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Long Offers Reward In Theft Case Involving Safe And Cash

No Explanation Reached. Still Another Theft Remains Unsolved.

Still unsolved, with no new clues to explain it, is Roxboro's safe robbery of early Tuesday morning at Oscar W. Long's North End Service station, where a York safe weighing nearly one thousand pounds and containing \$1,500 in cash, in addition to uncashed checks, records of deeds of trust and other valuable papers was stolen from the store by robbers who apparently gained entrance through the back door and carted the safe and its contents out the front door which they left open after taking the safe to a waiting auto parked at the side of the building.

Mr. Long, owner-operator of the station, is today offering a reward of \$200 for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons concerned with the robbery.

Front door of his establishment was found open by Mr. Long Tuesday morning about seven or seven-thirty o'clock when he went to open up. Bars used to fasten the back door were found near it on the floor and it was evident that robbers had used a piece of copper tube in an effort to keep the rear door closed.

\$1,200 of the missing cash is the property of Haywood Inscore, who on the previous night asked Mr. Long to keep the sum in the service station safe for him. This means that only \$300 of the missing money belongs to Mr. Long, but he estimates that his missing check, deeds of trust, etc., run the valuation up several thousand dollars.

Investigation of the crime is being made by Chief of Police George C. Robinson and his staff and by Sheriff M. T. Clayton and deputies, all of whom were called to the scene. Night policemen on duty at time of the theft were Artie Watson and Page Brooks, who said that they passed the establishment for the last time about four A. M. and saw nothing amiss.

An employee at North End is Charlie Wilkins, who arrived shortly after Mr. Long. Last man at the place Monday night about eleven o'clock was Mr. Long. A heavy rain-fall during the night and the morning all but wiped out traces of tires of the parked auto in which the safe may have been taken away. City police still have under investigation another theft of Tuesday a week ago, when four tires and wheels were taken off of a car parked in the Tar Heel Chevrolet company. Apparently the robbers climbed over the fence and then threw the tires and wheels back over to the outside.

Andrew McCormick, 34, of Longhurst, who received head injuries Saturday night in a motorcycle wreck on the Longhurst highway and has since then been a patient at Community hospital for the treatment of severe lacerations, is reported to be improving at the hospital.

Listed as manufacturing whiskey is Percy Clayton, Negro, 25, of Allensville township, who on Tuesday gave bond of \$100 for appearance in Recorder's court after being apprehended by Sheriff Clayton, who said that the still of fifty gallon capacity, with fifty gallons of mash, was destroyed.

Twenty-seven or more cases were disposed of Tuesday in Person Recorder's court before Judge F. O. Carver, with R. B. Dawes as solicitor.

Monday Game

Roxboro high school basketballers will meet a Camp Butler team here Monday night in Roxboro high school gymnasium, according to announcement, made today by District Supervising Principal Jerry L. Hester.

Hour Changes

Services will be at Hurdle Mills Methodist church at 7:30 Sunday night on the third Sunday instead of that morning, according to the pastor, the Rev. Floyd G. Villines. Regular services will be held at eleven o'clock in the morning on that date at Mount Zion.

Has Operation

Miss Hazel Greene, student nurse in training at Watts hospital and daughter of Mrs. E. M. Greene, underwent an appendectomy there Tuesday night. Her condition is considered satisfactory.

Film Nets \$40

\$40 were received here Monday night at the Polio benefit showing of the Duke-Alabama Sugar Bowl game film Monday at the Court House, bringing final total of the Polio fund to \$3,400.06, according to Chairman Rufus J. Womble. A good crowd attended the film showing at which Charlie Dukes, director of public relations and alumni affairs, Duke University, was narrator.

Mr. Dukes, who afterwards gave a second showing to the NCEA at the US Service Center, was introduced by J. S. Merritt, Duke alumnus.

Ministers Voice Regrets That Womble Leaves

Rev. L. V. Coggins Will Talk At March Session.

February meeting of the Person County Ministerial Association was held Monday morning at Edgar Long Memorial Methodist Church with the Rev. W. C. Martin in charge. Devotional was by the Rev. J. H. Shore.

The message was brought by the Rev. Daniel Lane gave a report of subject "The Pastor As a Personal Worker."

Rev. Daniel Lane gave report of the services to be held at the Person County Home. The young people of the Methodist Youth Fellowship will conduct the services on the second and fourth Sundays of each and the Primitive Baptist Church will conduct the services on the third Sunday.

