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## Small Fire, Large Crowds, Occasion Of Traffic Jam

Home Burns But Major  
Trouble Is Traffic Conges-  
tion; Service Station Peo-  
ple Outspoken About Dis-  
order.

Aftermath of a residence fire at Longhurst, mill village near here, Monday was citation of a number of motorists for speeding around the fire truck at a point near Sam Barnett's service station. Brakes of the fire truck are said to have stuck, slowing down speed of the vehicle. Charges against motorists were later dismissed before Tuesday's court was called, but men in the vicinity of the filling station were outspoken in condemnation of the traffic jam occasioned.

Cause of the trouble was a night fire which destroyed a mill home occupied by families of Griffin Pulliam and of a man named Lee, employees of Longhurst cotton mills, who lived near intersection of highway 501 and the ballpark road. The blaze originated about 9 or 9:30 from a fireplace in the home. The Pulliams lost practically all possessions, while the Lees managed to save a few garments.

Response was made by Roxboro fire department, with the truck with stuck brakes, and by the Ca-Vel department.

## Defense Training Offered In Three Public Schools

Now being given training in military tactics by I. M. Carlton, Jr., who recently returned from service with the U. S. Army, is a group of about 30 Roxboro high school students. Instruction is given each school day during the 11 to 11:30 o'clock morning activity period.

Defense training in a different fashion is being offered at Bethel Hill high school, where a defense shop training course in metal work will begin Monday night, November 24, at 7 o'clock. A similar course will be offered at Helena high school, although details have not been announced.

## Negro Man Cut By Another, Now In Duke Hospital

Still in Duke hospital, although better, is Calvin Johnson, 45, Negro of Hurdle Mills, said to have been injured with a knife in a fight with Lewis Evans, 50, Negro, of Hightower, Caswell county, which occurred near the Lewis Hester store over some whisky Sunday afternoon. Evans is now in Person County jail where he was placed by County officers.

## Fourth Sunday Meeting Planned For Church Units

Regular, fourth Sunday meeting of Baptist Sunday Schools of Person County will be held November 23 at Providence Caswell church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, with the Rev. A. G. Carter, pastor of West Main Street Baptist church, Danville, Va., as speaker. A full attendance is requested.

## EIGHTH IN RANK

Eighth in the rank of representatives of the Ohio State Life Insurance Company for the past two months is B. B. Knight, of Roxboro.

## PRISON JUSTIFIED IN FEEDING MEN AT STATE HOUSE

Attorney General Upholds  
Practice In Definite  
Opinion

Raleigh, Nov. 18. — Attorney General Harry McMullan said he was "definitely of the opinion" that the State Prison "is fully justified" in providing the Governor's Mansion with food for prisoners who work there.

That amount, he said, would be equivalent to the cost of feeding men in prison.

"Very clearly," the attorney general said in a letter to Charles Ross, general counsel of the Highway Commission, who requested the ruling, "it is not the obligation of the Governor from his own personal funds to feed these prisoners, and it is the obligation of the State to do so."

The question arose when news stories last week said the mansion was receiving food supplies from the Prison Department, and Governor Broughton said they were for prisoners employed there. He added that if he owed the Prison Department for them, he would pay.

McMullan said the Board of Public Buildings and Grounds had custody of the mansion and the right to assign prisoners to work there. The prisoners are assigned to quarters in the basement of the mansion, he said, "in order to avoid the inconvenience of being hauled back and forth each day," and they are fed there.

The arrangement, McMullan said, "seems to be the practical and convenient method of handling the feeding of the prisoners assigned to the mansion, and, in my opinion, is authorized by law."

## Forest Blaze Put Out Second Time, Now In Control

Now extinguished is a forest fire near Bethel Hill which on Sunday afternoon and again on Monday threatened adjacent areas and did damage to about 125 acres of forest land from which timber had recently been cut. Response both days was made by members of the Roxboro CCC camp, who assisted Bethel Hill and nearby Virginia residents in putting out the blaze by backfires.

