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## R. L. Harris On Program At Granville Celebration

Brought On Program; Governor Hoey Was Tuesday Speaker.

Oxford, July 4 — Over-flowing crowds on Tuesday heard Governor Clyde R. Hoey and J. B. Hutson, Assistant Federal AAA Administrator, warn that farmers face disaster unless they approve continuation of tobacco control, and witnessed the first presentation of "Granville County Through The Years," historic pageant tracing the growth of this commonwealth.

The speaking and drama were highlights of the second day's program of the week-long Granville Court House Centennial Celebration, which also included the crowning by the governor of Miss Caroline Hight, Queen of the Centennial, and Miss Virginia Harris, "Miss Columbia" of the festival. J. M. Broughton, North Carolina's governor-nominee, and R. L. Harris, lieutenant governor-nominee, appeared on Wednesday's program at 10 o'clock with band music and an address of welcome by Mayor B. S. Royster. The pageant was enacted again last night and will be presented tonight.

Approximately 3,000 persons — the largest crowd in years — attended the 18th annual field day at the Oxford Tobacco Experiment station Tuesday and heard Governor Hoey and Hutson in the roles of principal speakers. Other notables, both state and national, also were on the program.

The field day, annually an outstanding event in Granville, was staged this year in connection with the celebration centering around the 100th birthday of Granville County's famed court house.

Hutson declared that last year's crop of tobacco exceeded the world's consumption by nearly 400 million pounds and that stocks of flue-cured tobacco in the United States are now 500 million pounds larger than a year ago, an increase of more than 50 percent. About 740,000 acres of flue-cured tobacco now growing will yield approximately 650 million pounds, Hutson said, "which according to our estimate will be 100 to 150 million pounds of flue-cured tobacco more than the tobacco companies will want to buy."

Hutson said also that if the farmers voted July 20 in favor of a three-year control program he predicted prices this fall would be protected at or slightly above last year's levels. If the three-year control program should be approved the quota for the 1941 crop would be the same as this year, he forecast, and if the quotas would be reduced 10 per cent and

## Several Additions To Relief Funds Made This Week

Chairman S. F. Nicks, Jr., of the Red Cross War Relief Fund today announced additional contributions totaling \$28.50. The total amount received to date is \$877.94.

Names and amounts contributed are:

Mrs. R. B. Holeman \$1, Miss Marjorie Griffin \$1, Lamar St. Bridge Club \$8, Thomas J. Shaw, Jr. \$1, Mrs. J. D. Morris \$2, Marshall Frederick 50c, Thad K. Jones \$1, Carl Winstead's store \$5, C. T. Hall \$5, Mrs. T. C. Wagstaff \$1, Mrs. Glenn Brandon \$1.

## "Grass Will Grow"

Chief of Police S. A. Oliver, of this city, had a favorite evening seat—three cannon balls piled at the corner of the court house lawn. He will enjoy it no more, for yesterday workmen intent upon refurbishing the decorative scheme of the lawn, took up the three iron balls and three others at the opposite corner, near the Satterfield Confederate monument and placed them in orderly rows, three by three, on each side of the front walk leading to the main entrance of Person's temple of justice. Also included in the renovations was the flagpole, with a new coat of silver paint.

Grass will grow where Chief Oliver once meditated, but he still thinks his Fourth of July has been ruined.

## Firemen Express Pleasure At Success Of Booster Tank

Members of the Roxboro Fire department, including Chief Henry O'Briant, this week expressed pleasure at the success of the operation of the new booster tank, given a complete working test in a small fire which occurred Saturday morning about noon at the Lamar street residence of R. A. Bullock.

It was pointed out by Chief Henry O'Briant that damage by the blaze was less than \$50 and that furnishings in the home were not damaged and that complete order was restored in a short time. The amount of water used was small. The booster tank was purchased a few months ago at the suggestion of City Manager Percy Bloxam and Chief Henry O'Briant.

