

## 13 CASES TRIED BY RECORDER

### Docket Still Crowded After Busy Day On Tuesday At Halifax

### N CAUGHT

When Recorder's Court had adjourned at 6:30 p. m., Tuesday, after a long days session, there had been good headway made into the still crowded docket. Solicitor Dickens presented the following cases to Judge Daniels for trial.

Anderson Day pleaded guilty to taking a ham valued at about \$2 from the kitchen of Mr. Gavin Hyman. Judgment suspended on payment of costs by April 15.

Jack Turner was back again for non-support. Judge Daniel sentenced the defendant to pay wife for support of child \$2.25 in check each week.

Jack Jones and Ross Jerrell were charged with assault and judgment was suspended on payment of costs.

Charlie Saucer pleaded not guilty to receiving stolen cigarettes from Charlie Lewis, which had been stolen from the Seaboard Air Line Railroad car. The defendant was sentenced to three months on the road.

George Blummer was rendered a verdict of not guilty to receiving stolen cigarettes.

J. R. Hale, Jr., white man entered a plea of not guilty to transporting liquor on an automobile in Scotland Neck and was fined \$10 and cost.

Bud Debro pleaded not guilty to removing share crop of T. V. Avent. Judge Daniel sentenced him to six months in jail with the privilege to be hired out by the county commissioners.

Archie Allen, charged with passing worthless check, was remanded to the Mayors court for final disposition.

Horace Britt was charged with carrying concealed weapon and with assault upon wife. A verdict of not guilty was rendered.

Willie Allen, white boy of Roanoke Rapids pleaded guilty to operating car recklessly. He was fined \$25 and cost.

Sells Cotton, pleaded guilty to manufacturing whiskey and having in his possession a still. The defendant stated that he was out walking and seeing a light, went over to see if the woods were on fire or not, a few minutes after his arrival the law appeared. It seems that there have been a number of stills found on the Cotton farm. Judge Daniel sentenced the defendant to five months on the road. However, a notice of appeal was given and the court bond was fixed at \$250.

J. W. Lockamon, white man of Roanoke Rapids, was charged with abandonment and failure to support wife and five children. A verdict of not guilty was rendered.

Maude Whitley, white married woman of Roanoke Rapids, plead not guilty to F. & A. with J. T. Lockamon. Prayer of judgment was continued for two years. Judge Daniel told the J. T. Lockamon to leave this woman alone, and to pay his wife \$5 a week beginning two weeks from present date.

### IN MEMORIAM MRS. E. J. COLTRANE

With profound sorrow the Parent-Teacher Association of Roanoke Rapids High School, Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, records the death of one of its former members, Mrs. E. J. Coltrane, who for several years was a loyal member and served as president for two years. She was ever ready to advance the cause of the association in providing the best for the welfare of the school and gave unselfishly of her time to any activity of the association. Her high conception of her duty as a teacher and a parent in developing high ideals in children was felt and will continue to be felt in the life of our community. Her spirit of good will and her cheerful disposition was an inspiration to all her co-workers.

With a keen sense of our loss is mingled the deep sympathy for the members of her family.

Adopted by the Parent-Teacher Association and recorded in the minutes March 2, 1931.

President Mrs. J. E. Kirk  
Committee—Mrs. T. W. M. Long, Clara Hearne, Omara Daniel.

Mrs. Hugh Camp spent several days in Franklin, Va., last week.

## Poll Parrot Pet Breaks Chains But Meets Strange End

Polly was the pet of Mrs. J. E. Dobbins and could have been heard talking most any day from her perch up above the Rosemary Theatre.

Monday, Polly broke away and flew to freedom. She had been held by a small chain. She flew away with the chain dangling.

Children playing in the rear of the Shell Furniture Co., building saw the parrot hanging from the wires by the chain. One little boy climbed up on a tin roof took a long pole and rescued the bird. But Polly was stone dead.

The theory is that the chain caught in the high tension wires, electrocuting Polly.

## ARREST 3RD MAN IN ALLEGED ROBBERY

### Lewis Carroll Charged With Littleton Postoffice and Store Entrance

The last of three said to be implicated in the entrance and robbery of the Littleton postoffice and a store recently were arrested last night when Lewis Carroll, 17, was taken in custody.

The arrest was made at the home of his father in the Belmont vicinity by Officers Keeter and Sam Young. Carroll is charged, with Simon Garrison and Slim Harris, with entering a store via the Littleton postoffice. The other two were arrested two weeks ago.

