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ABC BOARD IN DRIVE AGAINST BOOTLEGGERS

UP AND DOWN WITH THE
The Avenue *Editor*

JAILOR George Hux is lonesome today. He tells us there is only one prisoner left in the Halifax County jail. For a county with a population of some 50,000 and seven liquor stores we think that speaks mighty well. The one prisoner in the county bastille is a blind man charged with illegal sale of liquor. Running a blind tiger, as it were.

BREACH of contract and false arrest are in the charges made by Johnny Summerill against the Emporia Laundry Co. and a Richmond laundry owned by the same company in suits for \$25,000. Johnny, who formerly drove a truck for Johnson's Laundry here, has been employed by the Emporia Laundry under a contract. He says the Richmond laundry, to which he was recently transferred from Emporia, did not live up to the contract so he held out moneys, later turning same over to a bonded attorney. The laundry had him arrested and yesterday Johnny was acquitted in a Richmond police court. He then sued the laundries, and all the dirty linen will be washed and cleaned in court at an early date.

FRIDAY, 13TH, might be a spooky date to some but that is the date picked by the Kiwanis Minstrel Committee for the 6th annual Kiwanis Minstrel-Revue. Friday, March 13th. Rehearsals will start Monday, March 2, with Director John Hutchings of the Rogers Producing Co., Fostoria, O., back for his third minstrel. All persons who have been in past minstrels are invited to be up for rehearsals and any new talent in the city. 50 school girls are asked to meet with the director Monday afternoon after school. 20 older girls are asked to meet with the director at the Kiwanis meeting place 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 2. Thirty minstrel men at 7:30 also. With two days less to rehearse this year, all are asked to be on time and present at every rehearsal.

RISE of the Roanoke River came again this week with a forty foot rise at Weldon, about 17 feet here. There were six inches of water in the boiler rooms of Roanoke No. 1 at high rise yesterday. The rise has stopped for the time being. INTERESTING things are brought to this office from time to time but for us the most interesting in a long time is a copy of the Raleigh News & Observer of Sunday, May 23, 1897. We like to look over old newspapers but this issue is particularly interesting because the second of the four pages is devoted entirely to a story by Staff Correspondent F. B. Arendell headed "Rapids of The Roanoke", giving an authentic story of the beginning of Roanoke Rapids a few years prior. We will print this interesting and colorful story in an early issue. The newspaper is the property of Van B. Daughtry, who has saved it all these years. Let's see, that issue was printed FORTY years ago. And it was just 46 years ago that Major Emry stood on the banks of the Roanoke at Great Falls, five miles above Weldon, and dreamed of a power dam and a city. Watch for this story to start next week.

CHIEF of Police of Scotland Neck now is former Roanoke Rapids policeman Ed Keeter. He was given the position Monday after the funeral of the late Police Chief Moore, killed by an unknown murderer early Sunday morning. There are still no clues as to the identity of the killer.

REWARD TO THOSE HELPING

Start Drive To Stamp Out Illegal Sale And Making

A reward of \$10.00 will be paid by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to any person who directly causes and procures the arrest and conviction of any person, firm or corporation engaged in the sale or unlawful manufacture of illegal liquor in Halifax County, according to the action of the Board at the last monthly meeting, when it declared war on bootleggers and moonshiners and will use a portion of the money, set aside from profits by law for enforcement of the Control Act, for reward money.

The following is the official action taken by the Board:

At a regular meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of Halifax County, North Carolina, held in Halifax, North Carolina on the 24th day of January, 1936, among other things, the following preambles and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for Halifax County was created by the 1935 General Assembly, subject to a vote of the people of Halifax County, for the purpose, among other things, of curbing the illegal sale of alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, such illegal sale of alcoholic beverages has not been completely abolished in Halifax County; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for Halifax County to comply with the true intent and purpose of the Act of the 1935 General Assembly in abolishing, insofar as possible, the illegal sale of alcoholic beverages.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That out of the fund of 5% of the profits set aside for the enforcement of Chapter 93, Public Laws, 1935, as provided for in Section 17 of said Act, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of Halifax County, offer and pay a reward of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars to any person who directly causes or procures the arrest and conviction of any person, firm or corporation for engaging in the

ROB ABC STORE

Olympic Ski Champ



P.A.S.

BERLIN, Germany . . . Fatherland winter-sports fans are highly elated that a German girl, Miss Christel Cranz (above), turned in the first Olympic Games championship for any nation. . . She won the title and gold medal in the women's downhill and slalom ski race.

HALIFAX STORE IS LOOTED

The ABC store at Halifax was robbed early Tuesday morning and 16 cases of liquor and \$10 in cash taken by those entering the store.

Showing good judgment, the thieves took 14 cases of Paul Jones whisky and two cases of Wilkins. With Halifax the former home of the famous John Paul Jones, the theft takes on historical significance.

The cash taken was that left in the register for change. Entrance was effected by using a crowbar on the front door. The retail price of the loot was \$600. The loss is covered by insurance.

County officers are asked to keep close watch on all stores in the future, this being the first robbery since the ABC stores opened in Halifax County.

Miss Mary Boone of Durham is visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Boone.

Negro Assaults White Man, Flees

STRICKEN TODAY AT PAPERMILL

H. C. Draper, 60 years old, was stricken at the mill of the Halifax Paper Co. about 9 a.m. today and died at 3 p.m., probably from cerebral hemorrhage. He has been an employee of the paper mill for several years. His widow and several children, all of this city, survive. No funeral arrangements had been made at press time.

sale, or unlawful manufacture, of illegal alcoholic beverages, or for engaging in the illegal or unlawful sale of alcoholic beverages, in Halifax County, North Carolina.

Bob Sims, Negro, eased thru a police net at Orange, Va., Tuesday and escaped after local police had traced him there and ordered him arrested charged with assault and robbery of Doc Lattimore here Sunday afternoon.

The Negro assaulted the white man with the spoke of a wagon wheel knocking him unconscious. He struck at him as he lay on the ground, but missed his head near a tree and broke the spoke against the tree. Robbing the unconscious man of \$15, the Negro fled and is reported to have hid Sunday night in the basement of the Citizens Bank Building.

Officers later traced him to Weldon, from there to Richmond and then to Orange. He was with

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