



Prominent Person Leaders Sign Parole Winstead Petition

Signers From Official Ranks In County - City

Cooper Hall Confirms Fact That Petition For Parole Of Cy Winstead, Jr., Will Be Presented

Cooper Hall, a Burlington attorney, today confirmed the fact that a petition for parole of Cy Winstead, Jr., 22, Person Negro, who has served more than one year of a two and one half to five year sentence on an assault charge, is soon to be presented in Raleigh.

Winstead, it will be remembered, received the sentence in January 1942 from Judge R. E. Hunt Parker in Person Superior court after having entered a plea of guilty of an assault with intent to commit rape upon a young Roxboro white woman, Miss Pauline Dunn.

Feature of the case was the Court House Mob trial in which five white men, Person citizens, since paroled, were convicted of unlawful assembly in an unsuccessful attempt to get at Winstead. (Turn to page four please)

PARENT TEACHER GROUP LOOKS FOR NEW COOK-STOVE

Explosion Destroys Old Stove In Olive Hill Community House.

Officials of Olive Hill Parent Teachers association, sponsors of the school cafeteria operated in the Community building near the school, are looking for a new cook-stove to replace one destroyed in an explosion Monday morning when the janitor started a fire in it in subfreezing weather of eight degrees.

All that was left of the old stove was the foundation frame. The janitor, standing at other end of the building when the explosion took place, escaped injury. Stove priorities have produced a scarcity. Until one is found meals cannot be served in the cafeteria.

One stove is said to be available, if not claimed by another possible purchaser.

Pvt. Clyde Whitt Now Stationed At Keesler Field

Pvt. Clyde G. Whitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Whitt, of this City, and a former Person District Scoutmaster, who entered the Army last month at Fort Bragg, has been transferred to the Air Corps Technical school, Keesler Field, Miss.

With Whitt are about a dozen other Person County and Roxboro men who entered the Army at the same time. Whitt, in civilian life was connected with Woody's Funeral home. A graduate of Roxboro high school, he has a brother Corp. Landon G. Whitt, now with the Army in overseas service.

Lay Speaker At Church To Be Winstead

Mayor Of City To Deliver Morning Address At Long Memorial. Two Men At Brookdale.

Mayor S. G. Winstead, of Roxboro, will be speaker Sunday morning at eleven o'clock at a Layman's Day service to be held at Edgar Long Memorial Methodist church, according to announcement made today by the pastor, the Rev. W. C. Martin.

The Layman's Day observance here will also be held at Brookdale church, of which the Rev. E. C. Maness is pastor. Lay leader at Brookdale is George M. Fox, Jr., and speakers are expected to be John Jones and J. F. Wilson.

The programs will be part of a nationwide observance of Layman's Week in the Methodist church, in preparation for the Methodist week of dedication, beginning Feb. 28.

General theme of the Layman's Week is "Methodist Men in World Reconstruction". The Rev. Mr. Maness will be at Allensville church Sunday morning, but will be at Brookdale church that night. Mr. Fox will preside at the morning service at eleven o'clock.

Similar services are expected to be held at Ca-Vel and Longhurst and East Roxboro churches of which the Rev. R. W. Rainwater is pastor, and in churches of the Person Circuit served by the Rev. F. B. Peele, of Roxboro.

Ministers Meet To Send Messages To Burgess And Burns

Person Preachers Oppose Form Of Wine Control

Also Want State - Wide Vote On Whiskey Question. Other Problems Of Faith Discussed

Eight Person County and Roxboro Protestant ministers representing the Person County Ministerial association, meeting in monthly session here, today said that telegrams opposing the proposed wine control bill in the State legislature and favoring a State-wide referendum on whiskey, have been sent in the name of the Association to Kale K. Burgess, leader of State United Dry forces, and to Person Representative R. P. Burns.

The telegrams read: "The Person County Ministerial association opposes the Wine Bill and favors the State-wide referendum of whiskey." Committee appointed to send the telegrams was composed of the Rev. F. B. (Turn to page four please)

TWELVE FLAGS TO BE PRESENTED TO CENTRAL PUPILS

Additional Banners Go To School And To Girl Scouts For Infantile Paralysis Contributions.

Twelve rooms in Roxboro Central Grammar school, representing grades up through the sixth, on next Wednesday morning at Chapel period will be presented with twelve American flags, one for each grade-room that filled five or more two-dollar Infantile Paralysis coin books.