Nothing, which officers say was identified as part of the loot was found with Carroll. He claims Garrison gave it to him. The latter is also charged with stealing from H. L. Bell's filling station. He was arrested wearing Mr. Bell's overcoat, officers say.

## \* \* \* \* \* \*Transfers Real Estate In Halifax County \* \* \* \* \*

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds during the period of March 23 to March 30.

Fred Powell, Jr., et als to J. E. Batchelor, lot in Weldon.

C. L. Sauls to Maggie A. Barnett, tract of land in Faucetts Township.

Robert Ivey et ux. to Ollie Lee, tract of land in Roanoke Rapids Township.

J. H. Harris et ux. to W. D. Harris and C. L. Harris, lot in Halifax County.

Robert E. L. Merritt et ux. to R. E. Merritt, lot in Roanoke Rapids Township.

J. E. Pepper et al to J. W. Hudson and W. R. Wiggins, all of standing lumber on public road between Littleton and Roanoke Rapids.

P. O. Schallert et ux. to W. H. Schallert et ux. 2 lots in Halifax County.

D. Ray Boyette et ux. to G. R. Pendleton, lots in Scotland Neck.

## SENIOR PLAY TUESDAY

The High School Senior Class will give its annual play Tuesday night, April 27th, at the High School auditorium. This year they will present "Headstrong Joan," a three act comedy, directed by Prof Tommy Martin.

## Local Man Perfects Foolproof Plan To End N. C. Legislature

Alfred Martin has his own theory about the North Carolina General Assembly. He plans to get the plan copyrighted and then used.

He says they should pass a law making it imperative that the next General Assembly meet July and August. He would have them meet in Meredith College, far from the maddening crowd.

He would lock them in the building; put guards around; let none out, none else in; feed them through a hole cut in the door; make them stay in there until they finished their business of making laws.

He guarantees short sessions; perfect harmony.

## LOCAL FIRMS CHANGING LOCATION

### Oak Stores, Shell Furniture Co. H. T. Smith Change; Cafe and Store Open

### AVE. FACES SHIFT

Changes in locations of business firms here are in process this week as the two Oak Stores consolidated stocks and the Shell Furniture Co. moves into the Cannon building, which has been occupied by the Rosemary branch of the Oak Stores.

Manager Lamm, who is field manager for the several Oak Stores thru-out this section of the State, was here this week. He stated the company has had in mind for some time consolidating the two stores and carrying a larger stock of merchandise at the one store.

The Roanoke Rapids branch being the older and more established stand, it was decided to continue the community business at that place. W. V. Woodroof will continue as local manager.

The Shell Furniture Company is now moving its big stock of radios, electric refrigerators and furniture to the Cannon building. L. G. Shell, manager, says he believes the move will add much to his growing business. He stated the place where he has been doing business is too large and expensive for his needs since the grocery department was discontinued several months ago and he also feels that his new location will be much better for his line of business.

He plans to make attractive window displays with regular changes to catch the eyes of hundreds who pass the new location daily, stressing radios, electric refrigerators, Simmons beds and mattresses and household furnishings.

Another recent change made here was when Julian Glover assumed management of Cherry's Cafe. Mr. Glover has changed the name to Central Cafe, has fixed the place up attractively and is doing a nice business.

H. T. Smith, local merchant, has reopened for business at his old stand next to the Electric Building and a new fruit and vegetable store is now located in the Glover building.

## DEATHS

Frank Clements, 56, died March 22nd at his home at Vulture of cerebral hemorrhage. Funeral services were held the following day at Ebenezer Church by Reverend Hattcock, of Triplet, Va. A wife and nine children survive. The deceased was a well known farmer and especially remembered here because of selling watermelons every season. Last year he sold several car loads from his truck which he usually parked on second Street just off the Avenue.

Doris Lee Wheeler, three months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wheeler, died Sunday at their home in Belmont. Interment was Monday in Roanoke Rapids cemetery.

Mrs. A. J. Dorsey of Vance Ave., entertained with a surprise birthday party Monday celebrating the twenty-first birthday of her daughter, Nita Belle. A three course birthday dinner was served after an evening of games and singing. The guests were Mesdames Clyde Brakley, C. R. Greene, A. T. Garrison, O. C. Mason, W. D. Denson, Lela Smith, E. L. Hasty, Sadie Hopkins, C. A. Blow, Lessie Mae Revill, Misses Fanny Murphy, Mina Roberson, Blonnie Dorsey, Louise Hasty, Mildred Hasty Masters Lawrence Dorsey, Roland Mason, Mr. George Taylor.

