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## Citizens Wonder At Trail Of Blood On Main Street

### W. A. Wrenn Has Military Award

#### Ca-Vel Boy Has Bronze Star And Full View Of Surrender.

Tech 5 William A. Wrenn, 22, son of Mrs. Dolly Wrenn, of Ca-Vel, who has for many months been overseas and is now stationed on Luzon in the Philippines, has recently received the Bronze Star award for meritorious "achievements in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon between January 10, and August 13, 1945, according to a message received by his mother.

Young Wrenn writes his mother that "today, date of signing of Japanese terms, was a 'big day'." The signing, says Wrenn, was for the whole of the Southwest Pacific and the Philippines, with all the generals and all the Japs that surrendered.

"I had a front line seat and drove the General's car," says Wrenn, who adds, "Gen. Wainwright was here and also the big Jap general, Yamashita. I was right up there all the time. Sure would have liked to have gotten in some of the pictures."

### Kudzu Show Has Three Speakers

The kudzu meeting held yesterday afternoon near McGhee's Mill for the benefit of farmers was attended by 23 people who saw some newly cured kudzu hay, the mowing with a team of mules a rank growth of the vines and heard interesting discussions among farmers about the plant.

The landowner, Sam Green where the demonstration was conducted, told of his experience with the plant and the previous yields during the past several years of a ton per acre of excellent hay on the five acres. J. M. Parks, District Conservationist of Reidsville and the Dan River district and H. K. Sanders, Person Farm Agent made short interesting talks on the merits of this plant. Farmers present expressed their opinion that many of their neighbors would also have attended if they had not been busy in the field curing and hauling up their own hay, reported J. R. Adair of the Soil Conservation Service.

### Club Hears About Sponsored Course

Members of the Business and Professional Woman's club which met Tuesday at Hotel Roxboro, heard from their president, Miss Blaine Vogler, an account of the food handlers' conference sponsored by the club in cooperation with the health department. Last session of the course was held here Tuesday, when certificates were presented.

Miss Vogler also discussed the recent club conference which she attended as representative of the Roxboro club.

### Phillips To Talk

J. G. Phillips, of Durham, executive secretary of the North Carolina conference, will be speaker Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights at a teacher-training course to be given at Concord Methodist church. All sessions will be at night, starting at seven-thirty o'clock, and a full attendance is urged by the pastor, the Rev. Daniel Lane.

### Repeat Show

Second performance of "Pep Parade", sponsored by Sons of the American Legion, will be given here tonight at 8:15 o'clock at Roxboro high school, according to an announcement made this morning. Decision to give the show again was not reached until the last moment, say the sponsors. The performance is a benefit for the Son's organization and was first staged here last week by Miss Lola M. Archer.

### Negro Boy Cuts Toe Nearly Off In Wood-Chopping Accident.

Eleven year-old Lester Mangum, well-known Negro boy here, nearly cut off his big toe on his left foot this morning while chopping wood at his home back of the C. C. Critcher residence, South Main street.

That act of cutting his toe, which happened between eight and nine o'clock, was bad enough for Mangum, who became pretty excited and wanted to get to a doctor quickly. First, though, he wanted to reach his mother, a cook at the B. W. Gardner house.

The business of getting to his mother at the Gardner house was uppermost on Lester's mind. He grabbed a rag or two and wrapped it around his bleeding foot. Then he started the long walk from the Critcher house to the Gardner place. There was nothing sensational about what the boy wanted to do, but what happened as he walked along.

Every step he took left a trail of bright red blood. Halfway down the street one of the rags came off. It was soaked with blood. The time was fairly early in the morning, with comparatively few people on the street, but when they did begin to walk along and to see the bright red splashes, many of them had thoughts of murder. They looked and looked again, but by that time Mangum was out of sight. He got to his mother's place of business and then to a doctor's office after nearly fainting once or twice.

The toe was cut—not quite off—and the doctor thinks it will grow back together again. And that is the end of what looked like a trail of blood mystery story for Roxboro. Mangum, incidentally, is a very black little boy, with a wide grin and gleaming white teeth.

Lester Mangum spends much of his time as a sort of unofficial handy man for Dr. Robert E. Long at the USO Service center and at Chub Lake.

### Mrs. A. O. Harris' Rites Conducted Near Chub Lake

Mrs. Clara Sue Harris, 57, of South Boston, Va., wife of Alfred Oscar Harris, of the Virginia Electric and Power company, South Boston, died there at her home Tuesday morning. Educated in Person county schools, she was a native of Halifax county, Va., daughter of the late Peter and Liza Gravitt Whitt, and was a member of First Baptist church, South Boston.

