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# NRA BRINGS BLDG. BOOM TO OUR CITY

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

ACPA SPEAKER



ROBERT W. MADRY.

Robert W. Madry, Halifax County man, who is director of the University News Bureau and President of the American College Publicity Association, stoutly championed the so-called "Washington Brain Trust," and other Federal aids in his recent address at the opening session of the Association's 15th Annual Convention. The convention was held at Western Reserve University in Cleveland. Mr. Madry is a former resident of Scotland Neck.

Tunstall-Johnson Company, Norfolk paving contractors, started work today on the final, special-treated Asphalt course, on the Avenue paving project. Work on the third, and final course, was started on the Roanoke Junction end, and will proceed as rapidly as the balance of the Avenue paving is ready for it. This means that the business section in the South ward will be open to traffic within approximately 10-days.

Friends of T. O. Wilson will be glad to know that he has been dismissed from Watts Hospital in Durham, where his condition has been considered critical for the past several weeks. Mr. Wilson was removed to his home near Paces, Va., last Sunday, and attending physicians say they think he will be able to be up within sixty-days.

More bouquets for Graham Poyner, including several orchids. The popular High School teacher and Kiwanis Minstrel performer has been promoted at Station WPTF, Raleigh, and is now

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## Mill Explosion

### DRY CANS IN BLEACH DEPT. BANG

Blame On Steam Reducing Or Outlet Valves; Nobody Injured; Much Damage

A peculiar explosion that shook half the city and left the other half undisturbed, that was unheard in parts of the town and heard and felt distinctly several miles out of town, took place yesterday afternoon at 6:10 when a series of dry-cans in the bleach house of Roanoke No. 2 Mill blew up.

The force of the explosion was so great that it tore a 13-inch brick wall out and hurled heavy parts of the machine many feet. Windows near the machine were lifted out by the frames and sent winding. Windows in other parts of the building and in other rooms of the mill were cracked and shattered by the jar.

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### As Chaos Reigns on Waterfront



A general strike, tying up the major portion of Pacific coast trade, threatened when troops shown at center, left, were called out to halt further riots between policemen and striking longshoremen who sought to prevent movement of cargo from the San Francisco docks by strikebreakers. Above, strikers are shown fleeing a tear gas barrage; below are two casualties in the strike war; and, at center right, is Archbishop Edward J. Hanna of San Francisco, chairman of the National Longshoremen's Board, organized to settle the strike.

### DOZEN NEAR TOP END SECOND WEEK

Only three weeks left after this Saturday night in the Herald subscription drive.

In listing the standing of contestants, we are not going to kid them or the public by listing a bunch of phoney votes. We know what each contestant has and that contestant knows. It would hurt them in this race for their opponents to know how many they had for they could start figuring out just how many 10-year subscriptions it would take to forge ahead. We are going to tell how they

stand and here it is.

In First Place at the end of the second week was Mrs. A. O. Pendleton of Roanoke Rapids. Now here is a strange turn. Pushing her closest and in Second place is Miss Dorothy Bennett of Enfield, while the next two, right on the heels of the two leaders are Mrs. E. P. Hyman of Camp's Store, and Mrs. Raleigh Daniel of Weldon.

In the same breath almost,

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### WORKMEN BUSY ON PROJECTS

Roanoke Rapids Folks Blessed With Extra Projects And Improvements

"You Roanoke Rapids people don't know when you are well off," was the expression of a young textile worker who has been seeking employment in other parts of North Carolina and in South Carolina. "There's more work going on in Roanoke Rapids, both in the mills and also outside the mills than any place I tried to get work."

So far as that work outside the mills is concerned, a trip up and down the Avenue and on some of the other streets also will convince anyone that this young man knew what he was talking about.

The first thing that strikes the eye is the handsome two-story brick building between 10th and 11th Streets that J. C. Smith is building for the new home of Rose's Five & Ten Store. This will be the second largest store room in the city. A lobby entrance to the second story is on the South of the building. Upstairs will be built some twenty rooms with convenient baths which will serve

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### FUNERAL MRS. SHELL THIS P.M.

Pioneer Citizen Of Town Laid To Rest In City Cemetery Today

Hundreds attended the funeral this afternoon of Mrs. Cornelia Edwards Shell, one of the pioneer citizens of Roanoke Rapids, and mother of L. G. Shell and Curtis C. Shell of this city and R. G. Shell of Fayetteville. Business houses of the city closed during the funeral hours this afternoon.

Mrs. Shell died yesterday at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital of pneumonia. She would have been 75 years old in October. She is the last of her generation on either side of the family. The day she was taken to the local hospital, John B. Shell, her brother-in-law, 88 years old, was buried in Brunswick County, Va.

The Shell family came here in 1903 from Brunswick County. Her husband died here in 1916. Her two sons have been in the mercantile business and have taken a prominent part in the civic and business.

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### Has Best Home Essay



GEORGIA ARNETT

Starting her essay with "You can rent a house but you cannot rent a home," Miss Georgia Arnett, of Greensboro, won first prize in the State Essay contest of the N. C. Building & Loan League. The essay will be printed in next week's issue of this newspaper.