## Hobbs To Speak At Conference

Speaker at the Third Quarterly conference of the Person Circuit next Saturday will be District Superintendent, Rev. A. J. Hobbs, according to announcement from Rev. E. G. Overton, of the Person Circuit, who has said that the session will begin at 11 o'clock in the morning at Warren's Grove Methodist church.

Dinner will be served on the grounds. The public is invited to attend the services and many persons will remain for the dinner.

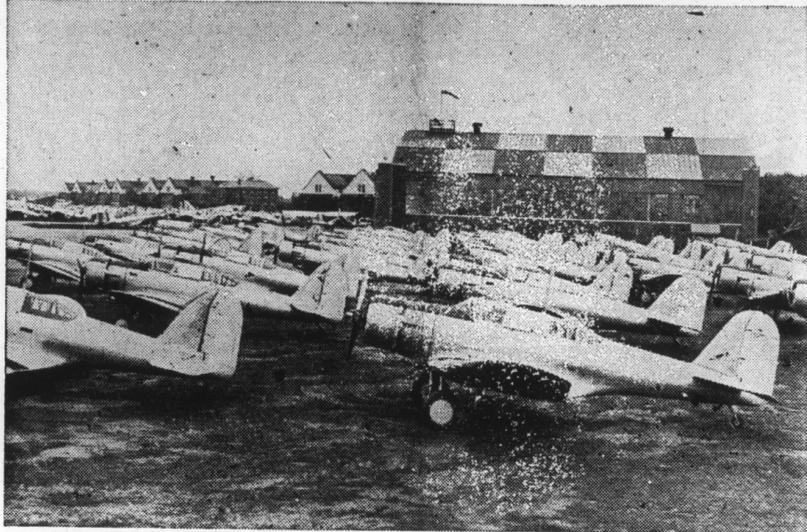
## C. M. T. C. VISITOR

Mrs. E. G. Long has returned from Fayetteville, where she spent the weekend with her cousin, Mrs. Edgar Mott, and visited her son, Bill Hardy Long, who is spending the month at Fort Bragg, where he is a member of the C. M. T. C. He has received a number of honors since entering the camp.

## MEETING POSTPONED

Roxboro Rotary club, scheduled to meet Thursday night, because of the national holiday will not meet until Thursday of next week, on the date, July 11, at which time Roxboro Kiwanis club will join with the Rotarians at a meeting to be held at Bushy Fork Community house, according to R. B. Griffin, president of the Rotary club.

## War Planes Stalled by French Peace



These former U. S. army Northrup A-17A fighting planes, destined for Canada, to be shipped to Europe, are shown at Mitchell field, L. I., where they are held pending word from the British government. The planes were for France, but the British may take them over.

## SCHOOL BUDGET CONSIDERED AT BOARD SESSION

Must Be Approved By County Board Of Commissioners Before It Can Be Adopted.

Subject to approval of members of the Person County Board of commissioners, the Person County Board of education on Monday drew up its 1940-41 budget for current expenses, capital outlay and debt service totaling \$56,075. It is understood that the approximate amount will be the same as was required for the past year.

Not included in the budget was a sum for repairs to Bethel Hill high school, recently found to be seriously in need of renovation, but it is said this will be taken care of later by a special bond issue. County commissioners also met Monday in a session lasting through the morning and into the afternoon. Principal business was consideration of the financial set-up for the coming year although announcement of deliberations was withheld following decision that another session of the commissioners will be held during this week or next before final approval of budgetary plans can be made.

School board members present for the session included the ex-officio member, Supt. of Schools, R. B. Griffin, who acted as secretary, and Chairman W. R. Wilkerson, E. E. Bradsher, N. H. Montgomery, George Walker, Sr., and R. G. Cole.

## PERSON NATIVE DIES AT DURHAM

Mrs. Virginia M. Sneed Passes As Result Of Heart Attack Monday.

Funeral rites for Mrs. Virginia M. Sneed, well known Person county native and resident of 1002 Lamond Avenue, Durham, were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at her home. Rev. George W. Perry, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, conducted the services. Interment followed in Maplewood cemetery.

