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Man Charged With Car Theft Breaks Iron Pipe In Prison

Second Man In Cell, Charged With Theft, Denies Any Participation In Pipe Business

Several nights ago Person Jail and Court House custodian Arthur Long heard strange noises, metal on metal, in a cell occupied by Herbert Boyd, 25, of Alton, Va., charged with larceny of an automobile.

Long investigated but found nothing. Next day, on Tuesday, he again heard the noises. In the cell with Boyd was Willie Holt, 23, of Lea's Chapel, arrested that day and said to have been an accomplice of Boyd's in the larceny. This time Jailer Long took with him Chief of Police George C. Robinson, Patrolman Baxter and Deputy Bob Whitt.

The four of them looked over the cell, more thoroughly, and found a radiator from which had been broken a piece of pipe several feet long. The pipe, used to carry steam to the radiator, was concealed behind a door in a corner.

Long is of opinion that Boyd, a man said to have a long previous criminal record, planned to strike the jailer or his assistant with it at some quiet time and then escape.

Holt, who with Boyd, had been employed at Longhurst mills, denied having any part in breaking the pipe, but he and Boyd were removed to a more secluded and stronger cell for safe keeping.

Officers say that Boyd, who was committed to jail on the 13 of this month after he had been identified by a Warrenton filling station operator as driver of the car, obtained gas at the station and drove off without paying for it, and that with him was Willie Holt, who was arrested near Roxboro three days later. The alleged theft occurred about the middle of last week at Longhurst, where the car had been parked by its owner.

Officers kept the case quiet because they wished to apprehend both men, who are now awaiting trial and must stay in a room sans radiator connection pipes.

WOMEN HAVE AN EXECUTIVE BOARD SESSION IN TOWN

Business and Professional Woman's Club Plans Program For Year

Members of the Executive Committee of the Roxboro unit of the Business and Professional Woman's club met Monday night with Miss Frances Weston, chairman of the Year-Book committee, at which time an outline of the 1941-1942 national program, "Strengthening Democracy," was presented.

Presiding was Miss Velma Beam. Next regular meeting of the club will be Wednesday, September 24, at Hotel Roxboro, at which time "The Spirit Within" will be discussed by Misses Nancy Bullock, Mildred Bass, Barbara Bloxam and Frances Weston, and Mesdames A. F. Nichols and Thomas Feathers-ton.

Members of the committee reached decision to offer assistance to the Person County Library Board in distribution of books to various communities in the County. Named to work with the Board, of which Mrs. J. H. Merritt, of Wooddale is chairman, was Miss Julia Fisher, chairman of the club project committee.

EDDIE WILSON RITES CONDUCTED

Person Native Meets Death In Fall From Truck; His Parents Live At Hurdle Mills

Eddie R. Wilson, 48, of Hope-dale, a former resident of Hurdle Mills, who Saturday morning suffered a fractured skull and other injuries when he fell off of a tobacco truck near Hope-dale, died 12 hours later in a Burlington hospital.

The accident is said to have occurred on a dirt road on a farm where Wilson and two boys, one of whom was driver of the truck, were working. Wilson, standing on tobacco to hold it in the truck, was not missed until the boys stopped about 15 minutes later to unload the truck. When found, Wilson was unconscious and remained so until his death.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at Berry's Grove Baptist Church, near Hurdle Mills, by the Rev. Mr. Cardwell, a former pastor, with burial following in the church cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, the former Sallie Wolfe; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ingram Wilson of Hurdle Mills, two sons, six daughters, all of the home, five sisters and eight brothers.

The two youngest children are twins, Lelia Ann and Celia Jane, six months of age. Other children are Eddie, Jr., Edna, Isabel, Margie, Douglas and Betty Lou.

MISS FISHER TO OFFER FIRST AID CLASSES IN CITY

Program Starts Tonight At Fire Station And Will Be Offered Twice Each Week

Starting tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the City Hall fire station a course in first aid will be given by Miss Julia Fisher, of the nursing staff of the Person County unit of the tri-county health department.

