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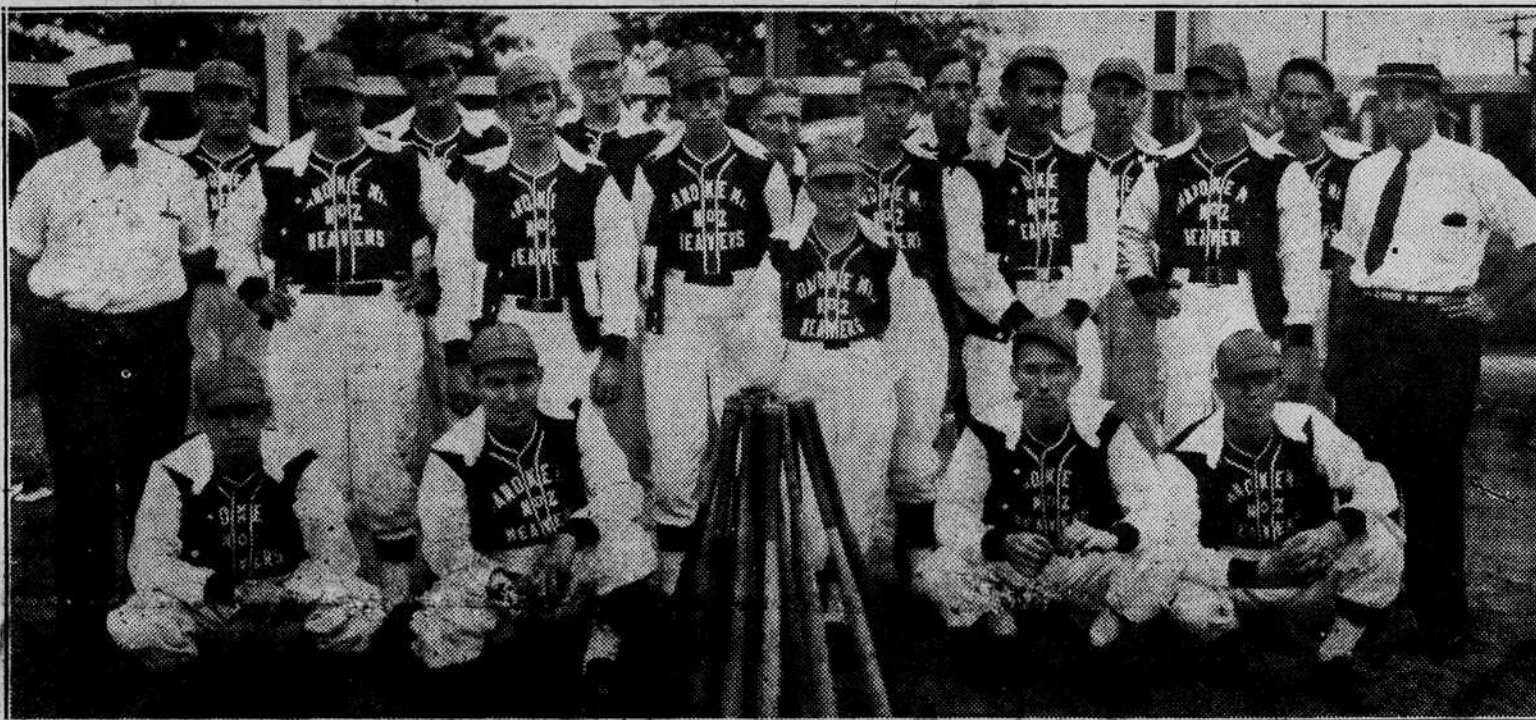
ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C.

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# TAX RELIEF EXPECTED

## 1937 DISTRICT SOFTBALL CHAMPIONS



1st row: Ed Mosely, Jim Renn, Bill Hodges, Jr., Braxton Cooper, Howard Simpson.  
Middle row: W. T. Hodges, Mgr., Nathan Taylor, Reuben Daniel, Bob Rogers, Henry Cashwell, Paul Bailey, Johnny Renn, F. S. Kemp.  
Back row: Dorsey Nethery, Acey Carlisle, Capt. Speed Hux, Odie Crumpler, Millard Harrison, Curtis Butler, Lewis Browning.

## AMOUNT NOT YET KNOWN

Tax payers in the Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District are going to get some tax relief from the high 46 cent rate placed on by the Board last year, but just how much relief could not be learned tonight.

The minutes of the last meeting are not signed by all the members and have not been released to the public so it is impossible to say officially what has happened.

Taxpayers have been kicking about the high tax rate of last year, especially since the news seeped out that the Board's auditor had recommended a tax rate cut of at least ten cents, saying the financial condition of the District warranted that much cut.

Also called to the attention of the Board was the legal fact that the law covering taxing in Sanitary District of the State plainly states that an ad valorem tax on property can only be levied for bonded indebtedness. If that law were followed to the letter, the Sanitary District taxpayers could expect much relief, down to about the original 26 cents, which is said to be enough to retire the bonds and pay interest charges.

The recent audit, which has not been published yet, is said to have shown the District in good financial shape after the year's business. Good enough for the auditor to recommend that the tax rate be lowered.

## ROANOKE RAPIDS TEXTILE OWLS



(Seated, left to right) Field Captain Birdsong, cf; McCrary, 2b; Ruth Lee, Mascot; Theron Harris, Bat Boy; Coburn, c; Dickens, ss.  
(Middle Row) Hardison, p, rf; Davis, p, cf; Ashe, c; Nethercutt, 3b; Branch, lf; Browning, p.  
(Standing) Fuller, 1b; Richardson, rf; Manager Jesse Lee; Business Mgr. Sherrod Crumpler; Smith, p; Boyd, utility.

Absent: Crowder, Martin. (Photo by Brasington)

## BURIED HERE



J. W. SMOOT

Well known contractor and builder here for 23 years, whose funeral was held at the 1st Methodist Church yesterday afternoon.

## Infant Son Dies

Michael Murray Wilson, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Wilson, died August 26th at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital. Interment was in Roanoke Rapids Cemetery August 27th.