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## Legion Building Fund Nears Half Way Mark

### Committee Seeks \$2,737 More

The fund for the purchase of the building now used as the Service Club is nearing the half way mark, it was reported today by E. H. Alexander, of the committee from the Charlie Hall post of the American Legion, which is raising the funds.

\$2,263 have been paid to the committee during recent weeks in its drive for \$5,000, which is to be used for the purchase of the building from the J. D. McLean estate. A recent offer of \$6,000 was made to the estate by a business concern for the building, and W. B. McLean as agent for the estate, offered the property to the Legion for that sum, with the McLeans contributing \$1,000 if the Legion would raise \$5,000 additional to be used in its purchase.

A committee composed of James A. Graham, Morrison Peterson and Mr. Alexander was named by the post to solicit funds, with the building to be continued in operation as a civic center, and to be the headquarters of teen-age activities.

Contributions to the fund may be made to members of the committee.

## Maxton USO Plans Closing Program

A cordial invitation is being extended everyone to attend the closing program of the USO club in Maxton, which will be held Friday evening, March 29, from 7:30 to 11:30.

Plans have not been completed, but the program will include a talk, "Thanks to the Army" by Col. Neal of the Laurinburg-Maxton army air base, talks by Mayor W. R. Rasty and by W. K. Cromartie, chairman of the operating committee of Maxton, and presentation of certificates to the senior and junior hostesses and presentation of the roll of service to the town by John Andrew, director and "Appreciation and Farewell" by L. B. Avison of Richmond, Va., associate regional advisor of the YMCA-USO. Musical selections will be given by Mrs. W. O. Webb and music for the dance will be furnished by the Jump Masters of the 405th Paratroop Infantry band of Fort Bragg.

## Red Robins Practice To Begin Monday

The Red Springs Red Robins will start practice Monday, March 25, at 4 p. m. About 25 men are expected to report to Manager Red Norris who will start whipping the local entry in the Twin-State league in shape for a series of exhibition games which will start about April 14.

The team will be composed mostly of former Robins players now returned from the armed services and local boys who have come up from high school and Legion teams. Among those returned from service and expected to play are Albert Parnell, Jim Brank, Marvin Shephard, T. Odom, Stanly Norris, J. L. McNeil, and Warren Mize.

## Freshmen Win FMC Basketball Tourney

The three-day annual basketball tournament at Flora Macdonald college ended Monday with an overwhelming victory for the freshman team, whose game winning score throughout the tournament was clinaxed in the last game, with a score of 31-16, over the sophomores.

Eleanor Rosser of Broadway, freshman captain, was high scorer with 32 points to her credit. Sallie Herring of Rose Hill came in second with 29 points. The juniors ran a close second to the winning team, with only one losing game.

Excellent sportsmanship was displayed, and unusually fine games were played by all our class teams. Allan McEachin of Red Springs was referee. The tournament was under the direction of Miss Ethel Bateman, director of physical education at the college, and Jane Brown, senior, of Montvale, Va. head of basketball.

## County-Wide Cotton Meeting Will Be Held Monday Night

A county-wide meeting of interest to Robeson county cotton farmers will be held Monday night, March 25, at 8 o'clock at the Lumberton armory, it was announced today by Farm Agent O. P. Owens.

Cotton specialists from the State college extension service will be present to discuss mechanization in cotton, cotton production, harvesting and marketing.

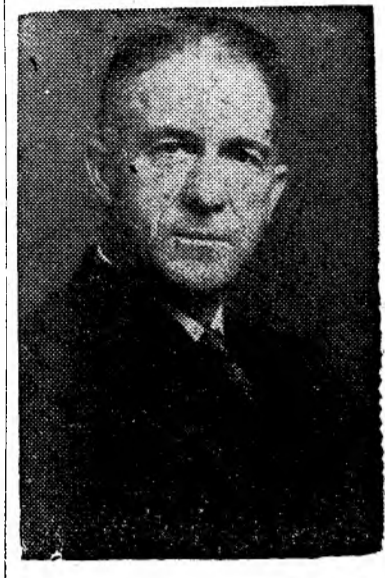
Also prizes will be awarded to winners of the Robeson county five-acre cotton production contest for 1945. The prizes will total \$350.

Winner of last year's contest was Henry Oxendine, who produced a total of 4175 pounds of lint cotton or 385.1 per acre. His percentage of lint was 37.4.