## IN MEMORIAM

We must ask our readers to confine their In Memoriam copy to less space. It was necessary to leave out several this week due to lack of space. Please use poems not over one verse of four or six lines. Remember, we make no charge for this, although many newspapers do.

Howard Fahey is spending some time at the U. S. Veterans Hospital in Atlanta.

## COTTON

Roanoke Rapids Market. Thursday afternoon, April 2.

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## She'll Show Them



They'll be doing business a lot faster in Europe before very long if Stella Williams twenty-five, of Brooklyn, America's speediest woman typist, accomplishes the mission on which she sailed for Plymouth, England, the other day. At the invitation of British and continental business men, Miss Williams, whose speed is some 30 words per minute greater than the fastest ever achieved by woman abroad, is to spend four or five months in Great Britain, France and elsewhere explaining and demonstrating her pre-eminent typing skill to stenographers, office workers and commercial school instructors.

## NEW REGISTRAR IN PRECINCT NO. T W O

### John Clark Appointed in Idings Vacancy; Books Open Every Saturday til Election

John Clark has been appointed Registrar of Roanoke Rapids Precinct No. 2 for the special City election to be held on the 27th of this month.

Mr. Clark succeeds William Idings who resigned because of conflict with other duties. The new Registrar will have the registration books at the new polling place in the warehouse back of Patterson Store, every Saturday from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., until the election.

J. F. Welch, Registrar in No. 1 precinct, and Mr. Clark report a good registration last Saturday. Only those who have not registered in the past are required to do so now.

## SEE VEPCO APPLIANCES

### Halifaxians at Demonstration Here; Others Attend County Council at Enfield

Those from here attending the Va Electric and Power Co. demonstration in Roanoke Rapids Monday were the following: Mesdames N. L. Stedman, R. L. Applewhite, W. G. Bass, Fletcher Gregory, Annie Jennings, Streling Gary, Frank Musselman and Mrs. John Bass.

Those from here attending the Halifax County Council in Enfield on Thursday were the following: Mesdames R. L. Applewhite, N. L. Stedman, Junius Tillery, Coleman Best, Quentin Gregory, Fletcher Gregory, F. W. M. White, Swain Gorman and Mrs. John Fenner, Jr.

Miss Ursula Marshall who is attending N. C. C. W., at Greensboro, is spending the spring holidays with her parents here.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stedman Boyd and Miss Edna Campbell spent the weekend in Richmond visiting friends.

Mrs. Alex Urquart and Mrs. Lilly Fenner of Lewiston were visitors here Monday.

Miss Maxine Long of Wilson is visiting Miss Ursula Marshall.

Miss Viola Nethery is spending the spring holidays here with her parents.

Mrs. John Fenner, Jr. motored to Henderson Wednesday.

Miss Jessie Gregory has returned from an extensive trip to Philadelphia.

The Monday Night Bridge Club met on March 30th with Mrs. D. L. Traynham. Mrs. Howard Pruden was given a piece of lingerie as winner of high score. A salad course was served at ten-fifteen. Those playing were: Mesdames Howard Pruden, Julian Allsbrook, Frank Hawley, Allen Zollcoffer, Cooper Grizzard, George Hayes, Will Dean and Miss Margaret Clark.

## SENTENCED FOR STORE ROBBERY

### Four Get Heavy Sentences for Camps Crossroads Robbery Near Here

### THREE MEN — BOY

Three men and a boy, who admitted breaking in the store of P. I. Rook & Son at Camps Crossroads, the first of last month, received heavy penalties in Northampton Superior court now in session.

Luther Ashley, 30, Melvin Ashley, 28, and Josephus Banks, 21, were sentenced to 15 months each and Gus Allen Lashley, 15 year old boy, received a sentence of 9 months, imposed by Judge Cranmer yesterday.

All four defendants took the stand, admitted their guilt and told the court how the robbery was planned and executed.

The judge dealt heavily with the law violators this week at Jackson. There were 27 persons in the county jail when court began Monday.

Eleven of 13 negroes, all charged with either stealing or liquor law violations, were found guilty and received sentences ranging from four months up.

