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## Same "Natural" For Dempsey and Sharkey That Made Jeffries-Sharkey Battle a Classic

Jack Sharkey and Jack Dempsey Scheduled To Go 15 Rounds Tomorrow

JACK SHARKEY FAVORITE

It has always been difficult for sport fans of any age to give credit to ability or the performance of its athletes until they could look back to "the good old days" and in memory at last realize that greatness had been with them unaware.

The heavyweight struggle between Jack Dempsey and Jack Sharkey this week is a point in comparison which, as this is written, is in many quarters being discredited and not given full acknowledgment as being a very important milestone in the history of heavyweight pugilism.

Oldtimers still tell of that immortal struggle between the great Jim Jeffries and Sailor Tom Sharkey. It is today a ring classic in the mind of fandom and admittedly a he-man performance which any red-blooded follower of the mitt slingers would travel miles to see.

The Dempsey-Sharkey battle promised as much. A battle of well-conditioned, well-trained ringmen, both of whom in past performances have records which should have left no doubt in the minds of all that it will be a great battle whether it does one round or fifteen rounds.

Still all through the days of training the experts "fed" and "supplied" their way through, cautiously refusing to give full credit to either man and creating the impression that it might "by lucky chance" be a good battle.

Looking at the battle for the purpose of seeing accurately and truly the factors involved, one must admit that it is "a natural." Here is the great Dempsey—still a young man as compared to Fitzsimmons, Sullivan or Johnson, in a desperate effort to regain his lost laurels. Trained to the minute; looking the perfect specimen of a well-conditioned man; a clean life behind him with no dissipation; a great ringman.

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### Orphanage Class Offers Program

The young people representing the Odd Fellows orphanage, at Goldsboro, presented an enjoyable and interesting program in the graded school auditorium Monday night. A large number of local people were present to give the class from the orphanage a hearty welcome to the town of Roxboro. The program prepared by the young people was one of rare ability, as they appeared to be at ease throughout the performance.

Rev. W. F. West, pastor of the First Baptist church, previous to the opening of the concert, gave prayer. An orchestra composed of boys and girls ranging in age from 10 to 15, added much to the occasion, as the music furnished by them formed one of the features of the program.

### E. G. Thompson Suffers Stroke

Roxboro, July 20.—E. G. Thompson of this city suffered a severe stroke of paralysis this morning about nine o'clock. Mr. Thompson expressed to members of his family early in the morning that he did not feel very well but proceeded to cater upon the duties of the day first going to the post office for his mail. It was here that he suffered the stroke and was carried to his home and has shown very little symptoms of being any better.

### Masonic Notice

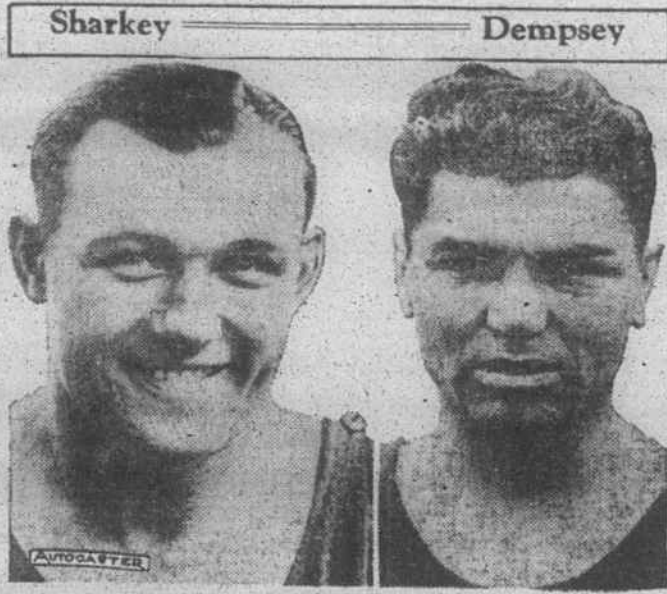
Regular communication of Person Lodge No. 113, A. F. & A. M., 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night July 26, 1927. All Master Masons are urged to attend. All visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

J. J. WOODY, W. M.  
A. C. GENTRY, Sec.

### Announcement

I wish to announce to my friends and customers that about August the first I will be located in the Jones Hotel building, next door to Royal Cafe. I will be better fixed to serve you. Come to see me.

