

## NEWS IN BRIEF

STATE  
NATION  
WORLD

### FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Senator Josiah W. Bailey, stricken Thursday, reported as showing "some improvement."

Senate passes bill raising minimum wage from 40 to 65 cents an hour.

President John L. Lewis of United Mine workers vetoes coal producer's proposal to call off mine strikes and permit government board to draft new wage contract.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 6

President Truman warns that war can flare up suddenly and declares this nation must be strongly prepared to defend peace.

Pay increase for enlisted men in armed forces proposed by Senators Revercomb (R-W. Va.) and Williamson (R-Iowa).

Senate sends to White House "Anti-Petrillo" bill providing criminal penalties for compelling or trying to compel radio broadcasters to pay for services not rendered.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 7

U. S. military police halt demonstration by 10,000 Communist-led Japanese who stone Premier Shidehara's residence and shout for his overthrow.

Army lays plans for raising under water cache of precious metals, estimated worth \$2 billions, which Japanese officers sank in Tokyo Bay to finance a greater Japan after everything quieted down.

Detroit's week-old transit strike ends after strikers vote to accept arbitration proposal.

Government announces restoration of pre-war type loan to stimulate low-cost housing. Designated to furnish homes for veterans with as little as \$25 a month covering "everything."

OPA price ceilings from hundreds of consumer items ranging from dust mops to fly swatters.

Gerald L. K. Smith, head of the America First Party, sentenced to 60 days in jail for contempt of court in Chicago.

Russia ends boycott of United Nations security council as Chief Delegate Andrei Gromyko returns to sessions. Iran demands further consideration by the council of its arguments with Russia.

House military affairs committee approves legislation extending draft nine months to February 15, 1947, with fathers and farm workers specifically relieved from induction.

House passes Cooley bill providing establishment of Farmer's Home corporation to handle farm tenancy loans, rural rehabilitation loans and insured farm mortgages for low-income farmers.

House passes bill designating to speed construction of 2,700,000 new dwellings for veterans by the end of 1947.

Poland asks UN council to crack down on the Spanish regime, accusing the Franco government of endangering world peace, sheltering Nazis and aiding German scientists in devising new means of warfare.

Former Governor Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota tells North Carolina Republicans that the party must be "forthright, constructive,

## Earl Jefferson Buys Maxton Hotel Block

Earl Jefferson of Sheffield, Pa., who was associated with Daystrom company several years ago, and was here on a visit this week, purchased the hotel block on Main street Monday from the McNair Investment company in Laurinburg. The purchase price was not divulged, but it is understood that the transaction involved a large sum, and is one of the most important real estate deals in the history of Maxton.

L. T. English, who had just leased the hotel, will operate it until Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson return from Sheffield, which they expect to do in about 10 days. Mr. Jefferson then plans to take over the management of the hotel and to remodel and renovate it completely and reopen the dining room as soon as possible. The name will be changed from The Maple Shade Hotel to The Jefferson Hotel, and it will be modern and up-to-date in every respect.

The property consists of the Carolina Power and Light company offices, the store of L. B. Martoin storage room of Shaffer Distributing company, the hotel proper, the Duchess Beauty Parlor, the old Blue Bird service station, the apartments above the Carolina Power and Light company, and the vacant lots behind the hotel.

## IN UNIFORM

### COMDR. D. C. McIVER, JR.

Comdr. D. C. McIver, Jr., son of Mrs. D. C. McIver of Chatham, formerly of Maxton and the late Dr. McIver, was honored at dress parade of the Naval ROTC at the University of South Carolina, where he is executive officer, when a citation from Fleet Admiral C. W. Nimitz was awarded him by Captain Kennedy.

The citation praised him for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in outstanding service as first lieutenant and damage control officer aboard a United States cruiser from October, 1943, to August, 1944. . . in the Gilbert, Marshall, Caroline and Marianas islands" and mentions his "outstanding skill . . . competence, initiative and leadership." Commander McIver was born and spent his childhood and early youth in Maxton. He is the grandson of Mrs. J. B. Weatherly.

### BILL JERNIGAN

Bill Jernigan has been accepted for service in the army and reported to Fort Bragg this week.

### CPL. W. H. HASTY, JR.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hasty have received a cablegram from their son, Howard, Jr., stating that he will return home from overseas soon.

### ANGUS CHISHOLM

Gibraltar.—Angus E. Chisholm, seaman, first class, Maxton, N. C., arrived at this port recently while serving aboard the destroyer, USS Glennon, attached to the 12th Fleet.

