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Final Rites Are Held For James R. Lang, Tobacconist

Highly Esteemed Citizen Succumbs To Sudden Illness On Way-Cross Market

A pall of sadness settled down upon Farmville, Wednesday, following the receipt of a message by the family of James Roderick Lang, 48, a highly esteemed citizen, stating that he had succumbed to a sudden heart attack at 10:15 in the morning, while on the opening sale of the tobacco market at Waycross, Ga.

The body, accompanied by relatives and friends, arrived in Wilson at 5:30 o'clock, Thursday morning, and was taken to the Farmville Funeral Home, where it remained until 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon, when it was carried to the Christian Church.

Final rites were conducted at 5:00 o'clock by the pastor, the Rev. Z. B. T. Cox, assisted by the Rev. J. R. Rountree, Episcopal rector. Interment was made in Forest Hill cemetery in the family plot. At his request, no flowers were sent except by members of the family.

Mrs. C. N. Bostic, of Benson, a former soloist in the Christian Church here, sang "The Holy City" and "How Firm A Foundation," with Mrs. Henrietta H. Williamson as accompanist.

Active pallbearers were: William Lang Humphrey and James Y. Monk, Jr., nephews, Howard Moyo, Robert Lee Smith, A. C. Monk, Jr., and W. Alex Allen.

Mr. Lang was the son of the late William Moyo Lang and Mrs. Annie Phillips Lang, and a descendant of prominent Pitt and Lenoir county families. His paternal grandfather was a pioneer merchant and planter, of Farmville, and his father followed in his footsteps.

He attended Porter Military Academy as a youth and was graduated from State College, where he was a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. In 1927, a few months following his graduation, he became associated with A. C. Monk & Co., soon qualifying as a leaf buyer and being sent to the Georgia and Kentucky markets as well as to markets of this belt. He held town properties and owned the ancestral Lang plantation near Farmville.

Mr. Lang was held in high regard and esteem here as a man of sterling qualities, great integrity and astute mind by his business associates, and led an exemplary life. He will be greatly missed by scores of friends in every walk of life.

He had been a loyal and zealous member of the Christian Church since early boyhood and had served faithfully as a deacon for many years. He was a Mason and a Shriner.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Winifred Clark, of Douglas, Ga.; two sisters, Mrs. Nannie Moyo Humphrey and Mrs. Paul E. Jones, of Farmville; two brothers, W. Harry Lang, of Kinston, and Robert G. Lang, of Greenville; seven nieces, three nephews, three great-nieces and four great-nephews, and an aunt, Mrs. Jim Murphy, of Kinston.

Chamber Commerce Gains New Members

The Chamber of Commerce's membership committee composed of Robert Monk, C. S. Hotchkiss and Ernest Petteway signed up several Farmville business firms in the drive started last week. Monk has been serving as chairman of the committee.

New-comers to the business organization which supports any project that will improve Farmville are: Farmville Implement Co., A. J. Melton Motor Co., Economy Auto Co., Southern Supply Co., J. W. Ellis, R. L. Manning Electric Service, Norman & Melton Grocery, Artie Barber Shop, Louis Alex Cafe, Willis Coal Yard, Andrews Grocery, J. W. Hardy Transfer Co., F. M. Davis, Sr., Heirs, Roberts Jewelry, B. O. Taylor Motor Co., San Wainwright Transfer Co., Bomie's Cafe, Dr. Chas. E. Fitzgerald, Vogue Beauty Salon, Mashburn Plumbing Co., Farmville Radio Service, Dash Shoe Repair, John D. Dixon, John B. Lewis, Farmville Freezer Lockers, Farmville Blacksmith Shop, Jack Smith Filling Station, R. S. & R. L. Smith.

