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YOUNG WOMEN OF COMMUNITY NEAR HERE IMPROVED

Misses Huldah and Esther Gentry Still In Hospital Undergoing Treatments.

Two young women, Misses Huldah and Esther Gentry, both residents of the Allensville community, near this city, and distantly related to each other, are patients at Community hospital here, where they were brought late Monday afternoon after having received injuries in separate accidents in which automobiles were involved.

The first named, Miss Huldah Gentry, suffered a fractured right leg, near the ankle, about five-thirty o'clock in the afternoon as she was crossing the street in front of the Collins and Aikman corporation plant at Ca-Vel, where she was struck by a car being driven by Cleidith Hayes, of the Bethel Hill community. Eye witnesses to the accident report that the young woman apparently did not see the on-coming car and that the driver, observing that she had not seen his machine, applied his brakes so quickly that the front of the car missed her, although the sudden stop swung the car around, causing Miss Gentry to be hit by the back bumper.

The second victim, Miss Esther Gentry, received a fracture of the seventh dorsal vertebra, about four-thirty o'clock Sunday afternoon, near Creedmoor, when the car in which she was riding, driven by her brother, Ivey Gentry, overturned as the driver was endeavoring to pull it back into the highway after the machine had skidded onto a soft shoulder. Ivey Gentry, and his brother, Harold Gentry, and Misses Alma Wheeler and Wilma Hart, of Oxford, also in the automobile, suffered no injuries other than a few bruises, but the car was greatly damaged.

Perhaps, the more seriously injured of the two young women is Miss Esther Gentry, who was first taken to Watts hospital, Durham, immediately after the wreck. She remained in the Durham hospital until Monday afternoon, when she was transferred to Community hospital, Roxboro, at about the time of Miss Huldah Gentry's accident.

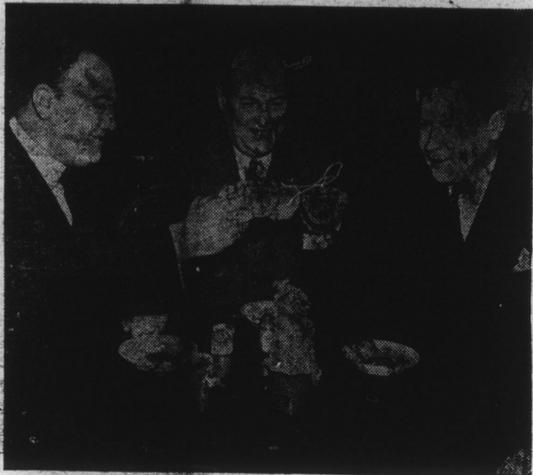
Miss Esther Gentry and her two brothers were said to have been enroute to Campbell college, where she is a student, after having spent the week-end at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gentry. The brothers were also going on to Wake Forest, where Ivey Gentry is a student, and to Sanatorium, where Harold Gentry is a laboratory technician.

Miss Huldah Gentry, daughter of Mrs. Ed Gentry, is a secretary in the purchasing department of Collins and Aikman, where she had just completed her work for the day. No charges have been preferred against Mr. Hayes, who, ironically enough, is a personal friend of the young woman.

NO CHOICE YET

Selection of a new city manager to succeed James C. Harris, recently resigned to go to a similar position at Hazard, Ky., may be made soon, according to statements made Tuesday morning by members of the Roxboro City Council, who had a call session Monday evening, at which it is said some eighteen candidates, two residents of this city and two others from out of town, were interviewed and questioned.

Arrange Chicago Democratic Conclave



Big plans for the Democratic national convention in Chicago are being made by Oliver A. Quayle, center, treasurer of the Democratic national committee; Joseph Knight, left, secretary of the Illinois Democratic central committee, and Homer Matt Adams, president of the Young Democrats of America. The trio met in Chicago to make necessary arrangements.

SPINNING PLANT SOON TO BEGIN OPERATION HERE

New Division of Collins and Aikman Plant at Ca-Vel Housed. Structure Built By Kane.