The program, to be given two nights each week in sessions lasting two hours each, is expected to be of interest to firemen, school officials and teachers, Boy and Girl scouts and citizens generally, according to Fire Chief Henry E. O'Briant, who is assisting Miss Fisher with the program.

Twenty hours of study will be required for finishing the course, at conclusion of which certificates will be awarded. Similar courses have been given in this City for the past several years with considerable success.

PLYMOUTHS HERE

Now on display at Arch Jones Motor company, Depot street agency for Plymouth, Dodge and Buick, are new, 1942 models of Plymouth cars. Mr. Jones and other members of the sales force today said they will be pleased to have their friends and customers make inspection of their new Plymouths and other cars.

CONDITION SERIOUS

The condition of R. L. Wilborn, who has been ill at his home on South Main street, this city, is considered very serious. He has been in declining health for the past several months.

MOB REPORT NOW COMPLETE SBI CHIEF INDICATES

Material Now Turned Over To Solicitor Murdock, Durham; Grand Jury Next Move

The State Bureau of Investigation has completed its report on the recent Roxboro mob incident, and the records have been turned over to Solicitor William Murdock of the Tenth Judicial District, Gov. J. M. Broughton said Tuesday.

The incident occurred when about 200 men tried to remove Cy Winstead, a Negro rape suspect, from the Person County Jail.

Broughton said details of the SBI report would not be released until action is taken by the Grand Jury for the term of Person County court which begins October 13.

Broughton had said earlier that the reports were "definite and specific" and would "imply a number of persons."

R. D. BUMPASS AND OTHERS TO ATTEND SESSION

Bumpass Heads Young Democrats; Elected At Tuesday Meeting

President of Person County Young Democrats is R. D. Bumpass, Roxboro business man, chosen at a meeting of the Person unit of the organization held Thursday night. Other officers are Philip L. Thomas, vice president, re-elected, and E. G. Thompson, secretary-treasurer.

Bumpass, Thomas and Thompson, together with Lieutenant Governor R. L. Harris, J. Sam Merritt, and Gordon C. Hunter, will attend the Y. D. C. convention in Winston-Salem. The Lieutenant Governor and Mr. Thompson will go today, other Friday.

Introduction of Governor Broughton at the Saturday luncheon is expected to be made by Fifth district Congressman John H. Folger, of Mt. Airy.

Highlight of the meeting, expected to be a harmonious one in political and social sense, will be a Brunswick stew to be given Friday night.

Meeting of the Person unit was held at Person County court house. It was agreed that all members in good standing who attend the sessions at Winston-Salem will be considered official delegates.

Bert Lunsford And T. H. Clayton Head Ramblers

Co-captains of Roxboro High School Ramblers football team, elected at a meeting held Monday night, are Bert Lunsford, fullback, and Tom Hill Clayton, quarterback, both Rambler veterans, who saw service in Friday's opening contest with Durham high school, lost by the Ramblers after a hard contest, 14 to 0.

Coach George Wirtz this morning said that lights on the Roxboro playing field are being rearranged for gridiron service and that to date no game has been scheduled for this week.

MRS. BYRD DIES AT DUKE, RITES SET FOR FRIDAY

Wife Of Druggist Had Been Seriously Ill Several Weeks

Mrs. Clement Byrd, well-known resident of this city, died this morning at 7:20 o'clock, at Duke hospital, Durham, where she had for several weeks been critically ill. Death was attributed to heart trouble with complications.

Mrs. Byrd was formerly a resident of Raleigh and funeral services will be conducted at First Baptist church in that city Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Survivors include her husband, co-owner of the A. B. Drug company, Roxboro, a daughter, Mrs. Chreston Holoman, of 2116 Country Club drive, Raleigh, and grandchildren.

Also surviving is a son, J. Marshall Barber, by her first marriage.

Mrs. Byrd, before her first marriage, was Miss Luna Crawford, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Riley Crawford, of Raleigh and was educated at St. Mary's, attending both school and college divisions.

The body will remain at Martin-Yelverton funeral home, Raleigh, until the hour of the service. Mrs. Holoman's telephone is 4786, Raleigh.

