

Many Pay Tribute To Memory Of Late Robert Lee Wilburn

Rites Held Tuesday For Man Who Was For Many Years Prominent Merchant And Churchman.

Funeral services for Robert Lee Wilburn, prominent merchant, whose death occurred Monday morning at his home here, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at the late residence, by the Rev. W. F. West, of Roxboro First Baptist church, with interment in Burchwod cemetery.

Mr. Wilburn, for more than 40 years an active Roxboro and Person county business man and churchman, died at 2:25 o'clock at his South Main street residence after an illness lasting four weeks. Death was attributed to heart trouble with complications.

Coming to Roxboro in 1918 from Hurdle Mills, where he had opened his first store in 1899, Mr. Wilburn was co-partner with M. W. Satterfield in Wilburn and Satterfield's department store, operated under that name until two or three years ago, when he and Mr. Satterfield sold their interests to the Peebles chain, which leased the building owned by the former partners and has continued in business on the same Main street site.

Mr. Wilburn was an active member of Roxboro First Baptist Church, having served on the Board of Trustees and as deacon, and as Superintendent of the Sunday School.

Although a native of Pittsylvania county, Virginia, where he was first in business, Mr. Wilburn quickly identified himself with Person County and Roxboro affairs after his removal to Hurdle Mills. He was a director of the Peoples Bank and was in a quiet way associated with all worthwhile civic and social affairs.

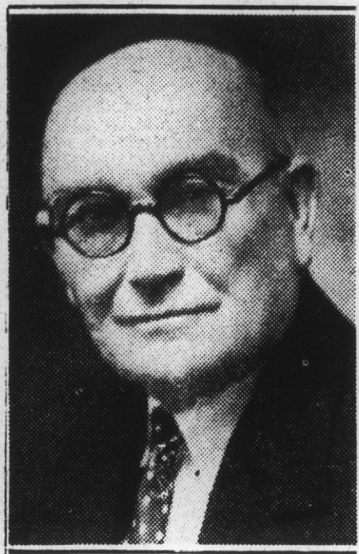
The son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wilburn, he was married in 1899 to Miss Mildred Elizabeth Woodson, daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Woodson, of Brookneal, Va., who survives, as do three daughters, five grandchildren, four brothers and a sister.

The daughters are Mrs. W. C. Timberlake, of Durham, Mrs. Maynard C. Clayton, of Roxboro, and Mrs. W. J. Campbell, of Dillon, S. C.; the brothers, W. W. Wilburn, of Alta Vista, Va., G. D. Wilburn, of South Boston, Va., Clarence Wilburn, of Long Island, Va., and T. J. Wilburn, of Gladys, Va.; the sister, Mrs. Elizabeth W. Hendricks, of Long Island, Va.

Active pallbearers were A. M. Burns, Sr., M. W. Satterfield, J. D. Mangum, Lawrence Hall, Charles Holeman, F. J. Hester, Dr. Robert E. Long and A. W. Clayton, lifetime friends and business associates, all of Roxboro.

Honorary pall bearers were J. W. Montague, Sr., W. H. Harris, Sr., A. S. deVlaming, D. W. Long, I. O. Abbott, Dr. A. F. Nichols, T. B. Woody, E. E. Bradsher, Sr., J. D. K. Richmond, F. O. Carver, Sr., J. E. Kirby, F. H. Willson, H. W. Newell, E. G. Thompson, W. C. Lawson, E. P. Dunlap, D. S. Brooks, W. A. Sergeant, N. D. Harris, D. M. Cash, W. R. Hawkins, Tuggle O'Brian, William Wilburn, J. S. Walker, Dennard Roberts, J. W. Noell, L. D. Puckett, J. D. Perkins, Sr., W. D. Merritt, S. G. Winstead, Jeter Daniel, Hugh Woods, J. J. Barnette, George Long, G. A. Bowles.

LEADER PASSES



R. L. Wilburn, native of Virginia, who made his home in Person County and Roxboro for more than forty years, died Monday morning at his residence on South Main street. With M. W. Satterfield he was co-founder of one of the City's leading department stores.

