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## Extend Time For One Of Four Dan River Soil Projects

### Farm Training Being Offered To War Veterans

#### Person Vocational Agriculture Teachers Reveal Program.

Any veteran of World War II who has served 90 or more days (active duty) in any branch of the U. S. Armed services since September 15, 1940 and has not been dishonorably discharged is eligible for the Veterans Farmer Training program, it was announced here today.

The program is sponsored by the State Board for Vocational Education through departments of Vocational Agriculture in high schools of North Carolina, according to L. C. Liles, of Helena. The veteran will receive subsistence allowance while in training, if single \$65.00 per month, if married \$90.00 per month. If the veteran is married, a copy of Marriage Certificate must accompany application.

Any veteran in Person County who has returned to the farm or is planning on farming this year should contact J. M. Wilbourn, Wooddale, or L. C. Liles, Timberlake, at once to obtain further information and file application form 1950 which will be mailed to the Veterans Administration at Fayetteville.

"I am sure," Mr. Liles of the Helena school faculty, "that every veteran in Person County who plans to make farming his career should investigate about this program."

### Equal Education Seen As Myth Asserts Teacher

New York, Feb.—Equal opportunity for an education does not exist in the United States, John K. Norton, Chairman of the Department of Education Administration at Teachers College, Columbia University, declared recently. In an article, "The Myth of Educational Equality," in the January American Mercury, Dr. Norton charges that millions of children in the United States are in schools that do not deserve the name. "Children in the economically poorer states not only attend schools financed at poverty levels, but also have a much greater chance of not being in school at all," he writes.

"Some sections of the nation are rich in number of children, but poor in amount of wealth and income. Even though they levy relatively high taxes, they receive inadequate amounts for education. Other areas are rich in income, but poor in number of children. They can afford good schools on below-par tax rates."

Dr. Norton points out that in the poorer states the job of lifting the financial support of schools to some respectable minimum is difficult if not fiscally impossible, merely taking account of children already in school.

### Motor Club Now Open For Service

Mrs. Jesse E. Rogers, manager of the Roxboro office of the Carolina Motor club, has returned to this City from Portsmouth, Va., and has reopened the Motor Club office in Tar Heel Chevrolet company, where regular hours will be maintained. The office closes each Saturday at noon.

### Shotwell Makes Response For Farm Group.

Rules for the Soil Conservation prize contest being sponsored by Roxboro civic clubs under auspices of the Dan River Soil conservation service, were revealed Friday night at Bethel Hill at a meeting attended by more than thirty farm citizens, civic club representatives and others, it was reported today by Joe R. Adair, of the Dan River service unit.

Response for the farm residents was made by J. H. Shotwell, who said the program offers an appreciated challenge, one capable of stirring the best in community spirit and endeavor.

Prizes totaling thirty dollars for each club are being offered by the four civic clubs here, as previously announced. Time limit for each contest, with one exception, has been set for the remainder of this year, 1946. Contests with the 1946 limit are strip cropping, with prizes from the Exchange club; woodland improvement Kiwanis club, and pasture improvement, the Rotary club, while time limit for the fourth project, homestead beautification, with prizes by the Roxboro Business and Professional Woman's club, has been extended through 1947, because of scarcity of building materials.

Rules of the contest are as follows: All projects must be visible and recognizable from the window of an automobile in driving along Highway 561, except in Homestead Beautification.

No formal application of entry into contest required. It is desirable, but not required, that a picture be made of the Project before starting. "Before" pictures will be given on request to personnel of the Dan River Soil Conservation District.

All farmers will have at their disposal technical assistance and guidance from agricultural workers, for the asking, in developing projects. Each Civic Club has its own designated committee on its project. Each Club will designate judges to make selection winners at the end of the year.

Prizes will be awarded to the contestant who is winner regardless of whether he is tenant or landowner. No limitations on the amount of improvements will be made. The old saying: "The one who does the most, the best" will govern, in case of a tie.

All contests will end December 31, 1946, with the exception of Homestead Beautification Project which, due to shortage of building materials, is being continued through 1947.

**SPECIAL RULES**  
**STRIP CROPPING:** Minimum acreage in field to be five or more strips. The laying out of a system of strip cropping must be in line with general accepted recommendations approved by Soil Conservation Service Technicians. Consideration will be given not only to the row crops but also to the soil-conserving crops in the strips and its soil conservation merits. No restrictions will be made on the fertilizing, seeding and cultivation practices.

