

THE ROANOKE RAPIDS HERALD

\$5,000 Fire Ruins Home

CANCEL REYNOLDS SPEECH

Fire completely destroyed the residence of C. T. Kidd and partially ruined the home of L. J. Jones on Hamilton St., early Saturday morning.

The Kidd home was discovered in flames at 2:45 a. m. and the interior was destroyed before the alarm was turned in.

Meanwhile the L. J. Jones House next door caught from the Kidd house, the roof and upstairs on one side being destroyed.

The Fire Dept. had three lines of hose playing on the fire and kept the blaze from spreading on the South side. They were also able to conquer the fire at the Jones house.

Nobody was home at the Kidd house, the family being away visiting in South Carolina. All the contents of the house were destroyed. House and contents were insured for about \$3,500, which was not complete coverage of the damage. The Kidd house was a 7-room frame bungalow with composition roof. Origin of the fire is unknown.

The Jones house was a double, two-story frame dwelling occupied on the North side by Mr. Jones. On the south side, damaged by the fire lived Mr. and Mrs. Auburn Daughtrey and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Edwards. They lost most of their belongings.

The house was partially covered by insurance.

T. A. ACREE DIES AT NO. 2 MILL

Thomas A. Acree, 62, years old, dropped dead in the card room of Roanoke Mill No. 2, after lunch Monday.

Mr. Acree had finished eating his lunch and had gone back into the room in which he works about one o'clock. He suddenly fell over and was dead when help reached him. Heart failure was given by the Coroner as the reason for death.

Funeral services were held at the Acree residence on Tuesday afternoon with interment in Roanoke Rapids cemetery. Rev. S. J. Starnes officiated.

The deceased had lived here for many years and was a faithful employee of Roanoke Mills Co. He was a native of Warren County. Surviving are five children, a daughter, and four sons: Brock Acree of South Hill, Va., P. A. Acree, L. A. Acree and P. S. Acree all of this city.

And have you voted in The Herald straw vote yet? The first count last week was Roosevelt 26 and Hoover 6. The odds have dropped with a bang. The count now stands Roosevelt 37 and Hoover 5. Those Republicans are hard fighters and refuse to admit defeat. All Herald ballots must be in by Wednesday, Nov. 2.

UP AND DOWN The Avenue WITH THE EDITOR

For Police—North Ward, Dial R 355; South Ward, R 356.

"Once in a Blue Moon" now being presented at the High School by the Womans Club, has never been played in Roanoke Rapids before, all rumors notwithstanding. It was another kind of moon and another kind of play. So don't let that keep you away tonight. As a new added attraction, Silent Sam, who caused thousands to wonder when he was at Leggett's a couple of weeks ago, will appear on the stage in person tonight.

If you want to vote for President on Nov. 8 and have not registered in the past, better hurry up. This Saturday and next are your last chances. See officer Green for the South Ward and officer Welch for the North Ward today. We think it's a Democratic year but we want to be sure.

This week's Literary Digest poll shows a total of two and one half million votes tabulated. Roosevelt is leading Hoover by a cool half million. Hoover is leading in 7 states, Roosevelt in 41, altho some of those 41 are mighty close.

"School Life" local High School publication, issued Vol. 1 No. 1, on Oct. 13. It will be printed once every two weeks during the school year. A very creditable and newsy publication in attractively illustrated form. Our congratulations to Editor Evelyn Johnson and staff.

Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District notes, \$2,7000 were sold to Spoon & Lewis, Greensboro engineers to whom it was owed, by the Local Government Commission, Raleigh, Oct. 11. The sale by the Commission was just a formality, to meet the requirements of the 1931 Local Government Act.

Charles A. Daniel of Weldon will conduct the morning service of the First Baptist Church of Roanoke Rapids and A. W. Oakes, superintendent of Weldon High School, will conduct the evening service.

Mr. and Mrs. James Leggett announce the birth of a son on Tuesday, Oct. 18.

The entire membership of the local Kiwanis Club will attend a joint district meeting at Tarboro Tuesday night, Oct. 25. This will take the place of the regular Thursday night meeting.

National Poster Winner



Euleen Pickens, 17, high school senior at Mansfield O., is the winner of the national poster contest and prize awarded by the American Humane Ass'n. which promotes protection for children and animals.

MENTION DR. LONG FOR JOB

The Board of Directors of the State Hospital for the Insane will meet in Raleigh October 25, to consider a successor to Dr. Albert Anderson, superintendent of the Raleigh hospital, who died Sunday.