Mrs. Sneed died at her home Monday morning at 3:55 o'clock of a heart attack following declining health for the past six weeks. She was born and reared in the Mount Tirzah community in Person county, the daughter of William T. Noel and Arabella Moore Noel. Since girlhood she had

## WITH PERSON MOTORS



Frank Willson, of this city, is now connected with Person Motors, Inc., and will be in charge of the office and credit department.

## Local Scouts To Go To Cherokee For A Week's Camp

Person and Roxboro Boy Scouts of troops 4, 24, 32 and 49 will on Sunday begin a week of camping at Camp Cherokee, according to announcement made today by Cherokee Council executive, A. P. Patterson, of Reidsville, who said that reservations for the camp near that city are virtually filled.

Troop 52, Roxboro, will be at the camp during the week of July 14, Mr. Patterson said. Reservations for the week of the 14 are filled; according to Mr. Patterson, and only a few openings are available for other weeks in the month. All local scouts who have not yet made plans to attend one of the weekly camp sessions are urged to make reservations at once.

As a preliminary to the beginning of the camping season a council-wide camporee is being planned for Friday and Saturday of this week and it is expected that attendance may reach the number of 250. Mr. Patterson and other camp leaders, including many younger assistants, are making plans for the complete camping season and it is expected that it will be a profitable and pleasant one. Emphasis this year will be placed on camping in comfort with a minimum of equipment. Particular attention will also be placed on sports events and nature study.

Dim your lights and you might save yours and someone else's life.

## BISHOP PENICK WILL CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

New Deacon In Charge, Rufus J. Womble, Will Conduct Morning Service At St. Mark's Episcopal Church Sunday.

With the Right Reverend Edwin A. Penick, bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, as celebrant of Holy Communion, Rev. Rufus J. Womble, recently appointed as Deacon in charge of St. Mark's Episcopal church, this city, will on Sunday, July 7, begin his regular duties at the 11 o'clock morning service.

Announcement that Mr. Womble, formerly of Raleigh, who has recently completed his theological training at Virginia Theological seminary, Alexandria, would move to Roxboro and have charge of the work in St. Mark's parish was made last month, following his ordination services held at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh.

During previous seasons, while a student at the seminary, the young Deacon acted as director of religion and athletics at Eastern Carolina Training school, Rocky Mount, and as layman in charge of the Church of the Advent and two missions, Spartanburg, S. C. His first visit to the Roxboro church was made two Sunday's ago.

The public is cordially invited to attend the services at the church which will be in charge of Mr. Womble on each Sunday morning. He will be the first resident minister in charge of the local church, although services have been held there previously by visiting clergymen and by laymen.

## Sam Umstead Gets Fracture In Fall

Sam Umstead, son of the L. H. Umstead's, North Main street, received a fractured wrist Monday morning about 10 o'clock when he fell from the second floor of the Kirby-Ledbetter building, now in process of renovation, where he was working with the construction crew.

Mr. Umstead was taken at once to a doctor's office, where he received treatment. It is reported that he fell down what had been an elevator hole in the garage part of the building formerly occupied by a local motor company.

## Person Residents To Vote Again on Legalized Whisky

## Griffin Announces Other Changes For School System

Additional changes in the teaching staff of the Person County public schools system, as announced by Person's county superintendent of schools, R. B. Griffin, include the resignation of Miss Lucille Clark, of the Roxboro high school faculty, who will next year teach in Goldsboro, and of Miss Kate Johnson, of Bethel Hill, who has accepted a position as teacher at the State Orthopedic hospital, Gastonia.

Selections to fill several existing vacancies include, Miss Rachel Bright, graduate of the Woman's college, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, who is a resident of Apex and who will replace Miss Helen Melton, as teacher of English at Hurdle Mills; also coming to the county system will be Miss Sara Eritt, of Wendell, who will teach the first and second grade sections at Allensville, formerly taught by Miss Annie Long Bradsher. Also at Allensville will be Miss Lillian Johnson, of Holly Springs, who will teach the third grade division. Miss Johnson succeeds Miss Mildred Chandler, of South Boston, who has accepted a similar position in that city.

