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## SCORES DIE AS DAM BREAKS

### Millions of Votes Cast In Big Circulation Drive Just Closed

Misses Satterfield And Brooks Filled With Joy As They Drive Cars Away

#### THE JUDGES' STATEMENT

We, the undersigned, duly appointed to canvass the returns of the Roxboro Courier Salesmanship Club Circulation Campaign, do hereby certify that the campaign was closed according to the rules governing same and that we counted the subscriptions and found the following named persons entitled to the prizes according to the rules governing their distribution:

G. J. CUSHWA, JAMES H. WHITT, THOS. B. WOODY.

- Miss Mildred Satterfield \$529.292
- Winner of \$85.00 Pontiac Coach
- Miss Millie Jane Brooks \$422.421
- Winner of \$666.00 Chevrolet Coach
- Miss Mary Riley 3,892.608
- Winner of \$300.00 Diamond Ring
- District No. 1
- Mr. Archie P. Daniel 4,320.628
- Winner of \$80.00 Diamond Ring
- District No. 2
- Mrs. Helen H. Michie 2,177.296
- Winner of \$25.00 Cash Prize
- District No. 1
- Mrs. W. R. Hayes 2,909.624
- Winner of \$25.00 Cash Prize
- District No. 2

After holding the unwavering interest of Person County for the past eight weeks, and establishing a record in newspaper annals in this section, the last chapter in the Roxboro Courier Salesmanship Club was written when the delivery of the prizes to the winners announced was made.

Not within the history of this paper has a newspaper campaign attracted the enthusiastic and widespread interest that was shown during the race which ended Saturday night. The last week was especially notable. Rivalry was intense but friendly. The Roxboro Courier feels assured that the successful ones merited the prizes for which they so earnestly worked.

#### Enormous Vote Polled

The aggregate votes of the winners reached enormous figures. The winners of all prizes are well entitled to success; they demonstrated conclusively that energy and persistence are potent factors in any game of life. In distributing thousands of dollars worth of rewards, cash prizes and commissions among members, The Courier gives value received for efforts in their behalf, get intrinsic value of the awards is not the only consideration to contestants. In pursuance of this individual campaign for votes, they have learned much that will be of benefit to them.

They have made many new and pleasant acquaintances. Some have formed new ideas along business lines and most of them have developed a keen sense of observation that will pay many a future dividend. The competition was splendid, training and valuable experience to all who participated. It taught that courage is necessary to overcome obstacles in the never ending conflict of "life".

Of course it is inevitable in a campaign of this kind that all cannot win. The club members understand that when they enter right or wrong, civilization seems to have advanced to last page.

### George C. Cridlin Buried Monday

Funeral services for George C. Cridlin, who died Saturday after suffering a heart attack, were conducted Monday morning at 11 o'clock at his residence, three miles west of Raleigh. Interment was at Oak Grove cemetery, conducted by Rev. S. W. Bradley, pastor of Oak Grove church.

Mr. Cridlin, who was for several years connected with the State Highway Commission, is survived by his wife and two children. He was a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows bodies in Raleigh.

### Edgar Long M. E. Church, South

Preaching morning and evening at usual hours. Sunday School at 9:45. North League 6:45. The happiness you get in this church on Sunday is a tonic for the whole week. This is the Power House of Religion. Let your moral batteries recharge that your steering gear is in right gear and the oil of gladness in your heart. Give God a chance and remove that awful load of selfishness. Meet me at Long Memorial next Sunday.

T. A. SIKES, Pastor.

### First Baptist Church

"One time when Henry Ford was asked if he didn't stand to lose a great deal of money if certain things went wrong he said, one should not think of things going wrong. Things go wrong only when they are started with the idea, but they'll always go right if the fundamental idea is right. You must never, even for a second, let yourself think that you can fail, said Mr. Ford. Our first principle is that failure is impossible. You may not get what you're trying to do right the first time or the second time or the tenth time or the one-hundredth time, but if you shut out of your mind the possibility of being licked, then you are bound to win."

Character is developed by fighting a plan through to success and triumphing over obstacles. Any one can start, but only a person with character will stick to the finish. Quoted from the Watchword by the Homiletic Review. Christianity is set for the building of character. Bible School 10 a. m. R. L. Wilburn, Superintendent. Preaching 11 a. m. Subject: The Great Refusal.

The night service will be in charge of the General B. Y. P. U. under the direction of Prof. B. B. Knight. The address of the evening will be delivered by Prof. G. C. Davidson. This will be a most pleasing and helpful service and the public is cordially invited to attend. B. Y. P. U.'s 6:30 p. m. Prof. B. B. Knight, General Director.