Trucks from the Ca-Vel department went to the scene, on the W. A. Woody estate, but were able to do little because of lack of water. The blaze was first discovered in the St. Peter's section, Holloway township, by Robert Glaze, tenant on the G. E. Woody estate. No dwellings were destroyed. Origin of the fire and financial estimate of the damage have not been determined, although it is thought that a carelessly thrown match or neglected camp fire may have caused the blaze.

## WORKERS MEET

Members of the workers' council of Roxboro First Baptist church met Tuesday night in regular monthly session at a supper served in the Young Peoples' assembly room. Present were many of the workers, officers and teachers.

## THREE WRECKS, ONE A THREE-WAY, OCCUR NEAR CITY

Youth Charged With Hit-  
And-Run; Two Other  
Crashes Result In Hospi-  
talizations.

Recent automobile accidents in the vicinity of Roxboro caused arrest of one Person County youth on a charge of hit-and-run driving and placed three other persons involved in two accidents in Community hospital.

Released under a \$100 bond is Hester Saunders, 22, of Dixon's store, charged with hit-and-run driving and scheduled to appear at next session of recorder's court after his machine was involved in a three-car collision on the Oxford highway, said to have been caused when Saunders' car struck a machine driven by Clifton Chandler, 19, soldier from Fort Meade, Md., and knocked it into another car driven by William Thomas, of Roxboro and Newport News, Va.

Taken to Community hospital, where they are now reported to be improving were Mrs. Ada Frances Irby, 30, of Danville, Va., and her mother-in-law, Mrs. Nannie Irby, 48, of Leasburg. The younger woman suffered a fractured leg, while Mrs. Nannie Irby received minor injuries and is suffering from shock. Uninjured were John and J. L. Irby, John being the son of J. L. and Mrs. Nannie Irby, and the husband of Mrs. Ada Frances Irby.

The third patient, now discharged, was W. H. Monk, who received a headbone fracture. The Saunders collision and the Monk wreck, both in Person county, occurred Sunday, while the Irby wreck happened Monday night.

## GET PHOTOGRAPHS

Concluded today is Miss Eugenia Bradsher's "History of the Bradsher Family." Members of the family who assisted the Times by furnishing pictures or cuts and who wish to obtain them are requested to call at the Times office at their earliest convenience. Others will be returned by mail.

## NEPHEW HONORED

New head of the Virginia State Highway patrol is Capt. C. W. Woodson, Jr., formerly of Rustburg, Va., and a nephew of Mesdames R. L. Wilburn and A. S. deVlaming, of Roxboro. Capt. Woodson is now stationed in Richmond, Va. His father, clerk of the court at Rustburg, is a brother of Mesdames Wilburn and deVlaming.

## Person One Of Sixty-Six With Accident Increases

Traffic Deaths Mount To  
New High Levels During  
Present Year

Raleigh, Nov. 19.—With North Carolina counties reporting for October the greatest number of motor vehicle traffic fatalities ever recorded in a single month, 141, the year's total deaths skyrocketed to 1,001 for the period from January through October, 1941, according to figures released today by the Highway Safety Division.

During the ten month period Person County reported four fatalities as compared to one during the same period of 1940.

The three types of accidents in which the greatest number of persons have been killed this year are pedestrian with 288 dead, collision of two motor vehicles with 261 dead and ran off roadway with 244 deaths. Bicycle deaths for the ten

## FIRST SERVICE AT NEW CHURCH PLANNED SUNDAY

Ca-Vel Methodist Church  
To Worship In Georgian  
Structure; Two Visiting  
Ministers

First service in the first house of worship erected by members of Ca-Vel Methodist church, of which the Rev. T. Marvin Vick, Jr., is pastor, will be held Sunday morning, November 23, with District Superintendent A. J. Hobbs, of Durham, and the Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, assisting.

The sermon will be delivered by the pastor, at the eleven o'clock morning service. At 12:30 luncheon will be served on the grounds; at 2 o'clock the first quarterly conference will be held and in the evening another service will be held at 7 o'clock. Sunday School will be at the usual morning hour, 10 o'clock.

