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Dobson Will Talk At Annual Scout Council Session

New Growers To File Before First Of Month

All eligible producers interested in applying for a "new grower" tobacco allotment should file an application at the Person County AAA Office prior to February 1, 1946. Claude T. Hall, Chairman Person County AAA Committee said here today.

He pointed out that in order to be eligible for a new tobacco allotment, the following conditions must be met: (1) The farm operator shall have had experience in growing the kind of tobacco for which an allotment is requested either as a sharecropper, tenant, or as a farm operator during the past five years, or if the farm operator has been in the armed services of the United States, within five years prior to his entry into the armed services; (2) The farm operator shall be living on the farm and largely dependent on this farm for his livelihood; (3) The farm covered by the application shall be the only farm owned or operated by the farm operator on which any tobacco is produced; and (4) no kind of tobacco other than the kind for which application for an allotment is made will be grown on such farm in 1946.

He emphasized that the only exception that would be made in the date for filing applications would be in the case of a farm operator being in the armed forces on that date. Under this condition, application may be filed not later than the time tobacco is substantially all planted in the County, or within 30 days following his discharge from the armed forces, which ever is earlier.

Truman Gives Outline Of What Must Be Done

Washington, Jan. 6.—Highlights of President Truman's radio address of last Thursday night were:

1. Labor-management disputes—"In setting up of fact-finding boards, there is nothing harmful to labor... on the other hand there is nothing harmful to management... I had hoped the Congress either would follow my recommendations or would at least propose a solution of its own. It has done neither... I have indicated my opposition, and I repeat it now, to the anti-labor bills pending in the Congress which seek to deprive labor of the right to bargain collectively..."

2. The Congress—"I seek no conflict with the Congress. I earnestly desire cooperation with the Congress... It is the committees which hold up action on bills... Often a bare majority of a committee—a handful of men—can prevent a vote by the whole Congress on these matters of majority policy. What the American people want is action."

3. Full employment—"A satisfactory full employment bill was passed by the Senate. Another bill was passed by the House of Representatives which is not at all acceptable... It is most important that the (Senate-House) conferees report a satisfactory bill immediately..."

4. Federal unemployment insurance benefits—"While unemployment has not reached anything like the level which was feared, there still is need to provide at least some measure of subsistence to those men and women who do lose their jobs by the end of war production..."

5. Fair Employment Practices Committee—"Legislation making permanent the Fair Employment Practices Committee would carry out a fundamental American ideal... A small handful of Congressmen in the Rules Committee of the House have prevented this legislation from reaching a vote by the Congress..."

6. Minimum wages—"There still are millions of workers whose incomes do not provide a decent standard of living... Although hearings have been held on this question in the Congress, no action has been taken..."

7. Housing—"We urgently need about five million additional homes—now... Where private enterprise

Wife Of Former Keeper Of County Home Passes

Rites Held Yesterday For Mrs. J. Alvis Clayton At Story's Creek.

Last rites for Mrs. J. Alvis Clayton, 71, wife of the former keeper of the Person County home, whose death occurred Friday at noon in an apartment in the County Home which had been retained by the Claytons because of her serious illness, were held Sunday afternoon at two o'clock at Story's Creek Primitive Baptist church, of which she was a member.

Services were in charge of Elder N. D. Teasley, of Durham, and Elder L. P. Martin, of Roxboro. Interment took place in the Oakley family cemetery, near Ceppo, Mrs. Clayton, who was before marriage Miss Violet Oakley, had been ill for about one year. Death was attributed to complications.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, who was until December keeper of the Person County home, are two sons Hassel and Leland Clayton, both of Roxboro, route one, two daughters, Miss Pearl Clayton, who assisted her parents in the operation of the County Home, and Mrs. J. W. Oakley, of Roxboro, route one, twenty-two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are five brothers, Robert, Lester, Charles, Chris and W. A. Oakley, all of Roxboro, route 1, and two sisters, Mrs. Novella Oakley Hargis, of Durham, and Mrs. Maude McKinney, of Roxboro, together with many nephews and nieces.

Mrs. Clayton had been in a serious condition for more than a month.

Clothing, Head



FRED LONG

Victory Clothing campaign chairman here this year will be Fred Long, who succeeds the Rev. W. C. Martin, now of Beaufort, who last year worked with the Clothing drive, said that his chairman of packing will be Joe Adair, of the Dan River soil conservation service. Adair will take the place formerly held by W. Wallace Woods. The drive is expected to begin the last week in January, says Long.

