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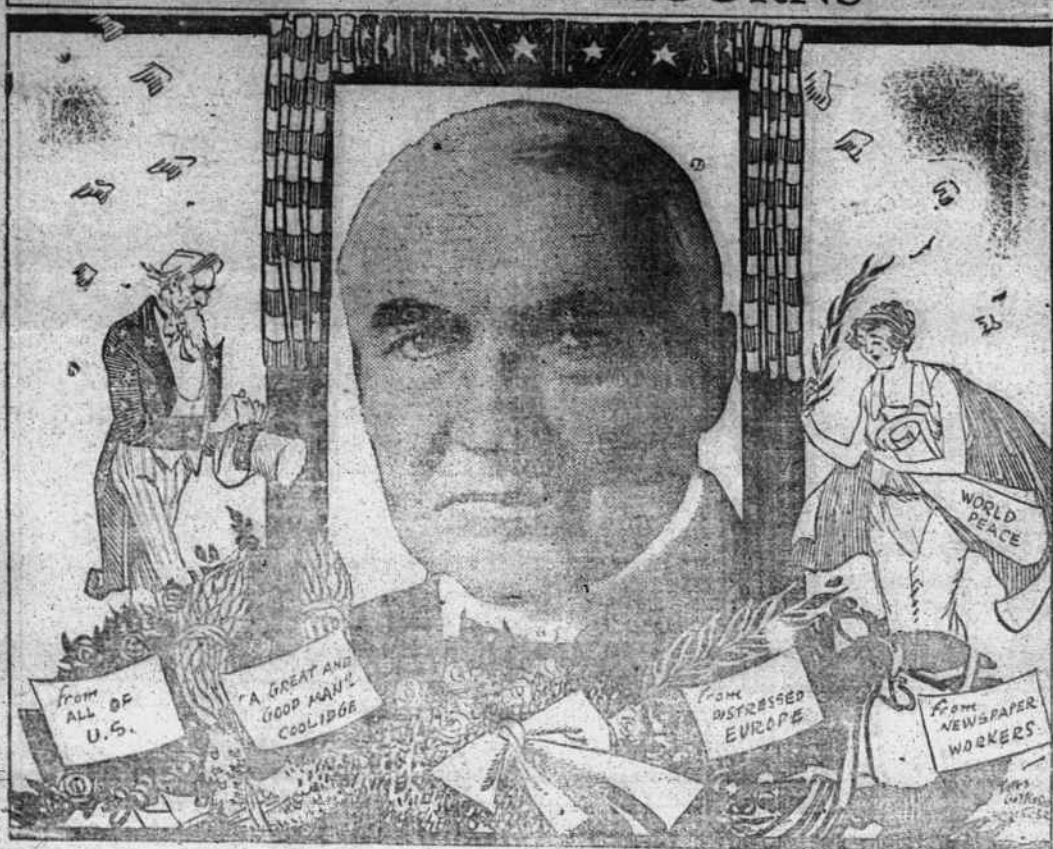
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## THE WORLD MOURNS



## President Harding Dies Suddenly

### HARDING'S DEATH CAME AFTER ILLNESS OF EXACTLY ONE WEEK

#### Due to Apoplexy

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 2.—Warren G. Harding, President of the United States, died instantaneously and without warning, Thursday at 7:30 o'clock, a victim of a stroke of apoplexy, which struck him down in his weakened condition after an illness of exactly a week.

The chief executive of the nation, and by virtue of his office and personality, one of the world's leading figures, passed away at the time when his physicians, his family and his people thought that medical skill, hope and prayer, had won the battle against disease.

The disease had been conquered, the fire was out, but seven days of silent, though intense suffering, had left their mark and a stroke of apoplexy came without an instant's warning and before physicians could be called, members of his party summoned, or remedial measures taken, he passed from life's stages after having for nearly two and a half years served his nation and for many more years his native state of Ohio.

The following telegram announcing the President's death was immediately sent to Vice-President Coolidge, Chief Justice Taft and those members of the cabinet who were not in San Francisco:

"The President died at 7:30 P. M. from a stroke of cerebral apoplexy. The end came peacefully and without warning."