The new church building of Georgian design, is of brick veneer, has a seating capacity of 300 and an interior finish of California white pine paneling. Estimated cost of the structure of which H. N. Haines, of Durham, is architect, is \$8,000, of which \$5,700 has already been paid. Total amount to be raised by church members is \$6,700. Duke endowment grant is \$1,300.

To be built at later date is a church school unit, expected to cost \$4,000. The Ca-Vel church, organized on March 5, 1939, now has a membership of 88. Work on the church structure began on September 4, 1940. Prior to present time services have been held at Ca-Vel school.

Pastor since organization has been the Rev. Mr. Vick, of the Roxboro circuit.

## Night-Hawks To Play Friday Dance For New Club

Orchestra for the post-Thanksgiving, Friday night dance, first of a series of dances sponsored by the newly organized Bachelors' club, will be the "Bull City Night-hawks," a well-known Negro musical organization, featuring an especially good trumpet player, according to announcement made today.

Hours of the dance, to be staged at the American Legion hut, Chub Lake street, are from 10 until 2 o'clock, with admission by invitation only. Bids were mailed this week and a number of guests from this City and from out of town are expected.

## Churches In City And County Plan Thanksgiving Services

### LIBRARY BOARD ADOPTS BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR

Hears Comprehensive Re-  
port From Regional Li-  
brarian

Approval of an operating budget of \$1,450 for the remainder of the fiscal year was main business at regular November session of the Person County Library board, which met Tuesday afternoon in the library, Chub Lake street, and heard from Miss Ernestine Grafton, regional librarian, a comprehensive report of plans for the year.

Under the approved tentative budget approximately one half of the Library's combined income from County and State sources and from gifts will be expended in purchase of books, although adequate provision is made for upkeep of the bookmobile, expected to be in operation by December 11, and for salaries, shelving and incidental but necessary library equipment.

Discussed during the afternoon and subsequently approved was purchase of a record indicator for numbering books. Also approved was purchase of a stove for the library room. Deferred until next month were shelving improvements and enlargement of space.

Mention was made of progress with the bookmobile and of plans for return of overdue books, fines on a daily basis and compensation for lost books. It was announced that Mrs. Lilly May Owens, of Roxboro, will under NYA begin classification of new books on November 26.

Welcomed to board membership was Person Superintendent of Schools R. B. Griffin and decision was reached that December meeting of the board will be held on Tuesday, the 16, during Miss Grafton's regular visit to Person county. Open hours at the library will remain as they have been, from 9:30 in the morning to 4:30 in the afternoon, Monday through Friday, with closing from 12 until one o'clock for luncheon.

Presiding at the session was Mrs. J. H. Merritt, of Wooddale, chairman. Others present were Mr. Griffin, Miss Grafton, D. M. Cash, Thomas J. Shaw, Jr. and Mrs. Sue Featherston the latter WPA supervisor.

### Couch Leads In Discussion Of Twelfth Grade

Leader of a discussion on the new twelfth grade was Leon Couch, who was in charge of the program at November dinner meeting of the Person Schoolmasters' club at Hotel Roxboro Tuesday night.

Mr. Couch, who came this year to Roxboro to act as supervising principal of Roxboro district schools, presented an interesting consideration of problems connected with the additional grade, indicating that despite popular misconceptions as to difficulties, connected with adding the grade to the public school system, sufficient funds are on hand for the operation of this grade, which should soon become a thoroughly recognized and organized unit of the State school system.

### EDUCATION FUND GAINS SUM BY BID FROM ABC

Person County Commis-  
sioners Accept Lone Bid  
From Wake's ABC For  
Captured Spirits

Accepted this week by Person County Commissioners was a bid of \$1,500 submitted by the Wake County Alcoholic Beverage Control board for 85 cases of tax-paid bottled in bond whisky captured last month by Roxboro police officers near the City limits. Retail value of the whisky was estimated at close to \$2,000.

Person's commissioners met Monday in a special session.

Bid by Wake's ABC board was the only one submitted and under terms of the contract Person County is to provide means of transportation of the whisky to Wake county. Under State ruling beneficiary will be the Person education fund, although capture of the contraband was by City officers.