Most interest, however, centered in the Camp Crossroads robbery and the trial of the four charged with entering the store and stealing the safe and a quantity of merchandise. The robbery took place Saturday night and the forced front door was found open Sunday morning. The heavy safe had been rolled to the back but in loading it on a truck, also stolen, it had proved too heavy and had fallen to the ground where it was found Sunday morning with combination and handles battered.

It had, however, withstood the shock and was unopened. Mrs. E. P. Hyman recalled hearing two of the Lashley boys talking Saturday morning and heard enough to make her suspicious. She reported what she had heard and the four were arrested by officers Keeter and Willie Gray.

Taken to different jails, the boys finally confessed on Monday and at the magistrate's hearing the others admitted their part. The stolen goods were found in the woods nearby. The three men were placed in jail in default of bond and the boy has been free under a \$100 bond.

## Local Boy On State College Committee

(Special To The Herald)

Raleigh, April 2.—Spring holidays have not hampered the work of the Engineers' Council of N. C. State College, and President G. W. Dameron of Bessemer City says that the Fair and parade which begins today will be one of the largest in the institution's history.

The committee in charge of the celebration is: J. M. Johnson of Raleigh, vice president of the Council; F. W. Gorham of Raleigh, secretary; W. C. Bangs of Hendersonville, with H. D. Crofts of Asheville, J. B. Gurley of Rosemary, W. V. Harrison of Kankakee, Ill., C. M. Sprinkle of North Wilkesboro, A. M. Stephenson of Severn, and J. W. Workman of Burlington.

Ladies Aid Circle No. 2 met Tuesday evening to celebrate Mrs. Buck Taylor's birthday. The cake was given by Mrs. J. H. Evans. Meeting led by Mrs. H. L. Neal. Music by Miss Mary Walter Shell. Quartette, Buck Taylor, Rodgers, Taylor, Miss Muey Gray, Miss Mary Walter Shell. Prayer by Mrs. Mollie Hardison. Refreshments were served to the following: Mesdames T. J. Topping, J. B. Taylor, J. D. Bailey, O. C. Mason, N. R. Perry, J. H. Evans, H. L. Neal, Thos. Collins, Misses Muey Gray, Mary Walter Shell. Visitors present were Mesdames W. W. Gibson, H. W. Shell, Minnie Taylor, Betty Taylor, Misses Mable Moore, Mary Gibson. Eight children were present.

## LEGION MEETING TUESDAY

The American Legion, Damask Post will meet in the warehouse back of Patterson Store on next Tuesday night. A special program has been arranged by Commander Ned Manning and all ex-service men are urged to attend.

Mrs. Frances Patterson and daughter of Hickory are spending some time here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jackson.

## SPECIAL EASTER SERVICES AT TWIN CITY CHURCHES

### With Local Banks

William Alfred Thorne, County Treasurer of Halifax County, and former cashier of a Littleton bank, is assisting in the bank work of the two branches of the Roanoke Bank and Trust Co. Mr. Thorne is spending part of each day at each branch here.

## PEOPLES AHEAD OF NORFOLK

### Local Theatre Shows Many Pictures Ahead of Virginia City

Heralded as "Norfolk's Leading Entertainment" in a half page advertisement in the amusement section of a Norfolk newspaper last Sunday appeared a program for the Norfolk houses, four in number all under the Loew's chain, of pictures that had been shown in Roanoke Rapids ranging from the last month to the past three months.

The Peoples Theatre has long enjoyed a state wide reputation of getting the new and good shows first and talkie fans of the vicinity should realize their good fortune in being so close to a house offering them the latest releases, oftentimes played months ahead of the larger show places in the cities.

In the newspaper advertisement referred to above, featured at one of Norfolk's leading houses was "Parlor, Bedroom and Bath," a comedy starring Buster Keaton which was shown at the city house as one of their "Bargain" programs within the last month. Other attractions were "Honor Among Lovers," "The Great Meadow," both of which had already been shown at the Peoples within the last month, and "Derelict" which was shown here months ago.

## Local Bill Passed Regarding Bond Money

Raleigh, April 2.—The General Assembly has ratified the bill which gives authority to the Halifax County commissioners to use unexpended funds derived from a bond issue to retire maturing bonds of the county.

This was bond money voted several years ago to surface the highway between Weldon and Enfield. Later, the State did this work and the money could not be used for anything else. It is impossible to find the bondholders until the bonds fall due. The money has been drawing a small rate of interest as an account. It will probably be placed in North Carolina bonds by the county commissioners.

