



# Low Level Clothing Fund At Samarca and Shocks Legislators

### Stanbury Says Investigation Welcomed

### And 'Clothes' Include Shoes; Trustees Ask Better Appropriations

Raleigh, Jan. 30.—Feeling ran high here yesterday when the joint appropriations committee heard pleas for additional funds from the State Farm and Industrial School for Girls at Samarca and learned that the State appropriates only \$4 per year per girl for clothing at the institution.

The Samarca delegation described conditions at the State school for delinquent girls, and discussion arose about Judge Frank Armstrong's charge to the Moore County grand jury that an investigation should be made of that "place of mystery." It was then that members of the joint committee indicated they will "do something" about Samarca before the 1943 General Assembly goes home.

Grace M. Robson, superintendent of the school, first appeared before the committee and requested increases amounting to \$300 for clothing equipment and \$500 for farm equipment. She said that the school is satisfied with other recommendations of (Continued on back page)

## JEFFERS WILL NOT BE GAGGED

### Insists He Will Speak His Mind.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—President Roosevelt's advice to high Government officials to "button - your - lips" appeared headed today for its first major test.

Director Elmer Davis of the Office of War Information, watch-dog of the public remarks of Government officials, and Rubber Director Williams Jeffers are the principals.

The controversy is about extemporaneous remarks Jeffers made in Baltimore Monday when he blamed Government interference and especially "so-called expeditors — Army and Navy loafers" for his failure to get steel for synthetic rubber plants.

The OWI promptly reported it had not reviewed the "speech," and Davis told a press conference late yesterday he had reminded Jeffers in a letter that his remarks were a violation of the President's injunction against undiplomatic speeches, issued last August.

Jeffers said he had received Davis' letter — "very tactfully and nicely worded" — but implied that he would continue to say what he thinks is necessary "to get things done."

"It was the kind of letter I couldn't take exception to," Jeffers said. "But Mr. Davis just made a mistake. I didn't make a speech although he called my attention to the instructions of the President about clearing speeches through OWI."

Asked about his future policy, he said: "I will speak my mind."

## REPAIR PROGRESS WILL INFLUENCE SCHOOL OPENINGS

### Bushy Fork May Open Tuesday, Others Monday, If Circumstances Permit.

At least one sleet-closed Person County school, Bushy Fork, will not open until Tuesday morning, according to County Superintendent R. B. Griffin, who yesterday afternoon said that other County schools will re-open Monday, if electrical repairs can be completed in time. Roxboro District schools will continue on schedule, only exception being Person Training School.

T. Miller White, Roxboro manager of the Carolina Power and Light company, said that repairs to school lines may be completed by noon Sunday, but that this is by no means a certainty. County principals are expected to contact Griffin Sunday afternoon to get latest information. Chief difficulty of schools is disruption of water and heating facilities.

## Dr. Love Speaks On Behalf Of Paralysis Fund

Dr. B. E. Love, of Roxboro Rotary club, at regular meeting of the club, last week discussed the purpose and plan of the President's Birthday benefit for the Infantile Paralysis foundation and urged Rotarians to cooperate fully with the campaign.

With W. Reade Jones, club president presiding, the meeting, held at Hotel Roxboro, was of an informal nature, in keeping with the sleet storm blackout, which caused the hotel to serve meals by candlelight.

Following Dr. Love's remarks, W. Wallace Woods, also a Rotarian and chairman of the Paralysis fund drive in Person County, reported on the success of the campaign to date. Held here yesterday was a Polio tag day, conducted by young women of Roxboro high school. Final reports of the County and City campaign, which closed yesterday, will not be available for several days, said Mr. Woods. Quota for Person is around \$300.

## Directors Favor Repeal Of Sales Tax In State

Directors of Roxboro Chamber of Commerce in a monthly session here Thursday, adopted a resolution favoring complete repeal of the present three percent North Carolina sales tax. Copies of the resolution will be forwarded to Person Representative R. P. Burns and to other legislators expected to take action on repeal of the measure soon.