Tobacco Prices Please Person Folks No End

Third day of the 1941 Roxboro Market opened this morning in good form. It is expected that today's offerings will reach 60,000 pounds at a 30 cent, estimated average. Wednesday's sales totaled, officially, 34,714 pounds for \$10,142.38, at average of \$29.21, per hundred pounds.

Opening day was bigger, when 161,994 pounds sold for \$47,458.50, at an official average of \$29.29, about 12 points higher per pound than last season's average. Farmers are pleased, and so is everybody else. Prices on opening day went as high as 46 cents.

P. T. A. LEADERS TO MEET FOR PROGRAM PLANS

Called Session Of County Presidents Or Accredited Representatives Will Be Held Saturday Afternoon In Roxboro.

Leaders at a called meeting of presidents or representatives of all Parent Teacher Associations in Person County and Roxboro, to be held Saturday afternoon, September 20, at three o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Logan H. Umstead, North Main street, this city, will be Mrs. H. W. O'Sheay, of Durham, and Mrs. G. C. Vickers, of Roxboro.

Mrs. Vickers, president of the Person County council of P. T. A., will, with Mrs. Umstead and other officials, assist with plans for the program to be presented at the District P. T. A. Conference to be held in Roxboro on October 9.

The meeting this Saturday is regarded as of utmost importance and Mrs. Umstead requests attendance of all P. T. A. presidents or duly accredited representatives.

Chub Lake Street Residents Opposed To Proposed Garage

Second Fire Training Event To Be Held Here Next Week

Combination Defense And Fire Program To Draw Representatives From Many Cities

Local leaders at a two day Fire College Training school to be conducted in Roxboro on September 25 and 26 will be Chief J. E. Spake, of the Collins and Aikman fire department, Ca-Vel, and Chief Henry E. O'Briant, of the Roxboro department.

Held in conjunction with the training school, second of its type to be held here within the year, will be an evening program devoted to problems pertaining to National Defense, at which particular emphasis will be placed on relationships of firemen and their departments to Defense work. Speaker on this program, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the Court House will be Theodore S. Johnson, of Raleigh, State Director of Civilian defense.

Also expected to speak at this session will be Forrest Miles, of Greensboro, of the Federal Reserve, and State Fire Marshal and Deputy Commissioner Sherwood Brockwell, of Raleigh. Asked to preside is Gordon C. Hunter, Roxboro bank official.

Johnson will also address the Roxboro Rotary club at its Thursday night dinner meeting at Hotel Roxboro.

The fireman's training school, proper, will begin each afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at Roxboro Central Grammar school, and in addition to local men firemen from Asheboro, Burlington, Durham, Yanceyville, Oxford, Henderson, Carboro, Chapel Hill and other cities will participate. It

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PERSON SCOUTS GO TO CAROLINA FOR JUBILEE

District Leaders Are Dr. Robert E. Long And The Rev. T. Marvin Vick

Reidsville, Sept. 18.—One hundred forty six Scouts of Cherokee Council and their leaders left this afternoon for the Chapel Hill Jubilee, approximately 2500 Scouts are expected from North and South Carolina and Georgia to attend this huge demonstration of Scouting.

The Scouts will camp in their own tents on the edge of the university campus and will eat in the university cafeteria. The program will include: a tour of the university campus Friday morning, a Scout Rodeo Friday afternoon, camporee demonstration Saturday morning, attendance at the Carolina-Lenoir-Rhine football game Saturday afternoon, and a convocation Sunday morning. There will also be campfire programs Thursday, Friday and Saturday night, featuring demonstrations, ceremonies, singing and Governor Broughton.

Scouts from the Person district are under the leadership of Dr. Robert Long, and the Rev. T. M. Vick, Jr.

DAUGHTER BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dixon, of Route 1, Roxboro, announce the birth of a daughter, on Monday, September 15, at their home.

PLANS FOR SALE OF BONDS AND STAMPS REVIEWED

Hunter Talks To Civic Groups In Absence Of Miles, Tuesday Morning

With Gordon C. Hunter, executive vice president of the Peoples bank and chairman of the Person unit for sale of Defense Bonds and stamps, presiding, a meeting was on Tuesday morning held by a group of representative citizens interested in promotion of a more wide-spread sale of both Bonds and Stamps in the County.