Among the mentioned for the post are: Dr. J. W. Ashby, senior member of the hospital staff, who automatically succeeds Dr. Anderson until a successor is named; Dr. L. B. Evans of Windsor, chairman of the hospital's board of directors; Dr. T. W. M. Long, of Roanoke Rapids a member of the 1931 General Assembly; Dr. W. C. Linville, superintendent of the State Hospital for Negro Insane at Goldsboro and Dr. R. K. Adams, of the New Jersey hospital for the insane.

RIVER AT OVERFLOW

The Roanoke River, swelled by heavy mountain rains, is expected to reach a rise of 40 feet today at Weldon. Lowlands are covered by the overflow.

The crest will be reached today, says the State weather bureau. No high marks are expected due to the long drouth prior to the heavy rains of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Humphries and W. V. Woodruff spent Tuesday in Durham.

Miss Ina Williams of Swan Quarter is visiting relatives near.

The speaking engagement of Robert R. Reynolds, which was to be held here this Friday noon, was cancelled yesterday by the Young Democratic committee, on account of the bad time set by the State committee.

It was impossible, according to State headquarters, to arrange for any other date other than Friday noon for Mr. Reynolds as he is scheduled every day until the election.

The noon date was set Monday of this week but investigation by the local committee proved it would be impossible for those working in mills here to hear Mr. Reynolds. As the speaking was arranged primarily for them, it was thought best to cancel the date.

State headquarters promised to do their best to arrange a night date for some other speaker for some time next week.

Judge John Kerr and J. R. Allbrook were also to have been on the program at noon.

Seaboard's Oldest Citizen Is Dead

J. M. Balmer, 85 years old, died Saturday in Jackson. Saturday was his 85th birthday. Funeral services were held Sunday at the Seaboard Baptist Church with interment in the family cemetery.

Mr. Balmer was a Seaboard's "first" citizen. He was a charter member of the Baptist Church and a charter member of the Masonic Lodge at Seaboard.

Samuel Insull



Samuel Insull, former mid-western public utility head, against whom indictments have been returned at Chicago on charges of huge embezzlements was finally located at Athens, Greece. Insull may evade being brought back for trial.

ORGANIZE BIG BAND

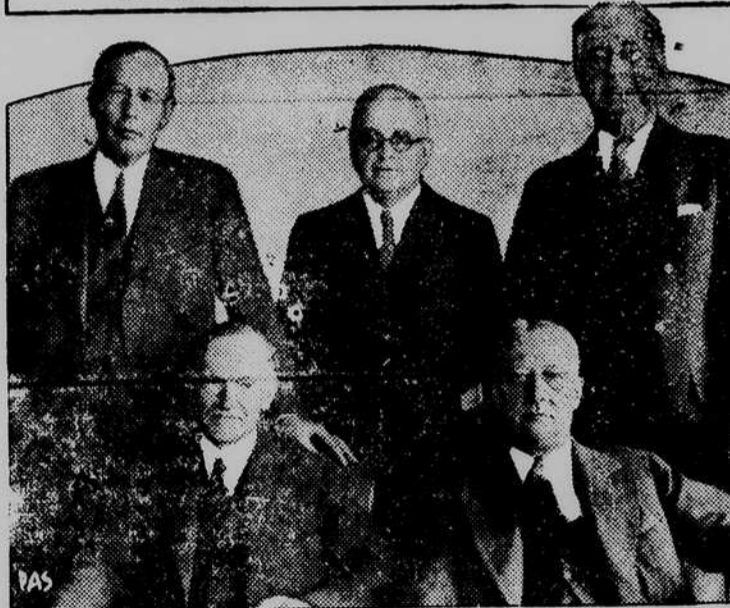
The East Carolina Band was organized Sunday at Rocky Mount with band musicians from this section of the State represented.

There were forty pieces in the Sunday band and J. W. Saunders of this city was elected director.

The new band will meet every 4th Sunday. The October meeting is at Wilson where a 50 piece band is expected. An even larger one will meet in Roanoke Rapids the last Sunday in December.

Mr. Saunders says this will not affect his local band which will continue as before.

Cal and Al Work Together on Rail Tangle



The first meeting of the newly formed non-partisan rail committee to investigate and recommend legislation was held in Al Smith's New York offices with former President Coolidge presiding. This committee was formed by the railroads. Members of the committee, standing, left to right; Alexander Legg, formerly of the Farm Board, Dr. Harold Moulton, chief investigator and Bernard M. Baruch, vice-chairman. Seated, Calvin Coolidge, chairman, and Alfred E. Smith.