It was decided that Rev. L. V. Coggins will bring the message at the next meeting to be held March 12th and Rev. J. N. Bowman will conduct the devotional.

Ministers present were: Revs. W. C. Martin, L. V. Coggins, J. N. Bowman, B. B. Knight, J. H. Shore, Daniel Lane, E. C. Maness, Boyce Brooks and Rufus Womble. Expressions of regret were voiced by the ministers that the Rev. Mr. Womble is soon to leave here for new work at Epiphany Episcopal Church, Richmond, Va., and it is planned that the Association is to send a letter of commendation to that church.

Tar Heel Units Gain Citations

Camp Blanding, Fla., Feb.—Four outfits of the 120th infantry, part of the 30th division composed of national guardsmen from North and South Carolina, which trained at Blanding, have been cited "for outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy," it was revealed today. Those cited were the Second battalion, company K; the First and the Second platoon, antitank company.

"By their brave and heroic stand," by the citation read, "they prevented the enemy from splitting our forces in Normandy from those in Brittany."

The group occupied defensive positions on hill 314, commanding major routes of approach and supply. For seven days they defended the hill and road block at the convergence of five roads near Abbeville-Blanche, northwest of Mortain. More than 60 German tanks and vehicles were destroyed in the seven-day battle.

Dutch Children Reach England

Coventry, England, Feb.—The first contingent of refugee children from Holland arrived waving flags and cheering as their train rolled into the station.

The youngsters, ranging in age from 8 to 15, were selected on the basis of their need for rest and relaxation and their physical capacity for making the trip. The young refugees will be billeted at a hotel until they learn enough about the English to get along in private homes where they will remain for the duration.

The British expect to care for 20,000 Dutch children by the time all of Holland is liberated.

If you have anything to sell, a 25c want ad will do the job call 2391.

Cooker Clinic To Be Conducted In This City

Person Home Agent Is Arranging Event At Post Office.

A pressure cooker clinic has been scheduled for Person County on Tuesday, February 27th, under the sponsorship of the Farm Security Administration and Extension Service, both white and Negro, and will be held in the Seed Loan Office, in the basement of the Post Office, according to Miss Evelyn Caldwell, Person Home Agent.

Cookers will be checked for accuracy in registering pressure and will have pet-cooked and safely valves thoroughly cleaned.

In order to secure inspection assistance, it will be necessary to have cookers thoroughly cleaned, inside and out, labelled with name and address and brought to the basement of the Postoffice on either Friday, February 23rd, or Saturday, February 24th, at which time there will be some one there to check in cookers.

If pressure gauges do not register correctly or if steam escapes at either the petcooks or safety valves, the services of the clinic should help.

The series of clinics held in the State in 1944 and 1945 will be the last scheduled anywhere in the State; so, if cookers need repair, please make arrangements with either the Home Demonstration Agent or P. S. A. Supervisor as early as possible to assure the cookers a place in the clinic, since only a limited number can be checked, says Miss Caldwell.

Three Roxboro Soldiers Home

Cpl. Leonard Earl Parham, of Fort Bragg, is spending several days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Parham, North Main Street. While Cpl. Hassell Whitfield of Bushy Fork, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whitfield, stationed in Washington, returned to that city yesterday after spending several days here. Now at Camp Butler hospital is Pvt. James A. Holt, of Roxboro, son of Mrs. Ruth Holt, this city, and husband of Mrs. Connie Holt, El Paso, Texas.

Pvt. Holt, wounded in Germany, was in Europe forty months with the eighth Infantry Division. He has the Purple Heart and the Combat Infantryman's badge. A brother is Elmo Holt, of the U. S. Navy.

Library Board To Meet On Friday

Board meeting of the Person County Public Library will be held Friday afternoon, February 16th, at 4 o'clock in the Board of Education office, according to announcement made today by Mrs. Ethel Waler Wheatstone, tri-county librarian, who arrived in Roxboro the first of the week.

Sen. Flem D. Long, chairman of the board, is expected to be present.

Breslau is the largest and most important city of Germany's eastern border region.

PLANS FOR CRUSHING NAZIS FORMED AT MEET

Washington, Feb.—The "Big Three" on Monday decreed death for German Nazism and militarism in an historic agreement which revealed for the first time how the Allies plan to strip defeated Germany so completely of any war-making capacity that she "never will again be able to disturb the peace of the world."

The agreement was announced by President Roosevelt, Premier Josef Stalin and Prime Minister Winston Churchill at the conclusion of a momentous eight-day conference at far-away Yalta in Russian Crimea.