### EDWARD BODENHEIMER

Pearl Harbor, T. H.—Ensign Edward C. Bodenheimer, Red Springs has been advanced to his present rate at the navy staging center here

### EASTER HOLIDAY

The white schools of the Red Springs district will have a holiday Monday after Easter. It was stated today by Supt. W. R. Dudley....

progressive and dynamic."

President Truman castigates high Navy officials for opposing merger of armed forces. Declares if they aren't careful he might, as commander in chief, pull rank on them.

Representative W. O. Burgin of eighth N. C. district, dies in Washington after short illness.

Board of trustees of Wake Forest recommends acceptance of \$10 millions from Z. Smith Reynolds foundation in exchange for moving college to Winston Salem.

State board of education approves change of school bus seats from present length-wise type to forward-looking seats.

Soldiers refuse to testify to cruelty of American guards at army prison in Britain, declaring they are afraid of retribution.

## Trinity Plans Easter Rites For Holy Week

A series of special pre-Easter services will be held at Trinity Methodist church, Red Springs, beginning Palm Sunday, April 14, with Rev. Allen C. Lee as speaker. The services will be held each evening during Holy Week as 8 o'clock, closing Easter Sunday, April 21.

The entire community is invited to attend the services, for which the following subjects have been announced by Mr. Lee.

"Jesus Views the City," "The Call to Unity," "His Brother's Face and God's," "The Place that Was Vacant," "What Is Truth?" "The Challenging Christ," "Christ Speaks from Calvary," "The Peace that Easter Brings," and "High Altitudes."

## Band Concert To Be Given At PJC

A band concert by the Marion, South Carolina, high school band, under the direction of Professor Luigi Valeno, will be held at Presbyterian Junior college on Monday, April 15, at 11:00 o'clock. Professor Valeno is an outstanding musician and the Marion high school band has become well-known as it annually gives concerts in various schools and colleges. The public is invited to the concert at the college chapel, and children from the public schools are expected to attend.

The partial program includes: "The Heavens are Telling," J. Hayden; "Old Black Joe" with Southern Melody, Luigi Valeno; "Aunt Ethel," Novlette, Luigi; "High School Band," Valtzer, Luigi; Gavotte, Luigi; "Battles of Naples, 1943," with grand finale, Luigi Valeno.

## UNC Group Forms In Robeson County

Approximately 75 of the UNC alumni in Robeson county met at the Lorraine hotel Monday night and formed a local unit of Educational Foundation, Inc. The program is devoted to giving assistance to athletes.

The program was explained by Head Coach Carl Snavely from the university.

Officers elected for the Robeson chapter were: Wesley C. Watts of Lumberton, chairman; David Townsend of Rowland, vice chairman; Paul Thompson of Fairmont, vice chairman; R. D. McMillan, Jr., of Red Springs; vice chairman; Scott Shepherd of Lumberton, secretary; treasurer; John P. Stedman and B. G. French of Lumberton, Dr. A. B. Holmes of Fairmont; Dr. J. McN. Smith of Rowland, Herman Brisson of St. Pauls executive committee.

## MAXTON BANK TO TAKE HALF HOLIDAY

Claude Harrill, cashier of the Maxton State bank has announced that the bank will close at 12 noon each Wednesday beginning April 17 and will continue to do so until September 1.

## Mrs. David Ray Dies

Funeral services for Mrs. David Ray, 65, who died Saturday at her home in Maxton, were held from the home Monday afternoon with the Rev. T. Layton Fraser, pastor of the Presbyterian church, officiating. The service consisted of scripture, prayer and hymns, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" and "Nearer My God To Thee." Burial was in the McLean cemetery, near Maxton. Active pallbearers were Lawrence McRae, Jack Snead, Jr., Winfred McLean, Lacy Webster, Ralph McLean and Charles Watson.

Mrs. Ray was before her marriage Miss Sallie McRae. She was born and reared near Maxton and was held in deep esteem and affection by her family and a wide circle of friends in the community. She is survived by her husband, a son, Roy Ray, of Rowland, and four daughters, Mrs. Edwina Watson, Mrs. Mary Wilkerson, Miss Prudence Ray and Miss Vera Ray.

## McLean Admitted To Practice Before Superior Court

James Dickson McLean of Red Springs was admitted to the practice of law in North Carolina Superior court Monday. He was presented by his cousin, J. Dickson McLean of Lumberton and admitted by Judge Clawson L. Williams of Sanford.

McLean received his license to practice law in 1939 after graduation from the National University Law school in Washington, D. C. He has recently been released from the Navy with the rank of lieutenant after five years of service.