C. H. Francis, 60, Of Brooksdale, Dies Saturday

Funeral for Charlie H. Francis, 60, of Brooksdale, Person native and retired farmer, more recently a carpenter, whose death occurred Saturday morning at Community hospital at four o'clock after a brief illness with pneumonia, was held Sunday afternoon at four o'clock at Brooksdale Methodist church, of which he was a member, with interment in Burchwood cemetery, Roxboro.

The deceased, who entered the hospital December 24, had been in ill health about a year. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Katherine Painter Francis, of the home, and three brothers, Willie, of Varina, Alex, of near Danville, Va., and Eddie, of Clinton.

He was a member of Longhurst Council of the Junior Order, members of which served as pallbearers. Officiating ministers were his pastor, the Rev. E. C. Maness, and the Rev. T. W. Lee, of Midway, a former pastor.

Rueben Bowling Has Promotion

Rueben Bowling, brother-in-law of Mrs. John Bowling, route 1, Roxboro, has been promoted from corporal to sergeant in recognition of proven ability in his work with an infantry company.

Sergeant Bowling is a member of Maj. Gen. Paul J. Mueller's 81st Infantry "Wildcat" Division.

Civic Club Will Have Farm Night

Farmer's Night, with each member expected to bring a farmer guest, will be observed Thursday night by Roxboro Rotary club, which will meet at Hotel Roxboro at six-thirty o'clock, according to announcement made by Dr. John Fitzgerald, club president.

Farmer's night is observed annually and is considered one of the more important club meetings of the year.

Speaker this past Thursday night was Robert Edgar (Buddy) Long, attorney and a Kiwanian, recently returned from Army service in the Pacific area, who discussed aspects of his stay in the Philippines and in Japan. Majority of the Philippine people are loyal to the American

Mrs. R. E. James' Rites Conducted At Bethel Sunday

Daughter Of Mrs. George E. Harris Dies Suddenly Here At Sister's Home.

Funeral for Mrs. Robert E. James, of Bethel, the former Miss Mabel Harris, of Roxboro, whose death occurred Friday afternoon at four o'clock at the home of a sister, Mrs. Frank J. Winstead, of Roxboro, Route 1, after an illness lasting one week, was held Sunday afternoon in Bethel at two o'clock at Bethel Methodist church by her pastor, the Rev. Mr. Howard, with interment in the Bethel church cemetery.

Mrs. James, 48, died unexpectedly, having come to Roxboro on December 27th, for a Christmas visit with the Harris family. Death was attributed to complications. She was a daughter of Mrs. George E. Harris, of Roxboro, and of the late Mr. Harris, prominent Person landowner and Danville, Va., tobacco man, whose death occurred last summer.

Mrs. James had lived in Bethel for about twenty-five years. Surviving, in addition to her mother, are husband, of Bethel, two sons, Lt. Robert E. James, Jr., of the Navy, stationed in China, and Bill James, student at Eastern Carolina Teacher's college, Greenville, and a daughter, Mrs. George Thompson, of Washington, D. C., and one grandchild.

Also surviving are six sisters, Mrs. B. B. Bullock, of Bushy Fork, Mrs. Emmitt E. Thompson, of Roxboro, Mrs. Jessie H. Wade, of Cedar Grove, Mrs. Winstead, of Roxboro, route one, Mrs. Kaytie H. Wilkerson, of Roxboro and Mrs. Corinne H. Grant, of Haddonfield, New Jersey and two brothers George Kitchen Harris and Hambrick Harris, both of Roxboro.

G. I. Families Go To Europe

Frankfurt, Jan. 6.—United States army headquarters here has drawn up a detailed plan for bringing the wives and families of American occupation forces to Europe beginning about April 1 and needs only war department approval to announce the project, the United Press learned tonight.

A spokesman for United States forces in the European theater said that an estimated 99,000 dependents of American military personnel would be brought from the United States. That figure does not include the families of civilians attached to the occupation forces who might come to Europe.

Officially the army will admit only that the families of American troops are likely to reach Germany by this summer. However, it is hoped that the first contingent of wives and children will arrive by about April 1.

A decision from the department of war on the USFET plan is expected shortly. Then, if approved, it will be announced formally.

Series Of Wrecks Climaxed By Mid-Night Crash Into House Wall

Closing Of Butner Not To End Work Of City USO Center

USO Services In Roxboro Still In Demand Says Director.

