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UP AND DOWN  
**The Avenue**  
WITH THE EDITOR

## CITY CLEAN-UP WEEK OF MARCH 14

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Beginning at 2:30 Friday afternoon, Leggett's Dept. Store will have a window display that will be somewhat out of the ordinary. In contrast to the big mills of the city, there will be a woman in this window spinning yarn at an old fashioned spinning wheel. There will be many antiques, including cloth made 125 years ago. These interesting features were discovered near here recently by Coroner Billy Williams and J. T. Chase, who were out hunting for old stamps and books. Letters, papers, pottery, guns and other aged relics were found and will be on display Friday afternoon and Saturday.

The Nash Motor Co. of this city announces this week the acquisition of the Pontiac agency for this section. In addition to the Pontiac 6's and 8's, the company has the agency for Buick. Manager G. H. Nash, who is in active charge of the new concern, and S. B. Hilliard, service foreman, have both been in the automobile business in this section for more than ten years.

A. J. Adler has moved his store from the old Tillery building to the former location of S. C. Cook on the West side of the Avenue in the 200 block. Mrs. Nannie Peele has charge of the ladies' and children's departments. A new front was put in the building and new fixtures and furnishings installed.

First prize of five dollars in a drawing contest in Playmate Magazine has been won by the small son of John Fisher, designer for Rosemary Mfg. Co.

Well's String Band, "The Roanoke Rapids Serenaders," will be on the air over station WRVA, Richmond, Va., at 1:45 p. m., on Tuesday, March 8. The string band is composed of B. F. Wells, director, Dallas Reese Willie Butler and Curtis High. Tune in on the local boys next Tuesday.

Monday afternoon the two chemistry classes of the Roanoke Rapids High School under the supervision of their instructor, Miss Sarah Gurley, made an observation trip through the the Halifax Paper Corporation. They were conducted through the mill by E. A. Tellega, who explained the various processes of paper making. It proved a profitable trip for the students since they are studying the manufacture of paper at this time.

A cablegram from Arusha, Tanganyika Territory, Africa was received on Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Wade Marks announcing the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Schmidt. The baby was born on the 26th and they have named it Alvin Ferdinand. Mrs. Schmidt was formerly Miss Corrine Marks.

The Woman's Club will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. T. R. Manning. A large crowd is urged to be present as Mrs. Dennis Brummitt, 14th district president will speak. Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. T. R. Manning.

### BULLETIN

At 10:30 p. m. tonight (press time there was no definite report on the recovery of the Lindbergh baby kidnapped Tuesday night from the home of its parents, Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, near Hopewell, N. J.

Latest radio reports were that the Lone Eagle was on a secret mission to answer the demands of the kidnapers and pay the demanded ransom, which is reported to now be \$50,000.

The entire country is up in arms, with State police forces from N. J., N. Y., and Penn., and with the crack forces of the U. S. Secret Service and operatives from the Department of Justice on a hundred elusive trails. Radio reports every hour keep an anxious nation informed about its most famous baby.

Police and county forces in a dozen States are watching automobiles and trains for a glimpse of a tow-headed boy baby, 18 months old, who looks like his famous daddy.

Mrs. D. L. Balmer is ill at her home on Hamilton St.

### FOR SHERIFF



S. M. Thompson of Roanoke Rapids announces his candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Halifax County subject to the action of the 1932 Democratic Primary.

### JAX END SEASON WITH WIN

Lick Conference Leaders 18 to 16 — Forfeit Tuesday's Game To Kinston

Last Friday night Coach Foyle's quintet of Yellow Jax gave New Ben a jolt when they handed them their second set back of the season 18 to 16. The Jackets being a cellar team, were doped to lose, but they came through with their real play and handed the New Bern lads a setback which hurt their feelings. This visiting bunch was too cocky to begin with. The Jax have a splendid team as they showed the spectators last Friday night, but it is unknown why they have not been winning games, as they are rated by The Herald as being third best in the Conference of eight.

The starting line-up for the Jax was: Sullivan, Matthews, Mills and Hardison were the five lads anxious to start the game for the gold and black. They played the best game that they ever have together. Four boys tied for first place for high scoring laurels each accounting for 4 points. Matthews, Sullivan, Hardison and W. Dickens made the other two. The New Bern star was Tolson, veteran gridiron center, who accounted for eight.