## Legion Posts Hear Talk By State Leader

A rally of 100 Robeson county veterans of World Wars I and II was held at the Armory Friday night at which time Legion State Commander Victor Johnson delivered the main address and war bond prizes were given the Maxton post for leading the county in obtaining new members since the middle of February and to Ernest Smith of Maxton and Frank McNeill of Lumberton as individuals who had obtained the largest number of new members.

A barbecue supper was served with Frank McNeill serving as toastmaster.

In his speech, Commander Johnson declared that the Legion must do all in its power to aid returning servicemen and that special attention must be given to aiding them in becoming used to civilian life again.

She declared that veterans of World War I had suffered before and during the last depression and that such must not happen again.

Also speaking on the program was Sarah Grantham of St. Pauls, former war sergeant who served eight months in England and 13 months in France.

The group voted upon motion of F. Eriel Carlyle to extend thanks to Martin McKinnon, Robeson county service officer, for his work with returning service men.

## Three Old Employees Back With Scottish Bank After Service

William A. (Bill) McCormick is back with the Scottish Bank after receiving his discharge from the army recently. A resident of Pembroke, he spent four years in the army, much of that time in the Philippines. He was discharged with the rank of captain.

Mr. McCormick is one of three old employees who have rejoined the Scottish bank Lumberton unit during the past several months following service with the armed forces.

John Ayers is back after four years in the army as staff sergeant and Jack Oliver of Marietta is back after serving three and a half years as a corporal in the army air forces. A new employee, Elbert Lewis, of Fairmont, was discharged recently from the army air corps with the rank of flight officer.

## Pat And Ippie File For Representative

John A. Baie and I. P. Graham filed today for re-nomination to the two posts in the state legislature from Robeson, subject to the Democratic primary of May 25. Both candidates had formally announced their intentions of running for reelection some weeks ago. Pat has served two terms in the house and Ippie has served three terms.

## St. Pauls Plans Building, Loan

Plans for the organization of a building and loan association in St. Pauls have been discussed at recent meetings and it is anticipated that the organizations will take place shortly. Already enough stock has been subscribed to meet the requirements of the insurance commission.

## J. C. Daniel Is Honorary Head Maxton C of C

J. C. Daniel, who has devoted so much time and energy to the organization of the Maxton Chamber of Commerce and Merchant's Association, was given a rising vote of thanks and was named honorary assistant manager at the first meeting which was held Wednesday evening, March 3rd.

C. A. Hasty, president, presided at an industrial committee composed of R. P. Edwards, chairman, and D. McBryde Austin, O. H. Broadway, Claude Harrill and Dr. L. C. La Motte and a civic committee composed of M. F. McGirt, chairman, and Rev. T. L. Fraser, J. L. Pace, E. T. Carrowan and G. P. McKinnon, were appointed.

The ministers of the town were all named honorary members of the Chamber of Commerce for the year 1946, and letters to them, telling them of this action by the group, have been sent them by George F. Cunnorell, manager.

## Several Easter Services Set For Maxton

### GOOD FRIDAY

The St. Paul's Methodist and the First Presbyterian churches of Maxton will sponsor a service of worship at the First Presbyterian church during the three hours of the day in which Jesus hung upon the cross from noon to three o'clock, Good Friday. All people in Maxton and vicinity are invited to worship a part or all of this period, and are asked to enter or leave the church only during the singing of a hymn.

The three hours will be divided into seven periods, and each will include a hymn, scripture reading, prayer, special music and a short meditation based on each of the seven statements of Jesus from the cross.

The seven ministers taking part are Rev. T. Layton Fraser of Maxton, Rev. E. G. Cowan of Laurinburg, Rev. J. I. Knight of Rowland, Rev. R. F. Munns of Laurinburg, Rev. G. F. Kirkpatrick of Maxton, Rev. Thomas A. Fry of Red Springs, and Rev. C. J. Andrews of Maxton. Each will conduct a twenty-five minute period in the order given.

### SPECIAL COMMUNION

A special communion service will be held at the First Presbyterian church of Maxton Thursday evening from eight to nine o'clock, this being the night on which Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper.

The sermon to be preached by the pastor, Rev. T. Layton Fraser, will be on the subject, "That the World May Believe." All believers are invited to partake.

### METHODIST

Special pre-Easter services will be held at the Maxton Methodist church, beginning Sunday, April 14. Services will be held each evening, except Saturday, at 8:00. There will be a candle-light communion service on Thursday evening, following the evening message.

The singing will be under the direction of J. J. Pence, superintendent of schools in Scotland county. The pastor of the church will do the preaching. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

## Apartments Found For PJC Students

Apartments for forty married students will be available at Skyway Terrace on the reservation of the Laurinburg-Maxton army air base, one mile from Presbyterian Junior college by April 29th, when a new refresher course for veterans will begin at the college. The refresher course will prepare for entrance in September.

