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PLAN SUPER STATION

LONE BANDIT AT LARGE

A lone bandit held up and robbed the Garysburg Filling Station operated by William Collier about 10 o'clock Monday night and escaped with about \$35 in cash.

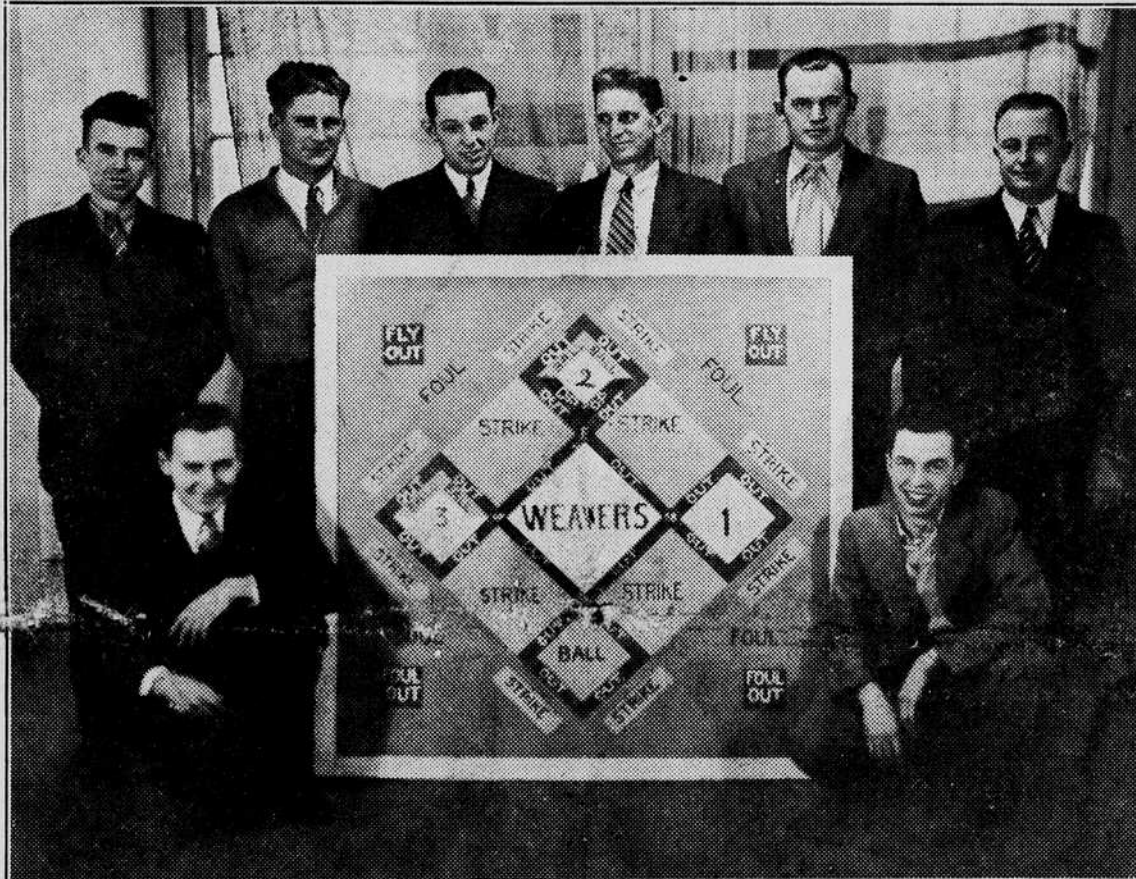
Waiting until Mr. Collier was alone in the station, the bandit drove up and asked that the gas in his tank be measured. He bought a drink and started talking about the flood, asking Mr. Collier what station was broadcasting the flood bulletins. When the owner turned to look at the radio, the thief threw a gun on him and robbed him of the money in his pockets and in the cash register. He then forced Mr. Collier to walk down the highway while he escaped in his car.

He is described as a young man, about 25, 160 pounds, medium height, red face. He was a stranger to Mr. Collier. His car was a '35 V-8 coach, light color. Mud covered the license plates. After the robbery, the bandit drove off in the direction of Pleasant Hill.

County Gets \$25,000

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Rosemary No. 1 Weavers 1st Half Champs



Spencer Riggan Boyd Buck Clark Twitty Ainsley Liles

Above are the members of the Rosemary No. 1 Weavers, first half champions of the Rosemary Dart Ball Day League. Details of their win on Page 5.

