

## Hertford To Have New Restaurant

John Moore, Jr., a native of Greensville, N. C., who for the past ten years has operated a restaurant on U. S. No. 1 in Baltimore, has leased the Brown Motel Restaurant, located just south of Hertford, and begun renovations and redecorating of the building.

## BIOGRAPHY OF R. B. COX

In October, 1865, after the war ended, I became a merchant in Hertford, buying calico at 30 cents a yard and selling at 40 cents, and other things in proportion, making money but losing from depreciation of values. I made some money in 1866 and things looked brighter through the county. Cotton was high at 33 cents per pound, corn \$1.25 per bushel. It was a good crop year and a good deal of both shipped. But 1867 it was just the reverse. It rained all of March, only a few hours of sunshine and that year not sufficient corn raised in the county for bread, and little cotton. Merchants tried to help their friends. In 1868 crops were very little better. 1868 seems to have been the flicker of the

flame that flared up before the final dying away. In 1869 I purchased a small steamer named The Alpine and had her run to Norfolk. Business was dull in 1870. Purchased the Pender farm in 1870, bought it at a low figure and greatly improved it, making good crops, but due to sickness, I had to leave the farm. I was at one time superintendent of Beaufort High School.

**Earthquake August 31, 1886**  
While writing in this book at 10 o'clock P. M. sharp on August 31, 1886, we felt an earthquake shock. Mollie and children had just gone upstairs. The rumbling was distinct, the house shook and timbers cracked and it seemed as if the house would be thrown down. The whole town was alarmed and out upon the streets. My first impression was that the children were running heavily across the floor and that the floors and house responded to the swinging motion. I stopped and thought, the house and floor could not sway and swing to such slight influences and the joists and timbers began cracking and snapping. I thought I would see what was the matter, and upon reaching the passage door the whole thing seemed swinging and swaying. Mollie called out, "What is the matter?" I replied, "I do not know. It then occurred to me that probably a cyclone had arrived and was the cause. I suppose the wave must have come from the North as I judged the storm was blowing from that direction. Upon opening the door, I saw there was no wind and called out "Earthquake" and told Mollie to bring the children down, that we would soon have another shock as three waves (so I read) generally followed each other, and in fifteen minutes there was another shock not so violent and shorter of duration. I am of the opinion that the two first shocks followed each other rapidly and probably lasted three minutes. There was no panic, but a good deal of excitement. The jail walls were slightly cracked, window frames moved perhaps half an inch. A party of perhaps twenty men were playing pool in the hotel, the balls began rolling and the bell ringing caused a stampede to the street. Many clocks were stopped. Many people thought burglars were trying to break in, and others that someone was under the bed lifting it up.

September 14: The reports coming in from elsewhere lend additional interest. Some damage was done all through the eastern part of the U. S. and felt as far north as Albany, New York and south as far as the Gulf. The center disturbance being in the neighborhood of Charleston, S. C. There the shake was alarming. Over fifty persons were killed by falling buildings, churches and buildings wrecked, damage to exceed \$3,000,000. Considerable

subsidence of the earth in many places, dread still continues and many persons camped in the public square. Shocks have occurred at intervals since the night of the 31st, though not severe. Shock last night at 11:10 destroyed two buildings and killed two persons. I felt the one distinctly and it was noticed by many persons here. The apprehension still continues and much dread. Only two persons left in the village of Somerville, S. C., so the paper states, the rest fled. Railroad tracks near Charleston were bent.

In Richmond, Va., it was quite severe, the inmates of the penitentiary were alarmed, some dozen or more broke out of their cells, being ordered back by the guards and refusing to go, were fired upon. The military and fire signals were given and some 6,000 to 8,000 people were around the building, a colored volunteer company being first on the ground, and the disturbance was soon quelled. No tidal wave or unusual electrical disturbance was noticed. A few days previous an earthquake in Greece destroyed 500 persons and considerable property and along the Mediterranean there seems to have been for several days much volcanic activity.

The feeling produced by an earthquake is one of great dread and nervous derangement, producing in some instances nausea like sickness. It causes a feeling of utter insignificance. From older people I gather we had quite a shock here in 1831, but no damage done.

## 240 MASONS AT DISTRICT MEETING OF MASONS

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Brewer, Past Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Charles A. Harris, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary.  
They were received in due form and conducted to the East. Mr. Ricker, Grand Master, was received and given Grand Honors and presented him the gavel. Mr. Stienmets of Eureka Lodge No. 317, Elizabeth City, was presented a 60-year Diamond Jubilee award for 60 years of continuous Masonic membership by Mr. Ricker and gave a brief Masonic history of Mr. Stienmets. Mr. Stienmets thanked the Grand Lodge for this honor.

orable presentation. Mr. Burgess resumed the business of the district by recognizing B. C. Berry, Sr., of Perquimans Lodge, who presented honorary membership certificates to Mr. Ricker and Mr. Harris making them honorary members of Perquimans Lodge.

Troy Robbins of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home spoke to the Masens assembled about the operation of the home and its guests, as did A. D. Leon Gray of Oxford Orphanage about the children in the orphanage and its operation. Perquimans County has four children attending the orphanage at this time. A collection of \$192.30 was taken to be sent to the orphanage and home.

The traveling gavel of the First District, presented to the lodge for the greatest percentage of attendance, was presented to Mr. Davis of South Mills, who had 25 members present. Mr. Harris presented a most interesting history of the many lodges that have been in the Albemarle area, their opening and closing and those discontinued and combined with others.

Masons were assembled from Gatesville, Edenton, Hertford, Elizabeth City, Camden, Indian town, Coinjock, Manteo, Hatteras, Engelhard, Columbia, Raleigh, Greenville and visitors from the state of Virginia.