A new temporary dormitory is being opened on the second and third floors of the State Bank building in Maxton for single students. The regular summer school opens June 10th.

## Ordinance Against Clogging Ditches

A town ordinance to prevent the stopping up of drain ditches has been passed by the Red Springs city council, providing a 30-day jail sentence or \$10 fine for offenders.

The ordinance makes it unlawful to deposit trash or rubbish of any kind in drainage ditches which might clog or prevent the free flow of water in the ditches.

## Dean Reuter To Give Three Organ Retitals

Robert Reuter, Dean of the conservatory of music at Flora Macdonald, will open a series of three organ recitals on Sunday afternoon, April 14, at 4 o'clock, in the college auditorium. The two following recitals will be held in the local Presbyterian church on the afternoon of April 28 and May 5. Mr. Reuter will be assisted by Robert Topping, tenor, of Fayetteville, Lillian Farguhar Robeson, violinist, and Clara Bailey, soprano, both of the conservatory faculty.

On the first program, Mr. Reuter will feature the music of Cesar Franck. The second will be on a modern program featuring the music of Karg-Elert and Marcel Dupre. The third recital will be devoted to the music of Bach and Reger.

Mr. Topping, recently from Pittsburgh, New York, and Chicago, where he has sung with some of the leading orchestras, is at present directing the choir of the First Baptist church of Fayetteville, and is also director of the choir of the Post Chapel at Fort Bragg.

## USO Accepts Maxton Bid For Building

The bid submitted by the town of Maxton for the USO building here has been accepted and final negotiations are in progress of completion this week, stated F. C. Frostick, mayor pro-tem. The building will be used as a community center, but no plans for its operation have been made as yet. A meeting of the various clubs and civic organizations will be held to discuss this matter at the town office Friday evening.

## Robeson Bar Favors

### Bond Regulations

Regulations tending to regulate the bonding of prisoners were recommended Monday by the Robeson county bar in a meeting at the Lorraine hotel.

The group recommended that the county's delegation in the general assembly be asked to sponsor legislation requiring professional bondsmen to deposit \$5,000 with the clerk of Superior court from which bond forfeits would be paid and that the bondsmen's fee be held to 5 per cent.

The bar group also recommended that the county commissioners instruct the sheriff and jailer to deny bondsmen access to prisoners unless specifically requested by the prisoners and that officers be instructed to abide by mandatory provisions of the law that a prisoner be allowed to contact counsel and friends.

Also recommended was the revival of the practice of recognizing persons known to officers for appearance in court when arrested on minor charges.

## Pre-School Clinics

Two pre-school clinics will be held in Robeson county next week, one Tuesday at Fairmont (white) school and one Wednesday at Prospect (Indian) school.

## Slip Covering Demonstration

A slip covering demonstration will be held in the auditorium of the farm building Tuesday, April 16, beginning at 10 a. m. The meeting will be conducted by Mrs. Rose Elwood Bryan of State college extension service, and will be open to all home demonstration women of Robeson county.

## Maxton Chamber of Commerce Plans Clean-Up Campaign April 22-28

## Red Springs Plans Paving Of 3 Streets

The Town of Red Springs is advertising for sealed bids for contracts to pave portions of East Second avenue, Cross street and Vance avenue.

Approval of the paving project was made by the town council recently upon petition of property owners on the streets involved.

It is estimated that there will be about 6,000 square yards of the paving, to be either sand asphalt, or tar and gravel.

Bids are to be opened at the town hall, 1 p. m., April 19.

## 1500 See Opener At Red Springs

Before an opening crowd of 1,500 the "Red Springs" team defeated Seranton, Pa., of the Eastern league 12 to 7 in an exhibition game at Red Springs Sunday.

Wayne hit the jackpot for Roanoke in the first inning when he homered with the bases loaded. Roanoke scored 10 runs in the first inning with Bares and Welson also homering. Carolan and Norton homered for Seranton.

Seranton, 7 runs, 10 hits, 3 errors.

Roanoke, 12 runs, 10 hits, 2 errors.

Roanoke will play the Fayetteville Cubs of the Coastal Plain league in Robbins Park, Red Springs, Sunday afternoon.

## News and Views

### By Ruth R. Croom

All good Maxtonians will heartily applaud the first action taken by the Maxton Chamber of Commerce in inaugurating a clean up campaign. The need is so obvious that there's no use to point it out to you, and we must make a real success of this, in order to prove to Mr. Cuthrell, the new manager of the Chamber of Commerce, that we are really backing him up. He is full of enthusiastic plans for the growth and development of our town and now is the time to encourage him by our whole hearted cooperation, or to discourage him, so he will feel it's all no use. Maxton is so beautiful in the spring with the dogwoods, spirea, iris and so many other lovely things in full bloom. It is incongruous to look down and see the heaps of ashes and other rubbish, somewhat like the little boy who dressed all up in his Sunday suit without taking a bath, only to quote Lady Astor, like the beautiful lady who had a dirty face. But we're going to change that.

While the Maxton kids have been wrestling with measles and whooping cough, taking all kinds of shots and afraid to go to anyone's house for fear of contracting some germ little Martha Evans has been having as much fun as ever, and not catching a thing. She explains that her mother has decided "she's a mule" and we hope she stays one. However, the situation is improving, and we hope soon all those old ugly signs will come off our houses.

Everyone asks us what we've heard from Dr. McClelland since he left last week, accompanied by Mrs. McClelland, Mrs. Covington and J. C. Daniel, in his new house trailer for Florida. The only word we've heard is through Mr. Daniel, who wrote that they were taking it slowly and had just reached South Carolina. We know they're taking good care of our doctor, and we are hoping the trip will do all of them a world of good.

Mr. Pate, who came to Maxton five years ago from Whiteville to accept a position with Drehan's garage, had made a great many friends here. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Mamie Eason of Whiteville, a son, Carlton Lee Pate; a daughter, Mrs. Richard Sealey, and a small grandson, Richard Sealey, Jr.

Among the out of town friends and relatives who attended the funeral were: Mrs. Sims Creech, Mrs. William Creech and children, Walter Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Creech, Mrs. Harry Simmons, Mrs. Junior Creech, Doris and Horace Creech, all of Whiteville; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Eason of Georgetown, S. C.; Mrs. Lizzie Edwards of Cohn-cil; Lt. S. K. Bearnskin of Ft. Bragg.

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## Town Board Will Aid In Movement To Beautify Town

The first project of the civic committee of the Maxton Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the city officials will be an intensive clean-up campaign during the week of April 22-28.

Murphy McGirt, chairman of the committee and representatives of the committee met with the town board on Monday evening to ask the cooperation of the city, and presented a number of requests and recommendations which they are taking under consideration. The board expressed hearty appreciation of the project and pledged every possible assistance.

The following persons were appointed captains to direct the work in their sections of the town:

Business district, E. T. Carrowan, E. A. Davis, R. C. Holland and D. McBryde Austin; residential section, Miss Bessie McLean, Mrs. J. W. Hamer, Mrs. A. C. Greene, Mrs. Gedde Daw, Mrs. J. W. Ellwanger, Mrs. J. A. McKinnon, Mrs. A. J. Steed, Mrs. M. P. James, Mrs. J. R. Dalrymple, Mrs. W. D. Kiser, Mrs. D. L. Stone, Mrs. D. McBryde Austin, Mrs. J. C. Daniel, Mrs. F. W. Littlefield, Mrs. T. O. Evans, Jr., Mrs. Hugh Drennan, Mrs. J. L. Currie, Mrs. Tom Caddell, Mrs. Bob Burns, Jr., Mrs. W. K. Cromartie, Mrs. C. H. Phillips and R. A. McLeod.

Prof. R. B. Dean was appointed to lead the work in the colored section and to name his assistants.

The following proclamation was issued by F. C. Frostick, mayor pro-tem:

"Whereas the national clean up, paint up and fix up campaign has resulted in many advantages to community life throughout the United States:

In safeguarding health and safety; In promoting employment and thrift; In furthering fire prevention; In promoting better housing; In stimulating civic pride; and In making the 'home and city beautiful';

"Now therefore, be it known that plans have been perfected for a thorough clean up, paint up and fix up campaign in Maxton, beginning April 22, 1946. This date to mark the opening of a real campaign of persistent and constructive effort in cleaning up, fixing up and keeping it up. In this worthy movement of cleaning, painting, planting, repairing and general rehabilitation and beautification we urge each citizen to do his or her best part to make our community."

## Roy Lee Pate Dies

Roy Lee Pate, 37, died at his home in Maxton Sunday afternoon after several months' serious illness. Funeral services were held Monday morning at 11 o'clock at the Baptist church, conducted by his pastor, the Rev. Forrest L. Young and appropriate hymns were sung by the church choir. Pallbearers were J. M. Moody, Lee Ivey, Marshall Drennan, Archie McLaughlin, Richard Lovett and Duncan McCallum. Burial was in Oakgrove cemetery.

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