**PASTURE IMPROVEMENT:** Must be one acre or more in size. Seeding, liming and fertilizing and control of grazing to be in general line with approved recommendations by agricultural agencies in Person County. In case of a close tie, the condition of fencing and general improvements made on pasture will govern.

**WOODLAND IMPROVEMENT:** Must be one acre or more. All woodland management, including timber thinning, selective cutting, and reforestation, to be in line with general forestry recommendations.

**HOMESTEAD BEAUTIFICATION:** A "before" picture required. General layout of homestead and grounds to be considered. All improvements to be in line with recommendations of the Home Demonstration Agent, North Carolina Extension Service, for homestead beautification. This project will include all homes on farms of this area that are listed with the Dan River Soil Conservation Unit of Person County, even though they are not in sight of the highway.

By reducing the wheat content of bread, the U. S. expects to conserve 25,000,000 bushels of wheat this spring.

The nation's veterinarians favor a program of free vaccination for dogs and a 30-day quarantine for all dogs in areas where rabies is suspected.

### X-Ray Breaks

Break-down of the x-ray machine here this morning has caused extension of time for the examination clinics through Wednesday noon. It was reported today by Miss Evelyn Davis, senior staff nurse of Person Health department, who says the work will have to be suspended until Tuesday morning. Regular schedule is expected to be observed on Tuesday, while hours on Wednesday will be from nine o'clock in the morning until twelve noon.

### Negro Woman Loses Possessions In House Blaze

#### Auto Blaze Second For Week-End In Roxboro.

Totally destroyed by fire last night about seven o'clock was a small frame dwelling near the State prison camp. It was reported this morning by Roxboro Fire Chief Henry E. O'Brian, who said that response was made by the Roxboro department, which could do little but keep the blaze from spreading. Origin of the fire was undetermined.

The house was the property of W. Reade Jones and was occupied by Mildred Satterfield, a Negro resident, who lost all of her personal property in the fire. Financial loss, according to O'Brian, was placed at about one thousand dollars, including the house and contents.

Second fire of the week-end was that of an automobile, an out fire of town taxi, which caught fire at Oakley's Service station, the Greensboro road near Roxboro City limits, about seven o'clock Saturday night. Response was by the Ca-Vel Fire department and damage was reported as slight.

High winds of the past few days have made firemen apprehensive, according to O'Brian, who urges all residents to be careful to avoid fire hazards and to place calls immediately if a blaze occurs.

### Funeral Conducted For J. S. Duncan At Residence

#### Surl Resident Dies Friday In Duke Hospital.

Funeral for John S. Duncan, 62, of Surl, whose death occurred Friday at Duke Hospital, Durham, from complications after an illness lasting two weeks, was held Saturday afternoon at four o'clock at his residence by Elder L. P. Martin.

The deceased was the youngest son of the late James Warren and Mary Ann Clayton Duncan. His wife was the late Mrs. Ollie Snipes Duncan.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Arch Lee, of the home, Mrs. Arlie Miller and Irving Welch, both of Surl, a son, Alonzo Duncan, also of Surl, nine grandchildren, two sisters, Tabble Tingin and Mrs. W. J. Lunsford, one brother, A. F. Duncan, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Active pallbearers were Bruce Duncan, D. J. Morris, John Moore, Worth Clayton, Harvey Duncan and Coy Kirk. Honorary pallbearers were Joe Moore, Sim Lunsford, Dee Morris, Earle Gill, Stephen Moore and Robbie Blaylock.

### Miss Hall Will Preside At Meeting

A conference on personality development will be sponsored by the business education department at East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, on Tuesday in the new classroom building on the campus. Edward A. Conover, of Raleigh, chairman of the United War Fund Drive of North Carolina, editor of "Where We Live", and consultant on community organization will be principal speaker. Presiding will be president of the Commerce club, Miss Margaret Hall, of Wooddale.

State broiler markets are glutted because producers expanded production in anticipation of continued red meat shortages, it is announced by H. L. Meacham, marketing specialist of the State College Extension Service.

It is only in undeveloped territory that land is available at prices which potential new farmers with little capital could afford to pay.

