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Who Wants To Go To Hurdle Mills?

Who wants to be principal at Hurdle Mills school? That is what Person Supt. R. E. Griffin would like to know? This is his problem: a few weeks ago E. B. Isley resigned as principal there and was succeeded by W. M. Lovelace, but now Lovelace has resigned—in order to go to a school at Mooresboro, said to be closer to the home of his father, who is ill. Another resignation is that of Miss Katherine Matthews at Bushy Fork, who will teach in the Durham system in her home city. She is a sister of Mrs. Gordon Carver of Roxboro.

W. H. Lester, 37, Marine Veteran, In For 17 Years

Radar Expert Works Under Snipers' Fire In Pacific Area

Warrant Officer William H. Lester, 37, of Roxboro, a veteran of seventeen years of service in the Marine Corps, whose duties as a radar expert have taken him from Los Negros to the Philippines, has returned to the Marine Corps Air Depot, Miramar, Calif., for leaves and reassignment and may come to Roxboro soon to visit his family according to information received here today.

Lester went ashore at Leyte immediately behind assault troops and two hours after the capture of the first airstrip began setting up his equipment.

The area selected for the station was under mortar fire for ten days and on three occasions snipers infiltrated and fired on the workers, injuring four.

Lester took part in the Marianas campaign in 1932 and was stationed in the Virgin Islands during 1935-36. He is a graduate of the Quartermaster school in Philadelphia.

His wife, the former Miss Louise Ramsey, and two daughters, ages 6 and 2, live at Roxboro and his father, Adolphus W. Lester in South Boston, Va.

Rev. C. D. White To Hold Revival

A revival meeting will begin at the Mt. Zion Methodist Church Sunday morning July 8. The Rev. Charles D. White, pastor of the Duke's Chapel Methodist Church, Durham, will preach. Evening services will begin at 8:30 P. M.

A Vacation Bible School will be held in connection with the revival. The school will be in session from 2 to 4 each afternoon beginning Monday. Mrs. B. I. Satterfield is the supervisor for the school.

The regular Second Sunday services will be held at Mt. Tirzah, Sunday morning and Helena, Sunday night, according to the pastor, the Rev. Floyd G. Villines, Jr.

Meets Grauch



PETE PRIDGEN

Seaman First Class Pete Pridgen, now at Shoemaker, California, and trombone player with the Fleet City orchestra (official Navy orchestra) hobnobbed with such movie celebrities as Grauch Marx, Frank Jenks and Charles Blake, together with five or six young feminine starlets, all of whom were in a USO Camp show in which the Fleet City orchestra played recently. Pridgen, in the Navy a year and a half and on sea duty for a year, is the son of Mrs. Thomas J. Crutchfield, of Roxboro.

Schools To Open Last Of August

Miss Vogler New Club President

Mrs. Thomas J. Crutchfield, Retiring President, Receives Gift.

Officers were elected for the coming year at the meeting of the Roxboro Business and Professional Woman's Club held Tuesday evening at Hotel Roxboro. They are as follows: president, Miss Billie Vogler; vice-president, Miss Laura Penny; recording secretary, Miss Virginia Dixon; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Gertrude Wagstaff; and treasurer, Mrs. Loyd Crumpton. Miss Nancy Bullock was reinstated as a club member. The club presented Mrs. Thomas Crutchfield, who has been president of the club for the past two years, with a gift. Miss Virginia Dixon had charge of the program. The gift was "F Dag". The next meeting will be a chicken barbecue at Louis Long's on July 17th.

New Date Seen As Means Of Avoiding Unpopular Saturday Classes.

Person County and Roxboro public schools will try a new system of opening and closing, beginning next month, according to announcement made Tuesday afternoon by Superintendent R. B. Griffin, who is also secretary to the County Board of Education, and who in that capacity has reported for the Board the adoption of a school calendar calling for the opening of all schools here on Wednesday, August 29, about one week earlier than usual. Decision to open the schools at an earlier date was reached here on Monday at regular quarterly session of the Board and reason for moving the date up, according to Mr. Griffin was the desire of the Board to eliminate for this next year the schedule of Saturday teaching which has been in effect here since the adoption of a nine months schedule. The Saturday schedule, as Mr. Griffin pointed out Tuesday in his news release, has always been unpopular here and in a measure has been unsatisfactory as well, chiefly (Continued on page three)

Very, Very Quiet Fourth Observed

Stores and Offices Closed As People Stay at Home For Restful Day. Few Picnics.

