



Watson Boy Hurt In Hit And Run Crash

Was Riding His Bicycle Sunday On Main Street

Officials Still Seek For Car That Struck Son Of Roxboro Police Officer.

John Hudgins, State Highway patrolman, together with City and County officials, is still investigating a hit-and-run accident which occurred here Sunday night on South Main street and resulted in slight injuries to Laymond Watson, carrier boy for the Greensboro Daily News and son of Police Officer and Mrs. Artie Watson.

The boy, according to Hudgins, was struck while riding a bicycle. The speeding car, the boy said, was either a large sedan or a funeral car and the driver sped away without stopping after the boy had been knocked from his wheel. He received scratches and body bruises, but was not otherwise hurt. The accident occurred at twilight.

Hudgins, in commenting on the incident, issued a reminder that bicycle riders by State law are required to observe all rules of the highway and must have both front and rear lights, although the rear signal may be a reflector.

Watson's bicycle was damaged to some extent. He is reported to have been on his side of the street, although he swerved his wheel in an effort to avoid being hit.

REQUEST MADE TO PARENTS TO ACCEPT EQUALITY

School Officials As a Y Roll At Central School Are Made Up.

Person County and Roxboro public school officials, with particular reference to composition of classrooms at Roxboro Central Grammar school, today issued the following statement:

"Teachers are glad to say that requests for children to be in their rooms have been many. Any teacher appreciates this, but in fairness to all concerned it has been decided to make equal distribution, numerically and as to rating, with no exceptions.

"This has been done and the roll for each teacher has been filed for school opening next Fall. The teachers made no choice and took their turn in drawing from the promotion lists.

"A pleasant year is being planned for 1943-1944 and it will be appreciated if every parent will cooperate by refraining from making any request or favor this year. One granted might lead to a multiplicity of such and result in the complete upsetting of every class roll.

It is understood that the statement is issued with full approval of officials concerned, namely, Miss Inda Collins, principal of Roxboro Central Grammar school, Leon Couch, district supervising principal in Roxboro and R. B. Griffin, Person county (turn to page eight, please)

OPA Has No Report For New Ceilings

Sugar For Canning Rules Are Explained, However, By Officials.

Person OPA officials today said that no new price ceilings effective on groceries to be sold in Person County or Roxboro have been received here as yet, but added that if and when such ceiling notices are officially received they will be released at once for newspaper publication.

The statement from the Person OPA Board was prompted because of a previous confusion created here when orders applicable to Charlotte and Raleigh, and Mecklenburg and Wake counties in which those cities are situated, were cited by a newspaper here as applicable to Person County and Roxboro.

It was further explained that existing ceiling prices in effect in the Person area are not greatly different from those established in Raleigh and Charlotte, which have been designated by OPA as experimental areas.

Person OPA officials did, however, say that instructions on sugar allotments for canning have been received. Plans are underway in Person County to issue sugar for home canning in the various County communities so that applicants will not have to come to Roxboro to obtain certificates.

If present plans work out, some organization in each community, with one person in charge, will issue home canning sugar certificates from various schools county on one day in each week all during the summer. When schedules are arranged they will be posted at school houses and announced in newspapers.

It is expected that application arrangements will be completed by end of this month. An increase has been allowed this year for preserving so that five pounds may be obtained for each person in a family, plus one pound of sugar for each four quarts of fruit canned.

Dr. Fitzgerald Recommended For School Body Here

Appointment of Dr. J. D. Fitzgerald, Roxboro physician and surgeon, to the Person County School board to fill the vacancy created by the death of B. G. Crumpton, Democrat, was recommended to the State Board of Education by the Person Democratic Executive committee in session here Saturday afternoon. Meeting was called by R. B. Dawes, chairman.

RETURNS TO COLUMBUS
Mrs. John W. Merritt, of Columbus, Ga., who was called to Roxboro because of the injury her father, H. T. Ritchie, suffered in an accident, has returned to Columbus to be with her husband, Lieut. Merritt.

BICYCLE THEFTS NET TWO NEGROES COURT SENTENCES

Many Other Cases Come Up In Person Recorder's Court Tuesday.

Two Negro youths, James Cunningham and Elvin Bumpass, both 19 and charged with larceny of bicycles, received road sentences Tuesday from Judge R. B. Dawes in Person recorder's court. Bumpass, who received three months, had his sentence suspended on payment of a \$20 fine and costs, while Cunningham received a straight road sentence of six months. The boys are alleged to have deliberately planned the thefts.

Other cases disposed of were: Leva Staley, Negro, 23, truck driver from Liberty, no operator's license, suspended with costs; Willard Rimmer, 23, resisting officer, suspended with costs; Stephen Johnson, Negro, 22, careless and reckless driving, \$5 and costs, with license suspended four months, and on a second charge, no operator's license, suspended with costs.