Helena Group Has Good First Meeting At School

The Helena Parent-Teacher Association opened its first meeting in the school auditorium last Thursday night with the singing of "Faith of Our Fathers." Mrs. L. C. Liles, the president, presided and Mr. Gupton of the faculty had charge of the devotional exercises. Members of the primary and grammar grades sang, "God Bless America," and "Clapping Song" under the direction of Miss Carr, music teacher.

Mrs. R. B. Holman introduced the speaker, Mrs. J. H. Merritt, who very interestingly told the audience of the objectives of the P.-T. A. and the advantages of a standard organization. Following the speaker, Joy Mae Clayton of the seventh grade gave a reading, "Miss Dorothy Entertains the Minister."

Miss Smith, secretary, read the minutes of the executive meeting, and also the minutes of the last meeting.

After reports of the various committees, grade attendance was counted, Miss Lyons' fourth grade room winning the banner to be kept until the next meeting. The attendance and response from the parents and teachers is very encouraging to the officers who are making every effort to have a real strong organization this school year. The program committee held a two hour session Friday night mapping out the program for the year. This will be released for publication as soon as all of the visiting speakers are contacted. If this program will work as planned the people of Helena will be very fortunate to have such an interesting series of programs.

Tobacco Still Goes Ahead In Roxboro Area

Roxboro Tobacco Market sales and averages for the first three days of this week were: 123,066 pounds for \$36,635.45 at average of \$29.76, on Monday, while on Tuesday 51,524 pounds sold for \$14,878.78 at average of \$28.76 and on Wednesday highest average of \$31.62 was reached, with 41,628 pounds, for \$13,245.39.

COUNTY SCHOOLS HAVING SHORTAGE

Water Supplies Down Because Of Prolonged Dry Spell; Inspections Made.

Water shortage in Person County schools is, because of the extremely dry weather reaching serious proportions, it was today learned from Person Superintendent of Schools R. B. Griffin, who said that some half a dozen schools are more seriously affected than others.

According to Mr. Griffin water supplies, furnished by wells and springs are getting low and sanitation inspections are being made with regularity by Sanitarian George E. Murphy. Mr. Murphy added that not much can be done to correct water deficiencies, but that conditions are being checked over from the sanitation point of view and it is hoped that rain will soon come to relieve the situations created by the prolonged dry spell.

One school well, 75 feet deep, is said to be down to level of two feet of water.

Now here and expected to remain for about ten days is Miss Ollie Brown of the State department of health and education, who was here about a year ago and put on programs similar to those she is now engaged in. Miss Brown visits schools in the county and it will take her a week or more to reach all of them, said Mr. Griffin.

Mrs. Shuskey Dies, Rites Held Today At Riley Home

Mrs. Dora Shuskey, 21, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Riley, died yesterday morning at 4:20 o'clock at the Riley residence in the Moore's Mill community after an illness lasting three weeks. Death was attributed to complications.

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon at four o'clock (DLST) at the Riley residence and interment was in the Berry's Grove church cemetery. Officiating minister was the Rev. E. L. Hill.

Survivors include: her husband Paul Shuskey, an infant daughter, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Riley, and three sisters, Mrs. Cora Evans and Misses Sally and Flossie Mae Riley, all of the Moore's Mill section.

SBI Look For Man With Heavy Body, Light Fingers

Under investigation is a movie "trailer" scheme for advertising, recently conducted here by a man who gave his name as A. Loebin, of East 49 street, New York City, representative of Metro Publicity Co.

Loebin, a man of 310 pounds, about five feet, eight inches tall, and thirty-five to forty years of age, while here collected from as many as 10 merchants the sum of \$24.50 each, cashed the checks and then departed for points unknown, driving a blue 1941 Pontiac sedan.

Called into the case were W. I. Gatling and James F. Bradshaw, special agents of the State Bureau of Investigation, who last night completed gathering of information. Gatling said he was reasonably certain that the name Loebin is an alias.

Mr. Gatling, while here, declined to discuss the impending presentation to the Person Grand Jury of list of names of persons said to have been involved in

GARRETTS HOLD FIRST REUNION

Surl Church Scene Of Gathering Sunday Morning

The first annual Garrett reunion was held Sunday, September 21, 1941, at Surl Church. The church marks the original homeplace of the late Hillman Garrett, who settled there early in the nineteenth century, and his direct descendants still may be found in this section.

Mrs. Olga Thomas, Rougemont, W. A. Garrett, Helena, and C. C. Garrett, Sr., Roxboro, an acting chairman, reported a vast throng of people from several states present to meet their kindred—some for the first time. However, due to the importance of the seasonal crops, many of the distant relatives were unable to attend.

The morning exercise was in charge of the Rev. Al Yarboro, of Milton, after which followed several selections by the West Durham Baptist Quartet. Short talks were presented by Mrs. Roy Pearce, Durham; John and Oscar Dixon, Mullins, S. C.; Mrs. Olga Thomas, Rougemont; M. P. Garrett, Durham; C. C. Garrett, Sr., Roxboro; and D. S. Brooks, Roxboro, a close friend of the family. A short business session followed, after which luncheon was served.

Following the lunch hour, songs were sung by the visiting quartet, and the afternoon passed quickly and enjoyably.

Present were three of the oldest members of the existing Garrett generation, all widows of Garretts who have done much to preserve the name and the generations to follow. They are: Mrs. C. H. Garrett, wife of the late Charles H. Garrett; Mrs. Lizzy Garrett, wife of the late Paul C. Garrett; and Mrs. M. H. Garrett, wife of the late Mark H. Garrett who said they were proud to attend.

LEGION STEW

Hosts at a brunswick stew supper Saturday night at the Legion Hut, Roxboro, were members of Lester Blackwell Post No. 138, who invited as guests a number of public officials as well as former service men, not members of the Legion. Presiding was Dr. B. A. Thaxton, commander.

Robinson Address Creates Profound Impression In City

BRADSHER HISTORIAN



MISS EUGENIA BRADSHER

Published on the editorial page of this issue of the Times is the first installment of a History of the Bradshers and their connections, written by Miss Eugenia Bradsher, of Durham. Subsequent chapters, accompanied by many photographs, will be released for several weeks on consecutive Thursdays. Miss Bradsher has frequently visited in Roxboro and is well-known for wit and charm and interest in genealogy.

Associational To Meet This Sunday At Thompsonville

The Baptist Church of Thompsonville will be the host church for the 4th Sunday Associational Sunday School meeting on the 28th of September.

Rev. A. A. Walker who is Sunday School superintendent of the Piedmont Association will be guest speaker.

A devotional will be given by a member of the host church. Special music will be rendered by members of First Church, Roxboro.

Mrs. Errol Morton, Associational Superintendent, extends a cordial invitation to all who are interested in Sunday School work.

Dr. George Sadler To Be Speaker At Epesus Church

Featured speaker at the Beulah Baptist Association meeting at Epesus Church (near Cunningham) Tuesday and Wednesday of next week is to be Dr. George W. Sadler of Richmond, Va., for a number of years a missionary in Africa under the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Sadler returned home and served as pastor of a large church, being called from that by the Foreign Mission Board to act as Secretary of all Southern Baptist Foreign Mission work in Africa, Europe and the Near East. His work in this capacity called for an extended trip to these countries during the past few months. His first hand knowledge of this section of the world that is so important in every day's news is expected to be very interesting and informing.

Other visiting speakers will be Dr. J. C. Slemp, Nathan C. Brooks and M. O. Alexander of Raleigh, Dr. W. R. Cullom of Wake Forest, Leslie H. Campbell of Campbell College and Dr. Smith Hagaman of Winston-Salem. A large attendance is expected.

RITES HELD FOR MRS. L. K. DAY

Former Bethel Hill Woman Dies At Roxboro Home Tuesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Laura King Day, 77, whose death occurred Tuesday morning at her South Main Street home after an illness lasting three weeks were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home, with the Rev. W. F. West, pastor of Roxboro First Baptist Church, officiating. Interment was in Burchwod Cemetery, Roxboro.

Mrs. Day, wife of the late Charlie R. Day, had been seriously ill three weeks and in declining health for many years. Death was attributed to heart trouble with complications.