J. W. GREEN & SON.



## Young Woman Dies In Swollen Stream, In Unusual Tragedy

Miss Behre, of Spencer Is Caught Under Auto in Creek. Rising water drowns Her

FRIEND UNABLE TO HELP

Statesville, July 17.—Imprisoned under an overturned automobile that landed in a small stream Miss Marie Behre, 22, was drowned late last night when a sudden rain caused the stream to rise while a few feet away, Walter Holland, employee of a local firm, lay helpless hearing her struggles but unable to reach her. Holland was found by passers-by early today and he and Miss Behre's body removed from the wreckage of the small roadster that had held them in the stream. His head still was above the water and he was suffering from exhaustion and bruises and scratches.

Miss Behre, head nurse at the Elk Hospital, and Holland started last night for North Fredrick to visit Holland's grandmother. They became lost in the darkness on a branch road off highway No. 26 near Housenville.

Miss Behre was driving. About 9 o'clock they reached an abrupt curve in the road at a bridge over a small shallow creek. The car went off a six foot embankment, turned completely over and the crushed top pinned both under the car. Miss Behre was thrown face downward and Holland was thrown slightly to one side and face upward. For two hours the young couple lay in the stream pinned under the car neither badly injured but unable to move. They discussed their plight. Then the accident shower came up. The stream began to rise. Terror gripped them but both held in check as much as possible as they tried to reassure one another and hold out the hope that some one would come along the little used road and save them. The water continued to rise. Soon it began creeping over Miss Behre's head. Then it completely engulfed her. Holland meanwhile could keep his head above the water and he struggled to release himself and to save his young companion. But his efforts were fruitless. Help came too late. Passersby, four men, their names not learned, heard Holland's cries. They rushed to the rescue. First efforts, under Holland's direction were at getting the woman out. Efforts to resuscitate her were fruitless. A physician was called but he could do nothing and pronounced her dead.

### Chief Oliver Makes Raid

A rather unusual raid was made one day last week by Chief Oliver and game warden Harry Satterfield when they made their way over to the City lake and found that some one was not satisfied with catching fish by the hook method which is within the bounds of the law, but upon investigation they hauled out exactly 804 feet of nets and also a fine lot of fish which the Chief says were very fine. No arrest was made but hereafter this lake will be kept under close watch.

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### Women Must Fight Slavemaster—Man

Oakland, Calif., July 19.—The women of the world are to be led into battle for their independence under the banner of American leaders.

Addressing the national convention of Business and Professional Women's clubs here today Miss Lena Phillips of New York, national president of the organization, declared that the American federation planned to show women of other countries how to "break the chains of thralldom which for four centuries they have worn in obedience to man."

### On a Rampage

Liquor, and liver oil, beef iron and wine and the drinking class only knows what else, makes a very bad combination, or rather it seems that way in the case of John Powell who filled up on several kinds and cut up in general in his home, reaching the climax about noon Sunday when Chief Oliver went over to his home and arrested him. He was given a hearing and placed under a twenty-five dollar bond.

## ATTENTION MOTORISTS

I wish to call attention publicly to the following rules governing the operation of motor vehicles in this state and town which hereafter a diligent effort will be made to enforce in the town of Roxboro by the police officials of the town. Mr. L. K. Walker has been appointed traffic officer in the business district and he, together with the other police officers, has been instructed to enforce as near as possible these rules made for your own protection. We ask your cooperation and the same courtesy to us that is being and will be extended to you. The following are rules which will be enforced as nearly as possible hereafter.

State Laws:

Headlight inspection and certificate.

