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RELEASE PIERCE IN CULLOM CASE

UP AND DOWN

The Avenue WITH THE EDITOR

Miss Priscilla Muller has been chosen as one of the 23 Seniors at the Woman's College at Greensboro for the Honor Society of that institution.

James Kirk won first prize of \$10, Beanie Holliday won second prize of \$5 and Margaret Long and Willis Batton won third prizes of \$2.50 each in the essay contest staged by the Roanoke Rapids Building & Loan Association at the High School assembly this morning. Subjects were on Thrift and Savings.

Another Boy Scout dance will be given next Friday night, March 16th, at the Smith Bldg. The last two dances have been very successful.

A Norfolk to Greensboro food truck turned over at Deep Creek Tuesday night. The driver says he was run off the road by a car and was forced to stay with his truck all night. Another truck came to his aid yesterday.

Shorty Sims has organized a dance band which is practicing here every week and intends to offer dance service to the surrounding territory. They have played for about three dances in this vicinity in the past few weeks.

The report is that the Soldier's Monument in Weldon will be moved. Big trucks and modern traffic on Route 40 is responsible.

There will be services both morning and evening at the Presbyterian Church this Sunday, according to the committee supplying the pulpit since the departure of Reverend Hugh Bradley, now pastor of the Knox Presbyterian Church of Norfolk.

In the want ads this issue will be found one offering to give a dog away free. This rather unusual procedure, calls for an explanation. Druggist Alfred Martin has a dog but it seems that he is home so seldom the dog has never had a chance to get acquainted. Anyways, when Alfred comes in late at night the dog barks at him and dares him to come in. The barking and so forth has gotten

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150 MEN ON JOB MONDAY

Average of 50 Work This Week On New Sidewalks Project

The first concrete was poured on the Roanoke Rapids ten mile sidewalks project yesterday between 5th and 6th Streets on Hamilton.

With most of them men having worked their maximum of 24 hours for the week, no concrete is being poured today. An average of 50 men worked this week with 96 on the payrolls.

125 new cards were issued today which will put over 200 men on the payroll next week with an average of more than 100 working every day. Two concrete mixers will be kept busy starting Monday.

The first day's work was almost ruined by persons and dogs tracking over the new concrete and part of the job had to be done over today.

At one place a woman had walked on the new concrete for a distance of some forty feet, leaving tracks plainly visible. Children are tracking up the new sidewalks and writing in the fresh concrete. Dog tracks cause more trouble.

Citizens are asked to keep their dogs penned up as much as possible and adults, particularly, are asked not to use the new walks until they are thrown open for traffic. School authorities are asked to speak to the children about not walking or writing on the

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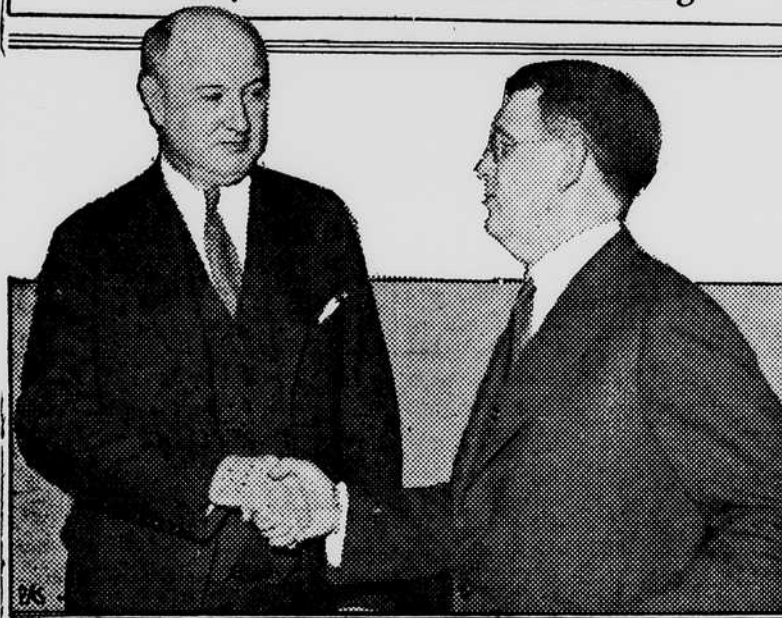
DR. LONG OUT FOR SENATE

In this issue of The Herald is printed the official announcement by Dr. T. W. M. Long, of Roanoke Rapids, of his candidacy for the office of State Senator from Halifax County.