Other winners and their production figures in the same order as above:

Lenard Locklear, second prize, 4025, 803.5, 37.0.  
Herbert Woods, third prize, 3910, 781.5, 39.0.  
M. B. Edge and D. C. McEachin, 3440, 687.9, 38.6.  
J. H. Locklear, 3430, 685.6, 37.2.  
Frank McNeill, 3225, 665.0, 41.4.

## Revival Series To Be Conducted By Mr. Williams



The Rev. John R. Williams, outstanding evangelist of the Southern Presbyterian church of Atlanta, will conduct a series of special services at the Presbyterian church of Red Springs beginning on Sunday, March 31, it was announced today by the Rev. Thomas A. Fry, Jr., pastor of the church.

Mr. Williams will be remembered in Red Springs for the excellent series of services he conducted here about ten years ago at this church.

## IN UNIFORM

Pfc. J. B. McLAUREN, son of Pfc. J. B. McLauren, son of Mrs. J. M. McLauren, Route one, Red Springs, has been transferred from his B-29 repair base to a personnel center in the United States to await discharge from his army, according to Brigadier General Donald F. Stace, commanding general of the Guam Air Depot. He has 36 discharge credit points, and 30 months service.

Pfc. McLauren entered the service in 1943 and arrived at Guam in March 1945.

He wears the Asiatic-Pacific theatre of operations ribbon.

GORDON H. MCKELLAR, son of Gordon H. McKellar, S 1-c, left Tuesday for Portland, Maine, after spending 30 days with his mother, Mrs. L. B. McKellar. He wears the Philippine campaign ribbon with one star; the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with four stars; the American theatre ribbon and the Victory ribbon.

ROBERT KNIGHT, S 2c, Robert Knight, seaman first class, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Knight of Maxton, has arrived in Norfolk from China, and expects to reach home this week. He will receive his discharge soon. He has served in the navy for more than three years.

Capt. and Mrs. Tommy McLean visited in the home of his mother, Mrs. J. D. McLean, this week.

Ashley Locklear, 3315, 662.8, 33.0.  
F. R. Horne, 3305, 600.5, 37.4.

## Robeson Club To Hear Jeter

Frank Jeter, editor of State college news service, will be guest speaker at the Robeson County club's annual meeting on Thursday night, April 4, at the Lumberton armory. A dinner will be served by Home Demonstration club women.

Arrangement committee is composed of W. M. Oliver, chairman, Rufus McQueen, J. C. Hutto, A. B. McRae and J. A. Sharpe. Election of directors and officers will be one of the principal matters at the meeting. Nominating committee is composed of Rufus McQueen, J. C. Hutto, W. M. Oliver, George L. Pate and T. J. Smith.

## Maxton Submits Bid For USO Building

The town of Maxton has submitted a bid through O. T. Ray, division engineer of the Federal Works Agency in Atlanta, Ga., the USO building here, which will be closed officially on March 31. T. A. Buck, a representative of the FWA, met with the town board recently, and negotiations have been in progress since that time. If the bid is accepted, plans will be made for a permanent community center in the building.

## Mrs. Mary Gaddy Taken By Death

Mrs. Mary Ella McNeill Gaddy, wife of Carl B. Gaddy of Wilmington, passed away in a Wilmington hospital Mar. 14 after an illness of less than two weeks. "Mary Ella," as she was affectionately called by a host of friends, was born near Maxton 37 years ago. O daughter of the late Henry A. and Ella McGugan McNeill. Most of her life was spent in and near the home of her childhood.

A few years ago she moved from Wagram to Wilmington with her husband and small son, where her husband was employed in the shipyard. They transferred their church membership to the Cape Fear Presbyterian church, where she was very active in the auxiliary work of the church.

The funeral service was held in the home of her brother, Alton McNeill, near Maxton on Saturday afternoon. It was conducted by Rev. G. F. Kirkpatrick, pastor of Center church, assisted by Rev. J. W. Mann, pastor of Antioch church. Interment was made in the Spring Hill cemetery.

She leaves her husband and small son, Billy, and the following brothers and sisters: Miss Kittle McNeill, Raleigh; Miss Maggie McNeill and Mrs. Frank McNeill, Red Springs; Mrs. Marion Jones, Cheraw, S. C.; Miss Lena McNeill, Erwin; Mrs. Annie Thomas and Alton McNeill, Maxton; and Monroe McNeill, Liberty.

## Henry Lambeth Is Slain Thursday By Lowery Man

James H. Lowery allegedly shot and killed Henry Lambeth about ten o'clock Thursday night, the sheriff's office announced this (Friday) morning, and surrendered to officers in Lumberton this morning.