## ALLEN, RED CROSS CHAIRMAN, ISSUES PERSONAL APPEAL

G. Lemuel Allen, finance chairman for the Person County and Roxboro Red Cross campaign, which begins next Monday, March 4th, with a goal of \$5,400, today issued the following appeal to citizens:

"To the people of Person County—as County Fund Chairman for the American Red Cross this year I want to urge that we display the same loyalty in our support of the Red Cross campaign beginning March 4, 1946, which we have shown in the past.

### Agency Council

Next meeting of the Person County Council of Social agencies will be held Wednesday at twelve noon at Hotel Roxboro, where the discussion of recreation will be continued with Miss Dorothy Wightman, tri-county librarian, will be speaker. It is also expected that a report will be presented by the nominating committee for a new slate of officers for the organization.

### Rites Conducted For S. N. Smith

#### Brother Of Mrs. Lessie Stewart Dies At Home Of Son.

Funeral for Samuel Nelson Smith, 67, of Route One, Prospect Hill, whose death occurred Friday at the home of his son, E. F. Smith, after an illness lasting eleven months, was held Sunday afternoon at three o'clock at Lea Bethel Baptist church, near Ridgeville, by the pastor, Rev. L. V. Coggins, with interment in the Cooper family cemetery, near Prospect Hill.

Mr. Smith was a brother of Mrs. Lessie Stewart, of Roxboro. He was a native of Caswell county and was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Smith.

Surviving, in addition to his sister, are a daughter, Mrs. W. E. McDaniel, Baltimore, Md., two sons, E. F. Smith, of Prospect Hill, and R. L. Smith, of Route Two, Elon College. His wife was the late Mrs. Bessie Boland Smith, whose death occurred in 1930.

## Bikini Atoll Natives In Atomic Sacrifice

Kwajalein—Without a single dissenting voice, the natives of Bikini Atoll voted to leave the coral islands where their families have lived for centuries because they believe their sacrifice will be a contribution to world peace and the advancement of science.

On March 1, the joint Army-Navy task force will begin evacuating the 167 from the atoll where atomic bombs will explode this Spring above and amid a "gulnea pig" fleet riding at anchor in the shallow waters near the islands of Bikini and Enyu.

The gentle, intelligent Marshallese natives learned of the atomic bomb for the first time less than two weeks ago—and that the United States wanted them to give up their homes.

The task force could have gone in and ordered them off the islands without explanation and arbitrarily set them up on another island. But Commodore Ben Wyatt of Williamsburg, Ky., who commands the Kwajalein Naval Air Base and is preparing for the atomic bomb tests, is a gently, kindly man, despite his brusqueness. He approached the problem with sympathy and understanding.

On Feb. 10, Wyatt and his chief of staff, Comdr. Harold Grieve of 316 North Rossmore, Los Angeles, visited Bikini island, King Juda bespectacled, middle-aged native

leader, called his subjects together under the coconut palms near their thatched-roof village.

The commodore faced the group which sat crossed-legged, gravely waiting to hear what he had to say. "That was a tough job," Wyatt recalls. "If one man in that crowd had said, 'I won't leave,' then it would have meant trouble and bad feelings."

As simply as he could, Wyatt explained the mysteries of atomic energy. He told them that during the war, long-haired men of great learning had discovered certain new sources of power—power almost beyond comprehension. He told them this power had been loosed against the Japanese; and he described the horrors of Nagasaki and Hiroshima.

Scientists, he said, had every hope that out of this new energy would come a great force for a better civilization; and the Bikini experiment was one step in that direction.

He said that many ships would come to the atoll because it was chosen as the best place for the tests. And since there was danger of their island being destroyed, he asked the natives' consent to take them to another island to live.

"I told the story as simply as I could," Wyatt said. "And I made no commitments.

The natives gravely discussed the problem among themselves and then —(See BIKINI Page Six)—

## Executive Board Of Boy Scouts Meets In City

### Needs Seen For Many Improvements At Camp Cherokee.

Discussing the coming Summer camp program at Camp Cherokee, members of the Executive Board, Cherokee Boy Scout Council, met here Friday night in a dinner session at Hotel Roxboro, with H. E. Latham, of Leaksville-Spray, council president, presiding.

It was agreed by the group that the camp, used by boys from all districts in the council, is much in need of repairs before the opening of the new season and it was said that as much as \$2,500 may have to be expended to put the place in good operating condition. A number of other affairs pertaining to the council program were discussed and it was indicated that in general the districts are cooperating with the council program.

