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UP AND DOWN The Avenue WITH THE EDITOR

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Some of our Weldon neighbors, to quote one of their representatives, may not think so much of us over here, but like the good cheek-turning people we really are, when Weldon is in need, all they need do is call on us.

Most newspapers charge for "In Memoriams" but we do not. However, we must insist on two things: They must be brief and they must be written so we can read them.

Our safest investment, according to Frank P. Graham: "We cannot as a wise policy be building up and tearing down great institutions with every change of the winds of finance."

J. Fred Easary, Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, told the N. C. Press Institute at its Duke University session Thursday night that: "A mugwump is a political animal with his mug on one side of the fence and his wump on the other."

Remodeling of the store building on the West side of the Avenue, formerly the S. C. Cook building, is now being made to house the new tenant who has leased the building.

A freak collard plant, three and a half feet tall and shaped at the top like a fan was grown by June Edmonds in his garden at 123 Madison Street.

Street engineer Etheridge and crew have been making streets while the sun shone this week.

The Quality Shop, C. C. Shell, manager, will move the first of February to new quarters on the Avenue.

County Chairmen for the Democratic Victory Fund Campaign have been appointed by State Chairman C. L. Shuping.

The Fire Dept. was called early Monday afternoon when brush on the vacant lots across the highway from the depot caught fire.

There begins this week in The Herald a column of Hints to Homemakers, which will be written exclusively for this newspaper by Mrs. Winifred B. Parker.

Jasper Mills, employee of Taylor-Matthews Drug Co., sustained serious burns to face and head when a can

OWEN PAGE SPEAKER AT LOCAL CLUB

Newly Elected District Governor of Kiwanis Guest Of Honor Thursday 37 AT MEETING

With the largest attendance in recent months and the highest average in the history of the club, the Kiwanis Club here greeted the new Lt. Governor of the 6th district Owen Page of Rocky Mount, last Thursday night.

Mr. Page, who is superintendent of the First Division of the Atlantic Coast Line R. R., is a speaker of exceptional ability and brought a message to the local club which will long be remembered.

He complimented the local organization, stating this was one of the most active clubs in his district, which includes Rocky Mount, Tarboro, Williamston, Elizabeth City, Scotland Neck, Ahoskie, Enfield and Roanoke Rapids.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors after the regular meeting, he was informed that every director and every officer of the club was present.

Mr. Page outlined the plans for 1932 which have been adopted by Kiwanis International for each of the 1,900 clubs.

In enlarging on his plan of Safety work for Kiwanis Clubs, he surprised many with the statement that the majority of fatal accidents in the country occur in the home, supposedly the safest of all places.

1932 committee chairmen are: Agriculture, W. J. Norwood; Attendance, Fletcher Dickens; Business Standards, A. E. Akers; Vocational Guidance, P. A. Reid; Program (three months each) Ned Manning, Hugh Bradley, Ray Goodman, C. W. Davis; Public Affairs, J. T. Chase; Underprivileged Child, J. N. Bynum; House George Taylor; Kiwanis Education, Laws and Regulations, J. R. Allbrook; Classification and Reception, A. N. Martin; Music, Steve Lipscomb; Interclub Relations, Hugh Bradley; Goodwill and Grievance, Wilson Millen.

Other guests last Thursday night were Norman Chambliss secretary of the Rocky Mount Club Sanitary Engineer Christy and H. S. Ley. Special music was furnished by the band; team of Buxton and Britton.

Central School P.T.A.

The Parent-Teacher Association of Central School held its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon in the school auditorium with Mrs. T. W. M. Long presiding.

It is reported here that Rip Dunn and Stuart Smith have been retained by the Gary estate in the suit which will be brought by the county to recover funds as shown in the special audit. The suit will be brought by George C. Green, county attorney.

Joe Pearce of Hopewell, Va., spent Sunday here visiting Mrs. Nettie Morris.

Serpent Enters Island Paradise



Mrs. Granville Fortescue and her daughter, the wife of Lieut. Thomas H. Massie, U. S. Navy, are two of the central figures in a murder in Honolulu.

TWO KILLED AT ENFIELD

Teachers at Colored College Hit By Train At Enfield Crossing Friday Night

Two Negro teachers at Brick College, near Enfield, were killed Friday when their car was struck by a freight train at Enfield.

D. L. Johnson and Walter Gay, the two teachers at the colored college, were riding in the former's car. The accident happened about 7 p. m. at a railroad crossing near Enfield.

The two, in a Whippet sedan, traveling East, had just passed over the tracks after the regular Southbound passenger train, when their car was struck by an extra freight traveling North.

Johnson was instantly killed. His skull and chest were crushed and his neck broken. Gay was taken to a Rocky Mount hospital where he died early Saturday morning.

The car was destroyed. J. L. Bass and son, Addison, were the first to arrive after the accident and reported to authorities.

FIRE DEPT KEPT BUSY

Most of Calls Outside of City in Last Two Weeks But Good Work Done

Four fire calls have kept the local Fire Department busy for the past week with from 14 to 22 men answering each call.

