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Kiwanis Head



J. W. GREENE

J. W. Greene To Become Head Of Kiwanis Club

Popular Roxboro Civic Leader To Guide Club In 1946.

President-elect of Roxboro Kiwanis club is J. W. Greene, of this city, who is expected to be installed at the first meeting in January 1946, and will succeed J. A. Long, Jr., present head of the civic club.

Greene, a Roxboro jeweler, is also head of Person Scout district, master of Person Lodge 113, a member of the Roxboro school district board and active in leadership at First Baptist church. His election as incoming head of Kiwanis occurred at Monday night's meeting of the club at Hotel Roxboro. Other candidates for the position were R. H. Shelton and Jerry L. Hester.

Winner as new vice president is J. M. Dempsey, resident manager of Plant E. Collins and Aikman, while runners-up were Leon Wilson and L. C. Liles. Treasurer-elect is Thomas Hatchett, who won over John Merritt and H. Dewey Young. New directors will be Fred Bishop, teacher of Bible in Roxboro high school, Frank Wright, co-manager of Bruce's department store, Dr. Robert E. Long, dentist, Coleman King, manager of Long's haberdashery, and Preston Satterfield, Jr., of Roxboro Lumber Company. J. A. Long, Jr., as immediate past president of the club, will also be a member of the new board of directors.

MT. ZION YARD

Members and friends of Mt. Zion church are asked to meet Friday afternoon, November 2, at 1:30 o'clock to clean the church yard.

Leaders Plan For Camp Session

Mrs. T. Miller White, of Roxboro, chairman of the Camp and Hospital community service committee for Person Chapter of the American Red Cross, together with other members of her committee, is expected to be in Chapel Hill on November 7th, to attend a district session of Camp and Hospital committees interested in planning the Christmas gift program for service men now in hospitals, it was revealed today.

Mrs. White, who presented a tentative report of the plan for her committee here last Thursday night at regular monthly session of Person chapter of the Red Cross, said that cooperation is being planned with the American Legion, as was done last year and that packages are to be in committee hands by

Mitchell Calls Off Whole Statesville Affair At Last Moment.

"We ain't gonna march, we ain't gonna march to Statesville", was the minor-key theme of Roxboro high school band this morning as it paraded down Roxboro streets to promote tonight's football game with Hillsboro, an event which had been shifted from tomorrow night especially for the purpose of allowing full Friday representation of the band at Statesville.

And that's not all. The forty-four bandmen marched this morning without their blue and gray uniforms, the most of which were at the cleaner's or at home being pressed and spotted and made ready for State Senator Hugh G. Mitchell's event that did not come off and never will. Last minute announcement from him last night cancelled all arrangements for the Statesville gathering of tomorrow, after President Truman previously announced his inability to be present.

And that's not all. Miss Mary Earle Wilson, band director in Roxboro, together with her players, is going to have to go to the trouble to refund to the givers cash received from them for the "trip fund" of the band. That won't be such a hard job, since a list of individual givers was kept. The money will be refunded, right down to the last dime. Much of it, from the three civic clubs, Kiwanis, Exchange and Rotary, never had been passed, anyhow, and will be a matter of book-keeping on paper, but the other sums, a lot of it collected from folks in the warehouses here will have to be returned individually, it will be.

The forty-four bandmen here are disappointed. A good many of the other official guests-to-have-been, are not, although some thirty of them had received written invitation. See BAND Page 8

