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## E. Y. Floyd To Be Speaker At Crop - Control Meeting

Large Number of Person Tobacco Growers Expected To Attend Pre-Election Session At Court House.

Plans are now complete for the county-wide mass meeting on the tobacco referendum issue, according to announcement made this morning by officials of the Person Farm Agency office. Speaker for the session, which will be held at the court house at 7:30 Friday night will be E. Y. Floyd, State AAA executive of Raleigh. Mr. Floyd is expected to present a strong argument in favor of the proposed three-year control measure.

Each township will have one voting place, and producers of flue-cured tobacco will vote in the township in which they reside.

The polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m., July 20, 1940. The polling places in the nine townships are as follows:

Allensville, Allensville school; Bushy Fork, F. T. Whitfield's store; Cunningham, Cunningham station; Flat River, J. G. Chambers' store; Holloway, Dixon's old store on Highway No. 144; Mt. Tirzah, Harmony school; Olive Hill, F. D. Long's store; Roxboro, Courthouse, and Woodsdale at E. J. Robertson's store.

## Reports Not Yet Received From Hospital Drive

Although R. M. Spencer and O. B. McBroom, together with a number of active solicitors, have been engaged in the Community Hospital Debt Fund campaign since Monday, definite reports are not yet available according to information received today. It is expected, however, that fairly complete reports will be released before the end of the week.

Encouraging results have been obtained, according to Messers. Spencer and McBroom and it is hoped that the county-wide drive for the needed \$3,400 to match previous conditional donations will be successfully concluded by the first of next week. Leaders of the drive have emphasized the fact that present contributions to the fund will be received on a conditional basis.

## Rev. Mr. Millican To Be At Church

Speaker at the Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock at Roxboro First Baptist church will be the Rev. O. L. Millican, of Hartsville, Ala. Mr. Millican, who is visiting his son, J. L. Millican, of Roxboro, has been here several weeks. The Rev. Mr. Millican is regarded as an interesting speaker and a full attendance is expected.

## Leggett's In Annual Sale Starting Today

Leggett's Department store is now staging its annual July Clearance Sale. The sale started today and will continue for several days.

Bargains are being offered in every department and the public is invited to visit this store at once.

## PROCLAMATION OF REFERENDUM HAS BEEN ISSUED

Mayor Nicks By Official Statement Urges Voters To Express Crop-Control Convictions.

Mayor S. F. Nicks, Jr., of this city, in view of the fact that Person and Roxboro tobacco growers will on Saturday of this week join other growers in voting on acceptance or rejection of controlled production of the crop, on Tuesday morning issued a proclamation designating the week as "Tobacco Referendum Week".

In the proclamation Mayor Nicks characterized tobacco as an outstanding money crop in this area, said that the income derived from it is of vital importance both to growers and to those engaged in businesses and professions and urged all persons entitled to vote to do so upon the basis of their convictions.

Sentiment in the county is thought to be favorable toward adoption of the three-year control plan, although a number of growers have to date been reported as undecided. Township meetings have been held during the past two weeks and a large crowd is expected at the county court house on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock, when the speaker will be E. Y. Floyd, State Triple-A executive, from Raleigh.

Headed by Gordon C. Hunter, executive vice president of a local bank, a number of Roxboro business men have been filling speaking engagements in the county. Polls for the referendum will open at 7 o'clock in the morning on Saturday and will remain open until 7 o'clock that night. Central and convenient locations have been designated in each township.

The proclamation reads as follows:

"THAT WHEREAS, tobacco is the outstanding money crop produced in Person County and that the income from tobacco is of vital importance to the citizens of Roxboro and Person County, both to the farmers that produce it and to those of us engaged in business and professions;

"THAT WHEREAS, a tobacco referendum will be held Saturday of this week to determine whether the production of tobacco will or will not be controlled;

"WHEREFORE, I do hereby proclaim this week as "Tobacco Referendum Week" and respectfully urge the citizens of the county to acquaint themselves with the facts involved in the questions to be voted on, and further urge that every person entitled to vote go to the polls on Saturday and vote his convictions."

Signed: S. F. Nicks, Jr., Mayor of Roxboro.

## RELIEF PURCHASES

Since the program was authorized in December, 1939, the Surplus Marketing administration has bought for domestic relief distribution 241,000,000 pounds of lard and pork products.

## FARMER'S INCOME

American farmers in 1939 had a gross farm income of \$9,769,000,000 from farm production and Government payments, announces the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

"Neither a borrower nor a lender be for loan oft loses both self and friend."

## Willkies Look Over Their Fan Mail



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## EBERMAN RITES HELD AT CHURCH

Prominent Resident Dies After Long Illness. Was Native Of Lancaster, Pa.