With the passing of Mr. Harding, the office of president devolves on Calvin Coolidge, vice-president of the United States, a man silent in nature, but demonstrated as strong in emergencies. He was notified of the death of Mr. Harding at his home in Plymouth, Vermont.

### FUNERAL CEREMONIES TO BE HELD IN WASHINGTON WEDNESDAY

#### BURIAL AT MARION FRIDAY

#### President Coolidge and Other Ranking Officials Will Meet Funeral Party.

Washington, Aug. 4.—The national capital, in sorrow and mourning symbolic of that of the nation, went forward today with the preparations to receive and pay a last tribute to

the dead President. A state funeral, to be marked by a solemn dignity and simplicity, was arranged for by President Coolidge and other high officers of the government, who devoted themselves, untrudgingly to the preparation of ceremonies that will fittingly express the grief and reverence of the American people.

President Coolidge, Chief Justice Taft, members of the cabinet and of Congress and others high in government councils will participate in the ceremonies.

#### A PROCLAMATION By The Mayor.

WHEREAS, In accordance with a proclamation issued by President Coolidge the people of the United States have been directed to hold memorial meetings in honor of our late President.

#### WARREN G. HARDING.

And WHEREAS, The Governor of North Carolina has issued his proclamation calling upon the people in the different communities of North Carolina to observe the President's proclamation.

Now Therefore, I, W. I. Newton, Mayor of the town of Roxboro, request that our people assemble at the Methodist Church on Sunday night, the 12th inst., at 8 o'clock, in order that we do our part in honoring the memory of our distinguished dead.

And I further request that we come together without regard to political affiliations or views, remembering only that our late Chief Executive was the President of the whole people and that death removed him while in the service of his country, striving to do his duty, and that as a man, a friend, a Christian, his example was a worthy one for the youth of our country.

This the 7th day of August, 1923.  
W. I. Newton,  
Mayor of Roxboro.

#### COURT WEEK.

Person County Superior Court is in session this week, Judge W. A. Devin on the bench, with Solicitor McLendon prosecuting. Judge Devin is in his home circuit, and the people of Person are glad to welcome him. As a Judge he stands out prominently as one of the best in the State and not only his home district but the State at large is glad to accord him this honor.

The criminal docket is heavy and the best part of the week will be taken up with this docket. We will publish full report of the proceedings in our next issue.

### AUDITORS CONFESS TO \$5,000,000 DEFICIT

#### AUDIT IN SUCH FORM AS TO FOOL NEWSPAPERS

#### New York Auditors Admit That State On Dec. 31, 1922, Had a Deficit of \$5,000,000—Maxwell Wins Battle.

Raleigh, Aug. 5.—Admission that the deficit of approximately \$5,000,000 claimed by Corporation Commissioner A. J. Maxwell to exist in the finances secured on a cash basis as of December 31, 1922, actually existed was contained in a letter received here today by Mr. Maxwell from Price, Waterhouse and company, auditors of New York city employed by the state to make an audit of the state's financial condition.

The letter further stated that the auditors had summarized schedule F, page 9 of the audit "unfortunately, without sufficient consideration" of the misunderstanding which might arise in the public mind as a result.

In a statement issued shortly after the letter was received Mr. Maxwell declared that "the confessions in the letter leave little more to be said, and no room whatever for further controversy as to the five million dollar deficit on December 31, 1922."

#### DIPHTHERIA AND TYPHOID ANTITOXIN.

Diphtheria antitoxin for children and typhoid antitoxin for older people will be given at the home of Mr. Geo. L. Cunningham on Saturday, July 18th at 1 o'clock and at McGees Mill on the same date at a later hour. Dr. W. T. Long will administer the antitoxin.

#### NOTICE.

By request of the Board of County Commissioners land sales for taxes were postponed from August 6th to Monday, August 27th, 1923. All lands advertised for sale on August 6th will positively be sold on August 27th unless said taxes as advertised are paid before that date. There will positively be no further postponement.

J. M. O'Brian,

Tax Collector.

We are under obligations to our friend Mr. Luther Hill for a very fine selection of delicious grapes.