With not even a shower of rain to break the calm of the day Person residents spent a safe and sane July 4th. The sky was fairly clear and the temperature was not as hot as it had been for the past many days.

Practically every store and business office in the city was closed along with the mills of the city and county. In the county proper many service stations and stores were closed in observance of the day.

There were very few, if any, celebration other than picnics and fishing parties in this section. A majority of the people simply took the day as a day of rest.

Loch Lily had a fair crowd of swimmers but none too many as the day was rather cool. The golf course at the lake was not even as busy as it has been on other holidays as a large number of local golfers were in the western part of the state playing golf on famous golf courses. Local police officers reported a quiet day over the city and the county.

Kiwanians Have Quiz Program

The Roxboro Kiwanis Club met Monday night at Hotel Roxboro with president Jim Long in charge. Preston Satterfield, Jr., had charge of the program and he presented J. S. Fleming, principal of Mt. Tirzah school who conducted a quiz program among the members. The prize that was to have been awarded was a Parker pencil but at the end of the contest it was decided that no one had won the prize so it was turned over to J. W. Green, club member, to be given to some deserving person.

Wheeler Newell Completes Bond Drive

On Tuesday morning of this week Wheeler Newell, business man of Roxboro, purchased the last E Bond in the Seventh War Loan that was needed to put Person County over the top in its drive for \$248,000 worth of these bonds.

Mr. Newell bought his bond at 11:45 and it was of the \$1,000 variety. Immediately after this it was needed bond for the completion of the drive was bought G. C. Hunter, chairman for this district, wire headquarters that Person was over the top.

Pvt. Harris Hurt

Pvt. Lawrence Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harris, is reported to have been seriously wounded at Mindanao in May. In the Pacific area since February, he entered service in September last year and had basic at Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Little Rock, Ark. He is now receiving treatment in a hospital.

Production Room Open On Thursdays

Production room of the Person Red Cross chapter in the Wilburn and Satterfield Building will be open again today from three to five o'clock in the afternoon, according to Mrs. T. T. Mitchell, production unit chairman, who points out that the room is open each Thursday at the hours stated and that public cooperation is especially needed in the making of bedside and kit bags for use at Camp Butler.

Women who wish to help with the program may do their sewing in the Production room or they may go there to obtain materials to be taken to their homes for completion.

Byrnes Goes In As New State Department Chief

Not A Dissenting Vote Cast For Confirmation Of South Carolinian

Washington, July 4.—The Senate, without a dissenting vote, on Monday speedily confirmed the nomination of James F. Byrnes to succeed Edward R. Stettinius Jr., as Secretary of State. He was sworn in at 11 A. M. E. W. T. Tuesday at the White House.

In testimony to the popularity of their former colleague, the chamber approved the appointment by unanimous consent less than half an hour after it was submitted by President Truman. Committee hearings were dispensed with at the request of Democratic Leader Alben W. Barkley.

Byrnes, a South Carolina lawyer who reached the top in all three branches of government, thus was handed the job of steering the nation's foreign policy along the lines of international cooperation laid down by the late Franklin D. Roosevelt and followed by Mr. Truman.

The former Senator, Supreme Court justice and War Mobilization Director also becomes next in line for succession to the Presidency.

Mr. Truman announced Byrnes' appointment Saturday, soon after he disclosed that Stettinius had resigned to become chief U. S. delegate to the United Nations Security Council.

Byrnes will undertake his first assignment very soon. He will go to the Berlin Big Three conference to serve as the President's right-hand man during his crucial talks with Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Premier Josef Stalin.

