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Surveys Made For Memorial Hospital Reports Committee

Young Men Put Names On List At Service Board

White And Negro Youths Of Eighteen Sign White Group Goes To Exams.

Twenty white youths and ten negroes who became eighteen years of age in June have registered with Person Selective Service board it was reported this morning.

White men listing their names were: Lyle T. Chandler, Walter Bradsher Fuller, Robert H. Morris, Willis C. Stigall, William A. Erksine, Jr., Arthur F. Perkins, Jr., Johnnie William Walker, Jr., and William Russell Breeze.

Also, James Ronald Long, Willie Edward Irby, Dutie Andrew Carver, Emory Sanders Jackson, Thomas Holt, James Merritt Walker, Lindburg Tyndall, Stephen Alfred Moore, Ernest William Ebrann, Calvin Charlie Barker, Richard Paul Parker and Willie Thomas Clayton.

Negro men who have registered, are: Percy Taylor, Cecil Calloworth Street, Willie Junius Jones, Robert Edward Long, McDonald Lewis, Willie Clarence Wilson, Jesse Lewis Holloway, Jr., Coner Williams and Peter Byrd Smith.

With John A. O'Brian, Jr. as leader, white men who went down to Fort Bragg for examination were: Johnnie Albert Oakley, John William Chambers, Jr., Patrick Henry Briggs, Jr., Phillip Henry Shields, James David Melton, Connie Miles Martin, James Rainey Emerson, Charlie Dewey Dickerson, William Linwood Rudder and Frank Gentry. James Hubbard Showell, Dallas Horton Rimmer, Tiny Baby Miller, Lennie Dodson Sanford, John Irvin Gentry, Weldon Lee Carver, James Berlie Chandler and Joe Ernest Robinson.

Slaughterers To Stamp On Numbers

Effective July 5, Class three slaughterers (farm slaughterers) must stamp their new permit numbers issued by the Office of Price Administration on dressed carcasses, whether they killed the livestock or had some one else kill it for them. It was announced today by the Person OPA.

Permit numbers must be stamped on each wholesale cut of meat such as rounds loins, ribs, chunks, and plates. The number must be stamped on the meat so that it will not smear and can be easily read. The registration of Class 3 slaughterers has been extended from July 1, 1945 to October 14, 1945.

Out On Points

Pfc. Ernest T. Evans, who served three years overseas in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy, has returned home and received a discharge by the point system from the army. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene L. Evans.

Holster Saves Boy From Serious Injury

Tech 5 Oscar Satterfield, who is now in France with the U. S. Army is supposed to furnish the thrills for his family, but the real test for the Satterfields came Saturday afternoon about one o'clock, right here in Roxboro, when Lawrence Lee Satterfield, 4, son of Tech 5 and Mrs. Satterfield, caught himself by a pistol holster on the bumper of a moving automobile on North Lamar Street.

The child, who evidently started to dart across the street, received scraped hands and a head injury of the same character while he hung suspended just at the street's edge for about a block, while Mrs. Lucy Long, operator of the Packard automobile, drove along—unaware of the fact that the boy was in imminent danger.

Fact Finding Committee Surveys Number Of Patients Going To Other Hospitals.

The preliminary or ground work for the proposed drive for Person County Memorial Hospital is going steadily forward, according to a member of the Executive Committee.

A detailed study has been made by the fact finding committee as to the number of patients treated in the Community Hospital for the years 1943 and 1944. A study has also been made of all patients from Person County who have received hospital treatment in Durham, Danville, South Boston and Oxford Hospitals during the last two years. With the information thus obtained it is felt that a very intelligent and worth-while report with recommendations will be ready for the Central Committee at its next meeting.

Information in reference to the legal requirements, proposed charter, Articles of Information, etc. is being worked out by R. P. Burns, legal member of the Executive Committee. Tax exemption requirements have been gone into very carefully by R. L. Harris, Chairman of Initial Gifts Committee.

Before the Financial Drive is launched all the above details should be settled in the opinion of the Executive Committee so that once the drive is started all the details will be perfected.

A careful check is also being made of former Person County citizens who have left here to make their home elsewhere. Many of these people feel most friendly toward Person County and will take a keen interest in the plans for a modern, efficient hospital, a living memorial to those who took part in both World Wars one and two, both the living and those who made the supreme sacrifice. It is planned to make this hospital a project which every citizen in Person County will be proud of. White, Negro and Indian patients will be treated in the proposed new hospital.