Within less than nine months after construction was begun, the now virtually completed spinning plant addition at plant E of the Ca-Vel division of the Collins and Aikman corporation will be in use, according to information received from William Warren, the corporation's resident engineer, who said also that the spinning plant addition means an increased efficiency and enlargement of facilities at Plant E, since until now all spinning operations of the corporation have been carried on in the company's Northern plants.

The spinning plant is located at Ca-Vel, near this city, is on the main highway passing through the village, and adjoins one of the older buildings.

The new, building, of one story type, with a basement, measures 307 by 180 feet and is of fire-proof construction, although there is adequate light, both natural and artificial. Construction has been under the direction of the George W. Kane company, this city, and in the party viewing the building Tuesday afternoon as guests of Fred Masten, Roxboro office manager of the Kane company, were a number of representative Roxboro citizens.

GOOD RECORD

B. B. Knight, owner and manager of Knight's Insurance agency, has just received word from the Ohio State Life Insurance Co. that he was among the first twenty agents of the United States in Paid-For For The Year Contract Basis life insurance. For December he was eighth in examined business and seventh in examined business for the year.

Mr. Knight has been representing the Ohio State Life Insurance company for about five years.

IS IMPROVED

Mrs. H. M. Beam, of Lamar street, whose leg was broken in a fall received Sunday morning at her home, is reported to be resting comfortably. It is understood that she slipped on the walkway between the house and the garage, the accident happening about 9:30 o'clock.

Merchants Warned To Watch Out For Worthless Checks

Merchants in this area are being notified by Wallace W. Woods, secretary of the Roxboro Chamber of commerce, to be on the lookout for worthless checks reported as being passed by a Miss Irene Dockins, formerly of Columbia, S. C., on the basis of a Red Cross First Aid instructor's card. According to C. Leo Wilhelm, state field representative of the Red Cross, who was here today, Miss Dockins did qualify as a first aid instructor in 1937, although only one card was issued her and she has not since then been actively engaged in such instruction.

Mr. Wilhelm, who received reports from Raleigh, said that the matter was first reported last week by Red Cross officials at Columbia. He had no information as to how many checks have been passed, but joined Mr. Woods in the request that all merchants in North and South Carolina be warned.

All-Girl Teams Will Debate For Allensville High

Following a preliminary elimination held at the school, debaters chosen to represent Allensville high school in its triangular debates with Wilton and Oak Hill on March 29, were selected as follows: affirmative, Frances Evans and Geraldine Moorefield; negative, Louise Solomon and Elsie West. With the exception of Miss West, who is a sophomore, all speakers selected are members of the senior class.

The Allensville negative team will meet Wilton, at Wilton, and the affirmative team, upholding the query, Resolved: that the federal government should own and operate the railroads, will debate Oak Hill at Allensville. The school having a winning team will be expected to participate in the finals at Chapel Hill in April.

HAS OPERATION

John Herman Wehrenberg, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wehrenberg, is a patient at Community hospital, where he underwent an appendectomy late yesterday afternoon. He was stricken with a sudden attack earlier in the morning shortly after he had gone to work at the Collins and Aikman plant. His condition is now reported to be satisfactory.

Church Circle To Sponsor Benefit Babies' Contest

Registration books are now open for a "Baby" contest being sponsored by Circle Five, of the Roxboro First Baptist church as a supplement to their part in the church building fund. Registrations will continue through Saturday, February 24, and may be made until that date at three selected beauty salons in the city. Babies from birth up to six years of age are eligible upon payment of a small registration fee, which will entitle the child entered to a certain number of votes.

The actual voting contest will follow between March 1 and March 9 and it is expected that several entrants will have special sponsors looking after their interests. A small fee will be charged for votes. Registration has been in progress for several days and members of the circle report that interest is rapidly increasing. A silver loving cup will be given to the infant or child receiving the highest number of votes.

PAGEANT GIVEN AS FEATURE OF P. T. A. PROGRAM

Nominating Committee Also Chosen. Miss Boatwright Recites Poems.