RECEIVES DISCHARGE

T. S. Herbert P. Norman, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Norman, of Farmville, route 1, was discharged from the Army on July 22, at Fort Bragg. He was in the service 21 months, last of which was spent in France and Germany, with the 17th, 101st, and 82nd Airborne Divisions. He has the Good Conduct Medal, E. T. O., with two stars and Bronze Arrowhead. He was a member of the German Detachment, 888th Central Postal Directory, and the Central Postal Directory.

At The Kiwanis Club

Arch Flanagan, who spoke on freezer lockers and food preservation at the Rotary Club last week, gave a "repeat performance" Monday night for the Kiwanis Club as the guest of George Allen.

After tracing the development of freezing foods for preservation purposes, Flanagan asked for questions from members and explained, with a smile, that George and Alex Allen, who were largely responsible for the installation of Farmville's freezer lockers, could answer them.

Cautioning against improper preparation and wrapping, Flanagan stated that lockers are intended and designed to keep foods for out-of-season use, not indefinitely, and added that beef could be kept one year, pork six months, and such highly seasoned foods as sausage, for three months. No hard and fast rule can be established but these are safe estimates. Vegetables with high water content, such as tomatoes, are not suited for locker preservation. Snapbeans are on the doubtful list. Lima beans, corn and peas—stand-bys in Eastern Carolina—keep well. Advantages and importance of quick freezing were pointed out as Flanagan explained this process prevented the formation of large ice crystals which lower the quality of the food.

Billy Smith, who was on a business trip to Akron, Ohio, last week when three other new members were inducted, was formally presented. Buttons were presented to him, to the Rev. E. R. Clegg, and William (Cotton) Davis. Berneice Turnage was not present to receive his.

President Charlie Hotchkiss expressed his regrets at the necessary absence of 8 members now on Southern markets and called on Kiwanians remaining to put forth added efforts on behalf of the club until the tobacconists return. The club has 47 members.

James B. Hockaday was the guest of President Hotchkiss.

Secretary Frank Allen reminded the Kiwanians that they had been asked to take a meeting to Swansboro, Thursday night, and that a minimum of four members must make the trip. The district governor, who evidently "does not want the local club to 'hide its light under a basket,'" had asked the Farmville group to make this trip.

Curbs And Gutters Under Construction

Streets East Of George Will Be Worked First; Start At Jones

The construction of curbing and gutters, the first step in securing more paved streets for Farmville, was scheduled to start Tuesday of this week by Exam and Cline of Rocky Mount, successful bidders for the quarter million dollar project.

Scheduled to start at Jones Street, the work will then proceed southward and eastward. All streets east of George will be undertaken before work is begun in the western section. The grading, curbing and sidewalks will require several months for completion. Then the asphalt and bituminous treatment will be applied. The project has been planned and the work scheduled to minimize interference with the warehouse area during the marketing season.

NAVY WANTS NURSES

The Bureau of Naval Personnel, Navy Department, Washington, D. C., has advised that registered nurses between 22 and 30 years of age may apply now for a commission in the Navy Nurse Corps. A high school education is required. Interested applicants can receive detailed information by contacting the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, 1820 "G" Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

JOINS HUSBAND ON GUAM

Headquarters, Twentieth Air Force, Guam—Received with her husband on this Pacific Island, Mrs. Anne L. Falkland of Falkland, North Carolina, was one of the 85 wives who arrived on the USS President Buchanan as part of the Twentieth Air Force Dependents Housing Program.

Major and Mrs. George R. Pittman were married at West Point, N. Y., in June, 1941. Major Pittman, who has Falkland, N. C., as his home town, had been a resident before arriving in the Philippines. (Ed. note: Major Pittman is the nephew of Mrs. L. T. Farris and Mrs. R. C. Thurston, of Farmville.)

Shirt Factories Are Invited To Bring Plants Here

New York, Conn. Firms Asked To Consider Farmville In Relocation Plans

The migration of industrial plants from the North to more favorable locations in the South—here goes the Civil War all-over again—is continuing as manufacturers are combing the South for thriving small towns and communities with sufficient labor and which are near the source of supply of raw materials.

