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## LAW'S DEATH CAUSES ARREST OF TWO MEN

Paul and Robert Cothran Of Rougemont Arrested By Durham And Person Officers

More Arrests May Be Made

Two Rougemont white men, Robert and Paul Cothran, have been lodged in jail in connection with the slaying of Lee Laws, 20-year-old Rougemont youth whose bullet-riddled body was found last Friday in the Harris mill pond near the Durham county line.

Robert Cothran was arrested by Sheriff E. G. Belvin, of Durham, and is being held in the Durham jail. Paul Cothran was picked up by Sheriff M. T. Clayton and is in the Roxboro jail.

Sheriff M. T. Clayton said that he had information connecting the two Cothrans with the slaying of the Laws youth and will give them a hearing as soon as he completes his investigation. He indicated that additional arrests may be made before the killing is cleared up.

Sheriff Belvin arrested Robert Cothran in Rougemont upon a warrant sworn out by Sheriff Clayton. Robert Cothran, Belvin said, denied all connection with the murder.

When found in the Harris mill pond, Law's skull appeared to have been crushed and a bullet had penetrated his head. Friends of the youth told Sheriff Clayton they saw him last Saturday afternoon at a Rougemont filling station.

Young Laws was unemployed, had no money and robbery was immediately dismissed as a motive for the slaying. Sheriff Clayton refused yesterday to disclose details of his investigation into the murder pending completion of the case.

Wed. Afternoon. — A visit to Rougemont by a reporter from the Person County Times today revealed a large amount of speculation on the part of many people, but very little definite information that could be printed. The entire matter may go back for many months and may reveal a number of startling facts. It is understood that several people saw Laws Saturday afternoon and through these the entire matter may be brought to a head.

## JONES RE-ELECTED BY DURHAM BOARD

Former Roxboro Teacher Reappointed Business Manager Of Durham Schools

Around 350 members of the city of Durham school system were elected Monday by the board of education for the 1938-1939 school term. Action of the board included the re-appointment of Business Manager E. N. Jones. Supt. W. F. Warren, named last year for a two-year period, was not up for reelection.

Teachers were elected unanimously and will be assigned to various schools later, when contracts are signed, Superintendent Warren said after the meeting. Three new teachers were elected: Miss Mavis Mitchell, Miss Lois A. King and Robert S. Alfrey.

Roxboro, N. C., May 10 — Mr. Jones is well known in Roxboro where he taught and coached athletic teams. He left Roxboro to accept a position as teacher in the Durham school system. He is a graduate of Elon College.

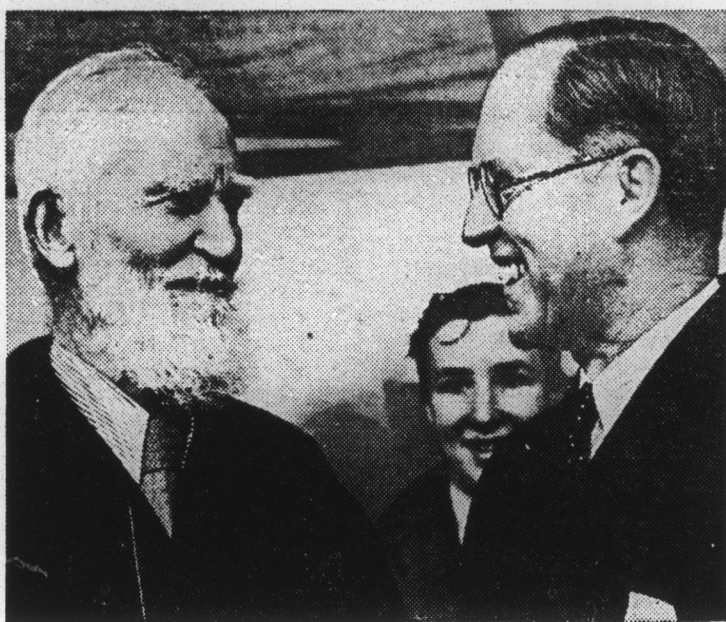
## CHAMBER COMMERCE DIRECTORS TO MEET

The Directors of the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce will meet in the office of the secretary on Friday, May 13th., at 5:00 p. m.

## TOWN TEAM HAS DIZZY AND DAFY

Roxboro's town team is fortunate in having "Dizzy" Struck and "Dafy" Wentzel with them. The two are not brothers, but are making a name for themselves in Roxboro.

## Irish Wit vs. Yank Diplomacy



George Bernard Shaw, left, chatting with Joseph P. Kennedy, American ambassador to London, following a ceremony which took place at Kensington, London, recently in which the famous Irish dramatist received the deeds of the national theatre on behalf of the executive committee.

## Roxboro Country Club Project Approved By District Office

Now Goes To Raleigh Office And From There To Washington; Chances For Approval By All Appear To Be Excellent

Amount Approved Is \$12,727.77

James Harris, city manager of Roxboro, spent several hours in Raleigh and Durham yesterday discussing the Roxboro Country Club project with the proper W. P. A. officials and while there secured the approval of the project by the District office which is in Durham.

The amount of money that is involved in the approval is \$12,727.77. The project now has to go to the state and national office for the second and third approval, but Mr. Harris feels sure that these two offices will approve this project since the District office has already put an O. K. to it.

The money will be used on the club house grounds such as drives, rock gutters, rock walls, shrubs, two tennis courts constructed in the most approved way, building and sodding tees, greens, fairways, planting grass on the course, remodeling club house, sewage system, toilets, fixtures and many other items. In other words, everything will be fixed in the best way.

Of the \$12,727.77 the club has to furnish something over \$3,000.

About one thousand of this can be furnished in supplies that are now on hand and will not call for any expenditures of money.

Final approval may be expected in three weeks.

## "Sandy" Graham In City Tuesday

Spent Some Time Here On Business Trip; Received Large Vote Here In Governor's Race

A. H. "Sandy" Graham was a Roxboro visitor last Tuesday morning. He did not remain in the city for any great length of time, but was here long enough to transact his business and shake hands with a number of friends.

Mr. Graham is very popular in Person County and received a heavy vote here when he was running for the governor's office in the last campaign.

## A. D. Folger Here Wednesday

A. D. Folger, Democratic candidate for Congress from the Fifth District, spent Wednesday afternoon and night in Roxboro. Mr. Folger is well known in this city and he was kept busy talking with new and old friends concerning the political situation of the day.

In today's Times is a statement from him that will be of interest to many people in this county.

## SCOUT COUNCIL IN MEETING TUESDAY

Scout Leaders Reported All Troops In Good Condition And Membership Increasing

At a meeting of the local scout council Tuesday night it was very evident that scouting was continuing on a high plane in Person County.

All scoutmasters who were present reported their troops were in good condition and that the membership was steadily increasing.

Several small bills were ordered paid and quite a bit of business discussed.

A. P. Patterson, Scout Executive, was unable to be present for this meeting due to pressing business in some other city.

Co-commissioners Clyde Swartz and Joe Robinson reported that interest was being maintained in all troops over Person County.

## Roxboro Seniors To Give Play Tonight

"Climbing Roses" Will Be Presented At High School Auditorium At 8:15 p. m.; Large Crowd Expected

The class of 1938 will present their annual play on Thursday evening, May 12 at 8:15 o'clock. They have chosen a clever farce as their presentation this year entitled "Climbing Roses."

The story is about the Rose family who leave their truck farm and move into the fashionable section of a small town. Although they are snubbed by their neighbors their social ambitions are undaunted, and when a prince decides to visit them they feel sure they have removed barriers to their entrance into elite society. Their plans, however, fail to materialize and the neighbors have a good laugh at their expense.

Things take a happy turn and everything is lovely for the Roses.

A large crowd is expected to attend on Thursday evening in the Roxboro High School Auditorium.

## Rev. West To Deliver Commencement Sermons Sunday

Rev. W. F. West of Roxboro, will deliver the Commencement Sermon at the Yanceyville school Sunday morning and at the Milton and Semora school Sunday night.

Both these schools are in Caswell County.

## WAREHOUSES FIGHT FOR EARLIER DATE TO OPEN MARKET

Petition Is Now Being Signed By Person County Growers Requesting That Something Be Done This Fall

Hardest Fight That Has Ever Been Made

A petition is being circulated around Roxboro and Person County for the purpose of securing signers requesting that the warehouses of this belt be allowed to open with those of the Middle Belt.

A large number of names have been secured and more will be added each day.

A similar petition is being circulated in other sections of this belt and it is thought that thousands of signers will be secured. The petition will be presented to the proper officials when the board of trade meets this summer in West Virginia. It is not known whether anything will be accomplished, but it is thought that such a vast number of names will have some effect. If the petition is denied warehousemen of this district may take other means to try to get these markets opened at an earlier date.

Warehouses in Danville and So. Boston are behind this movement and the undertaking is on a scale that is larger than ever before.

Should the Old Belt Markets be allowed to open with the Middle Belt it will mean that much tobacco that has been going away at the beginning of the season will remain at home.

## REYNOLDS FLATTERS ROXBORO LADIES

Spent Afternoon Tuesday In Roxboro Shaking Hands With Friends and New Acquaintances

Senator Robert R. Reynolds, after delivering an address at Bushy Fork Tuesday morning, spent the afternoon in Roxboro talking with friends and making new acquaintances.

He was introduced to several ladies who were in the business section of the city Tuesday. The Senator asked the ladies to please vote for him six years from now as he knew that none of them were old enough to vote in the coming election. (Ed. Note: "The ladies looked over 21 to all except the Senator.")

After going over the city and into a number of business establishments he visited in the courthouse and shook hands with the local office holders.

Senator Reynolds was accompanied to Roxboro by three gentlemen from Washington, D. C.

## C. F. Gentry In Mill Business

Mr. C. F. Gentry, popular young man of this county, has assumed the management of Woodsdale Roller Mills and is grinding wheat and corn.

He has overhauled the mill from one end to the other and everything is in first class shape.

Both meal and flour from this mill are now on the market under a trade name of "Woodsdale Roller Mills."

## Miss Michaels Has Operation

Miss Caroline Michaels, of Mission Hospital, Asheville, N. C., was operated on for appendicitis, Tuesday night.

## ANOTHER DAY

There is another Day in 1938. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Burley Day, Saturday, May 7, a son, Burley, Jr., Everybody getting along nicely.

## Sect'y. Wallace Explains How Marketing Quotas Should Help

SPLENDID EDITION

The final edition for the year of the Roxboro Rambler, high school paper, is out and this edition is a credit to any high school. It consists of 12 pages of news, pictures and ads and is well worth your reading time.

The "Rambler" is a growing publication and those who have charge of it, both students and faculty members, deserve congratulations.

## KIWANIS GOLFERS LOSE TO OXFORD

Roxboro Kiwanians Suffer First Athletic Defeat By Score Of 20 - 4; Ford Only Roxboro Man To Win

Inter-Club Meet Held Tuesday

The golfers of the Roxboro Kiwanis Club lost the first athletic meet of any kind for the club when they went down in defeat to the Oxford golfers by the score of 20-4 Tuesday afternoon on the Oxford course. Stuart Ford was the only winner for Roxboro. Those who played for Roxboro were Baxter Mangum, Marquis Lawrence, William Yancey, James Long, Jr., and Jake Taylor.

After the Roxboro boys met defeat they came to the hotel where they were joined by 25 other local Kiwanians who had arrived in time for an inter-club meeting with Oxford.

The two clubs met in the dining hall of the hotel. Approximately 75 were present from the two clubs. Ed Coble of Oxford, welcomed the visiting Kiwanians to Oxford and Baxter Mangum responded for the Roxboro boys.

After the meal Mrs. Parham of Oxford entertained the members with a number of splendid readings.

## E. E. Eberman, Jr. Honored In N. Y.

Selected To Serve On Exhibition Committee At 17th. Annual Art Show

Edwin Eberman, Jr., former resident of Roxboro and now an artist of the highest rank in New York City, was recently selected to serve on the "Exhibition Committee" at the 17th. Annual Art Directors Club Exhibition. This exhibition was in Rockefeller Center and was made up of thousands of examples of advertising art from all sections of the country.

The committee was made up of prominent artists of New York and being on the committee was a distinct honor.

Mr. Eberman is a graduate of Roxboro High School and lived here for many years. His father, E. E. Eberman, Sr., and his sister, Mrs. G. C. Vickers, are now living in this county.

## Miss Long In Hospital

Miss Isadore Long is a patient at Rex Hospital, Raleigh, N. C., where she underwent an appendectomy.

## Skeeters To Start Shooting

The Roxboro Skeet Club will hold its first meeting of the year at 5:00 p. m. Friday, May 13th. at the skeet course near Jalong. All men and women who care to try their skill are urged to be present.

It is understood that Gordon Hunter has challenged Chas. Wood for the first day.

Available Information Indicates That Farmers Would Have Planted From 200,000,000 To 300,000,000 Lbs. Too Much

Efforts Being Made To Review Appeals Now Before Board

Ed. Note — The information below was released by the United States Department of Agriculture and was done so at the request of Senator Bailey who in turn forwarded it to this paper.

There are several factors in the apparent dissatisfaction with respect to the flue-cured tobacco acreage allotments which have been established, but the principal one is that farmers generally want to grow more tobacco than can be sold at reasonable prices. This is a natural reaction to the favorable prices received for the last four crops of tobacco.

All available information indicates that farmers desired to plant an acreage of flue-cured tobacco in 1938 which, with average growing conditions, would have resulted in a crop of 200,000,000 to 300,000,000 pounds in excess of the present level of world consumption of this kind of tobacco. In other words, another repetition of some of our past experiences was likely — a large crop, high hopes, low prices and heavy losses. Judging from past experience, the value of a crop equal to the 1938 national marketing quota should be much greater than the value of a materially larger crop.

Specific complaints come, in many cases, from farmers who began or increased production of tobacco in 1936 and 1937, taking advantage of favorable prices resulting largely from the operation of the farm programs. Some farmers do not understand that the average allotments which have been established under the Agricultural Conservation Program are separate from marketing quotas which will be established later under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938. Further, some misinformation has been spread about these allotments. Most of these questions doubtless will be explained and cleared during the next few weeks as farmers obtain a better understanding of the program.

Every effort is being made to complete within the next few days the review of appeals in connection with the tobacco acreage allotments and to correct such errors as have been made in the determination of the allotments. It is likely that much of the dissatisfaction and misunderstanding will be removed by this review work.

## MANY NEW VOTERS NOW REGISTERING

Last Saturday Was Fairly Heavy Day With Number Of Registrars Over County

Last Saturday found a number of new Person County citizens registering in order to be able to vote in the Democratic primary that takes place on June 4th.

This is not a new registration, but a number of people who have moved to this city and county since the last election are now making plans to vote on June 4th. and in November.

Registrars in a number of precincts reported that registration was fairly heavy last Saturday and that indications were that it would increase more before the last day. The books are now open and anyone can register who is not already in the books.

It now looks like voting will be fairly heavy in the primary on June 4th. as interest in many contests is picking up.

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