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## Ohio Woman, New Person Librarian, To Come In Month

Miss Dorothy Wightman, Of Ohio, Selected This Morning By Person Board.

Person County Public Library board in a meeting held this morning elected as librarian Miss Dorothy Wightman, now librarian at Nelsonville, Ohio, a woman with considerable rural library experience in Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania.

Here today with Miss Wightman was Miss Marjorie Beale, secretary of the State Library commission, who conferred with the Person officials.

Miss Wightman, expects to be able to come to Roxboro on or before December 1, after reporting back to Nelsonville to wind up her work there.

Selection of Miss Wightman, who succeeds Mrs. Ethel Walker Whetstone, of Hillsboro, resigned, is in a measure dependent upon action to be taken by Orange and Caswell library boards which are working with library units connected with Person's system, but the approval of other boards is regarded more or less as a matter of formality and Miss Wightman is expected to begin work here on schedule.

Board members present to select Miss Wightman were, Flem D. Long, chairman, Mayor S. G. Winstead, R. B. Griffin, Mrs. R. H. Shelton and Mrs. J. Y. Humphries. Absent were W. H. Gentry and Thomas J. Shaw, Jr.

## Earl Rogers Has Heroic Saga To Tell Kiwanians

Earl Rogers, of Roxboro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Rogers and recently overseas in Europe with the 32 Division of the U. S. Army, was guest speaker Monday night at Roxboro Kiwanis club at Hotel Roxboro, where he discussed some of the activities of his Division in which he participated.

Rogers had with him at the club a VE Day 1945 copy of the "All American Paraglide," publication of the 82 (All American Airborne) Division. Cited in that publication, which is of extra size and full of pictures, are many facts about the Division, which is credited with having been the first American Airborne division, August 15, 1942, and first such unit overseas, April 29, 1943. The Division arrived at Casablanca May 10, 1943, was first at Sicily, July 9, 1943, first ground troops to enter Naples, first across the Dutch-German border, and first across the Rhine, at Nijmegen, Holland.

Other facts cited for the Division include, first to stop and hurl back von Rundstedt's forces in the Bulge, first to liberate towns on the western front, first through the Siegfried line, first and last bridgehead engagements in Europe and first to meet the Russians in North Germany at Grabau.

Mentioning many of these facts, together with his own personal impressions of things seen, Mr. Rogers gave an interesting talk, greatly appreciated by the club members. Presiding over the session was J. A. Long, Jr., president. Present again with the club was Dr. R. Taylor, recently discharged after service as recruiter with the U. S. Navy.

## Dr. Earl Daniel To Be In School For Nine Months

Dr. and Mrs. Earl Daniel, of Roxboro and Daytona Beach, Fla., will go Friday to Saint Louis, Mo., where Dr. Daniel will for nine months be a student at Logan school of Chiropractic. In Roxboro yesterday for a few hours, Dr. and Mrs. Daniel will be in Oxford until Friday with his parents. Dr. Daniel who was discharged from the U. S. Army on October 5, expects to return to Roxboro later to resume his practice.

For the past several months he has been stationed at Daytona Beach, Fla., where his wife, the former Miss Agnes Warren, lived until their marriage. Dr. Daniel, who was a Staff Sergeant, was with the staff of Welch Convalescent hospital at Daytona Beach.

## Club Women Hear Miss Arant Talk

Make Achievement And Christmas Program Plans.

The presentation of 1946 Home Demonstration Club meeting themes was an important feature of the quarterly meeting of the Person County Council held here last Friday afternoon, when Miss Anamerle Arant, District Home Demonstration Agent, presented the plan of work. Person women were reported as gratified to find that many of their monthly demonstrations will carry subjects that they requested.

Mrs. B. B. Bullock, president of the council, presided, and made a report of the State Federation Meeting which she attended as Person County's representative.

Devotional was given by Mrs. J. M. Eldson, of the Helena Club. Since the end of the fiscal year in Home Demonstration work, approaching there were many items of business that were presented and voted on.

The most important business included the final plans for Annual Achievement Day, to be held in the Court Room at 7:30 P. M. on Wednesday, November 14th. Also each club will contribute half of its Curb Market sales to the County Council and committees will be appointed in each Home Demonstration Club and 4-H Club to put on the best possible Christmas program in each community.

## Basil D. Riley Has Discharge

Coast Guardsman Basil D. Riley, Seaman First Class, nephew of Mrs. Mary R. Broomall, of Roxboro, recently received an honorable discharge from the United States Coast Guard. He was released from the service through the Coast Guard separation center at Cockspear Island, near Savannah.

Riley, served in the United States Coast Guard for thirty four months. His last permanent assignment was aboard the Coast Guard manned USS EVERETT (UF 8). He served aboard this ship for eighteen months while it was active in the Pacific theater of war.

Upon his return to civilian life Riley plans to return to Export Leaf Tobacco company. He is expected in Roxboro this week.

## Long Distance

Pfc. Robert Jones, of the Marine Corps, who is in a hospital in Honolulu, where he is recovering from an illness, talked recently by long distance to his foster sister, Mrs. John Clay Lunsford and members of the L. Roy Jones family. Pfc. Jones expects to be in the hospital for some time. He was wounded in action at Iwo Jima.

## Dr. H. M. Poteat To Speak Friday

Dr. H. M. Poteat, of the faculty of Wake Forest College and prominent in Masonic circles in North Carolina, will be guest speaker here on Friday night, October 19, at 7:00 o'clock at Hotel Roxboro at annual Ladies' Night of Person Lodge No. 113, A. F. and A. M., according to announcement made today by Person Lodge officials.

Toastmaster will be J. Edgar Allen, of Warrenton, also high in Masonic circles, while invocation will be by the Rev. J. B. Currin, of Roxboro, and introduction of the speaker will be by Dr. C. K. Proctor of Oxford, head of the Masonic temple at Oxford.

Official welcome will be by the Rev. J. Boyce Brooks, of Roxboro, with response by Mrs. J. J. Woody of this city.

Special guests will be wives of deceased members of Person Lodge. Included on this guest list are Mesdames J. W. Allgood, S. C. Barnett, Luther Hull, W. F. Long, Mamie Merritt, N. J. Todd, J. A. Beam, Percy Bloxam, G. W. Joyner, John Merritt, B. E. Mitchell and Maude Whitt, all of whom, except Mrs. Beam, of Louisburg, are residents of Person County and Roxboro.

## Scouts Reported As Doing Good Paper Drive Job

New Executive Attends First Roxboro Session of District.

Person District Boy Scouts last month assisted in the collection of more than five thousand pounds of scrap paper here, which was sold at a profit of about \$20, according to a report given Tuesday night at October meeting of the Scout District, where an official welcome to John B. Oakley, of Reidsville, new executive for Cherokee Council, was extended by J. S. Merritt, on behalf of the district.

Proceeds from sale of the paper will go to Roxboro Chamber of Commerce to purchase office furniture for the organization.

Appointed as a nominating committee to propose new officers for the coming year is a committee composed of Mr. Merritt, chairman, Gus Deering and Tom Sina; the committee to report to President J. W. Green at the next meeting in November.

Long discussion was held as to the progress of the Longhurst troop, which is now said to be operating successfully. President Green, who presided, also named a committee to revise the advisory committee for merit badges and court of honor awards. Members to revise the list are Dr. Robert E. Long, C. A. Harris and E. G. Thompson, the last named recently returned from service with the U. S. Navy in which he had the rank of Lieutenant (jg).

Also chosen was a committee to go with Mr. Oakley to Helena to confer with C. H. Mason and W. A. Wilson relative to organization of a troop at Helena. At the conclusion of the Tuesday district meeting, which was held in the Chamber of Commerce office, the Eisenhower award for paper salvage service was presented to W. Wallace Woods, secretary of the Chamber.