Attempts to get some of this industry for Farmville, which depends solely upon agriculture for its livelihood, were initiated this week when Sam D. Bundy, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, sent to a pair of shirt companies letters extolling this community's virtues and inviting them to investigate the advantages of locating here. The Brewster Shirt Corporation of New Haven, Conn., and the Belmont Shirt Company of New York are companies to whom the invitation was issued.

Self-explanatory, Bundy's letter follows:

"I am advised that your company is planning to place a shirt factory in the eastern section of North Carolina. I am sure you will be most welcome to our state and likewise I am sure that Farmville would be glad to welcome you here.

"Farmville is a town of 3500 population and has surplus labor that could easily be used the year around. It is located on the Norfolk-Southern Railroad and also the East Carolina Railroad (a branch of the Atlantic Coast Line). Bus and truck lines come through from every direction. The facilities here are above average for a town of similar size. It is in the heart of the flue-cured tobacco belt and sells around three million pounds each year.

"I am enclosing a folder which will give you some details about our town and I assure you I will be more than glad to give any additional information. Furthermore, we would be delighted for you to investigate personally this town as a possible location for your factory."

Campaign For More Workers Pays Off

Woman Who Reached For Unemployment Check Got Job

As the result of a drive started two weeks ago when Paul Ewell invited a representative of the United States Employment Service to make an address at the Rotary Club, a Farmville business firm is richer by one employee, an applicant for unemployment compensation has a full-time job without having to depend upon government assistance for a living, and funds which this prospective recipient would have been paid are still available for payment if the need arises. In other words, everyone involved in the transaction is better off.

One additional employee is only a drop in the bucket when compared with total needed, and desired, by local citizens. An extra worker, however, can do much toward relieving the situation in the type of small business predominant in Farmville and might mean the difference, in that particular firm, between efficiency and congestion.

Job orders for more than 20 workers were placed with employment services by Farmville citizens. These orders were unfilled because workers are not available. The only one who did register for unemployment compensation was quickly hustled off to a job.

AUG. 15 SET AS SALE DATE FARMVILLE BONDS

Municipal officials are in receipt of information that the Local Government Commission has set Aug. 15 as the date for the sale of Farmville's \$250,000 bond issue for street and water system improvements.

Nothing has transpired in recent weeks to change the officials' belief that these bonds will bring an attractive rate of interest.

On State Board



DR. PAUL E. JONES

The appointment of Dr. Paul E. Jones, of Farmville, to the State Board of Health was announced Monday of this week by Governor Cherry's office. Dr. Jones will fill the unexpired term, ending May 1, 1949, of Dr. J. N. Johnson, of Goldsboro, who resigned recently.

Dr. Jones, prominent Farmville dentist, who headed the North Carolina Dentists' Association for several years and is a present member of the State Board of Examiners, is well qualified for this position, and will bring to the Board of Health a wealth of knowledge and experience.

Draft Boards Will Resume Calls Sept. 1

Few Exempt As Selective Service Tightens Regulations

Here is the score on the new draft set-up. Selective Service has made it tight and tough.

1. Draft Boards will start calling men again Sept. 1.
2. Those drafted will be from 19 through 29.
(Since May no youths under 20 have been drafted, and during July and August no men are to be called up.)

3. Youths still in high school can't get deferred. Not so college youths. If called, they won't be allowed to finish out a quarter or semester, unless their draft boards make some special exceptions in individual cases.

4. Fathers will not be drafted. Nor will men who are considered extreme hardship cases. But—a man will not be deferred because of dependents.

5. Every man in the 19-29 age group who now has an occupational deferment will be re-examined. The rule here is very tough.

Selective Service told boards not to defer anyone unless he is "indispensable and irreplaceable to the national existence."

(This means that almost no one now will have an occupation that can be considered defensible.)