Dr. Long is at present the holder of that office having served in the 1933 General Assembly as Senator. In the announcement Dr. Long states, "If nominated and elected I will faithfully perform the duties of that office."

Two weeks ago, Julian R. Allsbrook, local attorney, announced for the same office.

Friendly Enemies at Airmail Hearing



WASHINGTON . . . It was just before the "battle", . . . well maybe not battle but just before former Postmaster Walter Brown (right) of the Hoover cabinet, took the stand to testify that Postmaster James A. Farley (left) of the Roosevelt cabinet, said "Senator Black of the Senate Airmail Committee was a publicity hound" . . . which Farley immediately denied in his testimony. Anyhow . . . it's a swell hand-shake.

5 AND 10 PEEPER CAUGHT

Negro Watching Manager Close Up Store Is Caught In The Act Tuesday

Joe Hunter, colored employee of Halifax Paper Co., was caught at ten p. m. Tuesday night as he lay on the back steps peering into the top of a window in Rose's 5 & 10, while the manager, J. Q. Hoffler, was checking up the day's business.

He was seen and watched for several minutes by C. B. Kidd and William Tripp who live on Jackson Street and noticed the Negro on the stairs as they were putting up their car.

They notified Coroner Billy Williams who was in his office and the Coroner went out in the alley and brought his man down the steps, holding him until Police Carl Green arrived. Joe claimed he was looking for his sister whom he had seen that afternoon for the first time in several years and who told him she worked for a family over the 5 & 10. No such girl worked there, officers discovered.

Miss Fanny Greenberg has returned from Trenton, N. J., where she suffered injuries in a bus mishap, while enroute home from a market trip to New York.

PASSION PLAY ON THURSDAY

More Than 100 In Life Of Christ Scenes Here Next Week

The Passion Play, with a caste of more than 100 persons, will be presented at the High School auditorium here next Thursday afternoon and evening.

It will be staged by the Freiborg Players, directed by Dr. Alfred Woolf, with twenty actors from Germany depicting the scenes of the life of Christ, assisted by 100 local persons who will take singing parts and parts in the mob scenes.

The play is being sponsored by the schools, churches and civic clubs of Roanoke Rapids. It has appeared in all the larger cities of North Carolina on its tour of the United States.

The matinee will start at 2:30 p. m. with a price for school children of 25 cents and adult tickets from 50 cents to a dollar plus tax. The night performance starts at 8 with tickets at 75 cents, \$1.00 and \$1.50 plus tax.

Word has been received here by Mr. and Mrs. Wade Marks that their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. F. Schmid will sail from their home in East Africa on March 10th, visiting Switzerland, arriving here later.

CHANGES DATES OF STORIES

Suffolk Man Drawn In Shows Good Character And No Connection With Case

Travis Pierce, local textile worker, who was held in connection with his stories about the murder of Marvel Cullom, was released Sunday after he and other witnesses had been questioned by Solicitor Burgwyn and Coroner Williams.

The Solicitor told Pierce to quit drinking and go back to work after the former had told his story again, saying that the various incidents he had told the previous week were true but that he was mistaken in the dates.

Earl Raines, Suffolk furniture man, who had been drawn into the affair because of Pierce's story, brought records here from his company showing he was working in Dendron, Waverly and Wakefield, Va., on and about October 6th, the night Marvel Cullom was murdered.

Coroner Williams also received a letter from the Southern Furniture Co., of Suffolk, stating that Mr. Raines had been with them nine years and was a valuable and trustworthy employee and they had never known of him doing any dishonorable act.

Raines said he had been with

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ONLY ONE DELIVERY PER DAY

Orders from Washington have caused Roanoke Rapids to lose one mail carrier thus cutting down to two carriers and making possible only one mail delivery in the residential sections each day.

Two deliveries will be made in the business section as usual.

In addition, all postal employees are put back on the furlough plan, one day off each month without pay.

These cuts come as Postmaster General finds that a 9 million dollar deficit faces his department by July and he is cutting down in order to make the Postoffice Department pay its way for the first time.

The order is effective until July