Driver of the whisky truck, Wayne Cecil Rae, 23, of Charlotte, was convicted of transporting and fined \$200 and the costs late in October in Person's recorder's court. It was alleged that the whisky was enroute from Baltimore, Md., to Charlotte, Mecklenburg county, without proper consignment papers. Both Mecklenburg and Person are dry counties in which it is illegal to transport large quantities of whisky without wet territory consignment papers.

Also considered and approved by Person commissioners was a beer license to James P. Allen, formerly of near Greensboro, who will under a new name, the "Berk-Allen Inn," operate the roadhouse establishment formerly known as the "Chateau," on the Greensboro road, near Roxboro city limits.

### MRS. WHITTEN, JR. LOSES BROTHER IN ACCIDENT

Lieut E. G. Graveley Dies  
After Automobile Accident  
At Camp Stewart, Ga.

Held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Seneca, S. C., were final rites for Lieut. E. G. Graveley, formerly of Chapel Hill, who on Saturday night received fatal injuries in an automobile accident at Camp Stewart, Ga.

Lieut. Graveley, who was until several months ago stationed at Chapel Hill with the Orange County unit of the CCC, was a half-brother of Mrs. Sam Whittenton, Jr., of Roxboro, who, with Mr. Whitten and other members of the family went to Seneca Monday.

Lieut. Graveley, who was the son of the late Marion King Graveley, of Lake City, S. C., is survived by his wife and several children. Also surviving are his stepmother, Mrs. Nellie Graveley, and two other half-sisters, Miss Mary Eleanor Graveley, and to the public school system, sufficient funds are on hand for the operation of this grade, which should soon become a thoroughly recognized and organized unit of the State school system.

### Baptists Will Have First Rites

Post Office, Bank, City  
And County, Offices  
Schools And Merchants  
Close; Schools Get Two  
Days

First of several Thanksgiving services to be held Thursday in this City will be the traditional sunrise service at 7 o'clock at Roxboro First Baptist church, with special music by the church choir and a sermon by the pastor, the Rev. W. F. West, who will return from Georgia in time for the service.

Next on the calendar is the service at Roxboro Presbyterian church at 9 o'clock in the morning, with a sermon by the pastor, the Rev. J. M. Walker. At 10 o'clock Methodists at Edgar Long Memorial church will gather to hear a sermon by the Rev. W. C. Martin, who has recently been returned to the church for another Conference year.

Episcopalians, at St. Mark's church, will at 11 o'clock hear a special Thanksgiving message by E. L. Wehrenberg, principal of High Plains Indian school, formerly a Presbyterian minister. In charge of the service will be the rector, the Rev. Rufus J. Womble.

At Oak Grove Methodist church the Rev. F. B. Peele, the pastor, will have a service at nine o'clock Thanksgiving morning, and on Sunday at regular hours in other churches in his pastorate he will also deliver messages appropriate to the session. Compromise of Sunday for Thanksgiving services will also be observed by the Rev. D. A. Petty, Methodist minister, who will bring similar messages at each of his three churches.

The Rev. Mr. Petty will speak first at Brooksdale, at 11 o'clock, at Trinity at 3 o'clock and at Brookland church at 7:30, in the evening. Offerings in most churches will be for orphanages or other benevolent causes, and in all instances special music will be featured.

### PRESBYTERIANS FOSTER TROOP OF BOY SCOUTS

Leader Will Be The Rev.  
J. M. Walker, Pastor Of  
The Church, Who Has  
Been In Cub Work

Formulated at November session of the Person District Scout council held Tuesday night, were plans for reorganization of troop 32, Roxboro, to be under sponsorship of Roxboro Presbyterian church, with the pastor, the Rev. J. M. Walker, as scoutmaster. Troop committee members will be Stuart M. Ford, Ben Brown and Dr. J. H. Hughes of the church.

The Rev. Mr. Walker has for the past year been an active assistant leader of the Roxboro Cub Pack.

Also discussed, although definite plans were not arranged, was reorganization of the Longhurst and East Roxboro troop. Appointment was made of a committee to consider possibilities of a waste paper campaign to be instigated by Scouts as a benefit for their organizations. Major considerations are prices to be paid for the paper and se-

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