6. But farm workers still will get the same consideration—for deferment—that they got during the war. A special section of the draft law provides for them.

7. Draft boards will review the cases of 19-29 age men who have been found physically unfit for military service.

(Which means: Some men now excused from military service because of poor physical condition will find themselves drafted, if doctors think they've improved enough to fit requirements.)

8. Draft boards will consider drafting war veterans if (a) they have not served outside the United States and (b) had less than six months military service.

(If a man had been in the service only 2 days or 2 months or any length of time less than six months but had been on duty only as far as three miles outside the continental limits of the U. S., he would not be called.)

Some misunderstanding may have occurred because, while Selective Service was tightening up to get more men, the Army suspended the enlistment of Negroes.

This did not mean that the Army was getting so many volunteers that it really didn't want any draftees. It meant only this:

So many Negroes were enlisting that, unless this was stopped for a while, the proportion of Negroes to white men in the Army would be greater than the Army wants.

About 140,000 Negroes have enlisted since last Fall. Which means: One out of every five recruits has been a Negro. But the proportion of Negroes to whites in this country is about 1 to 10.

The Army wants to keep the proportion of Negroes in the service at 1 to 10. So, except for some Negro specialists, the Army has suspended the enlistment of Negroes for a while.

Civil Service Announces Exams For Postmaster

Aug. 21 Set As Deadline Filing Application; Written, Oral Tests Given

An open competitive examination to fill the vacancy in the position of postmaster in Farmville has been announced by the United States Civil Service Commission at the request of the Postmaster General.

Henry D. Johnson has been acting as postmaster since April.

In order to be eligible for the examination, an applicant must be a citizen of the United States, must have actually resided within the delivery of this post office, or within the city, for at least one year immediately preceding the date fixed for close of receipt of applications, and must be in good physical condition, and within the prescribed age limits. Both men and women are admitted.

Under the terms of an Act of Congress, approved June 25, 1938, the Civil Service Commission will certify the names of the highest three qualified eligibles to the Postmaster General who shall therefore submit the name of the one selected to the President for nomination. Confirmation by the Senate is the final action.

Applicants will be required to assemble in an examination room for written tests, and will also be rated on their education, business or professional experience, general qualifications and suitability. The Civil Service Commission will make an impartial inquiry among representative patrons of the office, both men and women, concerning the experience, ability, and character of each applicant, and the evidence thus secured will be considered in determining the ratings to be assigned to the applicants.

Full information and application forms may be obtained at the post office in Farmville, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C. Applications must be on file in the Civil Service Commission's office in Washington, D. C., not later than August 21, 1946.

Farmville's postmastership is in the \$3500 salary class.

Attend Two-Day Rotary Conference

Representing Farmville at the Officers' and Committee Chairmen's Two-Day Assembly of Rotary International's 188th District, Thursday and Friday, were Rotarians Irving Morgan, Past District Governor, and Bill Duke, president of the local club. Rotary Ann, Margaret Morgan and Lois Duke, accompanied their husbands.

The sessions were held at the Kinston Hotel and presided over by District Governor James W. Butler, of Goldsboro.

Dr. Sylvester Greene, editor of the Durham Herald, Durham, was principal speaker at the opening dinner session, Thursday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. The welcome was extended by Assembly chairman Jean P. Booth and Mayor Guy C. Elliott, of Kinston, and president James S. Pittman, of Fayetteville, responded. Dr. Greene spoke on the theme, "Dower of Inward Happiness," and was presented by Past President A. T. Hawkins, of Goldsboro. Booth presided at the dinner.

Rotary service was the theme for several addresses on Friday morning and afternoon. Among the speakers were Irving Morgan, Immediate Past District Governor, Oscar L. Henry, of Lumberton, addressed the luncheon session, Friday.

