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## Ready Gives Talk To Rotary Club

**Discusses Vocational Aids At Weekly Session At Ricks Hotel**

Principal I. E. Ready, of the local high school, speaking on guidance to individual persons and society by and particularly vocational guidance, told the local Rotarians last night of the service such guidance renders both putting people in the right employment.

Principal Ready, introduced by Dr. F. B. Bishop, program committee chairman, made the feature address of the meeting at the Ricks hotel, and made a plea that the members cooperate with the city-wide vocational guidance committee, Marion Justice, Chairman, in their survey.

Mr. Justice was a guest last night and President Charles Harris presided.

The principal said, "In the school systems we have not developed vocational guidance) as much as we should. It was new in the depression times, and being new, was the first to suffer. We are just beginning to make a recovery, and in that beginning we want to examine the situation x x x."

He then told of the needs for guidance along different lines, and how it was obvious many young people did not find the right type of employment, and many who eventually did secure what was the "right type" did so only after wasting much time on work for which they were not suited.

So if vocational guidance aids in securing the correct employment for youngsters, it is helpful both to society and individual persons, he showed.

In closing he asked the men to help in filling in the survey blanks issued them by the city-wide vocational guidance group.

## Munden Admits Shooting Himself

J. P. Munden, of Weeksville, Pasquotank county, salesman for a Portsmouth, Va., packing company, confessed to the sheriff of the county in the hospital at Elizabeth City, Wednesday, that he shot himself in the arm.

Munden would say nothing more about the shooting or what happened to the \$1,600 he claimed two masked bandits took from him at Five Bridges, a lonely spot between Jackson's store on the Hertford highway and Chapanoke.

Munden told officers that the men driving an old coupe with one door missing held him up and then shot him. Clarence Long, a truck driver met Munden driving his car towards Elizabeth City after the shooting and brought him to the hospital.

John Wells, a stove mender from Richmond, was arrested Wednesday when his automobile tallied with the description given by Munden but he was released that afternoon after Munden failed to identify him and it was established that Wells had been in a Chapanoke home at the time.

The gun supposedly used in the shooting was found in the creek at the spot where the shooting took place with five bullets still in the chamber and a bullet recently fired was found in the railing of the bridge, about a foot and a half from the floor.

Various other clues led investigating officers to suspect Munden of the shooting but he would not break down and confess until late Wednesday afternoon.

## J. Robert Myrick Dies In Hospital

Roanoke Rapids, Nov. 14.—J. Robert Myrick, 42, died Friday morning in Roanoke Rapids hospital following an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, November 14, at 3:30 from the residence. Interment followed in the Roanoke Rapids cemetery. Rev. E. B. Fisher officiating.

Mr. Myrick, had lived in Roanoke Rapids for a number of years and was a well known contractor.

Surviving are his widow, one daughter, Miss Alice Myrick who is a student at Flora McDonald college, and four sons; Early Myrick, John Myrick, Wade Myrick and J. R. Myrick, Jr., all of Roanoke Rapids.

## Funeral Services For W. C. Harper

Funeral services for William H. Harper, 65, who died at his home in Griffin township after an illness of several weeks, were held from the graveside in Nash county with Rev. Johnnie Goggins, Holiness minister, officiating.

Mr. Harper, a native of Nash county, was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harper.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lucy Harper, and two sons, Henry and Zeb Harper of Nash county.

Farmers and orchardists can help in the development of new fruit varieties by reporting chance seedlings they find.—M. E. Gardner.

## Firemen Having Busy Time Here

**Are Called Twice Today to Make Three Times In 24 Hours—Garage Burns**

A five-year-old boy, reportedly playing with matches, caused a fire that destroyed a garage despite firemen's efforts and this blaze was chalked up as the third alarm within 24 hours for Rocky Mount fire-fighters.

About 11:30 o'clock, this morning firemen, numbering about 25, went to the house of Robert Ruffin, No. 145 Edgewood street, to discover his garage was burning. It was virtually destroyed and Fire Chief J. R. Sorsby was informed a small boy playing with matches started the blaze. The child's identity was not known to firemen.

Damages were less than \$50, Assistant Chief J. R. Thomas said after being asked to estimate the amount.

About 9:30 o'clock this morning the residence of Mrs. Earl Sullivan, No. 1201 Beal street, was the place to which about 20 fire-extinguishers went. Three shingles on the roof had caught.

Little damage was reported there at the Negro house occupied by Hattie Robinson at 307 Smith street yesterday afternoon. Called there, the local firemen found the two flues opened into one chimney. Apparently the blaze was caused by a settler's being pushed against one of the openings, and resulting in the other's catching fire.

## Louis Brandeis Is 80 Years Old

Washington, Nov. 12.—Justice Louis D. Brandeis, militant dean of the Supreme Court's liberal group, will be 80 years old tomorrow and probably will spend it fighting on the bench for the causes he has championed for generations.