Regular monthly report was presented by W. Wallace Woods, executive secretary of the Chamber.

## GRAHAM UNIT ASSISTING FARMERS WITH 1943 GOALS

### James Bishop, Jr., Secretary, Outlines Program Of Association.

The Graham Production Credit Association is providing financial assistance to farmers in meeting their 1943 production goals, James Bishop, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer, said this yesterday.

The Farm Credit Administration, of which the production credit system is a part, is one of the agencies concerned with production, Mr. Bishop declared. Credit, he added, is of vital importance to many farmers in financing essential crops they expect to grow this year to aid in the nation's huge food-for-freedom program.

"Loans are made by the Productive Credit Association for the purpose of buying seed, fertilizer, feed, the purchase of livestock, machinery and equipment and for carrying on specialized operations, such as dairying, the breeding and feeding of beef cattle and hog operations," Mr. Bishop said. "Loans are made for any amount from \$50 up for any sound production purpose, the amount depending on the farmer's needs and ability to repay from the operation being financed."

He stressed the fact that the (continued on back page)

## LIVING COSTS GO UP 22 PER CENT

### Nine Per Cent Rise Since Pearl Harbor

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—All living costs in the United States increased nine per cent during the year after Pearl Harbor, making the total increase since the war began in Europe 22.1 per cent, Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins reported today.

The Labor Department's figures included costs of food, clothing, house furnishings, rents and miscellaneous services.

From Nov. 15, to Dec. 15, 1942—the last date for which figures are available—living costs rose one-half of one per cent. Miss Perkins said that the 22.1 per cent increase since 1939 compared with an almost 35 percent increase during the same period of the last war.

Responsibilities for the continued increase, she said, rests with the rising prices of goods and services not controlled by the Government.

## Roxboro Delegates To Church Meeting Returns To City

Roxboro delegation to the State Baptist Sunday school convention, which closed Thursday, included the Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Bowman, of Providence, Mrs. R. F. Young, Sam Wrenn, Mrs. G. W. Thomas, Mrs. R. A. Whitfield, Miss Ora Latta and the Rev. Virgil E. Duncan and Miss Lucille Davidson, the last named being secretary of Roxboro First Baptist church.

### FROM GREENSBORO

Misses Ruby and Inez Humphries, students at King's Business College, Greensboro, are spending the week-end here with their mothers, Mesdames J. Y. and C. G. Humphries.

## City Manager Thinks Topic Appropriate

City Manager Percy Bloxam, who has during the week had hectic business of watching over sleet-disrupted pumping station lines and has been to bed for the better part of two nights, will be Sunday morning speaker at Saint Mark's Episcopal where he is a vestryman. His sermon topic will be, "The Majesty of Silence".

He said yesterday that the City pumping station has been operated during the storm with gasoline pumps, that there is plenty of water on hand and that the electric line is to be restored shortly.

## PERSON GROUP FROM CAMP CROFT GOES TO BRAGG

### High School And College Men Return To Roxboro Friday.

The following Person and Roxboro young men, majority of high school and college age, who left here Wednesday for induction into the United States Army at Camp Croft, S. C., returned yesterday evening at 7:45 after having been accepted for military service and given orders to report to the reception center at Fort Bragg on Friday, February 5:

Thomas U. Horton, James A. Dixon, Riley S. Whitt, William H. Ashby, William M. Davis, Linwood Clayton, Joe Scott Tatum, Jr., John W. Mitchell, Jr., Gerald M. Carver, Thomas C. Wagstaff, William E. Stephens, John C. Wrenn, Walter L. Carver, John O. Howerton, Joseph E. McFarlan, Jr., Robert D. Salley, Wade C. Clayton, Layton K. Morris, George I. Harris, Linwood J. Clayton, Preston W. Oliver, James L. Carver, George J. Cushwa, Jr., Claude B. Adecock, Robert B. Lunsford, Calvin C. Milam, Hustler R. Wilkins.

