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R. G. White Small Business Representative At Capital

One of Four Representatives of Eastern Carolina

LUMBER

Mr. White Gratified at Opportunity to Express Views

R. Graham White, President and General Manager of Major & Loomis Company, local lumber dealers, is expected to return Thursday night from Washington, D. C., where he has attended the conference called by Secretary of Commerce Daniel C. Roper, in the interest of small businesses.

Mr. White was one of four representatives of small businesses of Eastern North Carolina invited by the Secretary of Commerce to attend the conference. Others included Charles O. Robinson, of Elizabeth City, James S. Ficklen, of Greenville, and J. M. Harrington, of Washington, North Carolina.

News dispatches last week announcing the conference indicated that only three North Carolinians had been invited to attend the conference to which 500 representatives of this group in the United States had been invited.

It was due to the efforts of Congressman Lindsey C. Warren that invitations were extended by Secretary Roper to four residents of Congressman Warren's district.

Mr. Warren wrote Secretary Roper urging that Mr. Ficklen, representing tobacco; Mr. Harrington, representing hardware; Mr. Robinson, representing hosiery, and Mr. White, representing lumber, be invited.

"These gentlemen," wrote Mr. Warren, "are outstanding business leaders in Eastern North Carolina and like others are having their troubles. I think it would be very fine if you would invite them to attend and I hope very much that you can do so."

The telegram from Secretary Roper inviting Mr. White to attend the conference was received only a short time prior to the receipt of the copy of Mr. Warren's letter, which he forwarded Mr. White.

Mr. White expressed much gratification at the opportunity for the representative of the small business to confer with the Secretary of Commerce and intimated that there were a number of matters which he expected to express himself upon if given the opportunity.

Six Gates Negroes Burned To Death

A horrible tragedy occurred in Gates County on Monday night of this week, when six persons, all colored, were burned to death when their home was destroyed by fire.

The dead include Hattie Hoffer Freeman, 46, and her four children, who perished in the flames, and Jane Hoffer, 78, the step-mother of Hattie Hoffer Freeman, who died Tuesday as a result of the burns she sustained.

The family lived on the River Road, in the community known as Garters.

News of the tragedy reached Hertford Tuesday afternoon. R. E. Hester, owner of Gates County, stated that the origin of the fire was unknown but that it was believed to have been caused by a defective fan.

Chemist Reports On Milk Sold In Town

R. M. Potter, City Chemist, issued a statement this week to the effect that the milk being sold by J. Oliver White in Hertford, is Grade A milk.

As a result of an analysis made on the milk, Mr. White is licensed to sell Grade A milk. The analysis was made by the State Dairy Experiment Station at Raleigh.

Mr. White stated that he had been selling the milk for some time and that he had never had any trouble with it. He said that he had been told that the milk was not good, but that he had never had any trouble with it.

The story goes that some of the milk was sold to a woman in the town of Hertford. She said that she had never had any trouble with it, but that she had been told that it was not good.

NEW JUDGE



C. Everett Thompson, of Elizabeth City, recently appointed Resident Judge of the First Judicial District, who took his oath of office before Governor Clyde R. Hoey in Raleigh on Tuesday.

Skeptical!

Stone Found Too Perfectly Solves Lost Colony Mystery

Though "along the banks of the Chowan River" does not definitely describe any particular spot, those who are familiar with the spot commonly supposed to be the site of an Indian village, some sixteen miles from Hertford, on the shore of the Chowan, are wondering if it could be here that the stone in the hands of the Emory University authorities was picked up.

Since the appearance on Sunday of the Associated Press story quoting Dr. Haywood J. Pearce, professor of history at Emory University, in Atlanta, as saying that the mystery of the Lost Colony of Roanoke Island, a problem which has baffled historians for more than 300 years, may be cleared up by the message on a stone now being investigated at the University, there has been a great deal of discussion among local people of the matter, with some frankly expressing doubt as to the authenticity of the purported inscription on the stone.

However, those who have visited the site of the Indian village and seen for themselves stone arrowheads, tomahawk-shaped pieces of stone and broken bits of Indian pottery, visible where excavations have been made in the marl deposits used for fertilizer purposes by local farmers, are intrigued by the story of the carving on the stone claimed to have been found on the banks of the Chowan.

The stone, described as a rough piece of vein quartz weighing 21 pounds, with certain inscriptions on both sides in Elizabethan characters, was carried to the University last November by a motorist who said he "stumbled across it while walking along the banks of the Chowan River, some six miles from the original site of the Roanoke Colony."

Probably one reason why so many persons reading the story of the stone and its message are skeptical as to its authenticity is that the message said to be carved on the stone so perfectly clears up all the mystery as to the fate of "The Lost Colony."