Fire completely destroyed the residence of Collins Fitts in Belmont but the fire fighters were able to save the adjoining house. No water in that section made it impossible to save the Fitts home which burned with all contents. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

The Department answered the call from Weldon when the R. S. Travis residence was destroyed with all contents. The four mile run made it impossible for the boys to reach the scene in time. Since that fire the Mayor and Fire Department of Weldon gave the boys a supper which was much appreciated.

A call to the Jim Bridges residence was quickly answered when fire started from a bad chimney. Only slight damage was done.

No damage was done when a grass fire started near the Standard Oil station near the depot Monday.

The attitude of the public the last few weeks has been much better in regard to giving the fire truck right of way and this was noticed and appreciated by the firemen. They need plenty of room both in front and behind the truck and are not being crowded as much by the "fans" as in the past.

Mrs. L. J. Birdsong

Mrs. Lela J. Birdsong, age 57, died here Jan. 18. Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Christian Church with Rev. V. H. Grantham officiating. Interment was in the family cemetery in Northampton County.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Coburn died here Monday. Funeral services and burial were on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. E. Fuller and son, Edwin, Jr., have returned from a visit to Mrs. Oscar Fuller in Franklinton.

CONFERENCE BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Yellow Jackets Play Total of Five Games at Home This Season TEN GAMES IN ALL

The complete basketball schedule for 1932 has been released for the Northeastern Conference and shows that Roanoke Rapids will play five games on the home court and five games in enemy territory.

Two games have been played this season; the locals lost the first to Farmville and came back for a win over Greenville here last week. Their next game is this Friday night here when they play Washington.

Other home games are with Farmville on Feb. 12, New Bern on Feb. 26, and Kinston on March 1st. The complete Northeastern Conference schedule is as follows.

Friday, January 22: Greenville at Farmville; New Bern at Kinston; Washington at Roanoke Rapids.

Friday, Jan. 29: Roanoke Rapids at New Bern; Kinston at Greenville; Farmville at Greenville.

Friday, February 5: Greenville at Washington; New Bern at Farmville; Roanoke Rapids at Kinston.

Friday, Feb. 12: Washington at Kinston; Farmville at Roanoke Rapids; Greenville at New Bern.

Tuesday, February 16: Kinston at Farmville; Roanoke Rapids at Greenville; New Bern at Washington.

Friday Feb. 19: Farmville at Greenville; Kinston at New Bern; Roanoke Rapids at Washington.

Friday, Feb. 26: New Bern at Roanoke Rapids; Greenville at Kinston; Washington at Farmville.

Tuesday, March 1: Farmville at New Bern; Washington at Greenville; Kinston at Roanoke Rapids.

MILLS LOSE TO VEP CO

Power Company Basketball Team Wins First Game of Season

The Vepco basketball team here met their first foe of the season at the High School gym last night and won 30 to 19 victory over a strong fighting mill team composed of stars from Rosemary Manufacturing Co., Patterson Mills Co., and Roanoke Mills Co.

The game was tied up at the end of the half but the Power boys turned on extra juice in the last quarter and pulled ahead with exceptional work by Flip Edmondson, Fletcher Dickens and Tub Speight. Matthews was high point man for the mill team.

Manager Ray Goodman is proud of his team's first showing and again issues a challenge to any amateur team in this section. Write him for information.

The line-up: Power Co., forwards, Edmondson 11, Anderson 2, Dickens 9, Simpkins. Center, Burgwyn 2, Hogard. Guards, Powell, Speight 6, Kimball, White Knisley.

Mills Team: Forwards, Matthews 10, Taylor 4, Liske, Dunn, Wells. center, Edmondson 3. Guards Manning 2, Brown, Alligood.

Appointed Receiver For Chain Stores

Wilson.—Luke Lamb, local attorney has been appointed receiver for Hunt's chain of five cent to \$1 stores located in a half dozen Eastern N. C. towns by Judge L. M. Meekins, United States District Court Judge for this district.

McNair, Moses and Bass, Tarboro attorneys, filed an involuntary petition in bankruptcy against the Hunt chain of stores in behalf of certain creditors earlier in the week. Stores are located at Roanoke Rapids, Greenville, Clinton, Tarboro, Wilson and one or two other cities.

H.S. Boxing Monday

Roanoke Rapids High School boxing team will meet the boxers from Wilson High School here Monday at Simmons Gym. Rocky Mount was scheduled for the first meet but the schedule was mixed and they will appear here at a later date. There will be seven bouts Monday night.

Theodore Shaw of Burlington, visited his brother, Leroy Shaw, here last week.

WORK STARTED ON SPECIAL EDITION

Success of "Keep Building" Edition of The Herald Seems Assured From Early Response—Letters From Martin and Manning

THERE IS NO MIDDLE GROUND

Don't let life whip you. The business man who lays off clerks, discontinues advertising, refuses to cooperate in programs to help everybody in the community, including himself, is whipped and is publicly admitting it.

If a fellow has any downright hard grit now is the time to show it—if he is a red-blooded fighter. Have faith and cast your bread upon the waters.