E. G. Thompson Now Ranked As Navy Commander

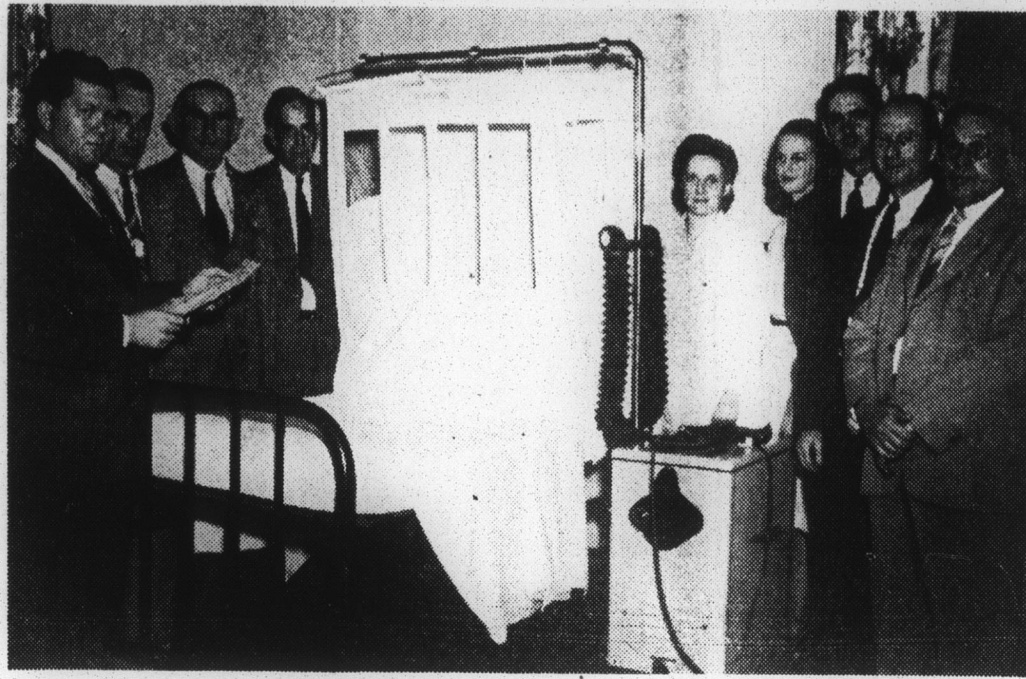
Not every service man who returns to reserved status officially receive promotion after having been placed in reserved ranks, but that is what has happened to Eugene Graham Thompson, Roxboro business man, who was called back to Washington Monday, where he received the rank of Lieutenant Commander, United States Navy.

Lt. Com. Thompson is now, and advanced from the rank of Lieutenant, but not in active service. The new officer is back at home now, conducting as usual the affairs of Thompson Insurance agency and he expects to remain at home.

He first entered the Navy in October 1943, and finally, the elevation to Lieutenant Commander last month. This last promotion, like the first, was received in due process and through regular channels and the order for it was given before Lt. Thompson came home, around the first of October this year. Only a bit of that official red tape business kept the order from going through at once, before the recipient came back to Roxboro.

Anyhow, Lt. Com. Thompson has his new credentials and is at home.

All Ready, But Not Yet Hooked Up Is Oxygen Tent



Roxboro Exchange club, officials and special guests of which are shown above grouped around the oxygen tent that the club presented last month to Community Hospital, is anxiously awaiting installation of the tent, a factor dependent upon the arrival of a workman from a Greensboro surgical supply house from which the tent was purchased. First delay, after the official presentation, was caused by postponement of shipment of the oxygen itself. The oxygen is here now and that difficulty is out of the way. Those in the picture, reading left to right, are: Mack Clark, of the Durham club, R. P. Burns, Mayor S. G. Winstead and R. L. Harris, guests, Mrs. Guy J. Timberlake and Mrs. Louise Foushee Long, of the hospital staff, Ralph Tucker, Arthur Rimmer and J. H. Lewis, club officials, all of Roxboro. Regular meeting of the club was held last night, but no formal program was presented.

Selection Of New Court Clerk Not Expected Until End Of This Week

Second Sunday In November Set As Drive Date

Longhurst Baptists To Start Drive Then For Recreation- Education Building.

Fuller details of plans for construction of a \$15,000 Service Men's Memorial building at Longhurst Baptist church to be used for educational and recreational purposes and as a Sunday school building, were revealed today by the pastor, the Rev. Auburn Hayes, who reports that Sunday, November 11, will be date for beginning of the financial campaign.

Some contributions have already been received, according to the Rev. Mr. Hayes, who says his congregation plans the structure as a memorial to their young men who have served in World War II. The building, to be forty by seventy feet in size, will be known as a training and educational center for youth of the community, and will be of brick. It will be the right wing of a projected new church and until a new church can be included in the plans the recreational-educational building will be joined to the present church in the form of an annex.

It is not expected, however, that a new church building, proper, will be arranged for or undertaken until the educational building is completed. The educational building is expected to be completed before next summer and it will be designed to meet a three point program, for physical, social and spiritual needs of youth. The first floor will contain a dining room-assembly room with a seating capacity of five hundred.