#### Notice

To My Friends: I am truly grateful to my friends for their assistance and help in making it possible for me to win in The Courier Salesmanship Club. With their help and plenty of hard work I won this splendid prize, putting nothing in it but hard work and keeping everlastingly at it. I desire to thank each and every one for their support and to assure them of my sincere appreciation.

May I take this opportunity to say that I believe every contestant acted honorably throughout, there being no effort to take advantage of any one, and the best of feeling prevailed during the entire campaign. To Mr. Latta, the manager, I desire to return thanks for he was fair and square throughout, showing no favors but rendering every assistance to all according to the rules. Very respectfully, MILLIE JANE BROOKS.

### When Dreams Come True

You're invited to attend the sale of rare pottery from the sandhills of North Carolina March 30th and 31st at T. W. Pass & Sons, the store of distinctive furniture values.

A Durham artist will contribute some pictures and decorated pottery. Do not miss this sale as you will find many interesting articles. Katherine Reade.

### Called Off

The string music scheduled for Friday, March 16th, at the State High School has been called off on account of measles. There is no occasion for alarm, but a few cases have developed and we are taking this precaution to prevent scattering the disease. We hope to give this entertainment later. Doc B. Curran, Principal.

### Thought That Pressure Of 12 Billion Gallons Of Water Yesterday Caused Break

Sleeping Residents Of San Francisco Canyon Trapped Without Warning By Flood From Reservoir

#### OFFICIALS FEAR THAT TOLL OF DEATH WILL BE SWELLED TO 400

New Hall, Cal., March 13.—A rapidly mounting death toll from the great torrent that swept into San Francisco canyon from the huge St. Francis dam tonight showed a death list of 274, while upwards of 700 more persons were reported missing. In the wake of the tremendous flood of water loosed upon the sleeping residents of the fertile valley, property damage was variously estimated at from \$10,000,000 to \$30,000,000. The breaking of the giant dam under the pressure of twelve billion gallons of water at 12:30 a. m. released a 75-foot wall of water on the inhabitants.

An army of rescue workers tonight carried on a ceaseless search for more bodies in the engulfed valley, where homes lay crumpled in ruins. The dam gave way this morning, the east and west wing collapsing and down the beautiful canyon dotted with citrus groves, rushed the devastation-barrage.

#### Talked of Leaks

Mrs. A. M. Rumsey, postmistress at Gaugus, a nearby town, declared tonight that for ten days ranchers living in the shadow of the St. Francis had "talked of nothing else" but reported leaks in the structure and the possibility of the disaster that wrecked their homes and wiped out their families today.

As the list of recovered bodies grew tonight until the body of the 274th victim had been recovered, Mrs. Rumsey said that ranchers in San Francisco canyon had repeatedly told her it would be the end of them if the dam ever gave way.

Supporting Mrs. Rumsey's statement of rumored leaks in the great wall that until last night held back 38,000 acre feet of water for the summer supply of the City of Los Angeles, 46 reports obtained by investigating officers from motorists who had driven through the canyon late Monday. One auto driver, according to the investigators, stated that while driving up the canyon he saw an unusual quantity of muddy water coursing through the ordinarily dry stream bed.

### R. L. Brown Died Monday Of Bad Heart

Head Of Oxford Orphanage Succumbs To Sudden Attack Of Disease MADE ENVIABLE RECORD

Oxford, March 12.—R. L. Brown, superintendent of the Oxford Orphanage, died suddenly this morning about 8:45 as he was returning from the printing office to the main office of that institution. When he reached the orphanage's cottage, he bet his hands and fell to the ground. The orphanage's system was on the grounds, and he came to Mr. Brown immediately, but his life was "already extinct."

Mr. Brown had appeared in good health up until his time, and his death was a shock to this community and to the country at large. He was a past master of Oxford Masonic lodge, No. 496, and he had done everything that he could do to upbuild Masonry.

Mr. Brown became superintendent of the Orphanage on Jan. 1, 1911, having been assistant superintendent to Colonel Hicks from July 1, 1909 until that time, when Colonel Hicks died, and the board of directors elected Mr. Brown to the position.

#### Lieut. Oakley

Lieut. B. M. Oakley, a Person County man, was a Roxboro visitor last week. He has been in the Coast Artillery for twenty-five years, and in a little less than five years will retire. He is now stationed at Ft. Monroe, Va. He saw service in Mexico and also spent one year in France. Mr. Oakley is the son of Mr. R. H. Oakley, and his friends are glad to see him looking so well, and hope that when he retires he will return to his native soil.

#### Painful Accident

Mr. J. M. Featherston met with a painful accident one day last week. He was stirring up the fire in the furnace at his home on North Main Street, and the gases in the coal exploded and struck him full in the face. While the accident was painful, keeping him in his room for several days, we are glad to know they were not serious.

## Roxboro Tobacco Market Closes A Successful Season

Farmers And Buyers Cooperate And Good Feeling Prevails Throughout The Year.

SEVEN MILLION POUNDS SOLD, AVERAGE \$25.28

The Roxboro tobacco market closed last Wednesday for the season. It has been the most successful season in many years, the sales reaching in round numbers seven million pounds, and sold for an average of \$25.28. Before the holidays the average was considerably above these figures, and were consistently satisfactory, but since then the prices slumped and the average greatly reduced, with general dissatisfaction to the farmers. However, the prices here kept well up with prices elsewhere, and few farmers made any money by selling on other markets.

During the fall prices were good here, and few prices were taken in, and when a farmer was dissatisfied the buyers always made it a point to see if he could be satisfied. We are sure we have never seen such close affiliation between farmer and buyer as has prevailed here during the season just closed.

When the market opened it was hoped to sell eight million, and it looked like these figures were going to be reached, but as usual, when there is a decline in prices many farmers and we do not capture them for it is natural to hope for better things, carried much of their tobacco to neighboring markets.

John Gilbert and Greta Garbo in the Season's Sensation, "LOVE" at Palace Theatre Monday & Tuesday, March 12-13th.

#### Jurors For April Term

The following Jurors have been drawn for next term of Court, April 23rd, 1928:

- R. R. Rhew, H. D. Dickerson, Geo. O. Owens, B. G. Clayton, W. S. Pleasant, Ira G. Allen, J. O. Pjere, W. Y. Pass, J. B. Franklin, R. L. Hester, J. M. Brewer, Davis Daniel, J. A. Carver, J. C. Winstead, W. E. Clay, R. B. Holeman, H. J. Mize, C. P. Bowen, Blueford Wilburn, B. Y. Clayton, W. H. Hicks, M. J. Daniel, A. E. Newton, E. V. Boatwright, C. H. Dinkley, A. D. Newton, Bennie Williams, L. A. Bradsher, T. L. Hall, C. D. Clayton, L. P. Sherman, P. H. Fontain, R. G. Cole, C. W. Moore, W. R. Wilkerson, W. W. Morrell, J. C. Standfield, M. M. Fontain, S. A. Callis, A. W. Gentry, J. T. McCann, H. J. Daniel.

#### Card Of Thanks

We desire to take this method to thank our neighbors and friends for the many acts of kindness which was shown us during the recent illness and death of our husband and father. Our every need in these sad hours was anticipated by your thoughtfulness and we assure you we will never forget them. May God's richest blessings be with each and every one. Mrs. H. H. Masten and Children.

#### Notice!

Please PAY YOUR TAX. Under the new law I am forced to settle with the County May 1. Your friend, N. V. BROOKS, Sheriff Person County.

### Free Orthopaedic Clinic For Cripples

The Roxboro Orthopaedic Clinic for cripples will be held at the Royal Hotel, on Depot Street, Monday, March 19, and monthly thereafter, for free examination and treatment of cripples, including adults. All in need of such services are urged to attend. Clinic is held under auspices of the Roxboro Rotary Club, for cripples of Person, Granville and Caswell Counties, and is in charge of an expert Orthopaedic Surgeon, under Supervision of North Carolina Rehabilitation Department, Endorsed by Person County Medical Society.

## Popular Citizen Dies Following Heart Trouble

Mr. H. H. Masten Dies Following Heart Attack. Was Long A Roxboro Resident.

#### SUFFERED FOR SOME TIME

Following an illness of about two weeks duration, Mr. H. H. Masten, one of the best known and most highly respected citizens of the town, died at his residence on Oak Street last Thursday evening at 8:45 o'clock, at the age of 62 years. While his condition was known to be critical, his death came as a great surprise, as he had had the best days rest on Thursday since he had been ill. He had suffered with his heart for some time, and he often expressed himself as knowing that he would be taken off with one of these attacks.

Mr. Masten was a painting contractor, and so well known was he that his art as a painter and decorator was not confined locally, as he has to his credit a number of the most fine and earliest homes in the State. He was born in Winston-Salem in 1865 and moved to Roxboro in 1883, and has made his home here since that time. If asked to name the most popular man in the town, doubtless many would name Mr. H. H. Masten. He was a good friend, a splendid neighbor and had probably assisted in more funerals than any one in this section. He was a consistent member of the Roxboro First Baptist Church, a member of the choir, and one of the trustees of the Church. He was always loyal to his pastor, and could be counted upon in any and all emergencies.

Mr. Masten is survived by his widow, three sons, Edgar Masten, Gilmer Masten and Fred Masten, all of Roxboro; one daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Masten Boothe; one brother, John Masten, of Winston-Salem; and two sisters, Mrs. W. M. Pogram, and Mrs. Louree Lenzy.

