

OF ALL THE TROUBLES, GREAT OR SMALL, THE GREATEST ARE THOSE THAT DON'T HAPPEN AT ALL. —KVP.

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LET US NEVER DOUBT THAT A JUST GOD, IN HIS OWN GOOD TIME, WILL GIVE US THE RIGHTFUL RESULTS. —ABRAHAM LINCOLN

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## Youth Can't Wait For Guidance, Says Boy Scout Speaker

### Farm Income Practices Cited By H. K. Sanders

#### Income Tax Information May Be Obtained From Farm Agent.

Income tax information for farmers was issued today by Person Farm Agent H. K. Sanders, faced to facilitate the filling out of original or amended 1944 declarations of estimated tax which must be filed on or before Jan. 15.

All farmers whose gross income during 1944 amounted to \$500 or more are required to file tax returns. Income from the production and sale of the following is taxable, Sanders explained: farm crops, livestock, livestock products, forestry products, and any money or value of goods received for rent, wages, salaries, commissions, or interest during the tax year.

Sanders pointed out that farmers may deduct for current expenses necessary for farm production which includes, fertilizer, seed, feed, veterinary expense, spray materials, fuel and oil for farm work, and hired labor for farm work.

The State Extension Service in Raleigh has prepared circulars as an aid in filling out the farmer's tax returns, and these may be obtained from the County Farm Agent's Office.

## Army Explains Why Slow-Up Comes In Mail

### Destinations From Overseas To U. S. Addresses More Direct.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 10.—Army postal service wishes to clear up some of the misunderstandings of the public relative to overseas mail delivery, according to Col. Hartley B. Dean, Fourth Service Command postal officer. "It appears," said Col. Dean, "that one of the complaints of the public is that mail service from overseas is better than the service going overseas."

The reason for this is that mail coming to the United States is bound for a definite, fixed address while overseas communications are often delayed due to the necessity of directory service and forwarding to find organizations and individuals in a constantly changing scene.

"Another thing which seems to puzzle the public is the fact that overseas letters are received in bunches. This is due to transportation facilities—if a convoy sails only every two weeks, naturally the mail will pile up and be received in one batch. This includes air mail. Both air and ordinary mail accumulate waiting for cargo space and as the space is available, the oldest mail is shipped out first. Of course if plane space becomes available after the letters (both ordinary and air mail) have gone by boat, the most recent letters arrive first and the sequence of the letters is broken."

## Farm Meeting Called Off

Greenville, Jan. 10.—The 10th annual meeting of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, scheduled for February 7-8 in Winston-Salem, has been postponed indefinitely in compliance with government requests that conventions with more than 50 delegates not be held, according to statements today by President J. E. Winslow of Greenville and Secretary R. Flake Shaw of Greensboro.

President Winslow and Secretary Shaw issued the following joint statement: "The North Carolina Farm Bureau in compliance with a request issued January 5 by James F. Byrnes, war mobilization director, is happy to postpone indefinitely the 10th annual meeting of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation scheduled to meet at Winston-Salem on February 7-8."

## Person Members Of Assembly In Good Positions

### Long Chairman Banks and Currency, Burns, Chairman Manufacturers and Labor

Senator Flem D. Long, who is serving his second session, has received the following legislative committee assignments in Raleigh: Chairman of the committee on Banks and Currency, and also a member of the committee on Agriculture, of Claims, Corporation, Counties, Cities and Towns, Finance, Immigration, Interstate and Federal Relations, Public Welfare, Rules, Senate Expenditures, and Senatorial Districts.

Representative R. P. Burns who is serving his third term has the chairmanship of the very important committee of Manufacturers and Labor, and is a member of other committees as follows: Appropriations, Congressional Districts, Courts and Judicial Districts, Federal Relations, Judiciary No. 1, Roads, Unemployment Compensation and Trustees of the University.

Some of the members of the 1945 General Assembly are quoted as being dissatisfied with their appointments but we are sure that neither of our members are disappointed, for they were well cared for, and it is a compliment to both of the members, as well as their friends at home.

## Roxboro Man On New Type Boat

### Henry R. Dunkley Will Serve On LSM Craft.

Henry R. Dunkley of Roxboro and the third son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dunkley now in the armed forces, has been chosen by the Navy for duty aboard an LSM (Landing Ship, Medium), according to information received here today.

