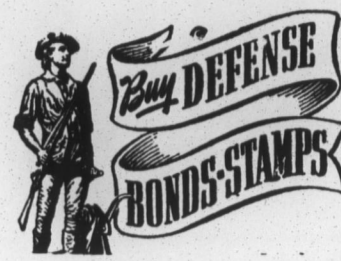


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Person Accident Toll Goes Up To New High For This Year

Rites Held Here For Sixth Man

Also Killed In Another Wreck In Durham County Is A Former Resident.

Killed during the past week-end in the Roxboro and Durham area in two separate automobile and auto-pedestrian accidents were two natives of Person County, one a Person resident and one a former resident, bringing Person's death by motor vehicle total to 6 for 1941, as contrasted with one fatality in 1940.

Men killed this week-end were Drone Clayton, of near Virgilina, Va., and Samuel Satterfield, during recent years a resident of Durham. Rites for both men were held here. Also killed in the Satterfield wreck was Miss Cora Beasley, of Louisburg, a cousin of Mrs. B. B. Strum, of Roxboro.

Not counted in Person's death toll are the Satterfield and Beasley deaths, which occurred in Durham county. Also not counted in that toll was the Day wreck in one person was killed in Wake county.

CLAYTON RITES

Funeral services for Clayton, 51, tenant farmer on the Sam Wilson farm near Virgilina, Va., who was killed Saturday night about 8 o'clock on the Durham highway near Somerset mills when he was struck by a car said to have been driven by J. T. Mangum, of Rougemont and Durham, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Longhurst Baptist church.

Officiating minister was the pastor, the Rev. R. W. Hovis. Interment was in the Painter family cemetery.

Clayton, who was dead on arrival at Community hospital, is reported to have walked into the pathway of the automobile. Mangum, a foreman for the George W. Kane company, was enroute to Durham, while Clayton was reported to have been walking toward Roxboro on opposite side of the highway before he crossed over to the other side into pathway of the car.

Mangum, charged with manslaughter, gave bond of \$1,000. Only eye witness was his daughter, with him in the car. Investigation was made by Sheriff M. T. Clayton and by Dr. A. F. Nichols, coroner. Clayton had severe head injuries and leg injuries. Only immediate survivors are two brothers, Frank Clayton, of Somerset, and Zack Clayton, of Longhurst.

SATTERFIELD RITES

Funeral services for Samuel L. Satterfield, Durham resident and native of Person County, who was killed Sunday night in an automobile accident on the Oxford-Durham highway, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Roxboro Primitive Baptist church, Lamar street, with Elder J. A. Elder, officiating. Interment was in Burchwood Cemetery, Roxboro.

Mr. Satterfield, who left Roxboro about 15 years ago, was well known here and was a member of the church from which the rites were conducted. He was a son of the late Green D. and Mary Lee Satterfield, of the old Concord church road section, and his first wife, Miss Nannie Elizabeth McKee, was a native of Person county. Surviving from this marriage are one daughter and one son. Also surviving are his second wife, another son, one sister and 10 grandchildren.

AUTHORIZATION GIVEN FOR NEW BOOKS AT LIBRARY

Report Shows Board Members That Bookmobile Now Enters Into Expanding Program.

With R. B. Griffin presiding in absence of the chairman, Mrs. J. H. Merritt, of Wooddale, December meeting of the Person County Library board was held this week at the library, Chub Lake street on Tuesday afternoon. Upon recommendation of Miss Ernestine Grafton, regional librarian, authorization was given for purchase of a number of new books, expected to be shipped before the first of the year, sum allocated for this purpose and for additional magazine subscriptions is expected to be between \$200 and \$250, the funds to come from both County and State library appropriations.

Encouraging reports were given by Miss Grafton on the progress of bookmobile work, first stops in various sections of the County having been made this week, with the final one for the week being scheduled for today. WPA driver for the bookmobile is Mrs. A. B. Buchanan, who has for some time been connected with WPA public school service. General interest in bookmobile service is good, according to Miss Grafton, who said that one woman, who lives in a community some distance from book stops, has arranged for her daughter, working in a plant near Roxboro, to get books for the family when stops are made at the plant. Great interest has also been shown at the Person County home, where several inmates borrowed books and seemed eager for continuation of the service.

