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# POLICEMAN'S BULLET STOPS STORE BREAK

## UP AND DOWN

### The Avenue WITH THE EDITOR

Miss Evelyn Carroll is recovering from an operation at the local hospital.

Mrs. Brown Thompson is reported ill at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital.

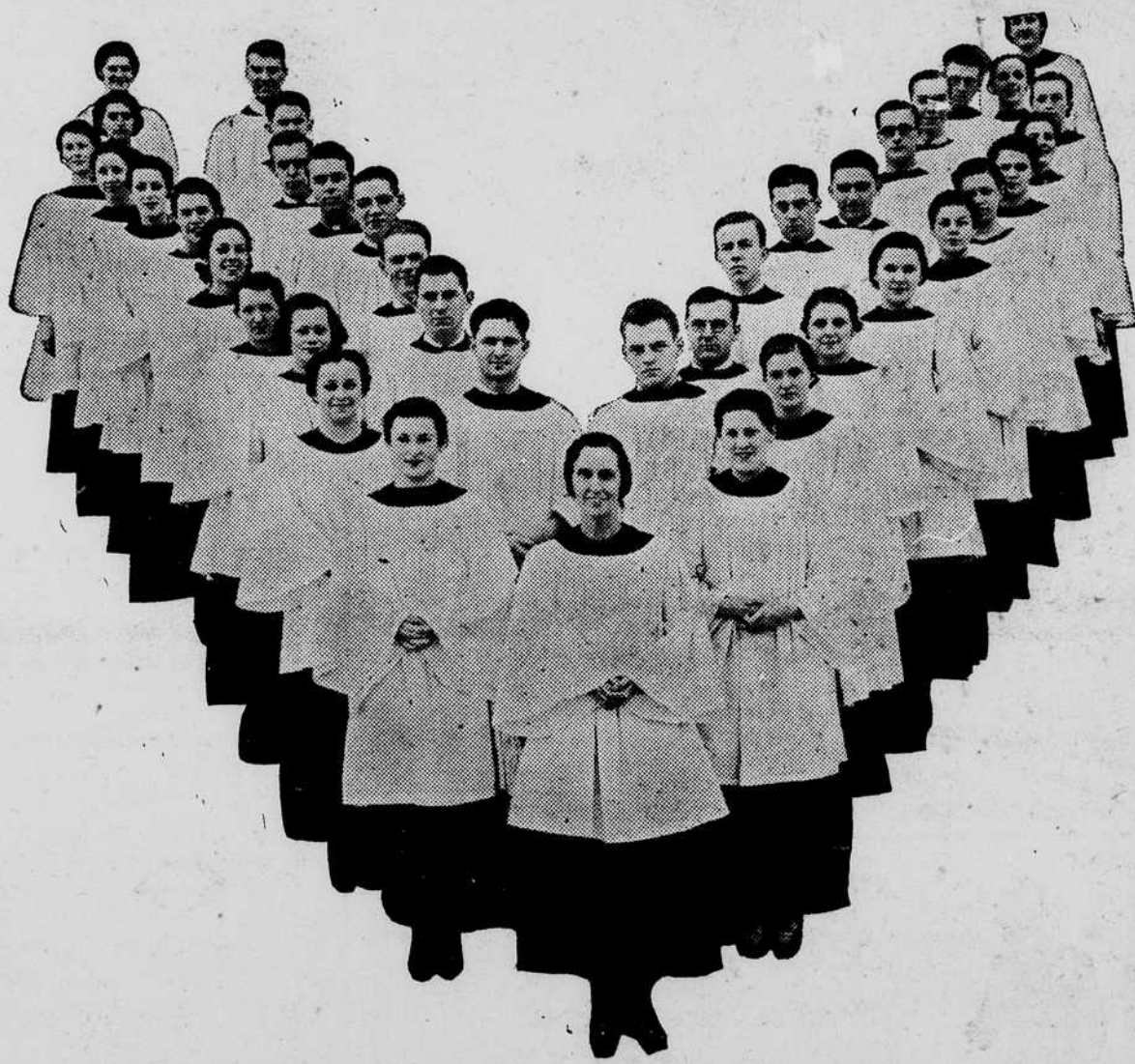
The Mayor has ordered the police to fulfill the law after this final warning concerning the payment of dog tax licenses which have been past due since last July. If you have not bought your dog tag, better do so at once as this is the last chance, according to the police.