Almost a recluse insofar as the capital's social life is concerned, the court's oldest member, who can recall the tramping feet of the Civil War in his native Louisville, Ky., will pay less attention to the day than will his host of admirers including some of the nation's outstanding liberal minds.

It is a little more than 20 years since the rebellious shock of black hair that is Brandeis' outstanding characteristic first surrounded the court's polished mahogany bench.

In the generation intervening it has turned to iron grey but has lost none of its militant character.

Those who have followed the court in those intervening years are convinced that the fighting spirit which marked Brandeis early days has not diminished either. That alone, many believe, has kept him on the bench, a sturdy dissenter, during the ten years he has been eligible for retirement.

Most of those who were on the bench when Brandeis took his seat, June 5, 1916—after the Senate had taken months to confirm the appointment of the Boston "Near Socialist"—Van Devanter, the justice's senior in point of service, and Justice James C. McReynolds, appointed as a liberal by President Wilson shortly before Brandeis was named, preceded him on the bench. Both are conservatives.

Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes also was on the bench then, but resigned five days after Brandeis was sworn in to make his unsuccessful campaign for the presidency. Since then Hughes has rounded out a full career and been reappointed to the bench.

Brandeis is seldom absent from the court though he suffers frequently from colds. He comes in a taxicab since his old companion, Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, no longer can bring him in Holmes' limousine. Each morning Brandeis carries from home a neatly tied package of luncheon to eat at the court's two o'clock recess.

How far Brandeis favors the new deal is sometimes questioned. He was reported as opposed to NRA and in that case he failed to join Stone and Cardozo in their dissenting opinion. He voted with them, however, in the railroad pension, municipal bankruptcy, AAA, Guffey Act and Child Labor dissent.

Administration lawyers depend on his vote in the pending power policy cases.

## State Discards Electric Chair

With the electrocution last Friday of "Country John" Pressley, a negro of Bessemer City, the electric chair was discarded as the method of punishment for capital crimes in North Carolina. During its 26 years of services it has put to death 171 persons. It now gives way to the lethal gas chamber which was adopted by the last legislature, and which has already taken ten lives. Pressley was convicted in April, 1935, of the murder of another negro in a crap game, and he was the last prisoner remaining on Death Row awaiting electrocution. Capital crimes committed prior to July 1, 1935, are punishable by electrocution, and he was the last of that group.

## Young Democrats Meet At Tarboro

**Adopt Constitution And Decide To Work For Nine-Month School Term**

Tarboro, Nov. 14.—Edgewood county young democrats, meeting in the court house here last night, adopted a constitution of their own making, approved and decided to work for a ninth month of school in a special election scheduled here December 5 and authorized their president, William Babeock, to appoint a committee to recommend a name for the group at the next meeting.

The organization, which first met several weeks ago and voted against aligning itself with the state and national young democrats because of certain features in their constitution which it considered objectionable unanimously approved a constitution presented by a committee named for the purpose composed of Bertram H. Brown, chairman, Lee Davis, Romaine Howard, Cameron Weeks and Billie Pitt, Jr.

The constitution provides: That only democrats under 35 years of age shall be eligible for membership and that, once members, their membership shall not expire by reason of age.

That efforts be made to have each of the 14 townships of Edgewood county represented by at least three members and that a membership committee be appointed to consider applications and extend invitations to join, their decision being final unless over-ruled by a majority vote.

That the club, by majority vote may go on record as favoring the nomination and election of any democratic candidate for office but that any member personally opposing the club's endorsement shall not be bound by it as an individual.

That the club never oppose the election of a duly nominated democratic candidate and that any member working against a duly nominated candidate lose his membership.

## Hilley Is Heard On Peace Here

**President Of Atlantic Christian College Speaks At Civitan Club Session At Cafeteria**

President H. S. Hilley, of Atlantic Christian college, a Rhodes scholar, and Wilson resident, last night stressed the importance of the peace problem today, described the stages through which people have passed since the World War, and turned to speak of what this country and its people may do to promote peace.

He spoke to the local Civitan club at its session at Winstead's cafeteria. Ray Bandy, of this city; Postmaster J. R. Teague and Assistant Postmaster W. C. Stainback, both of Henderson, were presented as guests, and W. Marshall Spears, of the program committee, made the presentation of President Hilley.

"Of all the things perplexing the world today there is none so pressing as this problem of peace," was what President Hilley said in beginning his talk.

In the college president's opinion the people have gone through three stages since the late war, disillusionment, fury, and bitterness. People found they had fought for one thing in the war, and secured another, he pointed out. Many are still in the "futility" stage, and certain of the European nations have progressed to the "bitterness" stage.