Reports were that the death of Lambeth was the aftermath of a drinking party and a fuss which started at Clarence Lowery's home, at Buie. The shooting occurred about a quarter mile from Clarence Lowery's home, as the group of several were walking along a cart-road toward the house of a neighbor.

With James H. Lowery at the time of the shooting were Rosie Barber, alias "Dipsy Doodle," Bertie Mae Harper, and J. B. Jones.

All of these were arrested, and also arrested were Clarence Lowery and Thurman Lee Locklear. Clarence Lowery and Bertie Mae Harper were picked up on Thursday night, and Officers Jones and Prevatte arrested Rosie Barber, J. B. Jones, and Thurman Lee Locklear this morning.

James H. Lowery, after his surrender this morning, told officers where to find the .38 Colts revolver which was used in the shooting.

Homes of all the involved are about nine miles up Hunter road from Smithfield, near Chester Barber's store.

James H. Lowery is a recently discharged soldier.

## LEGION AUXILIARY DISTRICT MEET THURSDAY, MARCH 28,

The 10th district of the American Legion auxiliary will meet at the Red Springs service club at 2:30 p. m. on March 28. All members and eligible prospective members are urged to attend. Mrs. O. S. Slaunwhite, department president and Miss Arella Adams, department secretary, both of Raleigh, will be present.

## Springs Folk Hosts District Aux Meeting

### Mrs. Slaunwhite Guest Speaker

The auxiliary unit of Charles Hall post of the American Legion will be host to the meeting of the 10th district of the auxiliary on next Wednesday afternoon, according to an announcement by Mrs. F. K. Biggs of Lumberton, district committeewoman. The meeting will be held in the Service Club at 2:30 and representatives from the auxiliaries of Erwin, Dinn, Fayetteville, Saint Pauls, Maxton, Raeford, Lillington, Lumberton, Red Springs, Rowland, Spring Lake, and possibly from the new post formed at Fairmont this week, are expected to be in attendance.

Mrs. O. S. Slaunwhite of Raleigh, department president, and Miss Arella Adams of Raleigh, department secretary, will be guest speakers. Mrs. J. C. Seymour of Wilmington, departmental vice president, will also be present.

Those from the local auxiliary who will appear on the program include: Mrs. Sam Thomas, Mrs. L. W. Currie, Mrs. G. T. Brooks, and Mrs. J. Q. Adams; the Rev. Thomas Fry, Jr., will pronounce the invocation and special music will be presented by Miss Clara Bailey. Mrs. R. L. Murray of Raeford, Mrs. Paul K. Suler of Fayetteville; Mrs. A. A. Inman of Lumberton and Mrs. P. G. Parker of Maxton; Mrs. H. M. Memory of Dunn will also appear on the program.

Mrs. Furman K. Biggs, 18th district committeewoman, will be president, and will present the report to the unit and its present having the largest percentage of membership present.

## Charlotte Church Calls Mr. MacLean

Rev. Thomas Wooten MacLean, son of Rev. and Mrs. S. R. MacLean of Charlotte, formerly of Maxton, has received a call to become pastor of the Avondale Presbyterian church of Charlotte. His acceptance is expected and it is hoped that he will begin his ministry there about a month hence. He is now pastor of a Presbyterian church in Warrenton, Va.

## Maxton All-Stars Defeat Lumberton

The Maxton All-Stars played host to the Lumberton All-Stars at the high school gymnasium on Tuesday evening, and came out on top to the tune of 31-28. The game was lively and very close with the lead changing hands several times during the first three quarters, but the Maxton boys, with all around coordination and good team work, put out a last quarter spurt which netted 18 points and final victory. The Lumberton boys were an exceptionally clean quintet and the game was very interesting to the small crowd which was present.

## Mr. Ivey Honored On 80th Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ivey held open house Sunday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock, honoring Mr. Ivey's father, Andrew L. Ivey, on his eightieth birthday anniversary. About forty relatives and friends came to extend greetings to Mr. Ivey. Punch and small cakes were served by Mrs. Lee Ivey and her daughter, Miss Ann Beck. Mr. Lee Ivey presided over the register.

## 4-H, Home Meets

Six home demonstration meetings and two 4-H club meetings will be held in Robeson county next week.

Home meetings: Monday, A-lenton and Rennett; Tuesday, Rozier; Wednesday, Rowland and Philadelphus; Thursday, Barker Ten Mile.

