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Sanders Fears For Tobacco Because of Black Shank Root

Sanders Greatly Concerned Over Re-Appearance Of Tobacco Disease

He And Farm Group Go To Other Counties To Study Methods Of Control. Report Of Their Findings Presented.

Black Shank, a tobacco plant disease resembling "sore skin" but much more destructive, about on a par with blue mold, has again made its appearance in Person County, according to Farm Agent H. K. Sanders, who says that farms that are suffering are located chiefly in Bushy Fork and Olive Hill townships.

Black Shank, according to Sanders, was first noticed here about three years ago, but through successful eradication programs it was eliminated at that time. Chief danger is that it may spread and do serious damage to crops in 1944 and 1945.

The disease first appeared in North Carolina about fifteen years ago on farms in Forsyth and Rockingham counties, but farmers there have learned to control it, particularly through elimination of the practice of watering beds and fields with creek water that flows through infected farms.

Sanders said today that the new appearance of Black Shank was first noted in Person County three weeks ago on two farms and has since spread to sixteen. Sanders fears that at least half of the tobacco crops in Person County in infected areas will be destroyed next year unless proper eradication programs are followed.

Black Shank, says Sanders, is (turn to page eight, please)

Puts Hat In Ring



L. Y. BALLENTINE

State Senator Lynton Yates Ballentine, of Wake County, today announced that he will seek office of Lieutenant Governor next year. He is the second candidate to so announce.

Can Sell Bonds

J. Bryan Boswell, postmaster at Wokdsdale today announced that the Post Office there, by order of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, has been authorized to sell and is now acting as a selling agent for United States War Bonds and Stamps.

Clubs To Hold Joint Session Monday Night

Kiwanis and Rotary, Roxboro civic clubs, on Monday night at six-thirty o'clock at Hotel Roxboro will hold a joint session for purpose of discussing plans for participation in the Third War Loan drive which begins on Thursday, September 9.

The joint meeting is being arranged by agreement of J. J. Woody and W. Wallace Woods, presidents of the respective clubs.

NATIVE CHURCH PLACE OF BEAUTY SAYS CPL. BERRY

Guadalcanal Structure With Palm Roof Over Altar Described By Roxboro Soldier.

Somewhere in the Guadalcanal area is the "Chapel of the Wildwood", with an altar edged with fern and roofed over with palm leaves, according to Corp. Willie A. Berry, of Roxboro, a member of the congregation worshipping there. The Chapel, as Berry says, is a simple structure, built by the Chaplain and some of the soldiers, with the help of natives, but in its rude setting in the woods it is nevertheless truly a "House of God."

On Sundays, writes Berry, they have impressive services, with music furnished by a band and by a quartet which sings Negro spirituals. Recently the chapel was dedicated and a special communion was observed, followed by the chaplain's sermon and an appeal to come to the altar in conversion. Climax was a baptismal ritual held in a river near the church.

One of those who answered the call to a rededication of life and service was seated by Berry, who describes the experience as very moving. Berry, like many of his fellows, is more than ever convinced that the spirit of the place and not a building constitutes a church. Natives who helped build the "Chapel in the Wildwood," incidentally, were presented with a large Bible, gift of the Chaplain.

Person Officials Look For Two Missing Citizens

Officials of the Person Selective Service Board today reported that they desire information on two men, Nelson Berry Farror, of Fayetteville and Roxboro, and Robert Mason, Roxboro.

Farror, a white man, whose name was transferred to the Board at Fayetteville, has failed to report for induction. His last known address was, General Delivery, Fayetteville. Mason, a Negro listed as an employee of McWhorter Lumber company, with a Roxboro address, ordered to appear for examination has failed to do so.

Armstrong Has Honor Here By Harris Relatives

Charles Armstrong, Jr., of Salisbury, who recently returned from an extended period of service in the Pacific area, was honored here Tuesday night with a buffet garden supper at the home of his grandfather, W. H. Harris, Sr. Present for the occasion were many of the members of the Harris family, in addition to the guest of honor and his parents.

Dolian Long At Fort Bragg, Will Miss Reunion

Dolian Long, popular Roxboro clothier, accepted several weeks ago for military service, left today for Fort Bragg, where he will be assigned to duty. For the first time in many years he will miss the annual Brooks and Long family reunion which will be Sunday at the Kenneth Long home, near Roxboro.

Reported Better



WILLIAM E. JOHNSON

Pfc. W. E. Johnson Slightly Wounded In Pacific Action

Pfc. William Earl Johnson, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Ivey street, Roxboro, has been "slightly wounded in action" in the Southwest Pacific, according to a message received Tuesday by his parents. Particulars were not given in the War department message, but the Johnsons today received a letter from their son saying that he is in a rest camp and is doing well. He was wounded on July 30.

Johnson, who entered the Army under selective service two years ago last July, until recently was stationed in Fiji Islands, in the South Pacific. His wife is the former Miss Annie Brooks Bailey, of Woodside, to whom he was married two years ago this month. The Johnsons have another son Pvt. Raymond Johnson, in the service, now at Camp Howe Texas.

FROM VACATION

Miss Nina Abbott has returned from a vacation spent at Bat's Cove in the Western part of the State.

Three Negroes Face Felony Charges At Next Court Term

Police Obtain Confessions That Cross Up Bumpass And Wright In Theft Case

MATERNITY CLINIC WORK TO EXPAND SAYS RICHARDSON

Addition Of Third Nurse Will Make Enlargement Possible.

Expansion of the maternity clinic service sponsored here by the Children's Bureau foundation in cooperation with the tri-county health department is expected to take place soon, according to Dr. W. P. Richardson, of Chapel Hill, tri-unit head, who today said that addition of a third nurse to serve the clinic will mean that the clinic service will be available to all of Person County.

Date for arrival of the new assistant has, however, not been announced. At the present time only specified areas in Person are served by the maternity staff in the field, although clinic consultations are available to all citizens who call at the Health Department office, Roxboro.

TO MONMOUTH

Robert Masten, of the United States Army, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilmer Masten, of Roxboro, who has been stationed in Florida, is spending a few days here with his parents before going to Fort Monmouth, N. J.

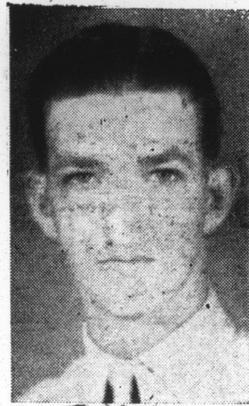
FROM NEWPORT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Day and daughter and John Day, all of Newport News, Va., are spending several days with members of their family here.

Posthumous Silver Star Award Made To Pfc. Fisher

Gallant Action Praised By Captain And Commanding General Of Youth

Silver Star



Sam C. Fisher, Jr.

Second posthumous honor comes to the late Pfc. Sam C. Fisher, Jr., to whom the Silver Star is to be awarded, according to a dispatch from Army headquarters in the Guadalcanal area.

O. Y. CLAYTON, JR., GETS CERTIFICATE OF VISITATION

Has Proof That He Has Been To Holy Sepulchre Of Our Lord.

O. Y. Clayton Jr., of the United States Army now in Egypt, a Roxboro young man, whose visits to places in the Holy Land several months ago furnished an interesting feature story for Tar Heel newspapers, this week sent to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Y. Clayton, Sr., the visible Sepulchre: it is a signed "Certificate of Pilgrimage", in English, with the signature of the Rev. Reverend Archimandrite Kyriakos, guardian and superior of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

The document is in English, testifying that Clayton has "made therein his pious devotions on this, the eight day of July, 1943, and ends with a prayer for the safety and wellbeing of the pilgrim that he may be protected from all evil and danger, but the seal of the Archimandrite is in Greek, as is the lettering on the coat of arms used as a letter-head.

GOES TO DUNN

Miss Naomi Daniel, daughter of the C. G. Daniels, Roxboro, has gone to Dunn to accept a position there as a hospital laboratory technician.

School Opens With Worthy Attendance

New Large Flag Floats To Breeze On Person Lawn

Now flying from the flagpole on the Person County Court House lawn is the new ten by fifteen foot American flag recently ordered by County Commissioners. Larger than any banner hitherto flown from the County standard, the flag has hand-sewed stripes and stars and is said to be of a size suited to the height of the pole.

The flag was first raised Monday in informal exercises by W. L. King, Court House custodian and jailor, W. Wallace Woods, secretary of Roxboro Chamber of Commerce, together with members of the City of Roxboro police department, Court House officials and others, watched the ceremony.

Memorial Day Exercises Held In Cemetery Where Fisher Is Buried On Guadalcanal.