This game closed the Jax season. The Jackets forfeited their game with Kinston as they couldn't come to an agreement on who was to referee the game. It is a conference ruling that if the visiting team desires a neutral referee the home team should correspond to their wish. Roanoke Rapids offered to get a referee from Weldon or Enfield. Kinston wanted to bring Johnson from Washington to referee. Roanoke Rapids is about the only team that ever entered this Conference that was not reprimanded for breaking some Conference ruling. (For additional sport news, see High School Page).

### Wrong Man Arrested For Shooting Deputy

Deputy Sheriff G. F. Gray went to Franklin, Va., last night to arrest a man described as the Negro who shot him in Weldon last year. The Negro answered the description but was the wrong man. Several months ago the deputy went to New Jersey on the same mission and again found the wrong man, but the one in jail was wanted for murder in North Carolina and was brought back by Mr. Gray and turned over to the proper county authorities.

Master Jack Williams celebrated his sixth birthday Saturday afternoon on Vance Street. Refreshments were served to the following: Misses Margie Williams, Florence Pair, Edna Lynch, Dorothy Tyson, Ruby and Margaret Blow, Sister Johnson, Cecelia Williams, Messrs Marvin Pair, Clifton Williams, James Sewell, Cecil Lynch, Tinker Lyles, Clifton and Clinton Hasty, Payne Johnson, Horace Boyd and Jack Williams.

### Sewer Contract and Bonds Advertised

Notices of bids for the contract of installing the water and sewerage systems of the Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District are being advertised, according to law, by the Sanitary Board. This Week also sees the advertising of the sale of the \$365,000 bond issue authorized by the recent election of the people here.

### LITTLETON BANK CASE IN APRIL

Outgrowth of Closing of Farmers and Merchants Bank of Littleton

### UNDER \$1000 BONDS

Facing charges of violations of the State banking laws, by receiving deposits knowing the bank to be insolvent, five prominent Halifax County citizens are under bond of \$1000 each for their appearance at the April term of criminal court.

Acting upon a presentment growing out of the closing of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Littleton, which closed its doors on the 6th day of January, 1931, a Halifax County grand jury returned a true bill at the February term of court against L. M. Johnson, president; S. T. Thorne, vice president; W. A. Thorne, cashier and N. W. Warren and E. B. Perry, directors, did unlawfully, wilfully and feloniously receive, and all being officers of said bank as aforesaid permit employees to receive money, checks, drafts and other property as a deposit in said bank when they had knowledge that said bank was insolvent. The date of the charge is January 6, 1931, at which time the Farmers and Merchants Bank closed its doors.

Much interest is expected to center around the trial of these former bank officials, who bear the reputations of being outstanding citizens of this county and Eastern North Carolina, and who have large family connections throughout the State.

### P. T. A. MEETING

The Parent Teachers Association of the Central School will meet Wednesday afternoon, March 9th at 3 o'clock at the Central School auditorium. The program will be a play given by the children of the first and second grades. All parents are urged to attend.

Henry Taylor left Monday to visit his sister in Salisbury, Mrs. Johnnie Clements.

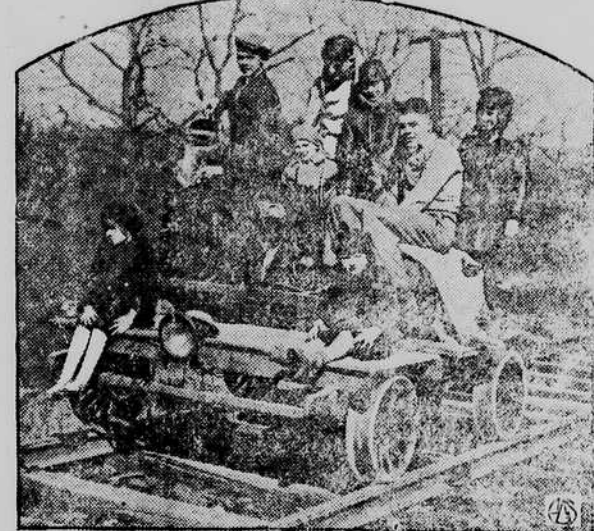
Miss Irene Gordon spent the week-end at Nashville with her parents.

### Believe It or Not



The egg which Miss Roberta Eaton is holding in her left hand was laid by an Aepyornis. Never seen one? Neither has anyone else, but the National Museum at Washington found the egg in Madagascar.