## PERSON COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION

### OCTOBER 9, 10, 11, AND 12th.

#### Premium Books are Out and President Hunter and Sec. Burns Say It Will Be A Hummer.

The Person County Fair Association Premium Books are being distributed and every indication points to a most successful occasion. President Hunter and Secretary Burns say they have signed contracts for some of the best free exhibits ever seen in the County and promise that every effort will be put forth to make it a fair worthy of your support. No County fair can be successful without the aid of the farmers and it is earnestly desired by the managers that every section shall be well represented by exhibits.

If you have not received, or want one of the premium books call at the store of Mess. Blanks & Morris, or at the office of the Secretary, Mr. R. P. Burns, and get a copy. They are for free distribution.

Remember the dates, October 9, 10, 11 and 12th, and plan to spend at least one or more days at the Fair.

#### NOTICE.

To My Friends and Public in General:

I have moved on Depot Street next door to Royal Hotel. We have a better and bigger store and can serve you better.

Come to see me.

Yours for service,  
N. V. Brooks,  
Manager U. S. Army Store.

#### P. S.

You get genuine Army Goods at Army Store.

#### TO MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS OF ROXBORO:

Please comply with the ordinance relative to Town License Tags by August 15th. Same to be obtained at the Mayor's office on August 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th and 14th, from 3 to 5 P. M. by registering with the Clerk; Name of owner; name of manufacturer; character of vehicle; State license number and by paying one dollar for license plate. Fine for non-compliance with ordinance \$10.00.  
Mattie E. Burch,  
Clerk.

#### PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

The Primitive Baptist Association met with the church at Surf last Friday and continued in session until Monday. Mr. W. A. Warren was elected moderator with Mess. J. H. Gooch and C. T. Hall clerks. There was an immense crowd present, being estimated from 12 to 20,000. The behaviour was almost perfect, not an arrest being made during the meeting. There were 247 tents on the grounds, with 27 preachers present and 21 sermons preached. The Association goes to Ebenezer next year.

#### PROTRACTED SERVICES.

Rev. B. C. Thompson is holding protracted services at Warren's Grove this week, two services daily, 11 o'clock, A. M., and 2 P. M.

On Sunday night Mr. Thompson will begin a revival at Woodsdale preaching twice daily, at 2 o'clock and at night. The public within reach of these places are cordially invited.

#### DEATH OF MR. S. A. R. MORTON.

Mr. S. A. R. Morton died at his home a few miles south of Roxboro last Wednesday evening after an illness of about six months. He was about 62 years old. Mr. Morton was well known here and was very popular with all who knew him.

#### NOTICE.

I hereby notify the public that I am not responsible for anything that my wife, Susie R. Jones, does, neither any act or attempt as long as she is away from me. She left me without any cause and is moving from place to place and will not live with me.  
John R. Jones.

## MAIN STREET DIRT SELLS FOR \$500 FOOT

### MESS. WILBURN & SATTERFIELD AND KIRBY BROS. THE PURCHASERS

#### Judge Pass Disposes of Valuable Lots On Main Street, Purchasers will Build Handsome Buildings.

On last Monday a new record was set for Main Street property, when Judge J. C. Pass sold his vacant lot on Main Street next to the Foushee building for \$500 a front foot. This piece of property contained 80 feet frontage and is easily one of the most desirable on the Street. Mess. Wilburn & Satterfield and Mess. Kirby Brothers were the purchasers, the former buying for the purpose of building a store and the Kirby Bros. will build an up to date moving picture building.

This is the last vacant site close in on Main Street and the price paid is evidence of the fact that our citizens have faith in Roxboro. We congratulate these gentlemen upon their foresight in picking up this valuable property, and while the price seems high just now, in a few years they will wonder how they ever managed to get such a bargain.

#### SPECIAL REDUCED PRICES.

For the next thirty days I will make SPECIAL prices on everything in the Furniture line. If you want to save money on your furniture purchases you will do well to see my line and hear my prices.—E. D. CHEEK.

#### LAWN PARTY AT CONCORD CHURCH.

There will be a lawn party at Concord Church on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Proceeds will go to the Junior Epworth League. Come.