Funeral was held at the home at one-thirty o'clock Wednesday afternoon by the Rev. Dr. Riley, with interment in the Harris family cemetery, Person county, near Chub Lake.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are three sons, Bruce P. Harris, South Boston, Va., Lt. Norris Harris, Army, Philippine Islands, and Bernis Harris, Washington, D. C., and one grandchild Carlson Bennett Harris.

Mrs. Harris, who was well-known in Roxboro, was a sister-in-law of Rufus and E. L. Harris, of this city. In ill health for the past twelve months, her death was attributed to a heart condition. Another son, Ryland Harris, was killed about a year ago in an automobile accident, near Richmond, Va.

### ON DESTROYER

Berlie Gattis Blalock, 23, of Timberlake, son of Mrs. Agnes Blalock, gunner's mate, second class, is serving as captain of a twin 5 inch gun mount aboard a late model Atlantic Fleet Destroyer. A brother, Maxie, is a sergeant in the Army Air corps, and another brother, Richard, was recently discharged from the Army on points.

### LANE TO SPEAK

The Rev. Daniel Lane, pastor, will speak Sunday afternoon at regular fifth Sunday services at Wooddale Methodist church at three o'clock, according to announcement made today.

Thirty-eight per cent of the motor vehicle-grade crossing accidents during 1944 occurred at crossings protected by gates, lights, bell or watchmen, according to the National Safety Council.

### Don't Forget Paper Drive

W. Wallace Woods, Roxboro Chamber of Commerce secretary, "today issued a reminder that the paper salvage drive to be held Sunday afternoon in Roxboro will begin at two-thirty o'clock, as scheduled, with active assistance from Boy Scouts in Roxboro, Longhurst and Ca-Vel. Notices that newspapers, old books, magazines, boxes, cardboard, are wanted have been or will be distributed to householders by the Scouts. Householders, in turn, are asked to put the paper in boxes or bundles and have them placed on front porches or curbs by two-thirty Sunday afternoon.

### Tuesday And Wednesday Fair Days For Kids

#### White And Negro Children To Be Admitted Free On Se- parate Days.

Children's days, for both white and Negro children, will be observed by the Person County Agricultural fair, which opens here Monday and will continue through Saturday night, according to R. L. (Bob) Perkins, manager, who said today that children's day for white boys and girls will be observed on Tuesday, October 2, and that Wednesday, the third, will be observed as the day for Negro children.

On those days all children under the age of twelve years will be admitted free until five-thirty in the afternoon. Many of the shows and exhibits are expected to have special appeal for young people and particular emphasis is being placed this year on school exhibits for which prizes are being offered. The school exhibits will be in two classification with two prizes in each class, as previously announced.

The fair will have traditional amusement features and there will be plenty of parking room at the fair grounds just off the Longhurst highway, says Perkins, who is being assisted in the fair management by his nephew, Harvey Long, recently returned overseas veteran. There will be plenty of fun and amusement for all, with the Belton shows on the midway and with many attractive and thrilling rides.

### Sgt. G. L. Duncan Out On Points

Sergeant Graham L. Duncan, 24, Army Air Force carpenter and resident of Roxboro, was honorably discharged today from the Armed Forces at the Army Separation Center of Fort Bragg, under the point system.

Sgt. Duncan was assigned to the 137th AAF Base Unit, North Atlantic Division, Air Transport Command at LaGuardia Field, N. Y., after completing 19 months overseas in the European Theater of Operations. He wears the European Theater ribbon with battle stars denoting participation in ten campaigns, the Distinguished Unit Badge with two clusters, the Good Conduct Medal and the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service.

His brother, Bruce, 28, is a member of the Armed forces. The son of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Duncan of route No. 1, Roxboro, Sgt. Duncan returned to his home today after serving 30 months in the Army.

### Five County FSA Meeting Planned

Planned for Tuesday, October 2, starting at nine-thirty in the morning at the American Legion hut, Chub Lake street, Roxboro, is a five-county Farm Security Administration conference to be attended by more than forty persons, according to Joe Y. Blanks, FSA administrator for Person county, who said today that the meeting will draw committeemen from Vance, Granville, Caswell, Rockingham and Person counties.

### Legion To Have Saturday Meeting

Lester Blackwell Post, the American Legion, will have a called meeting this Saturday night, September 29, at eight o'clock at the Legion hut, Chub Lake street, it was revealed today by Commander Joe Y. Blanks, who said that business to be discussed would include plans for the annual observance by the Legion of Armistice Day.