Survivors include: Five sons, three daughters and 21 grandchildren. The sons are: Claude, of South Boston, Va., Lamberth, Hugh and Bob Day of Roxboro, and Charlie Day of Smithfield; the daughters, Mesdames Alex Spriggs, W. H. Adair and W. R. Minor, all of Roxboro.

Pallbearers were Lester and D. S. Brooks, P. T. Whitt Sr., George Fox Jr., Marvin Clayton, Bruce Moore, B. W. Murphy and A. S. Hassan.

Mrs. Day, daughter of the late James and Susan Woody, was born at Bethel Hill February 13, 1864. In Roxboro, where she was known to a wide circle of friends, she was an active member of the First Baptist Church.

J. S. Merritt To Head Country Club This Year

J. S. Merritt, editor of the Person County Times, was this week named as president of Roxboro Country club, at a meeting of the Board of Governors. First and second vice presidents are E. E. Bradsher, Sr., and Thomas B. Woody, also named at the meeting.

Re-elected as secretary was William Harris, III, while treasurer is E. E. Bradsher, Jr. Messrs. Merritt and Bradsher, Sr., Mr. Woody, and S. M. Ford, together with the retiring president, Dr. J. H. Hughes, constitute the executive committee, of which Mr. Merritt is ex officio chairman. Messrs. Merritt, Bradsher, Sr., and Woody were last week chosen members of the Board of Governors.

Plans for a second club tournament to be played in October have been made by the golf tournament committee, Dr. J. D. Fitzgerald, William Harris, III and Marvin Long and flights have been arranged.

Long Clan Will Meet Sunday At Bethany Church

Members of the families of the late S. M., John, Jesse and Sam Long will have their annual reunion on Sunday, September 28, at Bethany Methodist church, Caswell county, near Prospect Hill, according to announcement today made by the president of the group, Dameron Long, of Roxboro.

A morning service will be held and prior to the serving of the (Continued on Society Page)

Police Chief Has Council Program

Social Agency Group Hears Of Duties Of Police Officers And Of Problems To Be Faced.

Stressing the importance of that intelligent cooperation with law enforcement officials which can be given by groups such as the Agencies council, George P. Robinson, Roxboro Chief of Police, cited several instances in which cooperation is needed in this City, mentioning specifically parking problems, in an address yesterday at the Person County Council of Social Agencies luncheon meeting, at Hotel Roxboro.

The Chief, who was introduced by Council President Robert Edgar Long, spoke also of the need for an enlarged police force in Roxboro and cited a number of problems now being handled, some old, some new. He said that in his opinion possible coming of the nearby Army camp might create new hazards to law enforcement.

On motion of the Rev. W. F. West the Council went on record as expressing its appreciation of the talk by Chief Robinson and of its willingness to cooperate in the program suggested by him. Also by motion of the Rev. Mr. West, the Council secretary, Mrs. R. B. Holeman, was instructed to prepare for the body suitable resolutions expressing sympathy of the Council to the families of the late R. L. Wilburn and of the late J. A. Long, Sr.

Meeting of the executive committee of the Council was set for October 15, in the grand jury room at the Person Court house. A special guest was Mrs. Rachel Haas, of Chapel Hill, WPA social worker, whose district includes Person County. Mrs. Haas expressed herself as being particularly pleased with the public spirit shown by the Council.

In his prepared address, Chief Robinson gave a credo of duties guiding policemen and devoted some time to a discussion of "What Law Enforcement Itself Is Like." In this connection he characterized some citizens as being those who "like laws that do not affect them" and at the same time "do not like those that cramp their style."

"A good policeman," said the speaker, "is not judged by the number of arrests he makes, but by the absence and prevention of disorderliness on his beat, although at times, under certain

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Bushy Fork Has P.-T. A. Session

With Mrs. E. P. Warren, president, presiding, first Fall meeting of the Bushy Fork Parent-Teacher association was held last Thursday night at the school. In open forum form the business session and program were combined, with much discussion centered around the theme, "How Boys and Girls May Be Better Fitted for Tomorrow."

Devotional was in charge of Mrs. Lewis S. Hester and a brief message was given by Mr. Bell, music teacher at Bushy Fork, Helena and Hurdle Mills. Winner of attendance banner and book prize was Mrs. R. L. Hester's 7th grade. Light refreshments were served.