

## Hugh Woods Won't Pass Out Apples But Celebrates

Local Merchant Will On Saturday Observe Fifty Years Of Selling Groceries.

Although he will not be passing out any golden apples, Hugh Woods, the man who in years of service as a Roxboro groceryman has outdistanced the recently returned Alex Sergeant, will on Saturday celebrate his golden anniversary as a salesman of flour and pork and beans.

Exactly forty years ago Mr. Woods, who is now an energetic man of 67, opened the Hugh Woods' grocery company, but he entered the business ten years before that date, first as a clerk with the C. H. Hunter company, and then with W. J. Johnson, whose interests were later purchased by A. W. Clayton and Mr. Sergeant.

Getting the jump on the two men who were to be his friendly business rivals, Mr. Woods, who had been with the Johnson company for five years, opened his own store on February 1, 1901. His first place of business, diagonally across the Main street from his former employer, was built by his father-in-law, Henry Field, an English architect and contractor, who came to this country for reasons of health and first lived at Boydton, Va., before coming to Roxboro.

Mr. Woods, whose present store, next to the Dolly Madison theatre, is still within shouting distance of his junior rivals, remembers as they do many of the turn of the century eating habits and customers of the city. Particularly vexing was one customer, since become a prominent citizen, who crammed his mouth full of candy—and stick candy at that—every time he came in to settle accounts.

Mr. Woods, whose father was the late Tom Woods, of Woodsdale, first came to Roxboro in 1889. Then 16 years of age, he had been educated in the local schools. While working for Mr. Hunter, who, incidentally, is still (Continued on Back Page)

## CRUMPTON RITES HELD WEDNESDAY

Interment Takes Place In Family Plot In Burchwood Cemetery.

R. W. (Bob) Crumpton, 80, of near Ruffin, former Person County resident, died Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock in Memorial Hospital, Danville, Va., following an illness of three weeks. Death was attributed to pneumonia.

Mr. Crumpton was a native of Lynchburg, Va., and for 40 years was a prominent Person County farmer. He was a member of Locust Hill Methodist Church and had lived in Ruffin for five or six years.

Funeral services were held at the home on Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock, with in the family plot in Burchwood cemetery, Roxboro.

Surviving is his second wife, Mrs. Anna Crumpton. He was first married to Miss Rosa Pleasants, who died several years ago. Surviving from this union are five sons, B. G., R. E., and Slade Crumpton, all of Roxboro, Laymond Crumpton of Durham and D. H. Crumpton of Raleigh and two daughters, Mrs. Roy Rogers of Roxboro and Mrs. Henry Hicks of Yanceyville.

Mr. Crumpton was well known in Roxboro and had frequently visited here since his removal to Ruffin.

## PERSON CHURCH DEDICATION TO BE HELD SOON

The Allensville Methodist Church Will Have Bishop Purcell And Others As Speaker.

Speaker at dedication of Allensville Methodist church on Sunday morning, February 2, at 11 o'clock will be Bishop Clare Purcell, of Charlotte, according to announcement of program plans made this morning by the Rev. D. A. Petty, pastor, who also said that a special invitation to attend is being extended to former pastors and members.

In the afternoon, following a basket luncheon, Dr. H. E. Spence, of the Duke University divinity school, will deliver an address on "Conscription for Christ and the Church". A history of the church will also be read at this time. Special music will be featured at both services.

Among those expected to attend and to participate in the dedication service is the Rev. S. F. Nicks, of Hillsboro, a former pastor of the church, under whose ministry the present stone structure was completed in 1933. Also participating will be T. O. Gentry, principal of Hurdle Mills school, as a lay representative of the church; George M. Fox, Jr., as representative from the Brookdale church, and Lt. Gov. R. L. Harris, whose grandfather, the late Rev. William M. Jordan, twice served as pastor, in 1845, and from 1872 to 1875. The Lieutenant Governor has been asked to participate as a representative of Person county and the State.

Introduction of Bishop Purcell will be made by the Durham District Superintendent, Rev. A. J. Hobbs, and the history of the church will be presented by Tom Boone Davis, prominent Person farmer and landowner.