### FORMAL PRESENTATION OF TENT OCCURS AT HOSPITAL

Formal presentation of a three hundred dollar oxygen tent or respirator to Community hospital by the Roxboro Exchange club took place last night at the hospital, where the address of presentation was made by C. M. Clarke, of Durham, district governor of Exchange clubs in North Carolina and past president of the Durham club.

Acceptance on behalf of the hospital was by R. P. Burns, chairman of the institution's board of directors. Words of appreciation were also expressed by R. L. Harris, chairman for the proposed Person County Memorial hospital, which is expected to have use of the tent if and when Community hospital is superseded by the new hospital.

Also on the acceptance program was Mayor S. G. Winstead, together with officers of the Roxboro Exchange club and visiting members from the Durham club. The exercises were held in the downstairs front ward at Community hospital, where the tent has been installed.

Mr. Clarke, in making the presentation, paid tribute to the Roxboro club for its energy in quickly carrying through the respirator project as its first civic venture. Similar sentiments were voiced by Mr. Harris. All Roxboro spokesmen evidenced deep appreciation for the

tent which will be useful in all cases involving breathing difficulties.

Several photographs of the official group, including Mrs. Louise F. Long, hospital manager, and members of the nursing staff were taken. President of the Roxboro club is J. H. Lewis, who retires next week and will be succeeded by Ralph Tucker in exercises to be held Wednesday night at Hotel Roxboro. Other incoming officers are V. A. Thomas, vice president, William B. Faucette, secretary and C. T. (Jack) Satterfield, treasurer.

Old members of the Board of Control are Mr. Lewis, Riley Oakley, C. B. Kirby and A. H. Rimmer, with the last named having served as chairman for the respirator project, while new members of the board are to be R. B. Barnette, C. C. Garrett and H. B. Blanks. Program next week will be given by Wallace, the Magician, of Durham, and will take the form of a floor show.

Speaker at the dinner program last night prior to the tent ceremonies was Mr. Clarke, of Durham. Also here from the Durham club were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lane, Eustace Helms, Dr. C. C. Cox and Ed Burnette. Also a guest was Tom Shaw, of the Courier-Times.

### Fred Long Named Clothing Leader

#### Rev. W. C. Martin Declines To Serve As Leader An- other Year.

Fred Long, past president of Roxboro Rotary club and a civic leader here, has accepted the 1946 chairmanship of the Person County drive for the United National Clothing collection, which will be staged here between January 7 and January 31, it was revealed today by the Rev. W. C. Martin, former chairman, who asked Mr. Long to take over the work this year.

The Rev. Mr. Martin, it will be remembered, conducted a vigorous drive last winter here and with considerable success. One of his chief assistants in that drive was Mr. Long. It is understood that he will call upon virtually the same working staff, drawn in the main from civic clubs.

New chairman for the Roxboro and Person drive was obtained after national chairman Henry J. Kaiser of New York, had requested Mr. Martin to continue as chairman in Roxboro. The drive this year, incidentally, is to be known as the Victory Clothing collection and needs are described as acute, even more so than last year, in Europe.

The Victory Clothing collection will begin January 7 in thousands of American communities and will continue through January 31. Its national goal is not to be based on poundage. Instead, the American people are asked to contribute 100,000,000 garments, with additional shoes and bedding.

In the earlier collection, the national goal of 150,000,000 pounds of serviceable used clothing was more than met. As in that drive, the Victory Clothing Collection will be conducted by the United National Clothing Collection, Inc. and will be a united effort in behalf of UNRRA (the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration) by war relief agencies together with representative groups in the nation's life, including religious and educational groups, women's and fraternal organizations, farm labor, industrial, veteran's, youth and civic groups.

It was announced at the White House Sunday that President Truman, who considered the need for a second clothing collection "imperative", had called upon Mr. Kaiser and all the local chairmen of the clothing drive of the past spring to serve again and to conduct the new undertaking. Simultaneously, Mr. Kaiser's letter accepting the responsibility was made public.

Dan A. West, Director of the Division for Contributed Supplies of UNRRA, is Executive Director of this new collection as he was of the United National Clothing Collection.

### Speaks Saturday

Dr. H. C. Smith, of Durham, district superintendent, will be the speaker Saturday morning at eleven o'clock at the fourth quarterly conference of Person circuit at Concord Methodist church, according to the pastor, the Rev. Daniel Lane. Dinners will be served on the grounds and full attendance is urged.