CHALLENGE TO "CAM"

Grist Wants Stump Debate In Every County of State on Cam's Statements

(Special To The Herald) Raleigh, Jan. 21.—Senator Cameron Morrison has been sent a challenge "to a joint debate in every county in the State" in the coming primary election by Frank D. Grist, commissioner of labor, announced candidate for Senator Morrison's post.

"And I hope he accepts," said Mr. Grist, giving to the press copies of his letter dated January 15. "That will give some of the 'color' and sensation' you've been predicting," he added.

"There are many issues in this campaign and the people of the State are entitled to know what position the various candidates will take on them including taxation, banking and control of the government by the big interests and special privileged classes," Mr. Grist writes the Senator.

"If you accept this challenge," he continues, "I will confront you with questions upon which the people of the State are interested, among others being: Are you still of the opinion that 'The Duke Power Co. in my State belongs very largely to humanity. There is not an organization upon this earth, unless it is purely religious, which is doing a nobler or better work than the Duke Power Co.' as stated by you on the floor of the United States Senate and recorded on page 1273 of the Congressional Record under date of December 20, 1930? Are you still of the opinion that: 'There is no institution in the world doing more for the suffering and distressed than the Duke Power Co. in North and South Carolina,' as stated by you on the floor of the United States Senate and recorded in page 1374 of the Congressional Record under date of December 20, 1930."

"If you accept this challenge," concludes Mr. Grist, "please reply on or before February 1st, 1932, so that your manager and I can work out the proper details and arrangements."

Mr. Grist was the first candidate to announce for the Senate against Senator Morrison, appointed by Governor Gardner to take the place of the late Senator Lee S. Overman. Since that time Robert R. Reynolds, Asheville, as a "wet" and Thomas C. "Tam" Bowie, West Jefferson, have entered the race. A. L. Brooks, Greensboro, now mentioned for a post as Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, announced some time ago that he would have something to say later as to his possible candidacy for the Senate.

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Having been a visitor in Rosemary back in the days when there was no Avenue in what is now known as the South Ward and having made this my home for the past ten years, I have been able to watch the wonderful improvements which have taken place in this community.

And as to the future—I can see the possibilities of Roanoke Rapids being able to stand with the leaders as one of the most progressive cities of the State.

Meeting of Farmers And Business Men

All farmers and business men of Halifax County are invited to attend a mass meeting in the court house on Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 10:00 o'clock. Representatives from State College and local business men and farmers will discuss the farm situation for 1932. Information will be given you that will certainly be helpful to every farmer in the county in planning his crops for this year. White and colored farmers are urged to attend this meeting by W. O. Davis, county agent.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Morning services Sunday with preaching by Rev. R. E. Watts of Emporia Presbyterian Church. Rev. Hugh Bradley, who is taking a special course at the Seminary, will preach Sunday night. The Men of the Church are meeting this Friday night.

Since announcement one week ago today as regards the forthcoming "Keep Building" edition of The Herald, the work has been progressing most rapidly.

With only two days of actual solicitation, approaching the business and professional men and interests of Roanoke Rapids and Halifax County for their cooperation, we have secured sufficient business to justify the printing of one section already. In fact, the responses from those approached on the matter is ample to assure the success of the undertaking from the outset.

It will take a special crew of men the better part of a month to complete the work.

We have been gratified at the letters from prominent citizens of this section, who have expressed their desire to help make the edition a success. We publish below a couple of these.

From Mr. A. N. Martin, president of the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association.

Carroll L. Wilson, Publisher Roanoke Rapids Herald, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

Dear Mr. Wilson: I wish to assure you that in your "Keep Building" edition, you will have my full cooperation and hearty support.

Your recent editorial on "Keep Building" was splendid. 1931 wasn't such a bad year for Roanoke Rapids; the welding together of the various communities into the strong and efficient whole and the wheels set in motion for the accomplishment of water and sanitation, were feats old timers thought they would never live to see. Roanoke Rapids looks to the future with courage undaunted. Manufacturers recognize the advantage of small and medium sized communities as industrial sites. Roanoke Rapids has the natural and geographic qualifications.

Your newspaper has taken the lead in selling Roanoke Rapids and its merchants to the outside world. You have championed our cause continually and given of your time and space unstintedly in all things that were for our betterment.

I hope all business men will rally to your support in making this issue one of which the community will be justly proud.

Sincerely yours, ALFRED N. MARTIN.

From Mr. Edw. B. Manning, Commander of the local post of the American Legion:

Roanoke Rapids, N. C., Jan. 19, 1932 Mr. Carroll Wilson, Editor, The Herald, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

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This special edition is something in which every individual and organization in the community should have a part. As an officer in the local post of the American Legion, I wish to assure you that you will have the full cooperation of every member of the Post. In part, the Preamble to the constitution of the American Legion is, "To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation."

With this in mind we not only feel it our duty but a privilege to do our part in making Roanoke Rapids a better place in which to live, and to tell the world that Roanoke Rapids is just such a place.

Wishing you success in your undertaking, and again assuring you of the Legion's cooperation, I am, Sincerely yours, EDW. B. MANNING.

Miss Julia Eddings of New London is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. E. Kirk.