The flags, four by six feet in size, will be presented by W. Wallace Woods, Person chairman for the recently completed 1943 Infantile Paralysis campaign here. A flag of the same size will also be given by Woods to the school, and another will go to Roxboro Girl Scouts, who under leadership of Miss Katherine Cooper, conducted a highly successful Infantile Paralysis Tag day.

Central Grammar school pupils raised \$138.15 and the Girl Scouts \$60.37 cents. Many of the Scouts are also students at Central.

Reports of the campaign are virtually complete, except for reports from Nurse Mary Mills, of the Negro staff of the Person health department, who had charge of collections among Negroes here. Total quota of \$341 for Person has already been reached.

Pianist will be Mrs. Woods.

Pvt. Wade Gentry In Florida, At St. Petersburg

Mrs. Wade Gentry, of this City, member of the office staff of the Person Selective Service board, this week received information from her husband, Pvt. Gentry, who last month entered the Army at Fort Bragg, saying that he has been transferred to St. Petersburg, Fla.

Tobacco Man Says Ceiling Not Planned

Chief Of Price Ceiling Division Does Not Look For Any Fundamental Alteration Of Auctioneering System.

Greenville, Feb. 18.—Southern tobacco men were assured here this week that there would be no imposition of price ceilings on a grade basis in flue-cured tobacco markets, and that there would be little change in the price ceiling procedure enforced during the 1942 selling season.

The assurance was contained in a letter to State Senator J. Con Lanier, of Pitt county, from Charles E. Gage, chief of the U. S. department of agriculture's price ceilings division.

Gage told Lanier his department would not recommend the grade basis for price ceilings because it would mean the addition of hundreds of tobacco inspectors and federal inspection of tobacco would have to be instituted in each of the flue-cured markets.

He added that the offices of price administration could not establish the price ceilings on a grade basis without the concurrence of the department of agriculture.

"We have no intention of recommending that the price ceilings on flue-cured, if any, be made on a grade basis," Gage said. "A price ceiling on a grade basis cannot be established except there be a complete inspection service covering all flue-cured." (turn to back page, please)

New Ration Schedules Arranged

Registration Here Set For Three Days. Teachers Ready.

R. B. Griffin, Person Superintendent of Schools, who with Philip L. Thomas and other Person OPA officials, is working out a County-wide program for registration for War Ration Book II to be held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in the public schools, today said that a County-wide Teachers meeting is being called for Friday afternoon, February 19, at 3:30 o'clock at Roxboro Central Grammar school, where final instructions will be given.

Teachers in thirteen white schools, in the Indian school at High Plains and at Person County Training school for Negroes will form a registration corps, assisted by other citizens and will be at their respective schools on the afternoons enumerated from one until six o'clock. Schools will be dismissed at twelve noon on the three days.

Only other day for registration will be Saturday, February 27, at Roxboro Central Grammar school, from nine o'clock in the morning until five that afternoon, and this date, as Griffin points out is for purpose of taking care of those citizens unable to come to respective registration places on the three designated dates.

In Raleigh earlier in the week, on Tuesday, were seventeen citizens, including Griffin and Thomas, who attended a district rationing book conference. The Person Ration Board office will be closed during registration period, except for emergency cases. (Turn to page four please)

Cocktail Bar Fight Staged For Robinson

Back in Roxboro, which has an incorporated population of some five thousand, with that many more clustered around the outskirts, is Chief of Police George C. Robinson, who Tuesday ended his first trip to New York City.

Robinson, a former member of the State Highway patrol and one-time Lieutenant with the Durham Police department, has been to Baltimore and other large cities, but he came away from New York duly impressed with the fact that New York, for all its hugeness gets that way by multiplication rather than by differences in habit.

Aside from the tall buildings and Wall street, he enjoyed most standing in his hotel lobby and watching a cocktail bar fight. It developed quickly, the "bouncers" were quicker, and Chief Robinson did not turn a hand; he just looked.

Ration Books Of Service Men To Be Surrendered

Philip L. Thomas, Person OPA director, today said that War Ration Book I, property of any person who has entered any part of the armed services, must be returned to the Person War Price and Rationing board by Saturday, February 20.

Persons who wilfully hold such books and neglect to turn them in are considered as violators of Federal law and such holders and their families will not be eligible for future rationing books.

Fifty-Five Central School Pupils In Buy Bond Brigade

Arm Bands Received By Youngsters In Chapel Exercises.