The first floor will also have movable partitions to form Sunday school rooms. Shower baths will likewise be on this floor, while on the second is planned a combination reception center and library-living room, and a game room. The Rev. Mr. Hayes, who came to the Longhurst church two months ago from First Baptist church, Fayette, Texas, has had much experience in working with young people and is a sincere believer in the necessity of providing adequate recreational, social and educational outlets for them.

At Saint Mark's

The Rev. Henry Nutt Parsley, of Duke University, Durham, will preach Sunday morning at eleven o'clock at Saint Mark's Episcopal church, where Holy Communion will also be observed. The Rev. Mr. Parsley, Episcopal minister for students in Duke University, has frequently visited in Roxboro and has preached a number of times here since the Rev. Rufus J. Womble, formerly rector, resigned to accept a parish in Richmond, Va.

Judge Leo Carr, Now In San- ford, May Name Appointee Friday or Saturday.

Naming of a new Clerk of Superior Court for Person county to succeed the late R. A. (Dick) Bullock, whose death occurred Monday morning, is not expected to take place until tomorrow or Saturday, it was reported here today. The appointment, when made, will come from Judge Leo Carr, of Burlington, resident judge of this district, who is now holding court in Sanford, Lee county, and who indicated the delay in appointment yesterday in a telephone conversation with a Democratic party leader.

Mentioned as applicants for the appointment have been at least three citizens, A. M. Burns, Jr., of Roxboro, an attorney now with the Federal Government in a claims service division; Kenneth Oakley, of Raleigh, formerly of Roxboro, and Lewis Wagstaff, connected with a Roxboro warehouse. General policy is recommendation of at least one candidate by the bar association.

The office of the clerk is, in the meantime closed and will remain closed until an appointment is made, since neither assistant nor deputy clerks are authorized to keep it open in event of the death of a clerk. Present deputy is Miss Nancy Bullock, niece of the late clerk. It is understood that strong representations are being made for retention of Miss Bullock as deputy and that quite a few persons have suggested her appointment as clerk.

Office of clerk carries with it the powers of judge of juvenile court. Powers of the clerk have been considerably enlarged in the past several years and some knowledge of legal techniques as well as of book-keeping is expected of applicants.

Wallace Woods State Director

The State Association of Commercial Organization Secretaries, meeting Monday in Raleigh, heard addresses by Governor Cherry and a number of other Tar Heel leaders, elected officers, and wound up with their annual banquet that featured Edmund H. Harding, Washington, N. C. humorist, and accordionist. Officers elected to serve in 1945-46 are James W. Butler of Goldsboro, president; Harry Barlow of Greensboro, vice-president; and James E. Gaither of Hickory, secretary-treasurer.

Directors elected are Charles McCullers of Kinston, Harry S. Krusz, See WOODS Page 8

New Chevrolet On Display Saturday

The new Chevrolet for 1946 will be on display at the Tar Heel Chevrolet Co., Saturday, November 3rd, stated officials of that company this week.

Everyone is invited to come by the showrooms of this company and see the new car. The showroom will be open all day Saturday.

Tobacco

Market sales here on Monday on a net basis were reported as 233,790 pounds at \$46.64, while on Tuesday 122,460 pounds averaged \$46.69 and on Wednesday pounds were at 124,974 for an average of \$47.06, highest average yet quoted here for the season. Slump in pounds is based on the fact that many farmers are turning to hay gathering and other activities. Quality of the leaf is, however, constantly better.

Lag Still Seen In War Fund As Deadline Passes

Over \$1,600 Still Needed To Meet Quota of \$10,050.

\$1,675.18 is needed to complete the Person and Roxboro quota of \$10,050 for the United Community War fund, according to reports received this morning from Miss Dorothy Taylor, of Roxboro Chamber of commerce, who says that at least one more report is needed from a unit of the Woman's division.

Contributions are still coming in, however, and the campaign will continue in a final effort to reach the quota. One of the previously unreported groups is the Theater unit, responsible so far for collection of \$191.76. Other breakdowns are: special gifts, \$3,472.50; business district, \$942.48; woman's division, \$740.72; white schools, \$1,820.30; Negro schools, \$683.85 and industrial division, \$464.97.