Then the Wilson man mentioned several things that have taken place within the past few years. The world is returning, he said, and went on to state "all instruments of peace in the past ten years have practically gone." He also referred to the "presence of militant nationalisms" today and the "increasing tension in international trade."

Then he listed some things Americans may do as a nation toward securing peace. First, Americans should define their national policy; then they should define the meaning of neutrality; and should try to promote some kind of international congress.

Individually, Americans can be intelligent, they can take a personal stand on war by declining to fight anywhere anytime; declining to fight only to defend one's shores; or by deciding not to fight at all; third, building up libraries on peace; fourth, pay more attention to the topic in clubs and churches and write their own congressional representatives.

In conclusion he suggested for a long time people have been figuring war is inevitable, and he said that they should not think that it is.

## MARRIED ONE OF THE PALLBEARERS

On her way home from her first husband's funeral, Mrs. May K. Burton, of Philadelphia, stopped in at the marriage license bureau to apply for a license. The shocked clerk was astounded to learn that the widow's prospective husband had been a pallbearer at the funeral of the deceased lord and master.

## French Contribution to Touring



This overnight tent is carried packed up on top of the car and can be unfolded and made ready for a comfortable night in ten minutes. The frame in front supporting the structure serves as a ladder for entering and leaving the tent. The front flap has a zipper at each side.

## Thanksgiving

Next Thursday, November 26th, will be Thanksgiving Day, a day designated and set apart for special Thanksgiving and praise to an all wise providence for the many blessings we have received and enjoyed during the year. We would not undertake to enumerate the numerous and individual blessings, which have come to our State, as a whole nor do we have the capacity to name them, but may we not call attention to certain blessings that have come to us that probably many other sections of the country have been denied, if not denied, have not enjoyed them in the fullness that we have received them.

In North Carolina, while we have had wet sections and dry sections, we have been privileged to make good crops, as a whole throughout the State, while many other sections suffered greatly from the want of rain and many sections suffered greatly from having received too much for the time being.

We have been free of plagues and epidemics of diseases that have caused many other sections serious trouble and concern.

We believe the country, as a whole, should be grateful for the leadership of the President of the United States for his efforts in overcoming the depression and bringing recovery to all of our people from the lowest to the highest and for his leadership in trying to bring about more peace in the world.

Now in conclusion, may we suggest to the young and to the improvident as we approach this Thanksgiving Season, to enter into the day in the spirit which has prompted the setting apart of this day. Enjoy the day in the spirit of Thanksgiving and praise and be careful so as to protect your own lives as well as the lives of other people. Especially in the handling and use of the automobile, which is a thing of joy, but may be turned into a weapon of destruction in the hands of a careless person.

## BUSINESS INCREASING WAGES

It is gratifying to see the statements of leading business concerns throughout the country, in which they state that they are putting into effect immediate increased wage schedules. This is one of the greatest evidences of our business recovery for these increased wage schedules are being made on the voluntary initiative of the heads of business themselves.

While many of these businesses were opposed to the reelection of President Roosevelt, it is apparent from these wage schedules that they have confidence in his leadership even though they spent money to try to bring about his defeat.

If Landon had been elected, we believe that there would have been a slowing down of business and the country would have been at a standstill for at least one year, until the country could find out just what would be his policy, for as stated before, he had not promised anything and he had not made a statement of his platform, other than a few general statements.

The improvement in economic conditions, since the election, shows the wisdom of the country in re-electing President Roosevelt.

## Old Age Security Gets Under Way

**Social Security Board Announces Details and Releases Forms**

Washington, Nov. 11.—With the aid of 45,000 post offices, the Social Security Board has put into action in all parts of the United States the plan that will set up for 26,000,000 working men and women social security accounts—comparable to annuity insurance—which will enable millions of these workers to retire at age 65 with a monthly income for life, the amount of the income being based on their previous wage records.

In these accounts all of the 26,000,000 persons estimated to be eligible will, starting January 1, 1937, begin storing up cash values payable to the worker at 65 or in his family if he dies before reaching the age of 65. These cash values will at all times be substantially larger than the worker's own contributions under the Social Security Act.

All persons working for salary or wages excepting those engaged in agriculture, domestic service in private homes, government service, and in a few other excluded occupations are eligible. It is expected that many of those in occupations not now covered will eventually become eligible through occasional or part-time work in those occupations which are covered.

## Plan Declared Simple

The Social Security Board emphasized the fact that, while this undertaking is of unprecedented proportions, the plan in which 45,000 post offices are now cooperating with the Board is quite simple and will be conducted with all possible convenience to employers and employees.

Plans have been carefully made, the Board said, for delivery of the necessary forms and instructions to all employers and employees affected within the next few weeks. The Board urged both employers and employees, as well as the public at large, to refrain from making inquiries either of the Board or at post offices, concerning their respective part in the plan until after receipt of the official forms and instructions.