Mr. Oakley also made a few suggestions as to business operations for the District in connection with the Council office.

## Limestone Plans Given By Hall

In preparing for an outstanding limestone program in Person County next year, Claude T. Hall, Chairman, Person County AAA Committee, announced here today that all persons interested in bidding on furnishing liming materials under the 1946 Agricultural Conservation Program should contact the Person County AAA Office prior to January 1, 1946.

Hall pointed out that bids will be accepted on a delivered-to-farm basis, and for the first time, delivered-to-farm-and-spread-on-field basis.

Meetings have been scheduled throughout the State to familiarize prospective suppliers with the 1946 Liming Materials' Program. Hall urges all interested persons to attend these meetings. The meeting scheduled for Person County attendance will be held at Oxford AAA Office, Tuesday, October 16, 1945, 10:00 A. M.

## George L. Hargis Out Of Army

Pvt. George L. Hargis of Roxboro has been released from service with the U. S. Army Air Force at Drew Field Separation Station, Tampa, Fla. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hargis of route 3, Roxboro.

He was sent overseas with the 1740 Ordnance Co. in December, 1941 to the Asiatic Pacific Theater of Operations where he remained until his return to the U. S. in January 1944. He received the Asiatic Pacific Ribbon with one battle participation star and the Good Conduct Medal.

Prior to entering the service he was employed by Collins and Aikman.

## Henry Gates In Insurance Field

Henry S. Gates, former auto dealer of this city but recently connected with Camp Butner, has accepted a position with Thompson Insurance Agency, Mr. Gates has already started to work and can be reached either in the Thompson office or through this office.

Present officers of Person Lodge are J. W. Green, master; A. H. Rimmer, senior warden; C. A. Timberlake, junior warden; W. H. Harris, Sr., treasurer; C. C. Garrett, secretary; Joe C. Guffey, senior deacon; J. M. Evans, junior deacon; Marvin E. Clayton and L. J. Bernard, stewards; Rev. J. B. Currin, chaplain and E. J. Foushee, tyler.

Lying past masters of Person Lodge, all of whom are expected to attend the dinner are, Nathan Lunsford, W. W. Morrell, C. A. Harris, J. J. Woody, J. Brodie Riggsbee, N. H. Fox, E. M. Bailey, D. R. Taylor and Oscar C. Hull. Hull, who is still away in military service, will not be able to present.

## Moving Day

Moving day: Mr. and Mrs. Philip L. Thomas, who recently purchased the residence of the Tom Bennetts, have moved, and so have the Bennetts and the J. M. Burkes. It is a sort of triangle, illustrative of the housing shortage in Roxboro, for the Burkes have taken the house formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, while the Bennett family has moved to the country to take the house formerly occupied by the Burke household.

## Original Owners May Get Chance To Re-Buy Land

Folger Says Camp Butner Not Yet Declared Surplus.

Original owners of land of the Camp Butner reservation will be given the opportunity to buy back their old farmlands if and when the Army declares any portion of the reservation surplus, although the Army has no intention of doing such a thing at this time, according to Rep. John H. Folger.

"I took this matter up with the Army on account of recurring rumors that some of the land might be declared surplus," Folger said. "I am informed such is not the case at this time."

Folger is the author of the amendment to the Surplus Property Act, now in effect, under which former owners of such lands have the right to repurchase it for the price at which it was condemned by the Government.

Numbers of Person farmers who had lands in the Camp Butner area moved to Roxboro or to other parts of Person County, but some of them moved to other counties after buying new farms.

## Person OPA Staff Cut In Half As Rationing Eases

Reduced to three is the working staff of the Person War Price and Rationing board. Those now on duty are Misses Virginia Brandon and Mildred Carver and Mrs. John Clay Lunsford, while those who have been recently released because of lessening of duties at the Board office are, Miss Margaret Munday and Mesdames Peggy Brooks Hester and Ellen Montague, all of whom now have other employment in Roxboro.