Somewhat, it is a bit perfect. Coming as it did upon the heels of the great celebration, the spectacular pageant, commemorating the birth place of Virginia Dare, last summer, when the minds of all who witnessed the scene were so thoroughly impressed with the futility of attempting to solve a mystery which had puzzled for so long, many are naturally slow to accept the story that some one actually stumbled across a stone on which was written all the answers.

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Clothes Is Month's Topic For Study In Perquimans Clubs

Miss Hamrick Has Collected Interesting Material

SCHEDULE

Due Attention to Be Given to Limited Wardrobes

Clothes, that subject which always interests women, is to be the subject of study by the women of the Perquimans County home demonstration clubs during the month of February, and Miss Gladys Hamrick, home agent, has collected a great deal of interesting material which she expects to present at the meetings and which she believes will be helpful to women in solving their dress problems.

Due attention is to be given to the wardrobe of the woman whose means are limited, who, as the agent points out, must plan all the more carefully if she wishes to dress in good taste.

Not only the girl and the young woman will be considered in this all-round matter of planning clothes, but the middle-aged and the older woman is to come in for her share of attention, and in addition to suggestions of how and what to buy in the matter of clothing, a few don'ts will be interspersed.

Different types of women, ranging from the athletic type to the ingenuous, and including the dramatic type and the business woman, will be considered, with suggestions for each, taking into consideration, lines, materials, color, harmony and design.

The schedule of meetings for the month is as follows:

Whitewater Club meets on Thursday, February 3, with Mrs. Eunice Winslow.

Home and Garden Club meets on Friday, February 4, with Mrs. James S. McNider.

Chapanoke Club meets on Tuesday, February 8, with Mrs. John Asbell.

Winfall Club meets on Wednesday, February 9, with Mrs. C. J. Layden.

Ballahack Club meets on Monday, February 14, with Mrs. Archibald Lane.

Beech Spring Club meets on Tuesday, February 15, at the school house.

Lurants Neck Club meets on Wednesday, February 16, with Mrs. S. T. Perry.

Helen Gaither Club meets on Thursday, February 17, with Mrs. C. L. Dail.

Bethel Club meets on Friday, February 18, at the school house.

White Hat Club meets on Tuesday, February 22, with Mrs. Freeman Umphlett.

Belvidere Club meets on Wednesday, February 23, with Mrs. Tom Winslow.

Poultry School In E. City Feb. 16th

Poultry Raisers From Twelve Counties Invited

Those interested in poultry raising throughout the twelve counties of Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Martin, Northampton, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington, are invited to attend the Poultry School to be conducted in Elizabeth City on Wednesday, February 16, by specialists from State College.

The meeting will be held at 10 o'clock in the courthouse. There will be lectures and discussions on marketing, on poultry disease problems on the farm and practical poultry breeding.

There will also be a demonstration on egg grading and a disease clinic as well as exhibits.

Miss Gladys Hamrick, home demonstration agent of Perquimans, and L. W. Anderson, farm agent, who are attending the poultry school, are very anxious that as many of the farmers and farm women of this county as possible attend, because they believe there will be a great deal of information which will be helpful to those interested in the raising of poultry and eggs.

The United States also made certain vital concessions. We agreed not to fortify certain islands in the Pacific, including Guam, and not to construct military establishments in the Philippines. In addition, the United States agreed to the right of

Founders Day Be Observed By P. - T. Group Thursday

Topic Is "What School Should Mean to Children"

PLAYLET

Follows Parent Education Program By Mrs. I. A. Ward

Mrs. I. A. Ward, who is chairman of the Northeastern District of the Parent-Teacher Association, will conduct the third course in the parent education program at the meeting to be held on Thursday afternoon in the Hertford Grammar School auditorium.

The topic of the study is "What School Should Mean to Children." The group meets at 2:30 o'clock and the course is concluded in time for the regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association, when "Founder's Day" will be observed, celebrating the forty-first year of the work. Mrs. Lindsey Winslow and Mrs. E. W. Mayes will be in charge of the program. A playlet "As Told by the Candles," will be presented by members of Group No. 3, and a social hour will follow.

Mrs. H. T. Broughton, president, is very anxious that as many parents as possible attend both the study course and the regular meeting, the latter being held at 3:30 o'clock.

A. R. Stallings Shows Some Improvement

The condition of A. R. Stallings, who is a patient in the Albemarle Hospital as a result of injuries he sustained on January 24, when the horse-drawn cart in which he was riding was struck by an automobile, is still serious, though he is much improved.

Among other injuries, Mr. Stallings sustained a broken hip, necessitating an operation which was performed by two surgeons from Duke Hospital on Tuesday of last week.

Wyoming has more kinds of willow than any other state, varying from trailing plants an inch or two tall to trees 30 feet in height.