John B. Oakley, Jr., executive, White Reeder and Douglas Kelly, field assistants, were present, as were representatives from each district. Person leaders attending were J. W. Green, chairman, C. A. Harris and J. S. Merritt. Discussion part of the meeting was held in the Masonic hall. The gathering is a quarterly one and next session is expected to be held in Yanceyville.

### Lunsford Recalls Rotary Founding

Nathan Lunsford, speaking on the anniversary of the founding of Rotary International, recalled many incidents and names connected with the Roxboro club in his address Thursday night at Hotel Roxboro, where he also expressed the belief that Rotary has an important part to play in keeping the peace in this postwar world.

He asserted further that if the spirit of Rotary had prevailed in the nations of the world the avoidance of both World Wars might have been effected. He recalled, likewise, the founding of the Roxboro club of which he was a charter member and pointed out that only five other charter members were present at the Thursday meeting of last week.

The five were identified as George W. Kane, Dr. J. H. Hughes, R. M. Spencer, Joe Kirby and J. W. Noell. Present in the place of his father, W. H. Harris, Sr., who was ill, was C. A. Harris, Guest of C. C. Jackson was his former State college schoolmate and fellow townsman, Bill Batchelor, of Dunn, recently discharged from military service.

Presiding was Dr. J. D. Fitzgerald, president, and music was in charge of W. Wallace Woods, with Mrs. Woods as pianist.

## Schools To Close Four Days Late Says Griffin

Some Person county schools are teaching as many as ten Saturdays in an effort to make up lost time caused by muddy roads and bad weather, it was revealed today by Superintendent R. B. Griffin, who said the ten Saturday schedule will be observed by Olive Hill, Hurdle Mills and Person County Training schools, while three schools will teach nine Saturdays, and others will teach three, four or five Saturdays.

Only schools not teaching on Saturdays are those in Roxboro district schools. All schools are scheduled and a number of small Negro to close, May 24, four days later than planned.

### Huff Post Meets

Regular meeting of the Lowell T. Huff Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be held Tuesday night at seven-thirty o'clock at the Roxboro USO Service center, it was announced today by Adjutant J. A. Jordan. Important business requiring the attendance of all members will be discussed and a full attendance is requested.

## Alarming Increase In Fight Cases Reported By City Police Head

### Identification Of Fighters Problem For Both City And County Officers.

An alarming increase in the number of City court cases before Mayor S. G. Winstead each Monday is reported by Police Chief George C. Robinson, who said at noon today that an average of twenty-five cases each week-end have constituted the docket for the past three Monday mornings of court. Especially bothersome is the fact that many of the alleged fighters claim to be ignorant of the names of their assailants.

This is particularly true among Negroes, asserts Robinson, who cited as an example a reported fight between Wiley Gates, 35, Ollie Lawson, 25, a returned soldier, and Love Newman, 25, all Negroes, who allegedly cut at each other Saturday night near Moonlight cafe.

Another case in which names of Negroes involved has not been revealed is a combined City-County fight which also occurred Saturday night and allegedly started when the unidentified Negroes allegedly picked a quarrel with a white taxi driver, J. Y. Brown. Also involved in the fracas was Robert Taylor, a white taxi driver and friend of J. Y. Brown. The disturbance is under investigation of the Sheriff's office, according to Sheriff M. T. Clayton.

Of the two white men, Brown, who received hospital treatment was the more seriously injured. The quarrel allegedly started in the City of Roxboro and was said to have been continued on the Hurdle Mills road.

In the Gates-Lawson-Newman no pro with leave was taken as to each man Newman, it is alleged, cut Lawson, and Lawson, in turn was charged with cutting Gates, apparently under the assumption that he (Lawson) was striking Newman. The Negroes, however, have denied knowing who their assailants were. The cutting was with knives, with Lawson hurt on the head, and Gates stabbed in the chest and back, the last named so badly as to require hospital attention.

The Governor requested an opinion from the Attorney General's office, which promised to furnish the opinion later this week. Atty.-Gen. Harry McMullan said in an official opinion last Thursday that the law apparently does not make any provision for changing the time, but that the Governor could issue a proclamation requesting State offices to observe Daylight Saving Time and asking the citizens of the State to follow suit.

"I don't believe I would have any authority to order a change of time except through an emergency war proclamation," the Governor said yesterday afternoon. "The war's over and I want it to stay that way."

