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## Postmaster Luther M. Carlton Dies Today In Durham Hospital

Funeral Plans For Civic Leader Incomplete Pending Arrival of Daughter:

Luther Montrose Carlton, 68, Roxboro postmaster and one of the city's outstanding civic leaders for many years, died at 8:30 o'clock this morning in Duke Hospital, Durham, where he had been a patient for more than two weeks.



**DIES EARLY TODAY**—Luther M. Carlton, Sr., Roxboro postmaster and for many years an attorney and civic leader here, died early this morning in Duke Hospital, where he had been a patient for more than two weeks.

News of Mr. Carlton's death shocked the community, for he had recently been reported as much improved. He underwent an operation at Duke about two weeks ago, after which he continued to get better, until last Thursday, when he was supposed to come home. His condition then became worse, but he improved again, and was out of bed as recently as yesterday.

Funeral services were incomplete today pending arrival of a daughter, Mrs. E. C. Atkinson of Louisville, Ky.

Surviving are his wife, who was Miss Mary Graves Hines of Mt. Airy; two daughters, Mrs. E. C. Atkinson of Louisville, Ky., and Mrs. Massey Frintz of Washington, D. C.; one son, Luther M. Carlton, Jr., who was recently discharged from the Army; one grandson, Donald Graves Carlton of Roxboro; one brother, N. C. Carlton of Durham; and one sister, Mrs. J. Albert Riggsbee of Durham.

Mr. Carlton was born in Durham County March 27, 1877, a son of Marquis L. and Betty Vaughan Groom Carlton, natives of Wake County. He attended the Durham public schools and then entered Trinity College, now Duke. After his graduation from Trinity he took a law course at the University of North Carolina, and was admitted to the bar in 1900.

Coming to Roxboro, he formed a law partnership with the late J. S. Merritt. In the fall of 1901 he joined the late W. W. Kitchin in law practice, and this partnership lasted until Mr. Kitchin was elected Governor in 1908, at which time Mr. Carlton began separate practice. Later he was senior member of the firm of Carlton and Davis here, and of Carlton and Upchurch at Yanceyville.

He became postmaster of Roxboro in 1939, a post he held until his death. Other offices which he held included county attorney of Person from 1901 to 1904, mayor of Roxboro in 1915; Roxboro city attorney from 1918 to 1920; emergency Superior Court judge in Alamance County, appointed by the late Governor McLean in 1920; and State senator in 1921.

He was a Mason and a member of Roxboro First Baptist Church, and was called upon by the community for many public services which he gladly rendered.

### Martin Returns

Chaplain Al Martin has returned to Roxboro, after spending many months overseas. Mr. Martin is well known here, having preached at the Baptist Church on a number of occasions.

## House To Address Scouts At Banquet

Speaker at the annual father-son banquet of the Person Scout district, which will be held at Hotel Roxboro on Saturday night, April 6, at 7 o'clock, will be Robert B. House, chancellor and vice-president of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, who has spoken here on previous occasions and is considered one of the most entertaining speakers in the State.

Plans for the banquet, which is one of the high lights of the Scout year here, were announced by C. A. Harris, who is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Harris took a leading part in starting the annual banquets eight years ago, and has been an active promoter of the affairs ever since.

All Scouts in the Person district will be invited to attend, with their fathers or other individuals. Tickets will be \$1.50 per couple. The stamp plan, by which Scouts can pay for tickets gradually over a period of several days preceding the banquet, will be used. Stamps will be issued to Scoutmasters.

Toastmaster for the banquet will be J. S. Merritt.

A discussion of banquet plans was held at the meeting of Scouters of the district Tuesday night. A report on organization and extension was given by Executive John B. Oakley,

## Veterans Warned About Registering Firearm Trophies

Homecoming veterans who are returning with enemy machine-guns and machine-pistols were warned today that there is a heavy penalty for failing to register these trophies or for transferring them to other persons without reporting such transfers.

J. R. Brandon of Durham, investigator with the Alcohol Tax Unit Bureau of Internal Revenue, said the penalty for failure to register such weapons is \$2,000, five years in prison, or both.

Not all weapons must be registered, Brandon said, but he strongly advised all veterans with firearm trophies to consult Alcohol Tax Unit officials concerning all weapons they possess. Brandon's address is P. O. Box 1025, Durham, and his telephone number is N-7261, Durham. He has the necessary forms for registration of weapons, and will be glad to come and see any veterans in Person County who desire to consult him. Registration is free of charge.