COURT TAKES HOLIDAY; DEFENDANTS AT WORK

Mayor J. W. Joyner's Recorder's Court took a holiday Saturday morning because all of the defendants wanted to work in tobacco, which was taping rapidly and required immediate handling if wastage was to be avoided.

The defendants will be tried at a later date.

ONE FARMVILLE MAN LOSES DRIVER'S LICENSE

One Farmville driver was included in the list of 193 throughout the State whose license to operate an automobile was revoked during the period July 5-19. These lists are issued at two-week intervals by the Highway Safety Division of the North Carolina Public Works Commission.

Convicted in Greenville Recorder's Court of drunken driving the Farmville man is Uloyd Vandenberg, whose age is given as 27.

Southern Markets Open With Satisfactory Sales

At The Rotary Club

Curtis Flanagan, in charge of the program at the Rotary Club on Tuesday evening, presented as his guest speaker, L. W. Hill, of Tarboro, president of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company. Mr. Hill explained why Farmville is not receiving better long distance service. This, he said, was due to the shortage of material and efficient help and the company was doing everything possible to give this town some relief soon.

Special guests of the club were: Lewis W. Allen, president, and Sam D. Bundy, secretary of Chamber of Commerce and Merchants' Association, C. S. Hotchkiss, president of the Kiwanis Club, and R. L. Spivey, manager of the local telephone exchange. C. L. Langley was welcomed as a new member.

Greenview Legion Cancels Plans For Aug. 14 Celebration

In a regular meeting of the American Legion, Tuesday evening, July 16, it was decided to discontinue plans for a veterans' home coming day which had been set for August 14 in Greenville. The American Legion regrets very much calling off this celebration, but it was found that the majority of Pitt county citizens were not in favor of backing the project. Members of the Legion feel that it would be better to discontinue plans rather than try to make the day a success with one third the amount of money necessary.

The Legion passed a motion to send two outstanding boys of the county to Boy's State at Raleigh. Boy's State is comparable to the State Legislature in that the boys will elect a president of the house. Members of the boys' senate and house will appoint their committees and hold a session of their own legislature, passing laws which they deem beneficial to North Carolina. The boys who are chosen to attend will have the opportunity of a full course in state government, which would be equivalent to a much longer course in some educational institution.

Commander Thomas Wilson appointed the following committee to make plans for securing a home for the American Legion in Greenville: Hugh Winslow, Jeter Oakley, Frank Taylor, Herbert Waldrop, Sam Whitehurst, Paul Scott, Walter Cherry and Jimmy Jenkins. In addition Commander Thomas and Adjutant Howard Moyo will serve with the committee. The following members were appointed to serve on the Executive Committee: Howard Moyo, James Worsley, June Rose, Harry Brown, Jimmy Jenkins, T. K. Fountain, Frank Taylor, Amos Hudson, W. G. Garner, F. A. Jordan, John Glover and Paul Scott.

THIRTY GIVEN OFFICE AT FLORIDA COLLEGE
Ellerbe, July 22.—Dr. Charles T. Thrift, son of the Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Thrift of Ellerbe and professor of religion at Florida Southern College since 1940, has been appointed vice president of the college, according to an announcement recently.

Dr. Thrift graduated from Duke University and received a doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Chicago. He formerly taught at Southwestern University in Texas. He is the author of several books and articles, including "Frontier Missionary Life," "Marshaling Florida's Resources," and "The Trail of the Florida Circuit Rider."

(Ed. note: The Thrifts are former residents of Farmville. Rev. Mr. Thrift having served the Methodist Church here as pastor at one time.)

JAMES A. HOBGOOD IS PROMOTED TO SERGEANT

Stationed in Italy with the "Spearhead" 351st Infantry Regiment of the 83rd "Blue Devil" Division, James A. Hobgood of Farmville was promoted to the rank of sergeant. He accomplished his duties as platoon guide to the satisfaction of his superior officers, thereby winning the promotion.

