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Resignations And New Jobs Delay Progress In Annual Red Cross Roll Call Drive

Chairman Takes up New Duties as Hertford Postmaster

APPEAL MADE

Darden Appointed New Mayor; Harris Gets Council Seat

Getting acquainted with his new duties as postmaster, Silas M. Whedbee, chairman of the local Red Cross Chapter, was forced to postpone the annual Red Cross Roll Call, but the membership drive will get underway immediately after Thanksgiving, he states.

The canvass will start on November 28, the first Monday after Thanksgiving, and continue through the following week. "However," says Mr. Whedbee, who reports the delay in getting started, "we hope the response will be spontaneous and generous during the drive, which will necessarily be of short duration this year."

Resigning his post as Mayor of Hertford on Wednesday of last week, Mr. Whedbee took up his new duties on Monday, replacing as postmaster, J. Edgar Morris, who recently resigned.

Vivian N. Darden, Hertford merchant and newest member of the city council, was appointed to serve as head of the city government for the remainder of Mayor Whedbee's unexpired term.

By right of the votes cast in his favor at the last city election, as next highest alternate, W. A. Harris, Grubb Street merchant, automatically takes over the city council seat left vacant by Mr. Darden's appointment.

Farmer Proud Of Peanut Crop, 32 Bags To The Acre

Cotton Yield Not So Hot Peanuts Best Produced By Route 2 Man

Added to the items of good news this week, is a report from W. W. Copeland, out on Route Two, that he averaged 32 bags of peanuts to the acre this year on four acres, "and the best peanuts I've ever seen," added Mr. Copeland.

"I would have planted more," he said, "if the Government had allowed me to," but Mr. Copeland feels pretty good about the whole thing anyway—even if the cotton crop was "terrible." Taking out a subscription to The Perquimans Weekly at the same time, he said that so far, he had heard of no reports indicating a better yield than his 32-bags-to-the-acre one.

Dorothy Mae Hoffer Marries James Bass

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hoffer, of Hertford, announce the marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Mae, to James Stephenson Bass, a son of the late James Bass, Sr., and Mrs. Josephine Bass, of Hertford.

The ceremony took place on Thursday, November 24th, at 3 o'clock at the Baptist Parsonage. The Rev. J. F. Stegall officiated, using the ring ceremony.

The bride was beautifully attired in a dress of brown cloverle with accessories to match. Her coat was burnt earth, bonnet trimmed with brown fur bolero-style. She wore a shoulder corsage of Talisman roses.

The bridegroom was attended by Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Pike, of Norfolk, Va. Mrs. Pike, a sister of the groom, was attired in a wine colored dress with black accessories.

Mr. Bass holds a position with Winslow Oil Company, and Mrs. Bass is employed in the store of Simon's.

Anderson Conducts Demonstrations In Dusting Of Peanuts

Use of Sulphur Shows More Peanuts; Hay Better Quality

Of interest to Perquimans County farmers will be the announcement this week of the results in actual demonstration of dusting peanuts. The demonstrations were staged on two Perquimans County farms by L. W. Anderson, county farm agent, and here are the results:

The selected plots, of one acre each, in the first demonstration, were located on the farm of S. P. Jessup. On the first plot, Gypsum (Landplaster) was applied at the rate of 400 pounds per acre and dusted with sulphur, three applications totaling 50 pounds. Harvested from this acre were 25 bags of peanuts (1,845 pounds) and 51 bales of hay (2,367 pounds). The peanuts were not fully matured and the hay was of fine quality.

On the second plot, Gypsum was also supplied at the rate of 400 pounds to the acre, but not dusted with sulphur. Twenty-two bags of peanuts (1,678 pounds) and 37 bales of hay (1,702 pounds) were harvested. The peanuts were of good quality and the hay of average grade.

On the farm of Milton Dail, Route One, the other demonstrations were staged on four plots of one-half acre each. On the first plot Gypsum (Landplaster) was applied at the rate of 400 pounds to the acre, and dusted with three applications of sulphur totaling 25 pounds. Nine hundred and thirty-five pounds of peanuts and 19 bales of hay were harvested. Both the peanuts and the hay were of good quality.