Also, Earl Mitchell Blackwell, Negro, 22, a truck driver, no operator's license, suspended with costs; Herman Turner, post (turn to page eight, please)

Phifer House In Charlotte Loses Battle With Age

Charlotte, May 12.—Razing of the old Phifer home on North Tryon Street here, the structure in which President Jefferson Davis of the Confederate States of America held his last full cabinet meeting, has begun.

Owners said they regretted the necessity for destroying the building but that efforts to have it set apart as a historic shrine had failed and in its condition it was becoming a menace to safety.

The historic house was the Charlotte home of the late Prof. Robert S. Phifer, father of Mrs. Thomas J. Lipcomb and Mrs. J. P. Giles, of Burleigh Plantation, near Semora.

JASPER N. DAVIS TAKES LIFE WITH GUN SATURDAY

Rites Held Sunday For Native Of Person County.

Funeral services for Jasper N. Davis, 40, of Roxboro and Durham, were held Sunday afternoon from the graveside of the Ruffin Davis Cemetery, south of Roxboro, with the Rev. Joe B. Curran and the Rev. J. N. Bowman officiating.

Davis committed suicide with a shotgun early Saturday morning at the home of his mother in Durham. His wife instituted divorce proceedings on grounds of two years separation in Durham County Superior Court on April 27.

Pallbearers were Willie Jones, Garland Hobgood, Moses Watson, Groves Thompson Jr., Wiley Weaver and Bunn Ellis.

Floral bearers: Miss Margaret Watson, Miss Alese Whitaker, Miss Ann James, Miss Margaret (turn to page eight, please)

One Of Three



CLARENCE OAKLEY

Clarence Oakley, of Roxboro, one of three sons of Mrs. Mary Ella Oakley, who are in military service, is with the United States Army, stationed in Hawaii. Two of his brothers, Garland and Clyde, are with the Navy.

City High School To Have Teacher Of Agriculture

Z. C. Moore, a native of South Carolina and a graduate of Clemson College, in September will join the faculty of Roxboro high school as the institution's first teacher of agriculture. He has until recently been teacher of that subject at Wilton high school, Granville county.

Moore, who is married and has four children, expects to establish residence in Roxboro by July 1. Before teaching at Wilton, where he has been for several years, he was connected with schools in Gates county.

Daughters Of Confederacy Honor Reade

Informal Dinner For Person Veteran At Hotel Roxboro Monday.

W. F. Reade, 96, of Mount Tizah, only surviving Confederate in Person County, was honored at an informal Memorial Day luncheon given here at Hotel Roxboro by Person chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Covers were laid for twenty-nine guests, including Lieut. Gov. R. L. Harris, chapter members and relatives and friends of Reade. Invocation was by Lieut. Governor, but no formal program was presented.

Chapter president, Mrs. Ralph Cole, was unable to attend, but among those present, in addition to members of the Reade family were Mrs. Mamie Merritt, Mrs. O. Page Long, Mrs. E. B. Yancey, Mrs. Headley Kynoch and others.

GETS COMMISSION

Dwight L. Gentry, of Roxboro and Fort Benning, Ga., a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Gentry, of Roxboro, has received his commission as second lieutenant, having completed officers training. He entered the Army in November 1941.

Sunday Prohibition Of Wine And Beer Goal Of Ministers

REV. MR. PEELE FINALS SPEAKER AT OLIVE HILL

Roxboro Minister Delivers Graduating Message.

The Rev. F. B. Peele, Methodist minister, of Roxboro, commencement speaker at Olive Hill school, of which Mrs. R. B. Dawes, of this City is principal, had last week as his subject, "Life Is a Beautiful Garden". The speaker, who was introduced by James Winstead, urged the graduates to keep their own life gardens beautiful.

Members of the graduating class were: Albert Blalock, Jr., William G. Bradsher, Robert, Bennie and Mary Louise Carver, Margaret, Evelyn and Dot Clayton, Betty Duncan, Mary Elizabeth Evans, Hallie Mae Fox, Libby Neathery, Thelma, Christine and Emily Oakley, Lillie Mae Soloman, Roberta Winstead, John Williford and James White.

Announcer was William G. Bradsher, with Mrs. Robert Featherston, of the faculty, as pianist. Valedictorian was Mary Elizabeth Evans and salutatorian was Libby Neathery. Class poem was read by Bennie Carver and presentation of thirteen perfect attendance certificates was by Guy Clayton.

RED CROSS FIRST AID AND WATER COURSES OFFERED

George Barber, Of Alexandria To Come Here In June.

George Barber, Red Cross first aid instructor from Alexandria, Va., headquarters, will arrive in Roxboro next month and on June 7, at Roxboro high school will begin a series of instructor courses lasting two weeks. To be included is a water safety program expected to be of interest to teen-aged young men who are about to enter military service.

