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Gladys Hamrick Is Named Chairman Of Better Homes Week

First Time State Affiliates With National Organization

APRIL 24-30

County Committee Appointed to Assist In Campaign

Miss Gladys Hamrick, home demonstration agent, has been appointed chairman of Better Homes in America for Perquimans County.

While Mrs. Thomas Nixon, of Hertford, has for several years served as the local chairman of this organization and has done a great deal of work through the various woman's organizations, working directly under the national chairman, this is the first time that North Carolina as a state has become affiliated with the national organization. Miss Pauline B. Smith has been appointed State Chairman.

In a letter directed to the editors of the State of North Carolina, last week, Miss Smith said: "We shall attempt to tie up the work that is now being done in the State with the National Movement so that all organizations may for one week in the year think better homes, talk better homes, write on better homes, exhibit concrete examples of better housing, and have programs on music, reading, art in the home, etc., etc."

The week beginning April 24 has been set apart as Better Homes Week. The State President states that it will mean a lot to North Carolina if we will join the ranks of the thousands of American families and paint up, pick up and clean up, as well as plan for those needed house repairs and improvements. "Let's advertise North Carolina," she suggests, "a clean state."

Miss Hamrick plans to visit, in company with the home beautification leader of each club, each home represented in the club before April 24, and urge the members to take part. Suggestions that wood piles be moved to the back of the house, as well as clothes lines, that old shacks be torn down and other unsightly places be improved, will be made. Miss Hamrick plans to take pictures of some of the places to be improved and show the difference in before and after improvements.

Another suggestion of the home agent is that some of the ugly signs be removed from the highways. She points out that some of the most unsightly places are about filling stations on the highways, where tin cans are piled. Every filling station will be visited, she said, with a view to soliciting the cooperation of the owners and operators.

Not only does Miss Hamrick expect to work through her own county club women, however, as this job takes in a wider scope than among her own club members. She will ask the cooperation of town and county officials, and will enlist the aid of the club women of Hertford and others, and conduct a real Better Homes Week.

Following is a list of the committee in this county: Mesdames Thomas Nixon, John Ansell, D. L. Barber, D. J. Rogerson, C. W. Reed, G. E. Lane, Tucker, V. A. Holden, A. T. Leno, L. B. Webb, J. H. Gregory, Mary W. Winslow, Lucille Lane, C. P. Morris, W. O. Hunter, J. C. Hobbs, W. D. Perry, Elmer Wood, Mattie Barcliff, R. R. White, and Misses Lucy White, Frances Rogerson, Lucille Lane and Cass White.

New Hope Boy Victim Of Spinal Meningitis

Edwood Godfrey, three years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Godfrey, of New Hope, died in a Norfolk hospital Saturday night, following an attack of spinal meningitis.

Funeral services were held at Berea Christian Church on Monday afternoon, with the Rev. Mr. Ambrose, pastor of the church, officiating and burial followed in the church yard.

Surviving are the child's parents, a sister and a brother.

ATTEND BANQUET

Among the Hertford people who attended the banquet and the Virginia Dairy Club at the City on Thursday night, were: Mrs. E. M. Perry, Mrs. W. O. Hunter, Mrs. J. C. Hobbs, Mrs. W. D. Perry, Mrs. Elmer Wood, Mrs. Mattie Barcliff, Mrs. R. R. White, Mrs. Frances Rogerson, Mrs. Lucille Lane and Mrs. Cass White.

Seed Loans Ready

B. G. Koonce will take the seed loan applications for 1938 and will be in the Agricultural Building for this purpose, beginning this week.

Those wishing to secure seed loans from the government may get in touch with Mr. Koonce at the Agricultural Building.

John Deere Day Makes A Big Hit With Many Farmers

Five or Six Hundred Strong Attend Blanchard's Show

FRIENDS MINGLE

Visitors Interested In Demonstrations of Machinery

John Deere Day made a big hit in Hertford and brought a bigger crowd to town than has been here for a long time. They came from all over the countryside, some five or six hundred strong, to see the big display of modern farm machinery which J. C. Blanchard was showing, to watch the free picture show and to enjoy a delicious barbecue lunch.

The pictures were shown at the State Theatre, because the auditorium of the Agricultural Building couldn't anything like take care of the crowd. Very interesting were the demonstrations of the various implements, tractors, harrows, new type planters, and other items, shown in motion pictures. Spectators caught a glimpse of farming methods which are new to Perquimans, but which may be put into practice with modern equipment.

"Friendly Valley," the feature picture, was good and was much enjoyed.

From the theatre the crowd went down to the display lot where the dinner was served, barbecue, cold slaw, pickles, bread and cold drinks, a real treat. Old friends mingled with old friends and groups gathered here and there as the people enjoyed the fine outing in the bright sunshine.

Attendance Contest Losers Feed Winners

Sunday School Contestants Enjoy Banquet Thursday

The losers as well as the winners enjoyed the delightful banquet given by the losing team in the attendance contest of the Methodist Sunday School on Thursday evening to the winners, which was attended by the members of the Young People's Division of the Sunday School.

There was a most entertaining program. Miss Alice Roberson and Zach White debated on the subject: "Resolved: That coming to Sunday School is more worth while than a Sunday morning snooze." James Evert Newby presented an unusual course in Math, to be solved by the different groups. Miss Sarah Brinn gave a course in mixed words. There were interesting contests and music, and the young people gave many expressions of pleasure, voting Mrs. B. C. Stokes thanks for her assistance.

The menu consisted of a chicken salad course, followed by apple pie.

Following were those present: James Evert Newby, Rev. and Mrs. D. M. Sharpe, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Tucker, Elizabeth Knowles, Hilda Knowles, Bernice White, Helene Mae White, Mary Wood Koonce, Patsy Reife, Mary Felde, William Felde, Jimmy Arnold, Billy Blanchard, Helene Nixon, Francis Nixon, Sarah Brinn, Clarke Stokes, Margaret Chappell, Mildred Gault, Layden Godfrey, Mary Thad Chappell, Ed Sanford, Florence Darden, Ruth Hollowell, Zach White, Lila Bell, Emma Maswood, Marie, Pauline, Ruth Winslow, Minnie Wilcox, Dorothy Whedbee, Blanche Bennett, Lending, William Wilcox, Annie Tucker, Annie Wilcox, and Mrs. W. O. Hunter. Also present were: Jeannette Felde, Annie Wilcox, and Mrs. H. R. Riddick.

Stock In B. & L. Association Again On Sale March 5th

Building and Loan Plan Has Helped Many to Buy Homes

35th SERIES

Most Home Building In Recent Years Through Easy Plan

The Hertford Building & Loan Association is issuing a special series of stock, which will go on sale Saturday, March 5, this being the 35th series to be offered to the public.

The twenty-second series, issued in 1932, is maturing as of February 26, and the new issue is made in order to give those stockholders whose shares are maturing at this time an opportunity to continue their savings by taking out stock in the new issue, as well as to offer to non-stockholders the opportunity of beginning at this time.

Only two regular series are issued each year, one in May and another in November. The regular May series will be issued as usual.

The Building & Loan Association has been a great help to the people of this community, providing as it does opportunity to open an account of as small an amount as twenty-five cents per week, many young people with limited incomes have commenced systematic saving which has proved very beneficial. One share, costing twenty-five cents per week, matures in approximately six years, when a hundred dollars has been accumulated.

Most of the home-building done in Hertford in recent years was done with the assistance of the local Building & Loan.

Young Musicians Plan For Contest

District Meeting Will Be Held In Edenton on April 2nd

The music-minded are beginning to prepare for the annual music contests and shortly Hertford's young musicians will be competing for the right to enter the State Music Contest.

There will be contestants from the Chaminade Club, which is Mrs. R. M. Riddick's music class, and also from the Perquimans Glee Club, which is under the direction of Miss Kate M. Blanchard.

The music students in this section are in the Northeastern District of the North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs, and the annual meeting in the district will be held at Edenton this year on April 2. The affair will convene at 10:30 in the morning in the auditorium of the High School, with Mrs. R. M. Riddick, of Hertford, District Chairman of Junior Music Clubs, presiding.

From the Chaminade Club Ben Koonce will play a piano solo and Miss Jean Newbold will sing. From the Glee Club Miss Anne Tullis Felton and Zach White will play a piano duo. Mr. White will also play a piano solo, and Misses Blanche Moore Berry and Katherine Jessup will sing. There may be other contestants from both clubs.

The winners in the district contest will compete in the State contest to be held in Charlotte on April 16.

VALENTINE PARTY

The Girls' Auxiliary and the Royal Ambassadors of Bethel Baptist Church enjoyed a Valentine party at the home of their leaders, Mrs. Fred Matthews and Miss Ruby Keaton, near Hertford on Tuesday evening. Games and contests were enjoyed, with Louise Mansfield and Vance Proctor winning prizes.

Dainty refreshments were served to the following: Louise Mansfield, Sadie Standin, Elsie Keaton, Madge Long, Corrie Lee Ward, Marjorie Proctor, Evelyn Long, Mary Pasco White, Vance Proctor, Morris Griffin, Jr., Thomas Fleetwood, Maynard Fleetwood, Frank Ward, Clarence Phillips, Howard Long, James Mansfield, Pansal Matthews, Miss Ruby Keaton, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Matthews.

Miss Thelma Innes, Mrs. W. O. Hunter, Mrs. W. D. Perry, Mrs. Elmer Wood, Mrs. Mattie Barcliff, Mrs. R. R. White, Mrs. Frances Rogerson, Mrs. Lucille Lane and Mrs. Cass White.

Raleigh Physician Elected President Alumni Association

Dr. C. B. Wilkerson Selected to Head Group At Hertford Meeting

DR. WARD HOST

Raleigh Is Selected as Meeting Place For Next Year

Dr. C. B. Wilkerson, of Raleigh, was elected president of the Raleigh Medical Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina, at the annual meeting held last night at the home of Dr. and Mrs. I. A. Ward, in Hertford. Dr. B. B. Lloyd, of Chapel Hill, was elected vice-president and Dr. Robert Noble, of Raleigh, secretary.

The Association includes all of the four-year graduates of the Medical School of the University of North Carolina. Only for the period between 1903 and 1910 has the University of North Carolina given a four-year course in medicine, the last two years of which were given in Raleigh; hence the Raleigh Association. It is those physicians who were graduated from the University at Raleigh during this period who are members of the Association. This was the first meeting held in the Albemarle. The nearest point to Hertford at which a meeting had previously been held was at Rich Square.

The meeting, which was presided over by the retiring president, Dr. I. A. Ward, followed a banquet given by Dr. and Mrs. Ward, which was attended, not only by the members of the Association, but by the following guests: Dr. C. W. Ward, of Charlotte; Dr. W. T. Ward, of Raleigh; Dr. W. A. Hoggard, Dr. T. P. Brinn, and Dr. John W. Zachary, of Hertford. The guests were received at the front door by Jarvis Ward.

The house was charmingly decorated for the occasion in honor of Washington's Birthday, with the idea featured in all the appointments, and with a tasteful arrangement of early spring flowers. Flags were given as favors.

Assisting Mrs. Ward in serving the guests, who were seated at small tables, were Miss Alice Southerland, of Southern Pines; Mrs. W. T. Ward, of Raleigh; Mrs. L. N. Hollowell, Mrs. Wallace Umphlett and Misses Marguerite and Ruth Alice Ward, of Hertford.

A feature of the program of the meeting which followed the banquet was a historical outline of Hertford given by Dr. Ward, in which he touched upon several interesting matters in connection with the history of the place, exhibiting some old pictures; and also exhibiting one of Perqui-

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Aldersgate Regional Meeting On Monday

Local Church Sending Delegates to Washington, N. C.

The Methodist young people of the Elizabeth City District will turn their faces toward Washington, N. C., on Monday, February 28, when a region al Aldersgate Youth Rally will be held. Following a rally for the general membership of the church during the day, the young Methodists will convene at 7:30 in the evening. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information and inspiration for commemoration in the local church of the two hundredth anniversary of the heart-warming experience of John Wesley which led him to organize the religious societies out of which grew the various branches of the Methodist Church.

Except for the speakers, the entire program has been arranged by the Albemarle Young People's Union in Washington. The speakers will include Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, of Washington, D. C., and another prominent minister with special appeal for youth. Pastors and young people's leaders in the local churches are arranging for the transportation of delegates from churches throughout this section.

From Hertford a number will attend, including Rev. D. M. Sharpe, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church; Mrs. H. C. Stokes, Mrs. Charles Edinger, Miss Sara Brinn, Miss Florence Darden, Clarke Stokes, and possibly others. Rev. R. E. Watson, of Center Hill, will also attend.

Please Stand By!

For what? The hit of the season—a musical comedy—"Please Stand By," directed by Mrs. B. G. Koonce. This play will be presented Tuesday, March 8, in P. C. H. S. auditorium. This play is being sponsored by the Junior Class to help defray the expenses of the annual Junior-Senior Banquet. Watch for further announcements!

Clothing Leaders School Scheduled To Be Held Friday

Miss Willie Hunter, Specialist, Will Be In Charge

BEGINS 10:30

Morning Class Takes Form of Round Table Discussion

Twenty-one home demonstration club clothing leaders are expected to attend the clothing leaders school to be conducted in the Agricultural Building on Friday, February 25, with Miss Willie Hunter, clothing specialist from the Extension Department of State College, Raleigh, in charge.

The class will convene at 10:30 o'clock. During the morning the class will take the form of a round-table discussion of clothing problems, when questions may be asked. In the afternoon there will be a discussion of the problem of buying readymades.

While this school is primarily for the clothing leaders of the various clubs in the county, any others will be welcomed, according to Miss Gladys Hamrick, home demonstration agent, who says that those who desire may bring their lunch.

