

TAYLOR THEATRE

EDENTON, N. C.

Thursday and Friday, October 15-16—
Percy Ellbridge and Marjorie Main in
"MA AND PA KETTLE GO TO TOWN"

Saturday, October 16—
Shamrock Ellison and Lucky Hayden in
"COLORADO RANGERS"

Sunday, October 17—
Donald O'Connor and Gale Storm in
"CURTAIN CALL AT CACTUS CREEK"

Monday and Tuesday, October 18-19—
BETTY GRABLE and DAN DAILEY in
"MY BLUE HEAVEN"

Wednesday, October 19—
Double Feature
"DESTINATION BIG HOUSE"
"SIDE SHOW"
— Also —
"SUPERMAN"

EDEN THEATRE

Friday and Saturday, October 13-14—
Robert Mitchum and Burgess Meredith in
"THE STORY OF G.I. JOE"

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Memories For Fire Prevention Week

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Today the department consists of 1 chief and 24 volunteer firemen. They man 2 pieces of fire fighting equipment, the big Ford fire truck and a Chrysler Marine auxiliary pumping unit.

Let us look back through the years and remember some of the major fires in Hertford, (these accounts are strictly from memory being that no written records are available for authentic information, accurate causes and accounts of the fires).

In 1916 a fire broke out in the attic of the Whedbee home on Church Street, present location of the J. E. Newby home. The volunteer firemen, with the aid of the neighbors removed all the furniture and household belongings with the exception of one built-in wardrobe and a few items in the attic, before the house was consumed in flames. It was this fire that Captain C. F. Sumner picked up a Bob Roy coal stove and personally took it out of the house. It was also reported that the people present cut the kitchen away from the house and moved it back to keep it from being destroyed by the fire.

A few years later seven houses burned down in a row on King Street near the Perquimans High School. With the help of a strong wind, the flames jumped from one house to the other until seven complete losses occurred.

Then in 1924 the colonial mansion on the Gaither Plantation in West Hertford burned to the ground. In 1925, perhaps one of the longest fought fires in Hertford, Broughton Bros. 2nd story building caught fire. A few years previous, a big store, located where the State Theatre is now located, burned. A man and his wife living upstairs were awakened by a pet rabbit jumping on the bed. This small animal saved their lives by this action.

In 1927 the first fire truck for Hertford was purchased. H. C. Stokes was chief of the fire department at this time. A few years later the big Eastern Peanut Mill on Grubb Street burned to the ground. Many eye witnesses have said this to be the hottest fire ever seen in Hertford. In the years to follow, there were many other costly fires.

During the past 10 years we can remember five deaths attributed to fires. Two deaths resulted in the fire

at J. C. Blanchard & Co., in July, 1948. A good number of people were injured and many were saved through the heroic efforts of Volunteer Fireman Bill Fowler who served as a human fire net. He caught people as they jumped out of the second story window. Fireman Fowler suffered a broken arm in catching the victims. A thick black cloud of smoke covered the whole down-town area. The Hertford Fire Department, with the aid of the Navy fire department of Harvey Point Air Station and the Elizabeth City department brought the fire under control after a long and sustained fight.

In 1947 a colored woman, Marie Everett, was burned to death after her clothes caught fire. Then last October 22, 1949, another tragic fire in Hertford, resulting from an overturned oil lamp, burned W. H. Curtis to death and injured Mrs. W. H. Curtis, with Mrs. Curtis dying three days later. Heroic attempts to rescue Mr. Curtis and to keep Mrs. Curtis from going back into the fire to find her husband were made by Kermit Mizelle, Robert Nixon and Louis Taylor.

On the morning of Thanksgiving Day, 1949, a house at 86 Market Street was completely destroyed but, through the swift action on the part of the Hertford Volunteer Fire Department, a number of surrounding houses were saved. This action brought many favorable comments from other departments and insurance companies as to the matter in which the Hertford Department cut down the possible losses that could have occurred. The fire losses in Hertford have been comparably small thus enabling Hertford to have a low fire insurance rate on building and property.

The citizens of Hertford should be thankful and very appreciative of this small fire loss record.

There are probably a great number of fires and instances that were omitted in this story that you may recall but due to being without written records this story can not be too accurate.

This article was written with one objective in mind and that is to enlighten some of these side walk fire chiefs who criticize instead of apologizing for getting in the way of the fire truck and volunteer firemen when

on their way to save your or my house. Good people!!! there is a difference between "Volunteer" firemen, who serve you without pay and the regular or paid firemen who train every day.

MASSSES NEXT SUNDAY IN COLUMBIA AND EDENTON

The Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered Sunday, October 15, at 8 A. M., in Poor Souls Catholic chapel, Columbia, and at 11 A. M., in St. Ann's Catholic Church, Edenton, each including sermon on "The Efficacy of Prayer," Holy Communion, with Rosary, Litany, prayer to St. Joseph publicly recited during October masses for peace, confessions heard Sundays 7:30 to 7:55 and 10:30 to 10:55 A. M., stated Father F. J. McCourt, Rector, who invites everybody to all Services. Week-mornings at 7: Mass in Edenton.

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JOHN WAYNE and GABBY HAYES in
"TALL IN THE SADDLE"

Sunday, October 18—
RODDIE ALBERT and GALE STORM in
"THE DUDE GOES WEST"

Monday and Tuesday, October 19-20—
LARRY PARKS and EVELYN KEYES in
"RENEGADES"

Wednesday and Thursday, October 21-22—
SUSAN HAYWARD and VAN HEFLIN in
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