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Views Of The News

WASHINGTON UNABLE TO GET EXPLANATION IN CASE OF MRS. DEEGAN

Washington, Dec.—Strong diplomatic protests to Germany were indicated tonight as the United States sought to clear up the mystery surrounding the detention of Mrs. Elizabeth Rollins Deegan, former Asheville resident, who is a clerk in the American embassy in Paris, and who has been held by German authorities there since December 1.

STATE-WIDE HEALTH NYA PROJECT TO BEGIN

Washington, Dec.—Immediate launching of a State-wide health project for North Carolina's NYA workers was announced today by NYA Administrator Aubrey Williams.

Dr. J. C. Knox of Raleigh was named State health consultant and will join with physicians from other participating states to direct the \$2,500,000 health program.

North Carolina is one of 20 states where the program will become effective immediately. By February 1, NYA plans to have health data for 100,000 young people accumulated.

OPERA STAR NATURALIZED

New Haven, Conn., Dec.—Lily Pons, the opera singer, became an American citizen today with the comment that she was "very proud and very happy."

STORMS THREATEN MANILA

Manila, Dec.—Small but violent typhoon in the Pacific is sweeping toward Manila, the weather Bureau reported tonight. It may strike the city Saturday afternoon.

MERCY MISSION CARRIED THROUGH

Miami, Fla., Dec.—A giant Army bomber making an unprecedented mercy flight to Chile at the personal direction of President Roosevelt, arrived here at 7:40 p. m. for an overnight stay.

Senora Carlos Davila, for whom physicians prescribed the climate of her homeland in treatment of a dangerous illness, was reported to have rested well during the first leg of the flight from New York.

BRITAIN'S FISCAL STATUS ANALYZED BY U. S. OFFICIALS

Washington, Dec.—The Undersecretary of the British Treasury, Sir Frederick Phillips, worked on a balance sheet of his country's finances for Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., after the first of a series of conferences which may decide the question of United States credits to Great Britain.

Another meeting between Sir Frederick and Morgenthau, and their fiscal aides who also participated in today's conference, is scheduled for Monday. The possibility of further talks was seen in the British statement that he did not know when he would return to London.

C. E. JORDAN IS GUEST SPEAKER AT DUKE DINNER

Rev. T. Marvin Vick, Jr., Now Heads Local Alumni Group Meeting Held At Hotel.

Stressing the relationship between the University and its alumni, Charles E. Jordan, assistant secretary of Duke University, Friday told more than thirty Person County Duke alumni that they as representatives of the institution can do much to advance the ideals for which it stands.

Introduced by Thomas J. Shaw, Jr., of Roxboro, Mr. Jordan also discussed the national character of the Duke student body, mentioned questions pertaining to fees and admissions and said that the University, of which Trinity college is still a vital unit, has through the years enjoyed a reputation for academic tolerance and leadership.

Present also was L. D. Long, of Winston-Salem, a senior, who showed films of the recent Duke-Wake Forest game.

Presiding in the absence of J. L. Hester, president, was Mrs. R. H. Shelton, vice president, who was subsequently elected as alumnae council representative. Other officers elected last night were: Rev. T. Marvin Vick, Jr., of Cave, president; Mrs. A. F. Nichols, vice president and Mrs. Lawrence N. Rynd, secretary-treasurer. The annual dinner was held at Hotel Roxboro, where table decorations were in traditional blue and white.

Troop 49 Has Speakers From Western States

The meeting of Troop 49 Boy Scouts of America was held Wednesday night, December 4. The meeting was regarded the most interesting the troop has had in a long time. There were two young men present who were former scouts and are interested in scouting very much, Fred Gayman, and Jennings Johnson, Elders of the Church Latter Day Saints, Mr. Gayman lies from Utah and Mr. Johnson from Arizona. Each of them gave a very good talk on his country and the scouting which he had had.

Mr. Johnson told us about the Grand Canyon and his experiences there. Mr. Gayman told of his experience at Salt Lake and the Great National Stone Park. Business was then taken up and plans made for Christmas lighting of the Court House. A song, "God Bless America," was sung. The meeting closed by the Scoutmaster's Benediction.