Edwin Eberman, 66, a native of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, but for more than two decades a prominent resident of Roxboro, died Sunday night at 11 o'clock at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. G. C. Vickers, of the Mill Creek community, following a heart attack. Mr. Eberman, who came to this city from Lancaster and was engaged in the lumber business, has been in failing health for several years. He was a member of the Moravian church at Lancaster.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at St. Mark's Episcopal church, Roxboro, by the Rev. Rufus J. Womble, deacon in charge. Following the rites at the church the remains were returned to the funeral home and after cremation the ashes were taken to Lancaster.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Vickers, wife of the late Dr. G. C. Vickers, of this city; two sons, Edwin Eberman, Jr., of Brooklyn, New York, and John H. Eberman, of Norfolk, Va., one grandson and five granddaughters. His wife died several years ago.

Pallbearers were G. C. Theodore, William and D. H. Vickers, Richard Young and James Shotwell.

## Wake Forest Alumni To Meet Friday

Wake Forest alumni and the Baptist preachers of Person county will meet Friday night, July 19 at Hotel Roxboro at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Zan Robinson, director of public speaking at Wake Forest, will be the speaker of the evening.

A. M. Burns, Jr. will have charge of the meeting and he expressed the hope that this meeting would lead to a permanent organization of the Wake alumni in this county. He also stated that he had tried to contact all former students of Wake Forest, but that if he failed in this attempt, all were urged to come as arrangements had been made.

Mr. Alexander, of the Baptist State convention, will be present at the meeting.

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## Zone Meeting To Be Held Next Week At Orange Church

Methodist women of the Person, Orange and Durham zones will have a zone meeting Wednesday, July 24, starting at 10 o'clock in the morning and continuing until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, at Orange Methodist church, near Hillsboro, according to announcement made this morning by Mrs. W. M. Fox, of this city, zone leader.

Speakers will include Mrs. H. J. Faison, of Faison, and Miss Ruth Brooks, church deaconess, of Roxboro. A full attendance is urged, since this will be the final meeting of the church year and the last pre-unification meeting. Plans for the coming year will be discussed and the Florene Robertson loving cup for largest increase in auxiliary membership will be awarded.

Special music is planned for the event and a soloist will be Miss Evangeline Fox, of Roxboro, student at Westminster Choir school, Princeton, N. J., who is a daughter of Mrs. Fox.

## CHURCH SUPPER

Members of the Senior class, Brookdale Methodist church, will have a benefit ice cream supper at the church tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock.

Hocutt

## Mrs. T. H. Clay To Head Person County Council

Demonstration Club Women Of Person Also Plan Federation Day Program.

With eight out of the eleven clubs represented, a meeting of the Person County Council of Home Demonstration clubs, at which new officers were elected and plans for the Federation Day program were considered, was held Monday night at 7:30 o'clock at the Rural Center, this city.

New president of the Council will be Mrs. T. H. Clay, of Helena, while the vice president will be Mrs. Joe Humphries, of Bethel Hill, and the secretary will be Mrs. Robert A. Gentry, of Allensville. Other officers will be Miss Aurelia Long, of Hurdle Mills, treasurer, and Mrs. B. J. Long, of Bushy Fork, historian. Presiding over the session of the evening was Mrs. C. E. Brooks, who is completing her term as president. Members of the nominating committee were Mesdames Don Whit-

## Harris Rites To Be Conducted In Durham Today

Funeral services for Albert Turner Harris, 68, resident of 507 Willard street, Durham, who died yesterday, were held today at 3 o'clock at the Duke Memorial Methodist church. Rev. H. C. Smith, pastor of the church, officiated. Burial was in the new annex of Maplewood cemetery.

Mr. Harris was the father of Mrs. W. Rainey Hawkins, of Roxboro.

A resident of Durham since a young man, he had worked with the Durham Hosiery Mills for 38 years. He had been retired since the plant at Edgemont was discontinued several years ago. He had been ill health for a number of years and critically ill for the past two weeks.

Surviving is his widow, the former Miss Sallie Betty Johnson; two sons, Lutie T. Harris and T. L. Harris of Durham; two daughters, Mrs. Pudie Royal of Durham, and Mrs. Hawkins of Roxboro; four brothers, J. Alex, Sam G. F. P., and A. S. Harris of Durham.

Pall bearers were James Wilson, Frank Belvin, Buck Gooch, R. J. Broadwell, Tom Goss and W. P. Thomas.

## Contributions To Red Cross Fund Listed

Contributions to the Person County Red Cross War Relief fund made during the past week have totaled \$25.25, according to announcement by Mayor S. F. Nicks, Jr., county manager of the campaign. Total contributions received to date have reached \$822.19, which is still considerably less than the goal set.

Contributors during the past week were: Miss Addie May Merritt \$2.50, Antioch Bible school \$2.50, Mrs. Mamie Merritt (2nd) \$1, Flem Whitt 25c, Miss Sadie Brandon \$1, Miss Claire Harris (2nd) \$5, Rev. J. M. Walker, Jr., \$2, Allensville Sunday School \$6, H. K. Sanders Sunday School class \$5.