On Plot No. 2, no Gypsum was applied, but sulphur, totaling 25 pounds, was dusted in three applications. Here 930 pounds of peanuts and 18 bales of hay were harvested. The hay was of good quality and the peanuts of medium grade.

Gypsum was applied on Plot No. 3 at the rate of 400 pounds to the acre and not dusted with sulphur. Harvested were 850 pounds of peanuts and 18 bales of hay. The peanuts were of good quality and the hay average.

On the last plot, no Gypsum (Landplaster) was applied and it was not dusted with sulphur. Eight hundred and thirty-nine pounds of peanuts and 12 bales of hay were harvested here. The peanuts were of poor quality and the hay average.

The results of these demonstrations were supplied by the county agent, who lets the figures and results speak for themselves.

Local Girl At ECTC Earns High Honors; Vice Presidencies

Registrar's Honor List Includes Name of Prue Newby

Prue Collins Newby, sophomore at East Carolina Teachers College in Greenville, was on the Registrar's Honor List for Scholarship during the fall, winter and spring quarters of 1937-1938.

She has also been elected vice-president of the Junior Class, and vice-president of Y. W. C. A., for which she was formerly secretary. The total number of students enrolled from Perquimans County during this period, was twenty, according to Howard J. McGinnis, Registrar.

Miss Newby majored in Home Economics and Science, and only full-time students who made an average grade of "B" (or "B") are named on the Registrar's list. To be so named is evidence of high scholastic excellence. In many instances the same degree of excellence is shown by

Hunter (Not Sport) Shoots Negro; Fools Searching Officials

Chinquapin Bad Boy Injured Leonus Shambrey on Nov. 5

On November 5th, Leonus Shambrey, county Negro, was shot and severely wounded by another Negro who was later classified as Maloy Hunter. After the shooting, Shambrey was treated by a local physician who removed most of the forty shots which took effect in the front side of Shambrey's body, between the forehead and ankles. Since that night the fleet Hunter has been the object of a widespread search by local authorities, who have, so far, failed to land Hunter in the lockup, though he has been sighted briefly at intervals.

Over the week-end however, the chase reached fever heat several times when Hunter appeared more often only to slip from the grasp of the law when it seemed certain that he would be captured.

Buses were watched Saturday and Sunday when the officers were tipped off that Hunter was planning to leave the county. Patrolman C. E. Walker sighted him for an instant Saturday and took a couple of pot shots in Hunter's direction when he failed to heed the officer's command to "halt."

When the reason for Hunter's shooting came to light, it was revealed that the whole thing was a mistake. Hunter didn't intend to get Shambrey, he intended to shoot Lonnie Thatch, who refused to give him a ride in his car. Thatch was hit, but only slightly, two little shots in the hand.

The injured Shambrey is up and around again now, but the bad man from Chinquapin Section is still at large. Hunter's brother is also wanted on gun charges, "in fact," says Mr. Walker, "all the Hunters are known to be pretty free-handed with guns. One night we had occasion to search a house where only one Hunter lived—and we found him in possession of three guns."

With Maloy still in the county after the week-end however, officers expect to bring him to trial within a few days.

If You Have!

A system of checks and balances is all right if you have the balances for the checks.—American Lumberman.

A Night Out With Night Cop Nocturnal Happenings Not Always Peaceful—Routine Incidents Help to Break the Monotony on Calmer Nights

After the last dating couples have gone home, after the late bus plows on out of town, and when the last neon sign is switched off, the duties of the night keepers of the peace are not always so peaceful as they would seem to one who retires at eleven o'clock.

It's true that certain little routine happenings break the midnight-to-dawn monotony; early milkmen drop into the all-night service station around 2:30 to sleepily gulp a soft drink before going out to the dairy for the morning load. Mr. Thomas, the Carolina Delivery Service driver, arrives an hour later to noisily pick up the theatre film boxes, chats for a minute with the lonely night cop and then rolls on.