Commemorating the forty-third anniversary of the founding of the national Parent-Teachers association, a pageant, "As Told by Candles", was presented as a feature of the regular monthly meeting of the Roxboro Parent-Teachers association held Tuesday afternoon at Roxboro high school. The pageant, staged under the direction of Mrs. B. G. Clayton, was interpreted by members of the high school dramatics club.

Presiding over the meeting was Mrs. R. H. Shelton, president, who presented the program chairman, Mrs. J. H. Hughes. As an introduction to the program Mrs. Hughes then gave a brief history of the national P. T. A. organization, the first national congress of which was held on February 17, 1897, at Washington. Devotionals were led by Miss Ina Collins, who also read the "Ten Commandments for Parents."

During a brief business session a committee was elected to revise by-laws and to nominate officers for the coming year, those chosen for the committee being Mrs. Wagstaff, Miss Roxanna Yancey and Mrs. R. B. Dawes.

Also a feature on the program was the recitation of two poems by young Miss Alice Lee Boatwright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Boatwright. During the social hour a cake made by Mrs. Cy Kirby was raffled, the winner being Mrs. L. C. Clarke. Refreshments, in Washington's birthday motif, were served by members of Mrs. Babon's home economics class. Hospitality chairman was Mrs. H. L. Umstead.

Students taking part in the pageant were Misses Nobie Sue Nelson, Peggy Whitten, Martha Boatwright, Catherine Tapp, Mary Virginia Clayton, Ida Frances Harris, Arlene Newell and Marion Frederick.

MISS BARNETT HOME

Miss Mamie Love Barnett has returned to Roxboro from Watt's hospital where she has been undergoing treatment. Her condition is much better.

Dollar Days Open In City Tomorrow; Bargains And Large Crowds Expected

DEBATE WINNERS MUST NOW WORK TO ENTER FINALS

Four For Roxboro High First Team and Their Alternates Selected Tuesday Morning.

Winners in the elimination contest held Tuesday morning by Roxboro high school debaters seeking to qualify as team representatives for the school's triangular debates between high schools at Hillsboro and Chapel Hill, were Robert Hunt and John McWhorter and Misses Arlene Newell and Annie Sue Barrett. Chosen as alternates were Ted Parker and Sam Umstead and Misses Nellie Lester and Margaret Greene.

Selection of team representatives and alternates will mean a concentration of effort on the part of the winners and alternates during the next few weeks, with the hope that they may win over their rivals and be selected to attend the annual high school debating finals to be held at Chapel Hill in April.

Between eighteen and twenty young Roxboro high school students took part in the debates of the morning, starting at eight-thirty o'clock at the high school auditorium and the judges, Mayor S. F. Nicks, Jr., Rev. Thomas H. Hamilton and Thomas J. Shaw, Jr., considered the choices for some time before decision was announced.

Using the query for the year, "Resolved: that ownership, operation and control of railroads should be taken over by the United States government," many of the students chose negative rather than affirmative sides for presentation, although the local winners of the morning may be expected to take an opposite side before the contests with Chapel Hill and Hillsboro take place.

Others who participated in the contests of the morning included: Misses Frances Mangum, Irene Jones, Lula Chaney, Margaret Chambers, Marguerite Allen, Ethel Johnson, Nobie S. Nelson, Catherine Tapp and Nannie Lou Hall, and Gordon Wilkerson.

Former Resident Passes Saturday In Washington

Clem Daniel, former resident of this city, but resident of Washington, D. C. for the past fifteen years or more, died in that city Saturday. Pneumonia was given as the cause of his death.

Funeral services were held in that city Monday afternoon.

Mr. Daniel is survived by numbers of relatives in Roxboro and Person county, among them being Mrs. Ida Mitchell, an aunt, and Mr. Bill Daniels, an uncle.

The deceased was unmarried. He was working with a Washington newspaper.

NOT HERE

Miss Inez Hobgood, state NYA supervisor, scheduled to have been here yesterday for a conference with Mrs. T. C. Wagstaff, welfare and WPA administrator for Person county, was detained at her home because of an automobile accident and will not come to Roxboro this week, it was learned today.