4-H meetings: Tuesday, Long Branch; Thursday, Barnesville.

L. W. McKinnon and R. F. Morris were installed as ruling elders of the First Presbyterian church in a service Sunday morning. Mrs. R. D. Croom and Mrs. C. W. Hensley have returned from a few days' visit in Richmond, Va.

## Maxton Goes Over Red Cross Quota

A total of \$1,133.06 was contributed in the Red Cross fund campaign in Maxton, according to report of the chairman, C. M. Castevens and E. P. Williams. This was \$133.86 in excess of the quota.

## Mormax Club Gives Banquet For Players

Members of the boys and girls basketball teams of the Maxton high school and their coaches, W. K. Cromartie and Mrs. J. H. McKinnon, were guests of honor at a banquet given by the Mormax club on Thursday evening in the home economics room at the high school.

J. C. Daniel, vice president, president, and M. P. James, athletic advisor, presented W. K. Cromartie, who had coached the boys team, with a pen and pencil set on behalf of the boys, and Mrs. J. R. McAnnon, the girls' coach, was presented a dozen red carnations by Miss Betty Jo Edwards, captain of the girls' team.

Mr. Cromartie, who is justly proud of the record made by his team, stated that the team had an unparalleled record in the county. It won the runner-up trophy in 1944, the winner's trophy in 1945 and the runner-up trophy again in 1946, and two men from the team were placed on the all-tournament team this year, Marion Wall, captain of the team, and Marshall James Jr. It is the only team in the county that has placed a man on the team for three consecutive years and that placed two this year.

The following boys were awarded letters, which W. K. Cromartie presented: Johnny Hasty, Dickey Hendricks, Floyd Moser, Marion Wall, Marshall James Jr., Mac Jernigan and Roland Seals, and the following girls: Marjorie McEachin, Betty Jo Edwards, Sara Margaret Ivey, Sara Margaret McRae, Ann McRae and Dorothy Winters.

Small gold basketballs were presented to Capt. Marion Wall and Marshall James Jr.

A committee was appointed from the club to look into the matter of supplementing the salary of an athletic director at the school, and a permanent committee, composed of M. P. James, E. P. Williams and Tracey Wray, was appointed to work with the high school in their athletic program.

## A. L. Britt Manager B-J Chevrolet Shop

A. L. Britt, for some six years foreman of the repair department of the local Chevrolet agency, returned to the Baxley-Johnson Chevrolet company as manager of the shop, it was stated today by Hartman Baxley.

Mr. Britt worked at the Maxton air base for about two years during the war, and has more recently been connected with the Singleton Motor company.

## Services Held

Funeral services for Ike S. Broome, 47, were conducted from Trinity Methodist church this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with his pastor, the Rev. Allen C. Lee, in charge. The Rev. Troy Jones assisted in the services. Burial rites were held at the graveside in Eastside Cemetery at Rockingham.

Mr. Broome was a native of Richmond county and had made his home in Red Springs for the past ten years, coming here as foreman of a motor repair shop. During the war he served as a civilian employe of the Maxton airbase until a heart condition forced his retirement. For the past year he had operated the Texaco service station and the Red Springs bus station. He had been seriously ill for a number of weeks.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Ollie Coble, and one daughter, Peggy Jean. Two brothers and five sisters also survive.

Jack Knight of Winston-Salem spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Knight. Rev. C. J. Andrews, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist church, spent the week in Fayetteville, attending a program on visitation evangelism, conducted by Rev. W. V. L. Clegg, district superintendent.



DAYSTROM MANAGER

Col. Marshall Barnum, recently returned from the European theatre of operations where he was a B-26 pilot, has been appointed general manager at the Daystrom Laminates, Inc., at Daystrom.

## 4 Towns Over Top In Red Cross Drive

Robeson county Red Cross campaign is still \$500 short of its \$12,000 goal but officials anticipate that the goal will be reached within a day or two.

Already over the top are Maxton, Red Springs, St. Pauls, Fairmont, The towns of Lumberton, Parkton, Pembroke and Rowland report that they expect to reach the goal soon.

Rowland reported the largest percentage of increase during the past week, jumping from \$506 to \$931 collected toward their goal of \$1200.

The Red Cross office Wednesday issued an appeal that workers who have not yet reported to their branch chairman do so at once so that an accurate picture may be obtained on the progress of the drive.