In another neighborhood, a woman building a new house is including in her plans a small study or den to be used as a library receiving room for the community. Approval was given by board members to the November-December budget, as presented, and some discussion was held on a number of business matters, with definite action postponed until the January session. It was explained by Miss Grafton that there will have to be some revisions in the January bus schedules, but that these new schedules will be posted in churches and schools in the various communities.

Williams' Rites Conducted Today At Oak Grove

Funeral services for Mrs. J. P. Williams, 88, of the Oak Grove community, Wooddale, whose death occurred last night at her home after a period of declining health, were conducted this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Oak Grove Methodist church, of which she had for many years been a member. Rites were in charge of the Rev. F. B. Peele, with interment following in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Williams' death was attributed to complications and the infirmities of age. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Hattie Moore, of Roxboro, and Mrs. Ivey Cridlin, of Wooddale, also two sons, W. L. and M. T. Williams, of Wooddale, together with nine grandchildren.

CAMP SURVEY LISTS LAND FOR RE-SETTLEMENT

Committee Chairman For County Land Planning Group And Farm Defense Is J. H. Shotwell.

Completion of a survey of Person farm lands available to farm families of the county now residing in the Person portion of the proposed Army camp area indicates that there are in Person fifty or more farms which may be purchased or rented, according to announcement made Monday morning by the Person Farm Agency office.

Held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the grand jury room at the Court House, Roxboro, was a meeting of committeemen from each of the several communities in the County, the members being chairmen, vice chairmen and secretaries, respectively, who have assisted State and County farm officials with the survey program and who at this meeting elected as County chairman, vice chairman and secretary, J. H. Shotwell, J. Y. Humphries and H. K. Sanders.

It is also expected that these committees, composed in most instances of two men and one woman from each community, will assist sub-committees with a food-for-defense program now being stressed.

According to statistics released by the Person Agency office, farm families residing in the Person portion of the camp area number 127, of which 85 are white families and 39 are Negro. Of this combined number 66 are landowners, 34 are renters, 1 is a cash renter, 20 are share-croppers and 3 are sawmill families. (Continued on Back Page)

FIFTY GIFT

Appreciation Day winner yesterday was Billy Lamberth, of Route 2, Roxboro, whose gift was \$50. Also given were subscriptions to the Durham Morning Herald by H. C. Kynoch, recipients being persons sending subscriptions to farthest points, namely Honolulu and Iceland.

NEW ASSISTANT

New assistant to W. Wallace Woods, executive secretary of the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce is Miss Dorothy Taylor, of Semora, a niece of Mrs. O. H. Winstead, of Roxboro and Semora. Miss Taylor, who succeeds Mrs. Dallas Whitfield, resigned, has already entered upon her duties.

BOARD MEETS

Monthly meeting of the Community hospital board was held this week at the hospital, where a supper was served to Nathan Lunsford, Dr. G. W. Gentry, E. G. Thompson, F. D. Long and A. W. Clayton, board members, and Reade Gentry, business manager, who presented reports of the institution's financial and physical condition, with progress noted.

IN SOUTH BOSTON

To be given again this Sunday is the cantata, "Christmas Dawn", presented last Sunday in Roxboro by the Methodist church choir and the South Boston Choral club. Second performance is to be in the afternoon at the South Boston Methodist church. The Roxboro performance was largely attended by an appreciative audience. Also appreciated was the high school Christmas carol program.

Merritt And Ford Chosen As New District Scout Leaders

Editor of Times And C. and A. Official Honored. C. A. Harris Retires. Other Men Re-Elected.

New president of the Person District of the Cherokee Boy Scout council is J. S. Merritt, of this City, editor of the Person County Times, who was on Tuesday night, elected and installed at the monthly district meeting. Mr. Merritt succeeds C. A. Harris, Roxboro business man, who has served for one year.

New vice president, also elected by acclamation after report of the nominating committee, is S. M. Ford, resident manager of Plant E, Collins and Aikman Corporation, Ca-Vel, while re-elected as secretary and treasurer, respectively, were Thomas J. Shaw, Jr., and R. M. Spencer. Mr. Merritt, who has for a number of years been a leader in district and council affairs, has just completed one term as chairman of the Court of Honor, has served one term as council vice president and five terms as district vice president. Mr. Ford is one of three sponsors for Troop 32, of the Presbyterian church, and the officers renamed have likewise been interested in district affairs.

Better part of the evening was taken up with committee and troop reports, with an especially good report from Treasurer R. M. Spencer, presented in his absence by Finance Committee chairman, George W. Kane, who said that the annual campaign for district funds, with one team missing, has thus far amounted to \$688.50. Named as a committee

to consider district apportionments were the new and retiring presidents and Messrs. O. B. McBroom and George Cushman.

Presented to Cherokee Council Executive A. P. Patterson, of Reidsville, were troop inspection reports made by retiring president C. A. Harris. Included in inspections were Cub Pack 2 and the Negro Troop, No. 61, and it was announced that a Court of Honor for the Negro troop will be held Monday night at 7 o'clock at Cedar Grove.

Announcement was made that Fred Long, of Tribe 4, Bushy Fork, will be the third Person Scout eligible this year for the Eagle badge award, the other two being Jack Hughes, Jr., and Thomas Long, both of Roxboro. Awards are to be made at a district dinner to be held at a later date, probably February. Also discussed were plans for the Council dinner to be held January 20, in Leakesville. Because this date occurs on the night usually designated for the Person district session, the district meeting for January will be advanced to one night sooner, the 19th.

Mentioned again at the meeting this week were plans for continuance of the waste paper campaign. Members of the district, before the close of the session, expressed to the outgoing president their appreciation for his services and also gave to the new president pledges of loyal support.

Members of the nominating committee were, Messrs. McBroom, Kane, Cushman and Bloxam, the latter acting in the absence of Mr. McBroom.

Health Officials On Lookout For Successor To Dr. Allen

WRITER FOR JAP PAPER TO FIGHT FOR U. S.

Jap-American Finds This Country So Clearly In Right

Washington, Dec. 15.—Clarke H. Kawakami, former Washington Domei News Agency, today informed his colleagues at the State Department that he plans to enlist in the United States Army to fight against Japan because he believes America "is so clearly in the right."

Kawakami's father is a famous writer on Japanese-American relations and a former Washington correspondent for Japanese newspapers. He was taken into custody as an alien a week ago and is still being held.

Young Kawakami—half Japanese and half American in blood—is an American citizen as is his mother, a native of Illinois. He was educated at Harvard University and worked for Domei in London and Berlin before coming here.

Kawakami's letter was mimeographed and released by the State Department's Department of Current Information.

Until Japan's attack on the United States, Kawakami said, he believed that peace would prevail between the two countries. He asserted that while he tried to write the truth about the situation in America, he now knows that most of what he sent Domei was never printed.

"Now . . . It seems clear that throughout the last two months, since Tojo became Premier, Japan's mind was already made up for war, and that she kept up the pretense of negotiating with this country only in order to gain time for the completion of her war preparation," he wrote.

BIG BOND

Billy West, Jr., Wake Forest student, now at home for the holidays, reports that students of the college are buying a \$1,000 defense bond. When the bond matures funds derived will be used to erect a memorial to students who have served in the present war.

BIG PIGS

R. G. Slaughter, of Route 3, Roxboro, reports that he has within the week killed two hogs 14 months and 9 days old, weighing a total of 1320 pounds, or averaging 660 pounds each.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Members of the Roxboro Kiwanis club, omitting their Monday night, December 22, meeting, will contribute the sum of \$20 to the Person Welfare department Christmas fund, the amount contributed to be money that would have paid for Monday's dinner.

EMANCIPATION

The Rev. Nathaniel Humphreys, pastor of Brown's Temple C. M. E. Church, Asheville, will deliver the Emancipation Proclamation Address, January 1, at Person County Training School, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The speaker is a native of person county and a graduate of the theological department of Howard University, Washington, D. C.

RED CROSS FUND AND SCOUT UNIT IN DEFENSE PLAN

Emergency Drive For Red Cross To Begin. Service Unit Of Older Scouts Planned.

Newest developments in Person and Roxboro defense plans, following elementary organization of police, fire and utilities divisions last week, are to be formations of groups to carry on the special Red Cross fund drive and to man an emergency service unit of older Boy Scouts.

