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## Views Of The News

### STIMSON DENIES U. S. EVER RUSHED INTO WAR

Washington, Jan. — Secretary Stimson said that no President had ever "rushed this country into war" and that Congress could "safely rest" with Mr. Roosevelt the broad responsibilities proposed for him in the lease-lend program.

Discussing the program with the House Foreign Affairs Committee, the War Department Chief was led by Representative Tinkham (R., Mass.) into a discussion of the discretion the President would have in determining nations whom the United States might aid.

### JUDGE WON'T DIVORCE ANY DRAFTEES NOW

Kansas City, Jan.—Ray G. Cowan, the paradoxical jurist has decreed there'll be no draftee divorces in his court for the duration.

Judge Cowan, a former national official of the Disabled American Veterans, proposed that every divorce seeking wife be required to sign an affidavit that her husband was not in the army, navy, marines or air corps.

"The draftee should not be worried with marital troubles while away from home," said the jurist, who was so badly crippled in the World War that he still limps.

### STORE COMES BY TAXI IN WINSTON-SALEM

Winston-Salem, Jan.—Born in a speeding taxi cab crossing East Winston en route to a hospital, a Negro baby is doing well.

But Driver H. T. Thompson, who piloted the stork express, said he didn't want to go through with it again.

Born in eight blocks flat, the baby was getting along all right when the cab drew up in front of the hospital. And, hospital attendants said, mother and child were treated and sent home the same afternoon.

### GERMANS TRYING TO FINISH JOB ON CARRIER, ILLUSTRIOUS

Berlin, Jan.—German planes, smashing at British Naval power at one of its Mediterranean citadels, Malta, were reported by the High Command to have scored "several direct hits of heavy and medium caliber," yesterday on the aircraft carrier Illustrious, already "badly damaged" by Stuka dive-bombers on Jan. 10.

Numerous German bombs dropped in the attack on the Port of Valletta, Malto, were said to have struck an arsenal. A merchant ship also was "struck directly by heaviest caliber bombs," the high command said in reporting the "excellent effect" of the raid early yesterday afternoon.

### AUXILIARY MEETS

January meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Community hospital was held last Wednesday afternoon at Roxboro Community house, with the president, Mrs. Mollie Strum Barrett, presiding. Plans for a St. Valentine's day benefit bridge were considered and various committee reports were presented. Light refreshments were then served to the fourteen members present.

## Warriors Hailed by Greeks



Wild with joy over their country's successes against the Italians, the populace of Athens, Greece, gives a rousing reception to Greek and British soldiers home from the battlefield. The British fighters have British and Greek flags. The Greeks are grateful to the British for the aid they have given them in Albania, where Il Duce is still in reverse.

## Woods Makes Report to Board On Year's Work

Giving a resume of business accomplished by the Roxboro Chamber of commerce during his first year as executive secretary, Wallace W. Woods, at a directors meeting held today, reported that 153 credit reports had been furnished by him as head of the Retail Merchants association division of the chamber to out-of-town bureaus; that 200 such reports had been given to local merchants, together with 13 FHA reports, 8 reports from out-of-town bureaus and 119 reports dealing with information about the City of Roxboro and the general community.

Mr. Woods, who assumed the Chamber secretaryship a year ago, said that Miss Virginia Saunders, who is his secretarial assistant, has been named by the board as executive manager of the Retail Merchants credit association. He also mentioned fact the Chamber offices were used as the R. L. Harris campaign headquarters during Mr. Harris' successful campaign for the Lieutenant Governor's position which he now holds and which through him will add prestige to both Roxboro and Person county.

End of a very successful year for the local Chamber of commerce was indicated by the secretary, although he did say that more merchants and business men in this area should belong and urged those now members to solicit new memberships, if they wish the organization to increase its efficiency and service to the community.

Mr. Woods' report also showed Chamber sponsorship of a Dollar Day Sale in March, in which 53 firms participated, the majority considering it most successful.

In connection with the Retail Merchants Association Division of the Chamber of Commerce, the secretary attended the N. C. Merchants Credit Association convention in Raleigh where he made contacts that have been most helpful to our local Association.

He also assisted several business groups in securing partial holidays during the summer months as well as annual holidays throughout the year, and assisted the Woman's Club in Clean-Up Campaign and secured prizes for same.

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## Dr. Allen Will Speak To Group At Later Date

Speaker at the January meeting of the Roxboro Central Grammar School Parent Teacher association to be held on a date to be announced will be Dr. A. L. Allen, director of the Person unit of the tri-county health department, who is expected to discuss a topic of special interest to all parents.

The meeting was scheduled for Tuesday of this week but has been postponed because of the closing of schools.