New President



GEORGE CUSHWA

Mr. Cushwa was elected president of the Person County Scout Council at the regular monthly meeting held Tuesday night.

GEORGE CUSHWA CHOSEN TO HEAD SCOUT COUNCIL

Elected At Monthly Meeting Of Local Council Held On February 20. Other Officers Selected.

At a meeting of the Person county Scout Council Tuesday night George J. Cushwa was elected president of the council. Other officers elected were W. A. Pickering, vice-president, F. O. Carver, Jr., secretary and R. M. Spencer, treasurer.

President O. B. McBroom presided over the meeting which was held in the office of Dr. A. F. Nichols. Mr. McBroom declined to offer his name for the position of president for the coming year.

Prior to the election of officers all Scoutmasters who were present gave a report on their troops. There reports indicated that the troops were in good shape and that registrations for 1940 had been good.

Clyde Swartz, commissioner for this district, reported that progress was being made in the formation of a Negro troop for Roxboro and that a Scout leader training course would be held soon.

A. P. Patterson, scout executive reported on several phases of Scouting in this district and F. O. Carver, Jr. reported on the annual meeting that was held in Weidsville last month.

New officers will enter upon their duties at once.

CHANGED DATES

Change in the schedule of Miss Goldie Roberts, of Durham, WPA area supervisor, was announced today. Miss Roberts will in the future be in Roxboro on the fourth Friday of each month. Her next conference here, at the rural center between the hours of ten o'clock in the morning and three-thirty o'clock in the afternoon, will be held on Friday of this week.

OFFICES CLOSED

Offices of the Person county departments of health, public welfare and WPA administration are closed today in observance of Washington's birthday, according to announcements from officials of the various departments. Also closed are the United States post-office and Peoples bank.

Fifty or More Merchants And Other Firms Promise To Have Shelves Loaded With New Stock.

Dollar Days begin in Roxboro tomorrow and continue through Monday, February 26. Practically every store in Roxboro is co-operating in this event and everything looks favorable for one of the greatest Dollar Day events to be staged in this city. Approximately fifty stores or places of business have said that they would feature extra special values on these days.

W. W. Woods, secretary of the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce, has been working on the program for about a week and he has made every effort to have all merchants plan greater values than they ever have for Dollar Days. The entire project is being sponsored by the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce.

Dollar Days, this year, are planned differently from other Dollar Days, in that the program starts in one week and runs over into the next week. This will give all people ample time to do their shopping.

Another thing in favor of the occasion for this year is that the weather man has promised fair weather for the next few days. He may change his mind before the big days arrive, but everyone is hopeful.

Local merchants and the Chamber of Commerce invite everyone in this section of the state to visit Roxboro, February 23, 24 and 26th.

North Carolina Program Given At Kiwanis Club

With "Know Your North Carolina" as the topic of the evening, an entertaining and instructive program was presented Monday by Gilbert Wagstaff and the program chairman, E. E. Thomas, at the dinner session of the Roxboro Kiwanis club held at the Hotel Roxboro. High scorers in the Tar Heel contest, which consisted of 42 questions, were Dr. B. A. Thaxton, who had only eight errors.

Reports of the inter-club meeting held last week in Raleigh were presented by Hill Stanfield. Special welcome was extended to Ralph Cole, who had been absent for several weeks while on a southern trip.

Mrs. Allen Talks On Visual Defects

At a meeting held at Person County courthouse at 4:15 yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Gay Allen, of Raleigh, of the state commission of the blind, gave to teachers in the county system explanations and demonstrations of methods for determining visual defects. Visual inspections will be given in both white and Negro schools in the county between now and March 15, it is said.

OBSERVES HOLIDAY

In observance of Washington's birthday, a legal holiday, the Roxboro Post Office, of which L. M. Carlton is postmaster, is closed today. Incoming mail has been distributed as usual and outgoing mail has been dispatched, but window service has not been available during the day.