The Governor's authority to issue war proclamations ends six months after the termination of the war emergency. Since the war emergency has not been officially terminated yet, the Governor still would have the authority to issue war proclamations.

Next meeting of Roxboro Central Grammar School Parent-Teacher association, of which Mrs. R. P. Burns is president, will be held on March 18th, at night at the school and fathers are especially urged to attend, it was announced today.

At the February meeting a Founder's Day program was in charge of Mrs. Jerry L. Hester, with a Founder's Day song, "My Tribute", sung by Miss Sarah Hodgkin, of the public school music faculty here. Winner of attendance banner for having largest number of parents present was Miss Inna Collins home room.

The program opened with five songs by fifth grade students. Selections were: "Minka, Minka," "In the Land of the Dutch", "National Anthem of China", "Cielita Lindox" and "Swanee".

Singers were, Rachel Long, Helen Pressley, Marjorie Walker, Barbara Stephens, Ann Long, Eva Doris Day, Doris Harris, Betty Lou Roberts, James Parham, Jimmy Crews, Herbert Masten, Patsy Jackson, Claudia Owen, Lois Langford, Jane Cobb Burns, Jean Wrenn, Bert Davis, Francis Long, Glenn Anderson, Jack Michie, Mabel Satterfield and Paul Burns.

### Kuriles Now All - Russian

Moscow, Feb.—The Russians said that the former Japanese territories of southern Sakhalin and the Kurile Islands now were integral parts of the Soviet Union and largely nationalized.

A decree of the supreme Soviet dated Feb. 2 said the nationalization was effective as of Sept. 20, 1945.

It was disclosed recently that President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill promised the Kuriles and southern Sakhalin to Russia at the Yalta conference, an assurance that Russia would enter the war against Japan within three months after Germany was defeated.

## To Start Drive Again In Church At Longhurst

### Delay Has Been Caused By Bad Weather Says Pastor.

Plans are being made this week to begin the second and last drive for funds for the new educational and recreational building at Longhurst Baptist church. It was announced this morning by the pastor, the Rev. Auburn C. Hayes, who says that plans have been delayed for the past two months because of weather conditions.

It is hoped, however, that construction can start soon, says the Rev. Mr. Hayes, who pointed out this morning that both attendance and interest continue to show healthy growth.

Yesterday there were large crowds at both services, with eight additions to the church at both services, seven by baptism, and one by letter. The young peoples' work is going forward in an impressive manner. The pastor is well pleased with the progress being made in average attendance, which for the last quarter of 1945 was 230 per Sunday.

Considerable building material for the structure is already on hand and architectural plans have been drawn.

## Air Force Good As Educative Source Say Men

There is no place in the world where young men can get more complete training in aviation than they are given in the U. S. Army Air Forces. This fact was revealed today by Major James F. Webb, commanding officer of the Durham Army Recruiting Station.

"The Army Air Forces are the greatest aviation organization in the world," he said. "We're not only keeping abreast of every important new development in the science of flying, but we are specializing in every skill and trade which pertains even remotely to aviation."

"This means that young men entering the Army Air Forces are given the opportunity to study any of scores of subjects which would not be available to them elsewhere."

Wide Range Of Specialties  
Elaborating on the educational advantages, Major Webb pointed out that, in addition to flying crew training, which is offered to many men who enter the Air Forces, there are such specialties as radar technicians; radio operators, repairmen and mechanics; airport control tower operators, teletype operators and repairmen; communications technicians; meteorologists; electrical and mechanical aircraft engineers; television operators and many others.

"There is undoubtedly an enormous future in civilian and commercial aviation," continued Maj. Webb. "Young men can best prepare themselves for careers in this growing industry by enlisting in the Army Air Forces. They will not only receive the finest possible training, but they will also be paid while they are learning. Their education will cost them nothing, and they will receive their food, clothes, and quarters free. Under the GI Bill of Rights, they may also attend either a college or trade or business school at government expense after they leave the Army."

Representatives of the U. S. Army Recruiting Service are at the Court house in Roxboro every Saturday. Sgt. Curtis Ware has replaced Sgt. Gilbert M. Bailey as representative.

### LEX FOX ILL

Lex B. Fox, of near the Person County home, who has been seriously ill at his home, remains in a critical condition, according to a report received here this morning.