A late motorist stops for a moment to ask directions and a freight truck pulls into the new alley to unload a shipment of merchandise. A car zooms through town much faster than it should, and the night cop mumbles something about "dumb foolishness." It's the only car on the street, however, so the cop doesn't chase him.

A strange figure hovers in the shadows down on the drug store corner, so the cop takes a walk up that way to investigate—there may be dirty work afoot. But it's only a boy from Edenton waiting for his friend who has a date in Elizabeth City and is going to give him a ride home.

These little incidents take place every night, and the cop can set his watch by the regularity of many nocturnal happenings, but sometimes the station telephone bell rings loudly and a disgruntled voice complains, "They're raising hell in Goose Hollow, go down there and quiet them, will you, Mr. White (or Mr. Walker) so I can get some sleep."

County Agent Urges Help Prevent Woods Fires During Winter

Forests Valuable Property; Fires Kill Little Trees

MAN-CAUSED

Personal Interest Will Reduce Loss to Puny Amount

By L. W. ANDERSON, County Agent
Forests are valuable property. They benefit everyone by conserving our drinking water, regulating streamflow, keeping the soil from washing away, sheltering wild life, and providing us with fuelwood, building material and other useful products.

Each of us has a personal stake in the forest resources of our locality, whether we own any timberland or not. The income from the sale of forest products creates employment, both in the country and in towns and villages. The more forest products we can produce, the greater will be our local market for eggs, milk, poultry, livestock and other farm products.

Fires in the forest kill little trees and kill or injure larger trees and retard their growth. Forest fires destroy game animals and young birds and their food. They kill the fish in the streams and ponds, reduce the fertility of the forest soil, destroy the natural beauty of the countryside and create idle land that is a tax burden.

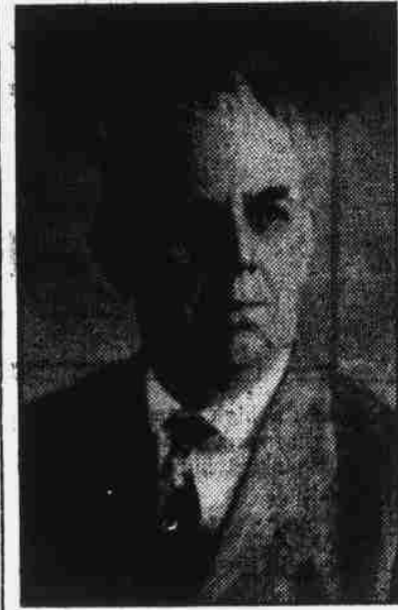
Forest fires are practically all man-caused. They are therefore preventable. If all of us will try to be doubly-careful with fire, ourselves, and will do our best to persuade our friends and relatives to be careful, the fires in our county can be reduced to a negligible amount. If we will all take a personal interest in reporting and suppressing fires that do start, we can confine their damage to a very small total acreage.

Trees which burn will never do us much good; but trees that are protected and allowed to grow to maturity can bring a great flood of new money into our county each year to add to our farm income and help us to enjoy a higher standard of living and a future greater prosperity.

Now that the season is approaching when woods fires are most apt to occur, (Continued on Page Three)

Charles Johnson Claimed By Death Tuesday Morning After Long Siege Ill Health

Citizen Lost



CHARLES JOHNSON

The entire community was grieved on learn of the death of Charles Johnson, who died at his home Tuesday morning following a long illness.

Cotton Poor, But Also May Be Late Report Shows Gain

Ginning Census Indicates Rise During October

The cotton crop in Perquimans County is not good this year, but maybe it is also a little late. It is noted from census reports, submitted to this paper by Willie M. Harrell, special agent for the Department of Commerce, that the cotton ginned in this county gains with each report on the amount of cotton ginned for the same period last year.

For instance, the census report of the ginned crop prior to October first, showed 76 bales had been ginned in this county, comparing very unfavorably with 1,020 bales at the same date in 1937.

However, the report of cotton ginned until November first, shows a huge gain. Not over the 1937 crop, but in comparison with the report of October first. The special agent's report of this year's crop shows that 1,154 bales were ginned prior to November first, as compared with 3,443 bales for the crop of 1937 at the same date.

