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11-Piece Orchestra Hired To Furnish Good Music For President's Birthday Party

Affair Will Be Held at Walker's Hall Monday Night

HERTFORD'S FIRST

Indications Point to Big Crowd and Successful Party

Mrs. W. H. Pitt and her corps of helpers are planning to arrange an attractive setting for the President's Birthday Ball, which will be held at Walker's Hall on next Monday night, and A. L. Skinner, who is chairman of the affair, has secured the services of an eleven-piece orchestra to furnish music.

Miss Gladys Hamrick and her assistants are arranging for refreshments, which it goes without saying will be all that is to be desired.

All in all, it looks like the party should be a big success, both from the standpoint of a good time and from the standpoint of the amount to be realized to help in the fight against infantile paralysis, which is the purpose of these birthday parties for the President which are held annually all over the country.

This is the first time that Perquimans has participated in this great cause, and the workers are showing a great deal of enthusiasm.

Tickets, the sale of which is in charge of Mrs. J. G. Campbell, are selling in a way to give encouragement, but not half as many have been sold as Mrs. Campbell and her assistants expect to sell before the affair comes off.

It isn't often that Hertford folks who like dancing get a chance to dance to the music of an orchestra such as Mr. Skinner has secured for this occasion, and this alone will attract many who enjof dancing.

Everybody is asked to do their bit for the cause, even if they do not care to attend the party.

Tickets may be secured from the following: Mrs. Campbell, Miss Evelyn Riddock, Miss Sarah Carlisle, Mrs. W. H. Pitt, Miss Gladys Hamrick, Mrs. Grace Jackson, J. G. Roberson, Gene Perry, Thomas Peele, Morgan Walker, William E. White, Jr., R. S. Monds, Rupert Ainsley, Lucius Blanchard, Linwood Skinner.

Consolidated School PTA Meets At Winfall

Interesting Program Is Rendered By Second Grade Children

There was a very interesting program at the meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Consolidated Grammar School at Winfall on Monday night, given by the children of the second grades under the direction of Mrs. Herman Winslow and Miss Alma Leggett. Among the children taking part were H. D. Miller, Anna Fae Copeland, and Marjorie Ward.

There was also a lovely duet by Mrs. A. R. Winslow and Miss Mabel Lane, with Mrs. White accompanying.

Mrs. W. F. Morgan, president, presided over the business session, when Miss Lucille Long read District Conference Gleanings, Mrs. W. G. Holloway read the President's Message, and a number of interesting committee reports were given.

Mrs. George Alexander and Mrs. John Symons were appointed a membership goal committee. Mrs. D. L. Barber was named to serve on the publicity committee with Miss Cora Layden and Claude White. The refreshments committee for next month includes Mrs. A. R. Winslow and Mrs. W. F. Morgan.

The program committee for next month includes Mrs. D. L. Barber, Mrs. Jessie Winslow and Mrs. Joel Hollowell.

Masons Put On Degree Work Tuesday Night

George W. Jackson, Master of Perquimans Lodge, No. 106 A. F. & A. M., has announced that work in the Master Masons degree will be put on at the lodge hall Tuesday night, January 25th. All Masons are urged to be present.

Very Specific!

A town with a bank, but with no street lights, was the description that came to Sheriff J. E. Winslow last Monday of the place where a store had been robbed in this vicinity.

The Sheriff hadn't heard of a store being robbed at Hobbsville, but the description fitted the place, so he telephoned C. B. Hathaway, who runs a general store in the village some twelve miles distant from Hertford and asked if thieves had been at work the night before. They had, responded Mr. Hathaway. He had lost a quantity of cigars and cigarettes, as well as other items of merchandise, sometime during the night.

The merchandise had been recovered by the Norfolk, Virginia, police department. Sergeant Benton, who telephoned Sheriff Winslow, reported that the man apprehended with the stolen articles didn't know where he stole them, but did know that the store he robbed was in a little town where there was a bank, but no street lights.

Aurora Borealis Is Watched With Awe

Many In Hertford View Phenomenon First Time

Hertford folks watched with awe and wonder the luminous phenomenon of the aurora borealis early Tuesday night. Those who failed to see the strange sight were greatly disappointed.

The northern lights, as the unusual light is generally called, spread over a vast expanse of sky, and many local young folks saw the spectacle for the first time in their lives, for the northern lights have not been seen hereabouts before for something like ten years.

Sometimes these northern lights appear in streamers, ascending often in a fan shape, from above the northern horizon, and such was their appearance here once a few years ago.