Kinswoman Gives Spinning Wheel To Camp Butler

Mrs. W. N. Thomas, of Oxford, and well known in Roxboro, has parted with one of her most cherished possessions, an old spinning wheel, which now has an honored place in the Occupational Therapy Shop of the U. S. Army General Hospital, Camp Butler. When a published appeal was made for a spinning wheel for the use of soldier patients working in the shop, Mrs. Thomas responded at once with the gift.

A second spinning wheel, one of the most valued of her many pieces of antique furniture, will be sent to the shop as a loan. Mrs. Thomas is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Joe Kirby, and Mrs. Fred Long, both of Roxboro.

Tar Heel Man Greatly Honored

Washington, July 4.—The War Department announced today the award of the Medal of Honor to Cpl. Henry F. Warner, 22, of Troy, N. C., near Dom Butgenbach, Belgium, after he had smashed and set afire three German tanks.

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S-Sgt. B. G. Clayton, Jr. Listed As Killed

Staff Sergeant Burleigh G. Clayton, Jr., 21, tailgunner with the United States Army Air Corps and son of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Clayton, of Roxboro, previously reported as missing in action in France as of February 25, 1944, has been officially reported as killed in action on that date, according to a War Department message from Adj. Gen. J. A. Ulio received yesterday by Sgt. Clayton's mother. The Ulio message is based on a corrected report just received by the War Department and regrets were expressed in the message over the unusual "lapse of time in reporting the death" of Sgt. Clayton, who was promoted to Staff Sergeant the day he went on his final mission. A letter is expected to follow from the War Department, but the mes-

sage received yesterday confirms a letter received on June 9, of this year from the co-pilot on Sgt. Clayton's plane, the letter indicating that Sgt. Clayton and at least two others of the crew were apparently struck by bullets and seriously wounded before the plane crashed in flames. Sgt. Clayton, a graduate of Roxboro high school, went into military service early in 1943 and went overseas in December of that year. Prior to entering service he worked with a defense industry at Newmarket and then with a tobacco company as assistant to the manager. The Air Medal was presented to him in absentia at ORD at Greensboro early this Spring, with his mother as recipient. A brother, Tom Hill Clayton, is a Gunner's Mate, Third Class, now

Person E Bond Quota Goes Over And Grand Total May Exceed Million Dollars

Person Keeps Leadership In E Bond Quota And Grand Total May Reach One Million

Veterans Gain Prior Claims On Farm Machines

Comes Under War Food Order Says C. T. Hall.

Veterans of this war are given preference in the purchase of new farm machinery, C. T. Hall, Chairman, Person County AAA Committee, said here today.

War Food Order No. 135, effective June 25, 1945, provides this special opportunity for veterans.

Under this order, Mr. Hall said, veterans who can show both the need for and the inability to obtain farm machinery to establish or re-establish themselves in farming may obtain preference certificates that require dealers to give priority to their needs.

"Dealers are required to honor these certificates notwithstanding any prior commitments or contracts for sale other than those carrying War Production Board Ratings," Mr. Hall declared. "The only orders carrying such ratings are for the military," he continued, "or in rare cases, farmers faced with emergency situations."

In explaining the order further, Mr. Hall stated that, "a veteran using a preference certificate must be able and willing to meet the dealer's regularly established price and terms of sale or payment. In case a dealer receives more than one veteran's certificate for the same piece of equipment, he is required to honor the certificates in the order of their receipt."

The order provides safeguards against misuse of certificates, appeal procedure for both veterans and dealer, and penalties for violations of the order. Mr. Hall pointed out that the Director of Materials and Facilities, War Food Administration, will administer the order and the preference certificates will be issued by County AAA Committees.

Used Car Prices To Be Lower

Raleigh, July 4.—Prospective used car buyers were advised to look for the lower ceiling price tags on all used cars offered for sale, in a statement issued today by OPA District Director Theodore S. Johnson. Johnson reminded buyers that ceiling prices of all used cars were reduced four per cent on July first, in line with OPA's policy of taking normal depreciation into consideration. New ceiling prices will be figured to the nearest even dollar, he said.