This indicates a substantial gain during the month of October though the crop is still under last year by approximately two-thirds. The report, of course, does not account for the cotton that may have been raised in this county and ginned in another.

Rev. D. M. Sharpe Retained As Pastor Of Hertford Church

Appointments Made at Annual Conference In E. City

That Hertford and Perquimans will retain their same Methodist pastors was made public Monday morning at the adjournment of the Eastern North Carolina Methodist Conference which has been in session in Elizabeth City since Wednesday of last week.

The conference went on record as denouncing the persecution of Jews in Foreign countries. This action endorses movements by the United States, Great Britain and other governments toward Jewish relief.

Prominent Citizen Laid To Rest Wednesday Morning

MANY ATTEND

Identified With Many Interests In Community

Charles Johnson, 66, prominent Hertford resident, died at his home on Tuesday morning at 7:40 o'clock. He had been in failing health for a long time and for several weeks had been confined to his bed.

Funeral services were conducted from the home at 11 o'clock on Wednesday morning, and burial was in Cedarwood Cemetery. The Rev. J. F. Stegall, pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church, of which Mr. Johnson was a member, officiated, the service being marked by dignity and simplicity. The choir of the Hertford Baptist Church sang, "Tell Mother I'll Be There," during the service at the home, and at the graveside "Rock of Ages" was sung.

Active pallbearers were Maynard Fleetwood, Morris Griffin, Charles Griffin, Ambrose Proctor, Ed Harrell and Fernor Hobbs.

Honorary pallbearers included the directors of the Hertford Banking Company, the directors of the Hertford Building and Loan Association, and the members of the Mens Bible Class. The banking house was closed on the day of the funeral and most of the business houses of Hertford observed the funeral hour with closed doors.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Lillie Harrell Johnson, two sons, Charles E. Johnson, local attorney, and Harrell Johnson, all of Hertford, and one sister, Mrs. Lizzie Hare, of Perquimans County. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

Mr. Johnson was a native and lifelong resident of Perquimans County, a son of the late Edward Johnson and Mrs. Katherine Ward Johnson, of the Bethel Community. He was educated at Buies Creek Academy and as a young man taught in the county schools. He had been a resident of Hertford for many years and was prominently identified with many interests here. For sixteen years he served as Clerk of the Superior Court of Perquimans. He had been acting head of the insurance firm of Johnson-White and Company for more than twenty-five years, he was a director of the Hertford Banking Company and also a director of the Hertford Building and Loan Association.

Mr. Johnson was a loyal member of the Hertford Baptist Church and for a long time served as treasurer of the Church.

The following from out of town attended the funeral: Mrs. W. I. Clements, Mrs. Thomas Farmer, Mrs. Ruth Sutton, Mrs. Raul Banhos, Mrs. Tim Gregory, Mrs. Irving Stubbs, J. H. Privott, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Keeter, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Keeter, Noah Gregory, of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse White, Mr. and Mrs. George Hoskins, Mr. and Mrs. Shack Small, Miss Ethlyn Everett, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Harrell, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harrell, Miss Sarah Margaret Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harrell, Pete Everett, Mrs. W. E. Hassell, Durwood Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Webb, Rev. and Mrs. John Byrum, Mr. and Mrs. Jolly Baker, John Baker, Drew Baker, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Griffin, Mrs. Lloyd Griffin, of Edenton; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hodges, Marion, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Bunch, Suffolk, Va.; Mrs. Lucille Jones, Suffolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Miller, Elizabeth City; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hobbs, Jr. and son, Worthington, Wilson, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Averett, Dunn, N. C.; T. E. Harrell, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. Olivia Hobbs, Richmond, Va.

CHICKEN SALAD SUPPER

A chicken salad supper and bazaar will be held at Winfall on Friday, December 2, for the benefit of the church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

CALLED HOME

Mrs. Kelly White has been called to the home of her parents in Lumberton by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. J. C. Carpio. Mrs. White, formerly Miss Sarah Carpio, left Monday morning.