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## Paul Cothran Transferred To State Penitentiary In Raleigh

Report Reached Sheriff Clayton That Party Was Organizing For Purpose Of Forcing Jail Entrance To Take Him Away

Trial To Take Place June 14th.

The trial of Robert and Paul Cothran in connection with the shooting of Lee Laws of the Rougemont section of this county was continued until next term of Recorder's Court that will take place on June 14th. The case was scheduled to be tried this week, but by mutual consent of lawyers for both parties it was continued.

Sheriff Clayton stated Wednesday that he had taken Paul Cothran to the state penitentiary in Raleigh, N. C. The reason for this was that he had received reports that a group of people were coming to this city for the purpose of getting Paul Cothran out of jail and taking him away. Sheriff Clayton and one or two of the deputies waited around the jail one night this week until twelve o'clock waiting for those who were supposed to get him. Then Mr. Clayton rode down to Rougemont in order to discover anything that might tend to show that a mob was forming. He found nothing and retired for the night. Just to be on the safe side Paul was taken to Raleigh the next day.

Robert Cothran is now in the county jail in Roxboro.

Interest in this case continues to be high and the officers are working hard to uncover any evidence that might prove who killed Lee Laws whose body was found floating in a mill pond near Rougemont on May 6th.

## HAIL STORM NEAR YANCEYVILLE MON.

Tobacco Not Large Enough To Be Damaged But Is Standing Up And Looking Well

Recent rains have been about all that the farmers of Person County could desire for the planting of this year's tobacco crop. The crop has now been planted and is looking good. Many have replanted and tobacco is standing up.

Now the farmer fears hail, the dreaded enemy of tobacco that has any size. Five minutes of hail can ruin a crop of any size and nothing can be done to prevent it.

Reports coming to this office told of a violent hail storm near Yanceyville Monday. One man said that he was afraid that the stones would break his windshield. There have been one or two small hail storms in Person County this year, but tobacco was not large enough to suffer any damage.

With the proper seasons Person County should produce one of the best tobacco crops of several years.

## Big Four Appointed Paint Jobbers In City

The Big Four Grocery Co. of Roxboro, has been appointed wholesale paint jobbers for the nationally known Pee Gee paint line. This large paint company is affiliated with the De Voe Reynolds Paint Co. and the paint has long ago become famous for many features.

An advertisement in today's Times tells the story of the budget paint plan and something of the paint. Your attention is invited to this ad and others that will follow.

## Menuhin and His Fiancee



Yehudi Menuhin, concert violinist, is pictured in London with his bride-to-be, Miss Nola Nicholas of Melbourne, Australia. Miss Nicholas is the daughter of a wealthy Australian drug manufacturer and became acquainted with the brilliant young virtuoso on his recent tour of the Antipodes.

## DIRT STREETS IN CITY REPAIRED

County Terracing Unit Being Used For Work; J. B. Snipes In Charge

All dirt streets in Roxboro are now being repaired. This work consists of grading the street, opening the gutters and scraping the road. The work is being done with the county terracing unit and J. B. Snipes, Asst. Co. Agent, has charge of the work.

The county agent's office took the work at a reduced figure just to help the city and this office does not expect to make any money on the contract.

Three or four days will be required to do this work. Mr. I. O. Abbott, street superintendent, is assisting Mr. Snipes.

The big unit does not require much time to grade a street and it does a good job. All dirt streets will be in much better shape after the work is completed.

## One Co. Project Stands Approved

Several Thousand Dollars To Be Spent For Improving Roads In County

One W. P. A. project that involves three or four thousand dollars for road improvement in this county has already been approved and work will be started on these roads in short order.

The two roads to be improved are the ones to the city lake and the one to the pump station. Both are in bad shape and are frequently used.

If the Country Club project is approved in the next week or two that will be started before the above mentioned project.

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## REV. N. J. TODD KIWANIS SPEAKER

Speaks About "Three Tenses," Past, Present And Future, Praises Roxboro And County

Rev. N. J. Todd, prominent citizen of Person County, spoke to the members of the Kiwanis Club Monday night at their regular weekly meeting held in the Community House. Rev. Todd used as his subject "The Past, Present, and Future." He stated that the past offered a heritage that we could use today to a good advantage and that the future offered a challenge that would require the many things that had been left to use by our ancestors.

Rev. Todd praised the business concerns of the city and county stating that they offered the same advantages to be found in stores of larger cities and he also traced the growth of Roxboro for many years up to the present time.

