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Choice Of Administrator For Veterans Delayed

Other New Applicants May File Date, March 11th, Selected.

Person County commissioners meeting this morning to consider selection of a Veterans Service officer here, at noon today issued the following statement:

"Much consideration was given to the appointment of a Veterans Service officer, but selection of an appointee was postponed until Monday morning, March 11th because of the absence of Commissioner (John B.) Hester (who is ill)."

The postponed meeting will be held at ten o'clock Monday morning in the office of Auditor Carlyle Brooks and any new applicants for the position must have their applications there by that time. Persons who have already applied will not have to re-apply. Those listed as having already applied are: Thomas Bowles, Don Dorey, Robert Whitten, Gordon Carver and Oscar Hull.

The commissioners also decided that the person to be selected would be a Veteran of World War II, it being felt that public sentiment is in favor of such a move, and that salary for the job on a full time basis would be two hundred dollars per month. It was also decided that the corner basement room under the office of Auditor Brooks in the court house be reserved as a Veteran's Administration office and that the sum of three hundred dollars be set aside to buy furniture and—(See VETERANS Page Eight)—

H. F. Jackson Of Longhurst Dies At Home

Funeral for Herbert F. Jackson, 31, of Longhurst, whose death from complications after an illness lasting eight months occurred last night at his home, will be held Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock at Longhurst Baptist church of which he was a member by his pastor, the Rev. Auburn C. Hayes and the Rev. Clyde G. McCarver, with interment in Providence church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, two sons, Bobby and Fred Jackson, all of the home, his father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Jackson, eight sisters and two brothers.

A long time resident of Longhurst, the deceased was employed by Roxboro Cotton Mills until he became ill. He was a native of Charlotte county, Virginia, but moved here with his parents about 1918. His wife, before marriage, was Miss Ora Reeves.

Peaden Sells Ice Plant, But Expects To Remain Here

Floyd L. Peaden, who came to Roxboro over four years ago as owner-manager of City Milk and Ice company, announced on Saturday morning that he has sold the business to two Raleigh men, R. E. Ward and W. P. Chapman, who will continue to operate the plant here for the sale of ice and fuel.

Chapman, formerly of the Navy, a son-in-law of Ward, will be manager and has already moved to Roxboro, according to Peaden. Mr. Peaden, who came here from Greenville, and is a member of Roxboro Rotary club, plans to remain in Roxboro, but has made no announcement of future business connections.

Ward heads an electric motor and repair company in Raleigh.

Farm Bureau

Looking toward organization of a Person unit of the National Farm Bureau here interested residents are being asked to meet on Wednesday night, March 13, at seven-thirty at the court house to hear E. Flake Shaw, of Greensboro, state leader of the organization. Preliminary meeting was held here last week with an address by Will Rogers, field representative, at which Claude T. Hall presided.

Bethel Hill Band

Two rehearsals have been held on twenty-five band instruments bought for the Bethel Hill band, new organization, which has on hand \$1,300 out of a new quota of \$1,800, it was reported today by Miss Annie Lee Rose, director, who says the band may give its first formal concert at the commencement in May. The new Bethel Hill band is second high school band in the county. First was the Roxboro high band, formed five to six years ago.

Annual Meeting Roxboro B. & L. Held Saturday

The stockholders of the Roxboro Building and Loan Association met Saturday in annual session. There are 15,056 shares of stock outstanding and the committee reported stock represented, present and by proxy, 8,176.

J. C. Walker, secretary and treasurer, read his report which showed a substantial increase in business for the year 1945. The assets of the association is \$642,886.26, more than half million dollars. Stock retired during the year \$127,023.95, with earning rate of 5.44%. This was considered unusually good, and showed that the association was operating with a minimum expense. During the year there was very little building done, though many homes were bought through the association. Like all such institutions, the cash on hand and in bank was large during the entire year. Most of this surplus money has been invested in U. S. bonds, the sum today being \$250,826.88.

