs. C. W. Umphlett, Saturday afternoon.

## Legion Pushes Highway Lighting For Traffic Safety

A section of the Skokie Valley Highway, U.S. Route 41, near Northbrook, Illinois, with new modern lights, showing truck and driver clearly visible, five hundred feet ahead.

THE Department of Illinois of The American Legion has added a fifth point to the four-point highway safety program—that of eliminating the extra hazard of night driving by illuminating the highways. The program is being vigorously pressed by the Department Safety Committee.

## Night Deaths to be Halved

Within the first few months of the campaign surveys made by competent traffic engineers indicate that by the adoption of the Legion's proposal the automobile accident record of Illinois, amounting 16,000 each year, will be cut almost in half.

This program is outlined by Matthew J. Murphy, Immediate Past Department Commander of Illinois.

"It seems to me that any discussion of street and highway safety leads naturally into the subject of street and highway lighting. Lighting the highways will bring about a marked reduction in the number of accidents and fatalities.

## The Hazard of Darkness

"It is known that with the coming of darkness, when highway traffic is only twenty-five percent of the total traffic, the accident toll increases. While only forty-eight percent of all motor vehicle accidents occur at night, the total of the night accidents accounts for sixty percent of the deaths.

"Lighting of heavily trafficked arterial highways for their entire length and illumination of secondary roads at critical points where accidents are liable to occur is ex-

tremely important. In proof of this statement may be cited the experience of Detroit, which recently announced that \$3,000,000 would be expended for improved street lighting to replace obsolete installations. This followed a test installation on three modern street lighting projects. Before the new lights were placed there had been forty night automobile fatalities on these streets within a two and one-half year period. The record for the first four months after the modern lighting system was installed was completely free of night-driving fatalities.

## Costs Estimated

"In Illinois engineering experts have estimated the cost of satisfactory highway lighting installation at less than ten percent of the initial construction cost of a four-lane highway. Estimates are cited to show that adequate lighting of public streets and highways is not too expensive to consider from the viewpoint of its value as a definite public improvement, when it is realized that the economic loss attributable to automobile accidents each year in the State of Illinois runs into the millions.

"The Legion's campaign for lighting the highways was carried to the State Legislature last year. The result was the adoption by unanimous vote in both Houses of a resolution introduced by Representative Richard J. Daley of Chicago, approving the project and calling upon the proper highway authorities to give study and attention to the proposed system.

"Only recently has much data been available on the effect of adequate lighting on the night automobile accident rate. But every recent inquiry has shown that installation of night lighting has reduced tremendously the number of automobile accidents. Arnold H. Vey, traffic engineer of New Jersey, has made a constructive analysis of day and night accidents on a well lighted and heavily traveled section of Route No. 24 and on a lightly traveled, but unlighted, section of Route No. 28. On the first—the lighted route—the accident rate per million vehicle miles was \$10 by day and 2.61 by night. On the unlighted route the average for three sections was 3.50 by day and \$8.00 at night. Another striking example is had in the accident records on the Mt. Vernon Memorial Highway, which indicated a 250 percent increase in night accidents with lights out of service as compared with the rate for an equal period when lights were used.

## Human Life Saved

"Human life can be conserved by safe highways, made safe by mass education of motorists and pedestrians, including school children; impartial enforcement of traffic laws; uniform traffic regulations; and removal of physical traffic hazards. We in the Department of Illinois think it logical that, in its nation-wide campaign for accident prevention, The American Legion will make the elimination of darkness on highways as its fifth front of attack."

Elliott, all being now practically recovered.

Mrs. R. W. Smith also has been sick during the holiday season. Her condition is also much improved.

Mrs. W. H. Hardcastle and Miss Helene Nixon, both of whom were recently suffering with severe colds, are convalescing.

Mrs. T. C. Blanchard is also recuperating after ten days illness.