\$75 Cleared In Hertford By President's Birthday Ball

Super Salesman

Linwood Skinner Not Particular Where He Sold Ball Tickets

Linwood Skinner apparently believes in selling anywhere he finds a buyer. Interested last week in putting over the President's Birthday Ball, he had to be out of town for several days. But while in Atlanta, Ga., attending a sales meeting of the John Deere people, he came in contact with men from all over the country. A check-up on the stubs of his ticket books when he got back disclosed that one ticket was sold to a man from Hornicon, Wisconsin, another to a fellow who lived in Ottumwa, Iowa, while nearer home he sold to an Orangeburg, S. C. man, and another to a man from Norfolk, Va.

Clothing Leaders Turn Out 100 Pct.

Club Workers Attend School In Agricultural Building

The clothing leaders of five of the home demonstration clubs of Perquimans, Helen Gaither, Chapanoke, Belvidere, Bethel and Durants Neck, attended one hundred percent the Clothing Leaders School conducted at the Agricultural Building on Wednesday, with a clothing specialist from the Extension Department of State College conducting the school.

The clothing leader in each club assists the demonstration agent in giving the demonstrations at her club meeting. The following women were present on Wednesday: Mesdames C. P. Quincy, Irma D'Orsay, J. E. Bogue, Maude Lane, Claude Perry, T. C. Perry, L. J. Winslow, M. T. Griffin, E. M. Perry, S. D. Banks, W. P. Long, C. J. Wilson, Eunice Winslow, and Misses Gertie Chappell and Patty Rogerson.

The following officers were elected for the year: President, Mrs. L. J. Winslow; vice president, Mrs. B. W. Copeland; secretary, Mrs. H. P. White; assistant secretary and treasurer, Mrs. W. L. White; song leaders, Mrs. F. M. Copeland and Mrs. T. C. Perry; recreation leaders, Mrs. W. T. Smith and Mrs. L. C. Winslow.

The project leaders were appointed as follows: Foods and nutrition, Mrs. N. W. Chappell; food conservation, Mrs. M. D. Lane; clothing, Mrs. T. C. Perry, Mrs. C. T. Rogerson and Mrs. F. C. White; house furnishing, Miss Margaret B. White; home management, Mrs. Winford Chappell; home beautification, Miss Clara White and Mrs. Ralph White; home gardens, Mrs. F. M. Copeland; home poultry, Mrs. N. D. Chappell; home dairy, Mrs. Calud Winslow; parent education, Mrs. J. C. Trivette.

Miss Gladys Hamrick explained the individual score sheets and the year books were filled out.

At the conclusion of the meeting the hostess served tangerines and nut squares.

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The situation was rudely changed by notice given by Japan, under the terms of the treaty, that upon its expiration, Japan would not renew the agreement. The Japanese insisted upon parity for the Japanese Navy "in principle," holding out the general idea that it was an affront to Japan to accept inferiority in naval tonnage and that if equality was granted, it did not mean that the Japanese fleet would be built to equal the fleets of either the United States or Great Britain.

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More Than 100 Couples Dance at Affair Monday Night

BEST DANCE

Linwood Skinner Appreciative of Cooperation He Secured

More than a hundred couples danced to the music of Norman Bryan and his Eleven Swing Kings at the President's Birthday Ball, the first celebration of the President's birthday to be held in Hertford, on Monday night.

The affair, which the young folks enthusiastically refer to as "the best dance ever given in Hertford," was a success which the sponsors are very proud of.

Seventy-five dollars, clear of all expense, was the amount realized, according to Chairman A. Linwood Skinner, who reports the heartiest cooperation from everybody he called upon to help put over the ball in order that Hertford might do its part in the nation-wide fight against infantile paralysis.

Morgan Walker contributed the use of his hall. Mrs. W. H. Pitt and her corps of helpers had decorated the hall most effectively, using flags and bunting, with the President's picture as the dominant note in the scheme.

Miss Gladys Hamrick, with her assistants, prepared the delectable punch which the dancers enjoyed.

Mrs. J. G. Campbell, as chairman of the tickets committee, and the group of young people who aided her succeeded in selling considerable more than a hundred tickets.

So heartily did everyone cooperate to make the affair a success that practically the only expense incurred was that of the orchestra, and every one agreed this was money well spent.

Those present included practically all of the young folks of Hertford who enjoy dancing, with many out of town couples as well. There were numerous tickets purchased by persons who did not attend, merely making contributions to the fund.

Club At Belvidere Elects New Officers

The Belvidere Home Demonstration Club held its January meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. J. Winslow. The meeting was opened by Mrs. R. M. White conducting the devotional, after which the song, "The Old North State," was sung.

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