## Plans Formed To Awaken City As To Needs In Recreation

### Mrs. Daniel Lane First Speaker Yesterday On Home Recreation.

"Recreation in the Home" was theme of a talk here yesterday by Mrs. Daniel Lane, wife of the Methodist minister, who spoke at first fall session of the Person County Council of Social agencies and initiated for the council what is planned as a series of talks on youth recreational needs in Roxboro.

Stressing the value of planned recreation in the home, Mrs. Lane cited personal experiences in her own family and showed how children and young people can and do appreciate books, music, games and family festivities, such as birthdays. Building up the play spirit in the home is an important but often neglected background factor, asserted Mrs. Lane, who was introduced by the program chairman, Mrs. T. C. Wagstaff.

Recreation, which is literally a re-creating of the spirit, is needed as much or more by adults, according to Mrs. Lane, who pointed out that recreation for young people, on the other hand, is more a matter of finding proper outlets for their super-energies. Older people, in contrast, need to be refreshed as well as amused. Taking her subject seriously, Mrs. Lane spoke convincingly, with belief that recreation which starts in the home can well become the corner-stone for more ambitious projects outside the home.

Present for the meeting, which was at Hotel Roxboro at noon, were three new members, J. H. Lewis, president of the Exchange club, Rev. C. G. McCarver, of Longhurst Methodist church, and Miss Nettie Day, FSA supervisor. Next meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 24, when the discussion of recreational needs will be continued under a plan which is being developed by speakers thoroughly familiar with local application of recreational problems.

It is believed by the Council that more and more citizens here are becoming interested in doing something about recreation and it is the hope of the Council, according to Mrs. Wagstaff, that the present series of talks will further stimulate an interest that is already being shown.

### Fitzgerald Films Of Horse Show Seen By Kiwanians

Roxboro Kiwanians at their meeting Monday night at Hotel Roxboro had as their program a showing of movies dealing with the first annual horse show sponsored last Spring by the club. Showing of the films was by Dr. John Fitzgerald, president of Roxboro Rotary club, who was guest of Frank Wright, program chairman. The films were taken by Dr. Fitzgerald, who has had home movies in technicolor as his hobby for several years.

Presiding was J. W. Green, vice-president. Three musical selections were rendered by a quintet composed of Thomas Hatchett, E. B. Craven, Jr., H. Dewey Young, Hassell Fox and T. C. Sanders.

### W. J. Greene, Jr., Out Of Service

Pfc. William J. Greene, Jr., of Roxboro, who has been stationed at Gowen, Boise, Idaho, has received an honorable discharge under the point system, it was announced today. Greene, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Greene, entered the Army in February 1942, and was overseas in the Pacific theatre for many months. He was in the battle of Assam in Burma. During much of his time in service he was engaged as a watch repairer.

Educated at Helena high school, he was formerly connected with Greene's Jewelry store here.

### First Auction

Sgt. W. B. Coley, of Foreman, Ark., a former newspaper man, who came to Roxboro Tuesday enroute to Fort Bragg, will probably remember his visit as well as the town because he saw in Roxboro his first tobacco auction. He had spent the previous night in South Boston, Va., but came to Roxboro the next morning. At first he could not understand the warehouse jargon, so he says, but got onto it before the end of an hour.

Foreman, Ark., is close to Texas, according to Sgt. Coley.

### Tobacco

424,346 pounds of tobacco were sold here on the first two days of this the second week of the Roxboro market, it was reported today, at an average of \$41. Figures for today's sales were not available at noon. Quality of the weed being offered is still described as poor to medium, which accounts for lower averages.

### Increased Red Cross Service For Juniors Seen

#### Mrs. James Newman, Mrs. L. H. Umstead, and Mrs. J. M. Featherston Attend Conference.

Plans for increased peacetime services, as well as continued aid to the armed forces, were announced today by Mrs. Sue Featherston, Executive Secretary of Person Red Cross Chapter, who has just returned from a Junior Red Cross conference in Chapel Hill. Workers from American Red Cross chapters throughout this section attended this meeting of the junior organization, whose membership is enrolled through the schools.

Mrs. Featherston said that Junior Red Cross plans to continue supplying military hospitals with recreation and comfort articles, sending toys and school supplies to children in war-torn countries, and other wartime activities. In addition Junior Red Cross members will carry on correspondence with children in foreign countries and in other sections of the United States. Many projects curtailed by war will now be stepped up.

The meeting in Chapel Hill was one of a series of Junior Red Cross conferences to be held in Southeastern Area during September and October. At these meetings Junior Red Cross workers will have an opportunity to exchange experiences and discuss plans for work within the chapters during the school year.

