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## Openings For Two Perquimans Businesses Draw Large Crowds



Grand openings and ribbon cutting ceremonies held last Thursday for Phillips Bros. Furniture Store and the Super Dollar Store in their new spacious building in Harris Shopping Center, drew a large crowd of area residents and in addition many from the surrounding counties.

Shown in the top photo is the Grand Opening at Phillips Bros. Furniture Co. located on U.S. 17 Bypass. This business had their ceremony at 8:30 a.m. last Thursday morning. Hertford Mayor Bill Cox was on hand to do the honors cutting the ribbon. Shown in the picture is Mr. and Mrs. Gene Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Zack Phillip's (parents of the Phillips Bros.) Mayor W.D. (Bill) Cox with scissors in hand cutting the ribbon, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Phillips. Grand Opening prizes were given, Mrs. Charles Eley won the first prize, a mattress and box springs, Mrs. W.F. Ainsley won second prize, \$50. in merchandise.

Super Dollar Store in Harris Shopping Center in their new spacious building had their Grand Opening and ribbon cutting ceremony at 9 o'clock following the Phillips Bros. ceremony.

## Presents Annual Christmas Music

On Sunday, December 19th the combined choirs of the Hertford Baptist Church will present a program of Christmas Music at the Morning Worship Service (11:00 A.M.)

The Primary Choir will sing "Jesus Was Born in Bethlehem" and the Junior Choir will sing "What Child Is This?"

Included in the Morning Musicals will be "Good Christian Men," "Rise Up

Shepherds and Foller," "O Holy Night," "Gentle Mary," "As Lately We Watched," "Go Tell It On The Mountain" and "Silent Night."

Soloists will be Mrs. Jimmy Hunter, Mrs. Dan Daneker, Miss Margo Perry and Carroll Williams.

Instrumentalists are Mrs. Charles Johnson and Mrs. Chester Winslow.

The Hertford Baptist Church extends an invitation to all to attend these services.

## R.L. Stevenson News President Of Chamber Of Commerce



R.L. Stevenson, Executive Vice President of People's Bank & Trust Co., was installed as the new president of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce, at the Chamber's annual banquet and installation of new officers for 1972, held Friday night at the Hertford Grammar School.

Stevenson was unable to attend the banquet and the 1971 President T. Erie Haste, Jr., was on hand for the ceremony.

Marion Swindell was installed as vice president and J. Emory White was elected treasurer. The chamber's new directors are W.S. Winslow, George

Baker, Mrs. Charles White and Johnnie Gregory.

Phil Godwin, speaker of North Carolina's house, was the guest speaker. Godwin of Gates County, told the 165 people attending the banquet that he expects to return soon to private practice.

Sybil Jean Bateman, the county's 1971 entrant in the Miss North Carolina Teen-Age America Pageant, provided the evening's entertainment, demonstrating her dancing skills and she recited her treatise on "What American Means To Me." Miss Bateman is also the cover girl for the new county brochure. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bateman of Rt. 3, Hertford.

During the banquet, Mrs. J.H. Newbold, owner of North Carolina's oldest home, received a certificate from the state's Department of Archives and History. A.L. Honeycutt, manager of historic sites for the Department of Archives and History, make the presentation. The document certified that the Newbold-White house has been entered in the National Register of Historic Places by the U.S. Dept. of Interior. The National Register lists properties significant to American history, architecture, archeology and culture.

## Library To Close For Carmen Sutton Elected President Christmas Holidays Of National Junior Association

Six memorial books given to the Perquimans County Library recently are: The International Book of Sacred Songs in memory of Durwood Barber; House Plants in memory of Jacob L. White; Audubon's Animals in memory of Percy Rogerson; Encyclopedia of Art Vol. 19 in memory of Mrs. Nancey Payne; Ghosts Along the Mississippi (old Louisiana Houses) in memory of L.C. Winslow; and The Madonna Story in Art and Flower arrangement in memory of Elizabeth Ann Lawrence.

Other new books in the library are: The Winds of War, by Herman Wauk; the Winter Issue of Horizon; The Dept. of Agriculture Yearbook, A Good Life for More People; Salt for the Tiger, by Tuttle; Dark is My Destiny, by Hurst; A Civil Contract, by Heyer; and two biographies for young people, Vincent Lombardi and Virgil Grissom.

The library will close for the Christmas holidays on Wednesday Dec. 22 through Dec. 26. It will open on Monday 27. The bookmobile will not go on its regular routes Dec. 23 nor the week following Christmas.

## Magazine On Sale By PCHS

"Free and Easy," a literary magazine published by the Journalism Class of Perquimans High School, will be on sale over the holidays.

Edited by Jonetta Ward, the magazine contains poems short stories, and drawings by the students of P.C.H.S.

Persons interested in purchasing a copy of "Free and Easy," should contact Jonetta Ward, 426-7135 or Charlie Harrell, 426-5446.

## Tax List Takers, Crop Lister, And County Assessor

The following Perquimans County residents have been appointed to serve as County Tax List Takers, Crop Report Listers and County Assessor for 1972.

Mrs. Estes O. Copeland, Belvidere Township; T. Julian Long, Bethel Township; Oras W. Winslow, Hertford Township; Melvine Eure, New Hope Township; Mrs. Floyd Long, Parkville Township. Carson Spivey, Sr., County Assessor.



Eastern North Carolina teenagers won several top honors Friday (Dec. 10) at the National Junior Horticultural Association meeting in Miami Beach, Fla.

Carmen Sutton, 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sutton, Rt. 3, Hertford, was elected president of the organization.

Douglas Lee, Rt. 4, Kinston, was named national winner in the environmental beautification project and regional winner in the experimental horticultural program.

Melissa Brantley, Rt. 4, Jacksonville, was third place winner in the horticultural use demonstration.

Mike Best, Rt. 2, Mebane, received state awards in experimental horticulture, environmental beautification and the production and marketing contest.

## School Unit Gets \$50,345.00 ESAP Grant

North Carolina will receive \$7,412,437 under the federal Emergency School Assistance Program (ESAP). The money is provided through the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to assist school districts with their desegregation programs.

Fifty-one North Carolina school units will receive a total of \$6,976,907 and 12 non-public school organizations will receive \$435,530.

Last year, 82 school units received a total of \$6,470,889.

The ESAP money, which goes directly to the local school system or organization, is used for a variety of programs to

help smooth the desegregation process. Some of the programs have included the employment of special tutors, workshops on human relations, employment of specialists in community public relations, and publishing newsletters to inform the public of desegregation matters.

School Units funded under ESAP included Perquimans County in the amount of \$50,345.00.

Ninety-one School Unites submit ESAP projects, and fifty-one are being funded for Emergency School Assistance Projects for Fall, 1972.

The 51 School Unites being funded totaled \$6,976,907.86.

## Clip & Save

Here is a clip and save (or file and remember) item from your Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce concerning holiday hours.

The Chamber and license bureau office will be closed on Saturday, Dec. 25 and Saturday, Jan. 1, but will be open the Friday before and the Monday following both holidays.

New license plates will go on sale Monday, Jan. 3.

New office hours will go into effect beginning at that time.

They are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

And for your shopping convenience all of the stores in Perquimans County will be open on Dec. 27, the Monday after Christmas.

## Rites Held For Eluid Umphlett

Eluid Umphlett, 81, of Route 3, Hertford, died Friday at 12:30 p.m. in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Delwin H. Eure.

A native of Perquimans County, he was a son of the late Elisha and Mrs. Margaret Bateman Umphlett and the husband of the late Elsie Trueblood Umphlett.

He was a member of the Berea Church of Christ and a retired carpenter and Contractor.

Surviving besides Mrs. Eure are one son, Milton J. Umphlett of Littleton, N.C.; one daughter, Mrs. B.V. Lindsey of Dayton Ohio; ten grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held Sunday at 3:30 in the Chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home by the Rev. Keith Stillner.

"The Old Rugged Cross" was played by Mrs. Pauline Webb, Organist.

The casket pall was made of red roses, white Chrysanthemums, and fern.

Pallbearers were Shelby Bright, Leory Lamb, Garland Eure, Albert Eure, Fenton Eure, Jr., and Bobby Eure.

Burial was in the Perry-Trueblood Cemetery.

## E. R. Stevenson Dies At 69

Ernest Reynold Stevenson, 69, of Route 2, Hertford, died Friday at 1:15 am in the Chowan Hospital following a long illness. A native of Pasquotank County he was a son of the late William Lumsden and Mrs. Rhonda Meads Stevenson and the husband of Mrs. Bessie Smith Stevenson.

He was a retired farmer and member of Bagley Swamp Wesleyan Church where he was a Sunday School teacher for many years and a former member of the Official Board.

Surviving besides his wife are two sons, Robert Louis Stevenson and Preston Stevenson both of Route 2, Hertford; one daughter, Mrs. Ciella Harry of Route 2, Hertford; two brothers, William L. Stevenson of Hickory, Va. and Rev. Charles Stevenson of South Mills; five sisters Mrs. Charlie Cartwright of Rt. 2, Elizabeth City, Mrs. Julian Bright of Rt. 1, Elizabeth City, Mrs. Eural Riggs of Chuckatuck, Va., Mrs. Miles McDonald, Fentress, Va. and Mrs. Ivie Cooper of Elizabeth City, N.C.; 9 grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held Sunday at 2:00 in the Bagley Swamp Wesleyan Church by the Rev. W.F. Page, Rev. J. Percy Trueblood, and Rev. Coy Saunders.

"Near The Cross" and "Face To Face" were sung by Linda Meads, Judy Overman and Danny Meads. They were accompanied by Dany Meads, organist. The trio sang "Beyond The Sunset" at the grave.

The casket pall was made of white chrysanthemums, red carnations, and fern.

Pallbearers were Charles Smith, Adrian Smith, Jr., Charlie Raymond Cartwright, Johnny W. Gregory, Bruce Bright, Ivey Cooper, Jr., Clyde Edward Stevenson, and Melvin Riggs.

Burial was in the Bagley Swamp Community Cemetery.

## Balmy Weather Keeps Beach Lovers On Stroll



The Winter officially begins this month December 22nd., lovely critters continue to enjoy strolls on the shores of the beautiful Perquimans River. This unidentified lady is enjoying the late afternoon. The Swan that swim up and down the river had according to this beach lover just gone pass Sutton's Creek in the White Hat section.

## Two 13-Year-Old Perquimans Girls Still Missing



Debra Lowe and Theresa Lucas, 13-year-old Rt. 2, Hertford girls have been missing since December 2nd, are still missing.

The girls failed to return home from Perquimans Union School at Winfall where both are students. After attending school Dec. 2 a friend took them to Edenton, believing that the

parents would pick them up after the Christmas parade. Theresa Virginia Lucas, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Lucas, and Debra Faye Lowe, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Lowe. Both families live on Rt. 2, Hertford.

Anyone who has seen the girls shown in the above photo's should notify the sheriff's office.

## Packing Up Operation Santa Claus



A lot of people at Caswell Training Center and Cherry Hospital will have a merrier Christmas this year due to the heart warming response of Perquimans County residents to OPERATION SANTA CLAUS. This was a project of a six county area under the Albemarle Mental Health Clinic to insure that each of the approximately 180 residents from this geographical area would be assured of a new gift Christmas.

Mrs. Keith Haskett, and Mrs. Marion Swindell project chairman from this county, were enthusiastic in their praise of the businesses, organizations and citizens response to this appeal.

On Tuesday morning all of the gifts from the six county area were taken to the home of Mrs. George Wood in Camden who was the overall chairman where they were wrapped and tagged. They were then loaded in two vans furnished by Landing Supply Company and Robertson's Laundry for trans-

portation to Cherry Hospital in Goldsboro and The Caswell Center in Kinston.

The chairmen would like to thank Mrs. Geraldine Lowe, Mrs. Teeny Woodell, Mrs. Billie Miller and Mrs. Helen Kyle for their help in sorting, wrapping and tagging the gifts.

Shown in the above picture is Mrs. Lowe, Mrs. Marion Swindell and Mrs. Keith Haskett.

## Post Office To Be Open Saturday

Postmaster W.W. White announced today that the Hertford Post Office will be open from 8:30 until 5:00 o'clock on Saturday, December 18-19th, for the benefit of all its patrons.

Postmaster White expressed his appreciation to the patrons for making early mailing so as to reach its destination in time for Christmas.

## Rotary Club Celebrates Ladies Nite



The Hertford Rotary Club members entertained their ladies at their annual Ladies Night Christmas party last Tuesday night at the Edenton Golf and Country Club.

A social hour preceded the dinner with dancing following. Shown in the above picture are, from left, Talmadge Rose, Joe Towe, Sr., Mrs. Charles Payne, Carlton Davenport, Dr. and Mrs. Allan

Bonner and Erie Haste, Jr.

In lieu of special favors for the ladies, the Rotarians voted to give a gift in name of the Rotarians to Operation Santa Claus sponsored by the Albemarle Mental Health Association. Their gift will be sent to Caswell Training Center at Kinston, Cherry Hospital at Goldsboro or Walter B. Jones Rehabilitation Center at Greenville.