#### MEMORIAL SERVICES.

#### In the Methodist Church Sunday

Services in memory of our late President, Warren G. Harding, will be held in the Methodist Church on Sunday night at 8 o'clock. All denominations will join in this service. The Pastor, Rev. J. B. Hurley, has arranged a special program for the evening, consisting of short talks and special music. The tentative program is as follows:

Organ Prelude.  
Prayer.  
Scripture Reading.  
Funeral March, selected, by Mrs. W. T. Long.  
Song, "Lead Kindly Light."  
Five Minute Talks: "Harding, the Business Man," J. W. Neell, "Harding, the Man," F. O. Carver, Song, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul."  
Five Minute Talks: "Harding, the American Citizen," W. D. Merritt, "Harding, the Christian Gentleman," S. G. Winstead.  
Song, "Nearer, My God, to Thee."  
Benediction.

Mr. Ed Brooks of Kenbridge, Va., is visiting friends and relatives in the County this week.

Mrs. Geo. Lougee of Durham, who is visiting in the Hurdle Mills section, spent yesterday here the guest of Mrs. R. L. Wilburn.

Mr. R. A. Burch, active vice-president of the First National Bank, is spending the day in Greensboro on matters of business.

Rev. R. E. White left Friday evening for Virginia where he will spend a portion of his vacation. He will be near Richmond.

Mess. J. W. Chambers, J. W. Featherston, A. S. deVlaming and W. F. Long, who are in the tobacco business in Lumberton, spent the week end here with their families.

Mr. R. A. Pass, who was in South Carolina at the opening of the markets, returned here the last of the past week.

Miss Francis Compton, who has been visiting her uncle, Mr. A. R. Foushee, has returned to her home in Cedar Grove.

## PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Cunningham were Roxboro visitors last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harris and Mr. Wallace Harris have returned from a visit to Salisbury.

Dr. and Mrs. B. R. Long and son of Greensboro returned home Sunday after a visit to relatives here.

Mesdames Block and Irving Richland spent the week end with Mrs. B. T. Hurley.

Mrs. Lillian Foreman spent several days in Norfolk last week visiting friends.

Miss Mabel Rimmer of Hurdle Mills is spending sometime in Rocky Mount visiting Miss Addie Wilson.

Miss Rena Rimmer of Hurdle Mills is visiting Dr. and Mrs. Parker at Burlington this week.

Mr. J. T. Jordan, who spent a few days in Norfolk last week returned Monday morning.

Misses Evelyn and Dorothy Abbott are visiting in Appomattox, Va.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Doares, a daughter, born Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Abbott, and daughter Miss Janie, spent yesterday in Danville.

Judge J. C. Pass left yesterday morning for Patrick Springs, Va., where he will spend a few weeks. He was joined at Danville, Va., by Mrs. R. N. Featherstone.

Miss Bertha Newton who has been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Newton returned to Bluefield, W. Va., Tuesday.

Mrs. Jas. Burrows, Misses Elizabeth and Gladys Burrows left Friday for Norfolk where they will stay a few days.

Mrs. R. P. Michael and children have gone to Rutherfordton where they will spend the month of August with Mrs. Michael's parents.

Mrs. W. C. Watkins and little Miss Ann Watkins left Friday for Asheville where they will stay for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Winstead and children and Mrs. R. W. Stephens and children spent last week in Norfolk.

Mrs. John Nelson and daughter Elizabeth of Florence, S. C., who have been visiting Mrs. W. C. Watkins, left Friday for Asheville.

Mrs. J. B. Bryan and daughter Reba of Durham have returned home after visiting the family of Rev. B. C. Thompson.

Mr. A. J. Hunt and Dr. Coletrane of Wendell, N. C., both former citizens of Roxboro, were week end guests in the home of Mr. A. R. Foushee.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Winkerson and three children, Claiborn, Pauline and Felix, of Timberlake, were pleasant callers last Monday.

Dr. R. C. Beaman and granddaughter, Miss Dudley Sutter of Lumberton, spent the week end here with the family of Mr. C. H. Hunter.

Mrs. George Cunningham has returned home after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. T. S. Williamson, of Danville, Va.

Mess. J. F. Reams, R. E. Hamlin and Baird Crumpton and two children spent several days last week in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stafford and children of Petersburg, Va., have returned home after visiting friends and relatives here and in the County.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Hedrick of Lillsville, N. C., and Miss Ghazelle Brooks of Albemarle, N. C., spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brooks.