## Weather Clips Tobacco Sales

Modified by adverse weather conditions, Wednesday and Thursday sales on the Roxboro tobacco market, taken together, totaled around 45,000 pounds according to reports from George W. Walker, secretary of the board of trade, who said the price remained on average near 12 cents. Continued bad weather affected Friday's sales.

## Clayton Freed Of Blame For Death

Howard Clayton, young white man of the Barton's Mill community, charged with manslaughter after the automobile which he was driving struck and almost instantly killed Henry Smith, was relieved of all blame at a court trial last week before Judge R. B. Dawes. The fatality occurred on the afternoon of December 26, as Smith, a Durham road resident was crossing the highway near his home in this city.

## Returns from Style Show

W. R. Hawkins, proprietor of the Roxboro Shoe Store, has returned from Charlotte where he attended a style show of shoes. Mr. Hawkins stated that styles were very different and might be compared to new hats in one sense of the word.

## INSPECTIONS OF MARKETS MADE BY SANITARIAN

Fowler Reports A Number  
With Excellent Grades. Others  
Are Not So Good As  
They Could Be.

Under provisions of the State Board of Health, District Sanitarian T. J. Fowler during this past week completed inspections of all meat markets in the Person area. Highest grade of 93 was received by the Ca-Vel company store.

Two next highest were Moore's Cash market and Carl Winstead's with 91.5, respectively, while Pender's market and S. P. Gentry and company scored 91 each, and Clayton and Stewart 90.5, to the A and M Food shoppe's and O'Brian's 90.

Score of 88 was received by E. D. Owen's market, while Whitt's South Side was 85.5. White's at Hurdle Mills reached 81, and Short's was 80, with J. A. Whitt's at 70. Discontinued until requirements can be met were meat markets operated in establishments of Ashley and Brooks and J. G. Chambers, both of Timberlake.

For the better protection of public health said Mr. Fowler, the State Board of Health has authorized and directed and empowered the District Health Department to prepare and enforce rules and regulations governing the sanitation of meat markets, abattoirs, and other places where meat or meat products are prepared, handled, stored, or sold, and to provide a system of scoring and grading such places. No such place as mentioned above shall operate which receives a sanitary rating of less than 70 percent. This law does not apply to farmers who raise and butcher their own products.

In the inspections made this week by Mr. Fowler the market managers attention was called to the items of the rules and regulations such as hand washing facilities, meat storage, hot and cold water under pressure, health certificates and condition and kinds of meat.

All the markets are required to keep the grades posted so that the public can see the rating and therefore determine the sanitary condition.

Following are the grades: 90 to 100 is Grade A 80 to 90 grade B 70 to 80 Grade C.

The cost of operating an automobile has decreased 50 per cent since 1926.

## District Schools Will Close Until Wednesday

### Events Postponed

Cub Scout Pack meeting planned for Monday night at the Roxboro Community house has been postponed until next Monday night, following announcement yesterday of closing of Roxboro district schools until Wednesday. Supervising Principal H. C. Gaddy reported then that all athletic events scheduled for Monday and Tuesday have also been postponed.

## SANDERS URGES ALL ALLOTMENTS TO BE SIGNED

February First Is Final  
Date. Definition Of New  
Farm Given.

Tobacco growers and farmers in Person County interested in filing an application for tobacco acreage allotment, subject to approved regulations, should file this application with the Chief Clerk in the office of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration on the second floor of the Courthouse at Roxboro as soon as possible, not later than February 1, 1941, according to announcement made Saturday by County Agent H. K. Sanders.

The following instructions have been received from the Raleigh and Washington offices regarding allotments of tobacco acreage to new farms, said Mr. Sanders. Anyone interested in making application for acreage on a new farm should read carefully each paragraph of the instructions in which a "NEW FARM" is defined as a farm on which tobacco was not produced in any of the 5 years 1936 to 1940 and on which tobacco will be produced in 1941.

In order to obtain an allotment for a new tobacco farm in 1941, the operator of the farm shall file an application therefor on 41-Feb-37, prior to February 1, 1941.

"A tobacco acreage allotment shall not be established for any new farm unless the following conditions have been met:

(a) The farm operator shall (Continued on back page)

## Seed Loan Plans Being Formed For Current Seed Year

Seed Loan Field Supervisor J. C. Howard, said yesterday in an interview with newsmen of Person County, that he was getting his office in the Basement of the New Post Office building in complete readiness, to begin taking Applications for 1941 Loans, on or before February 1st.

Supervisor Howard said that the Seed Loan Office no longer has to wait for Congress to pass a Bill, to make funds available to those farmers who are eligible for this Loan, but that the Office operates now on a revolving fund.

Since the Seed Loan Office began operating in 1929, some 225,458 farmers in North Carolina have made these loans, in the amount of \$23,546,000.00. Repayment to date on the above is approximately 93 percent.

Eight thousand and four hundred farmers in Person County have borrowed \$750,000.00 from this source, and repaid 95 percent plus.