On very rare occasions, the aurora appears as an arch of light across the sky, from east to west. Sometimes it assumes a waving appearance, and this form once was visible here, when wavering streams of light danced on the far horizon. It is this appearance which is sometimes called "Merry Dancers."

The northern lights, at various times, assume a variety of colors, from pale red or yellow to blood red, and the light which spread across the sky on Tuesday night was of much the same hue as blood.

The aurora is supposed to be of electrical origin. While it is said to be seen in its greatest splendor in the far north, it is seen at varying intervals in most parts of the world. In the northern hemisphere, however, the phenomenon which corresponds with the aurora borealis, is called the aurora australis.

Edenton Man Hurt At Belvidere Curve

Failing to make the curve at Chappell's Service Station, at Belvidere, on Monday, William Adams, of Edenton, was seriously injured when his automobile left the road, ran into a ditch and struck a tree before it rebounded to the road where the young man was thrown out on the concrete.

Carried by ambulance, which was summoned by telephone, to the office of an Edenton physician it was found that the victim had suffered one or more broken ribs as well as an injury to his back.

CONTINUES VERY ILL

Mrs. Irvin, respected colored woman of the Pender Road community, continues very ill.

Finds Nugget

Oakley, Calif.—John Pezzola, [illegible] found a gold nugget [illegible] ounces in weight while digging a well near his home.

Superior Court In Session Full Week

Two Cases Last From Tuesday Until Noon Saturday

For the first time in years, the Superior Court term, held last week, lasted the entire week.

The trial of the two cases, which were consolidated and tried together, James L. Hendricks and W. Rufus Harrell against Roy E. Littleton, Mack L. Lupton and J. T. White, administrator of Mrs. Estelle White, lasted from Tuesday until Saturday noon.

In answering the issue the jury found that the plaintiffs were not damaged by Mrs. Estelle White but found that they were damaged by the defendants, Mary L. Lupton and Roy E. Littleton. They further found that James L. Hendricks was entitled to recover the sum of $800.00 and that W. Rufus Harrell was entitled to recover the sum of $664.70.

James L. Hendricks, who was injured when the truck which he was driving and which was owned by W. Rufus Harrell, was struck by a truck driven by Mrs. Estelle White which had collided with the parked truck owned by Lupton and driven by Littleton, asked in the complaint for $15,000, alleging permanent injury.

Mr. Harrell sued for $5,000 property damage.

The accident occurred in Bertie County on the highway between the Chowan River Bridge and Windsor, on the night of December 17, 1936. Mrs. White, whose administrator was a party to the suit, was killed in the accident.

The defendants gave notice of appeal.

Caveat To Cox Will Is Filed Thursday

Alleged Paper Filed Is Not Last Will of Former Physician

Rumors which had been current in Hertford for some weeks were confirmed last Thursday, when a caveat to the will of the late Dr. T. A. Cox was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court, the following names appearing as caveators: W. G. Cox, David Cox, Sallie W. Urquhart; T. A. Cox and W. D. Cox, minors by their general guardian, Nellie Cox Pierce, Nancy Cox, Virginia Cox, Harriet McNider and James M. Cox.

It is alleged that the paper writing which has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court by Mrs. Nina M. Cox, the widow of Dr. Cox, is not the last will and testament of T. A. Cox, for the reasons that at the time of the execution thereof and continuously thereafter until his death Dr. Cox did not have the capacity to make and execute a will, for that he was not of sound mind and disposing memory at and during the said time, for the reason that the signature of Dr. Cox was obtained by Nina M. Cox by undue and improper influence and duress, and for the reason that the paper writing was not executed in accordance with the laws of the State.

Dr. Cox, who was the brother of all the caveators except T. A. and W. D. Cox, who are nephews, died in Jackson, Miss., on December 13, following a long period of ill health.

Funeral On Sunday For Mrs. Attie Meads

Mrs. Attie Meads, widow of John A. Meads, of Weeksville, died Friday night at 10:05 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Bray, near Hertford, where she was visiting.

Funeral services were held at Salem Baptist Church, in Pasquotank County, of which she was a member, on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and were conducted by the Rev. E. H. Potts, pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Elizabeth City, and the Rev. W. D. Morris, pastor of the Corinth Baptist Church.

Mrs. Meads, who was 84 years of age, was a native of Pennsylvania but had lived near Weeksville since early girlhood. She was a woman of fine Christian character, beloved by a host of friends.

She had been visiting in Perquimans for the past three weeks, being stricken with pneumonia a week ago.

Surviving are four children, Mrs. Mary Bray, of Hertford; Mrs. Attie Copperstone, Mrs. Frank Fletcher and J. R. Meads, all of Pasquotank County, and by eleven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Opposition Already Appears For Offices To Be Voted On In Primary Next June

C. E. Thompson Will Seek Nomination As Resident Judge

Says He Never Before Sought Office at Polls

NOW JUDGE

Appointed By Governor To Fulfill Judge Walter Small's Term

In announcing his candidacy for the position of resident judge of the First Judicial District, to which place he was recently appointed by Governor Clyde Hoey to fulfill the unexpired term of Judge Walter L. Small, Judge C. E. Thompson of Elizabeth City issued the following statement to the voters of the district:

"I am quite sure that each one of you sincerely regrets, as much as I, that Judge Walter L. Small has found that it will be inexpedient for him longer to continue actively as Judge of this District. He made a plendid record on the bench, and had he continued as Judge I would never have thought of opposing him.

"As successor to Judge Small, Governor Hoey has selected me to fill out the remainder of his Judicial term, which will expire on December 31st of this year.

"If there is any opposition to my continuing to hold the office longer than this year, it will be necessary for me to run in the Democratic Primary to be held on June 4th.

"Therefore, I announce that, subject to the action of that Primary, I shall be a candidate in the November election for Judge of the First Judicial District for the term beginning January 1, 1939.

"Although having given a great deal of my time, thought and effort in the interest of the Democratic Party, I have never before sought office at your hands. Notwithstanding I would like to see each one of you between now and the Primary, my duties as Judge require me to hold courts in the central portion of the State, and will prevent my seeing many of you in person.

"I hope, therefore, that you will consider this a request for your earnest support."

Wallis Cobb Mayes Heads Junior Girls

Officers Elected at Meeting Held Tuesday Afternoon

Wallis Cobb Mayes was elected president of the Junior Girls Auxiliary of the Hertford Baptist Church at the meeting held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of the leader, Miss Helen Morgan.

Other officers elected included Vice President, Dorothy Elliott; Secretary-Treasurer, Marjory Mathews; Chairman Program Committee, Frances White, the assistants being Katherine White and Eva Harris; and Chairman of Personal Service, Barbara Winslow. Miss Helen Morgan was elected Chairman of the Publicity Committee.

It was decided that the meetings will be held on Tuesday afternoon after the 3rd Sunday in each month.

Those present were Cornelia Cannon, Margaret Divers, Dorothy Elliott, Barbara Gault, Eva Harris, Marjory Mathews, Wallis Cobb Mayes, Lelia Ruth Nobles, Katherine White, Frances White and Barbara Winslow.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Jones, at their home in Craddock, Va., on Thursday, January 20, 1938, a son, Horace, Jr. The baby's parents formerly lived in Hertford, Mr. Jones being at that time manager of the State Theatre.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Barbieur, of Pittsfield, Ill., on Monday, January 24, at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City, a son, William Charles. Mrs. Barbieur was the former Miss Minnie Reed, of Hertford.

John McMullan And Chester Morris After District Solicitorship

Opportunity Is Afforded By Herbert Leary Entering Judge's Race

BOTH WELL KNOWN

McMullan From Pasquotank; Morris From Currituck

The political pot, which only mildly simmered through recent weeks, is bubbling.

The appointment last week by Governor Hoey of C. Everett Thompson, of Elizabeth City, as Judge of the First Judicial District, to fill the unexpired term of Judge Walter L. Small, whose health prevents him from continuing the work, was followed this week by the announcement of Judge Thompson's candidacy for nomination in the June primary, and also by the announcement of Solicitor Herbert R. Leary, of Edenton, as a candidate for the position.

John B. McMullan, of Elizabeth City, who recently announced his candidacy for the position of Solicitor of this District, is opposed by Chester R. Morris, of Currituck, who is a candidate for this position which has been held for the past ten years by Mr. Leary.

Judge Thompson's announcement, which appears in this newspaper, calls attention to the fact that, although he has given a good deal of time, thought and effort in the interest of the Democratic Party and its candidates, he has never before sought office.

In announcing his candidacy, which announcement also appears in full in this newspaper, Mr. Leary calls attention to a custom which he states has prevailed for approximately half a century in the First District to elevate or promote the District Solicitor in the event of the retirement o. resignation of the District Judge.

Both candidates are well known throughout the First Judicial District and beyond its bounds. For ten years Mr. Leary has served as prosecutor, practicing regularly at each term of the criminal court in the district.

