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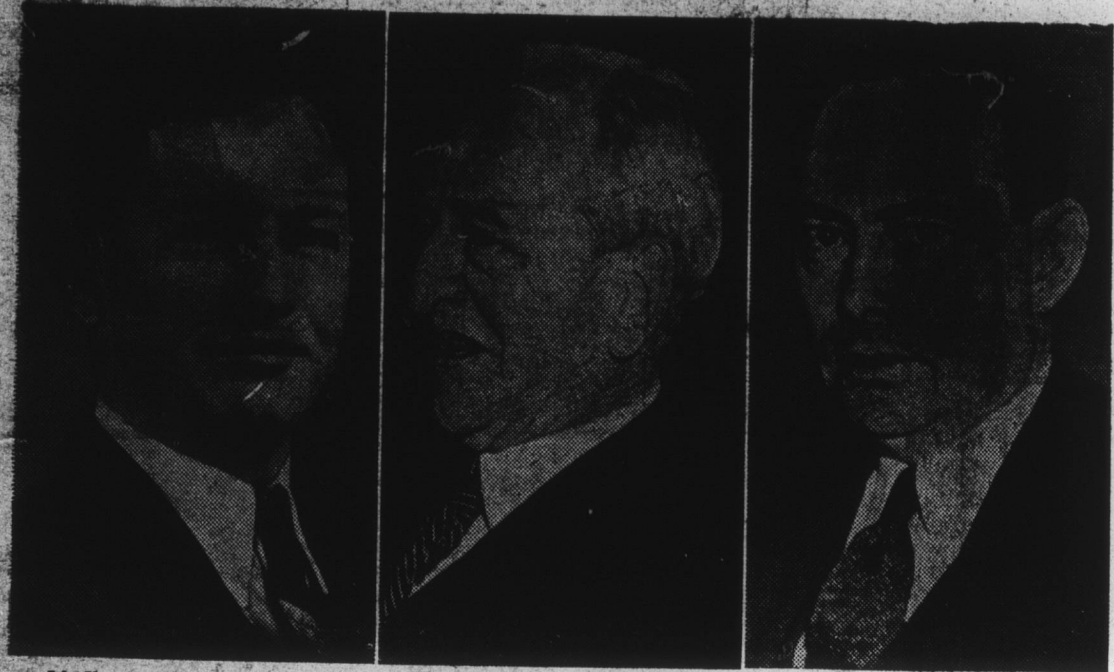
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Await Opening Of Congress



Lindley G. Beckworth, left, 25-year-old Texan, will be the youngest house member in recent years when congress convenes in January. A former school teacher, he unseated Rep. Morgan Sanders, veteran of 18 years in the house, in the Democratic primaries. Carter Glass of Virginia, center, oldest senator, will celebrate his eighty-first birthday January 4. Rep. Joseph Martin Jr., right, of Massachusetts, chairman of the Republican congressional committee, is almost assured of election to the leadership of the minority in the congressional session. He will succeed Bertrand Snell of New York, who did not seek re-election.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Dictators Gain In Europe

London, England—In two European elections large majorities were recorded for Nazi-Fascist movements. In Lithuania, the self-determining territory of Memel registered a decisive victory for the German, or Nazi party, indicating a possible absorption of that region by the Reich. In Yugoslavia the Government, friendly to Mussolini, scored about 60 per cent of the national vote.

COTTON CONTROL WINS

Washington, D. C.—Secretary of Agriculture Wallace announced that the farm referenda just completed favored the continuance of the New Deal crop control policy but rejected further control of tobacco and rice crops. A two-thirds vote of growers was necessary. The Secretary stated that the program is "open to producers of all crops," and that it would probably be a permanent Federal policy.

STRIKE HAMPERS SANTA CLAUS

New York City — Long distance truck deliveries came to an end in this city at the height of the pre-Christmas rush when Highway Transport Association suspended all operations because of a strike among loaders and handlers fomented by local racketeers. An appeal has been made to Washington to curb activities of gangsters who have been levying graft on every truck entering the city.

PUBLIC BUYS "BABY BONDS"

Washington, D. C. — The humble investing public has had no small share in financing current Government deficits, as shown by the latest Treasury report. Since their first offering in March, 1935, 1,400,000 investors have put \$2,000,000,000 in Uncle Sam's "baby bonds." Although they are redeemable 60 days after issue, less than 10 per cent have been offered for redemption. No one can buy more than \$10,000 of them in any one year.

Negro Man Fatally Hit By Nephew Driven Automobile

Accident Occurs Near Here
On Semora Road Friday Night

Dolphin Winstead, 55 year old negro, was run over and killed about two miles from here on the Semora road Friday night shortly after 7 o'clock.

The driver of the death car was Dock Walker, nephew of the victim, and riding with him were Winstead's two sons. Walker lived at his uncle's home.

Winstead had started walking home when the accident occurred. Walker said he was blinded by the lights of an oncoming car and did not see his uncle. The negro was taken to the local hospital but died soon after arrival.