### Something Else You Can Do With a Ford



High school boys of Harmony, Pa., found an old hand-car beside the abandoned trolley tracks. They bought an ancient Model T for three dollars and hitched its engine to the car axle. They cover the two miles to school at the rate of 35 miles an hour. And is it fun?

### MINSTREL REHEARSAL ON TONIGHT

First Rehearsal Starts On Minstrel Monarchs To Be Staged On Fri. March 18th.

### LARGER CASTE

Rehearsals for the third annual Kiwanis Club Minstrel, which will be staged here on Friday night, March 18th, were started tonight with a full force of circle and end men on the job. Director John W. Hutchins arrived at noon today from his last show which he staged last week in Ohio and rehearsals will go thru every night until the big night except Saturdays.

Costumes, scenery, parade costumes and properties will arrive the latter part of this week for the staging of biggest show yet attempted by the local Kiwanis Club, with the aid of the best of city talent.

Special minstrel window cards and one sheet in colors will be spread out by the advertising committee the last of this week and tickets will go on sale at the same time.

The other two minstrels were one dollar top. This year's show will be seventy-five cents, with school children at forty cents. A bigger and better show for less money is the plan of the committee in charge of ticket sales.

Roland Johnson will be in again at one of the ends, as will Graham Poyner. Ned Manning and Howard Prudner. Joe T. Chase will act as inter-locutor this year as he did two years ago. Miss Pauline Brewer will take the part of the leading lady in the second part. The circle is being enlarged with the addition of several new singers found this year. Steve Lipscomb will have an important part as soloist with a chorus of twenty-four beautiful girls in the second act.

Keep that date in mind and give the family a treat: Friday night, March 18th, Minstrel parade at noon of the same day.

### Manning Speaks to Hi-Y

Last Tuesday morning the local Hi-Y had as their honor member, Ned Manning. His topic was "School Morals," and he brought out several good points that will aid the boys in their later life. Mr. Manning has always been a leader among the boys and he knows a great deal about their habits as he is a former High School athletic director and scout master. All of the local club members enjoyed the speech as it offered many ways in which the boys could correct their errors. The Hi-Y is profiting by getting local men to talk at their meetings as these men are generally experienced in many fields of service or vocation and can give the boys valuable information that will aid them in making good citizens out of them in the future.

### Twins Born Here On February 29th

Two youngsters were born in Roanoke Rapids on the fateful day of Feb. 29th and thus will have birthdays only every fourth year. To add to their novel arrival, they were twins.

A boy and a girl were born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rowe Williams Monday. The family live in Emporia, but were here with relatives for the momentous occasion. The young lady may be named Barbara Dean and the twin brother Reginald. Their birthplace was at 722 Charlotte St. Newspapers watch with interest Leap Year arrivals on the 29th as folks seem more interested in these youngsters who actually only have birthdays every four years. Only two were reported in Richmond on Monday.

### KATZ GOES CRAZY AFTER RAID

Shoe Repairman Taken To Halifax Last Night After Jumping From Window

### IN NIGHT CLOTHES

D. Katz, local shoe repairman, was taken to Halifax last night and lodged in jail for safe keeping when his mental condition became such that local doctors adjudged him, at least temporarily deranged. Papers are being filled out today to take him to Raleigh to the State asylum, and this will be done in the next few days unless his condition changes considerably. Suffering from hallucinations for several days, Katz climaxed a week of "seeing things" by jumping out of the window in his night clothes last night. Officers took him in charge and carried him to Halifax soon after. Saturday night, local police raided his home on 10th Street, found liquor, which, according to their investigation was being sold by the drink. He was placed under bond at that time. Katz was in the papers last year when he was charged with being implicated in the bank robbery at Macon, but nothing was ever proved against him.

### MANY RUN AFOUL LAW AT COURT

Busv Session At Halifax County Recorders Court This Tuesday

Langdon Smith, found guilty of liquor offense was sentenced to six months on roads, this sentence suspended for two years on condition defendant pay a fine of \$10 and costs. Garland Humphrey also guilty of liquor charge, was sentenced to six months on roads, sentence suspended on condition he pay a fine of \$10 and costs.

Henry Reid and Norman Clanton pled not guilty to larceny charge. Henry Reid was found not guilty. Norman Clanton found guilty. Prayer for judgment suspended upon payment of one half costs. Frank Bell on charge of trespass, was given Nol Pros with leave, the State dismissing the case for the present but with reserved rights to reinstate it.