Parking in front of the fire plugs in Roanoke Rapids or any other North Carolina city is not a city ordinance; it is a violation of the State law to do so and the Mayor and police wish this to be brought to the attention of motorists for the seventh time. The excuse often is that there is no parking space elsewhere. But that is the very time when this space must be left open in case of fire. The police dept. has been very lenient in the past but the time has come when somebody will be pulled and fined. So don't say you haven't been warned plenty.

The same thing applies to the space in front of the theatres. This, also, must be left free in case of fire. Otherwise, a crowd streaming from the building would find itself jammed up by parked cars when the entire street should be left open for the overflow rush. You would not want your car parked there in a case like that, would you?

Of course, it is very gratifying to have so much traffic that parking space is at a premium, but we still have plenty of room on the side streets and, if it is not raining, the walk of a block or less, will not do a great deal of harm. More and more folks are coming to Roanoke Rapids to do their shopping and go to the theatres and we welcome them all. Please don't worry about the parking problem for some way will be devised to handle it when it becomes a real problem here.

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The above is the famous A Cappella Choir of High Point College, which will appear in sacred concert at the Methodist Church at their regular morning service, Sunday, April the 8th. This is a mixed choir of forty-two voices, and is directed by Miss Margaret Sloan, head of the Music Department of the High Point institution.

## FIRES 3 TIMES AT BURGLAR

Accomplice Flees After Pal Is Fired On By City Policeman Fitts

One store breaker miraculously escaped death under the intense fire of patrolman Collins Fitts, and an early morning store robbery attempt was broken up by the prompt action of the patrolman here Thursday morning when a thief was found trying to enter the Roanoke Hardware Company in the South business section.

Fitts fired three times "shooting from his hip" as he took it on the run in pursuit of the law violator, who was known to have an accomplice, tho' the second man made a successful get-away without being seen.

The lone bandit tried to pry open the front door of the hardware store, after an unsuccessful attempt to enter he back door. Evidence disclosed the back door had been tampered with, but the

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## CHILD, 2 FALLS IN OLD WELL

Baby Has Miraculous Escape From Death By Drowning Wednesday

Little William Davie Porch, 2-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernard Porch, of 201 Jefferson St. had a miraculous escape from death by drowning when he fell into a 16-ft. well near his home Wednesday morning.

The child was playing in the yard with his brother at the nearby home of W. L. Moody, who lives at 139 Jefferson. There was an old, abandoned water well, of the hand dug type, underneath the back-porch at the Moody home. The boy ran under the porch, and in walking across the well, which had been boarded up with heavy timber, but which evidently had rotted, fell through.

His 4-year old brother, Charles, Jr., saw the smaller boy fall into the well, and ran screaming to his mother who summoned help immediately. Walter Allen, local

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# AVENUE CONTRACT

## SEEKING AVENUE PERMIT

Would Operate Bus Line From Roanoke Rapids To Halifax via Weldon

An application for a franchise certificate to operate a bus line between Roanoke Rapids, Weldon and Halifax has been filed with the N. C. Utilities Commission by Wilbur F. Menke, of Weldon.

In the application, Mr. Menke asks permission to operate the line over Routes Nos. 40A, 158 and 301. This would include all of Roanoke Avenue and to South Rosemary, thence 158 to Weldon and 301 to Halifax.

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## Boston Chain Store Moves Across Street

The Boston Chain Store this week moved across the street from the former location in the Marks Building to the Robinson Building next to the Peoples Theatre.

The new building has been remodeled and new fixtures have been built for the store. Mr. Greenburg, the proprietor, is confident that he will do a big business at the new location and he and Mr. Walter Kee, the store manager, ask their customers to visit the new store and see the new stock of merchandise now on display.

City Clerk A. L. Clark, who has been at Duke Hospital for treatment for the past ten days, returned home Tuesday and assumed his duties feeling much better.

## SET IN APRIL 10 LETTING

30 Feet Wide, 1.4 Miles Long, Improvement To Main Thorofare

Probably between \$1,000,000 and \$1,200,000 will be expended on the 32 road projects which the State Highway and Public Works Commission have prepared and sent to the Bureau of Public Roads, Washington, for approval, and, if approved, or all that are approved, will be included in the letting to be held April 10.

Two Halifax County projects are in the list. One is a 30-foot crusher run stone base and two-

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