State Patrolman W. A. Baxter, who investigated the accident, arrested Walker on the charge of manslaughter and placed him in jail here. He was later released under a bond set at \$300 for his appearance at the next session of Recorder's court.

The accident took place near the home of Lee Clay, prominent Person County negro, on Highway 57. Winstead was also well known throughout the vicinity.

School Children Donate To Xmas Cheer Campaign

The local welfare office assumed a well-crowded general store appearance yesterday as school children at the Central School and members of the Boy's and Girl's Hi-Y clubs of the high school turned over hundreds of useful gifts for distribution to the needy at Christmas.

Hundreds of cans of canned goods of various products, several bushels of Irish potatoes, baskets of fruit, candy, edible products of all kinds as well as a large selection of toys and other gifts were all left in the care of Mrs. T. C. Wagstaff, welfare officer, as school children attended their last classes before Christmas.

Classes donating to the cause from the Central school were those taught by Miss Inda Collins, Mrs. Mary Long, Miss Blanche

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Average N. C. Family Spends \$39.96 On Yuletide Buying

Person County Teachers Join Education Group

All Person County teachers with the exception of three have joined the North Carolina Education association, County Superintendent R. B. Griffin said yesterday.

"Person County teachers," Griffin indicated, have always been loyal to the association, taken part in its meetings and held prominent positions in the organization. The membership of the association has gradually increased to the point where practically all teachers are members, he pointed out.

This group is responsible for the meetings held over the state during the year and takes an active part in promoting interest in education among legislators and other officials throughout the state.

Holiday Business Estimate Based On Sales Of All Retail Businesses.

North Carolina's families will spend an average of \$39.96 apiece this year for Christmas as their share of the nation's forecast two-billion dollar total, the National Consumers Tax Commission estimated today.

Of this amount, they will pay, most of them unknowingly, \$6.11 in hidden taxes, according to the report announced at National Consumers Tax Commission headquarters in Chicago by Mrs. Kenneth C. Frazier, president.

The study indicated, she said, that total national retail sales for 1938 will "equal or surpass" the 1937 volume of nearly 40 billion dollars, and the average Christmas expenditures of the nation's families will be \$62.50, of which \$9.57 will account for hidden taxes.

Mrs. William T. Hannah of Waynesville is the NCTC state director in North Carolina.

In releasing the report, Mrs.

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Person Farmers Hold Meetings On Coop Project

Person County farmers held a series of nine discussion meetings during the past week to discuss plans whereby through the cooperative manufacturing and distribution of fertilizer they can save themselves hundreds of dollars during the spring season.

The meetings were sponsored by the Farmers Mutual Exchange of Durham in conjunction with the state-wide Farmers Cooperative Exchange and all farmers and their wives were invited to attend and take part in the discussion.

At an organization meeting recently held, leading farmers from all sections of the county planned the meetings in various communities and arranged with at least twenty-five other leading farmers and their wives to take part in each community meeting.

During the past week the meeting places and leaders were as follows:

Dec. 12th. - Bushy Fork School, W. K. Moore.

Dec. 13th. - Allensville School, B. G. Crumpton.

Dec. 13th. - Bethel Hill High School, E. Y. Jones.

Dec. 14th. - Helena School, G. D. Jones.

Dec. 14th. - Olive Hill School, Raymond Winstead.

Dec. 15th. - Mt. Harmony School, W. B. Jones.

Dec. 15th. - Hurdle Mills School, F. L. Moore.

Dec. 16th. - Cunningham School, House, Sam Green.

Dec. 16th. - Providence Club

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Merritt Speaks As Lawyers Honor Old, New Officers

With local attorneys William D. Merritt, R. P. Burns, Nathan Lunsford and R. B. Dawes participating, lawyers of the 10th district Friday night honored retiring Judge Marshall T. Spears, incoming Judge Leo Carr and incoming Solicitor William Muddock at a banquet at Hope Valley country club in Durham.

Mr. Merritt, dean of the local bar, made one of the principal speeches of the evening, as representatives from each of the five counties in the district were called upon to eulogize the retiring judge and welcome the new court officers.

Speakers from the other bar association other than Person included Col. S. C. Chambers from Durham, Ben Parham from Granville, Sam Gattis from Orange, and J. D. Long from Alamance. Also making talks were Dean M. T. Van Hecke of the University of North Carolina law school and Professor Malcolm McDermott of the Duke law school. Approximately 75 lawyers were present for the occasion.

BEAUTIFUL TREE

Worthy of mention is a large Christmas tree in the front yard of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harris of Roxboro. This tree is decorated with a hundred or more lights and is a beautiful sight.

HOTEL OWNER

William Thomas, former Roxboro citizen, is a proprietor of the new Laurel Park Hotel and Camp. This hotel is located midway between Washington and Baltimore on highway No. 1.

Bank Has "Best Day" Friday Yuletide Shopping Picks Up

Pre-Holiday Tobacco Report Compares Well With '37-'38

Market Only About Three
Quarter Million Pounds Behind
Last Year.

The local tobacco market had nearly reached the three and a half million pound mark as Roxboro's four sales warehouses closed for the Christmas holidays Friday.