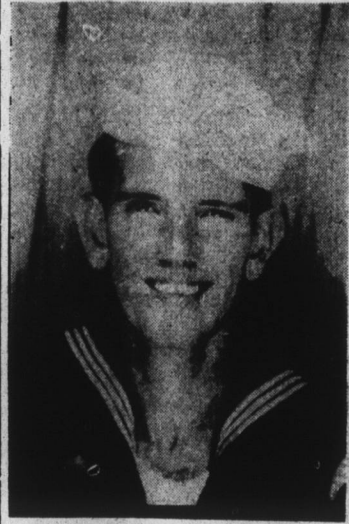
When the Person County Memorial Hospital is completed the people of Person County will have the satisfaction of knowing that they will be efficiently taken care of as far as hospitalization is concerned, and that it will no longer be necessary to carry them sick and injured thirty or more miles to the hospital in the neighboring counties. The Executive Committee would appreciate any helpful suggestions that will help in this patriotic project. Any suggested names of former residents of Person County should be mailed to W. Wallace Woods, Secretary.

Home On Thirty Day Furlough

Lt. William Smith Humphries, who was reported as seriously wounded several weeks ago, arrived home Friday afternoon. He will spend a thirty day furlough here with his mother at her home in the Bethel Hill section, and then will go to Rome, Ga., where he will probably spend 30 or 60 days, and then nobody knows.

Before entering Uncle Sam's Army William was the associate editor of The Courier, and was one of the ablest and most popular members of the staff.

Invasion Man



ROBERT E. SOLOMON

Seaman Second Class Robert E. Solomon, here in May for a visit with his wife and three children, was in the invasion at Okinawa. Son of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Solomon of Roxboro, he came home exactly one year after he entered the Navy. Expecting to go back to Pacific duty, Solomon said while he was at home that he does not think the "Japs will be hard to whip out now."

Farben Works Taken Over By American Units

Hoescht, Germany, July 8.—In a sudden move the American Army has seized complete control of the management, assets and plants of the vast I. G. Farbenindustrie in the United States zone of occupied Germany and set in motion machinery intended to wipe out for all time the German ability to wage war.

Acting under General Order No. 2, issued by Lt. Gen. Lucius Clay as deputy military governor, armed American troops marched simultaneously into 25 Farben plants at 6 p. m. and assumed control of properties which had played a great part in building up and maintaining the German war machine.

Blow at Cartel System
The action was taken to smash I. G. Farbenindustrie's worldwide cartel system and practices and break up the industry's war-making power, which the United States Major Control Council considers a "major threat to peace and security of the postwar world so long as such industries remain within the control of Germany."

Control of the industry's management, assets and plants which produced more than 50 per cent of Germany's supply of chemicals and allied products is to be held for ultimate disposition by a four-power government to be established for Germany.

The seizure was made pursuant to military government law dealing with the blocking and control of German property. The entire management, under terms of the order, was "removed and discharged and deprived of all authority to act with respect to the corporation or its property." Shareholders' rights in the selection of the management or control of the industry also were suspended.

To States Soon

Pfc. Henry M. Turner, son of Mrs. Mamie Turner, who was wounded March 14, in the European theatre and was subsequently removed to a hospital in England, is reported to be improving. He expects to return soon to the United States.

What She Wanted, She Now Has

This story may be true or it may not be true but the story was properly reported to this office.

The husband of a colored woman of this county, whose name could not be ascertained, was recently inducted into the armed service of this country. After a short time his first allotment check came in. Then his wife went into action. She promptly bought \$10.00 worth of watermelons. That amount at the ceiling price of four cents a pound means that she bought 250 pounds of watermelons at one clip.

Manganese, a material used in small quantities to toughen steel, may be needed in the human diet, so tests with rabbits indicate.

Rotary Discusses Project Plans For New Year

Dr. John Fitzgerald, New President Announces Assembly Program Plans.

Dr. John Fitzgerald, new president of Roxboro Rotary Club, who had charge of the program Thursday night at Hotel Roxboro, announced that the meeting of July 26, will take the form of an Assembly session with open forum discussions as to policy and program by chairmen of newly appointed club committees, members of which, together with chairmen, were announced at last week's meeting.