Immediately after adjournment of the stockholders the directors met and the following officers were re-elected for the coming year:

J. W. Noell, president; J. C. Walker, Sec.-Treas.; Dr. A. F. Nichols, vice-pres.; R. P. Burns, attorney; Geo. Bullock, R. L. Harris, O. B. McBroom, Dr. A. F. Nichols, J. W. Noell and J. C. Walker, directors.

Lost Colony To Begin in June

Raleigh, Feb.—Lost Colony, Paul Green's drama, will renew its performances on Roanoke Island Sunday, June 30, as a state.

The date of the 1946 premiere was set by the board of trustees of the Roanoke Island Historical association which met here Tuesday. The board also authorized Chairman J. M. Broughton, Director Sam Selden, and the executive committee to employ a manager for the production, and it was announced that the place would be offered to Capt. John Walker, of Chapel Hill, formerly associated with the play.

The board heard financial reports and Broughton announced that over \$17,000 had been raised to rebuild Waterside theater. Approximately \$30,000 will be needed to rehabilitate the stage and other equipment according to the architect, Albert Bell. Additional funds will be needed, Broughton said, for preliminary operating expense.

The 1943 season also will have a more pronounced devotional tone. Upon motion of Bishop Thomas Darst, the trustees authorized the executive committee, with the bishop and local ministers, to plan a program of Sunday services which will be conducted by nationally known clergymen.

Melvin R. Daniels, of Manteo, reported that Dare county had a good chance to take over barracks and other buildings abandoned by the navy at the airport, and that it was planned to use this property as a 4-H camp and as quarters for the groups coming to see the play. Mrs. R. J. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem suggested that civic clubs and other groups probably could be induced to send bus loads of children to the play if such accommodations can be provided.

Red Cross Aids Hospital Work Says Army Nurse

Miss Margaret L. Maness Vigorous In Support Of Red Cross Drive.

Heartfelt appreciation for the service of the American Red Cross in overseas hospitals as seen by a nurse is voiced today by Lt. Margaret L. Maness, of Roxboro, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Maness, an Army Corps nurse who was with the 124th General Hospital in England, France and Austria.

Speaking of the American Red Cross in Europe, Miss Maness writes the following in support of the 1946 Red Cross campaign, which began here today with a quota of \$5,400: "The American Red Cross in the European Theatre of Operations played a wonderful part in the hospitals. At the request of any patient, someone was always available to send messages, write letters for the seriously wounded, contact friends who might be in the same theatre or fulfill any request made if possible. They would read to the patients, and at intervals would arrange for special entertainment for the bed patients by securing outside entertainers or some amusement. For the convalescent patients, dances and movies were provided.

"The Red Cross girls are great morale-builders-always trying to make everyone feel much at home. The money given to the Red Cross is money well spent as it provides these great morale builders for the servicemen who, without them, might be homesick and depressed."

Truman Wants Residents To Share Houses

Washington, March.—President Truman has appealed to the nation to share its housing with veterans, while in Congress the administration, with its back to the wall, postponed a showdown on its beleaguered home building program.

Administration leaders in the House won overnight adjournment ahead of the council votes on the housing bill, after playing a trump card that they hoped would change some votes overnight. That card was a report from Wilson W. Wyatt, Housing Administrator, in Chicago, that the National Association of Home Builders meeting there had endorsed important provisions of the administration plan.

Representative Wolcott of Michigan, senior Republican on the Banking Committee, said the reason given by the House leadership for the early adjournment was to allow many members to attend a tea given by Mrs. Truman at the White House.

"But behind this," Wolcott said, "there seemed to be a feeling that the administration would be able to pull its forces together overnight." Meantime, President Truman issued a statement saying that in a recent conference with Catholic, Protestant and Jewish leaders he had suggested a "nationwide share the housing effort," in which churches and synagogues would take a leading part. The church leaders responded with four suggestions which Mr. Truman "most heartily" endorsed:

"1. The organization of a housing committee in every church and synagogue.

"2. A thorough canvass of the membership of every church or synagogue to discover all available housing facilities.

"3. A check-up on veterans in need of housing, using church honor rolls as the starting point.

"4. Community-wide cooperation in this effort among all religious and civic groups."

Red Cross Claims Service field directors are stationed at all Veterans Administration regional offices.

Six Of Seven In Taxi Case Caught

Six of seven Negroes who allegedly assaulted J. Y. Brown and Robert Taylor, taxi drivers, Saturday night a week ago on the Hurdle Mills road one mile from Roxboro, have been taken in custody by Person Sheriff M. T. Clayton, who said this morning that the Negroes were apprehended on Friday of last week and will face trial for assault with deadly weapons, tire irons, inflicting serious injuries.

The seventh man is still at large. Those arrested were Joe and R. J. Jordan, who are in jail in default of bonds of \$500 each; Albert Pay-

lor, in jail in default of a \$250 bond, and Hubert Davis, Harvey McCain and James Stewart, each of whom has given bond for \$200.

No charges have been brought against Brown and Taylor, each of whom was severely cut about the head and face.

Sheriff Clayton also reported the capture yesterday of forty-gallon capacity still in Mount Tirzah township. The maker was equipped with two copper worms. The Sheriff said he has as yet had no further report on the Tom Pulliam disappearance case.

Some May Want To Re-Buy Bulmer Farming Tracts

Oxford, March.—The Camp Butler General Hospital will not be declared surplus until mid-March or about the first of April, Senator Clyde R. Hoey said in Washington this week.

Senator Hoey stated that the War Assets Corporation reported the declaration date probably would be delayed from March 1, the date originally set.

Until it is declared surplus, none of the buildings or equipment at the hospital can be frozen, the War Assets Corporation disclosed.

Meanwhile, Oscar G. Clayton of Stem, who went to Washington to confer with War Department officials regarding reclamation of land which had been purchased from him for Camp Butler property, was informed that no claims against Camp Butler real estate could be made until the camp had officially been declared surplus.

Assistant Farm Agent W. B. Jones said this week that quite a number of former owners of land in the camp area were interested in reclaiming their land and that assistance of Congressman John H. Folger had been sought to make this possible. Rep. Folger, Jones said, has pledged what ever help he may be able to give.

An official of the War Department recently stated that sometimes a period of 12 to 15 weeks lapsed between the time a camp was deactivated until the date it was declared surplus.

Until Camp Butler is officially declared surplus, no equipment or real estate connected with it can be offered for sale or lease, the official pointed out, adding that many persons apparently assumed that when a camp was disbanded or deactivated, it automatically became surplus property.

Lands involved in the Camp area came from Person, Granville and Durham counties.

Memorial Service Planned For Hill

Memorial services in tribute to Earl Hill, of the U. S. Army, son of the Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Hill, who was lost over Germany, November 2, 1944, will be held on Sunday at 2 o'clock, March 10, at three o'clock at Helena Methodist church, it was announced today. The Rev. Mr. Hill, father of the young man, was formerly pastor of the Helena church, which is now served by the Rev. Floyd Villines, Jr.

LODGE NOT TO MEET

The Person Masonic Lodge will not meet Tuesday night as has been planned, stated an official of the lodge this morning.

Coroner's Jury Considering Verdict In Green Case

McGhee's school, a small Negro school in the Cunningham section, is the first school in the Person system to reach its Red Cross quota of \$15, it was reported Saturday morning by Superintendent R. B. Griffin, who said that the amount raised at McGhee's is seventy-five percent of the total raised there last year. The drive is being conducted in all schools in the county and district systems.

G. I. Benefits To Be Extended To Newest Recruits

R. B. Griffin, School Superintendent, Approves Army Plan.

R. B. Griffin, Person Superintendent of schools, on Saturday issued a statement of approval of the extensive educational program now being conducted by the United States Army under the G. I. Bill of rights. Under the Army program men who enlist are given the opportunity of studying one or more of two training skills and trades Army Training schools in this country and in overseas theatres throughout the world.

The local recruiting officer, who is in Roxboro each Saturday at Person Court house, quotes the following as an interview with Mr. Griffin:

"I believe," said Mr. Griffin, "that the army is giving many hundreds of thousands of young men educational opportunities they would not be able to afford otherwise. "Far too many young men are unable to complete their high school courses, and such smaller percentage have the advantages of college education. The army plan gives them splendid training while they are in uniform.

"Also, after they leave the army, under the GI bill of rights they may have a year's refresher course in a trade or business school, with tuition paid and a monthly living allowance. Those who enter the army now may, upon leaving, have a year's college, business or trade school education for each year they serve in the Army.

"This privilege, plus the refresher course, means presenting a young man with a total of 48 months of higher education, in other words, a full college course plus one year of post-graduate study.

"The government will pay up to \$500 for each ordinary school year, and also provides a living allowance of \$65 a month to single men, \$90 a month to married men.

"This is a splendid educational boost for the young men of America, and it will undoubtedly mean higher enrollments in colleges and trade and business schools throughout the nation."

Heaton, Shuford, Burns, Inducted

Induction of three new members into Roxboro Rotary Club constituted the club program Thursday night at Hotel Roxboro, where J. S. Fleming was in charge of the program.

Those inducted, all recently elected to membership, were the Rev. George W. Heaton, of Roxboro Presbyterian church, as Protestant minister; urban; A. M. Burns, Jr., as judge of the juvenile court, a position he holds in connection with his elective office, clerk of Superior court, and C. L. Shuford, head of the industrial arts department, Roxboro high school.

Mr. Fleming in the ceremonies of induction surveyed in some detail the history and significance of Rotary and gave to each man a Rotary pin. Presiding was the Rev. Daniel Lane, vice chairman.

Bill Davenport Back With FSA

Capt. William Hoyt (Bill) Davenport, of Kinston and Roxboro, this morning resumed his connection with the Roxboro office of the Farm Security Administration after an absence of a little over four years caused by military service in the Pacific theatre. Formerly an assistant supervisor, he will now have the title of associate supervisor, according to J. Y. Blanks, administrator of the local office.

Farmer purchases of baby chicks in 1946 are expected to be about 14 per cent lower than in 1945.

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Rev. Mr. Houston To Talk Tuesday Night At School

The Rev. Ben Houston, pastor of Long Memorial Methodist church, will be guest speaker Tuesday night at eight o'clock at first meeting of the newly reorganized Parent Teacher association of Roxboro high school, which will have its first meeting in Roxboro high school, according to announcement made today by Mrs. H. C. Kynoch, who is serving as temporary chairman.

Chief business will be election of permanent officers on basis of report by the nominating committee of which Mrs. Kynoch is chairman. Other members of the committee are Mrs. E. H. Shelton and Mrs. Charles Stewart.

Gov. Cherry Has Red Cross Plea

Raleigh, March.—Governor Cherry told the story of Red Cross services last week in an address which marked the opening of the annual fund raising campaign of the organization in North Carolina.

He told of the great variety of persons for whom help was made possible by contributions to the Red Cross. In 1945, chapters in North Carolina have acted on 119,450 cases of Home Service for the Army, 41,226 for the Navy, 28,767 for veterans, and 3,891 for civilians. Home Service provides the most reliable connecting link with the family at home for the serviceman or servicewoman. To the civilian, Home Service has often meant food, fuel, shelter, care for children, aid to the sick and helpless, and help in every sort of emergency.

"In these crowded, congested days, it's up to every good citizen to live safely," the Governor said. "Through Red Cross chapters 5,760 people in this State have learned to lead safer lives and have been awarded American Red Cross First Aid certificates.

"As Governor of North Carolina, I am proud that 63,208 children in our schools are members of the Junior Red Cross. During the war, Junior Red Cross members provided hundreds of thousands of toys for children in war-stricken countries overseas, and articles for men in hospitals such as slippers, canes, and lapboards. Now, they are still working for the men in hospitals, and they are learning to be better citizens of the world through Red Cross-sponsored correspondence with children of other countries."

"Once more the American Red Cross appeals to North Carolina," Governor Cherry said. "The Red Cross knows our generosity in the past. In 1945, we were asked for \$2,598,400 and contributed \$3,263,169—well over \$600,000 more than you were asked to contribute. I now end this appeal for the 1946 Fund Campaign of the American Red Cross in full confidence of your continued generosity."