## Harvey Point Trims Falcons 57 to 44

Personnel from Harvey Point, with the assistance of some residents of Hertford, have formed a basketball team to play in the Elizabeth City Independent League and in a game played last Thursday with the Falcons-Town and Country Motor Company, won the tilt with a score of 57 to the Falcons' 44. High scorer for the Harvey Point team was B. Ashley and for the Falcons it was Fitch.

## BRIDGE CLUB MEETS

Mrs. J. D. Coston was hostess to her Bridge Club Tuesday night at her home. Those playing were Mesdames C. M. Williford, J. T. Biggers, C. E. Johnson, W. G. Barbee, Misses Mary Sumner, Ruby White, Louise Chalk and the hostess. The high score prize went to Mrs. Williford. Refreshments were served.

## Hertford Defeated By Edenton Teams

Edenton's Aces came to town Friday night and returned home with two Albemarle Conference decisions, the boys triumphing 43 to 31 and the girls winning 50 to 33. The Edenton boys led 24-15 at half time and boosted their margin to 35-19 at the end of the third round.

Ross turned in 25 of Edenton's points. Freddie Combs paced Perquimans with 12 tallies. The Edenton girls, held to a 17-13 margin at half time, cut loose in the final half to score 33 points while holding the Squaws to only 20. Bunch with 20 points and Willie 12 led Edenton. Cox had 16 and Long 8 for Perquimans.

## PTA WILL SPONSOR TALENT PROGRAM

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The proceeds will go towards the annual PTA Founder's Day program. The attendance banner, which is a PTA monthly award, went to grades 7 and 8 for having the highest per cent of parents present. T. E. Bolden and G. N. Reid are instructors of the respective grades. Following the presentation of the attendance banner, the president gave recognition to the grade mothers. After which two additional committees were appointed, namely the health and safety and the constitution groups. Serving on the health and safety section are Willie Mallory, J. W. Jones, Jacob Willis and P. L. Winslow. Members of the constitution committee consist of Mrs. Lula Newby, Mrs. J. L. Privott, Mrs. L. T. Andrews and James Turner. P. L. Winslow, physical education instructor at Perquimans Union, was in charge of the physical fitness program which culminated with various acrobatic performances. Principal J. A. Dempsey concluded the meeting with brief, timely remarks. Mrs. Emma Burle is chairman of the publicity committee.

## Mrs. John Caddy Host At Meeting

Bethlehem Ladies' Auxiliary of Bethlehem Christian Church met in the home of Mrs. John Caddy at 509 Willow Street in Hertford on Tuesday night. A short program was given.

## School Committee Hangs In Balance

A meeting of the Better Schools Committee of Perquimans County was held January 19 at 8 P. M. in the Agriculture Building. Only six, three old and three new, members attended. James E. Newby is president.

Its only business being to elect a vice president and a secretary-treasurer, vacated by automatic retirement of old officers, action was tabled by suggestion that a bare quorum was present and that a call meeting be voted for February 9 at 7:30 P. M. to complete this business. Votes so ordered and due notice will be sent to members.

Discussion revealed a strong sentiment among some members that this committee's usefulness was extremely limited. This raised the question as to whether future meetings could serve a useful purpose. Out of respect for the valued opinions of absent members, this discussion was tabled, to be reintroduced. It is hoped better attendance will be at the February meeting.

led by the President, Mrs. J. B. Perry; others present were Mrs. Nellie Stallings, Mrs. F. Y. Berry, Sr., Mrs. Willie Lane, Mrs. William Stallings, Mrs. W. C. Lassiter, Mrs. Virginia Dull, Mrs. Raymond Lassiter, Mrs. Leslie Evans, Mrs. Feta Boyce, Mrs. Raleigh Perry, Mrs. Jim Dull, Mrs. Tom Goodwin and Mrs. Watt Eure.

## MUSIC LEADERS COURSES HELD

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leaders were discussed. The following quotes were read and discussed: "That which you do for yourself dies with you; that which you do for others lives long after you are gone." "Leaders are born and so are race horses." So leaders have to be trained just as race horses have to be trained. Leaders have to be active to accomplish results.

## PERRY REASSIGNED

Keesler AFB, Miss. - Airman Third Class William W. Perry of Hertford, N. C., is being reassigned to the 662nd Radar Squadron at Onkdale, Pa., following his graduation from the United States Air Force technical training course for radar operators here. Airman Perry was trained to operate manual ground radar equipment used for aircraft control and warning purposes. The airman, a graduate of Perquimans County High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Redmon R. Perry, Jr., of Route 3, Hertford.

## Taylor Theatre

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Saturday, January 26—  
DOUBLE FEATURE  
John Wayne in "THE SEARCHERS"  
Vincent Price in "THE FLY"  
Both in Color

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, January 27-29-28—  
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BATH'S - A GRILLER Spiced Ham . . . . . lb. 49c	KRAFT'S - 1-LB. 3-0Z. Apple Jelly . . . . . glass 29c
Fresh Melts . . . . . lb. 19c	Rose Farm Corn . . . . . can 21c
Fat Back . . . . . lb. 19c	U. S. NO. 1 Irish Potatoes . . . . . 10 lbs. 49c
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Neck Bones . . . . . lb. 19c	Quaker Gravy . . . . . box 11c
SHOVED - HE-IR Side Meat . . . . . lb. 49c	Lean Pork Chops . . . . . lb. 59c
"OUR OWN" Corned Shoulder . . . . lb. 45c	"OUR OWN" Link Sausage . . . . . lb. 59c
Pork Liver . . . . . lb. 29c	SELF-SHEDDING Groves Flour . . . . . 5-lb. bag 49c
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