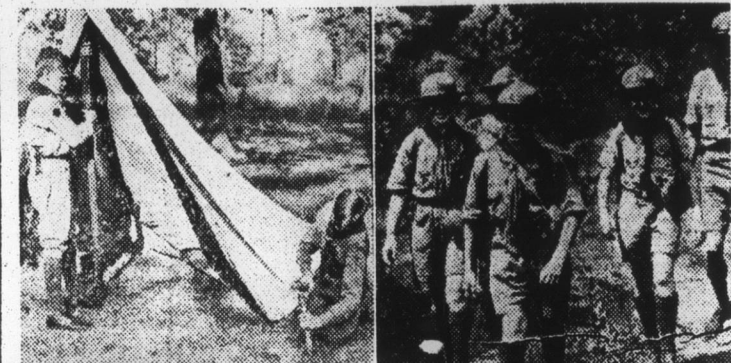
Among the members of the church, which has a history extending over more than a hundred years, was Mrs. Frances Webb Bumpass, who became corresponding secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, the North Carolina conference, in 1878. Mrs. Bumpass, wife of a Methodist minister, lived for many years in Greensboro, as Frances Webb, but joined the Allensville church in early girlhood, in 1834, during the pastorate of the Rev. R. O. Clayton. The present pastor, the Rev. Mr. Petty, came to the church about a year and a half ago.

Early history of the Allensville Methodist church was associated with that of Bethlehem church, located at one time about two miles from the present Allensville church, the new building of which has been characterized as one of the most beautiful in Person county.

It is expected that many Roxboro people, in addition to those having family associations with the church, will attend the exercises, and will during the hours of dedication join in the singing of old hymns of the church.

## MISS BEAM BETTER

Miss Velma Beam, Person County Home Demonstration agent, who underwent an emergency operation Saturday at Community hospital, is now resting more comfortably, according to reports received yesterday.



Boy Scout week will be observed February 7-13 throughout the nation to mark the organization's thirty-first anniversary of its founding. Special emphasis is being placed this year on emergency service training. A few of the 1,500,000 Boy Scouts in the country are shown above engaging in typical activities that encourage self-reliance and quick thinking in emergencies.

## At Long Last Bill Hears

Bill Zimmerman, Roxboro sportsman who went on a holiday hunting trip to eastern Carolina about a month ago and brought home a banded goose on which to feast, yesterday reported that he has at last heard from Jack Miner, Kingsville, Ont., whose name, with a verse of scripture was on the band.

Reason for the delay in hearing from Miner, who is it turns out a middle-aged bird sanctuary operator, not a young soldier in London, was that Bill's letter was misplaced for several days before it ever left Roxboro.

Miner, whose sanctuary is known to many sportsman, has been banding geese, ducks, mourning doves and smaller birds since 1909, mainly because of his love for birds and game birds and because of his desire to learn of their migratory habits. His sanctuary, about 30 miles from Detroit, has become a heaven for the birds and his scriptural quotations are said to be appreciated, especially by Indians of the Canadian northwoods.

The Zimmerman band, which at Miner's request will be returned to him for preservation in a collection gathered from all over the North American continent, has the simple legend from St. Mark's gospel: "Have faith in God".

## Car Load of Refrigerators Received Here

Electric Appliance Co., of this city, has just received a car load of Kelvinator refrigerators, stated Mr. Prilliman, owner of the appliance company.

The new Kelvinators for 1941, stated Prilliman, are things of beauty and the price is really amazing. He invites everyone in to see the new models and clearly states that there will be no obligation to buy.

A number of the new refrigerators are on the floor of the company's salesroom where they may be seen.

## AUNT IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. J. H. Allen, of Durham, aunt of Mrs. E. G. Long, of Roxboro, entered Watts hospital for observation and treatment yesterday, according to information received here by Mrs. Long.

## War Impressions Will Be Given By Three Men

Their impressions of the present European war will be topic of discussion by a French soldier, a retired United States Naval officer and an active leader of the British War Relief society at an open forum meeting to be held next Monday night, February 3, at the court house in Roxboro, according to announcement made Monday night at a dinner meeting of the Roxboro Kiwanis club.

Speakers who will be heard at eight o'clock, will include Jacques Hardre, who was in the battle of Dunkerque, Admiral Foote, of Chapel Hill, and James Clark, of Chapel Hill and Durham, all of whom will be dinner guests at the Kiwanis club prior to the holding of the open forum. Place in which they will speak will be announced later.

