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UP AND DOWN The Avenue WITH THE Editor

SALUTES to various towns of North Carolina are given over Station WPTF at Raleigh each morning with a brief descripton of the towns. How's this one for Roanoke Rapids: population 9,000. Largest industrial city in Northeastern Carolina. 100 retail stores. Cotton market and warehouse. Four large cotton mills employing 3,000. Largest damask mill in the United States. Paper mill. North Carolina plants and office headquarters of Va. Electric & Power Co. Two banks, newspaper, laundry, bakery, mattress factory and small manufacturing establishments. Farmers cu. o ma. ice. In fast three years has installed water and sewage, White Way, paved business sections, ten miles concrete sidewalks. Has eight church buildings. Five city school buildings with school enrollment 2,500. New Postoffice build ing and new Municipal building now under construction. 100 bea has pital and Nursing School. On Seaboard Airline and four miles direct connection to Atlantic Coast Line railroad. Only city in State with two A. B. C. stores. Ten new homes now under construction or just completed. Projects applied for: street paving, sidewalks, recreation park, airport. Roanoke Rapids, an industrial, agricultural and edu cational leader, fastest growing city in Eastern Carolina, the little industrial giant.

MOVING to Roanoke Rapids are Mr. and Mrs. William Harris II of Henderson. Mr. Harris will manage the Roanoke Rapids Bonded Warehouse Co., the 5,000 bale building which has just been completed. Mrs. Harris is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Peace.

BACK in Roanoke Rapids in time for both Sunday services will be Reverend Gordon L. Price, pastor of the First Baptist Church, who has been holding a revival meeting near Richmond.

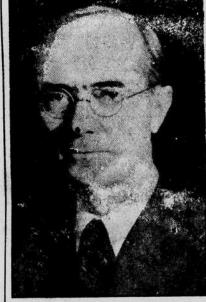
RADIOS on automobiles are great company when driving along the road at night but the railroads advise drivers of such cars to be careful when approaching railroad crossings. In Ohio last month an auto drove into a train, got twisted underneath, derailed 32 cars, smashe up the car and injured the three occupants. The conductor of th wrecked train advised that the driver of the wrecked car told him did not hear the signal bell or see the train until too late because he had the radio in his car turned on.

APPROPRIATE is the word to use. It seems appropriate that John Peele, 3rd vice president of the United Textile Workers, is billed to speak in Roanoke Rapids on Saturday. Appropriate because this is anniversary week. It was one year ago that the United Textile Workers were responsible for the strike in Roanoke Rapids. The strike which cost our workers here thousands of dollars in lost wages. The strike which tore our town apart and left deep scars. The strike which cost the mills orders which accounts for the short time this Summer. Yes. It is very appropriate.

FORTYNINE boys from Roanoke Rapids have enlisted in Uncle Sam's army, according to reports reaching this office tonight. Most of the boys are at Fort Monroe. When the recruiting officer returns Saturday, it will be for the last trip. At that time we hope to get an official list of the names of those who will wear the uniform.

HONOR members on the Honor Roll of those who have pledged toward the purchase of the new fire truck and equipment. These names are in addition to those printed last week. Brickell Motor Co., William Farber, C. D. Clark, J. D. Thompson, T. B. Parker, A. C. Doyle, Roanoke Furniture Exchange Co. A complete list of all the honor foll will be printed again next week. Have your name there. See Commissioners George Taylor or Irvin Starke at once and sign the not have to be cancelled or de- Miss Rawlings has charge of the

GETS W.P.A. JOB



W. F. JOYNER of Roanoke Rapids, who this week was appointed Field Representative of the Works Progress Administration for the first and second districts in North Carolina. Mr. Joyner, business man of this city and former member of the County Board of Commissioners, has already entered on his new duties. His position will carry him all over the Eastern section of the State representing the Federal government in the W.P.A.

TENTATIVE ORDER FOR FIRE TURCK

The City Board of Commissioners has placed a tentative order for a new fire truck and equipment. This order may be cancelled within the next 30 days and will be if sufficient funds are not raised to make the first payment.

The reason for placing the order now is so that, in case the necessary amount is pledged by property owners who will save on fire insurance premiums, the fire truck, which must be built by the factory, will arrive here at about the same time the new municipal building is completed.

Fire Commissioners George Taylor and Irvin Starke are planning to make every effort to raise their fund to the necessary amount (Continued on Back Page) registration.

REPORT **STORM**

Reports to the plant of the Va. Electric & Power Co. here are that, unless it changes its course, a wind storm will hit Roanoke Rapids and vicinity sometime beween early morning and noon Friday. .

This is the same hurrican which has devastated parts of Florida and today struck Georgia traveling North. Hundreds are dead in that section of the hurricane and property damage is millions of dollars.

SCHOOLS

Rapids will start Monday and reports tonight show a particularly heavy registration (Continued on Back Page)

Staff Representative



Miss Janet Rawlings has accepted a contract as staff representative of Eastman School of Business Administration, Sarato-

POLICE INCREASE

Four Places Molested In ast Week Altho No Entrance Made

The epidemic of housebreaking of two weeks ago when nine homes were entered seemed ready to return with reports of four attempts made during the past week to enter homes. While no homes were actually entered, the screens from windows were being removed in two cases when the thieves were scared off.

Victim of the first outbreak, Mac Johnson was awakened early Friday morning by the sounds of someone removing the window The city schools of Roanoke screen from his bedroom window. Mr. Johnson jumped up to get his

At Mrs. Armstrong's residence of pupils in the Junior High on Roanoke Avenue, south of the neighbor who was staying with her awoke to find a man removing the screen from the window. She screamed and the man escaped.

At nine o'clock last night police were called to the home of F. D. Wilson, corner the Avenue and 8th, where a servant saw and watched a man who was hiding in the yard. The Wilsons were at the show and the servant called across the street to Mrs. Dunning, who phoned the police. They came at once and searched the premises but the man had slipped away in the darkness.

During the week, the home of Mrs. Dunning was robbed twice. Money was taken the first time. canned fruit the second. These robberies took place in the day

Police say this is not the work of the crazy in is said to have robbe. . . . homes a week ago. Chief Farly has visited other towns where his same robber has been, both before and also after his Roanoke Rapids ga Springs, N. Y. in the territory trip. Police of these cities say of Weldon, Halifax, Enfield, Roa- they know who it is and a net within 30 days so the order will noke Rapids and Aurelian Springs. has been spread for him. His identity is being kept quiet for obvious reasons.