Mr. Howard also said that he rather anticipated some increase in the number of loans to be made in 1941, because so much tobacco was seriously damaged by excessive rainfall late last Summer, that the market was rather low on the heavy and diseased types of tobacco. With reduced acreage and low markets, many farmers were left almost stranded after paying current expenses.

But said Howard, the Seed Loan Office is here, and is ready to render the needed assistance to all eligible farmers, whether one hundred or one thousand.

## License Plates In Up-Swing Here

As of Friday, January 17, according to Miss Mary Stanfield, branch manager of the Roxboro unit of the Carolina Motor Club, 3,353 automobile licenses have been sold, as compared with 3,142 sold up to the same date in 1940.

342 truck plates have been sold, while 322 were sold last year. Trailer plates for 1941 are down to 464, as compared with 507 for last year.

This local record, Miss Stanfield believes, is in line with a similar increase in sales of motor club memberships, not only in this state but throughout the nation.

Regardless of the weather or the season many people still want to travel and more and more they are waking up to advantages provided by motor clubs for traveling services, particularly road information and repair courtesies.

## Wilborn Rites Held

Funeral services for Edgar Otto Wilborn, 3 and one half year old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Otto Wilborn, of Semora, whose death occurred Thursday morning at the family residence, following an illness of three days with pneumonia, were conducted Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Lambeth Memorial church by the Rev. L. V. Coggins. Interment was in the church cemetery. Only survivors are the parents.

## Ca-Vel School, Negro Schools, A nd County Schools Remain Open. Many Mild Cases Re- ported, But Closing Taken As Precautionary Measure.

With exception of Ca-Vel school, all public schools for white children in the Roxboro school district will remain closed until Wednesday morning because of an apparent increase in prevalence of influenza, it was announced yesterday morning by school officials, following conferences with teachers, board members and physician. Dr. A. L. Allen of the Person unit of the health department, was out of the city but had previously been consulted.

Both city and county schools were in operation through Friday and county schools will continue to operate, although many absences have been reported, particularly in the Roxboro district. Only at Ca-Vel school in the district has attendance held up to average.

Person health department officials today said 240 cases of influenza have been reported in the county and city inclusive, with possibilities of many milder cases unreported.

It was emphasized that closing order for the school is being taken as a precautionary measure and that there is no undue cause for alarm as to reaching of an epidemic stage.

The conference of school officials was held in the board of education office with Person Superintendent of schools R. B. Griffin, Supervising Principal H. C. Gaddy, and others in attendance. Closing order was issued with approval of J. A. Long, district board chairman. It is understood that at least two physicians recommended closing the schools.

Mr. Griffin said that Negro schools, including Person County Training school, which is in the Roxboro district, will remain open. General opinion is that the situation will be improved by Wednesday so that all closed schools will be reopened on that date.

## BRITISH RELIEF SOCIETY PLANS BEING FORMED

Mesdames Crosley and  
Bloxam Head Bundles  
Committee. Office Opens  
This Week.

According to plans now being completed office headquarters of the Roxboro unit of the British War Relief society, of which Mrs. S. M. Ford is chairman, will be opened this week in the Kirby building, as previously announced. It is planned that members of an office committee, to be appointed, will stay in the office to receive bundles, and financial contributions, said Mrs. Ford.

Regular office hours will be observed, but until opening arrangements are completed citizens who are interested in rendering immediate assistance to the society's program for relief of English civilians are requested to telephone Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Sanders McWhorter or other members of the executive committee.

This committee met Friday afternoon in the office of Robert Edgar (Buddy) Long, vice chairman, at which time plans were made for a membership campaign to be launched shortly.

Mesdames Arthur Crosley and  
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## Along The Way With the Editor

Wanted by this column—a picture of Guthrie Bradsher riding his horse. Would like to have him with a complete riding costume and a western saddle on the horse. Would also be much better if Guthrie had a lasso. We understand that Mr. Bradsher rides every Sunday afternoon and this picture could be snapped almost any time.

Curtis Oakley has started playing golf. He is now in the market for a complete set of golf clothes, golf clubs and about two hundred golf balls. The first time he made the round he got a par 3 on the 9th. hole if you do not could the whiff that he made on the ninth tee. Oakley will probably take off each afternoon during the spring and summer to play a few rounds.

Some of the boys have been saying that Claude Harris is wearing mighty nice clothes. They even go so far as to say that he is "in the money" and Coleman King says that Claude may take a winter vacation in Florida.

This writer is having a rather hard time getting to this column today. Two of our men have just gone home with the flu and Maynard has been taking pills for two days. Tom Shaw is taking things easy and pecking on his writing machine. George Walker, Jr. came down to help get us out of our sweat, but we are still in one and so I guess I must stop and help a little.

See you next week with all the latest scandal.