Use the dimmer on your automobile. It was put there for a purpose and you may be saving other lives as well as your own.

Hocutt

## Person Dry Forces To Stage Campaign

### Two New School Busses Are To Be Added To System

Two new school busses, one to take care of the over-load at Mt. Tirzah, and another to provide transportation facilities at Hester's Grove and Queen's church for Negro children, have been authorized by the Person County school board, according to an announcement made today by Superintendent of schools, R. B. Griffin, who said that the additional bus for Hester's Grove and Queen's church will provide transportation facilities for Negro high school students and will mean complete facilities for such students in each elementary school district in the county.

At the same interview Mr. Griffin stated that following consultation with State school authorities in Raleigh, he has been authorized to say that six school bus replacements will be made for the new year. During the past year thirty-five school buses have been in use for the transportation of Person white school children and seven have been reserved for Negro children.

### Petition Given To N. C. Newbold

Petition of patrons of Lee Jefferson Negro Elementary school, Person county, for the addition of an eighth grade high school unit, space for which was contingently provided by the Person County Board of education, was on Tuesday of this week presented to N. C. Newbold, of Raleigh, Supervisor of Negro education in North Carolina, by R. B. Griffin, Person Superintendent, who reported, however, that the petition has not been recommended by Mr. Newbold, although it may be presented to the State school commission.

In view of the fact that the petition has not been approved by Mr. Newbold's department, Mr. Griffin expressed doubt that it will meet the approval of the State school commission.

### Mr., Mrs. Thomas Leave For Manteo

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Thomas and their small daughter, Miss Billie Thomas, accompanied by Mrs. W. G. Frazier, of Durham, mother of Mrs. Thomas, will leave Friday morning for Manteo, where they will visit Philip Thomas, Jr., at Camp Seaton. They also expect to attend the "Lost Colony" pageant and will go from Manteo to Holden's Beach to join a house party at the cottage of E. R. Thomas, of Erwin, father of Mr. Thomas.

Services will begin Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, with Elder Lex Chandler, pastor of Tar River Primitive Baptist church, as speaker. A business session will be held in the afternoon and reports from the various churches in the association will be presented. Sunday services lasting throughout the day, will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning. Business sessions will be resumed on Monday and will be followed by a closing sermon at one o'clock that afternoon.

It is expected that many families will arrive at the place of meeting Friday night and will remain in camp near the site throughout the three days of the session.

### LECTURE TONIGHT

Miss Ruby Jane Wells, of Boston, will lecture tonight at the Roxboro Rural Center at 7:30 o'clock on metal craft. Miss Wells will devote special attention to the creation of articles of hammered copper. During her stay in Roxboro she is the guest of Miss Ruth Brooks.

Proponents Of A B C Also Say They Will Have An Organization.

Although Person county's second election on the legalized sale of whiskey will not be held until Saturday, August 24, pro and con forces are now being organized and a stiff contest is expected. Heading the county-wide Dry organization is the Rev. W. F. West, pastor of Roxboro First Baptist church, who was also an active leader of Person's Dry forces in 1937, when the Drys were victorious by a narrow margin.

Secretary of the Person Dry organization is K. L. Street, Roxboro business man, who, with Mr. West, was chosen at a recent meeting of the steering committee at Edgar Long Memorial Methodist church, which was attended by Mr. West, Rev. T. M. Vick, and Rev. W. C. Martin, committeemen, and other interested citizens. Both Mr. West and Mr. Martin, of Long Memorial church, delivered special sermons at their respective churches Sunday morning.

Advocates of the A B C system have not yet effected formal organization, although there has been discussion of the formation of such a group and a number of prominent citizens have said they will look with favor on the adoption of the A B C system. In the meantime, the Drys are planning precinct organizations throughout the county and it is expected that a number of well-known advocates of the Dry cause from other parts of the state will be asked to deliver addresses here before the voting takes place.

Person, by reason of the county board of elections approval of the petition signed by more than six hundred qualified voters, becomes the first county in the state to seek a second election under the county option measure of 1937.

### Primitive Baptist Association Will Meet Three Days

With Person's state senator-nominate, Flem D. Long, of Roxboro, as moderator, the annual meeting of the Lower County Line Primitive Baptist association, will be held this weekend at Tar River Primitive Baptist church, near Moriah, according to announcement made today.

Services will begin Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, with Elder Lex Chandler, pastor of Tar River Primitive Baptist church, as speaker. A business session will be held in the afternoon and reports from the various churches in the association will be presented. Sunday services lasting throughout the day, will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning. Business sessions will be resumed on Monday and will be followed by a closing sermon at one o'clock that afternoon.

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### CHILDREN KILLED

More children were killed by automobiles last year than were killed by scarlet fever, diphtheria, measles and whooping cough combined.