This talk was enjoyed by all Kiwanians and the speaker received a generous round of applause as he sat down.

The Kiwanis Club will meet next Monday at Hotel Roxboro.

## FIREMEN CALLED TO KING'S PALACE

Some Fire Damage And Quite A Bit Of Smoke Loss; Only Chemicals Used

The city fire truck was called to King's Palace on the Durham highway, yesterday, about 1:30 P. M. to extinguish a small blaze that had been caused by an oil stove. When the firemen arrived they found that it was only necessary to use chemicals altho one part of the building was in a light blaze.

The chief damage consisted in smoke damage altho one door and part of a wall had burned to some extent. A radio also suffered a bit of damage.

It was reported that someone was filling an oil stove and it must have been in this way that the fire broke out.

## REV. WEST TO HOLD SERVICES

Rev. W. F. West will leave Roxboro Monday for Abingdon, Va., where he will conduct revival services for ten days.

During his absence, Rev. J. A. Martin will have charge of the services at the First Baptist Church.

## Mayor Proclaims Sat. Poppy Day

Saturday, May 28, was proclaimed "Poppy Day" in Person County in a proclamation issued today by Mayor R. B. Dawes. The proclamation urged all citizens to honor the World War dead and aid the war's living victims by wearing The American Legion and Auxiliary memorial poppy that day. The proclamation reads:

"Whereas, in the World War of 1917-1918 the young men of Person County gave their service to the defense of the United States in an exalted spirit of patriotism and some were called upon to sacrifice their lives in that service;

"Whereas, many others were called upon to sacrifice health and strength with resulting suffering and hardships to themselves and families which continue to this day;

"Whereas the memory of these patriotic sacrifices should ever be kept fresh in the minds of patriotic citizens, while fullest aid should be extended to those still within reach of human aid;

"And, Whereas, the wearing of the Memorial Poppy both honors the dead and aids the disabled and dependents;

"Therefore, I, R. B. Dawes, Mayor of the City of Roxboro, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 28, Poppy Day in the City of Roxboro and urge all citizens to observe the day by wearing The American Legion and Auxiliary Memorial Poppy."

## REBECCA HUNTER RECEIVES HONOR

Gets Invitation To Orchestras At W. C. U. N. C.; New Members Attend First Meeting

Thirteen Students Taken In

Greensboro, N. C., May 25 — Membership invitations to Orchestras of W. C. of U. N. C., were extended to 13 students after they had passed the tests given by Miss Edith Vail, a member of the physical education department and faculty head of the dance group.

New members attended their first meeting at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night, May 17, in the Physical Education building. At this time they were invited to a dinner party Tuesday night, May 24, in their honor.

More members than usual were admitted this year because a large group will be necessary to work on the planned compositions for next year, announces Miss Vail. She stated that compositions of the members would be encouraged.

Wilma Levine will represent Orchestras on the Athletic association cabinet, May 18. Wilma passed entrance requirements her freshman year. She has assisted in planning the dance programs, and in composing the dances. Dance recitals and demonstrations given for the past three years have included Wilma.

Students who received invitations are: Jane Clegg, Louise Meroney, Elaine Meyers, Ruth Weinger, Helen Forester, Ruth Gilmore, Elizabeth Blair, Elicia Caroon, Pearl Lindley Sykes, Ruth Lisk, Anita Stjuss, Rebecca Hunter, and Beverly Barksdale.

## LADIES' AID SOCIETY TO SPONSOR MONROE BROS.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Oak Grove Church will sponsor the Monroe Brothers, at the Olive Hill School, on Wednesday, June 1st, at 8:00 o'clock. Admission will be 15 and 25c.

## TO ATTEND AUTOMOBILE RACES

Messrs. Stephen Glenn, Bill Van Hook, Bill Zimmerman, Dan Loftis, Gurney Young and Fred Kirkman will leave Roxboro Saturday morning for Indianapolis, Ind., where they will attend the automobile races.

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## Free Theatre Tickets Offered By Many Business Firms

Tickets Good On Mondays And Tuesdays At Palace And Dolly Madison Theatres During The Month of June; Tickets Given Free With Purchase Of \$1.00 Or More

Various merchants of Roxboro and Person County are extending an invitation to the people in this locality to be their guests at the Palace Theatre on Monday and Tuesday, June 6th and Monday and Tuesday, June 20-21st; also at the Dolly Madison Theatre on Monday and Tuesday, June 13-14th, and Monday and Tuesday, June 27-28th.