Acting on the slogan, "A half-filled stamp book is like a half equipped soldier, fifty-five boys and girls, pupils in Roxboro Central Grammar school, of which Miss Inda Collins is principal, yesterday participated in chapel exercises celebrating the filling of their respective stamp books, which were then turned in and exchanged for war bonds.

The pupils, ranging from first through sixth grades, all received arm bands signifying that they belong to the bond buying brigade. Special emphasis on conversion of stamps to bonds was observed between January 15 and February 15.

Those participating were: FIRST GRADE: Jackie Strum, Norma Lee Gray, Buddy Bradsher, Sammy Merritt, Holmes Adair, Nancy Minor, Lee Pass and Bobbie O'Brian.

SECOND GRADE: Patsy Jackson, Edward Dennett, Bert Davis, Jean Wrenn, Barbara Wesley, Arnold Ashley and Donald Stewart.

THIRD GRADE: Lillie Mae King, Dale Lunsford, Martha (Continued on back page)

Beer Dealers Here Agree On Closing Hours For Trade

South's Small Business In For Big Time

Congressional Subcommittee Hits Freight Differentials And Deplores Unused Resources.

Washington, Feb. 18. — The next great industrial and economic advance in this country will occur in the South, the House Committee on Small Business predicted this week in its report to Congress.

Headed by Representative Patman (D-Tex), the committee reported it was "impressed tremendously by the industrial progress made by the South in recent years" and "even more impressed by the still unrealized potentialities of this immense and richly-endowed region. . . . It would seem that the next great industrial and economic advance in this country is destined to take place in the South."

Should the South's small industries not be permitted to grow and prosper for any reason, the committee found, "the progress of the region toward a better-balanced economy will be incalculably retarded."

Need Correction
The report said the committee "invites — and confidently counts on — the special interest of Southern members of Congress in correcting certain of the conditions described in this report. "The committee heard numerous (continued on back page)

Col. Bain In Address Urges Self-Regulation

State Director Of Brewing Foundation Says His Association Backs Law And Order

Twenty-five or more Person and Roxboro beer dealers have voluntarily agreed: to stop beer sales each night in their respective establishments at 10:45 o'clock, to permit no drinking of beer in their places of business after eleven o'clock each night and to restrict Sunday sales to Sunday afternoons after one o'clock, with no sales during evening church hours, seven to nine.

Action of the group was taken yesterday at a meeting of Person Beer dealers and law officials at which chief speaker was Col. Edgar H. Bain, of Goldsboro, State director of the North Carolina Committee of the Brewing Industry foundation.

Bain, who spoke at Person County Court house and was introduced by Roxboro City Manager Percy Bloxam, urged self-imposition of control rather than regulation by law. He told the dealers that the Brewing Industry foundation will back socially and morally clean establishments to the limit, but that it will not tolerate low-class establishments.

Dealers who do operate places of questionable character will have their licenses revoked warned Bain, adding that the Association itself will facilitate revocation of such licenses.

rites Held For J. F. WHEELLEY OF CEDAR GROVE

Orange Resident, Well Known In Person County, Dies At His Home.

Funeral services for J. Frank Wheelley, 73, of Cedar Grove, near Law's store, Orange County, who died Saturday night at his home after a sudden heart attack, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Wheeler's Primitive Baptist church, Person County.

The rites were in charge of Elder O. C. Hawkins of Hurdle Mills, with interment in the family cemetery.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Lila Brooks of Hurdle Mills, and Mrs. Nettie Roundtree of Cedar Grove; two sons, Thomas of the home, and Ira of Washington, D. C.; a number of grandchildren; and three sisters.

Sheriff Clayton And Deputies Get One Large Still

Person Sheriff M. T. Clayton today reported capture of a fifty gallon still in Allensville township, near the Granville county line. The still, a steam pressure outfit, had a copper worm. Assisting officers included Sheriff's regular staff of deputies. Seizure was made Saturday.

Wagstaff Now At Camp Swift, Deep In Texas

T. C. Wagstaff, former associate editor of the Roxboro Courier and a 1942 graduate of the University of North Carolina, who entered the United States Army last month, has been transferred from Fort Bragg to Camp Swift, Texas, near Austin.

With Wagstaff, who is in an engineers corps, is Carl Foushee, also of Roxboro. Wagstaff reports that Camp Swift, like Butler, is a new camp.

Pvt. Bill Murphy Assigned To Air Corps Personnel

Pvt. Bill Murphy, of Roxboro, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Murphy, of this City, who is with the Air Corps, Mitchell Field, Long Island, has been permanently assigned to the personnel department, it was learned here today.