After that, the Board said, postal authorities in any community and representatives of the Social Security Board in the larger cities and industrial centers will be available to answer all questions and to render any other assistance that may be necessary.

The plan is simply this, the Board's announcement said:

Beginning on November 16, post offices throughout the country will distribute to employers a form known as the "Employer's Application for Identification Number." This form will ask of the employer only seven simple questions, answers to which will enable the Post Office Department to know how many employees' application forms to deliver to each employer.

Then, beginning on November 24, post offices throughout the country will distribute to employees, through their employers, form known as "Application for Social Security Account Number." These employees' application forms will be distributed to all work places and will also be available.

## Quintuplets Are Born In State

North Carolina is hard to lose on most any kind of an event. The State came very near being put in the class with the Canadian Dominion the past week when an unnamed white woman gave premature birth to quintuplets at Duke Hospital, Durham, Thursday. All five babies were dead at birth.

Hospital officials, while declining to make public the name of the woman, stated that she was a resident of "a nearby town." They said she entered the hospital two days before.

The physician who was present at the deliveries said it was difficult to determine the sex of the babies.

In declining to identify the woman, hospital authorities declared that relatives had requested that her name be withheld.

They said she was only 20 years old.

Doctors, asserting that the event was "quite interesting to us," declared that quintuplets occur only once in 50,000,000 labor cases. They said the babies were premature by four months.

The price of dairy feeds in North Carolina has advanced more than 35 per cent since June 1, and it may go still higher.—John A. Argy.

## Borah Thanks Rail Labor

**While Roosevelt was carrying Idaho by close to 60,000, Senator William E. Borah, running on the Republican ticket, was winning his sixth term by more than 50,000 majority.**

In a letter to the editor of LABOR, Borah expresses his deep appreciation of the support he appreciated from the Standard Railroad Labor Organizations. The special edition of LABOR which was sent into the state in his behalf was effective, he says.

Borah's victory in Idaho deserves to be bracketed with that of Norris in Nebraska. Both are militantly independent Progressives and, as a consequence, both received enthusiastic support from voters of all parties.

In point of service, Borah is now the oldest member of the Senate, having served 30 consecutive years. Norris is completing his 24th year in the Senate, but, as he also served ten years in the House, he has the distinction of having served longer in Congress than any sitting member.

Borah's vote this year was the largest he has ever received—126,000, as compared with 98,938 six years ago.

## Farm Meeting Is Planned In Nash

**Many Speakers On Program For December 5 Session—Cooley Headlines Speakers**

Nash county farmers will have an opportunity to "get the low down" on what their national and state representatives think about the future of agricultural legislation in congress and in the General Assembly on December 15, the Nash farm bureau announced.

A meeting at the Nashville courthouse is set for that day with Congressman Harold D. Cooley, of Nashville; L. I. Gravelly, Nash senator for this city; C. C. Abernathy, of Spring Hope; and W. E. Fennert, of Rocky Mount, Nash's representatives to the lower house, on the program. U. S. Senator J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, has been invited, but it was not known where he can be there, it was stated.

The bureau's board of directors arranged the meeting.

Mr. Cooley will make the main address.

## J. L. Mewborn Is Accident Victim

Tarboro, Nov. 18.—Funeral services for J. L. Mewborn, 64-year-old griet and operator here who was fatally injured when an automobile struck him as he was crossing the highway in front of his home near Tar River bridge Monday night, were held from his home at three o'clock this afternoon, with burial following in Greenwood cemetery. The Masonic ritual was used, with N. E. Gresham conducting the service.

Mr. Mewborn, who came here from Greene county in 1912, died in a local hospital soon after the accident. The driver of the car, Mrs. W. E. Mobley of Robersonville, was exonerated by investigating officers, who held the accident unavoidable.

Mr. Mewborn, witnesses said, stepped from behind a passing automobile directly into the path of Mrs. Mobley's car. She stopped and carried the victim to the hospital.

A bachelor, Mr. Mewborn is survived by four sisters, Mrs. Nannie Mewborn, and Mrs. Annie Webber of this city and Mrs. Ruth Daniel and Mrs. Rachel Taylor of Goldsboro, and two brothers, Morris L. Mewborn of Tarboro and Van E. Mewborn of Salisbury.

## ABOLISHES ALL COURTS

One of the most sweeping changes in modern day government was effected last week when Premier Mussolini decided to abolish all existing Italian courts of law, substitute in their places state committees and socializing the legal profession. A committee of eminent lawyers and officials from the ministry of justice is now working out the details to replace the courts with state boards, Mussolini's action was described by attorneys as "one of the most important changes in twentieth century jurisprudence," and said it would prove one of the most interesting experiments of modern times.

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