Associated for many years with his step-father, the late Judge George W. Ward, who was a native of this county but who practiced law in Elizabeth City where he made his home, and since Judge Ward's death as a member of the firm of Thompson & Wilson, Judge Thompson has long been recognized as one of the leading members of his profession.

The newly appointed judge was born in Bellwood, Pa., on October 27, 1879, the son of John Cooper Thompson and Mrs. Emma Green Thompson. His father died when Judge Thompson was only four. His mother later became the wife of Judge Ward.

Session Recorder's Court Held At Night

Change For Convenience of Judge Oakey Who Resigned

Recorder's Court met on Saturday night, for the convenience of Walter H. Oakey, Jr., who has resigned the position of Judge of this court, effective February first, because of his appointment as an attorney with the Federal Trade Commission at Washington. Judge Oakey was in town over the week-end but could not be here for the regular Tuesday court; hence the Saturday night session.

The case against Joseph Perry, Jr., charged with speding and reckless driving, was dismissed upon payment of the court costs.

In the case of Cora Martin, colored, who plead guilty to the charge of being drunk and disorderly, prayer for judgment was continue dupon good behavior for one year and upon payment to Ida Elliott of the damages to her premises.

George Washington Felton, better known as "Dummy", and Robert Winslow, both colored, were found guilty of assault and sent to the roads for thirty days.

Herbert R. Leary Desires Position As Judge For District

Calls Voters' Attention To Custom of Promoting Solicitor

50 YEARS OLD

Has Served as Solicitor For District Ten Years

Herbert R. Leary, at present district solicitor, on Tuesday formally announced himself a candidate for resident judge of the First Judicial District, whom the voters will choose in the June Primary. Mr. Leary's statement regarding his candidacy follows:

"In announcing my candidacy to succeed Hon. W. L. Small as resident judge of the First Judicial District, subject to the Democratic primary in June, I consider it proper to direct attention to the custom to elevate or promote the district solicitor in the event of the retirement or resignation of the district judge and upon the call of the roll for approximately half-a-century it will be recognized this custom is evidenced in the First District by Judge G. W. Ward, a former solicitor; Congressman H. S. Ward, a former solicitor, who preferred Congress; Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, a former solicitor, who declined appointment as judge on several occasions and Judge Walter L. Small, my immediate predecessor in office.

"I am now fifty years of age, with more than twenty-five years continuous practice at the bar, supplemented by ten years experience in the office of district solicitor, and, if in your opinion, I have discharged the duties of the office in a satisfactory manner, ordinarily it would follow you would feel justified in entrusting to me the performance of the duties of district judge and if there is any real merit in the idea of promotion, I feel I am justified in seeking the nomination, and with expressions of genuine gratitude for the loyalty of my friends in the past, I appeal for their vote and active support, for which I will be deeply appreciative and if nominated for this high office I pledge the best services of which I am capable.

Snow Hill-White Hat Club Elects Officers

Mrs. Ashby Jordan Is Named President at Business Meeting

Mrs. Ashby Jordan was elected President of the Snow Hill-White Hat home demonstration club at a business meeting held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Raymond Eure.

Other officers were elected as follows, Vice President, Mrs. Ralph Harrell; Secretary, Mrs. Hazel Hoskins; Treasurer, Mrs. Raymond Harrell.

The project leaders were named as follows: Food, Mrs. George Eure; Conservation, Mrs. J. A. White; Clothing, Mrs. Hazel Hoskins and Mrs. Elma Wood; House Furnishing, Mrs. Freeman Umphlett; Home Beautification, Mrs. Elmer Wood and Mrs. Mattie Barclift; Home Gardens, Mrs. Raymond Eure; Home Poultry, Mrs. H. D. Caddy; Home Dairy, Mrs. E. D. Mathews; Health and Relief, Mrs. Shelton Harrell; Education, Mrs. Edward Benton; Recreation, Miss Eunice Harrell and Mrs. Vernon Winslow; Markets, Mrs. Ralph Harrell and Mrs. George Jordan; News Reporter, Mrs. Ralph Harrell.

TO MOVE TO HERTFORD

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Futrell and their son, Richard, of Rich Square, expect to come to Hertford in the very near future to make their home. Mrs. Futrell, who lived in Hertford before her marriage, was the former Miss Alice Elliott. Mr. Futrell, a native of Northampton County, is a traveling salesman. The family will live at Mrs. J. R. White's boarding house.