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NEWS of the WEEK



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Governor Urges G. O. P. Purge

Montpelier, Vt.—Governor George D. Aiken, as head of one of the two States going Republican in the last Presidential election, declared that the Republican party was in a "nearly complete state of demoralization," and predicted a revolt in 1940 unless the party purged itself of reactionary and subversive elements.

BABIES DIE IN EPIDEMIC

Chicago, Ill.—All obstetric cases have been refused at St. Elizabeth's Hospital following the death of eleven newly-born infants from a strange malady resembling diarrhea but as yet uncontrolled by established methods of treatment.

Plane Specifications Changed

Washington, D. C.—Because no American airplane manufacturer could comply with the Postoffice Department's specifications for planes to serve new postal routes in Alaska, the specifications have been changed to provide for smaller load capacity. In the meantime, representatives of cities, states and Federal bureaus meet this week to consider the enlargement of U. S. airports to accommodate new superliners about to go into service. Of 200 airports only six are said to be big enough to accommodate the new type of big trans-Continental ship.

FIRST BATH REPLACED

Buffalo, N. Y. — A new \$30,000 building replaces Public Bathhouse No. 1, which upon its dedication fifty years ago was said to be the first public bathhouse in the United States.

SETS HORSE'S BROKEN LEG

Ardmore, Pa.—When a 5-month-old filly, belonging to a nearby horseman broke her leg romping in the paddock, he refused to follow tradition by destroying her. Instead he brought her to a local hospital where veterinarians set the bone between stainless steel bars. Dr. Otto Stader has used the same technique on nearly 200 dogs, and believes that he may reverse the dictum of horse-breeders that a horse with a broken leg must be immediately shot.

JOB FOR WINDSOR URGED

London, England — Col. Josiah Wedgwood, fighting Labor member of Parliament, proposes that the Duke of Windsor be put to work in behalf of the British Empire, being "perfectly eligible as Governor-General of Canada or Australia." He points out that such a job would end the "present silly persecution" of the once-King Edward VIII.

BLUE LAWS DEFIED

Bellows Falls, Vt.—Because a local movie theatre was forced to close, citizens united to make the Sunday blue laws of 1790 ridiculous. Men carried battered muskets to church because they had to do it 150 years ago by law; others moved their lawns because it once was against the law; merchants sold everything banned by statute. Lawyers say it will be 40 years before malefactors whose names were taken by policemen will ever reach trial.

CO. TO PUBLISH TAX LIST JAN. 1

Property With Unpaid Taxes Will Be Sold Around February 1, 1938

According to information furnished by Sheriff M. T. Clayton the county will advertise for sale all lands in the county where taxes for 1936 have not been paid during the first week in January. The property will be advertised for four separate weeks and then will be sold at the courthouse door.

It is not thought that the list will be so large this year as Person Co. people have been very good about paying and the county rate is not so high. Sheriff Clayton has tried to impress tax payers with the importance of paying their taxes as they sold their tobacco and many have responded to his request.

The city advertised last month for 1936 taxes. This list was not very large either which must prove that people in this county are fairly prosperous.

SYPHILIS LAW IS BEING ENFORCED

Two Colored People Refused Treatment And Are Now Taking It In Jail

Two colored people of Person County, one man and one woman, have been arrested and placed in jail for refusing to take treatment for syphilis. According to information furnished by Dr. Allen, head of the health department, these two people were given every chance to take the treatment in the clinic for this disease, but they refused to come. Now they will be given treatment in jail until the health department believes that there is no chance of transmitting the disease to others. After they are released from jail they will be required to continue taking treatments until cured.

The Person County Clinic for the treatment of syphilis is now treating twenty patients. All who have this disease are required by law to take treatment and the cost is so very small that anyone can afford it. If a person who has the disease refuses treatment he or she is subject to arrest and confinement. No court trial is held.

Dr. Allen is very anxious for all people to know about the clinic and also the fact that all who have syphilis are required by law to take treatment.

The above case is the first one where an arrest was necessary, but the health department is ready to use force if necessary.

POSTPONED MEETING

The Union Meeting of the Methodist Churches of Person County has been postponed from Monday night to Tuesday night, Dec. 14th. The meeting will be held at the Long Memorial M. E. Church.

PRESIDENT HASTENS RETURN

Washington, D. C.—Cutting short his Florida fishing trip by several days, President Roosevelt returned to the White House to have his jawbone scraped if necessary to remove the effect of an ulcerated tooth extracted before his departure for the South. His return to the Capital is expected to spur action on important bills now pending before Congress. Foremost among the Administration measures on which no action has been taken in the three weeks of the special session are the Wages - Hour Bills and the Farm Program. Both bills are bogged down in uncertainty, the agricultural bills being especially doubtful of passage in their present form.