R. B. Griffin, Person and Roxboro American Red Cross first aid chairman, said today that Barber's courses will be open to all interested citizens. The first aid course will be taught chiefly at night in the high school library, although the water safety program will probably be offered in the morning or the afternoon, with some sessions at Chub Lake, near Roxboro.

Class schedules are tentative and will be announced later. Some first aid classes may be offered in the daytime.

VISITS PARENTS

Pvt. Jack White, of Fort Bragg and Hurdle Mills, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. White. Another son, Pfc. Lawrence White, is stationed at Fort Benning, Ga.

HOSPITAL PATIENTS

Mrs. B. W. Gardner and Fred Long, both prominent Roxboro residents, who on Monday underwent operations at Community hospital are reported to be resting more comfortably.

City Officials Sworn In As Board Meets

No Mention Made Of Receipt Of Blue Law Request Sent By Ministers.

Mayor S. G. Winstead and five City Commissioners, on Tuesday night at May session of the City Council, were officially inducted into office for new terms running until May 1945.

Oath to the Mayor, who now begins his second full term in office, was administered by Miss Ruth Newton, secretary to City Attorney F. O. Carver, Sr., while the Commissioners themselves were later sworn in by the Mayor.

No other official business was reported by Mayor Winstead, who said that City offices of an appointive nature are expected to be filled at June session, which it is hoped City Manager Percy Bloxam, now ill at his home here, will be able to attend. Appointive officers include the City Manager, the City Attorney and the Chief of Police.

Commissioners sworn in were Gordon C. Hunter, C. Lester Brooks, Philip L. Thomas, George J. Cushman and R. Cliff Hall, the last named now beginning his first full term. Committee appointments, including that of Commissioner of Police and public safety remain the same. Election of City officials was held two weeks ago.

Mayor Winstead did not mention receipt of any wine and beer blue law request from the Person ministerial association, although it is definitely known that such a request was received.

rites Held For A. E. NEWTON, 81, OF ROSEVILLE

Survivors Include Two Daughters, Two Sons and Grandchildren.

A. E. Newton, 81, of Roseville, near Roxboro, died Monday night at his home after an illness lasting three weeks. He had been in ill health several years and since first of the year had been a patient in various hospitals.

Funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock at the home by the Rev. F. B. Peele, of Roxboro, with interment in the Hester's store cemetery.

Survivors include two daughters, two sons, one sister, a half-brother, two half-sisters, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Daughters are Miss Lucille Newton, of the home, and Mrs. Howard Allen, of Roxboro. Sons are Sam H. and A. R. Newton, both of Roxboro. Sister is Mrs. W. A. Wilkerson, of Durham. Half-brother is R. D. Newton, of Hurdle Mills, and half-sisters Mrs. Satira Tatum, of Roxboro, and Mrs. Pattie Pickett, of Durham.

Active pallbearers were: Cecil (turn to page eight, please)

Local Laws Sought By Association

Person Ministerial Association Makes Request To County And City Officials.

Ten Person County and Roxboro protestant ministers, representing the Person County Ministerial association, on Tuesday sent to Person County and Roxboro City commissioners a request that they enforce the recently passed State-wide law relative to closing hours for establishments selling wine and beer. The request was formed at a meeting held Monday.

The association request, as reported by the Rev. Rufus J. Womble, secretary, calls for closing from "eleven P. M. on Saturday to seven A. M. on Monday", whereas the State law says that no beer or wine may be sold on any night from 11:30 o'clock until seven A. M., with no reference to closing all day on Sunday or any other day.

There are in Person County and Roxboro no local laws conflicting with the State law, but many dealers and establishments do not sell wine or beer before one o'clock on Sunday afternoons and do not sell during church hours in the evening. There is also a voluntary agreement with some dealers not to (turn to page eight, please)

Seven Members Added To Roll Of Organization

W. Wallace Woods, executive secretary of Roxboro Chamber of Commerce, today announced the addition of the following firms to the roll of membership in the organization:

Tuxedo Billiard parlor, Spencer's funeral home, Fisher's grocery company, Belvin and H. S. Barnette, Hall's hardware, McWhorter Lumber company and Creedmoor Supply company, all added following amembership canvass staged here by the Board of Directors.

Ivey Gentry Gets Commission As Army Lieutenant

Ivey C. Gentry, 23, of Allensville, a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gentry and a graduate of Wake Forest college, class of 1940, this week received his commission as a second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces after completing an intensive course in meteorology in the college of engineering, New York University. Lieut. Gentry, who is also a graduate of Allensville high school, enlisted in the Army Air forces at Fort Bragg, June 19, 1942. He was formerly a teacher in the Canton public schools. A brother, Burley B. Gentry, also in the Army, is stationed at Petersburg, Fla.