The Welfare department of the Roanoke Rapids Womens Club held their regular March meeting on Monday afternoon in the home of the Chairman, Mrs. T. M. Jenkins, on Jackson Street. Mrs. Bahnsen Weathers was appointed to act as recording secretary until Mrs. W. L. Long can take up the work in the department again. Mrs. C. F. Ogletree and Mrs. J. T. Chase were appointed on a magazine committee to continue the custom of the club of collecting magazines from homes in the community, and placing them in the school library to be given to children for home reading. Mesdames C. N. Wheeler, J. V. Womble and R. L. Towe, which compose the committee on clothing, are asking that they be notified of any clothing on hand in "Good Will" bags in order that they may be called for by them to be used by this department. Several families were reported as having been given clothing, milk, etc., during the past two months. Those attending the meeting were: Mesdames A. E. Akers, R. L. Towe, Bahnsen Weathers, C. N. Wheeler, D. M. Sharpe and T. M. Jenkins.

## TWO MORE LUCKY NAMES

Look thru the display ads in this issue and see if your name is hidden there in small type. There are two of our subscribers who again receive free tickets to the Monday and Tuesday show of the Peoples Theatre. Come to The Herald office for your tickets before noon. Read the ads. It will pay you in more ways than one.

Misses Alston, Clark, Vincent and Davis, nurses at the local hospital, have been on the sick list this week.

## INVITATION EXTENDED TO PUBLIC

### Impressive and Solemn Occasion To Be Celebrated Over Entire World

### SINGING FEATURED

Easter will be celebrated with impressive and solemn services in all seven churches of this city and in most of the county churches.

Special singing will be the feature in all the local churches and people who are not affiliated with any church or who are not in the habit of attending are given special invitations by all the churches to attend the Easter Day services.

Persons in the surrounding territory for a radius of twenty five miles are invited to worship with the folks of this community on Sunday. This invitation is not only for Easter Sunday, but any Sunday in the year. Below are given the special Easter Day programs at the city churches listed as the copy was received.

Roanoke Rapids Baptist Church Sunday school 9:45. E. W. Eubank superintendent. Morning worship at eleven o'clock, evening service at 7:30. The pastor, Alfred P. Mustian, will have for his sermon theme Sunday morning, "Paul and the Practice of Immortality." His subject Sunday evening will be "Easter Commands." The choir will render appropriate Easter music. To the public a cordial welcome is extended to all services.

Halifax Catholic Church The Feast of the Resurrection of Christ from the Death up on the Cross will be celebrated with solemn religious services at the Catholic Church in Halifax, on the Highway, this coming Easter Sunday, April 5th, stated Father McCourt, the Pastor. High Mass will begin there at 11 o'clock, during which Holy Communion will be distributed. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be given immediately after Mass. Confessions will be heard from 10:15 to 10:55 A. M. Everybody invited to be present at the services.

### Quaney Church

Reverend J. J. Marshall of Macon will preach a special Easter sermon at Quaney Church on Easter Sunday at 11 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Roanoke Rapids Methodist Church

J. W. Harrell, minister. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship theme, "The Message of Easter." Special music by the choir—"He Arose," "Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord," and a quartette—"Hosanna To the Son of David."

At the evening service the pastor will use as his subject, "Shall a Man Live Again?" Miss Agatha Moore will sing a solo "Callst Thou Thus, O Master,"—Mietzke. The public is most cordially invited to attend these services.

### Presbyterian Church

Special Easter service 11 a. m. S. H. Bradley, pastor. Special Easter singing by the choir, leading service of praise. Reception of new members. Communion service to commemorate the Saviour's sacrifice on this anniversary of His great triumph. Short ten minute sermon by pastor, "Out of the Depths." The church will be decorated for Easter. Evening service at 7:30. The public is cordially invited.

### Episcopal Church

J. N. Bynum, Rector. Special Easter Morning service and communion at 7:30 a. m. Regular morning service with Easter singing and sermon at 11. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to all three services on Easter Sunday.

### Primitive Baptist Church

Elder C. L. Robbins of Rocky Mount will hold services in the Primitive Baptist Church in Hornertown on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock and on Sunday morning at 11. Elder Joseph Fly will accompany him. The public is invited.

W. C. Williams spent Monday in Norfolk.