BOTH CIVIC CLUBS TO ENTERTAIN LADIES THIS WEEK

Kiwanians To Stage Party On Monday Night And Rotarians To Follow On Thursday

It isn't often that Rotarians and Kiwanians decide to take their wives and sweethearts to a party during the same week. It might even be said that some rarely ever take them out, but this week will find the Kiwanians entertaining their lady friends on Monday and the Rotarians doing the same thing on Thursday. Both will stage their parties in the hotel.

The Kiwanians will feature eating, Duke University Quartet and a speech by Marquis Lawrence. The Rotarians will feature eating, a home talent program and remarks by Gene Thompson and a few others.

It has even been said that members of these clubs take their wives to the annual ladies' night and then constantly remind them of this affair when any request originates from the weaker sex after these occasions.

Anyway Monday and Thursday nights will be big occasions in Roxboro and altho Tuxedo suits are not allowed everyone will wear their best suit.

WAGES HOLD LEVEL

New York City—At the opening session of the National Industrial Council, it was reported that nation-wide surveys revealed no general tendency to cut wages during the prevailing recession.

CITY STARTS NEW W. P. A. PROJECT

Several Water Lines Being Constructed To Aid In Fire Fighting

The city of Roxboro has already started a new W. P. A. project which is giving work to a number of men and giving more fire protection to residents of certain streets in Roxboro.

This new project is the construction of several new six inch water lines in Roxboro. One will be a 400 foot line from the corner of Morgan and Chub Lake Street to Charles St. Another runs from the corner of Charles St. and Reams Ave. to Morehead St. This line runs 500 ft. The third line runs from Main and Barnett down Barnett St. for 500 ft. All of these lines are for fire protection and will be six inch lines.

The kind of tuberculosis germ that infects cattle rarely, if ever, causes tuberculosis in human lungs, but it can cause the disease in human bones, joints and glands.

ALONG THE WAY — ALL APPEARS TO BE QUIET — NO NEWS

Young men like Curtis Oakley, Jimmie Long, Bill Minor, W. H. Adair and a few others are getting ready for a big Christmas. All have babies about two years old or less and the dads are making plans for Santa to bring half of Roxboro to their homes this year. A few of the old timers who have six or seven are just staying quiet and patting their foot—"let 'em learn."

Along the way one sees many new calendars, really looks like every store in Roxboro has a collection on hand. There is no reason why the people of this county can't tell the day of the month during 1938. It looks like there are calendars enough to go around and some of them tell you whether it is going to rain or snow.

DIAL SYSTEM HAS BEEN UNUSUALLY BUSY THIS WEEK

On December 7th. The Board Received 6,198 Calls In 24 Hours. Average Under Old System Was Around 2,400

Service Has Been Good

People of this city and county are rapidly learning how to use a dial telephone. Many made mistakes the first three or four days but now they are catching on and the new dial system seems to be working perfectly.

Curiosity must have prompted a number of people to try the system for calls began coming in thick and fast as soon as the system started. The first day, 24 hours, the new board handled 6385 calls. The next day the number soared to 8518, 6198, 6189 and on December 10th. the number went down to 4676. It was evident that curiosity was wearing off and that the people were getting back to normal.

On a normal day before the dial system was put into operation calls ran from 2,534 to 2,607 and they will probably drift back to that number in a few days.

The greatest trouble now is that subscribers do not look under the right heading for the names that they desire to call and therefore have trouble finding it. For instance, if they wish to call the Person County Times many look under Ts for Times when they should look under Ps. The same thing happens in other cases when a company goes under an abbreviation of the entire name.

SNIPES SPEAKS TO BETHEL FARMERS

Plans For A Community Spray Ring To Improve The Home Orchards

J. B. Snipes, asst. county agent, spoke to Bethel Hill farmers at their regular meeting Friday night in the agricultural building at Bethel Hill. His subject was "Probable Changes in the 1938 Soil Conservation Program."

Plans for a community spray ring to improve the home orchards in the community were discussed. Those interested in this program should see A. G. Bullard, teacher of agriculture, at an early date.

Prior to the business meeting and program an oyster stew, prepared by W. W. Rogers, was enjoyed by all present.

A note of weakening was detected in the latest of the apologies from Japan. She practically confessed that she remembered the incident.

MARKET HAS SOLD 4 MILLION POUNDS

Average For Season Has Been \$25.82 Per Hundred Pounds

The Roxboro tobacco market has sold 4,020,588 pounds of tobacco for an average of \$25.82 this year to date. This is about as much as was sold here during the entire season last year and the market will be open for several more weeks this season.

Altho the crop is about sold many expect this market to sell at least a million more pounds. The total may reach six million by the end of the season.

Roxboro market will close Dec. 15 and will re-open in January. Local warehousemen expect a sharp break on Monday and Wednesday of this week.

The market in Roxboro has done better this year than for the past several. The buyers have been nice to all who sold here and the price has been pleasing. If the market continues to grow it will soon reach 8 or 10 million.

BOY PATROLS NOW ORGANIZED R. H. S.

C. R. Wood Of Durham Here Friday To Assist In Organization

Twelve boy patrols have been organized in the sixth and seventh grades under the direction of Mr. Sledge.

The members are: Captain - Randolph King; Lieutenant - Buddy Thomas; Patrols - Martin Michie, Charlie Harris, Jack Hughes, Thomas Long, Tingley Moore, Tom Thaxton, Jack Shotwell and Norfleet Umstead.

We think it very necessary for some action to be taken for the safety of our boys and girls in Roxboro. These boys will be assigned certain strategic points in town and near the school. They will wear badges and belts ordered from the Carolina Motor Club which represents safety and not policy.

Citizens of Roxboro, when a patrol member raises his hand to warn you approaching a group of children who are crossing the street, he is not directing or controlling you, but merely calling your attention to your obligation under the law to respect the rights and safety of pedestrians at crosswalks.

Blank sheets will be sent to parents soon asking them to map the route for their child to come and go from school. Then this route will be enforced. In the meantime, we hope every parent will see that your child goes to and from school as is directed by the patrol at crossings.

The police department of Roxboro is behind this movement to help make it a success. The boys in the patrol will be given training along this line by the police department, C. R. Wood of Durham, and in actual problems which arise from day to day by Mr. Sledge.

Mr. Smith of Durham, a representative of the Carolina Motor Club was successful in inducing Mr. Durham and in charge of Patrols in Durham, to come over Friday night and take a big part in organizing the patrol.

FORTY - NINERS MEET

Boy Scout Troop 49 met in the scout room of the Community house Wednesday night. The meeting was very spirited and all the boys were present. They all decided that a blackboard was needed and decided to buy one with the scout money. Plans were also made for the asst. scoutmaster Sledge to teach the boys handicraft.

The boys wish to have 100% attendance at every meeting.

FRANK WHITFIELD ENTERTAINED 150

Crowd Consumed 58 Bushels Of Oysters And All Had Huge Evening

Frank Whitfield, popular Person County Merchant and County Commissioner, entertained over one hundred and fifty guests Thursday evening at his store in Bushy Fork. The crowd began gathering about six o'clock and by nine o'clock they had consumed 58 bushels of roasted oysters.

People came from everywhere, Roxboro, Durham, Mebane, Burlington and other places. They all had a big time and they all left well satisfied.

The big feed was given in the basement of Mr. Whitfield's store. Many of the men came prepared to open the oysters, but few were caught with nothing except what they could find. Regardless of whether they were prepared or not they managed to eat until they were satisfied.

About twice a year Mr. Whitfield gives a feast of this kind and when he does he issues a broadside invitation for everyone to come. That the invitation is accepted is always proved by the amount of food that is consumed.

HIGHWAY CONTRACT FOR 144 TO BE LET

Will Give Hard Surfaced Road All Way To Mebane; To Be Tar And Gravel Road

Long Awaited In Roxboro

Information coming to this office reveals the fact that the state contract for highway No. 144 running to Greensboro will probably be let Dec. 21st.

This road will run from Roxboro to Prospect Hill to Mebane and on to Greensboro. It will be hard surface, tar and gravel, all the way to Mebane.

It is thought that work will start immediately after the contract is let if weather permits.

People in this city and county will regard this information as good news. It has been thought for some time that this road would be fixed at an early date, but a definite contract has not been given and until now it was not known when this act would take place.

This important road will mean much to people of this county and city. It should mean that more traffic going north will come through Roxboro and will make it easier for people here to get to Greensboro and points west. This road should help Roxboro in many ways and is one that has been desired for many years.

Parents Day Held At Olive Hill

Olive Hill school sets aside Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 10 o'clock promptly, as Parents Day. The program in the afternoon will include one hour of visiting to the classrooms, a Christmas play given by the grammar grades in the auditorium, and a girl's basket ball game with Cunningham school.

The faculty is anxious for all the parents to come and represent their children. A prize of five dollars has been offered to the room that has the highest percentage of parents present.

R. F. D. Carriers Asks Patrons To Put Stamps On Mail

All patrons of the R. F. D. routes are requested to put stamps on all mail before putting it in the mail box. If the subscribers will cooperate to this extent it will help the carriers during the Xmas rush.