Mr. Hardee, whose father is professor of French at Woman's college, Greensboro, has but recently returned to America.

Main feature of the program: Monday night was music presented by a quartet composed of Jarvis Adams and of Kiwanians Robert Edgar (Buddy) Long, Rev. T. Marvin Vick and president E. B. Craven, Jr.

The program was in charge of a committee composed of Messrs. Vick and Long, Jack Strum and Brodie Riggsbee.

## New Store To Open Here Friday Morning

Young Mercantile Company, with headquarters in Greenville, N. C. will open for business in Roxboro Friday morning. The location of the store is on Main Street and is between Roxboro Drug and Central Service Station.

Mr. R. V. Massey will manage the Roxboro store. Mr. Massey comes to Roxboro from Clinton, N. C. where he was manager of Young Mercantile Co. there.

The company that is opening the Roxboro store is owned by W. F. Young of Greenville, Mr. Young has several other stores in Eastern Carolina.

A full page ad. in today's Times tells of the many specials that will be found on sale tomorrow. Among the features is the giving away of \$50.00 in cash.

## City of Roxboro Bonds Refunded at Good Rate

### AGENCIES GROUP MEETS AT HOTEL

Officers Re-elected. Plans Made For Social Service Survey of Person County.

With the president, Rev. T. Marvin Vick, Jr., presiding, January dinner meeting of the Person Council of Social agencies was held at Hotel Roxboro. On the report of Wallace Woods, chairman of the nominating committee, all officers of the council were re-elected for the current year.

New member, present for the first time, was Charles Gentry, of Ca-Vel. Named as committee chairman were Robert Edgar (Buddy) Long, hospitality; Rev. J. M. Walker, Jr. membership; Wallace W. Woods, publicity, and Thomas J. Shaw, Jr., program. Selected as members at large were Mrs. R. L. Wilburn and F. O. Carver, Jr. Only speaker was the president, Rev. Mr. Vick, who outlined policies for the year and expressed appreciation for cooperation extended during the past year.

Immediately after the dinner session the executive committee met to discuss program plans and decision was reached that a social survey of various townships in Person county will be undertaken, with Woodsdale as the first to be considered. Invitations to C. E. Sullivan and Miss Ruth Brooks, both of Woodsdale, as speakers at the February session, will be extended, it being intended that they will present estimates of social and economic conditions of the community in which they live.

### WILL NOT MEET

Because of her illness Miss Velma Beam will not meet the Saturday 4-H club sewing class this week.

## Rites For Mrs. J. W. Noell Held Today At Residence

Tributes Of Respect Paid To Prominent Woman Whose Death Occurred Tuesday Night.

Funeral services for Mrs. Joseph William Noell, 75, prominent Roxboro woman, whose death from bronchial pneumonia occurred Tuesday night at 10:30 o'clock at her home here following an illness lasting two weeks, were held this morning at 11 o'clock at the Noell residence on Academy street.

Officiating ministers were the Rev. W. F. West, pastor of Roxboro First Baptist Church of which Mrs. Noell was for many years a member, Dr. I. G. Greer, superintendent of Mills Home Baptist orphanage, Thomasville, and the Rev. J. H. Shore, retired Methodist minister, of Person county. Interment was in Burchwood cemetery, Roxboro.

Active pallbearers were: D. R. Taylor, F. O. Carver, Jr., Preston Satterfield, Sr., George W. Kane, A. M. Burns, Sr., J. S. Walker, O. B. McBroom and F. J. Hester, all of this city. Numbers of other citizens served as honorary pallbearers and flower-bearers.

Mrs. Noell, wife of J. W. Noell, editor of the Roxboro Courier, was a native of Iredele county, and was before her marriage, Miss

## John C. Michie, Jr. Rites Held Today

Martin Michie and members of his family were in Durham today for funeral services of his brother, John C. Michie, Jr., 45, whose death occurred early Wednesday morning at Wilson, where he had gone from his home in Durham on a business trip. The rites were conducted at the First Presbyterian church, Durham at 11 o'clock.

Pallbearers included four brothers, Martin Michie, of this city, Norwood Michie, of Norfolk, Va., and William and Robert Michie, of Durham. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

### JAMES A. LONG, IV.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Long, Jr., of this city, announce the birth of a son, James A. Long, IV, on Tuesday, January 28, at Watts hospital, Durham. First grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Long, the new arrival in the Long family bears the name of his father, grandfather and great-grandfather. The first J. A. Long, who died a number of years ago, was a pioneer textileist and banker in the Person area and was founder of Longhurst Cotton mills.

### Accepts Position

James Nelson, of Prospect Hill and Yanceyville, has accepted a position with Service Dry Cleaners, according to announcement made today by Claude Harris, proprietor of that establishment. Mr. Nelson will begin his duties Monday. He was formerly connected with a Yanceyville dry cleaning company.

Mrs. R. B. Holman, of the Person Welfare office is ill at her home at Helena with influenza. Also ill is Miss Marjorie Griffin, of the same department.

Nelia Holman, daughter of the late John B. Holman and Mrs. Laura Jane Gay Holman. Mr. Holman who served as a state legislator from Iredele county for sixteen years was sponsor of the first bill creating the present-day public school system in North Carolina.

She was married to Mr. Noell, who then resided at Graham, on November 19, 1890, and shortly afterwards came with her husband to Roxboro, where she entered into social, civic and religious activities of the city and county for more than half a century. She and Mr. Noell celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last November with an impressive reception held at their home here.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are three children, Dr. Robert H. Noell, of Rocky Mount, Mrs. Lee B. Weathers, of Shelby, and Mrs. W. Edward Bowles, of this city, and a granddaughter, Miss Betty Gay Masten, also of Roxboro.

Expressions of sorrow and regret were received from many sections of the state and from this city and Person county. Office of the Roxboro Courier was closed until after the funeral service. Also closed, during the hours of the service were a number of establishments in the city, among them the City hall.

Securities Rate Commission Meeting Yesterday in Raleigh, Places Bonds in Group One, Making Them Eligible For Purchase By Any Bank in The United States.

Rate Of \$3.24 Established In Recent Sale To Durham And Greensboro Houses.

On Tuesday, January 28, the City of Roxboro made the best sale of bonds ever made in its history, according to city treasurer and councilman, Gordon C. Hunter, through the Local Government Commission in Raleigh, the City of Roxboro sold \$240,000.00 Refunding Bonds at an interest rate of \$3.24. This, said Mr. Hunter, is to call like amount of bonds due December 1, 1964, bearing 4 percent interest at present, 4 1-2 from 1944 to 1955, and 5 percent from 1955 to 1964.

The City, in refunding these bonds, will save \$1800.00 per year in interest from now until 1944, and \$3,000.00 per year interest after 1944, said Mr. Hunter, indicating that through the average life of the bonds there will be an interest saving of approximately \$45,000.00.

On December 1, 1934, the City owed \$623,117.89, but the net debt of the town has been reduced to \$434,000.00, according to Mr. Hunter, Roxboro was the first town in North Carolina to refund its entire indebtedness in December 1934. At that time the city officers were foresighted enough to refund the bonds with a callable bond that could be called on any interest date at par.

The sale on the 28th followed out this plan of refunding the town's bonds at the lowest possible interest rate—and the remainder of the bonds will probably be called in the near future as soon as the market near future, as soon as the market has had time to absorb the ones just sold.

The savings effected have already been passed on to the taxpayers, as the City of Roxboro tax rate in 1933-34 was \$2.25 per hundred. This has been steadily decreased until it is now \$1.35, said Mr. Hunter.

## Benefit Game And Dance Will Be Staged Here

Dolan D. Long, chairman of the Person County committee for celebration of the President's birthday today announced that a benefit double-header basket ball game will be held tonight in Roxboro high school gymnasium and that a dance will be given tomorrow night, starting at 9:30 o'clock at the American Legion hut.

More than fifty dollars were received from a tag day sale held Saturday and another feature of the paralysis campaign was a parade in which Roxboro high school band, led by Frederick B. Moore, participated. Chairman of the dance committee is Coleman C. King.

Speaker at the January meeting of Central Grammar School Parent Teacher association was Dr. A. L. Allen, who discussed the importance of cooperation in health measures between the various school agencies, the parents and the children. Devotionals were led by the Rev. J. B. Peele. Attendance was large.