Enclosed with the list of committees was an idea sheet pertaining to club programs which is to be filled out and returned by club members at the July 26, meeting. Theme of Dr. Fitzgerald's discussion, his first formal program as new president, was the club's general program and plan for the new year, it being suggested that a worthwhile civic, community project should be undertaken.

Fred Long, retiring president, had as highlight of his administration, celebration of the club's 20th anniversary, observed last fall. Guest pianist in the absence of Mrs. W. Wallace Woods, who is in Sanford, was Miss Bivens Winstead.

It has been suggested that the club here could render great assistance with the USO Service Center work carried on here each week-end at the Center and at Chub Lake for Camp Butner hospital soldiers.

Solons Approve Universal Draft

Postwar Military Committee Urges Prompt Consideration by Congress.

Washington, July.—With only one member voicing opposition, the House Postwar Military Committee today endorsed the "broad policy" of universal military training.

It brought to a head the long-pending controversy over compulsory military training in peacetime by urging that Congress give the proposition "prompt and thorough consideration."

Although only 16 members of 22-man committee headed by Chairman Woodrum (D-Va.) signed the formal recommendation, only one, Representative Bradley (D-Pa.) flatly opposed it. Of the other five, Representative Shepherd (D-Calif.) was not available to study the report and four declined to sign it but were represented by Woodrum as being neither opposed nor in favor of the proposal. They are Representatives Bulwinkle (D-N.C.), Short (R-Mo.), Arends (R-Ill.) and Allen (R-Ill.).

Hearings Stated.
The committee did not offer specific legislation—it has no legislative powers—but left that job to the Military Affairs Committee which is expected to hold hearings after the summer recess.

A majority of the military committee is known to favor a peacetime draft requiring every youth to take a year of military training at some time between the ages of 17 and 22.

The Woodrum committee, which for two weeks heard Army, Navy, veterans' groups and others support the proposal, and churchmen, educators, labor and farm groups oppose it, urged that "full consideration be given" to these matters when Congress is ready to act.

"1. It should be designed primarily to train men for military service under conditions of modern warfare.

"2. It should conform in its details with the requirements shown by experience in this war and by future technological developments.

Wounded



PFC. LINWOOD JONES

Pfc. Linwood C. Jones, with the 77th Liberty Division, was wounded last month at Okinawa, but is improving. His wife is the former Miss Julia Grinstead. His brother, S. Sgt. Curtis H. Jones, is stationed in Florida. Pfc. Jones, who has been in service since December 1942, has been overseas fourteen months. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jule Jones of Hurdle Mills.

Bailey Favors Quick Adoption Of United Charter

Washington, July.—I wish to inform the people of North Carolina that I am heartily in favor of the Treaty recently agreed upon at San Francisco by the delegates representing more than 50 nations. I shall support ratification earnestly and without reservation. It is my judgment that we should ratify this most important treaty with as little delay as possible.

These are the words of Senator J. W. Bailey, of North Carolina, in a special release to the Courier-Times.

Probably it is well to warn our people that while this is a most excellent treaty, as good as could have been devised under all the circumstances, it does not guarantee peace or security. Probably it does all that a treaty can do.

It is my opinion that the security of our country and the peace of our people will depend upon the people themselves rather than upon treaties, even great treaties like this one. It would be most unfortunate if we should nullify ourselves into a sense of security upon ratification of this treaty by the nations which brought it forth. There has always been a powerful will to peace in our country. Our people are peaceful and they hate war. What I fear is that so many do not seem to understand that the security of this country depends upon their determination to keep this country strong and great.

We must not only maintain our present great navy we must also have a very strong army. We must continue to be prepared. Few of us realize how nearly we came to losing this war by reason of the fact that we were unprepared and it required fully two years to prepare us. We cannot afford to disarm and I am not for disarmament. On the other hand I am for preserving the military and naval and air strength of our country and for keeping this country at the very front in armed might. The United States is at this moment probably the strongest and the mightiest of all the nations. I hope it will continue to be so.

COUNTY TAX BUDGET

Published today is official summary of the annual budget for 1945-46, as prepared by County Accountant T. C. Brooks on the basis of a tentative rate of \$1.30.

Quick Action Taken When Sheriff Wants Man For Murder Charge

Sgt. Sam Umstead Killed In Germany

War Department Message Comes Saturday, Previously Listed As Missing.

Sgt. Sam P. Umstead, 22 of Roxboro and South Boston, Va., son of Mr. and Mrs. Logan H. Umstead, of Roxboro, aerial gunner with the United States Army Air Corps and missing in action over Germany since Saturday, July 7, has been officially reported as killed in action there on the same date, according to a War Department message received here Saturday morning by his mother.

A graduate of Roxboro high school, Sgt. Umstead, also attended school at South Boston, Va., coming to Roxboro seven years ago with his family. He entered the Air Corps in 1942, but had been overseas only one month. After finishing high school, he went to the Naval Apprentice school, Newport News, Va.

A brother, Ensign Wiley L. Umstead, is now on Pacific duty with the Navy Air Transport Command. His father is a prominent Roxboro business man with Export Tobacco Company and his mother is active in Red Cross and church and social circles.

Others of the family are four sisters, Miss Jane Umstead, of Greensboro, and Misses Anne Marie, Reda and Sally Umstead, all of Roxboro. The killed in action message regarding Sgt. Umstead is the second such report received here regarding Roxboro Air Corps members within a week. The other message concerned S. Sgt. B. G. Clayton, Jr., previously reported missing since February 25, 1944.

Details concerning Sgt. Umstead's last mission are not known but a letter is expected from the War Department.

Peaches Must Be Canned Soon

Raleigh, July.—Carolina and Georgia peaches now reaching Eastern North Carolina markets will be a vital factor in our next winter's food supply if homemakers will can the largest amount possible. OPA District Director Theodore S. Johnson said yesterday.

"Home canning may seem more difficult this year, because of the extreme shortage of sugar," Johnson admitted, "but Department of Agricultural experiments over several years have proved that peaches and other fruits may be effectively preserved without sugar.

"Naturally such fruit sugar doesn't retain its shape or color quite as well but we must remember that this is wartime. We can't allow any food to go to waste," Johnson pointed out.

Receipts for canning fruit without sugar may be secured from county agents, home demonstration agents, or from Department of Agricultural representatives, he explained.

Capt. Wright To Receive Discharge

Capt. and Mrs. Wallace L. Wright have gone to Fresno, Calif., where it is expected they will spend two months. Capt. Wright, veteran of many months of Pacific duty with the Air Corps, is expected to receive his discharge under the point system while he is at Fresno. The Wrights have been living in Florence, S. C. Mrs. Wright is the former Miss Frances Critcher of Roxboro, daughter of Mrs. C. C. Critcher.

Capt. J. M. Abbitt Secures Discharge

Capt. James M. Abbitt, 29, of the Air Corps, veteran of nearly four years in service, both overseas and in the United States and recently stationed at Monroe, La., has secured his discharge under the point system and is now here visiting his father, I. O. Abbitt, Academy Street. With Capt. Abbitt are his wife, his sister-in-law, Miss Adelaide Epperson and a friend of Miss Epperson's of Miami, Fla.

The United States has produced about 50 percent more food annually during the present war period than in World War I.

Holds Services



REV. C. D. WHITE

The Rev. Charles D. White, pastor of Duke's Chapel Methodist Church, Durham, is preaching in a revival being conducted this week at Mount Zion Methodist Church. Pastor at Mount Zion is the Rev. Floyd Villines, Jr.

Luther Strum's Rites Conducted At Kershaw, S. C.

Funeral for Luther Thomas Strum, about 60, a Person native and former resident of Roxboro, whose death occurred Tuesday in Newport News, Va., from a heart attack, was held Saturday at Kershaw, S. C., at four o'clock, with interment there.

Mr. Strum's second wife, the former Miss Lucy Bowers, a teacher at one time in Roxboro district schools, survives, as do two sons and two daughters by his first wife.

The deceased was a brother of Jack and Buck Strum, of Roxboro, and Mrs. Mollie Strum Barrett and Mrs. Della Averette, both of Roxboro. A third sister is Mrs. Talmadge Gentry, of Laurinburg. Also surviving are three half-brothers, Reuben Strum of Roxboro, Schaub Strum of the U. S. Army in Germany, and Andrew J. Strum of Winston-Salem. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Strum and was for many years connected with tobacco interests.

Mr. Strum lived in Newport News for the past year, but prior to that time had traveled and frequently stayed in Roxboro. In Kershaw, home of his second wife, for the rites were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Strum, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Strum and Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Averette, all of Roxboro.

Surviving sons are Carroll, of Laurel, Delaware, Wesley, of Richmond, Virginia, while the daughters, are Mrs. Grace McClellan and Mrs. Katherine Couch both of Durham.

The national wheat goal for 1946 has been set at 67 to 70 million acres for harvest, or full production.

Wage Hours Cut Into OPA Time

Person OPA office, effective this week, will be closed four afternoons, it was announced today, the addition of extra closing time being made necessary by the recent ruling on a forty-four hour work week rather than a forty-eight hour work week. Under the new system the office will close in the afternoon (after twelve o'clock on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. The office opens each morning at nine.

Afternoon hours on Tuesdays and Fridays are from one o'clock to four. All afternoon closings except on Saturdays are for office work schedules. Saturday afternoon closings are work free under the new ruling. The new schedule is being

Percy Cooke Taken In Roxboro Within Twenty Minutes After Local Men Get Word From Franklin Sheriff.

It all happened here yesterday when Sheriff J. P. Moore, of Lenoir and Franklin County, heard that a Negro man wanted for murder there was in Roxboro. He got his man, and quickly, but the speed of the job was the part played here by Deputy Bob Whitt and State Highway Patrolman John Hudgins. Sheriff Moore reached Roxboro around one o'clock in the afternoon and sought out Person Sheriff M. T. Clayton, saying that he was looking for a Negro man, Percy Cooke, 48, charged with a Lenoir-Franklin slaying, that of another Negro, sometime last April.

Pretty soon, within about twenty minutes, in fact, Deputy Whitt and Patrolman Hudgins found their man, Percy Cooke, on a downtown street here. It was as easy as that, Cooke, according to Sheriff Clayton, has been employed with the George W. Kane Construction company in Roxboro and has been in the City about five weeks.

Sheriff Clayton said this morning that Cooke, who was quickly taken in custody by the Franklin officers, was on his way to Lenoir, almost at once. According to Sheriff Clayton, Cooke, who was not known to him, had given no trouble while in Roxboro.

Name of the man whom Cooke allegedly killed is not known here, nor is there knowledge of the place, circumstances or weapons used, but officers in Roxboro are of the opinion that it was a quick nabbing. The capture was reportedly made easier because his captors had before hand some idea as to who he was.

Cpl. Glenn Crowder Gains Distinction

Cpl. Glenn D. Crowder, formerly of Camp Butner and frequently a visitor in Roxboro in the home of his fiancée, has received a certificate of merit in Germany as of June 19, it was reported today. A native of Lincoln, Calif., and son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crowder, of that city, Cpl. Crowder is with the occupation forces of the 9th Army in the 35th Division military corps. The certificate is in "recognition of conspicuous meritorious and outstanding performance of military duty from July 1944, through May 1, 1945."

Junior Hostesses Meet Thursday

Junior hostesses who have been working with the Roxboro USO Service Center program, or who wish to resume connections with the organization, are requested to attend a program planning meeting to be held Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock at the USO Center, according to Dr. Robert E. Long, director, who says the meeting is most important and that all interested persons should attend. The USO program here is growing larger each week-end and definite plans must be made for the Fall and Winter season.

Cotton acreage is relatively small in Wilson, Pitt, Beaufort, Chowan, and Bertie counties this year. These counties are large tobacco and peanut producing areas.

Along The Way

Shed a tear, dear reader, for M. W. "Melle" Satterfield of Main Street and now I'll tell you why. All this summer he worked in his garden as hard as a mule could have worked. Each afternoon found him right on hand with his working clothes on and a hoe in his hand. That man really worked and for a long time I thought that he was going to have one swell crop. His onions, corn, squash and all other vegetables looked fine. He was really going to town and each afternoon I stopped and admired what that man had done with a little land, seed and a hoe. Then came the dry spell and then it got even drier. I saw my friend's expression change to one of doubt, then of despair—but never resigned exactly to his fate. Now his garden looks mighty dry. The squash are gone, the corn looks mighty bad, the snap beans have dried up and other things look like what they should not be. Maybe late rains will help. I don't know but I do know that I sympathize with him. Mine is much worse but I did not work quite as hard.