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# DESpondent YOUTH TAKES OWN LIFE HERE

## UP AND DOWN WITH THE The Avenue Editor

APPRECIATION—To the Board of School Trustees I wish to publicly express my sincere appreciation for the tribute paid me in giving to the new school building my name. I accept this honor with a sense of humility and unworthiness. To Mr. Davis, my teachers and co-workers, I am grateful for their expressions in my behalf. To my former pupils, patrons and friends who have endorsed this act of the Board, I express my thanks for their esteem and good will. To Mr. Wilson, editor of The Herald, I express my appreciation for his tribute, and for the courtesy which included me with "the other teacher" to whom last week's issue of The Herald was dedicated. This honor and these expressions of confidence from my own folks bring responsibility. Though the best years of my life have probably passed, the inspiration that comes from this recognition of past service encourages me to go on. For the remainder of the time which I may be permitted to remain among you I shall try to compensate you to some extent for this honor which you have so kindly conferred upon me. As I have approached school patrons from time to time they have wanted to know what my job was. I take this opportunity to define my job in the words of an elementary principal in a sister state: "Some force was needed to hold the school together - to take in supplies, to distribute, to receive children, to feed, to clothe, to wash, to bind up, to minister, to heal, to spank, (I have not spanked any one this year!), to praise, to censure, to love into decent living, fine character, and worthy, God-fearing citizenship." This is my job. I am thankful for it. With your support and confidence I shall continue to try to help the boys and girls of the community to find the true values of life which will fit them for the business of living. May we all work together in this great business remembering that "the world marches forward on the feet of little children."—Clara Hearne.

FRONT PAGE of the Raleigh Times Monday featured the pictures of Senators J. T. Burrus of High Point and Julian Allsbrook of Roanoke Rapids. At top of pictures was this caption: "Gearing For Last Ditch Sales Fight." Below the pictures of the two handsome legislators was the following: "Senator J. T. Burrus of Guilford (left) and Julian R. Allsbrook of Halifax (right), who are set for a final battle in the Senate against the conference report on the revenue bill proposing removal of present exemptions on basic food commodities. Both are bitter foes of the sales tax and neither will vote for the report, they say. Both have been active in Senate debates this session."—Since Congressman Bob Doughton's decision not to run for Governor, Senator Burrus is being loudly mentioned as the one to run for Governor on an anti-sales tax platform.

DOCTORS from the 4th Medical District, East Carolina, last Thursday met and muddled at Weldon as guests of the Halifax County Medical Society. Roanoke River Rock Fish Muddle, than whom there is none better, was the chief dish on the menu. Dr. Johnny Martin headed the entertainment committee. 65 medics attended. Dr. W. G. Suiter presided.

CONGRATULATIONS also to our Boy Scouts. They brought back first honors in camping and they say there was plenty of tough opposition. --Now looking forward to the National Jamboree, Scoutmaster Alligood was greeted on his return from Chapel Hill with the glad news that certain public-spirited and uprising young members of the Civic Club had agreed to finance the Scout trip to Washington.



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## ACCIDENT FATAL TO BRICKELL

Well-Known Farmer Dies From Injuries Sustained In Automobile Accident

Richard Brickell, well-known farmer who lives near Roanoke Rapids, died Tuesday night, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident, near Forrest Medlin's Store on the Aurelian Springs-Weldon road last Sunday night between seven and eight o'clock.

Mr. Brickell, it appears, was returning to his home Sunday evening from Weldon, when a car he was meeting on the road sideswiped him, and his own automobile swerved from the road hitting a stump. The impact of the collision when the stump stopped his automobile threw him bodily against the steering wheel, dashboard and windshield of his car, causing severe internal injuries and puncturing his lung. The driver of the car that sideswiped Mr. Brickell's machine is not known.

Forrest Medlin, near whose store the accident occurred, was the first to appear, and carried the injured man to Roanoke Rapids Hospital, where it was thought at first his injuries were not serious. Later it developed his lung was badly bruised, and he died at the local hospital Tuesday night.

Mr. Brickell was a large man, physically. Although there were no eye witnesses to the accident it is evident that his automobile a Buick coupe, came to an abrupt stop when it hit the stump, throwing him forcibly against the steering wheel of his own machine, which fact, together with his size, probably accounted for most of his injuries. The front part of his machine was damaged pretty badly, the windshield entirely broken, and the rim of the steering wheel was broken into splinters, leaving the spokes and jagged edges of the steering wheel rim exposed.

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon from the residence with Rev. Moore, Weldon Episcopal minister, officiating. Interment was in the family burial plot near the home. Mr. Brickell is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Green, wife of the late Dr. Green, of Weldon, and another sister who lives in Florida, and two brothers, Mr. George Brickell, who lives near his brother, and Jim Brickell. Richard Brickell was unmarred.

## Relief Billions in His Hands



The job of spending \$4,880,000,000 where it will do the most good should prove a busy one for Frank C. Walker, shown above at work. In his post as head of the National Emergency Council, to which he has been named by President Roosevelt, Walker will pass on applications for allotments from the huge work relief fund.

## YOUTHFUL CRIMINALS GET TIME

Deaton 6 Months and Julian Hale 3 yrs. Garysburg Store Robbery

Julian Hale was given a three-year sentence, and his companion William Deaton, drew six-months time for the robbery of a store at Garysburg on the night of Friday February 22nd, in Superior Court in Northampton County this week. Both youths are from Roanoke Rapids. Deaton was also given sixty-days for stealing an automobile belonging to J. W. Sanders, on the same evening, which it is said the boys used in perpetrating the Garysburg robbery. Sanders had parked the automobile in front of his city house leaving the keys in the switch, and the boys used it to drive to Garysburg.

Hale is strongly suspected as being the leader of a gang of youths who have pulled several burglary jobs in this section recently. At the time of the Garysburg store robbery, they were seen by a woman, who reported the in-

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## FUNERAL TODAY AT LIT'LETON

Coroner Returns Verdict Of Suicide In Death of Spencer Miller

Spencer Miller, 24 years old, died in the Roanoke Rapids Hospital late Tuesday afternoon from poison which he took an hour before. Funeral services were held in Littleton this afternoon.

Miller was a time keeper at Patterson Mills Co. Formerly from Littleton, he had worked for Mr. Harrison in his drug store there. When the Harrison Drug Co. opened here, Miller would help out during rush periods, merely as a friendly act.

A little after four Tuesday afternoon, he was in the store as usual and customers heard some one groaning in the rear of the store. Miller was discovered in a critical condition and rushed to the hospital where he died a little after 5 o'clock.

He had taken some poison tablets but where he got them was not determined. Coroner Cooper did not deem an inquest necessary after an investigation which dis-

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## TUESDAY ELECTION DAY HERE

Will Vote On Commissioners From Each End of Town And Mayor's Office

Next Tuesday, May 7th, will be Election Day in Roanoke Rapids, at which time local citizens will decide whom they want for Mayor, and for commissioners, from both the North and South wards. The election will be from sunup to sunset.

The candidates are: For Mayor: Kelly Jenkins (for re-election) and R. L. Martin. For Commissioner from the South Ward: J. C. Smith (for re-election) and R. I. Starke. For Commissioner from the North Ward: M. D. Collier, unopposed, for re-election. The Commissioner's race, in the North Ward, is the only office that is uncontested.