Only items left now on the rationing lists are sugar, shoes, automobile tires and meats and fats. Some improvement has been reported in meat supplies, but members of the staff here say they are swamped with requests for tires which cannot be met because of inadequate supplies. It is reported that shoe rationing, for example, which is still on the list, might have been removed before now but for the development of strikes.

## Five Person Men Share In Hunt

Swell place for deer hunting is Raeford, thinks J. A. Hamlin, of Roxboro, who made a kill there last week and thereby avoided the distinction of becoming a member of the "shirt-tail-club." Hamlin was one of two people in a group of thirty-five hunters to kill a deer. Other good shot was a minister, lot from Roxboro, whose name Mr. Hamlin does not remember.

Other members of the Roxboro party, who went to Raeford Friday and returned Saturday were I. C. Chambers, W. C. Lawson, Thomas Rogers and a Mr. Kelly of Brookdale. The two killers in the crowd divided their spoils with the thirty-five.

## Average Up

Tobacco averages here for the past two days have climbed to 43.00, for 415,000 pounds sold on Tuesday and Wednesday, it was reported today. Higher prices are being paid for lower grades, too. Total pounds sold since opening of the market stand at 4,137,440, at an average of 42.

## At Saint Mark's

The Rev. Robert Masterton, of Saint Matthew's parish, Hillsboro, will be guest speaker Sunday afternoon at four o'clock at a service to be held at Saint Mark's Episcopal Church, Roxboro, according to announcement made today.

## Club Women Of Person Plan For Achievement Day

Event Will Be Observed November 14, at Night at Court House.

Wednesday night, November 14th, has been designated as Annual Achievement Night for Home Demonstration club women in Person County. The date was set by the Executive Board of the Person County council and was approved by the Council at the regular quarterly session last Friday.

To assure the success of the event, the Executive Board appointed committees to be responsible for combining the activities of each of the twelve clubs into an interesting and concise program. The Decoration Committee is made up of the Olive Hill Home Demonstration Club whose members will feature a flower show as their part on the program.

The Arrangement committee consists of Mrs. Dan Whitfield of the Velma Beam club; Mrs. B. J. Long of Bushy Fork club; Mrs. L. M. Gillis of the Olive Branch club; and Mrs. V. O. Blalock of Warren's Grove club.

The program committee is as follows: Mrs. T. H. Clay of Helena Club; Mrs. Robert Anderson of Chub Lake; Mrs. C. T. Hall of Bethel Hill and Mrs. Robert Gentry of Alensville.

In addition to these county committees, each club has appointed a group of either three or four members to plan for the skit or exhibit their club will present.

The Achievement program is regarded as a fitting climax for the fiscal year in Home Demonstration Work, as it summarizes the completed activities of the local clubs.

## Mops And Pails To Rule Tonight

Junior hostesses of the USO Service Center here are expected to get out pails, brushes, mops and paint brushes tonight to give the Center a Fall freshener. Time for the mop-swinging and window washing will be 7:00 o'clock, according to a plan agreed upon last week.

Hostesses for this week-end from among the juniors will be led by Misses Peggy Whitten and Anita Kirby, of Group two, according to Dr. Robert E. Long, board of director's chairman, who says at least twelve young women from Group two are expected to be on hand for the regular Saturday dance and the traditional Sunday program of vesper and supper.

Serving as junior hostess chairman last week were Misses Zella Holleman and Hazeline Yarborough. Spagetti supper was served and was cooked in Italian style by Mrs. A. S. O'Brian, of this city, whose son Harold Jerome O'Brian, was killed in action in Africa about two years ago. He was among the first Roxboro boys to be killed in action.

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## Has Bronze Star

Jesse Henderson Monday, son of Mrs. Coquella Monday, has received the Bronze Star award for meritorious service, it was reported here today.

## Has Discharge

Sgt. Richard C. Holeman, of Roxboro, recently received his discharge from the Army at Fort Knox, Ky.

## Bleeder Angle Fails To Save Negro From Long-Term Duty; Accomplice Gets 2 To 3 Years

## Jury Gets All Set For No Case

Sunday School Teacher Angle All But Wrecks Superior Court.

Twelve good men and true felt themselves on the spot late yesterday afternoon when they were selected to hear the civil action involving Williams-McKiethian Lumber company versus R. E. Oakley in a matter dealing with a suit for \$900 bought by the lumber company for some timber.

Scene was Person Superior Court and reason for dithers in the case arose from difficulties of selecting the said jurors, the regular panel of which was exhausted after many men were turned down by one of the lawyers because jurors were acquainted with R. B. "Bob" Wilson, one-time Sunday school teacher at Edgar Long Memorial Methodist church, formerly manager for Williams-McKiethian and now a resident of Virginia, who was here for the trial.

The men called as jurors and rejected—somewhere around a dozen—could not help it if Mr. Wilson had at one time been a Bible teacher, but the opposing lawyer would have none of them, and so Sheriff M. T. Clayton for more than an hour was out scouring the streets trying to find some extra men, ones who had not been in Mr. Wilson's class.

Compromise was reached at the last minute late, late in the afternoon, when Emory Foushee (who had been Mr. Wilson's church pupil) was accepted as a next to the last man in the panel. One more man was secured and the case was ready for trial, when poof, it went up in judicial smoke on the grounds that document describing location of the timber was inadequately and improperly drawn.

Emory Foushee and the other jurymen were gone before that climax was reached, but Sheriff Clayton was instructed by Judge Henry L. Stevens, Jr., to give overnight notification to as many of them as possible not to come back this morning. That was the end of court.

## Fellowship Has October Session

Members of the Person Methodist Youth's Fellowship held their regular monthly meeting here Monday night at Edgar Long Memorial Methodist church with an attendance of sixty representing five churches. Plans were made for a Halloween program for the district. Worship program for the evening was in charge of the Warren's Grove group and refreshments for the social hour were served by members from the Grace church unit.

## Patton Man Out

Sgt. Percy A. Brandon, of Woodsdale, Route 2, has received his discharge at Camp Cooke, Calif. He was with the 13th Armored Division under Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., in Germany.

## War Fund Still At Low Figure

Boost for the Roxboro United War Fund and for the USO Center here is contained in a statement from Camp Butner's Maj. E. E. Conroy, Jr., chief athletic and recreation branch, who writes Center officials as follows:

"You (in Roxboro and Person County) may be assured that the excellent work that has been carried on in the past by your organization (the USO Center) has indeed been of great benefits to the troops of this Post. . . . men of this Station who have had the pleasure of attending functions sponsored by your Center have benefited immeasurably thereby and the many hours of entertainment furnished has undoubtedly been a morale raiser of the highest degree. . . . I take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation for the carrying on by your organization of a program that has assisted this office so materially and with untiring efforts!"

Reported as still somewhat low are the War Fund campaign figures here, where only \$2,987.32 has been raised out of a quota of \$10,050. Special gifts stand at \$1,760; business district, \$474.78; woman's division, \$379.40; white schools at \$255.50 and industrial division, \$117.54. Solicitors are urged to complete and report contributions as soon as possible.

Some solicitors have been quoted as saying that a number of recently returned from overseas Person service men have been perhaps unintentionally hurting the United War Fund cause by some of their remarks, the said remarks being based chiefly on the fact that they, the talkers, happened to miss out on or failed to appreciate USO services. It is believed however that such complainants are in a minority.

## Removal Will Be Sought For Insane Inmate

Grand Jury Also Finds Fault With One School Bus.

With Errol D. Morton, foreman, members of the Person Grand Jury on Tuesday filed a report in which they found conditions at the Court House, the County Home, the Prison camp and schools and other public places generally satisfactory, only exceptions relate to the condition of one school bus and the alleged insanity of one of the inmates of the County Home.

School bus referred to, in the language of the report is No. 14 (Roxboro high school) "with very insufficient brakes". Recommendation is that the bus be taken off the road until brakes are properly repaired or adjusted.

In the matter of the alleged insanity of an inmate of the County Home, the report reads that "We did find one of the inmates insane and other inmates made complaint of being disturbed by him considerably and not being able to get their proper sleep and rest". The recommendation is that proper officials see what they can do to place the inmate in a proper State institution.

In addition to Mr. Morton, other members of the Grand Jury were, J. C. Chambers, Herbert Allen, John E. Whitfield, W. G. Thomas, W. C. Hawkins, L. D. Knott, E. M. Young, Collin Abbott, George W. Howerton, M. H. Hicks, Lester Willford, A. C. Day, B. D. Huff, Carl Winstead, H. M. Gentry, Sam Evans and S. M. Green, all of whom heard on Monday a stirring and patriotic charge from Judge Stevens.

Divorces granted included: Isom vs. Bessie Woody; Viola vs. Robert L. Oakes; Lewis E. Pulliam vs. Clarence D. Pulliam; Charlie Cooper, vs. Martha L. Cooper, Rosa Lee Johnson vs. Theodosia Royster, Mabel Hobgood Reaves vs. Stanley J. Reaves, and Merrimon N. Foushee vs. Delma Foushee, all on grounds of two years of separation.

Non-suit resulted in the matter of setting aside a deed involving J. L. Hubbard vs. W. P. Dixon and wife, Janie. Continued was the case of Mary M. Bass, administratrix of estate of Lera Meadows vs. John and Clay Meadows.

## Duncan To Move Into New Building

G. C. Duncan, radio mechanic and now a distributor of electrical appliances has announced that he will move into his new building on Reams Ave. next Wednesday and that he will be open for business on Thursday morning.

The building is a new affair, recently completed and very modern. It is located just below Long's Esso Service station. Mr. Duncan has been in the radio business in this city for eleven years and has maintained his shop at his home below Longhurst where he serviced radios.

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He has two brothers, Frank, of Durham, and Worth, of Greensboro, and another sister, Mrs. J. H. Walker, of Baltimore.

## AT Association

Postmaster L. M. Carlton left Thursday to attend a three day session of the North Carolina Chapter of the National Association of Postmasters which will convene in Winston-Salem.

## Aubrey Johnson, Negro, Gets Thirty Years For Murder of Kinsman.

Aubrey Johnson, young Negro, charged with murder in connection with the death of Stephen Johnson, another Negro, in a churchyard fight here several months ago, received sentence of thirty years in the State Prison this week under a second degree count from Judge Henry L. Stevens, Jr., Warsaw, Superior court jurist, who passed judgment after a plea of guilty had been entered.

Lawyers for the youth sought to show that the fatal wounding of Stephen Johnson occurred under a strain produced by Aubrey Johnson's fear of bleeding to death, it being reported that Aubrey Johnson who lost five brothers through "bleeder" diseases, was himself afraid that he might bleed to death after he had a few days before the final fight received body stabs from Stephen Johnson.

Placed on the witness stand to testify about the deaths of her other children was Aubrey Johnson's mother, who responded calmly and in low tones to questions put to her.

George Washington Jones, 19, Negro youth, charged with being an accessory before and after the fact in the Johnson murder, was given from two to three years by Judge Stevens. Evidence was introduced to show that Rogers, who carried Aubrey Johnson home with him, was an orphan and had worked for five years for E. P. Warren, where he was a quiet and willing worker.

Testimony as to the death of Stephen Johnson, who died in a Durham hospital, was given by Dr. J. W. V. Cordice, of Durham, who was allowed a fee of \$25.00 as an expert witness in the case.

Other cases disposed of in the short criminal session were: Clarence Locklear, breaking and entering and larceny of automobile, not less than three nor more than five years; Thomas Self, robbery, eight months, and Wilson Lockhart, rape, not pros, with leave, it being shown that woman in the case has since married and moved to Virginia, address unknown.

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