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REDUCE COX SENTENCE COUNTY-WIDE MEETING

UP AND DOWN WITH THE
The Avenue Editor

- ● Foreman of the Halifax County Grand Jury for the next twelve months is C. T. Johnson, prominent business man of Roanoke Rapids. Mr. Johnson is owner of Johnson's Laundry and a leader in the civic life of this community. His appointment by Judge Frizelle is one which will be received with much commendation by the citizens of the county.
- ● Fire broke out in the dye room of Rosemary Mfg. Co. at 3 p.m. Tuesday. The fire was quickly extinguished by employees and the heat was sufficient to start part of the automatic sprinklers. Most of the damage was from the water.
- ● Jay Sanders will take one of the most complete bands to Wilson Festival this week where the local musicians have been contracted to make music for the entire program. Twenty two men will compose the band and Director Sanders says it will be the best band he has assembled in many years.
- ● The swimming pool at the High School will open again Monday from 1 to 4 p.m. and will continue open every afternoon until further notice.
- ● Rev. V. H. Grantham, former pastor here, and now pastor of the Christian Church of Clearwater, Florida, was a visitor here this week. He and his family leave here to visit in Goldsboro and other North Carolina cities before returning to Florida.
- ● Capt. Peter Koolwyck, former resident of Roanoke Rapids, just back from a year's trip to his native Holland and other points in Europe, was the speaker at the Kiwanis Club tonight and told of his journeys thru Holland, England, Germany, Switzerland and Italy. Other guests of the club were Jim Reese of Wilmington, Del., Fred Wilmer and Howard Hancock of Roanoke Rapids, J. C. Crews, Jr., formerly of Oxford. T. W. Mullen presided. W. S. Dean, chairman of the Farm Committee, reported on the All-Day celebration at the Fair Grounds next Wednesday in the interest of the Curb Market. Dr. McGeachey corrected the report that there were four cases of pellagra in the county. He says there are 300 or 400, but the four cases he reported on were of loss of mind due to pellagra.
- ● Plate glass is being put in the new Smith Building this week for the Woolworth Store downstairs and work is being rushed so the tenants may have occupancy of the building in about two weeks. After that Mr. Smith plans to continue work on finishing the upstairs and lobby for the enlarged hotel.
- ● The Recreation Center, Roanoke Rapids' new bowling alleys, opened for business last night in the location of the old A&P store with capacity

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JUDGE DROPS FROM 15 YRS TO 5 TO 7

Garland Cox, 21 year old white man of this city, who received a 15 year sentence in Halifax Superior Court this week for assault on a female child, had his sentence reduced by Judge Frizelle today.

His new sentence is from five to seven years.

The reduction in sentence came this morning just before final adjournment of this term of Superior Court.

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WHITE MAN UNDER BOND IN CAR DEATH

Badger Reid, white man of Halifax County, is under a \$2,000 bond and a charge of manslaughter in the death of Mary Purnell, 58 year old colored woman, who was killed by Reid's car Tuesday.

The death occurred on Highway 125 between Halifax and Scotland Neck. There is a question as to the location of the woman when she was struck by the car. Negro

witnesses say she was sitting on the side of the road next to a mail box when the car swerved out and hit her. Reid says he was passing a wagon and the woman was in the road.

A hit and run charge against Reid in the case was dismissed by Judge Daniel who sat at the examining trial.

HEAVY SENTENCES IN CRIMINAL COURT

Chester Cutler, 31 year old white man, was sentenced to from five to seven years in prison when found guilty of secret assault in Halifax Superior Court this week.

Cutler was charged with assaulting William George near Roanoke Junction about four months ago, striking him with an iron pipe.

Herbert Murphy, of Patterson village, was sentenced to 6 months on the road when found guilty of stealing a shot gun and pistol from the lobby of the Smith Hotel here.

J. F. Mitchell, white, of Roanoke Rapids, probably wishes he had left well enough alone. He appealed a 6 months sentence for abandonment and non-support from the Recorder Court. This week, in Superior Court, he was sentenced to two years.

George Hyman, Colored of Weldon, received from 5 to 7 years on the roads for assault with a deadly weapon. He gave notice of appeal to the Supreme Court, making his own appeal without counsel. His appeal bond was fixed at \$75, his appearance bond at \$3,000. He has filled neither to date.

Thomas Bowers of Littleton, colored, received 6 months on the roads for larceny.

Carl Twiford, 56 year old white man, pled guilty to a charge of assault on a female and was sentenced to two years on the roads.

The case of Ernest Shearin, Dick Lynch, Perry Gregory and Duke Shearin, charged with secret assault with intent to kill and conspiracy, was continued.

Algie Smith, colored, of Scotland Neck, received from 5 to 7 years when found guilty of breaking and entering with intent to commit a felony.

W. ALLEN FUNERAL IS TODAY

Walter Allen, 70 years old, a resident of Roanoke Rapids for the past 15 years, died early Wednesday morning at his home, 78 Washington St. Funeral services were held this afternoon at the residence with interment in Roanoke Rapids Cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Cissie Allen, five daughters, Mrs. John Pierce, Mrs. Martha Cutler, Mrs. Anna Mae Reynolds, Mrs. Ola Shearin and Mrs. Wilma Edwards, all of this city, and two stepdaughters, Mrs. Clara Reynolds and Mrs. D. A. Hudson.

The deceased was a native of Tyrrell County.

EURE AND OTHERS TO SPEAK

Local Curb Market Bldg. To Have Spotlight in All-Day Meet

A county wide mass meeting of city and country folks will be held at the Halifax County Fair Grounds, on the highway between Roanoke Rapids and Weldon, all day Wednesday, August 25th. The meeting is under the auspices of the Home Demonstration Clubs of Halifax County and one of the purposes is to raise funds for the new Curb Market Building to be erected in Roanoke Rapids.

Money will be raised by the sale of food and drinks on the grounds during the day by the clubs. Barbecue, brunswick stew, cold drinks, etc. will be sold by the ladies. A big Bingo game will also be operated. Everybody in the county is invited and the various clubs thruout the county are working up groups of visitors to spend the day in this section.

Speakers during the day's program include John W. Goodman, assistant director of the Extension Dept. of State College, who will speak at 11 a.m.; M. C. Mann, head of the N. C. Cotton Co-ops, who will speak at noon; Mrs. Rosslyn Redfern, Home Demonstration Agent of Anson County, who will speak at 2 p.m.; the Rev. L. I. Stell of the Roanoke Rapids Presbyterian Church, who speaks at 3 p.m.; and Secretary of State Thad Eure, who speaks at 4 p.m.

A parade of floats, designed by the county clubs showing the various phases of club work, will start from the Fairgrounds about noon and parade the business sections of Roanoke Rapids and Weldon.

R. Hunter Pope and County Farm Agent W. O. Davis are assisting the ladies in the program and Mr. Pope will be master of ceremonies.

Plans for the Curb Market building at Roanoke Rapids call for a 60 by 80 brick building to be erected at the corner of 8th and Madison on lots which have already been purchased by the county for project. Blueprints of the building are now in the possession of Mrs. Hazel E. Wheeler, County Home Demonstration Agent.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Turner have just returned from a visit through the Great Smoky Mountain National Park, Lake Junaluska, Montreat and other points of interest in western N. C. and Tenn.