The clothing leaders include Mesdames E. M. Perry, C. P. Quincy, Irma D'Orsay, David Trueblood, Joel Hollowell, J. E. Bogue, Dan Rogerson, B. T. Wood, C. E. Cannon, Maude Lane, Joe Perry, S. D. Banks, Carrie Gregory, Lucy Hunter Perry, Mary Hayman, Hazel Hoskins, Elmer Wood, T. C. Perry, F. C. White, C. T. Rogerson, and Misses Patty Rogerson and Bertie Chappell.

Measles Epidemic Is Now Apparently On Wane In County

Disease Has Reached Peak According to Dr. Brinn

GENERAL

Not Necessary, However to Close Schools In County

The epidemic of measles which has been general all over the county, and which, for that matter, appears to have been pretty general all over this section of the State, has apparently reached its peak and is somewhat on the wane, according to the County Health Officer, Dr. T. P. Brinn.

Schools have been closed in some sections of the State because of the prevalence of measles. But, while there have been numerous cases of the disease throughout the county during the past two months, it has not been considered necessary to close any of the schools of this county because of the epidemic.

From the number of absentees at the Perquimans High School this week, which out of an enrollment of 328 numbered 50 on Monday, it would appear that the epidemic is just beginning to be felt among the older children of the county. Not every one of the 50 absent, however, were absent because of illness and not all the children sick had measles.

Called at Hunter Home

Among those who called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hunter, near Hertford, on Sunday afternoon, were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hughes, of Colerain; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rufin, of Richmond, Va.; and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Blanchard, of Hertford.

Farmers Vote On Farm Quotas For 1938 On March 12

Two-third Vote Necessary to Put Quotas Into Effect

VOTE 9 A. M. TO 7 P. M.

Farmers Called Upon to Register Wishes In Each Township

The first referendum under the new Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 will be held on March 12 among the cotton farmers and producers of flue-cured, fire-cured and dark air-cured tobacco. Secretary Wallace has announced. The outcome of the referendum will determine whether marketing quotas will be applied to these commodities in 1938.

Marketing quotas cannot be used except with the approval of a large majority of the farmers since the Act itself provides that if more than one-third of the producers voting in a referendum vote against the quotas, they will not go into effect.

Where cotton, flue-cured or dark tobacco, which includes both fire-cured and dark air-cured, are grown in the same locality, the referendum for each commodity will be held at the same time and place but the vote on each commodity will be separate.

The referendum regulations provide for a voting place in each community where cotton, flue-cured or dark tobacco is grown. The polls open not later than 9:00 a. m. and close at 7:00 p. m. Each producer who grows cotton, flue-cured or dark tobacco in 1937 will be entitled to cast one vote in the referendum for the commodity, which will be in charge of county committee.

The national cotton allotment specified for 1938 in the proclamation was 10,000,000 standard bales plus the number of bales allotted under section 343 (c) of the Act. This section provides that the allotment of no county shall be less than 60 per cent of the acreage planted to cotton in 1937 plus the acreage diverted from cotton under the conservation program. This results in a total acreage allotment of approximately 26,300,000 acres. This acreage at 10-year average yields will result in a crop of 10,129,000 bales and at 5-year average yields in a crop of 11,230,000 bales. Acreage allotments will be established for each individual farm and if the allotment is not exceeded, all the cotton produced on the farm may be sold without the payment of any penalty.

Normal supply, which quotas would be used to attain, is defined in the Act as normal domestic consumption and exports, plus 40 percent as a surplus reserve. The present supply of American cotton is about 25,000,000 bales, largely the result of the record crop of 18,700,000 bales in 1937, and it is estimated that the carryover on August 1, 1938, will be around 12,000,000 bales, or only 1,000,000 bales less than the record carryover of 13,000,000 bales in 1932.

The national marketing quota proclaimed for the 1938 crop of flue-

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Norfolk Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hunter and their daughter, Carolyn, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hunter on Sunday.

A Worthy Cause

He is a good citizen, industrious, law-abiding, home-loving. He has until now provided well for his family. Affliction has befallen him and he will never again be able to work to support his family, or even himself, unless he has surgical treatment. He has no money.

The services of Duke Hospital surgeons are available without cost to this man, but he must have hospitalization for approximately three months, and this will cost two dollars per day, approximately \$180.00.

The Rehabilitation Department of the State will contribute \$50.00. There is no other State fund available.

Interested persons knowing the circumstances have made contributions but more is needed. Any one sufficiently interested in the rehabilitation of this worthy citizen to make a cash contribution to the cause should immediately get in touch with Miss Ruth Davagport, County Welfare Officer.