### Wesleyan Services

Regular services will be held at Roxboro Wesleyan Methodist Church, North Main street, Sunday, as follows: Sunday School 10 a. m., morning service 11 a. m., and evening service 7:30 p. m.

## Indian Church Nears Completion At High Plains

Plans for a new church building for members of Mayo Chapel Baptist Church in the Indian community of Person County are progressing rapidly and it is hoped that the new building will be completed in the near future, it was reported today by the Rev. J. N. Bowman.

The new church is being built near High Plain Indian school. The building fund, started about four months ago, now totals approximately \$6,500, and the church foundation has been laid and the auditorium framed. The auditorium is 30 by 50 feet in size.

When completed, the building will have a furnace room and nine Sunday School rooms.

Mr. Bowman, who has been pastor of Cavel and Providence Baptist Churches for the past seven years, has taken an active interest in the Mayo Chapel since the church was left without a pastor following the death of the Rev. Mr. Gooch more than four months ago. Serving as a mission worker from Providence and Cavel, Mr. Bowman preaches at Mayo Chapel twice each month, on the second and fourth Sunday afternoons.

There are approximately 350 members of Mayo Chapel.

The church at Cavel, and the parsonage at Providence, have been built during the service of Mr. Bowman as pastor of those churches.

## HEALTH GROUP IS ORGANIZED

A movement to provide for the people of North Carolina more doctors, especially in the smaller communities and rural areas, and better medical care was under way throughout the State this week.

A program to achieve this goal was launched at a meeting of more than 200 leaders of various professional, business, industrial and lay groups from all sections of the State who gathered in Thomasville last Thursday and organized the North Carolina Good Health Association. The meeting was called by I. G. Greer, Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville.

Citing numerous facts to show that North Carolina ranks low among the other states in hospital and medical care, the Association, in preliminary plans, took steps to carry to every nook and corner of the State a movement "to support the efforts of the Governor, the North Carolina Medical Care Commission, the medical allied professions, and other groups and individuals working for the good health program."

The Legislature of 1945, under the leadership of Governor Cherry, it was pointed out, established machinery for the inauguration of the program.

Named to spearhead the appeal were four regional chairmen: D. Hiden Ramsey, for the West; Irving Carlyle, for the Piedmont; James S. Ficklen, for the Northeast, and Judge Henry L. Stevens, for the Southeast.

Making an inspiring address Mr. Ramsey, general manager of the Asheville Citizen-Times, pointed out that the Governor's Commission of 50 representative North Carolinians had "strongly recommended a statewide and well-balanced program for the improvement of the health of all our people."

He said that almost all of the county medical societies, the Association of Public Health officials, the State Nurses' Association, the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association, and many other representative organizations of North Carolinians, farm groups, women's groups, labor groups, and business, educational, professional, and religious leaders had endorsed this program.

## Out Of Navy

James M. Reagan, seaman first class, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Reagan of Leasburg, has received his discharge from the Navy, in which he served for 18 months, mostly overseas.

## Second Program In Recreational Series Is Planned

Young People Invited To Attend Saturday Night; Opening Party A Success.

Second in a series of directed recreational programs for young people of high school age will be held at the Roxboro First Baptist Church beginning at 7:30 Saturday night, it has been announced by leaders of the movement, who reported good attendance at last week's opening party.

Although no particular party theme has been planned for this week's event, the committee in charge has worked out a program which it believes will appeal to teenage youth, and a cordial invitation is extended to all young people of the city and county to be present Saturday night and participate.

Approximately 50 young people attended the Irish party last week and took part in the games, limericks, songs and other activities. Assisting in the singing were Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Woods. Miss Sarah Hodgkin gave a solo.

Refreshments are being offered for sale at all of the parties.

Sponsors of the renewed series of recreational programs here are three churches, Long Memorial Methodist, Roxboro Presbyterian, and Roxboro First Baptist. Regardless of what church they may be affiliated with, all young people of the community are invited to attend.

## Drive Only \$208 Short Of Quota

Reports up to noon yesterday in the current Red Cross drive reached the total to \$5,191.26, only \$208.74 short of the \$5,400 quota for Person County.

Leading in the report was the special gifts committee, with a total of \$2,788.52. Schools reported \$1,234.87, the business district \$706.37, and the women's division \$461.50. The special gifts total included \$385.02 collected in the Palace and Dolly Madison theaters.

A number of schools in the county have reported collecting 55 percent or more of last year's quota. Superintendent R. B. Griffin said. These include Roxboro High School, Roxboro Central School, Cavel, which more than doubled last year's quota, and Mt. Tirzah among the white schools, and the following Negro schools: Beth Clay, Brown Hill, McGhee, Leth Hill, Cedar Grove, Lee Jeffers, which led the Negro schools with a total of \$90, Siloam, Flat River, Pine Hill, and Union Grove.

Several schools have not yet sent in reports on the Red Cross drive, and some have not reached their quotas, Mr. Griffin said.

## Former Resident Dies In South Hill

Hubert Hamlin, 58, former Person County resident, died suddenly of a heart attack yesterday at his home in South Hill, Va.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Union Level, Va.

Surviving are four brothers, W. H. S. G. and T. F. Hamlin, all of Roxboro, and J. W. Hamlin of Union Level, Va.; one sister, Mrs. Nash Frederick of Roxboro; his mother, Mrs. Fannie C. Long of South Hill; three daughters, and two sons.

## COMING UP

**TONIGHT**  
6:30 Rotary, Hotel Roxboro.  
7:30 Grange, USO building.  
**FRIDAY**  
9 to 1 Exchange Club benefit dance, Roxboro High gymnasium.  
**SATURDAY**  
7:30 Young people's recreation program, First Baptist church.  
**MONDAY**  
6:15 Kiwanis, Hotel Roxboro.

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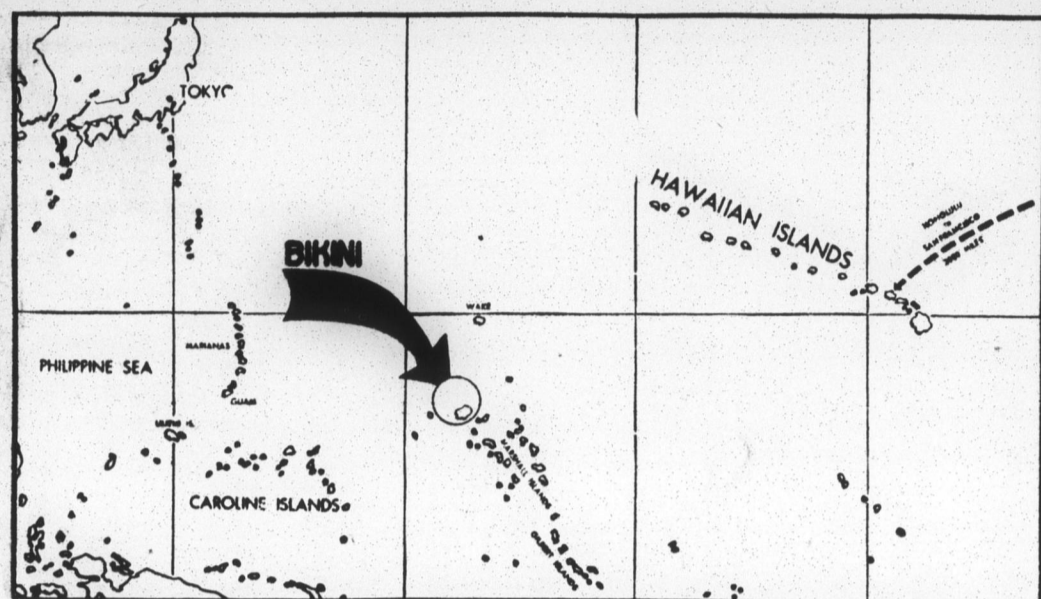
The Courier-Times has received notice from its source of newsprint supply that for the balance of 1946 is to be very limited and that the newsprint situation is more critical than it was at any time during the war.

The Courier-Times is making every effort to obtain enough paper to print as many copies this year as it did last year but all subscribers are warned not to let the paper expire if they expect to continue it again after expiration.

As matters now stand a limited number of new subscribers can be taken on but how long this condition will prevail is not known. So far the publishers of the paper do not have to freeze the circulation and hope that they will not but the paper situation does not look good.

All of this may be taken as a warning in one way—that is to keep your subscription in force at all times or to be ready to do without the paper.

## Person Political Interest Rises As Burns, Bass Seek Court Post



SCENE OF ATOMIC BOMB TESTS—Tiny Bikini Atoll, island in the Central Pacific, is the place where the United States Army and Navy will hold joint atomic bomb tests. Bikini is in the perimeter of the Marshall Islands, a bitterly contested chain of islands wrested from the Japanese early in the war. A total of 97 target islands are in the experiments, which will be held in May and July. Code name for the tests is "Operations Crossroads."

## Draft Quota Upped As 37 Men Report

A total of 37 white men left Roxboro for Fort Bragg yesterday, 29 of them for preinduction examination and eight for induction under Selective Service, it was announced by the chief clerk of the local board, Miss Jeanette Wrenn.

These figures represent a sharp increase in the number of men called in Person County. It has been six or eight months since such a large group has had to report to Fort Bragg from here.

Selective Service officials said all white 4-F classifications have been reconsidered and the former 4-F's who were in the group that left yesterday will be the last to be called by the Person board unless regulations are changed.

Colored 4-F's will be reclassified within the next week or two, and the call for them will probably come in April, it was stated.

Names of men who left yesterday: Earl Clemons Hatcher, leader, Horace Dolowayne Knott, Ralph Or-

## 13 Early TB Cases Revealed In Survey

Thirteen persons were found to have definite tuberculosis symptoms among the 3,792 examined in a mass X-ray survey conducted in Person County by the District Health Department during February, the District health officer, Dr. O. David Garvin, revealed today.

Of the 13, five were found to have tuberculosis in the minimal stages, in which it is most easily cured.

Sixteen others showed possible signs of the disease, and these cases will be followed and checked at regular intervals, Dr. Garvin said.

Abnormalities not involving tubercular symptoms were discovered in 22 other cases. These abnormalities included such things as enlarged heart, deformed spine, abnormal ribs, and similar deficiencies.

Thus, of the total number examined, Dr. Garvin pointed out, chest ailments were found in 51 cases. Of the 13 definite tubercular cases, the Health Department had prior knowledge of only six.

During the four weeks of the mass survey, which was cosponsored by the TB seal sale committee of Roxboro Kiwanis club and the Health Department, a total of 3,792 35-millimeter films and 40 large films were made. Reports have been mailed to all persons who were filmed during the survey, and anyone who has not received his report can safely assume

that it was negative, the health officer said.

"I feel that the survey has been very beneficial to Person County," Dr. Garvin declared. "The expenditure of time and money has been well justified, and it is the hope and aim of the Health Department to continue this work on a routine or regular basis rather than periodic.

All persons interested in being examined are asked to contact their family physicians or the Health Department."

Dr. Garvin continued with the statement that tuberculosis is definitely the No. 1 health problem in Person County, and surveys such as the one held in February are especially beneficial in that many cases can be caught before they advance beyond the minimal or easily curable stage.

Dr. Garvin announced the arrival in Roxboro today of Miss Susie M. Rice, graduate of the Memphis, Tenn., Methodist hospital and a student of public health nursing at the University of North Carolina, who will be here about 12 weeks for field training in public health nursing. She will be under the supervision of Mrs. Sarah Allen.

No successor to Miss Evelyn Davis, who recently resigned as senior staff nurse here to accept a position in Danville, Va., has yet been selected. However, the position will not be abolished, but will be filled as soon as a suitable nurse is found, Dr. Garvin said.

## Brockwell Talk On Fire Hazards Heard By Club

The Roxboro Exchange Club had as guest speaker last night Sheriff Brockwell, State Fire Marshal, who spoke on fire hazards. Mr. Brockwell's talk was heard by members of the club and several invited guests including members of the Roxboro Fire Department, and Chief Robt. Brooks of the Yanceyville fire department.

Yesterday afternoon a demonstration in putting out a gas fire with water was given by several firemen from Camp Butler. In this instance fifty gallons of gasoline was poured on the ground that had already been soaked with oil and then the gas was ignited. After it was in full blaze two firemen from Butler edged up to the blaze with spray hose and extinguished it with about fifty gallons of water. Actual time for putting out the fire was one minute. This same demonstration took place several times for the benefit of many spectators and members of the local fire department. Chief John Womack and Lt. Nelson of the Camp Butler Fire Department were in charge of the demonstration which was held in a vacant lot adjoining the Freezer-Locker plant.