They coupled their verdict on Germany with decisions to: 1. Turn loose upon Germany a tremendous assault that will result in "shortening the war." 2. Speed the establishment of world peace machinery by calling a full-dress United Nations meeting at San Francisco beginning April 25th.

3. Form a new Polish government and tentatively fix Poland's new eastern boundaries at the Curzon Line. Poland would be compensated for lost territory in the past by acquiring territory from Germany.

Back the Atlantic Charter's principles of self-determination among the liberated peoples of Europe in establishing their governments.

5. Invite France to join in the occupation of defeated Germany and take part in future European councils.

6. Bring China and Russia into simultaneous discussions on establishment of a world peace organization—a possible hint that Russia eventually man abandon her neutral status with Japan.

They called upon the German people to quit their "hopeless resistance" and assured them—as contrasted with Nazis and German militarists—that the Allies do not

Prisoner Of War



SGT. JAMES S. PENTECOST

Sgt. James S. Pentecost, of Roxboro, a prisoner of war in a German camp, says he is in good health. Sgt. Pentecost, 26, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Pentecost, of Roxboro, Route two. Two sisters are Mrs. Rupert Jones and Mrs. Rozell Yoder, both of Roxboro. He was at first reported as missing in action.

Women Urged To Assist In Nurse Program

Raleigh, Feb. 9.—North Carolina women were urged today by Governor R. Gregg Cherry to give full support to the current campaign to enlist 105 women for training in the Women's Army Corps to serve as medical and surgical technicians in Army General Hospitals which now are receiving over 30,000 war casualties monthly from the battlefronts.

The Army, stressing the need for quick action so the ill and wounded men may not suffer for lack of attention, has asked North Carolina to meet its quota of 105 recruits by March 20th. Governor Cherry has designated the State Office of Civilian Defense to cooperate with the Army in the recruiting campaign, and OGD Director R. L. McMillan appointed June H. Rose, of Greenville, Assistant State OGD Director, to active direction of the drive among 104 OGD local councils throughout the State.

Lt. Margaret W. Pegrum, of Winston-Salem, has been assigned to the OGD Office as liaison officer to coordinate activities of the civilian and Army agencies.

Mrs. J. A. Graney, of Charlotte, is chairman of the State Civilian Advisory Committee working with the Army, and Governor Cherry, at the request of General Uhl, appointed Mrs. Cherry as honorary chairman.

Urgency of the need for hospital technicians was laid before Governor Cherry by Major General Frederick E. Uhl, of Atlanta, Commander of the Fourth Service Command, who flew to Raleigh to urge utmost cooperation from the State in meeting the North Carolina quota.

Subsequently, Governor Cherry appealed to North Carolina women to give serious thought to the need for more hospital aides in the War, and he urged those in a position to join to offer their services at once.

To be eligible, women must be U. S. citizens between the ages of 20 and 50; must have completed two years of high school or its equivalent in a business, trade or vocational school; and must not have a child under 14. They may join at the Army recruiting stations at Charlotte, Asheville or Durham.

USO To Open

The Roxboro USO Service Center is expected to be open this week-end for a curtailed and limited program, according to Dr. Robert E. Long, director, who recently returned from Richmond, Va., where he had a conference with Chester D. Snell, regional director of USO. Nothing definite is yet known about the future status of Camp Butler except for the hospital unit.

Two other brothers are in service, Pfc. William H., in New Caledonia, and Pvt. Robert S. Ashby in camp in Alabama.

Public Relations Theme Discussed By Teachers

Teachers Discuss Personality And School Salesmanship.

February meeting of the Person Chapter of N.C.E.A. was held Monday night at the Roxboro U.S.O. with Bethel Hill and Allensville acting as co-hostesses and Mrs. A. F. Nichols, president of the local N.C.E.A. presiding. The theme of the evening was Public Relations, with Miss Bertha Dixon as chairman.

Special talks were made by Miss Helen Sears on "How I Sell Myself To The Public," J. A. Stanley on the "Model Teacher" who used different teachers as concrete examples.

Namely, personality, Miss Ina Collins; character, Miss Ruth Sims; intellectuality, Miss Helen Sears; love of work, Miss Nellie Gravelly; love of all children, Mrs. Hayes; professional minded, Mrs. A. F. Nichols; and Mrs. Clyde Crowell who spoke on "Mechanics of School Advertising." G. C. Hunter spoke highly of the cooperation that the schools had given in the different war campaigns.