Posthumous awarding of the Silver Star for "gallantry in action" to Pfc. Sam C. Fisher, Jr., 21, of Nathalie, Va., and Roxboro, killed in action on Guadalcanal on January 13, was announced today by the War Department in a communique sent to the Person County Times from U. S. Army Headquarters in the South Pacific.

The award, made by direction of the President, carries a citation signed by Lieut. Gen. Millard F. Harmon, commanding U. S. Army forces in the South Pacific area. Fisher, in the Army about three years and a Pearl Harbor veteran, was the son of Sam C. Fisher, of Roxboro, and of the late Mrs. Myrtle Guthrie Fisher, of Nathalie, where he lived for a number of years with his aunt, Miss Sallie Fisher.

The Fishers, when informed by the Times of the receipt of the Silver Star citation, said that they had recently received from Pvt. Willie Berry, of Roxboro, who is also in Guadalcanal, a description of the grave of their son in the American cemetery there, where Memorial Day exercises were held on April 20. Berry, who pictures the cemetery as a beautiful, well-kept spot, sent the description to Mrs. A. R. Davis, who in turn showed the letter to the Fishers, the father, stepmother and half brothers, and sisters who live here.

Harmon's citation reads as follows:

To Sam C. Fisher, Jr., Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army for gallantry in action at Guadalcanal, the Silver Star (posthumous). During the attack on an important hill Private Fisher's machine gun positions were subjected on two separate occasions to concentrated enemy fire necessitating displacement to new positions. In the final position, while firing in support of an advancing rifle company, he was killed by enemy fire. During the entire action, up to the time of his death, Private Fisher remained constantly with his gun, effectively placed his fire on enemy positions, and contributed immeasurably to the success of his company's assault.

Further comment on the spirit with which Fisher fought is contained in a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, under date of June 19, from Capt. Kenneth C. Robertson, under whom he served. Robertson writes:

"I want you to know that during combat he fought with a determination and bravery seldom equaled on any battlefield. His (turn to page eight, please)

FROM NORFOLK

Miss Billie Vogler has returned from a visit in Norfolk, Va.

Harris Introduces Newbold At Final Series Of County - Wide Teacher Sessions.

Person Superintendent of Schools, R. B. Griffin, today reported that opening of schools yesterday, which sent some seven thousand Person and Roxboro youngsters back to work, went off without a hitch. Many schools had special opening exercises for the first session of a school year operating under an abbreviated nine month plan.

Final large gatherings for teachers were held Tuesday, with Dr. N. C. Newbold, of Raleigh, as chief speaker at separate sessions for white and Negro teachers. Introduction of Newbold was by Lieut. Gov. R. L. Harris. Invocation was by the Rev. J. B. Curran, Baptist minister. Other speakers included Mrs. Logan Umstead, who discussed work of the Junior Red Cross. Dr. W. P. Richardson, whose (turn to page four, please)

Some Stamps, Book Three, Soon Usable

Ms. L. Sanders McWhorter Issues Statement Concerning Book III

MISS GULL, OF LONGHURST, DIES AT PARENTS' HOME

Had Long Illness. Rites Held Monday Afternoon At Methodist Church.

Miss Susie Louise Gull, 21, of Longhurst, ill for the past eight months, died at her home here Sunday morning. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gull, who survive, as do four brothers and three sisters.

Funeral was held Monday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock at Longhurst Methodist church by the Revs. W. T. Medlin, Jr., and R. W. Hovis, with interment following in Burchwood cemetery. Brothers are Frank and Everett, both of Longhurst, Bernard, of Nathalie, Va., and Harry, of Norfolk, Va. Sisters are Mrs. F. C. Sharpe, Greensboro, Mrs. Jack Morrison and Miss Clara Gull, both of Longhurst.

Late News Bulletins

DOUBLE-HEADER BLACKOUT LASTS ABOUT AN HOUR

Roxboro last night experienced an air raid alarm and blackout lasting about an hour. Some citizens appeared to be confused by multiplicity of signals. They were not aware that the affair was a double-header, as if planes had staged a raid and returned for another before the giving of all clear. Officials here seemed generally pleased with the demonstration. The alarm came completely without warning.

MISS TAYLOR'S SKIRT NOW ON DISPLAY

The South Seas grass skirt sent by Lieut. Bill Davenport (of Guadalcanal and Jap flag fame) is now being displayed in the Times' office window. Miss Taylor, as yet, has made no promises about a modeling demonstration.