RECORDER'S  
COURT

Pleading guilty to the charge of reckless driving and failure to stop after an accident in which public property was damaged, in Recorder's Court on Tuesday, Johnnie White was deprived of his driver's permit for the period of six months.

Evidence was to the effect that the young man drove his car a reckless rate of speed down Dobb Street on Tuesday night of last week, turning at the Church Street intersection at such a rapid rate of speed that his car ran up across the sidewalk and into the yard of the Harry Broughton residence, striking and knocking down a State highway sign. There was also evidence that the car he was driving and which was owned by the young man's father, was damaged considerably.

"I wish I knew some way to impress upon people who drive like that that when they take the wheel of an automobile they have got something in their hands that is apt to kill somebody any minute unless it is handled carefully," said Judge Casey in passing sentence.

Prayer for judgment was continued upon good behavior for one year upon payment of the costs, and upon satisfactory repairs to the automobile, and payment of the damage to the highway sign, the case being continued until the next term of court for compliance with the judgment, and the driver's permit was suspended for six months.

The young man told Recorder's Court that he did not know he was driving so fast.

Prayer for judgment was continued in the case of V. S. Johnson, driver of a truck, who plead guilty to the charge of operating with excessive load, upon payment of the court costs.

The trial of Eddie Mallory, colored, charged with ramming crops from the farm on which he was a tenant, continued most of the day, leading far into the night, with the jury returning a verdict of guilty. Mallory was fined \$25.00.

N. J. Tourists Impressed  
With Hospitality

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peared. The couple really suffered little from the experience, beyond shock and anxiety. Remaining at the Hotel until Monday, after turning their car over for repairs to the Towe Motor Company, they left via bus for Miami, with fervent expressions of gratitude for the sympathy and kindness they had found in Hertford.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham will make the trip back to Hertford via bus and will pick up their car here and drive back to their home in New Jersey at the end of their Florida vacation.

## BURGESS NEWS

Mrs. J. B. Basnight has returned home from a visit with relatives in Petersburg, Richmond and Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Spivey are visiting Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Spivey this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Mathews had as guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Matt Mathews and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mathews and little son, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Mathews, Alton Mathews and Miss Ann Edgerton, of Norfolk, Va.

George Parker has returned from Norfolk, Va., where he has been with his daughter for the past several months. Mr. Parker will be home this spring.

Fishermen in this section are beginning to prepare for their spring work. Some are overhauling boats and nets, and others are already setting nets for rock.

## WOODVILLE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Harrell, of Norfolk, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Elaberry Whedbee, of Hertford, Route 5, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bogue.

Mrs. S. D. Godfrey and her little daughter, Hazel, are improving after a few days' illness.

Rev. E. H. Potts, of the First Baptist Church, supplied for our pastor, Rev. W. D. Morris, at Woodville Baptist Church, Sunday.

Miss Elma Lewis will return to her home at Selma soon, after a visit here with her sister, Mrs. Dennis Renfrow. Mrs. Renfrow will accompany her home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bogue, Beulah and Warren Bogue were visitors in Winfall and Hertford Wednesday.

## MISS AGNES WARD HONORED

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Ward entertained at a delightful birthday party on Saturday evening at their home near Belydore, in honor of their daughter, Agnes.

Games and contests were enjoyed with Misses Madge Long and Margaret Raper winning prizes.

The honoree received many useful and lovely gifts.

A color scheme of pink and green was carried out in the refreshments.

The guests were invited into the dining room, where the table presented an attractive picture with its real lace cloth centered with a huge birthday cake. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Nurney Chappell and Mrs. Purvis Chappell, served delicious ice cream and cake. Baskets of mints were given as favors to each guest.