Mr. Hunter announced that to date \$129,400 worth of Tax notes, Defense bonds and savings stamps has been sold here.

Among those present, who agreed to participate in a series of addresses to be given on the sales of bonds and stamps, were G. H. Ellmore, Mayor S. G. Winstead, W. Wallace Woods, J. W. Noell, R. B. Griffin and R. H. Shelton. Others present were Mesdames Percy Bloxam, William Pickering, R. C. Hall and Edwin Bowles, who discussed plans for booths in the Post Office, stores and other public buildings.

Also present were City Manager Percy Bloxam, Miss Nancy Bullock, William Smith Humphries, Tom Shaw, Jr., R. Edgar Long, George Wirtz and Jerry L. Hester.

POWER IN AREA TO BE OFF SAYS T. MILLER WHITE

In Effect Here And In Yanceyville Sunday Afternoon For Three Hours

T. Miller White, of Roxboro, district manager for the Carolina Power and Light Company, today announced that electric power will be interrupted here and in Yanceyville from two to five o'clock Sunday afternoon, (Daylight Saving Time) to permit company engineers and linemen to make a general inspection of the transmission and distribution facilities in these communities.

In addition to the general inspection, Mr. White said new equipment will be installed in some instances so as to improve electric service and also to enable the company to render the best service possible.

Mr. White said his company regretted the necessity of having to interrupt electric service, but said the time picked for the interruption was at a period during the day when it was hoped the public would be least inconvenienced.

He also pointed out that his company has been engaged for some time in supplying many concerns with national defense orders with large amounts of electric power and added that the improvements being made here and at other points on the company's system is part of the company's policy to keep ahead of the electric power needs of the communities it serves.

Sign Petition To Be Presented To Planning And Zoning Commission, R. C. Hall May Make Statement Sunday.

Disturbed by reports that a garage building, regarded by them as unsuited to the largely residential section in which they live, is to be erected at the corner of Chub Lake street and Leasburg road, residents of that vicinity this week signed a petition of protest.

Among the signers are Mr. and Mrs. Hubert O'Briant, of Chub Lake street, Mr. O'Briant, in discussing the matter yesterday, said that the petition, signed by seven other residents, is now on file at the City Hall and that City Manager Percy Bloxam, after discussing the matter with several City Commissioners, has said that the petition will be presented the Planning and Zoning commission at its next regular session, October 7.

City Manager Bloxam today said no application for a permit to build a garage on the lot, a lot said to be property of R. C. Hall, who is himself a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, has been received. According to O'Briant, Hall recently purchased the lot from Ben Wade and proposes to erect a structure for the use of E. L. Harris garage.

City Manager Bloxam, aside from duties as City Manager, is an ex-officio member of the Planning and Zoning commission, and by virtue of appointment is also City Building inspector, through whom all construction permits in the City are issued.

Other signers are Mr. and Mrs. O. Z. Gentry, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Long and Maxie U. Daniel. Two other residents, R. W. Dickerson and Mrs. W. J. Winstead, signed the document of protest and then later requested that their names be withdrawn. In the neighborhood are other residents, six to eight of whom have not signed, although only three or four have said they will not.

Crux of the matter, regarded in some circles as a test case for the Planning and Zoning commission, appears to be the fear

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Four Directors Named Monday

At the yearly meeting of the members of the Roxboro Country Club Monday night in the courthouse, the following governors were elected to serve a term of three years: D. W. Ledbetter, T. B. Woody, E. E. Bradsher, Sr., and J. S. Merritt. These men will serve in addition to the other governors of the club whose term did not expire at this time. Terms of four governors automatically expire each year.

On next Monday night the governors of the club will meet to elect a president and treasurer. Present president and treasurer, Jack Hughes and Bill Walker, have stated that they would not be candidate for these positions for the coming year. Both have served since the club was organized. Its Monday night meeting will be held in the court house at 7:30 p. m.

It was also voted at this yearly meeting to have a club tournament at an early date. Details will be worked out by the tournament committee, headed by John Fitzgerald.