Proper state license and registration.

Two headlights and one rear light burning at night.

Reckless and careless driving.

Town Ordinances:

Speed regulations. Fifteen miles in business district. Twenty miles in residential district. Officers instructed to allow twenty-five miles per hour in residential district unless speed under existing traffic or weather conditions reckless and careless.

(This does not permit such speed in case of congested traffic and state law as to reckless and careless driving always applies.)

Vehicles must not be operated without muffles cut-out closed and in good shape.

Proper town license must be exhibited by Roxboro owners.

Tractors with cleats not allowed on paved streets.

Parking Regulations:

Both sides Main Street Hotel Jones

## Man Shoots Woman And Then Himself

Walter O'Briant Fires Shot Through Mrs. Sallie Smith Then Shoots Self

NOT EXPECTED TO LIVE

Murder and suicide, with more than even chances for success in both, were attempted early yesterday morning by Walter Dixon O'Briant, 38, Durham jeweler, of 717 Holloway street, when he entered the Chrysler car driven on North Mangum street by Mrs. Sallie Smith Williams, about 28 years old, of 2017 1-2 Chapel Hill boulevard, and fired a shot through her breast, a few minutes later getting into the car beside her and firing a shot through his stomach.

Both are in Watts hospital in serious conditions, surgeons reporting last night that chances for recovery in both cases are not hopeful. An operation was performed on O'Briant yesterday and preparations made for a blood transfusion today in an effort to save his life. An operation was performed on Mrs. Williams last night. A large artery was severed in O'Briant's body causing great loss of blood and decision to resort to transfusion.

Information secured by police indicate that O'Briant was near the corner of Parrish and North Mangum streets when Mrs. Williams drove by. He jumped on the running board and then got into the car with her, riding until they had gone about a block and a half. He then threw his arm around her and pointing the pistol toward her, fired, the police were informed. He jumped out of the car, ran a half block toward fire station No. 1, then ran back, got in the car beside her and fired the bullet through his own stomach, according to police information.

Surgeons expressed the belief that he attempted to fire the ball through the heart in both instances, but in both cases fired too low. The ball passed through both walls of his stomach and came out at the back. The one fired into Mrs. Williams entered the ribs and followed a downward course perforating the intestines in several places.

### An Explanation

Luck, which we hear so many people talk of, means rising at 6 o'clock in the morning, living on a dollar a day, if you are making two, minding your own business and not meddling with other people's.

Luck means the appointments you have never failed to keep; trains you have never failed to catch.

Luck means trusting in God and in your own resources.—Selected.

### Northwood Guide



Miss Virginia Owens of Crawling-Rock Lake, Wis., is again in the northwoods as guide for fishing and hunting parties—using her earnings to pay her way through the state university where she studies law. This is her third season—and she has never been lost.

## Large Crowd Attends The Association

Record Breaking Attendance At Three Day Session: Unusual Good Order

BIG EVENT OF YEAR

The Lower Country Line Primitive Baptist Association assembled in a three days session with the church at Helena, N. C., beginning Saturday morning, July 16th. This is an annual affair with this denomination and is considered one of the big events of the year, not only with members of this particular faith, but with thousands of other people who go to worship with them and to meet old friends and acquaintances. Early Friday morning people began to gather among the beautiful oak trees that surround the handsome new church and on every avenue you could see evidences of constructive activity and by sun down a jettied city had sprung up presenting a beautiful spectacular scene and the little village of Helena had grown over night into a city of several thousand. These good people who stay the whole session through are always well fixed as was evidenced by the writer who personally inspected one of these tent homes. Here you could find nearly all the comforts to be found in the average home and when you speak of food this is one place you can always find the.

The whole session was well attended but the crowd reached its height Sunday which was estimated at from six to ten thousand people. An interview with Sheriff Brooks makes us feel that people must be getting better as no drinking and misconduct of any nature was indulged in and we are proud of the fact that so many people can get together and do the right thing.