The impending closing of Camp Butner hospital and of the Camp itself, which may take place between March 1, and April 15, is not expected to have any immediate effect upon the week-end programs being given by the Roxboro USO Service Center, it was reported today by Dr. Robert E. Long, chairman of the USO Board of directors.

The Service center had good attendance this week, said Dr. Long, who added that services of the Center will be maintained as long as they are needed. The Center has financial support from the national USO and it is not regarded as likely that there will be any curtailment of such support as long as service men, many of whom visit Roxboro, are stationed in Durham.

Courtesy lease of the Roxboro Service center on a lot back of Person Court House, extends until after the official end of the war, which has not yet been declared. Existing among citizens in Roxboro and in the County is a considerable sentiment to continue the use of the USO building for peacetime purposes, since it is already frequently in use as a meeting place for Boy Scouts and for various civic and social groups, including the Person Grange and the Lewell T. Huff Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Camp Butner's General Hospital has been declared excess and will be closed not later than March 1, Surgeon Gen. Norman T. Kirk announced in Washington yesterday.

Kirk explained that with the diminishing needs of the Army many general hospitals throughout the country would be closed within the next few months. He added, that with the concurrence of the surgeon general of the Fourth Service Command, he was ordering the Camp Butner Hospital to close by March 1.

A check with Camp Butner officials last night brought the information that orders had been received there not to receive any more patients. The order is effective immediately. Lt. Arnold Silvert, public relations officer, stated.

Camp Butner's Convalescent Hospital and Hospital Center, the latter a separation point, were closed Dec. 15.

The huge Veterans Administration Hospital which will be erected in Durham will, in all probability, be located on Duke University owned property, according to a consensus of present rumors. No exact site for the \$4,500,000 structure, however, will be selected until officials of the VA come here and, so far, no definite date for their visit has been fixed. The officials said some time ago they would give Durham a three-day notice before coming.

It was pointed out last night that the Veterans Administration would get first crack at the Camp Butner General Hospital which will close by March 1. However, Camp Butner is not expected to be selected since it is considered too far from Duke Hospital. The same is believed true of a site on the Durham-Chapel Hill Road, near New Hope Creek which, it has been said, has been given consideration.

Huff Post Will Meet Tuesday

Lewell T. Huff Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet Tuesday night at seven-thirty at the Roxboro USO Service Center, it was announced today by Adjutant J. A. Jordan, who has pointed out that this will be first meeting of the new year and that full attendance is desired. Members are also urged to pay 1946 dues, says Jordan. Commander of the Post is J. W. Allgood.

Bill Long Out

William C. (Bill) Long, B. M. 2-C, of Hurdle Mills, has received his discharge from the Navy after thirty seven and one half months of service. He wears the good conduct, American theatre, Asiatic-Pacific, World War II Victory medal, and Bronze star.

Four Hundred Farm Families Can At Helena

Appointments Needed For Further Canning, Asserts L. C. Liles.

Four hundred farm families in Person County canned 31,000 cans of meat and vegetables in the Helena School Community Cannery from August 6, to December 21, 1945, it was reported today. The estimated value of products canned is \$16,000.

Approximately 200 cows were canned in addition to the cannable meat from 300 hogs reports L. C. Liles, Vocational Agriculture teacher at Helena High School and supervisor of the school cannery.

Liles announced that the cannery would be open on Wednesday afternoon from now until the vegetable season begins, also it is very necessary to obtain an appointment to can on Wednesday afternoon. Many people unable to can sweet potatoes during the meat canning season, may now do so. Canning of meats will continue the year round. For a canning appointment write to Mr. Liles, Helena high school, Timberlake.

State Slowly Recovering From Rain and Mud

Raleigh.—North Carolina is slowly recovering from its serious transportation difficulties, damaged crops and property losses caused by recent bad weather, a survey showed last week.

Highway Commissioner A. H. (Sandy) Graham said that roads and highways were being put back into good condition as fast as possible, but that rain and snow in the western part of the state caused a set-back today.

Paul Reid, controller of the department of education, said some schools would remain closed until Monday, due to slippery roads which have frozen over. He said most of these schools are in western North Carolina.

Carolina Power and Light company reported that the bad December weather seriously damaged some of its properties in Asheville, the worst time being Christmas day. Prior to that, some damage was reported around Canton and Hazelwood, where the wind blew numerous trees over power lines.

Officials reported, however, that in every instance where damage was reported, repairs were completed within 24 hours. Damage was kept down in other C. P. and L. areas through the use of a new invention which determines the amount of ice forming on lines. When the formation becomes too thick, the current is "juggled," thus overloading the lines, and melting the ice.

