

UP AND DOWN WITH THE  
**The Avenue** Editor

● ● Two branches of the city service met Monday night at 9:15 when the Fire Department was called to put out a fire in the City Jail. Two inmates, charged with being drunk, had set fire to a mattress. The fire was put out quickly with damage only to the mattress.

● ● They always told me it wasn't the payment but the upkeep that made a man pay and pay and pay. We know what they meant now. Bought a home here in Roanoke Rapids a year ago and everything went along fine until last Summer when a tree doctor came around. Love trees, want more, want to keep what we got. This tree surgeon convinced us the only way to do it was to fill up the hollow patches with some sort of cement, draw the spreading limbs together with braces, trim and spray. Every tree on the place underwent a major operation and the investment had grown another hundred dollars.—A short time ago, we saw some flying ants coming out from under the front porch. Another expert came along, examined the patient, made a complete diagnosis and pronounced the disease: Termites. So under the house he went with his crew and his pressure tanks and stunk up the premises while he rid the underpinning of termites. Another hundred bucks. And so it goes with property owners. It's swell to own your own home, but keep account of these extras when anybody wants to know what it cost you. However, we do not begrudge that hundred paid out to rid us of termites. The day the man told us about it, we walked down the street like a criminal, thought everybody was talking about us, could almost hear them whisper that awful sounding sentence, "He's got termites."

● ● This week Senator Long of Halifax introduced a bill which would add North Carolina to the list of those States ratifying the amendment to the Federal Constitution which does away with child labor. This is one of the important actions which President Roosevelt has asked the States to take. He favors abolition of child labor because it gives a child a chance to get an education and live a normal child life; because it takes children out of working ranks and makes places for older persons who need jobs. The child is able to become a better citizen; the ranks of the unemployed are lessened. North Carolina failed last session to ratify. Governor Hoey is not in favor of ratifying now. It seems to us the Governor should again compare his vote with that given the President in North Carolina and gather from that vote the fact that

this State desires and demands ratification of the child labor amendment. Regardless of the new Governor, the legislature can ratify and should, without further delay.

● ● A petition to the Senator from Halifax went up this week asking him to try to defeat the raise in special taxes on barbers. A barber pays a special State tax of \$3 now. The proposal is to raise it to \$10. Every barber in the city but two signed the petition. Other barbers could not understand why they did not sign. In case you didn't know, there are about twenty licensed barbers in Roanoke Rapids.

● ● New members elected to the Roanoke Rapids Lions Club at the Jan. 7 meeting were Ed Slaughter, Wyche Land, Ivey Mohorn and Roland Johnson.

**JURY LISTS FOR NEXT TERM SUP'R COURT**

The next term of Halifax Superior Court will start on Monday, January 25th and continue for two weeks. Following are the jury lists drawn for the first and second weeks.

First week: Louis Langston, Roanoke Rapids; J. C. Tilghman, Weldon; J. R. Liles, Littleton; J. T. Cook, Brinkleyville; R. J. Allsbrook, Scotland Neck; J. C. Register, Scotland Neck; C. M. Hodgins, Enfield; W. P. White, Jr., Palmyra; A. F. Whitehead, Roseneath; E. D. Hawkins, Littleton; A. M. Powell, Weldon; J. L. Holliday, Enfield; E. L. Bellamy, Enfield; Walter Hancock, Scotland Neck; A. L. Burnett, Palmyra; W. L. Hitchens, Roanoke Rapids; Geo. C. Steele, Roanoke Rapids; W. A. Pierce, Jr., Weldon; O. B. Harris, Roanoke Rapids; L. L. Cherry, Scotland Neck; Norwood Pittman, Halifax; Edward Tillery, Scotland Neck; M. M. Moore, Roanoke Rapids; H. R. Hargrove, Weldon; R. A. Mabry, Littleton; R. E. Drake, Scotland Neck; E. L. Petway, Enfield; T. B. Mose, Brinkleyville; Jim H. Harris, Enfield; E. R. Kidd, Roanoke Rapids; Franklin Moore, Scotland Neck; J. B. Bustin, Enfield; Tom Staton, Palmyra; T. H. Vanlandingham, Roseneath; Joshua Askew, Palmyra; R. D. House, Palmyra; T. D. Lawrence, Enfield; C. B. Bass, Halifax; G. R. Wood, Brinkleyville; Russell Lewis, Enfield; C. S. Basemore, Scotland Neck; W. R. Garnett, Enfield.

Second Week: C. H. Alston, Littleton; N. H. Chichester, Brinkleyville; Russell Blow, Scotland Neck; R. P. Allen, Weldon; John C. Smith, Roanoke Rapids; Allen B. Staton, Scotland Neck; A. B. Co-

per, Littleton; Jno. Ed Brower, Roanoke Rapids; J. B. Speight, Roanoke Rapids; C. L. Womack, Scotland Neck; J. H. Evans, Enfield; W. D. Dickens, Halifax; L. C. Matthews, Enfield; Robt. Lovegrove, Scotland Neck; Sam Young, Roanoke Rapids; J. E. White, Scotland Neck; Scott Harris, Palmyra; J. B. Atkins, Littleton; J. A. Vick, Enfield; A. G. Wilcox, Brinkleyville; J. K. Dixon, Roanoke Rapids; Caswell E. Shaw, Halifax; J. L.

**Postmaster At Thelma Dies Here Suddenly Today**

E. D. Hamill, Postmaster at Thelma, died in the Roanoke Rapids Hospital today after a brief illness. He was brought to the hospital yesterday.

Funeral services will be conducted at the home in Thelma Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock by the Rev. Mr. Phipps with interment in the family cemetery.

Surviving are one son, Archibald, one brother, R. W. Hammill of Thelma and two sisters.

Mr. Hammill, for many years, was a member of the firm of Hammill Brothers, at one time one of the largest general stores in this section of the State.

**Pearce—Read**

Mrs. Mary Read of Halifax announces the marriage of her daughter, Mary Lucile, to Mr. William Locis Holly Pearce of Rocky Mount, N. C., on September the 20th, 1936, at Courtland, Va.

A 13-pound platinum nugget has been taken from the Isevska mines in the Ural mountains.

Acree, Roseneath; Charlie M. Elington, Brinkleyville.

**NOTICE**

C. S. 2621 (89) Required Lighting Equipment of Bicycles

Subsection (f) Lamps on Bicycles

Every bicycle shall be equipped with a lighted lamp on the front thereof visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of at least three hundred (300) feet in front of such bicycle and shall also be equipped with a reflex mirror or lamp on the rear exhibiting a red light visible under like conditions from a distance of at least two hundred (200) feet to the rear of such bicycle.

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished by fine or imprisonment in the discretion of the court as for other misdemeanors. Each violation shall be deemed a separate offense.

H. E. DOBBINS,  
Director of Public Safety,  
Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

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