WYATT TUCKER IN HOSPITAL

Friends will be glad to learn that Wyatt Tucker is improving, though slowly, from a new compound fracture of a leg in a recent fall from a tobacco truck on his farm. He is receiving treatment at Carolina General Hospital, in Winston-Salem. He will be for several weeks according to reports from his family here.

Georgia - Florida Belt Sales Hit 42-46 Cents Range; Higher Than 1945

A strong demand for quality leaf kept prices generally in the 40 to 46 cents a pound range Wednesday as the first of the 1946 bright leaf tobacco crop went on sale in 17 Georgia and two Florida markets.

Growers appeared well satisfied with prices and there were few rejections of bids.

The Department of Agriculture reported average prices for the first hour of sales were estimated between 42 and 44 cents, with an extreme range from seven to 50 cents. Last year the season average was 39.55 cents.

The general quality of tobacco offered, the Department of Agriculture said, was better than last year. Principal offerings consisted of low and fair leaf, good to fair lugs and low cutter grades.

Prices held well into the day, and near the end of the third hour, the Valdosta market reported a 43 to 48 cents range.

Market cities were crowded and cash registers of merchants jingled as farmers got their first returns this year from a crop that last year brought them \$49,612,276 in Georgia and Florida.

North Carolina flue-cured tobacco farmers, eyeing opening date of August 1 for seven border markets, expressed pleasure over opening sales on Southern markets. W. P. Hedrick, executive secretary of the North Carolina Tobacco Advisory Council, said:

"The range of the bulk sales, based on incomplete reports, is not as large as some of us expected," Hedrick admitted. "I'm sure that most of the North Carolina tobacco farmers will be pleased."

"If we can judge from the sales trend in Georgia and Florida, we will have about the same prices as were brought last year," Hedrick said.

North Carolina border markets are to open Aug. 1; those of the Eastern Bright Belt on Aug. 19.

Growing reports from markets to the South of Farmville brought joy to local producers who grow some of the world's finest tobacco.

Orthopedic Clinic To Be Conducted Next Friday In Greenville

The State Orthopedic Clinic will be held Friday, Aug. 2, from 12:30 to 4:00 o'clock, in Greenville.

This clinic takes all types of cripples, both white and colored, free of charge who are unable to afford private treatments. It is desired, though not required, that patients be referred by a physician or the welfare officer, and that the patient bring a note to this effect from the examining physician.

The clinic has been set up to serve especially the counties of Beaufort, Carteret, Pamlico, Pitt and Tyrrell, though patients will also be accepted from other counties.

The clinic is conducted by Dr. Hugh A. Thompson, orthopedist, of Raleigh. During its seven years of operation, the clinic has served many adults and children.

Offices of the Pitt County Health Department are located at the corner of 3rd and Grace Streets, Greenville. Head of the Health Department is Dr. N. Thomas Bennett.

FATHER OF FARMVILLE MAN BURIED TUESDAY

Charles K. Edwards, 69, died at his home, 300 Student street, Greenville, early Monday after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the Carlyle Funeral Home in Tarboro, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Rev. F. N. Cox officiated. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery, Tarboro.

Mr. Edwards was an extensive farmer in the Old Sparta section of Edgecombe County for 40 years. He was a member of St. Ignatius' Episcopal Church at Old Sparta. He retired several years ago and moved to Greenville. His home was at 300 Student street.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mabel Craft Edwards; one daughter, Mrs. C. A. Willons, Jr., of Newport News, Va.; four sons, Charles S. Edwards, of Farmville; Ben E. of Greenville; Lester W., of Binghamham, Ala.; and Donald Baby Edwards, of the home, and a brother, J. H. Edwards of Old Sparta.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS UPSTAIRS OFFICE NOW

Farmville's Chamber of Commerce has moved its office to the second floor of the Pitt County Trustee's Agency's building on North Main St. "Come up and see the chamber," says Mrs. B. Bostic, secretary.