Funeral services were conducted from the home at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, after which the body was taken to Birchwood cemetery where the interment was made. Rev. W. F. West, pastor of the First Baptist church, assisted by Rev. Geo. T. Watkins of Durham, had charge of the services.

The pallbearers were as follows: A. W. Clayton, J. D. K. Richmond, F. Reams, A. M. Burns, J. W. Noel, and E. G. Long. The honorary pallbearers were as follows: T. P. Featherston, W. D. Merritt, Albert Warren, J. C. Pass, W. H. Harris, D. W. Ledbetter, G. W. Gentry, J. Y. Blanks, W. T. Kirby, S. B. Davis and E. J. Tucker.

The floral bearers were R. H. Gates, G. W. Kane, E. T. Austin, J. R. Williams, D. S. Brooks, L. M. Carlton, E. E. Bradsher, J. A. Long, R. L. Harris, T. B. Woody, H. S. Morton, R. L. Wilburn and A. E. Jackson.

#### The M. T. H. S.

The M. T. H. S. will give a play called "My First Love" at the central graded school of Roxboro Thursday night. The play will start at 7:45, special music will be furnished by the Roxboro Orchestra. Admission will be 20 and 30 cents. A good crowd will be expected.

R. W. Green of Kings Creek in Caldwell County states that he made a clean net catch of \$714.15 on a flock of 450 white leghorn hens last year.

While New York is paying \$2.00 to see "LOVE" with John Gilbert and Greta Garbo, we present it to you at popular prices Monday & Tuesday, March 12-13th, Palace Theatre.

## Boys And Girls Club Meeting At Court House

Saturday, March 17th, Two P. M. Mr. L. R. Harrell Will Talk With Members

#### OFFICERS WILL BE CHOSEN

Saturday, March 18th, is club day for all of the club members of the county. Mr. L. R. Harrell, State Club Leader, will be present to discuss with the club members and their parents the importance of club work among the juniors on the farm. It will be the plans of those in charge of this work to organize the club members into a county unit. Hence officers will be selected and chosen from among the members present at the meeting to get for the current year. A president, vice president, secretary and treasurer will be elected as well as a program committee, and plans made to hold monthly meetings if it meets with the approval of the parents and the club members.

All who are interested in this work and those who desire to join one or more of the clubs are invited to attend the first meeting as we want to discuss with all the members the necessity of getting started right on their projects. The corn club will be open for the boys, the poultry and calf club for the girls, and tobacco clubs for the boys if there is sufficient interest in this club.

The purpose of the club work is to train the head, heart, hands and the mind by the following factors:

1. By enlarging the vision.
2. By stimulating interest in rural life.
3. By enabling members to make some money.
4. By furnishing recreation and amusement.
5. By encouraging modern methods in farming.
6. By training the members to keep accounts and farm records.
7. By emphasizing the dignity of farm work well done.
8. By reaching the young members and directing their thoughts and efforts to proper channels.
9. By developing progressive attitudes and responsibilities.
10. By stressing the importance of organization and cooperation.
11. By building four ship—Ownership, Partnership, Leadership, and Citizenship.

Parents are urged to have their children between the ages of ten and eighteen meet at the court house at this important meeting and join one or more of these clubs. Where proper cooperation is given the children in this work there has never been a regret filed for they have much to gain and little to lose.

Remember the date, Saturday, March 17th at 2 p. m. sharp.

#### An Appreciation

To my friends in this County, in other towns, and in other states, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for their support and hearty cooperation in helping me win the Pontiac in The Roxboro Courier Salesmanship Contest. To Mr. Noell, editor of The Courier, I wish to extend thanks for giving the prize. Mr. Latta, the contest manager, has conducted the campaign on the highest order. His business-like manner, courteous treatment, and fairness in dealing with all contestants has been greatly appreciated. For the work of the judges in checking votes, I too, wish to express my gratitude. The association with and the good will existing among the contestants has made the contest pleasant. To every one who had a part in helping me win, I thank you. Mildred D. Satterfield.

#### Dr. Love Entertains

Dr. B. E. Love was host at a full-course turkey dinner to a number of his friends at his home on South Main Street last night at 6:30. After dinner the guests enjoyed the evening at five tables of bridge.

#### Mexican Quail

Mr. E. V. Boatwright received Monday night pair of Mexican quail, which were distributed over the County. These birds are very similar to our native birds, but it is hoped by bringing in new blood the quality of our birds may be improved.

Here is the Film Event of the Year "LOVE" with John Gilbert and Greta Garbo at Palace Theatre Monday & Tuesday, March 12-13th.