Butner Prisoners Of War Now Being Sent To Homelands

Fifty-four hundred German prisoners of war will be on their way from Camp Butner back to the farmland before March 15, Colonel Thomas L. Alexander, commanding officer of the War Camp, announced today.

Twenty-three hundred will go out on Friday, 1,000 next Wednesday and 2,100 additional prisoners from March 10 to 15, Colonel Alexander said.

In line with the plan to return POWs to their native land the first of the ten side camps, operated under post jurisdiction, will close Friday when the doors are locked at the Winston-Salem site. The 200 prisoners of war there will be transferred to this post to await shipment home.

Egg-Grading

H. L. Meaham, in charge of Extension Marketing, Raleigh, will be speaker at an egg-grading demonstration to be held in Person County court house in the grand jury room on Friday, March 8th, at ten-thirty in the morning. It was announced today by Miss Evelyn Caldwell, home demonstration agent, who is anxious for a good attendance, especially by farm men and women interested in improving the quality of eggs. Improvement in quality also means a better price for them when they are sold on the market, says Miss Caldwell.

Music Teacher To Come Here

Miss Birdie Holloway, of the music department, Woman's College, the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, and Miss Hattie Parrott, of the State department of education, Raleigh, will be in Roxboro Tuesday for conferences with teachers of public school music and other interested persons. It was revealed Saturday by Superintendent R. B. Griffin, who said that the visitors will be at a number of schools in the morning and will hold a conference with teachers of music that afternoon.

Father Shoots Son Near City Cemetery On Oxford Road.

A Negro father here on Saturday night shot and killed his twenty year-old son in an argument over who was to drive a car. The dead youth is identified as Richard Green, Jr., 20, who reportedly objected to his father's driving while under the influence of whiskey.

Held in Person jail is the father, Richard Green, Sr., 50, a Granville County tenant farmer, who was taken Saturday night about ten miles from the place of the shooting, Oxford highway, Person county. Held as an accessory is Rachel Green, stepmother of the dead boy.

Investigation was by Person Sheriff M. T. Clayton and State Patrolman John Hudgins. Likewise called

STILL IN SESSION

At one-thirty this afternoon a coroner's jury called in the Green case was still in session. Possible verdict might be murder in the first degree, or possibly manslaughter.

in was Coroner Dr. A. F. Nichols, who impaneled a jury. Also at the investigation by invitation of Sheriff Clayton was City Policeman Page Brooks.

Sheriff Clayton this morning (Monday) said the shooting occurred about ten-thirty o'clock Saturday night and that Green, Sr., was placed in Person jail about midnight, an hour and a half after the shooting is alleged to have taken place. He was captured about half a mile from Granville line, said Sheriff Clayton, who also said the man has something of a court record.

Green Sr. is said to be tenant on the farm of a Granville man named Eakes, and formerly was on the farm of C. E. Winstead, Sr., in Person County.

It is reported that Rachel Green had the pistol in a pocket of her coat and that she willingly gave the weapon to her husband when he stopped the car, continued the argument with his son, Richard, Jr., and shot him. Shot is said to have been through the neck, killing him instantly.

Witnesses at a coroner's jury held today at noon were Mildred Green, wife of the dead youth, and two of his brothers, Robert Morris Green, 16, and Carr Purcell Green, 13.

British Face House Shortage

London, March.—Providing "homes for heroes" is proving to be a major headache for the British government, faced at the outset of it career with what probably is the most acute housing shortage in British history.

Faced with lack of labor, lack of materials, lack of homes and lack of foreign exchange to buy manufactured fittings, the new Labor Government, anxious above all to provide low-cost homes, is delegating responsibility to a large degree to local authorities, supervised by the Ministry of Health, and assisted by numerous other government departments.

The advantage seems to be that the rural, town or borough council is in direct touch with the individual family. The council clerk probably knows the applicant, and is familiar with every street and house.

The disadvantages include the fact that each one of the hundreds of local councils—there are 143 in the London area alone—has its own idea of how the new houses should be built.

Every stage of home building or repairing which costs over 10 pounds (\$40) is under government control or control by local authorities, themselves controlled by the government. And half the government departments seem to be somewhere concerned.

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