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# NEW LIONS CLUB HERE EXPECTS MANY VISITORS

## DR. McDONALD TO SPEAK HERE

## CHARTER NIGHT FEB. 14th WITH BANQUET AND DANCE

### Will Address Annual Meeting Merchants Association

Principal speaker at the annual supper and meeting of the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association here next Tuesday night will be Dr. Ralph McDonald, candidate for Governor and strong anti-salestaxer.

Dr. McDonald accepted the in-

itation in a telegram to C. C. Shell, president of the Association today.

The dinner will be held at 7 o'clock Tuesday night in the Junior High School building. All firms members of the Association will receive one free ticket. Plates for non-members are 60 cents.

Officers of the Merchants Association for the coming year will be elected and a nominating committee: F. M. Coburn and R. I. Starke, will report nominations.



WILLARD DOWELL

### CANDIDATE ?

Executive Secretary of the State Merchants Association, Mr. Dowell will probably announce soon for State Auditor, the job now held by Baxter Durham, according to a statement made today by Miss Lillian Belle Jenkins, Secretary of the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association.

### MERCURY IN RECORD DROP HERE

The coldest weather in the memory of any person here came to this section last Friday night, January 31st, when the mercury dropped to what may be an all-time low.

On that night, it registered 5 above at the Power Plant; 1 above near John Shaw's in Northampton county; exactly zero at Weldon.

Fortunate for many, there was no wind blowing Friday night and the low temperature was not noticed as much as it was at other cold periods with a cold wind blowing.

There were some variations in thermometer readings at various parts of the city and in various portions of this section, but it can be safely said that this section had its first real taste of zero

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All roads will lead to Roanoke Rapids from North Carolina and Virginia next Friday night, Feb. 14th, when the newly organized Lions Club of Roanoke Rapids will receive its charter from Lions International and representatives from surrounding clubs will be here to attend the banquet, charter presentation and dance.

### LIONS EDITION

The next week's edition of The Herald will be dedicated to the new Lions Club of Roanoke Rapids which will officially receive its charter next Friday night.

Special copies will be placed at the banquet place of all guests and visitors. Our advertisers are asked to keep in mind these two points in preparing copy: (1) A welcome to Roanoke Rapids to all visiting Lions and ladies and (2) congratulations to the new civic service club of the city.

The advertising committee of the Lions Club will assist in getting out next week's edition.

### DOWELL MAY BE IN RACE

State Secretary Merchants Association In Auditor Race

"Willard L. Dowell, executive Secretary of the North Carolina Merchants Association and recognized as probably the most active and powerful opponent of the sales tax in North Carolina, may become a candidate for the office of State Auditor in the approaching Democratic primary," said Miss Lillian Bell Jenkins, secretary of the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association.

"Mr. Dowell is deeply interested in unemployment insurance, old age pensions and other social security measures, and the fact that the State Auditor is a member of the Council of State and according to the law passed at the last Legislature any system of unemployment insurance for North Carolina must be devised by the Council of State, undoubtedly

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With a charter membership of fifty, the Lions Club, formerly The Young Mens Civic Club of Roanoke Rapids, will act as hosts to their ladies and to visiting members and their ladies at a banquet which will start at 6:30 p.m. Guests in Roanoke Rapids that day will come from Lions Clubs at Raleigh, Durham, Wilson, Warrenton, Henderson, Tarboro, Spring Hope, and from the following Virginia clubs: Franklin, Lawrenceville, South Hill and Smithfield.

The afternoon program for early visitors include trips thru the local mills, golfing privileges at the Chockoyotte Golf Club, and reception of ladies at the Womans Club building.

The Lions dance for the guests will start at 9 p.m. and continue until 1 a.m. with music by Lion Dot Bennett and his Collegians.

The charter presentation after the banquet will be in charge of Lion Head of Durham as master of ceremonies; an address of welcome by Lion Bernard Allsbrook; response by Lion Henry Powell of Henderson, the sponsor club; principal speakers will be Judge Hastings of Winston-Salem, past director of Lions International, and "Fats" Heath of Raleigh, district governor. Stunts and musical numbers will enliven the program. Local guests will include the Presidents of the Womans Club and the Kiwanis Club.

Officers of the local Lions Club are Byron Gurley, president; Garland Midyette, 1st vice president; Bernard Allsbrook, 2nd vice president; Jack Cassada, 3rd vice president; Bill Batton, secretary and treasurer; Gordon L. Price, Lion Tamer; Roland Johnson, Tail Twister; Directors: Scott Benton, Eugene

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### UP AND DOWN WITH THE Editor The Avenue

#### COMING EVENTS

- Tuesday, FEB. 11TH, Annual Merchants Association Dinner, 7 p.m. Dr. McDonald, speaker.
- Thursday, FEB. 13TH, Annual Kiwanis Ladies Night 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, FEB. 14TH, Charter Night Lions Club; banquet 7 p.m., Dance 9 p.m.

RECORD of forty Ground Hog Days: the old saying is if Ground Hog sees his shadow Feb. 2nd, will have 40 days bad weather. Record shows: clear and cold, 12 days; clear and mild, 15 days; cloudy and rain, 6 days; rainy all day, 3 days; colder and clearing, 4 days. In fact, the 4 days following the 40 ground hog days were clear and fine too. The Ground Hog is a poor prophet, says Weather Recorder F. C. Hege.

HOMETOWN boys making good at college, according to the morning papers, are George K. Nethercutt Jr. on the Honor Roll at the University of North Carolina and Tommy M. Jenkins Jr. voted the best dressed member of the Senior Class at N. C. State.

BRIDGE to Lincoln Heights back of Rosemary Mfg. Co. was washed out by the flood waters and the Harlem of Roanoke Rapids is just about cut off from the rest of the world, what with the South Rosemary entrance also in bad shape from the storms. Question now is: who puts up a new bridge? It is not a State road, and one side of the bridge would be in the city limits, one side in the county, the creek being the dividing line. But a new bridge is badly needed and at once.

G. T. MORRIS was elected chairman of the Halifax County Old Age Pension Club at a meeting held here last week. The purpose of the club is to work for old age pension legislation in this State and try to get the Governor to call a special session of the legislature for that purpose. The principal speaker at the club meeting was Dr. T. W. M. Long.

LIZARDS is the answer given by expert Ed Woodruff to the jar of reptiles left at this office by T. T. Taylor. They were about three inches long, black with white rings. In-

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