Farm Boy Wins Medal Of Honor

Washington, July 4.—A one-time farmer who rescued four wounded comrades from two shell-smashed, flaming tank destroyers and forced surrender of 55 Germans in two days of fighting was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor today. He is Staff Sgt. Herschel F. Briles, 31, Colfax, Ia., who won the nation's highest decoration for bravery last Nov. 20-21 near Scherpenseel, Germany. He is now back in the United States, the War Department said.

E Bond quota of \$248,000 in the Seventh War Loan for Person County was exceeded on Tuesday, July 3, and total in E Bonds for this County now stands at \$251,000, with more still to be expected by Saturday of this week, final date of the loan drive, it was revealed here this morning by the Person War Bond committee of which co-chairman are R. L. Harris and R. B. Griffin.

It is further reported that sales of all bonds in this drive in Person County now stands at \$992,000, as of today and that final total may exceed one million dollars, largest amount ever reported in a War Bond drive in Person in this war.

The general quota here, exclusive of the E Bond quota was \$296,000, whereas sales in the general quota climbed to \$738,000, according to latest figures. Of this general quota, according to Gordon C. Hunter, district chairman, \$255,000 is accounted for through purchases by the State of North Carolina and allocated to Person County's quota.

Over-all Person quota was \$544,000, including E Bonds and reaching of the one million mark will mean that the general over-all total will be nearly doubled.

Person and Wake are two of the eleven counties in Mr. Hunter's district which have surpassed both their E Bond and general quotas, possibly the only two thus far.

Hoey Deplores Labor Measure

Washington, July 4.—In his maiden speech on the Senate floor, Senator Clyde R. Hoey has denounced the present National Labor Relations law as discriminatory against non-union workers and employers and called for revision of the law. Occasion for Hoey's brief statement was his insertion in the record of an article in the Washington Post July 1 discussing the proposed Ball-Burton-Hatton bill which seeks to rewrite this country's labor laws.

Hoey's statement follows: "I have not had the opportunity yet to study this measure, but certainly a bill so biased in its provisions and enforcement as the National Labor Relations Act ought not to remain unchanged on the statute books. The present law ignores entirely the rights of workers who do not belong to unions and discriminates against them as well as employers, and it has been enforced in such a manner as to give the public the impression that the labor merely was an adjunct to the labor unions. I believe every group is entitled to fair treatment both in the provisions of the law and enforcement of the law. We have had neither. It is time that the law and the policy should be changed so that employers and unions would be treated alike and the rights of workers who are not unionized should be protected.

"I think it is going to be necessary to have some reasonable and fair measure to deal with the strike situation. It is unthinkable that we shall continue to permit the whole routine of business to be disrupted by strikes, both authorized and unauthorized, and the public denied the essentials of life because of some real or imaginary grievance and because of differences between contending forces. "It is necessary to have laws to control monopoly in business, but (continued on page 6)

Health Education Service Revived

Mrs. Catherine Hidy, of Little Rock, Ark., and the University of North Carolina School of Public Health, Chapel Hill, will be in Roxboro and Person County from now until September, to work with the Health Education service of the Person Health department, according to announcement made today by Miss Elizabeth Lovell, of Chapel Hill, director of Health Education in the tri-county system.

Here on a part-time basis and working with Miss Lowell and Mrs. Hidy will be Miss Helen Wilson, whose central office will be in Hillsboro, and Miss Mary Leith, who will work in Carboro. Immediate project to be taken up is the DDT malaria control program in the Chub Lake area, which, as previously announced, will begin in that section on July

12, and will continue through July 16. A preliminary discussion meeting will be held Friday night at eight-fifty-five o'clock at Duncan's store. A similar meeting was held last night at Roxboro Country club.

It is planned that at least forty-four homes will share in the DDT project, which comes to Person under the War areas program. Considerable work in malaria control was done here last year by the Person Health Department in cooperation with the State Department. Waters of Chub Lake were lowered and other precautions taken after an outbreak of malaria was reported in the Chub Lake area. An insecticide almost miraculously powerful against the malaria mosquito, DDT until recently has been a secret war formula and has (continued on page 6)

Scouts Get Second Chance At Camp

Announcement Made Of Another Period, Beginning July 15.