Roxboro delegates to the conference were Mrs. Sue Featherston, Mrs. Logan Umstead and Mrs. James Newman.

### States Industrial Story Related

Raleigh, N. C.—A six-page spread on North Carolina in ESSO OILWAYS, a trade publication, carries the story of the state's industrial progress to tens of thousands of business executives, both in this country and abroad. Illustrated with photographs from the Advertising Division's files, the story gives a brief, general description of the state, and then more detailed information on its industrial progress. The article was prepared from data of the State Department of Conservation and Development.

10,000 reprints of the article were supplied without cost to the Advertising division for use as stock literature.

### Sons' Show Has Small Audience

"Pep Parade", Sons of the Legion sponsored show given here last Saturday night at Roxboro high school drew a small but responsive audience, according to the backers. Director of the show was Miss Lola M. Archer, of Columbus, Ohio, who left after the Roxboro show for Florida, where she will continue her work.

The Roxboro performance, originally scheduled for two nights, was cut to one because some members of the cast said they felt they needed more time to practice. In the performance here were a number of adults, together with some of the sponsoring Sons and other young people.

### Home From Cuba

Noel Jones, S 1-C, who has been in the U. S. Coast Guards for two or three years, arrived here yesterday morning and will spend a ten days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Arch Jones. He has just returned from a stay in Cuba. Noel is not much in love with Cuba, says it is too hot.

### Beulah Baptist Association Met Tuesday

#### At Lamberth Memorial Baptist Church in 111th Annual Session.

The Beulah Baptist Association met Tuesday with the Lamberth Memorial Baptist church in its 111th annual session. The weather was fine and there was a large number in attendance, in fact the church building would not accommodate all who were present.

The meeting was called to order by the moderator, and the program as submitted by the Executive committee was adopted. It was the first session, as stated by the moderator at the close of the meeting in which the program was followed throughout the meeting, no motion being offered asking that extra time be allowed the speaker.

Probably the most interesting and worthwhile item of the meeting was the reception of five churches which made application for membership in the Beulah, as follows: Berrys Grove, Bethany, Mt. Harmony, Olive Branch and Rock Grove, these churches having formerly been members of Mt. Zion and Flat River associations. After having been voted membership the pastors and all delegates from these churches came forward and were given the right-hand of fellowship by the moderator. Later the application of Mitchell's Chapel, a new church recently organized, was accepted.

Another unusual thing was that one single one appointed to prepare reports on the various departments of church had reports ready when called for, a few of these reports had to be ready by some one other than the writer, but all had sent in their reports. These reports showed that the work of the Beulah association had made progress during the past year, and were most ably discussed, in fact it was remarked by many that at no session had there been a higher order of addresses than at this meeting. The sermon by Rev. J. Boyce Brooks, of the Roxboro First Baptist was delivered at 12 o'clock. It was the first session he had attended and it was generally remarked that Roxboro had made no mistake in selecting a pastor.

There were present a number of representatives of various denominational causes of the State, to wit: Dr. Carpenter, editor of the Biblical Recorder; Rev. Earl Bradley, representing the Baptist State convention; L. A. Martin of Lexington spoke to the report on Public Morals; Rev. Mr. Satterfield representing Meredith college; Rev. Mr. Parker told about the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, while Rev. Mr. Reed spoke to the report on Orphanage, the institution which is closest to the hearts of the folks making up the Beulah association. These brethren were heard gladly and without exception gave interesting and instructive stories of the various causes represented.

Officers for the ensuing year were re-elected as follows: J. W. Noell, moderator; L. V. Coggins, vice-moderator; R. W. Hovis, clerk and M. B. Berry, treasurer. Lamberth Memorial Baptist church is located about five miles northwest of Roxboro, in one of the most prosperous sections of the county. We do not recall how many members the church boasts, but judging by the dinner which was spread they sure live at home. They spared no efforts in looking out for the comfort of all. It was a good day and one enjoyed by everyone who had the pleasure of attending.

The next session will meet with Providence Baptist church, in Caswell, near Yanceyville, on the last Tuesday in September, 1946.

### Sunday Time

Shift to Standard time will occur Sunday morning and residents are expected to turn clocks back at midnight Saturday, before they turn over for an extra hour of sleep. All events scheduled for Sunday and thereafter will be on Standard time.

Of the 3,200 motor vehicle-grade crossings accidents last year, 25 per cent occurred in daylight. Interstate Commerce Commission says.