A valentine contest sponsored by Bethel Hill was won by Miss Collins. Following the contest, Rev. Rufus Womble also thanked the schools for the collection of \$1303.86 for the polo drive. He then presented Charlie Duke who showed the Duke-Alabama football game at the Sugar-Bowl.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses who carried out the valentine motif in their decorations.

Two New Firms Open In City

Two new business establishments are now open for business in Roxboro, one an auto parts supply house, the other devoted to the selling of tractors, farm supplies and fertilizers.

The auto parts company is Southern Parts of Roxboro, Inc., with Belvin Barnett, of Roxboro, and R. F. Ashworth, of Durham, as associates. Their location is in the Kirby building, North Main street.

The tractor and supply firm is Johnson Cotton company, Court street, near Spencer's Funeral Home and Planter's Warehouse, with F. H. Dagenhart, as manager.

Band Concert Draws Crowd

Oxford and Roxboro high school bands, which yesterday held a joint sponsored all day clinic in Roxboro high school, including in their programs a downtown parade in the afternoon and a concert at night, ended festivities with a dance at the USO Service Center. Also held was a dinner at Hotel Roxboro.

Concert at the high school, where fourteen selections were played to a capacity audience, was directed by Miss Mary Earle Wilson, Roxboro, and A. J. Wagner, Oxford. Spirited marches and colorful patriotic numbers, closing with the "Star Spangled Banner," appealed greatly to the audience.

Pfc. Melvin Ashby Wounded Twice

Pfc. Melvin M. Ashby, 23, son of Turner Ashby, of Timberlake, has been officially reported as seriously wounded in action, January 29, in Luxembourg. Pfc. Ashby was slightly wounded in July last year in France and was in a hospital one month.

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USO To Open

the heart of the Reich from east, west, north and south. Military staffs of the three great powers have planned this last crushing blow in detail and are "fully agreed on it."

The Big Three leaders have agreed on common policies and plans for enforcing unconditional surrender terms that will be imposed on Nazi Germany when final enemy resistance is crushed.

These terms will not be disclosed until the final defeat of Germany has been accomplished.

3.—American, Russian and British forces each will occupy a separate zone of Germany. The three powers will set up in Berlin a central control commission consisting of the supreme commanders of the three nations, France will be invited to take over a zone of occupation and to participate in the central control commission.

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Two Airmen Reported Missing, Killed In Action

Men Like Sweaters

Roxboro Red Cross officials of the knitting division, Mrs. George W. Kane and Percy Bloxam, feel that work of the division has received a boost because of a letter of thanks received from the Field Director, Gulfport, Miss., who says that men there, who are at a port of embarkation and have received a number of the sweaters knitted here, have praised the quality and comfort of the garments made in Roxboro. Needless to say, work of the knitting division still goes forward.

It has, in fact, received an impetus, because of this unsolicited commendation.

Further Emphasis Will Be Given Church Crusade

City Methodists Plan Special Services Sunday.

Members of Long Memorial Methodist Church are being called by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Martin and S. G. Winstead, Chairman of the Crusade for Christ Council, to take part in raising \$25,000.00 for world relief and reconstruction, the first phase of the denomination's nationwide Crusade for Christ program of post-war service, according to announcement made today.

Quota for Long Memorial Church is \$3,034 and Sunday is to be Victory Day when it is expected the full amount will be raised in pledges and cash. Pledge cards and Crusade envelopes have been distributed among the members this week with the request that the pledge cards and first payment be placed on the altar of the church Sunday morning before a lighted cross.

Other phases of the Crusade for Christ program call for continued education in and expression of opinion for "co-operation among nations in the post-war world," renewed evangelism efforts with special emphasis in 1946, education for Christian Stewardship of ability, time and money, and improvement of Sunday School enrollment and attendance.

The Crusade for Christ is Methodist's organized response for assuming its part in meeting the unsettled conditions and vast staggering needs created by the second World War. Mr. Martin stated, "Having proved its will to live in the face of all enemies, the Church is now ready to give practical and spiritual food to the hungry, both of its household and others throughout the world without distinction of race, creed or color."

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V-Bombs Slay 19 Per Day

London, Feb.—German V-Bombs during January killed an average of nearly 19 persons a day in England. They caused casualties totaling 2,214 nearly double the December figure, the British air ministry announced today.

Of the total 585 persons were killed or missing and believed killed and 1,629 were injured. During the month 94 children under 16 were killed and 228 were injured.

Convicted Of Making Poison

Newark, N. J., Feb.—Some time ago Merck & Co., big chemical firm, distributed a drug for relief of distress after operations and it killed 15 persons.