Now stationed at the Amphibious Training Base in Little Creek, Virginia, Dunkley is preparing for duty in the Pacific on one of the new fast tank carriers.

The vessel on which Dunkley will serve was especially developed for landing war machines and equipment onto Pacific islands, and LSMs passed their first test in actual combat when they helped land General MacArthur's army on the shores of Leyte. Under the cover of heavy warships and their own curtains of anti-aircraft fire, the fast and powerful LSMs hit the Jap-held beaches and lowered their landing ramps for their cargoes of tanks and trucks to swarm ashore.

When Dunkley completes his Little Creek training, he and his crew will take over a new LSM and sail to join their sister ships in the Pacific area.

Dunkley was engaged in farming before he joined the Navy in July 1944. He is a graduate and baseball star of Roxboro high school.

His two brothers who are now serving with the U. S. fighting forces, are on duty overseas. The three men are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dunkley, of Route 1, Roxboro.

## Members Urged To Return Ballots

W. W. Woods, executive secretary of Roxboro Chamber of Commerce urges all firms and members who have not mailed in their ballots for the new 1945 Chamber of Commerce directors to do so at once.

The ballots were sent out to the membership-at-large on January 3rd. To be counted they must be in the hands of the Nominating Committee not later than 12:00 noon, January 16th.

Mr. Woods reports that to date (Jan. 10th) 75 per cent of the ballots have been returned to his office, and urges that the remaining 25 per cent be mailed immediately.

## Casting Bread, Etc.

Milwaukee, Jan. 11.—When Owen McClellan heard an elderly defendant tell Judge Harvey Neelan he didn't have farfare to get home, he reached into his pocket and handed the man a dime. Later when McClellan's case was called, Judge Neelan told him:

"The usual fine for drunk and disorderly is \$5. I'll make it \$1 because of what you did."

Washington imported paving stones for Mount Vernon's piazza from England.

## Sgt. Shotwell Aids French Children

Mrs. W. A. Shotwell has received a letter from her husband, Sgt. William A. Shotwell who has been over seas for fifteen months. Sgt. Shotwell went to England and then to France, where he is now stationed.

His letter stated that on Christmas eve his company entertained quite a number of French children. After dinner was served each child was presented with a gift. To top of the evening the soldiers took them to a movie.

Sgt. Shotwell has two brothers in service, Marshall, in the Seabees, is stationed at Camp Endicott, R. I., and Earl, with the Navy is stationed at Norfolk, Va.

## Applications For Allotments To Be Filed Soon

### February 1, Final Date For Applying For New Grower Tobacco Allotment For 1945.

All eligible producers who are interested in applying for a new grower flue-cured or burley tobacco allotment for 1945 should file their request at the Person County AAA Office prior to February 1, 1945, according to information given today by the Person AAA office.

It was pointed out that the announcement by the War Food Administration that marketing quotas will apply on these two types of tobacco for the marketing year 1945. 4c specified that five percent of the national marketing would be made available for establishing new allotments.

"To be eligible for such an allotment either the farm operator or the person growing the tobacco, shall be living on the farm and largely dependent on the farm for his livelihood."

## Service Center To Have Regular Program This Week

Activities at the Roxboro Service Men's Center USO will again be on regular schedule this week-end with Junior hostess group 2 in charge. Rev. Daniel Lane will conduct the vesper services on Sunday.

Hosts and hostesses to serve this week-end are as follows: Saturday 2 to 4, Mrs. L. H. Umstead; 4 to 6, Mrs. Rufus Harris; 6 to 8, Miss Hilda Shoemaker; 8 to 10, Mrs. Jack Strum; 10 to 12, Mrs. Frank Santa Lucia; Sunday 9 to 12, A. M. Pleasant; 12 to 2, Mrs. John W. Brewer; 2 to 4, Mrs. Mollie Barrett; 4 to 6, Mrs. W. H. Adair; 6 to 8, Miss Evelyn Caldwell; 8 to 10, Mrs. A. E. Jackson; 10 to 12, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Hicks.

Vesper services were conducted last Sunday by the Rev. Fred Bishop and a delightful supper was served.

## Attended Crusade For Christ In Durham

The following members of Long Memorial church attended a meeting in connection with the Crusade for Christ in Durham Wednesday: Rev. W. C. Martin, H. K. Sanders, J. E. Kirby, Carl Winstead, W. W. Woods, Mrs. Preston Satterfield, Sr., Mrs. O. T. Kirby, Mrs. C. B. Kirby, Mrs. L. R. Wilson, Mrs. G. C. Duncan.

Among those making talks at the meeting were Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke University and Bishop, W. W. Peele of Richmond.

The meeting was held in Asbury Church, Rev. M. W. Lawrence, pastor. Dinner was served to all in the basement of the church.

## In Hospital

Sgt. Henry Yarborough, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Yarborough, of Woodsdale and husband of Mrs. Jessie M. Yarborough of Roxboro, is now in a hospital in Belgium for a rest after being in action in Holland and Germany.

Sgt. Yarborough was at one time reported as injured in action.

## Receives Badge

Pfc. Carlton James, who is now in Germany with the 7th Army, has been awarded the combat infantryman's badge. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. James of Hillsboro.

Alaska has an area of 568,400 square miles.

## Association Aims Described By J. G. Johnson

### Negro Work In War Being Whole-Heartedly Supported.

J. G. Johnson, of Roxboro, president of the Person chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, speaking Monday night at first session for the New Year, pointed out that the local chapter is assisting with continued support for the Day trippers, of Concord church community, is actively interested in Negro Boy Scouts, contributing to their cause through the United War fund and that a War Bond has recently been purchased in the name of the chapter.

The remainder of Johnson's address was devoted to a discussion of purposes of the Association, which he listed as follows:

- To educate America to accord full rights and opportunities to our group.
- To fight injustice when based on race prejudice.
- To assist in passing legislation in state and nation and defeat discriminatory bills.
- To secure the vote for Negroes and teach its proper use.
- No race can rise without afflicting Government affairs.
- To stimulate the cultural life of the people.
- To stop lynching. The number lynched these late years has been few.

It is with pleasure that I refer to a group in our population that constitutes about one tenth of our nation, nearly one third of the great state of North Carolina, and about one third of the great county of Person. The labor of this group cleared our forests and lowground; it built our railroads and highways.

We are not asking that any special law be passed for us on account of our color, but we are asking that we be not discriminated against on account of our color. Many jobs which we are prepared to hold are closed to us. Our group is also the last to be hired, and the first to be fired.

The laws in our statute books read all right, but how are they carried out? The dark-skinned American constitutes a minority in this country, and it seems hard for the majority to do justice to the minority. They need the guidance of the Holy Spirit. The governing group should have the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

Again I am pleased to recall that in the past our group has taken part in the wars of our country. Our blood was the first to flow on Boston Commons for the freedom of this country. Our men are among the best fighters in the world if given an opportunity to fight.

We are doing all we are allowed in this war. We are buying all the bonds and stamps that we can buy. I am asking our group to stand firm for this country as in the past. No one can question our loyalty as citizens of this country.

The N. A. A. C. P. At Our Service It is a well known fact that there is strength in numbers. Without a closely knit organization ever on guard to fight the continuous denial of our civil economic and social rights to Negro Americans, we would be left to take in a stagnant pool of poverty.

Pfc. David C. (Polly) Walthall, 30, of Roxboro, son of Mrs. Pearl Walthall of Charles Street, who was previously reported as missing in action, has now been reported as killed in action on December 6, in Germany, according to an official War Department message.

Pfc. Walthall was in an infantry unit in Patton's Third Army. Before entering the service in December 1942, he was with Plant E, Collings and Aikman.

## Pfc. Walthall Is Killed In Action

The child, 4 1/2 years of age, died in a Morgantown hospital Sunday after an illness lasting 24 hours.

Other survivors are a brother, John Fowler Eberman of Morgantown, and an uncle, Edwin Eberman of New York, an editor of Look Magazine.

## Rites Will Be Held Today For Eberman Child

Funeral for Caroline Eberman, of Morgantown, Va., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hopkins Eberman of Morgantown, formerly of Roxboro, will be held today in Norfolk, Va., according to a message received here by the child's aunt, Mrs. G. C. Vickers.

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## Market Here Will Close Friday Of Next Week

## Person Women Aid War Loan Program

### State Chairman Leinbach Sends Special Message Of Praise.

Something of a State record in War Bond Sales in the just completed Sixth War Loan, has been established here by workers in the Woman's Division, according to district chairman Gordon C. Hunter, who has just received a letter of commendation from State Chairman C. T. Leinbach, of Winston-Salem, with special reference to the work done by Roxboro and Person women.

Leader here in total sales is Mrs. Lizzie Adair, with \$37,875, while second is Mrs. T. T. Mitchell, with \$26,650, all in E bonds. Other leaders, in order, are Mrs. Sally Minor, \$12,625 in E bonds, and Mrs. R. L. Hester, of Bushy Fork, with \$10,000 to \$12,000 to her credit. Total raised by the Woman's Division here, headed by Miss Claire Harris and mostly in E bonds was \$129,800.

Mr. Hunter also paid high tribute to work of teachers and pupils in Person and Roxboro schools, led by Supt. R. B. Griffin, and to cooperation shown by the Palace Theatre, where one entire day was given over to the War Bond showing of "Frenziedman's Creek."

Especially good showing was made by District 4, headed by Mr. Hunter. Quota was sixteen million dollars, whereas total amount subscribed was thirty-two million dollars.

## Graham Raiford Receives Honors

### Former Roxboro Boy Has New Honors In Air Corps.

Sgt. Graham W. Raiford, 19-year old radio operator and gunner on an Eighth Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress and son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wilson, Jr., of Green Bay, Va., formerly of Roxboro, has been decorated with an oak leaf cluster to the Air Medal, according to news from England.

The decorations was conferred for "meritorious achievement while participating in heavy bombardment missions in the air offensive against the enemy over continental Europe."

Sgt. Raiford has seen action in bombing attacks on German targets in the Ruhr valley, and has participated in attacks on enemy installations along the western front. His veteran fortress group, the 390th—a unit of the Third Bombardment division, has been cited by the President for its daring and skillful assault on key ball-bearing factories at Schweinfurt, Germany, in October 1941.

Sgt. Raiford, well-known in Roxboro, graduated from Roxboro high school and was active in Boy Scout and church work.

The Wilsons moved from Roxboro to Green Bay last year, where Mr. Wilson is owner-operator of Wil-Rai orchards.

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## PTA Plans

Charles W. Phillips, of Woman's College, Greensboro, guest speaker last night at Person Schoolmaster's club, also attended an afternoon meeting of parents and teachers interested in organization of a PTA at Roxboro High School, although organization will be delayed until later, it was learned here today.

## Miss Taylor Has Stirring Appeal For Polio Fund

### Church Circles And Members Asked To Contribute.

Appealing to all Person County and Roxboro church circle members and leaders, Miss Dorothy Taylor, of Roxboro, chairman of the Woman's division of the 1945 Polio Fund drive, which begins here next week, has written all circle leaders asking for united support for the campaign, general chairman is the Rev. Rufus J. Womble.

Person quota this time, as Miss Taylor indicates, has been set at \$2,161, and full cooperation will be required if the enlarged goal is to be met. Miss Taylor said today that she is making public her letter of appeal, because of the possibility that some circle leaders have been unintentionally omitted from the mailing list.

Her message reads as follows: "You have seen its shadow... With the speed of pestilence it moves through noisy streets and quiet lanes.

"It knocks at some doors and passes others by. But, moving, it leaves its shadow—twisted, helpless bodies that once were straight and strong. It leaves despair and takes, in grim exchange, hope."

"While other plagues of man have withered and died under the growing light of science and understanding, Infantile Paralysis continues its mysterious march of distortion. During the last two years it has struck from coast to coast with epidemic force. Schools closed. Public gatherings suspended. The laughter of a boy or girl around your corner silenced. The dreams of a mother and father shattered. The plans of a young man halted by the dead hand of Infantile Paralysis."

"Today it lies within the power of every American to share in this march of scientific advance. In your home—as surely as in the laboratory—you can do your part. This is a national endeavor, representing Democracy at its best; of, by and for the people. It is hoped that you will contribute as much as you can so that The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis may continue to carry on its great and important work."

"Won't you please talk this up with your members and ask them to make a most generous contribution to this worthy cause? Contributions may be made through your Circle, as an individual, or through any other medium preferable, and they may be made either to Rev. R. J. Womble or to me at the Chamber of Commerce office. Person County's quota has been set at \$2,161.00. Please make checks payable to 'Polio Drive.'"

Sgt. Wrenn At Miami Beach, Fla. T-Sgt. John C. Wrenn, 21, of Roxboro has arrived at Army Air Forces Redistribution Station No. 2, Miami Beach, Fla., for reassignment processing after completing a tour of duty outside the continental United States.

He will remain at the redistribution station about two weeks, much of which will be devoted to rest and recreation.

Sergeant Wrenn flew 35 missions as a B-24 radio operator-gunner in the European theatre winning the DFC and the Air Medal with three clusters. He is the son of S. A. Wrenn, Route No. 1, Roxboro.

## Librarian Here

Mrs. Whetstone, of Hillsboro, new tri-county librarian, arrived here yesterday to begin her first week of work with the Person County Public library and bookmobile. It is expected that the January board meeting will be held Monday for convenience of the chairman, Sen. Flem D. Long.

Mrs. Whetstone succeeds Miss Ernestine Grafton, now of Richmond, Virginia.

## Sales And Prices Particularly Good This Tuesday.

Roxboro Tobacco Market, which opened Tuesday for the remainder of the season and is expected to close on Friday, January 19, had a good opening day on Tuesday when 116,500 pounds brought an average of \$47.

Closing date for the market was announced this morning by George W. Walker, secretary of the Roxboro board of trade.

Prices are still holding good today, although no figures were available at noon. Wednesday total here was 32,117 pounds at a \$42 average. Total seasonal sale in pounds here for 1944-1945 is expected to be between eight and nine million pounds, much higher than has generally been the case on the Roxboro market in recent years.

From Raleigh comes the following report of an over-all picture of Tuesday's openings on various markets:

Raleigh, Jan. 10.—Middle and Old Belt flue-cured tobacco markets reopened Tuesday after the Christmas holiday period, with prices much higher on the Old Belt, and slightly higher levels with good demand on the Middle Belt, with War Administration and the Departments of Agriculture of North Carolina and Virginia announced.

Middle Belt sales up to the holiday period showed an average price level of \$43.30 per hundred, while the Old Belt level was \$42.55, the WFA reported.

Gains ranging from \$1 to \$7 over price levels of Dec. 15, the last day of operation before the holidays were reported by the WFA on the Old Belt. Averages for low and common leaf and nondescript grades were up \$3 to \$7, while virtually all cutters and smoking leaf advanced \$1. Lugs were \$1 to \$3 higher. None of the Old Belt markets is expected to remain open more than three or four weeks.

The WFA reported price levels on the Middle Belt were \$1 higher for most grades as compared with the last three days of operation prior to holidays. Leaf and smoking leaf grades were mainly steady but prices for the majority of cutters and lugs were up \$1 and nondescript advanced \$2 or more per hundred. Sales were fairly light. The Middle Belt market's anticipate remaining open for about two weeks.

## W. M. Graville Now Recovering

### Roxboro Soldier Wounded In Action In France.

Sergeant William Mitchell Gravitte, 21, of Roxboro, who was wounded in the chest by a piece of artillery bomb when his infantry unit was attacking German positions near Percy, France, is now recovering at United States Army 137th general hospital in England.

Sgt. Gravitte, who has been awarded the Purple Heart, "is making an excellent recovery," said his ward surgeon, Captain Harvey J. Merk of Tuckahoe, New York.

"The Nazis were putting up a stiff resistance near Percy and we were ordered to take the town at all cost," said the Roxboro soldier. "The attack was fierce and the artillery duel terrific. During the height of the battle I was hit in the chest by a flying artillery bomb fragment."

Son of Mrs. Dave Gravitte of Roxboro, Sgt. Gravitte managed a farm before entering the Army, February 27, 1943.

## Bushy Fork To Have Association

January meeting of the Person unit of the NCEA will be held Monday night at Bushy Fork community house, at 7:30 o'clock, with the faculties of Bushy Fork and Hurdle Mills as co-hostesses, according to Mrs. A. F. Nichols, chapter president. Some seven to eight faculty members from various schools will discuss "Legislative Matters Pertaining to Teachers and the Schools and it is expected that a member of the Education committee from the General Assembly will be present to lead the discussion."

## Promoted

Pfc. Albert D. Day was promoted to the rank of corporal December 28th. Cpl. Day is now somewhere in Italy. He is the son of Mrs. Herbert Day of Roxboro.