T. K. Glenn of the Butner Fire Department, a Roxboro citizen, was one of the firemen who helped extinguish the huge fire.

State College alumni of this county will be present at the next meeting of the Exchange Club, March 27th. At this time head football coach Beattie Feathers will be the principal speaker. H. W. "Pop" Taylor, alumni secretary, will also be present. L. C. Liles of Timberlake is president of the local alumni association.

### Theresa Services

The Rev. C. E. Sullivan of Charlotte, former Person County minister, will preach at Theresa Baptist Church, Sunday night at 7 o'clock. Preceding the sermon, Sunday School will be held at 6.

## Filing Deadline For All Candidates Announced As Saturday, April 13.

With the filing deadline for candidates just a little more than three weeks away, political activities began to increase in Person County as Clerk of Court A. M. Burns, Jr., and Alex Bass, Roxboro merchant, announced today that they both would be candidates for clerk of court in the Democratic primary on May 25.

W. H. Harris, III, chairman of the County Board of Elections, who was reappointed to that position in Raleigh Saturday, announced that the filing time for all legislative, county and township offices expires at 6 p. m. Saturday, April 13. All notices of candidacy must be in possession of the County Board of Elections by that time, or they cannot be accepted.

Offices to be filled in Person County this year are sheriff, clerk of court, State representative, and three county commissioners. The Fifth District Congressional is also to be selected this year, by voters of Person and other counties in the district.

Senator from this district will be elected by Granville.

The Democratic primary will be held on Saturday, May 25. Ordinarily, in this County and throughout most of the State, nomination in the Democratic primary is equivalent to election.

County Board of Elections members, in addition to Chairman Harris, are R. D. Bumpass and O. Y. Clayton.

Ballots will be printed immediately after filing time expiration. All soldiers and other residents who are eligible to vote and who are out of the County will be mailed absentee ballots upon request.

Considerable interest has been shown here in the race for Sheriff's office. The incumbent, M. T. Clayton, has announced for reelection, and Clarence Holeman of Roxboro has announced that he is a candidate for the same position.

Announcements issued today by Mr. Burns and Mr. Bass, both candidates for clerk of court, assured a contest for that office. The incumbent, Mr. Burns, has been clerk for the past several months, having been appointed to fill the unexpired term of the late R. A. Bullock, who himself had been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Miss Sue Bradsher.

No candidates have yet announced for the office of State representative. Robert P. Burns, who last held the office, is not seeking reelection.

None of the County Commissioners have yet issued statements as to whether they will seek reelection, but it is reported that the chairman, J. A. Long, will not again be a candidate. The other commissioners at present are W. H. Gentry and John B. Hester.

## Recruiting Unit Changes Personnel

Now connected with the Mobile Army Recruiting unit of Durham, which comes to the Person Courthouse each Saturday, are Staff Sergeant Edward W. Chabot, native of Maryland, and Sergeant John S. Haskins, whose home is in Durham. They replace Technical Sergeant Curtis D. Ware and Technician 4th Grade Gilbert M. Bailey, who have returned to the Durham headquarters.

## City Mail Delivery Date Not Yet Set

Although a large percentage of numbers are obtainable there and homes in Roxboro have now been

numbered, there are still many homes which have not been, and until this work is completed will city delivery of mail begin in Roxboro, post office officials said today.

Original plans called for the inauguration of city mail delivery on February 1. No new date has now been set, but postal officials are hopeful that the plans can be put into effect without much more delay.

Meanwhile, home-owners whose homes have not yet been numbered were urged to attend to the matter without delay. Residents who do not know what numbers have been assigned their houses may obtain this information at City Hall, and metal

numbers are obtainable there and at various stores. Local automobile supply stores, hardware companies, and lumber companies also are offering mail receptacles for sale to home-owners who have not yet obtained them. When city delivery does go into effect, the one-cent postage rate for local mail will be dropped entirely, and the three-cent rate will be used for all letters. The three-cent rate will apply whether a resident receives his mail in a post office box or not. It will be necessary for all persons planning to receive mail by city delivery to file change of address cards at the post office. These cards must be filed now.