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# TWO KILLED - TEN HURT IN BAD WRECK EPIDEMIC

WELDON COMMUNITY CENTER READY TO OPEN



Neighbors at Weldon are preparing for the opening of their new Community Center next week . . . The Herald fotoman caught this scene this week near the swimming pool just opened . . . in the background is the fine building of the Center, rebuilt from an old mill . . . Story inside. (Herald NewsKut)

WHO WILL BE CROWNED "QUEEN?"



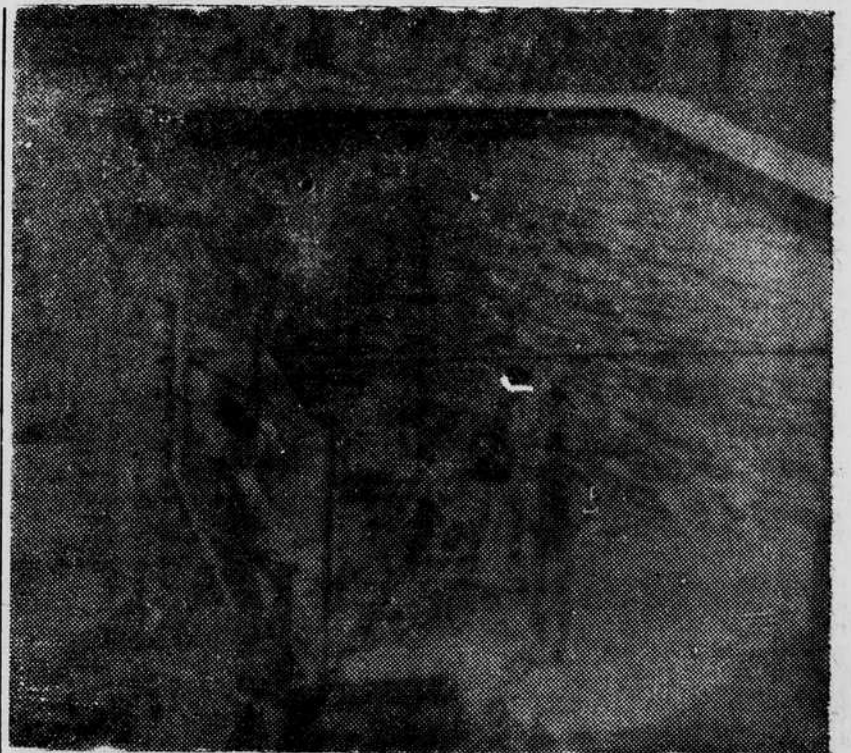
Secretary of State Thad Eure is shown above crowning Miss Victoria Vester "Queen of the 1937 Lions Club Exposition" . . . The question now is: who will be the 1938 Queen? . . . Next week will see 25 young ladies of Roanoke Rapids, all trying for the high honor, in the drive which starts the 1938 Exposition in Roanoke Rapids August 8-13 . . .

## MOTHER OF FIVE; TRUCK DRIVER, DIE IN SERIES OF WREX

An epidemic of highway wrecks struck Halifax and Northampton counties this week resulting in the death of two persons and injuries to ten others. The dead are Mrs. John P. Allen, Northampton County, and Houston Bethea, 27, colored, truck driver of Dillon, S.

The injured are: John P. Allen; Kathleen Allen, 7; Elsie Allen, 10, of Camps Store; Richmond Hardy, 23, Pleasant Hill; James Webb, 18, Garysburg; Rover Morris, 21, Emporia; H. B. Conrad, 30, Apopka, Fla.; Glenn Meredith, 27, Rosman Station, Va.; Lofton Rook, Roanoke Rapids; Paul Evans, Roanoke Rapids.

Involved in the wrecks, details of which appear in separate reports in this issue, were three automobiles, two trucks and one wagon.



NEW swimming pool at Weldon, a part of the Weldon Community Center which has just been completed with the aid of Federal funds . . . The water is constantly filtered . . . Nearby is a small wading pool for little children . . . Complete story, inside. (Herald NewsKut)

ATTEMPT TO WRECK PASSENGER TRAIN FAILS