Person and Roxboro Boy Scouts desiring to go to Camp Cherokee may do so during the week beginning July 15, according to announcement made today by E. Pierce Bruce, of Reidsville, executive. Numbers of boys from here went to Camp during the first week in June, but a good many others are wanting to go and this second available period will provide another opportunity.

Mr. Bruce, here last week for June meeting of the Court of Honor, joined with Gus Deering, chairman of the Court, in saying that all boys who wish to receive merit badges or other awards must be present in person when Honor Courts are held. Next meeting of the Court will be held on Friday night, July 27. A number of advancements are scheduled.

Assisting Mr. Deering as presiding officer at the June session was George Currier. Opening exercises consisted of the Scout Oath led by Von Neal, while the closing was the Great Scoutmaster benediction by the Rev. E. C. Maness.

June advancements were reported as follows: second class, Johnny Johnson, Jr., Thomas Jackson, John Irving Brooks and Clifton Boyd, and merit badges, to Clifton Boyd in photography, Von Neal, handicrafts and personal health, and Gene Cozart, photography, athletics and handicrafts.

Negro Scouts, as previously announced, are to go to Camp Carlson at Greensboro, and it is expected that as many as five or six or more will attend.

Riles Held For Mrs. R. F. Denton

Sister Of Mrs. Bessie Satterfield Dies In Roxboro.

Funeral services for Mrs. Regia Fuller Denton, 49, Durham Roxboro was held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Angier Avenue Baptist Church Durham with the pastor, the Rev. C. Nixon Royal, officiating. Interment was in Pine Hill Cemetery.

pallbearers were Jack Satterfield, Stephens Satterfield, Arch Hamlin, W. H. Bright, Julia Boyd and Clarence Burgess.

Floral bearers were the Woman's Bible Class of Angier Avenue Baptists Church.

Mrs. Denton died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Bessie Satterfield, Roxboro, Route 1, Sunday, afternoon at 5:30 o'clock after an illness of the past few months.

She was born and reared in Granville County, the daughter of Charlie Fuller and the late Fannie Wilson Fuller. She was married to London C. Denton August 29, 1909. She had been a member of Angier Avenue Baptist Church for the past 20 years.

At Camp Butler

Pfc. George Basil Davis, of Roxboro, lauded first of the week in New York with the Fourth Division and is expected to come to Camp Butler, soon, it was learned today. Pfc. Davis was wounded in action while in Europe.

Killed In Action



REUBEN ROBERT RUSSELL

Seaman First Class Reuben Robert Russell, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Russell, of Bethel Hill, lost his life on April 12, in the Pacific area when the ship on which he was serving was sunk, according to a message received by his parents. In the Navy for fifteen months, with eight months of sea duty, young Russell was a student at Bethel Hill high school and had worked at Plant E. Collins and Alkman. A brother, Jesse Russell, Jr., is expected to be called to the Army soon.

Generals Praise Semora Man

Pfc. Fred J. Clark, of Semora, son of Mrs. J. H. Clark, who was wounded in action and has received the Purple Heart, has also had special commendations from his commanding officers, Major Gen. Henry L. Twaddle, and Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., it was learned today. Pfc. Clark, expected home soon on furlough, likewise has won the Infantryman's Combat badge. He entered service in November 1942, took basic in Louisiana and went overseas in August last year.

Walter Chadwick Has Purple Heart

Master Sgt. Walter W. Chadwick of Roxboro, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action during the battle for Leyte Island in the Philippines. A flash ranging observer in the 287th Field Artillery Observation Battalion, Sgt. Chadwick has fully recovered and is now on duty with his unit on Okinawa Shima. He has been in the service more than 11 years and came overseas a year ago.

Sgt. Chadwick's wife, the former Margie Stanfield, lives in Roxboro and his sister, Mrs. Robert Rhoades, resides in Fayetteville.