William Harvey was found guilty of operating car without proper lights and fined \$25 and costs. John Roscoe Pittman, guilty of assault with deadly weapon, had judgment suspended on payment of costs and \$5 to Dr. F. M. Parker.

Paul Birdson pled guilty to larceny charge. He was sentenced to 4 months on roads, sentence suspended for 2 years on condition defendant remains of good behavior. L. D. Parker pled guilty to assault and was given six months on roads, sentence suspended for 2 years on condition defendant pays cost and remains of good behavior. Oscar Lewis was found guilty of the charge of resisting an officer. He was sentenced to 4 months on the roads suspended on good behavior and payment of costs.

The case of McKinley Lewis, on assault charge, was continued. John Gibb was sent to the roads for 10 months for liquor violation. Dave Pason was sent to the roads for 3 months for assault. Ernest Pender, charged with larceny was transferred to Superior Court.

Zack McDonald pled guilty to liquor charge. Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of \$10 fine and costs. Paul Clayton was found not guilty of charge of abandonment and non-support. Thurston Price, found guilty of larceny, was sentenced to 6 months on roads. Capias to issue at 12 o'clock Wednesday, March 2, 1932.

### LEGION IS RAISING MONEY

Goal of \$500 To Put On Unemployed For One Week's Work

### CITY COOPERATES

"Give a dollar and a half and put a man to work for a day," is the slogan adopted by the local Post of the American Legion in a drive for funds which starts tomorrow for the purpose of raising enough money to have a city-wide Clean-Up starting Monday, March 14.

A committee from the Legion Post met yesterday afternoon with city, mill and club officials to map out the program which should put fifty unemployed men to work for a week in the Clean-Up drive.

Money being essential to the success of the plan, it was decided to call on every business and professional man and as many other citizens as possible, the mills, the city government and other organizations, in a house to house canvass which will be carried on by Legionnaires starting tomorrow. The goal set is \$500.00, which amount will make it possible to employ 50 extra men or the Clean-Up Week.

Donations will be asked for on the basis that it is for work which will help everybody, many individually, in that the money will be spent for labor in cleaning up streets, alleys, back of stores, vacant lots, ditches, etc. You will be approached by Legionnaires, who will ask you how many man-days at \$1.50 per day you are willing to give.

All unemployed men, who have lived in the city for over six months, are asked to file their names with Carl Churchill, Service Officer of the Legion Post. Mr. Churchill will be found at the postoffice every day. Men out of work who have families will be given preference. They will be asked to furnish a rake, hoe or other implement which they may have at home. Floater need not apply.

The Clean-Up Week work will be under the active supervision of Paul Etheridge, head of the city street department. The city trucks, with others which will be loaned by the mills, will be used during the week for hauling away debris.

City building inspector Henry Fitts and the Fire Department will make a detailed inspection of all city property from a fire hazard standpoint and recommend immediate repairs from owners.

Persons who are planning on painting and improvements at some later date will be urged to do this work now. The need for a general clean-up of the city is not argued, and it is hoped that from Clean-Up Week, there will come more work on the part of individual property owners in the way of repair to houses, painting of stores and homes, working flower gardens, lawns, vegetable gardens, etc., to give more spare time work after the intensive week of Clean-Up is passed.

The Womens Club, P. T. A.'s, Kiwanis and other organizations will be asked to cooperate with the Legion in this Clean-Up Week, which is the local Post's contribution to the work of the Legion over the country to relieve unemployment.

The special Legion committee for Clean-Up Week is composed of J. R. Manning chairman, Heath Lee, Frank Kemp and George Taylor. Representing the City Council at the meeting yesterday with this committee were Commissioners Frank Williams, A. N. Martin, M. D. Collier; representing the mills, S. T. Peace; the Kiwanis Club, Carroll Wilson; the Fire Department, Assistant Chief Basil Glover; building inspector Henry Fitts; Street Mgr., Paul Etheridge.

### James Acey Dies

James E. Acey, age 25, died last Friday at the Halifax county Sanatorium. Funeral services were held Saturday with interment in Roanoke Rapids cemetery. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Annie Acey, and his mother, Mrs. Betty Acey, both of this city.

E. H. Ricks spent the week-end out of town.