Duke Power officials said they had no serious weather damage. The State college extension service reported extensive damage to young pine trees in the western part of the state, particularly around Shelby.

Paul Umstead Out

Sgt. Paul C. Umstead, after many months of overseas service in the Pacific area, has received his discharge and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Umstead. Here with him is his wife, of Augusta, Ga., to which city the Umsteads will go the latter part of the week. Here until Saturday was another son of the Lee Umsteads, Pfc. Norfleet Umstead, who has returned to a Boston hospital for treatment.

Most Spectacular Crash Damages Morgan Street Residence.

Reported here over the week-end were at least four wrecks, ranging from head-on collisions to leaving the highway and turning over. Most serious of the crashes late last night about eleven-thirty, resulted in extensive damages to a Morgan street residence, the occupants of which probably escaped injury because of the fact that they had gone to bed in another room.

The Morgan street crash occurred when a heavy sedan driven by Pfc. Gordon Wilkerson, 19, of Roxboro and Fort Bragg, home on leave and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Wilkerson, left the street on High School drive, plowed through a field and finally struck a side wall of the living room of the R. P. Michaels residence, crashing into it and tearing out the wall and floor. The car reportedly was off the street for 300 feet.

Wilkerson, who was injured only slightly, said he was taking J. A. McWhorter, Jr., home, that his brakes failed as he came close to a slower car and that he turned right towards the Michaels house because an oncoming car prevented his going to the left. McWhorter, a Washington and Lee student, was injured only slightly. It was the second time since the holidays that he had been occupant of a car involved in a traffic affair.

Michaels, owner of the residence, said this afternoon that he could give no estimate of the damage. The Wilkerson car was all but totally destroyed. Citation for Wilkerson is speeding and careless and reckless driving. Investigation was by City police.

Second crash of Sunday night was that of Vance Lunsford, 35, of Oxford road, who with his companion, Willie Louis Clayton, received treatment at Community hospital shortly before midnight for injuries received in a wreck on the Oxford road near the Clyde Jack Oakley home. Lunsford is still in the hospital, but Clayton was released this morning. Investigation was by Patrolman John Hudgins, who was out of the City today and could not be reached for further consultation. Lunsford and Clayton were brought to the hospital in an ambulance. Reported Sunday morning was the overturning of another car near Oakley's station, Leasburg road, where investigation was also by Hudgins, with chief damage to the machine. Name of the driver was not obtainable.

Another Sunday night wreck was that of Earl Dickerson and Burl Oakley, which occurred near Sam Barnette's service station, the Longhurst road about 8:30. Oakley was reported as turning in at the station. Between three and four hundred dollars damage was done to each car, but Dickerson and Oakley, drivers of the respective cars, were not injured. Dickerson was reported as driving north. Investigation was by City police.

Second wreck near Barnette's on the same road, occurred Saturday morning at eight o'clock when cars driven by Miss Murial Gentry, daughter of the S. P. Gentrys, and Miss Ann Munday, daughter of Mrs. Claude Munday, had a head-on collision. Miss Gentry was coming to work and Miss Munday was going north. Passenger with Miss Munday was Mrs. Wayne Cash, daughter of the Gilmer Mastens. All three young women were brought to Community hospital for first aid treatment. Investigation was by City police.

Listed still earlier in the week was still another minor crash. Driver of one of the cars was identified as Jimmy Stephenson, Collins and Aikman official. City police also went to this wreck.

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While his six brothers were in the armed services, Bryan Coates, a 4-H club boy of Johnston County, won a \$200 scholarship in the national 4-H field crop contest.

Along The Way

Shed a tear, gentle reader, for Coleman King who is now a member of the married set and who by virtue of that office will no longer be seen up town after dark and can no longer be counted upon to go to football or basketball games with the crowd and who can no longer spend his own money as he pleases. We are most happy to tell him that he is no longer his own boss and that two can not live as cheaply as one. As a matter of fact they can not even come close to it. Expenses will be more than double. We are also happy to tell him that he will be allowed to go to work late as he is supposed to work harder than ever. However if he has to work late at night he will need a special excuse and so he might as well be getting a bunch of them ready.

Club To Meet

Warren's Grove Home Demonstration club will meet Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 8, at the residence of Mrs. Alex Wrenn, at two o'clock. An attractive program has been arranged and a full attendance is requested.

Hogs need to be treated for lice during the winter months because the lice may be carriers of swine pox.