Leaders of the War Fund campaign are R. P. Burns, chairman, and Mrs. J. S. Walker, chairwoman, with Miss Julia Fisher, Acting Red Cross Chapter chairman, as committeemen chosen at a meeting of citizens actively interested in the Red Cross.

Yet to be selected are the members of the emergency service Boy Scout unit, although initial plans were discussed by Scoutmasters at a meeting held immediately after the Person district Scout session. Presented to the Scoutmasters by City Manager Percy Bloxam, speaking on behalf of Mayor S. G. Winstead, head of the governing control for defense in Roxboro, was the necessity of having at command of various defense units the services of trained older Scouts (over 15) who may act as messengers and in other capacities.

According to Mr. Burns of the War Fund committee Person is expected at this time to contribute \$3,000 or more, which is, incidentally, the same as the amount expected in Warren county. Pending announcement of complete campaign plans, citizens wishing to contribute may send contributions to members of the committee or to: J. S. Merritt, at the Times office, William S. Humphries, at the Courier office, E. B. Craven, Jr., at the Peoples Bank, Miss Sue Bradsher, at the County Court House, Karl Burger, at Hotel Roxboro and E. E. Bradsher, Jr., at Long, Bradsher and company.

The Person quota of \$3,000 is the proportionate part of \$50,000,000.00 to be raised in the national campaign as an emergency fund for use of the Red Cross in rendering aid to those injured or impoverished by war, such aid to (Continued On Back Page)

L. W. Pridgen, Former Resident, Dies In Texas

Members of the family of L. W. Pridgen, 45, former resident of Roxboro, were on Sunday informed of his death, which occurred Sunday at Houston, Texas. Details were not known, but final rites were held yesterday in Fayetteville. Mr. Pridgen, who had been away from Roxboro about 10 years is survived by two sons, Pete and Tom Pridgen, who reside with their grandfather, John Brewer at Olive Hill.

Also surviving are Mr. Pridgen's mother, Mrs. W. H. Gibson, of Fayetteville; two sisters, Mrs. B. W. Williams, of Steadman, and Mrs. M. W. Crumpler, of Fayetteville, and his former wife, Mrs. Beth Brewer Pridgen, of Olive Hill and Roxboro.

Richardson Says War Has Caused Scarcity Of Trained Men, But That Search For New Person Health Head Is Being Made.

Declaration that he and State Board of Health officials have been and will continue to be on the look-out for a physician to take the post of Person Health officer, a position left vacant by the October resignation of Dr. A. L. Allen, was contained in a letter today received from Dr. William P. Richardson, of Chapel Hill, district health officer of the tri-county unit with which the Person division is affiliated.

In the letter, addressed to Thomas J. Shaw, Jr., City Editor of the Person County Times, Dr. Richardson said that "the calling of a number of reserve medical officers for the armed forces has brought about an acute shortage of men available for public health appointments", and he indicated that this shortage of properly trained medical men is responsible for whatever of delay there has been in filling Dr. Allen's position.

Dr. Allen's resignation was occasioned by his own decision to enter medical service with the British army and the search for a man to replace him in Person county has gone on since that time.

Dr. Richardson, who declared that at no time has it been the intention of the State Board of Health that Person should have to do without the services of a full-time county health officer, said that five or six other counties in the State are in similar predicaments because of the shortage of men.

He also said that his original statement concerning the filling of the vacancy was that he "did not see any possibility of securing a properly qualified man to fill his (Allen's) position, right away". Purpose of the letter was clarification of an alleged impression that "there will be no attempt at present time to fill the position relinquished by Dr. Allen."

Work of the Person unit of the health department has been since October, and is now being carried on under supervision of Dr. Richardson, with active cooperation of the Person nursing staff, assisted by other staff members of the district and this arrangement will continue until successor to Dr. Allen can be secured.

Peaden To Come To Ice Plant January First

In this City yesterday was F. L. Peaden, of Greenville, who announced that he has leased the plant of the City Ice company, Roxboro, and expects to begin operations here on January 1. Owner of the company is Matt R. Long, of Greenville, formerly of Roxboro.

Mr. Peaden, his wife and their three year old daughter, Joy expect to establish residence in Roxboro. Mr. Peaden, who has been in the ice business at Greenville, is a member of the Methodist church. Former manager of the ice company was W. Wallace Woods, who resigned several months ago in order to devote full time to his duties as Secretary of the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce.