

UP AND DOWN WITH THE
The Avenue Editor

pat the boys on the back and kid them along. They like him. And also his son, Windsor's clean-cut catcher.

MAJOR Newsome's name comes to mind whenever we think of baseball and now, with the baseball season in its waning days, is just as proper time as any to say a word about the best sport, best baseball fan, best friend to the team in Roanoke Rapids. Without Major Newsome, Roanoke Rapids could not and would not have had a league team this year. He has been the spark-plug, the interested friend, the adviser and companion of the team and managers. He has done more for good, clean, high-class sport than any other single person. He has accompanied the team on many trips, has furnished his car, attended all league meetings, encouraged and helped all the squad, and as President of the local team organization has taken his office seriously and given time and thought unceasingly. The entire community, as well as all the baseball fans, know these things and appreciate the Major's interest. Others have done a lot to make this a successful season, but if asked to name one man we believe the unanimous vote would be: Major Newsome.

RECRUITS for Uncle Sam's army from Roanoke Rapids who left here Saturday for Ft. Monroe where all passed and are now in the army are: Joe Davis, Wilbert Garner, Neal Keeter, Charley Wood, Jessie Sewell, T. R. Finch, James Edwards, Leonard C. Carver, J. C. Edwards, Leslie Sheperd and Hubert Baird. The recruiting officer will return to Roanoke Rapids soon.

WEDDING bells are ringing out for school teachers of Roanoke Rapids. Miss Aileen Cannon and Prof. John Smith were married Monday. Miss Sue Morgan and Prof. Zeb Denny will be married Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will live on Third St., while Mr. and Mrs. Denny will reside temporarily with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Alford.

WPTF had a regular Roanoke Rapids program on the air yesterday afternoon from 5:15 to 5:30 with the program "Down Melody Lane" featuring Thurman Underwood with Leslie Collier at the piano and Tom McLendon on the guitar. The announcer was Graham Poyner, formerly of Roanoke Rapids. The local boys will be on the air again over WPTF at the same hour Friday or Saturday of next week.

DONKEY baseball, which made such a hit in Roanoke Rapids some time ago in its initial appearance, will be back in Roanoke Rapids on Thursday, October 10th. A contract was signed today by the Kiwanis Club which brings a new set of baseball-playing donkeys here on that date. Tentative plans call for a game between two mill teams and one between two local Civic Clubs.

FRIDAY the Thirteenth means nothing to Halifax County Teachers except the day on which they have been called into session by County Supt. A. E. Akers for the annual meeting prior to opening of the county schools. The Teachers Meeting is set for Friday, Sept. 13th. The county schools will open on Monday, Sept. 16th. That is, if the polio epidemic continues to decline. Roanoke Rapids schools will open Monday, Sept. 9th.

NINETEEN crippled patients were treated at the second Crippled Clinic held here yesterday afternoon by the local Kiwanis Club. These patients came from Halifax and surrounding counties. The next clinic will be held here on Wednesday, Sept. 18th. Dr. W. F. Cole of Greensboro is in charge.

AVENUE INSPECT IS MADE

Chances of widening Roanoke Avenue in the residential section seemed brighter this week with a visit here by engineers of the State Department of Highways

who made an inspection of the Avenue from 3rd to 9th Streets.

This project would come under the State Department as Roanoke Avenue is part of the main system of State highways. Capus Waynick, State Chairman, has proved very agreeable to all efforts by local citizens to have this project completed.

This would give Roanoke Rapids a curb to curb improved Avenue from First to 11th Street.

HE'S IN THE RACE



DR. RALPH W. McDONALD
One of the outstanding members of the 1935 North Carolina Legislature, Dr. Ralph W. McDonald of Winston-Salem, this week announced his candidacy for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in next week's primaries.

STREETS PROJECT GOING IN

With the Federal authorities making Sept. 15th the last date for applications under the Works Progress Administration, Roanoke Rapids officials are making out final application papers this week for the project of surfacing Jackson and Hamilton Streets and all side streets from Hamilton and Jackson to Roanoke Avenue.

It is felt by all that never again will such a generous offer be made by the government, which offers to pay 45 per cent of the cost. The city would pay 19 per cent and the adjacent property owners 36 per cent. Over a ten-year period the cost to property owners for each 30 foot lot would be: for asphalt surface \$5.55 per year; for concrete surface \$8.49 per year. However, the cement makers say this last price is high and can be reduced.

The above price also includes the cost of storm sewers, concrete curb and 18 inch concrete gutter.

R. R. League Team Batting Averages
(Up Until Today)

	AB	H	Pct.
Dickens	150	64	.427
Davis	165	55	.333
Scott	34	11	.324
A. Slagle	22	7	.313
Speight	185	57	.308
Outland	197	60	.305
Hardison	102	31	.304
Birdsong	105	31	.295
Denny	27	7	.259
Womble	160	40	.250
B. Slagle	4	1	.250
Nethercutt	21	5	.238
Allsbrook	118	28	.237
Starke	138	28	.211

8 Homes Robbed

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stop. Instead, he dropped the bicycle and ran. Mr. Hoffler fired four times over his head. This was about three o'clock this morning. The entire neighborhood was aroused and a check-up showed the thief or thieves had entered several homes in the block.

Mr. Crutchfield heard the shots and reached for his trousers. They were gone. He found them in the yard with all the money taken from them. Henry M. Tickel reported the same experience.

Mrs. J. A. James awoke to find a man in her bedroom and screamed. Mr. James ran for his gun but the intruder had escaped, also with all Mr. James' pocket change.

Over on Roanoke Avenue and within a short distance three homes were entered and others attempted. From the bedroom of J. H. Matkins, the robber got several dollars in money and a watch from the clothing of Mr. Matkins and his son. No one in the house was awakened.

Next door in the Bernard Allsbrook home, several rooms were entered and money taken, the empty pocket-books dumped on the back porch. The home of F. D. Wilson on the corner of Roanoke Avenue and 8th was entered and some small change taken from Mr. Wilson's pockets.

Attempts were made to enter the homes of Rev. V. H. Grantham, Stanley Garris and R. L. Topping, but in each case a dog barked or somebody awakened in time to scare off the thieves.

Coming North, prowlers were heard around the John Williams home and the Ted Speight home between 4th and 5th but no entrance was made.

Except for Mr. Hoffler, no one glimpsed the breakers. He says he could only see it was a Negro of medium size, who raced off toward a group of Negro houses in a nearby alley.

Police cruised the streets but found no trace of the much-wanted men.

The work was of some one experienced. Doors were propped open and furniture moved to make quick getaways. Moving stealthily, in only one case was a person awakened after the house had been entered.

Police warn all residents to lock doors and no longer rely on screen doors.

Firearms, long forgotten, have been gotten out today and oiled up. Any more house breakers in Roanoke Rapids may expect a warm reception now that the town is warned. Prowlers will be taking their lives in their own hands.

Roanoke Rapids, smarting under its first house-breaking epidemic, is now ready. Incidentally, anyone convicted of breaking into a place where persons are sleeping may be given the death sentence in court.

Chief of Police Early tonight advised citizens of Roanoke Rapids to shoot to kill, as it is his opinion after an all-day investigation that this was the work of one Negro, very shrewd, but crazy and liable to commit any sort of crime.

B. F. Blount of Norfolk, Va., was a business visitor in Roanoke Rapids Wednesday.

Miss Mabel Williams is visiting her aunt, Mrs. E. A. Roddy, in Charlotte.

H. Mc.D. Holliday of Madison, N. C., spent the week-end with W. C. Williams.

Mrs. J. B. Hardy is spending two weeks with relatives in Durham, N. C.

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LOS ANGELES . . . Dr. Ralph Willard, 32, research chemist, pictured just after he froze to death for three days a monkey which he later restored to life, will have a human being to experiment on next. Stephen Simkovich, film writer, has volunteered to become a human icicle in the name of science. The experiments are for the prevention of various dreaded diseases.

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