3,412,775 pounds were the actual figures as released by Secretary George W. Walker of the Tobacco Board of Trade yesterday. This tobacco, the report revealed, had been sold for \$733,299.67 or an average of \$21.48 per hundred pounds.

The market will re-open on January 10 for a ten day sales period before finally closing for the current season on January 20.

According to Mr. Walker, the

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Dr. Geo. Joyner Named Randolph Hospital Surgeon

According to the Randolph Tribune, Dr. George W. Joyner, who was reared within a stone's throw of the Person County line and is the brother of Mrs. J. D. Bradsher of this city, has been appointed major surgeon for the Randolph Hospital, Inc.

Dr. Joyner, it is remembered, was the principal speaker at the local Kiwanis club several weeks ago and is well known in both Roxboro and Person County. The following is the Tribune's complete announcement:

"Announcement has been made that Dr. George W. Joyner, of Durham, who has been assistant to Dr. Hart, Chief Surgeon of Duke hospital, will come to Asheboro after the first of the year to become major surgeon for the Randolph Hospital, Inc.

"Dr. Joyner took his medical training at Wake Forest college for two years, and graduated from the School of Medicine at Duke

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Secretary



Secretary of the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce Melvin H. Burke, above, will officiate over the drawing ceremonies next Friday when the Chamber and local warehouses present a new Ford V-8 to some farmer selling on the Roxboro market this year.

City Schools Begin Holidays Friday, Others This Week

With schools in the Roxboro city school system leading the way last Friday, all schools in the county will be closed for the Christmas holidays by next Wednesday, Superintendent R. B. Griffin said yesterday.

Bethel Hill's closing date has been set for Tuesday with the remaining county schools following on Wednesday.

All schools, both county and city, will resume operations on Monday, January 2, he said.

MUCH BETTER

Clyde Swartz is much better after being confined to his home for several weeks with influenza. He expects to return to active work in a few days.

Along The Way With the Editor

Dear Santa Claus. Even tho I am a big boy there are several things that I want you to do for me this year. I am not asking for anything for myself, first remember my friends—signed, Editor.

Please bring Sam Byrd Winstead forty first sales for the next tobacco season. If all of his sales had been first sales I think he could have had a better year during 1938. Please Santa, put that on your list right now.

Bring Jim Harris a tax collecting machine. If you will just give James something to relieve his mind of the tax collecting burden I believe that he will live ten years longer. Now Santa, this is important, he needs this machine.

Bring Gene Thompson a machine that will collect notes given for hail insurance. Gene is about to lose his mind and if you do not have a machine of this kind try to get one made right away. Remember Santa this is imperative.

Bring Phil Thomas a new picture of himself. The last one he had made was when he was about sixteen years of age and now that he is chairman of the board of County Commissioners he needs a new one for the newspapers. Please Santa, Phil needs this and if there is any cost just send the bill to his drug store.

Bring Gene Thomas a new automobile that will go 110 miles an hour. When Gene starts somewhere he wants to go and come back in a hurry. If you have a good fast airplane bring that on. He might as well start learning how to fly right now.

I would appreciate it if you would bring Wheeler Newell a ten year subscription to the Wall Street Journal. If you would do this it would keep him from hanging around the bank all day reading the one that belongs to Mr. Hunter.

And don't forget my friend Ralph Cole. Bring him two more grandchildren.

Waived Deposit Checks Go
Fast As Bank Pays Out
Large Sum.

Big Week Predicted

With the Peoples Bank doing a larger volume of business on Friday than on any other day in the history of their business, conditions looked better in Roxboro for the Christmas season than in several years.

E. B. Craven, Jr., started handing out waived checks just as the bank opened and some member of the bank staff kept busy doing this all day until the bank closed.

On Saturday people from the country started coming in for their checks and by Saturday noon a large per cent of the waived deposits had been placed in the hands of depositors.

Merchants reported a slight increase in business Friday and held high hopes for a large increase this week. A majority of the stores will be open every night this week until 9:00 p. m.

Saturday found Roxboro crowded with shoppers and practically every merchant in the city reported that business was good. All expect this week to be a banner week with business booming until the stores close Saturday night.

Bank officials estimate that practically all of the money will be turned over to the depositors by Tuesday or Wednesday.

Practically every store in the city will be closed next Monday as this day will be observed as Christmas.

ROTARIANS HEAR MUSICAL PROGRAM

Members Of High School
Glee Club Provide Entertainment For Club.

Musical entertainment was the order of the day as the local Rotary club held its regular weekly meeting at Hotel Roxboro Thursday night.

Providing the music was Miss Sam Byrd Winstead and several members of her Roxboro High school glee club as follows: Martha King, Peggy Whitten Annie Laura Day, Annie Mae McWhorter, Billy Murphey and E. T. Wrenn.

This group presented group solo, duet and quartet numbers in a manner delightful to the entire assemblage.

At a business session, the club moved to contribute \$25 to the crippled children's fund.

James C. Harris, chairman of the program committee, was in general charge of Thursday night's program. Howard K. Strang, president, presided.



UNTIL CHRISTMAS