Those present and sending gifts were: Miss Agnes Ward, honoree; Misses Marjorie Perry, Kathryn Lamb, Nona Marie Raper, Eunice Long, Mae Edis Asbell, Thelma Chappell, Tryphenia Lane, Marie Copeland, Sybil Rogerson, Blanche Chappell, Marjorie White, Deborah White, Margaret Raper, Madge Long, and Myra Chappell; Carroll Chappell, Melvin Copeland, Howard Long, Gail Chappell, Emmerson J. Asbell, Thomas Chappell, Fentress Lane, Walton Chappell, McCoy Phillips, Charlie Thomas Rogerson, Gail Chappell, John Ward, and Harry Chappell. Mr. and Mrs. Nurney Chappell, Mrs. Purvis Chappell, Mrs. Laura Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Ward.

## AMONG THE SICK

Among those recently on the sick list and now convalescent is A. W. Hefren, who spent a couple of weeks in bed because of illness. Mr. Hefren has been back on the job as office manager for Major A. Loomis Company for several days.

Mrs. B. C. Berry is also convalescing after a severe attack of cold, following which her daughter, Miss Blanche Moore Berry, is sick in bed. Carol, Jr., was also "under the weather" for some time during the holidays, the entire Berry family having suffered severe colds.

Another entire family recently sick with colds and now convalescing is the Elliott family on Church Street. Every single member of the family, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Elliott, Mrs. M. H. Elliott and her son, John, Sidney and Anna, and Doris

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## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

## HERTFORD BANKING CO.

Of Hertford, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business on December 31, 1937.

## ASSETS

1 Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	\$160,452.65
2 United States Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed	71,339.60
3 State, county and municipal obligations	275,271.56
4 Corporate stocks	4,600.00
5 Loans and discounts	198,084.55
6 Overdrafts	None
7 Banking house owned, furniture and fixtures	10,500.00
8 Other real estate owned	18,976.00
9 Other assets	21,630.24
10 Total assets	\$761,154.60

## LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

11 Deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations:	
(a) Demand deposits	\$275,017.05
(b) Time deposits evidenced by savings pass books	\$11,387.53
(c) Other time deposits	6,142.55
12 United States Government and postal savings deposits	52,212.43
13 State, county and municipal deposits	29,471.32
14 Certified and officers' checks, letters of credit and travelers' checks sold for cash, and amounts due to Federal Reserve bank (transit account)	4,506.47
15 TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$678,738.00
16 Bills payable, rediscounts and other liabilities for borrowed money	None
17 Dividends declared but not yet payable	1,500.00
18 Other liabilities	14,782.23
19 Total liabilities excluding capital account	\$695,020.23
20 Capital account:	
(a) Capital stock and capital notes and debentures	\$50,000.00
(b) Surplus	12,500.00
(c) Undivided profits	18,971.82
(d) Reserves R. F. C. preferred stock	662.50
(e) Total capital account	76,134.32
21 Total liabilities and capital	\$761,154.60

On December 31, 1937, the required legal reserve against deposits of this bank was \$64,142.18. Assets reported above which were eligible as legal reserve amounted to \$130,452.65.

Deferred obligations not included among above liabilities, which are subordinated to claims of depositors and other creditors: None. Undeclared dividends on preferred stock and unpaid interest on capital notes and debentures, accrued prior to end of last dividend or interest period: None.

\*This bank's capital is represented by \$25,000.00 capital notes and debentures sold to Reconstruction Finance Corporation and \$25,000.00 sold to public; 250 shares of first preferred stock, par value \$100.00 per share, redeemable at \$100.00 per share; and 250 shares of common stock, par \$100.00 per share.

## MEMORANDA

22 Pledged assets (except real estate), rediscounts and securities: None.

23 (a) U. S. Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed, all held in pledge to secure liabilities: None.

24 (c) TOTAL

25 Secured and preferred liabilities:

(a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of laws:

(c) TOTAL

I, R. M. Riddick, Jr., Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and accurately represents the true state of the general condition herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. M. RIDDICK, JR., Cashier.

Correct—Attest:

L. C. WHEDEBER

CHAS. WHEDEBER,  
CHAS. JOHNSON,  
E. S. WHITE.

State of North Carolina,  
County of Edgecombe.

I, L. C. WHEDEBER, do hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of the above-named bank.