SINCLAIR BUYS CITY BLDG SITE

The Sinclair Oil Co. plans a super service station for Roanoke Rapids, it was learned from an authoritative source today. The company is said to have purchased eight lots on the East side of Roanoke Avenue between 9th and 10th Streets.

This is the location North of Ray's Barbecue. On this Sinclair plans to erect the largest service station in this section of the State and will operate the plant itself, according to today's report.

INJURED IN CRASH TODAY

A Roanoke Rapids man was injured in a wreck today at the intersection of 301 and 158 in Weldon when a car driven by Luther J. Pylant of Roanoke Rapids crashed into a truck driven by Warren Wade of Richmond.

George Brigman, of Roanoke Rapids, riding with Pylant, was severely injured, suffering a fractured knee cap and a broken jawbone. His teeth were also knocked out by the crash. The car was badly damaged.

Pylant was placed under a \$50 bond on a charge of reckless driving after his arrest by Officer Kennedy.

HUX WINS

Philip Hux, Roanoke Rapids, won his second fight of the State Tournament at Raleigh by knocking out Charles Baker of Winston-Salem in the first round at Raleigh auditorium tonight.

Other fights tonight: James Moore, Raleigh, won over Earl Wood, Roanoke Rapids, decision. Arnold Abrams, Raleigh, won over Otis Meadows, Roanoke Rapids, decision.

W. C. McCormick, Raleigh, won over Claude Taylor, Roanoke Rapids, decision.

LAST NIGHT

Philip Hux, Roanoke Rapids, won over Charles Curles, Dunn.

Roland Adcock, Dunn, won over Roy Seuis, Roanoke Rapids, decision.

STILL IN RACE

Philip Hux, Woodrow Warren, Ned Hymen, Richard Collins.

UP AND DOWN WITH THE The Avenue Editor

● ● Brought to the Roanoke Rapids Hospital today with his head mashed by a tree in the woods near Gumberry was woodchopper Buster Coker, colored employee of a lumber company. Not trying to be facetious, but we couldn't help thinking, "So he busted his Coco?"

● ● From various sources we have learned that four children disappeared from Roanoke Rapids the first of this week. Three of them have returned or been brought back. We have decided not to print the names this week but that is not a set rule. Later we may be forced to do so. Three were boys, one was a girl; all were in school. Two of the boys are reported to have run away on their way to California; they got as far as Henderson and decided home was not such a bad place after all. The girl recites a strange story to city police. She was thumbing a ride near here, she says, and was picked up by an army officer who carried her to Augusta, Ga. where she left him. Nothing improper happened on the trip; she says she left him because she was getting too far from home. The officer was heading for Texas via Florida, she says. Police Chief Dobbins has reported her story to Army headquarters in Washington, D. C. They will investigate. Any others figuring on leaving home unexpectedly had better talk to the three who have so recently returned.

LOCAL RED CROSS TOTAL IS \$2,223.60

Happy Chairman



Gordon L. Price, chairman of the Roanoke Rapids Chapter of American Red Cross, happy as he reported tonight an all-time high for the Chapter with \$2,223.60 raised for flood relief, more than double the \$1,000 quota set by him last week and more than thirty times the Chapter's original quota

The total amount for flood relief raised by local chapter today is \$2,223.60.

By the above amount the following contributors carried the chapter to one of its greatest accomplishments.

Rosemary Mfg. Co., 317.75; Patterson Mills Co., 275.00; Roanoke No. 2, 257.00; Roanoke No. 1, 175.15; Miss Hearne and Mr. Davis reported for the following schools:

Vance Street, 10.77; Clara Hearne 16.92; Rosemary, 15.30; Central, 20.33; Grammar Grades, 24.28; High School, 60.07; total, 147.67.

Halifax Paper Co., 61.30; Pleasant Hill Methodist Church, Northampton Co., 41.00; 1st Christian Church, 7.83; Presbyterian, 32.00; 1st Baptist, 25.00; Rosemary Baptist Church, 17.75; 1st Methodist, 21.25; Rosemary Methodist, 16.59; Holiness Church, 6.37; Manchester Board & Paper Co., 8.77; Aurelian Springs, 26.15.

Mrs. R. H. Ward, chairman of the Littleton branch, made the report for Littleton, giving her workers and the amount raised.

Mrs. Justis and Mrs. Foster, 48.50; Lions Club, 94.04; Mrs. A. M. Newsom, 9.00; Mrs. R. H. Ward, 24.68; Mrs. Jack Bobbitt, 7.13; Mrs. Glasgow and Mrs. Farmer, 29.25;

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