Released this morning by Dr. Robert E. Long, USO chairman, whose agency is one sharing in nationwide contributions from the War Fund, is a letter of commendation from F. Moret, SKD1c, USNR, Navy Pre-Flight school, Chapel Hill, thanking the Roxboro USO Service Center for hospitalities extended over the past several weeks.

The letter reads: "In behalf of the sailors from Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, that spend a few week-ends in Roxboro I wish to extend to you and the charming girls of the U. S. O. our gratitude for the courtesies extended to us.

"I take advantage of this opportunity to congratulate you and your associates for the fine work you are doing in entertaining the servicemen visiting your town. There is no doubt that sailors, soldiers and marines that at some time or the other stopped at Roxboro will always remember that lovely town of yours."

Co-chairmen for the United War fund drive in Roxboro and Person county are J. A. Long, Jr., and Jerry L. Hester, who are in complete agreement in continuing the drive. If the quota for this campaign is not reached here it will be the first time in this period that any war-inspired drive here has failed of oversubscription.

Pre-Hallowe'en Pranksters All But Set Fire To Home

Home Of Mrs. A. M. Long Endangered. Many Ex- plosives Thrown Into Streets.

Little disturbance, outside of unnecessary and unlawful explosion of fire-crackers, particularly in Main street areas, marked Roxboro's observation of Hallowe'en last night, but fire-crackers were almost the cause of a residence blaze night before last when one of the explosives went off close to the home of Mrs. A. M. Long, Lamar street, and burned up a shrub near the front door.

Mrs. Long, who said police were called, expressed the opinion that the house would have been set afire if she and other occupants had not been at home to smother the burning bush. As it was, she kept watch last night on her porch until late hours. It is thought that the offending cracker was thrown by a small boy. Many crackers were thrown into streets to be run over by passing automobiles.

No formal downtown recreation program was planned by the City, but many young spooks and not a few older pranksters made up as ghosts, hobgoblins and ragamuffins and paraded the streets until late hours.

Fourth Quarter Conference Will Begin On Sunday

Rev. H. C. Smith Will Be Speaker At Webb's Chapel This Sunday.

Fourth quarterly conference for the Brookdale Methodist Charge will be held in Webb's Chapel church, Sunday November 4. The District Superintendent, Rev. H. C. Smith of Durham, will preach at eleven o'clock and hold the business session of the conference immediately after the sermon. Dinner will be served by the Webb's Chapel.

A good delegation from all churches of the Brookdale charge is expected to be present for the meeting. This will be the final service for Webb's Chapel Church before the meeting of the annual conference in Goldsboro, Nov. 7.

Final service for Allensville church for this conference year will be conducted Sunday afternoon at three o'clock and closing service for Brookdale church will be conducted at seven o'clock in the evening. Visitors are given a special welcome to attend.

The Brookdale Charge is closing another very successful year and reports are expected both for the Quarterly conference and the Annual conference, according to the Rev. E. C. Maness, pastor, who will preach in all of his churches before the end of the conference year.

Largest Crowds At USO Center

Largest USO crowd since the 89th Division of months ago, was experienced last week in Roxboro at the Service Center, according to Dr. Robert E. Long, chairman of the Board of directors who said yesterday that attendance of Sunday was largely composed of men from the Fourth Division, Camp Butler, and from the Pre-Flight school, Chapel Hill.

Program for the coming week-end will have Junior Hostesses of Group Four in charge of Sunday night supper, with Misses Ethel Newell Winstead and Mary Alice Thornton as chairmen. Expected here on Sunday afternoon at two-thirty is a group of service men from General Hospital at Camp Butler. Similar groups are expected on each Sunday afternoon in November and See CPOWDS Page 8

Has Discharge

Pfc. L. H. Clayton, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Clayton, Sr., of Roxboro, recently received his discharge from the Army, after serving two years in the states and eleven months in the European theatre.

He was awarded a Campaign Medal with four Bronze Stars, and Good Conduct Medal.

Progress Reported On Locker Plant

Few Lockers Still Available. Building To Be Completed In December.

The Person and Roxboro freezer locker, work on which has been in progress for the past several weeks, is expected to be completed at some time during the month of December, according to reports received here today.

The building is now completely closed in and insulation material men expect to begin their part of the work in a few days. Part of the machinery is on hand and the remainder is expected shortly. It is said.

When completed the plant will have a large pork curing room to enable farmers to cure hog meat at any season of the year. Temperature in this room will be kept just above the freezing point. There will be a chill room to permit farmers and butchers to thoroughly chill and age all types of fresh meat just as it is chilled and aged by packing plants before going on the local market.

The plant will also have a quick freeze room to quick-freeze meats, vegetables, berries and fruits at a low temperature of 20 degrees below zero, or lower if necessary. When meats and vegetables are frozen at a very low temperature, ice particles do not form in the product. Frozen foods will then be placed in individual lockers in another room to conform to LOCKER Page 9

Miss Wightman Accepted By All Three Libraries

Librarian Still Plans To Come Here By December 1.

Miss Dorothy Wightman, of Nelsonville, Ohio, recently elected as Person County Librarian, has also been elected by library boards in Orange and Caswell counties to serve as tri-county librarian, according to information received here yesterday from Miss Marjorie Beale, of Raleigh, secretary to the State Library commission, who says that Miss Wightman expects to begin her duties on December 1st.

To be held shortly after the arrival of Miss Wightman will be a tri-county union meeting of the library boards of the respective institutions with which Miss Wightman will work. Date and place of the meeting have not been announced, but the gathering is expected to take place in Roxboro.

Miss Wightman, a woman of considerable experience in rural library work, is now librarian at Nelsonville. She is a native of Minnesota, but has also had library work in New York and Pennsylvania. Her first visit to the tri-county department of Orange-Person and Caswell was made several weeks ago and the first stopping point was Roxboro, where members of the Person Library board at once agreed to elect her. She succeeds Mrs. Ethel Walker Whetstone, of Hillsboro, who resigned after her husband returned from overseas service.

RETURN TO CITY

Mrs. T. C. Wagstaff and Mrs. Glen Brandon, official delegates to the Welfare and Human Relations institute in Raleigh the first of the week, have returned to Roxboro.

Ten From Person In Oxford Orphanage

Person and Roxboro chairman for the annual appeal for funds for the Masonic orphanage at Oxford is J. Brodie Riggsbee, who said today that the drive will begin this week and that letters to many prospective contributors will be mailed soon.

Oxford orphanage, according to Riggsbee, now has ten children from Roxboro and Person county living in it, although only two of the ten are identified as the children of Masons. This fact, says Riggsbee, provides effective illustration of the fact that the orphanage, although a Masonic institution and run by Masons, by no means confines its institutional care to the children of Masons.

Head of the orphanage is C. K. Proctor, who reports that the cost per year for each child is estimated at \$440 per year, which means that the ten children from Person on a cost basis alone, require \$4,400 a year for maintenance, food and clothing.

The ten children from here who are at the Oxford institution are: Edward D. and Fannie Lee Clayton, Raymond Denny, Leroy and Odella Dixon, Mildred and Gladys Ferguson, Pauline, Ida Rachel and Ivory Russell Smith. More children from here are in the orphanage this year than last.

Members of the Person Lodge 113 committee associated with Chairman Riggsbee are: Clyde Bowen, Osbey Gentry and Walter Smith, all of whom will be glad to cooperate with Mr. Riggsbee in receiving contributions, either personally, or by mail.

Annual visit of Oxford Singing Class is being omitted this year because of transportation difficulties, but it is hoped that their trip can be resumed next year, says Mr. Riggsbee, who may be reached at People's Bank, or at his own home.

Orphanage Leader



J. BRODIE RIGGSBEE

Motorists Urged To Fix Lights

Patrolman Hudgins Stopping Those With Defective Lights.

Inspection of light of Person and Roxboro motorists is now being made by State Highway Patrolman John Hudgins, who yesterday issued an appeal for united assistance from the driving public, it being the opinion of Hudgins that many motorists can save themselves considerable trouble by having their lights checked in advance at garages with which they regularly do business.

The checking by Patrolman Hudgins, which includes both front and rear lights, has been in progress for the past several days, it was revealed, and motorists whose lights are too bright, too dim, or simply non-existent, are being stopped and ordered by the Patrolman to have immediate repairs. When- See MOTORISTS Page 8