The order of worship began at 10 o'clock Saturday morning with the singing of quite a number of beautiful old melodies under the leadership of Dr. Saterfield, of Prospect Hill, followed by Elder J. A. Herndon, pastor of the Roxboro Primitive church, who preached the introductory sermon. After this services were held at intervals throughout the entire session. Mr. W. A. Warren is Moderator of the Association and every thing moved along nicely throughout the entire session. There were twenty four ministers present and a general spirit of love and devotion seemed to fill the very atmosphere. The session adjourned Monday and the next Association will meet with the church at Stories Creek.

### First Baptist Church

Sunday School 10 a. m. R. L. Wilburn, Supt.

Preaching 11 a. m. subject: "Loyalty To Christ." 8 p. m. subject: "The Life and Light Of Men."

B. Y. F. D's 7 p. m.

The ordinance of Baptism will be observed at the close of the evening service.

"The entrance of the Word giveth light" Psal. 119:130.

W. F. WEST, Pastor.

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## Special Dairy Trip Friday To Alamance

Person Co. Should be a Good Dairy County, Has Natural Advantages

LEAVE FRIDAY 7:00 A. M.

All farmers interested in the future of Person County and their farming operations are invited to get a carload of their friends, neighbors and kindred, fill up their dinner pail and meet the crowd at the County court house next Friday at 7:30 a. m. for a trip to Alamance county to inspect some of the fine dairy herds, registered cattle, alfalfa farms and poultry flocks.

The schedule is to reach Bushy Fork by 7:45 and Prospect Hill by 8:00 a. m. From Prospect Hill, the party will follow road No. 144 to road No. 62 in Alamance County and turn south toward Haw River, for 5 miles on No. 62. The first stop will be 1-1/2 miles this side of Haw River at a large dairy and alfalfa farm where the party will be met by Mr. W. K. Scott who will take charge of the Person County party and conduct them over the county to visit some of the leading dairies and herds of registered cattle.

All who will do so, are urged to make this trip. Offer your car to your friends and neighbors, let them pay the gasoline and oil bill or the trip, let each bring his dinner in a pail or box for we shall all eat under the shade of a tree on whatever farm noon happens to catch us.

Alamance is one of the counties in North Carolina that has the distinction of being practically self supporting, and the old dairy cow is not the least of the factors that gives this county this enviable distinction. All records point to the fact that where the old dairy cow is given a chance to share the burden of a comfortable living, she has measured up well to her responsibility. During the hard times just after the war, the dairy farms just after the war, the dairy

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## Another Trip To Tobacco Farm

Plans are under way for another group of business men, farmers and others interested to make a trip to Oxford Wednesday, July 27th, to see results of the different fertilizer and limestone experiments on tobacco. The forty-five men who visited the Station last week were enthusiastic over results they saw from using lime under tobacco and many will place orders for lime this fall.

The plan is to leave Roxboro about 8 a. m., to spend about two hours at the station with Mr. E. G. Moss in hearing him make reports here for tobacco and to see the results in the field and return home by noon. All of the town farmers will be urged to make this trip and any others who feel disposed to go are urged to do so. The trip is well worth while making.

## Airplane Forced Down Near Roxboro

A large Standard Oil biplane, bearing some of the officials of the Company, was compelled to make a forced landing about three miles from Roxboro on the Bushy Fork road about four o'clock Monday afternoon. A hard storm, with a great deal of rain and lightning, probably caused the pilot to interrupt the trip. The landing was made safely in a clover field. After a short while, both the storm and the plane passed on.

The landing field hasn't been named as yet.

## Let Big Ben Cure Your Tobacco

It is a known fact that tobacco cured under the observation of Big Ben Alarm Clock brings more. West-cloak line \$1.50 to \$3.25. The Newells, Jewelers.

### Notice

All Privilege License Tax on people doing business in the Town of Roxboro was due July 1st. A penalty of twenty per cent is added if not paid before August 1st.

B. B. MANGUM, Manager.

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