## Cotton Insurance Deadline April 10

North Carolina farmers should lose no time in obtaining crop insurance protection on their 1946 crop, G. T. Scott, chairman, State AAA committee, has announced.

"After a full year's operation under the revised crop insurance program, most farmers are sold on its advantages," Scott stated. "Applications for the 1946 cotton crop should be filed before seedling, or April 10, whichever is earlier," he said.

Insurance coverage, backed by the federal government, is provided for cotton, wheat, and flax crops on a national basis. Trial insurance programs for corn and tobacco are being carried out in selected counties. The trial program for tobacco is being continued in North Carolina in Vance, Wilson, and Surry counties. As risk data are accumulated, new "experimental" crops may be added to the list.

The insurance program offers protection against unavoidable hazards, including drought, flood, hail, hurricane, insect infestation and plant disease.

During 1945, around 7,668 farms in the state were covered by federal crop insurance. This number included 3,873 cotton farms and 3,795 wheat farms. The Federal Crop Insurance corporation has approved claims for over 312 cotton producers and claims are still being made. Principal losses were caused by cool weather in the spring, preventing a good stand, wet weather, and boll weevils.

J. Solon Wilms of Route 1, Polk county, collected over \$1300 indemnity on his cotton crop last year from the corporation due to loss caused by excessive rain and boll weevils.

Application for the 1946 cotton crop insurance may be filed with county AAA committees, or their authorized agents.

## New Assistant Farm Agent Begins Work

E. E. Wright began work this week as assistant to the Robeson county farm agent and will specialize in tobacco work.

His appointment was made at the last meeting of the county commissioners.

## Election Set On Special School Tax

Citizens of the Red Springs school district will go to the polls Saturday, April 27, to vote on the proposal of a special tax not to exceed 25 cents on the \$100 valuation for improvements to the schools.

The special election was voted Tuesday night at a special meeting of the Robeson county commissioners.

The board also voted a new registration of qualified voters for the election, meaning that persons who register and do not vote will be counted as having voted against the proposition.

This makes it necessary for those favoring the special tax to both register and vote in order for their vote to be counted, as for the tax.

The Red Springs school district includes Red Springs and Shannon townships and part of Smiths townships.

The election shall be at the usual voting places. The registration books will be kept open at the homes of the registrars, except Saturday and Sunday, from March 30 until April 13 and during that period at the usual voting places in Shannon and Wakulla and at the city hall in Red Springs. Saturday, April 20, will be challenge day.

Mrs. J. H. Huggins has been appointed registrar and B. E. Simpson and J. H. Huggins as judges for Shannon township; R. A. McConaughy as registrar and W. G. Robeson and Ben Stanton as judges in Red Springs township; and Mrs. Dan McArthur as registrar and B. C. Smith and Dan McArthur as judges in Smith's township.

## Rape Charges Made Against Four Men

Four Lumberton Negroes were arrested early Monday morning and taken to Central Prison, Raleigh, for safekeeping; after they had been charged with raping a Lumberton white woman around midnight Sunday.

The men were Calvin Covington, Grange Thompson, Stacy Powell and Cliff Inman, and Sheriff Clyde Wade reported that all but Inman confessed the crime. He quote the Negroes as saying Inman had shown them a gun and told them what to do and later participated in the assault.

Sheriff Wade said the confession spiked earlier reports that many more men had been engaged in the assault. He also said that there was no threat of violence against the prisoners but that they had been taken to Raleigh as a precautionary measure.

The sheriff said that the woman, Mrs. Julius Frye, wife of a labor organizer and mother of several children, and a white man named Frank Strong, of Elizabethtown, had driven into Thompson's yard in a Negro district late Sunday night in search of whisky.

When they started to leave the car would not start and Strong and Inman went to get a chain to start the car.

It was while they were gone, the sheriff said, that the other men forced the woman into a vacant house and committed the assault. Sheriff Wade said he was notified that the woman was missing after Strong returned to the car and found her gone.

A short while later the woman appeared at the police station and reported the assault.

City police cooperated with the sheriff's office in the investigation and arrests.

## Board Of Elections Is Appointed

Appointed to the Robeson county board of elections by the State Board of Elections last week was the same board which served two years ago. Appointed were:

George Lewis Pate of Rowland, chairman, Democrat. Mrs. Daisy Meehan of Lumberton, Democrat, and J. W. Sellers of Lumberton, Republican.

Mrs. R. P. Edwards is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Thomas R. Wolfe, in Orangeburg, S. C.