Also, Melvin J. Porterfield, Alvin G. Jones, Lucy L. Clay, Robert Estes Whitten, Nat N. Yancey, Flint N. Bradsher, Elbert G. Hargis, John H. Wheeler, William J. Morris, Ira Tuck, Charlie B. Blalock, Jr., Burnice H. Mooney, Thurman L. Long, Wade B. Gentry, Ralph A. Tinsgen, Hugh J. Cates, Warren T. Gravit, Warren E. Bowes, James W. Buchanan, Berley B. Gentry, Odell J. Davis, Burleigh G. Clay. (Continued On Back Page)

# Line Crews Still Battle With Broken Poles, Twisted Lines

## Civil Court Opens Monday With Dixon

### Whitfield Civil Suit Scheduled. Other Cases Listed. Dixon Here For First Time.

Presiding over the Civil Term of Person Superior Court which opens here on Monday, will be Judge Richard Dixon of Edenton, before whom will be tried an average docket of civil cases, including the well-publicized suit of Mrs. Thomas P. Whitfield for \$10,000 following her husband's death in a fire which occurred in the jail here last January 26.

Among other civil actions to appear before Judge Dixon are the following: Cora Alkins Wade vs. Ivey Wade; City Commissioners of Roxboro vs. Willie Barnett and Person County; Joe C. Moore vs. Vassar Jones; J. W. Chambers and wife vs. W. T. Pass, Executor, et al; Eleanor Shorr vs. R. B. Dawes, Trustee, etc.; Miriam Clayton vs. Dollan Clayton; J. A. Vance Co. vs. G. E. Stephens; Lucy Whitt Owen vs. Zeb Owen; In the matter of the Will of Paul Ross and Drucilla Long Jones vs. Horace J. C. Jones.

Criminal court ended last week after a three day session before Judge C. E. Thompson, of Elizabeth City.

Judge Dixon comes here for the first time Monday.

## Noah Davis To Give Mowing Demonstration

Noah E. Davis, route 3, Roxboro, will give a demonstration in caring for a mowing machine, bringing his own mower on a track to Roxboro, Saturday, February 6th. He will answer questions and demonstrate how to repair such machines.

Person Farm Agents feel fortunate to have Mr. Davis assist farmers with this particular problem. The meeting will be at 2:30 P. M., Saturday, February 6th, immediately after the 4-H County Council meeting. If the weather is not favorable for the meeting out of doors, we hope to hold it in the Cooper family cemetery near Prospect Hill.

Survivors, in addition to his stepfather and his mother, include one daughter, Mrs. Carrie Pleasants, of Prospect Hill, and three sons, Henry, of Leasburg, Edgar, of the United States navy, now on duty, and Elwood, of Prospect Hill.

## Whisper of Meat Stirs Citizens Of Key West

KEY WEST, Fla., Jan. 29.—A line of nearly 100 persons formed here yesterday in front of a butcher shop when word spread around that the meat truck was in town. A shortage of meat has been felt here for several weeks due to the 165-mile haul trucks must make from Miami, Fla.

### MRS. BURGER ILL

Mrs. Karl Burger, of Hotel Roxboro, who has been ill for the past three days, is reported to be resting more comfortably.

## WOODS REPORTS ON CLAIMS MADE BY MAIL ORDER FIRMS

### Says Chamber Of Commerce Will Be Glad To Investigate False Claims

W. Wallace Woods, executive secretary of the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce, stated today that his office will be glad to offer its services in investigating the claims of mail-order insurance companies offering tempting policies to Roxboro and Person citizens at ridiculously low rates.

Secretary Woods stated that although many offers of such insurance have been received here, most of the companies are not licensed to do business in North Carolina, and as a result, those investing in them will be unable to collect their claims. As to insurance companies which are properly licensed, a certified list of the bona fide ones has recently been received here, and is available to anyone who wishes to see it at the Chamber of Commerce office.

Mr. Woods adds the statement that the Roxboro insurance agencies are properly certified, and offer full value for money invested, and make no claims of disproportionate returns for funds invested with them.