Convicted this week of faulty labeling of its product, the concern was fined \$15,000—a thousand dollars for each death—by Federal Judge Thomas F. Meaney.

Curiously, none of the company's officers had been named in the indictment.

Sgt. Moore Has Many Missions Credited To Him

Roxboro Man Chalks Up Record At Base In Italy.

T-Sgt. Lawrence C. Moore, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Moore, Cavell and Roxboro, X, engineer-gunner on a B-24 Liberator, has recently flown his 20th combat mission in the 15th Air Force, Italy. It was reported here today.

Sergeant Moore arrived overseas last August and was assigned to a veteran Liberator group commanded by Col. Leroy L. Stefonowicz, Wildrose, N. D. The group has participated in more than 180 combat missions against enemy installations in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations.

Sergeant Moore holds the Air Medal with one bronze cluster for "meritorious achievement in aerial flight."

Sergeant Moore was graduated from Bethel Hill high school in 1943. He was employed by the Collins and Aikman Corp. before entering the army on Feb. 27, 1943. He received his engineer training at Keesler Field, Miss., and his gunner's wings at Laredo, Tex.

Board Formed To Create War Weapon Plans

Washington, Feb.—Creation of a new board of civilian and military scientists to develop weapons for any future conflict was announced today.

The board to be known as the research board for national security, will serve in the interim between office of scientific research and development, a wartime agency, and the establishment by Congress of an independent agency to carry on the work.

The announcement was made jointly by Secretary of War Stimson, Secretary of the Navy Forrestal and Dr. Frank B. Jewett, president of the National Academy of Sciences. A committee on postwar research has recommended to Congress the establishment of a permanent independent agency.

The new board was set up by Dr. Jewett at the request of the armed services. Twenty civilian scientists, with an equal number from the army and navy, will compose its membership.

Explaining why the board was needed, Stimson and Forrestal said in a statement:

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Negro Wanted

Selective Service desires information on Ira Long, Negro, 20, of Hurdle Mills, who is asked to report to the board here at once.

To Preach

Rev. Cecil Lawrence, of Virginia, will preach at the Roxboro Baptist church Sunday morning, 11 o'clock, according to announcement made today.

Sergeants Todd And Shepherd Previously Reported Missing.

Now reported as killed in action after having been previously listed as missing in action are two Roxboro and Person airmen, Sgt. Royal P. Todd, of Allensville, and S. Sgt. Elmo W. Shepherd, of Virgilina, Va., route 1, according to official messages received here this week.

Sgt. Todd, 22, a waist-gunner, is said to have been killed over Austria on September 10, same date on which he was reported missing in that area. He is a son of Mrs. N. J. Todd, of Allensville, and of the late Rev. Mr. Todd. Others in the family are a brother, N. J. Todd, Jr., of Roxboro and Newport News, Va., and eight sisters, among them Mrs. Luther Dixon of Roxboro.

Sgt. Todd, decorated several times for bravery, attended Bethel Hill high school and was in civilian life connected with Collins and Aikman. Message concerning his death arrived Monday through the International Red Cross.

Sgt. Shepherd, 20, and a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shepherd, Virgilina, was reported as killed over Germany, November 26. He also received decorations and honors. An Indian, Sgt. Shepherd attended High Plains school. The message concerning his death was received by his parents Tuesday morning. Sgt. Shepherd was said to have been missing on November 26.

At least seven or eight casualty messages are reported to have been received here in the past week.

Two Local Boys Coming Home

Clayton Jr., of this City, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. Y. Clayton, who has been overseas in India, Egypt and Palestine for more than two years, has arrived in Miami, Fla., and is expected here soon, possibly today, according to a message received from him on Wednesday. His wife is Mrs. Rebecca Pulliam Clayton, of South Boston, Va., and Roxboro.

Also enroute home is Sgt. William A. Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Sanders, who has spent a year in the Pacific area. He has landed in California.

Virginians Want Sen. Glass Out

Charlottesville, Va., Feb.—It is alleged that Carter Glass, Senior Senator from Virginia, has not answered a Senate roll call since June 22, 1942. Leading Virginians, many of them among the Senator's staunch supporters in the past, are calling on Mrs. Glass to urge her husband to retire.

Glass has just passed his eighty-sixth birthday. He was elected to the House in 1902. After serving 16 years, President Wilson made him Secretary of the Treasury. He entered the Senate in 1920.

Glass has built up a considerable fortune, largely through his ownership of two Lynchburg daily newspapers.

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