The proposition is very simple: You make a purchase at one of the places where these tickets are being given, of \$1.00 or more and you receive a free ticket to the Palace or Dolly Madison Theatres; this ticket is good for one paid admission on any of the designated dates. If you

want to go to the theatre on the next Monday or Tuesday, simply make another purchase from one of these firms and get a free ticket. You will perhaps make purchases from several different places and will get several tickets; if so, each is good for one paid admission to the Palace or Dolly Madison on the next four Mondays and Tuesdays.

The stores have plenty of tickets and they are ready to put them out according to the stated rules. Manager Kirby of the theatres states that he has booked a number of excellent pictures on the dates that free tickets may be used and he urges everyone to take advantage of this offer. A large display ad on an inside page of this paper tells the story of these theatre tickets. You are invited to turn to the ad for any details that might not be clear and a list of the firms offering tickets.

## W. H. Harris, Sr. Honored On His Seventy-Ninth Birthday

### MAYOR BUYS POPPY



This picture, taken last year, shows Mayor R. B. Dawes buying the first poppy from Miss Huldah Blanks. Saturday of this week has been proclaimed "Poppy Day" in Person County.

## CITY TEACHERS ELECTED TUESDAY

Three Teachers Were Not Candidates For Positions That They Held This Year

At a meeting of the city school board Tuesday night in the office of the Roxboro Cotton Mills all the school teachers in the Roxboro system, who had applied for re-election, were elected to serve next year.

Three teachers who taught this year were not candidates for their positions next year. They were Miss Rampley, Mrs. Hamilton and Miss Payne. Mrs. Ben Brown was elected to fill one vacancy while the others were not filled at the Tuesday night meeting.

The board also failed to take any action concerning the one vacancy on the school board. The names of several ladies were suggested, but no vote was taken.

J. A. Long, chairman of the Roxboro school board, presided over the meeting.

Pete Foley, who at 85 covered the complete 26 mile course of the Boston marathan, was refused admittance to the race 30 years ago when it was felt that he was too old.

Person Masonic Lodge Honors Grand Old Man At Regular Dinner Meeting Tuesday Night At Hotel

Tribute Paid By J. A. Long

W. H. Harris, Sr., was 79 years young last Tuesday and on this date the Person Masonic Lodge, No. 113, A. F. and A. M. held a birthday party at the hotel. This meeting was a regular meeting of the lodge, but was turned over for a celebration of the birthday of Mr. Harris that fell on this date.

J. A. Long paid a fitting tribute to Mr. Harris at this party. He stated that he had known him for many years and that his father, J. A. Long, Sr., now deceased, had known him and had been connected with him in business for many years. All of these years, he said, had been pleasant and that Mr. Harris had been one of Person County's best citizens during all of his life.

C. A. Harris, son of Mr. Harris, master of the lodge presided over the meeting and sat next to his father who was at the head of the table in a large chair. On the other side sat W. H. Harris, Jr., another son.

At the conclusion of the meeting a large birthday cake was brought in and placed in front of the 79 year young man. Those present stood and sang "Happy Birthday." Mr. Harris cut the cake and everyone took a generous helping.

This supper, a Dutch affair, was the last of a series of dinner meetings to be held by the Person Lodge.

The guests present for this meeting were J. A. Long, F. O. Carver, Arthur Crosley and J. S. Merritt.

## DR. G. W. GENTRY EXPRESSES THANKS

Many Fine Donations Have Been Made To Gentry - Williams Hospital Since Opening

Dr. G. W. Gentry expressed today his appreciation and that of his associates for the many fine donations that both individuals and groups have made to Gentry-Williams Hospital since its opening here in December of last year.

"Many people," Dr. Gentry said, "have made donations to the hospital, and owing to the fact that many of the donors did not leave a card, we have been unable to thank them in person. However, we are grateful to each one of you and take this way to thank each and everyone and to express to you our heartfelt appreciation for each gift, big or little."

"If you have not received a card of thanks from the hospital, please consider this message as one designed for you, both clubs and individuals, for we are really and truly grateful for the splendid co-operation you have given us in this undertaking."

## PRESBYTERIANS CONVENE

Philadelphia, Pa. — Altho the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church was formed here in 1789, the present gathering of 950 delegates is the first of its kind to meet here in 149 years. Foremost under consideration are the questions of minimum salaries and a compulsory retirement age for ministers of the Church.

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