Also new to the local school system will be Miss McConnell, of Tazewell, Va., who will be at Hurdle Mills school. As previously announced Miss Helen Melton will this year be at Roxboro High school, and Miss Annie Long Bradsher will be connected with Ca-Vel school.

## Clyde Attwater New Fire Truck Driver, Mechanic

Clyde Attwater, formerly connected with a local garage, on Monday entered upon his duties with the Roxboro Fire department as driver of the fire truck Mr. Attwater, who returned to Roxboro for residence from Chapel Hill several months ago, will also serve as repairman and fire station attendant. He has taken the position formerly held by L. K. Walker, connected with the department for a number of years. Mr. Walker resigned several months ago, but did not leave his position until the middle of June, it being stipulated that he should continue his work until July 1, with time out for vacation.

In announcing the appointment of Mr. Attwater, City Manager Percy Bloxam said that he and other city officials were pleased that Mr. Attwater has accepted the position.

## KIWANIANS MEET AT ANTIOCH CHURCH

Regular meeting of the Roxboro Kiwanis club was held on Monday evening at Antioch church. No formal program was presented by the club president, F. O. Carver, Jr., made a brief talk and two new members, A. C. Fair and Rev. T. M. Vick were welcomed to the club.

## DINNER HOST

Host at a dinner session of the local voiture of the Forty and Eight last night was Lester Blackwell Post Commander R. H. Shelton, at the American Legion hut, Chub Lake street. Culinary arrangements were in charge of Lawrence Hall, of the Roxboro Diner.

Voting Date Set For August 24 By Elections Board Following Examination Of Petition Yesterday.

After having defeated advocates of the legalized sale of whiskey three years ago by less than thirty votes, Person county voters will on Saturday, August 24, again have an opportunity to decide whether or not A. B. C. stores shall be permitted to operate in the county.

Announcement of the designated date for the special election to determine the wet and dry issue in Person county was made at noon Wednesday by S. F. Nicks, Jr., mayor of the city of Roxboro and chairman of the Person County Board of Elections, following a meeting of members of the board of elections, who assembled yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at the county court house to consider a petition calling for a new vote on the legalized sale of intoxicants in Person.

In a signed statement, attested by R. D. Bumpass, secretary of the board, Chairman Nicks said yesterday that members of the board, "having carefully examined the petition, found as a fact: that the signers thereof were and are duly qualified electors of Person county; that the aggregate number of signers (601) exceeded fifteen percent of the number of votes cast in the last general election for Governor, and that more than three years have elapsed since the last such election was held."

Votes in the 1936 gubernatorial election in Person totaled 3,053. Mr. Nicks reported, adding that fifteen percent of said vote totals 458, against the 601 duly qualified voters who signed the petition for a second vote on the sale of whiskey.

Registration books for this special voting on operation of A. B. C. stores in Person will be opened on Saturday, July 27, and will remain open through Saturday, August 10. No new registration will be required. Saturday, August 17, will be designated as challenge day. All duly qualified voters will be eligible to cast their ballots and the election will be held under the same rules and regulations pertaining to the general election for members to the general assembly.

Because of the closeness of the voting three years ago, shortly after local option was permissible, it is expected that the contest will

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## Fourth To Be Quietly Observed By Local People

Roxboro and Person people are expecting to observe the 4th. of July quietly. No local patriotic program has been planned but practically all business houses and offices, including banks and Post Offices, will be closed.

The city hall and various agencies of county government will close for the day, with exceptions of the fire department, the police department and sheriff's office.

Many residents of the city and county will be away, some few extending the holiday into the weekend. Others will stay at home while a number are planning family gatherings, picnics or fishing expeditions.

At Roxboro Country club, at Chub Lake, a blind bogey golf tournament will be held and it is expected that other local museum centers will also attract crowds.