## RITES WILL BE HELD TODAY FOR CHARLES SOLOMON

### Son Of Mrs. Joe Rudd And Resident Of Hurdle Mills Dies Friday.

Charles T. Solomon, 45, of Hurdle Mills, Route 2, near Hester's store, died Friday morning at six o'clock at the home of his mother, Mrs. Joseph L. Rudd, of the same community.

Mr. Solomon, a veteran of World War I, had been a patient at Veteran's hospital, Johnson City, Tenn., and more recently at Oteen, from which he returned on Jan. 24. Death was attributed to tuberculosis.

Funeral will be Sunday afternoon at two o'clock at the Rudd residence, by the Rev. F. A. Lupton, of Leasburg Methodist church, with interment following in the Cooper family cemetery near Prospect Hill.

Survivors, in addition to his stepfather and his mother, include one daughter, Mrs. Carrie Pleasants, of Prospect Hill, and three sons, Henry, of Leasburg, Edgar, of the United States navy, now on duty, and Elwood, of Prospect Hill.

## Men Brought In From Out Of Ice Area

### Some Reports Say Storm Worse Than In 1934. City Service Partly Restored.

T. Miller White, Roxboro manager of the Carolina Power and Light company, today said that crews of linemen brought in from areas outside of the sleet-storm sections of the State have effected repairs to many of the powerlines in Roxboro, but that it will be well into next week before services in out-in-the-county sections can be repaired.

A spokesman for Morris Telephone company said that damages to company lines were as heavy, if not heavier than in 1934, but that repairs are being made as rapidly as possible. Out for two days was telegraph service of the Western Union company.

In Roxboro proper, discomforts occasioned by the storm included both light and heat, but in County areas an added discomfort was, and in some instances, still is the lack of water facilities due to stopping of electrically operated pumps.

Trees, too, have been greatly damaged, with many limbs broken, and it is feared that further breaking will occur when thawing out begins.

Hard hit by the storm, which began Wednesday and continued Thursday, with snow flurries on Friday, were Greensboro, Burlington, Hillsboro, Oxford and Yanceyville, as well as Roxboro.

At Quail Roost farm three hundred cows, without water from a well pumped by electricity, drank water hauled in barrels. The storm, however, was light in both Durham and Raleigh (Continued on back page)

## LONGER SCHOOL TERM BOOSTED BY LEGISLATURE

### Nine - Month Program Can Be Fitted Into State's Agricultural Labor Scheme.

RALEIGH, Jan. 30.—The nine months school term may not be safely over the hurdles, but no impartial observer can deny that it was given a big boost at the public hearing before joint Senate and House education committees.

Advocates of the longer term corraled enough supporters to fill the House chamber to capacity, and some of the speakers reinforced their arguments with charts and graphs to show that soldiers with only eight months schooling cannot possibly complete on equal footing with youngsters from nine months of school.

Most of the arguments deal with the obvious advantage of nine months schooling over eight. Senator Coble Funderburk of Union County broke into the proceedings at one point to ask for some specific information on how the extra month can be fitted into the present economic scheme. Answer to that (turn to back page, please)

# Along The Way With the Editor

Put J. W. Greene down as one of the hard luck boys. A few days ago he got tired of firing his furnace and decided to buy an electric stoker. He did, and then came the sleet that put the power lines out of commission. J. W. wanted to fire by hand but there was nothing doing. He had to freeze for a few days just like other human beings.

Its a gal baby at the Rufus Wombles. Rufus doesn't smoke and so he did not pass out cigars but he did wear a smile that was as large as any you have ever seen on a Chessie cat. If you don't think that he is well pleased then you just do not know.

Here's a salute to my old friend T. C. Wagstaff who has been accepted by the United States Army. I know he is going to catch cold if they make him wear a hat. The only one that he ever had was one hat someone gave him and believe me they did not give him much, but T. C. liked it. Each month as boys from Person County leave for the army I get confident as I do now, that it won't be long. Anyway, best of luck to a nice fellow.