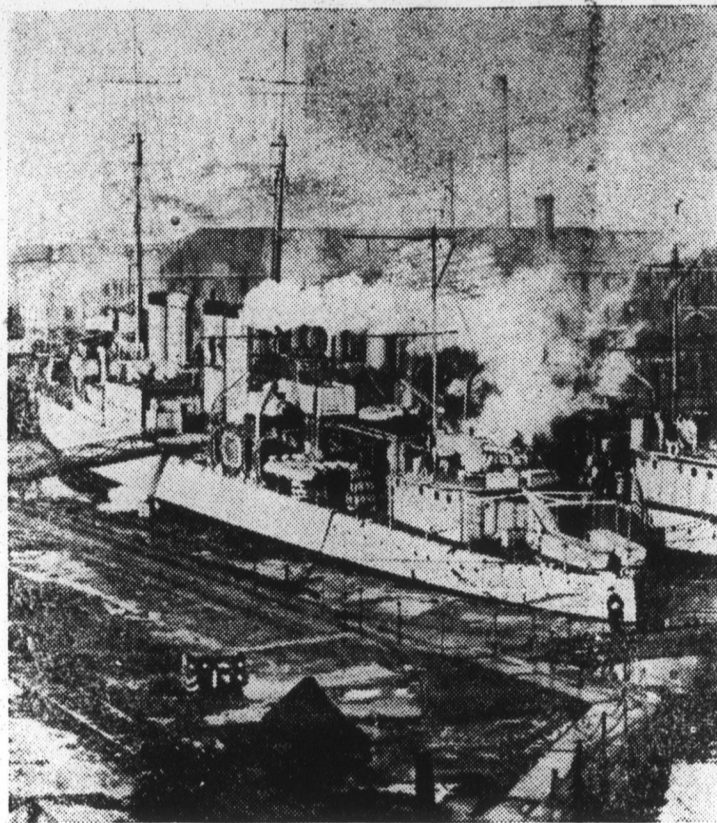
Invited Back

Silver Moon quartet, composed of Roxboro Negroes, who sang two weeks ago at three Bennettsville, S. C., churches, have been invited to that city to give a repeat concert series on Sunday, December 29, according to announcement made today. While enroute to South Carolina the group also stopped at the State Sanatorium and gave an early morning recital for patients there.

GEN. deGAULLE'S AGENT HERE SAYS MARTINIQUE FAVORS BRITISH VICTORY

Washington, Dec.—The strategic Caribbean island of Martinique was promised tonight as a site for a U. S. Naval base if and when General Charles DeGaulle's "Free Frenchmen" gain control there.

Intact After Bomb Threat



Charlestown Navy Yard, Boston, which was protected by a cordon of more than 100 police and a detachment of marines after a navy official had received information that a workman would attempt to carry a time bomb and dynamite into the navy yard in a lunchbox, when the gates were opened for the day shift. A thorough search revealed nothing whatever.

DR. KOCH TO BE AT HIGH SCHOOL MONDAY NIGHT

Will Give Famous Dickens Story As P T A Benefit.

Heading the ticket committee for the Roxboro high school Parent Teachers association benefit reading of Dickens' "Christmas Carol" by Dr. Frederick H. Koch, Monday evening, December 9, at the school auditorium, at 8 o'clock are Mrs. A. F. Nichols and Miss Roxannah Yancey, of the faculty. Others in the association are also acting as selling agents and will be glad to supply prospective patrons with tickets, which are moderate for adults and even lower for children.

Tickets will also be sold at Thomas and Oakley Drug Store on Monday.

Music for the event will consist of Christmas Carols and traditional tunes under direction of Wallace W. Woods, with Mrs. Woods at the piano.

Dr. Koch, head of the Playmakers and the department of Drama at the University of North Carolina, has been giving readings of the Dickens' classic for years and has appeared as its interpreter at both Town Hall and Columbia University, New York. First public reading of the story was given by Dr. Koch in 1905, when he was a young instructor at the University of North Dakota.

Along The Way With the Editor

What a supper it was and how P. T. Whitt, Sr. did enjoy it! The other night O. W. Long had a birthday supper and Mr. Whitt was there. He ate well of the chitterlings, enjoyed a few birds, liked the chicken fine, tried quite a bit of the pork and did O. K. by the spare rib. Of course he was glad to get the fruit cake. On top of all this he went home and said that he was feeling fine. A majority of those present wondered how any human being could eat so much and still feel good.

Bill Minor was also present at this party. Bill may be small in size, but you have no idea how much a little man can eat until you see him pack it away. This little Minor boy was in great shape that night and this writer nominates him for the All American team.

A number of boys from Roxboro went goose hunting last week. Frank Whitfield had been going with the crowd each time. This writer wonders why he did not go. We can't believe that he is broke and he claims that he is not hen-pecked. We know that he likes to hunt and so the only reason that we can see why he stayed at home is that he wanted to be made chairman of the board of County commissioners.

Postmaster Carlton told this writer to be very careful with this column. He said that he was afraid the writer might get punched in the nose some day. And for fear that we might get punched today, we are going to sign off until next week.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS TURNED ON HERE FRIDAY EVENING

Parade Monday, December 16 Is Next Event On Christmas Program Here.

First welcome to Christmas was given here Friday night, when gay street decorations and Christmas lights marked the opening of the Roxboro holiday trading season.

Merchants whose stores are filled with toys and gifts appropriate to the Santa Claus season had their windows decorated and full of gifts suitable to the occasion.

Sponsor of the city's holiday festival parade next week, which is expected will greatly stimulate trading in this area will be the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce, of which Wallace W. Woods, executive secretary, with cooperation of other members and merchants will be in charge. Mr. Woods is now engaged in working out complete details for the parade and will have a number of committee conferences with those who are assisting with plans for the event.

Holiday lights have been strung across streets in the downtown business district and the number of lights is considerably larger than last years. Additional decorative touches are now being worked out in connection with the parade.

Also adding to attractiveness of the city are lights and decorations on lawns and private residences. Crowds who attended last year's Christmas opening here again thronged the streets last night and many are expected to return this week and next.

Riggsbee, Kirby And Others Take Oath Of Office

Person County officials, who, with Commissioners Sam Byrd Winstead, D. M. Cash and Frank T. Whitfield, took oath of office last week before the clerk of the court, included J. Brodie Riggsbee, treasurer, and W. T. Kirby, register of deeds, both of whom were re-elected by large majorities in November balloting. County Surveyor W. Roy Cates, not present at the time the others were sworn in was administered the oath later in the week. Cates was unopposed for re-election.

Legislative officials from Person are Flem D. Long, senator, and R. P. Burns, in the House, both of whom will begin their terms of office in January. Lieutenant Governor Elect, R. L. Harris, of this city, who is assisting in plans for inauguration of J. Melville Broughton as governor, will also take office in January.

Mail Early For Xmas Delivery

L. M. Carlton, postmaster is urging all people of this county to shop now and mail early for Christmas. He also advises that you register or insure your gifts that you are to mail.

Mr. Carlton and the entire force at the postoffice would appreciate your heeding of the above advice. Postoffice employees have a rather hard time during the Christmas rush and anything that you can do to help relieve this situation will be appreciated by them and will also insure you better service. Mr. Carlton pointed out.

Protests Result In Change of Order Closing WPA Project

Highway Men To Meet Here Monday A. M.

S. M. Bason, of Yanceyville, and other members of the district highway commission will meet in Roxboro Monday for the regular monthly meeting.

This meeting will be held in the Person County courthouse and will begin at ten o'clock. It is thought that the meeting will continue until three o'clock in the afternoon.

Purpose of this meeting is to hear petitions for roads and to consider other matters pertaining to the road program.

LOUIS PAYLOR TO FACE TRIAL ON MURDER CHARGE

Preliminary Hearing Set For Tuesday In Recorder's Court.

Preliminary hearing for Louis Paylor, Person Negro, wanted for almost a year on a murder charge in connection with the fatal stabbing of Fleming Talley, another Negro resident of the county, will be held in Person Recorder's court Tuesday morning before Judge R. B. Dawes, following Paylor's apprehension last week at Whitmarsh, Pa., Philadelphia suburb.

It is expected that Paylor, whose brother Henry Paylor has already served a road sentence for his part in the slaying, will be bound over to Superior court for trial at the January term before Judge Henry A. Grady. The alleged murder occurred in Person county on December 10, 1939, and Louis Paylor immediately left the state. He was returned to Roxboro Thursday, being accompanied by Person deputies Bob Whitt, Erasmus Clayton and Jim Anderson.

When arrested at Whitmarsh Paylor was employed at a YMCA as cook. He is now in Person jail, without bond. Preliminary hearing, incidentally, will be held exactly one year after the alleged crime was committed.

Rotary Ladies Night Planned

Annual "Ladies Night" program of the Roxboro Rotary club will be held at Hotel Roxboro at 7 o'clock on Thursday evening, December 12, according to plans made at the meeting last week. Program details have not been completed but it is expected that the affair will be as impressive and as enjoyable as others have been.

AT ODDS WITH PENNIES

Pittsburgh, Dec.—Montefiore Hospital and Patient David Bloomfield are at odds because he wants to pay part of his bill with 4,980 pennies.

The 50-year-old grocer's family for years saved pennies as sort of a hobby. He needed money for an operation and took a 35-pound sack of coins with him to the hospital.

"It would take us all week to count them and the banks won't even accept them," declared the hospital cashier in rejecting the payment.

"I expect to leave the hospital Saturday," said Bloomfield, "and they can take the pennies, or else."

Privy Project In Person Area Will Be Continued. Workmen Report To Whitt.

Consultation with Sanitarian T. J. Fowler and with Dr. A. D. Allen, the last named of whom was present at a WPA conference held here Friday, revealed that the Sanitation Privy project scheduled to have been suspended on Tuesday, December 10, after having been in operation in this area for two years, will be continued.

Decision to continue this WPA supported project, which is under direction of S. R. Whitten, was reached at the Friday meeting, which was called after messages of protest against the closing order had been received from a number of Person and Roxboro citizens. The meeting was held at suggestion of Roxboro City Manager Percy Bloxam, who is also chairman of the Person WPA Advisory board.

Present for the conference were James A. McGready, of Durham, district supervisor and others. It was said that the original suspension order to have been effective for 90 days was contemplated because of need for more workers at Fort Bragg, Fayetteville, where the Selective Service program has caused great expansion of building activity.

Both Dr. Allen and Sanitarian Fowler, as well as others in the Person area, are pleased that the project will not be abandoned now. Numbers of privies have been constructed and installed at various rural homes in the county and it is felt that any other action than continuance would at this time have been most unfortunate.

Club Women Have Recreation Night At Club House

At the meeting of the County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs last month it was decided that a county-wide recreational program with all clubs participating would be held. Mrs. R. A. Gentry of the Allensville Club was appointed chairman of the recreation committee.

The recreational meeting planned for was held in the American Legion Hut Roxboro Friday night, December 6, at 7:30 p. m. with seventy-five men and women from the various communities entering into the entertainment.

Mrs. Gentry, who presided, proved herself a splendid leader and kept things lively every minute of the time so that everyone felt that they really would have missed something had they not gone. As her capable assistant Mrs. Gentry had Miss Ruth Sears and Miss Mary Larkin Gentry, both members of the Allensville school faculty.

For some of the guests, who for various reasons did not play active games, Chinese checkers and fiddleticks were provided. However, there were no prizes for entertaining contests. At the time that one looked for something to keep them amused.

Following the series of games large red apples were served to the group.

On behalf of the club membership Mrs. B. B. Bullock words of appreciation to Mrs. Velma Dean Home Agent and presented her with the fruit glass in her crystal possession.

As goodnight remarks were being made, Mrs. Gentry said: