

# ALLOT \$225,000.00 TO START WORK ON ELECTRIC PROJECT

The Halifax Electric Membership Corporation, with headquarters in Enfield, has been organized with a rural electrification project of 225 miles of lines in Halifax, Martin, Nash and Warren Counties to serve 790 members. Irwin Clark of Scotland Neck is attorney for the corporation.

REA has allotted \$225,000 for this project. It is expected that these funds will build about 225 miles of line to serve 790 members in Halifax, Martin, Nash and Warren Counties. Negotiations are under way to secure a satisfactory source of wholesale energy.

The cooperative has been advised of the allotment and supplied with instructions for getting the lines under construction. The money will be available as details are completed.

Construction of these lines will provide nearly 48,000 man hours of employment in direct labor alone.

A schedule for legal and engineering steps will be sent to the project in the immediate future. Strict adherence to this schedule, which is set up to assist in the orderly and efficient handling of the work, will shorten the time before these North Carolina farmers can begin using electricity.

As construction progresses and the operating stage approaches, new problems will come up. In addition to furnishing funds, REA wants to be helpful in every possible way. The Division of Operations Supervision is ready to assist with these operating problems and to act as a clearing house for information as the Legal and Engineering Divisions do during the construction period.

## Willing Workers Honor Husbands At Smiths Church

Friday evening, Jan. 13th, at 7 o'clock, "The Willing Workers" of Smiths Church gave an oyster supper at the home of Mrs. A. L. Garner in honor of their husbands. The supper was served in the dining room at two tables beautifully decorated with Christmas cactus as centerpieces. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Garner, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Marriner, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fulghum, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Pearson, Mrs. Robert Flowers, Mrs. Lillian Smallwood, Mrs. Dora Hawkins, Mrs. Nolie Fulghum, Mrs. Eliza Garner, Mrs. J. M. Garris, Misses Clyde Fulghum, Lois and Frances Garris, George and Lee Garner and Howard Hawkins.

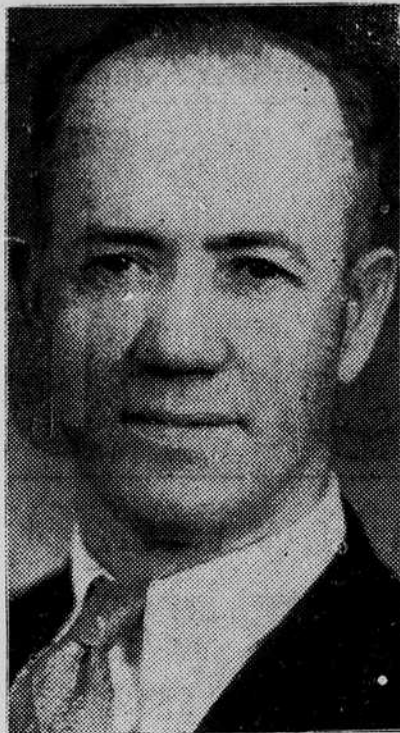
## At Vepco Dance In Richmond, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sherry, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Speight, Miss Virginia Blount, Miss Elizabeth Brown, Miss Velma Clark, Miss Ruby Williams and Shaker Teele, Bill Batton, Ted Speight, Jimmy Womble, attended the Woman's Club dance of the V.E.P. Co. Friday night at the John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, Va.

## 2nd Birthday Party

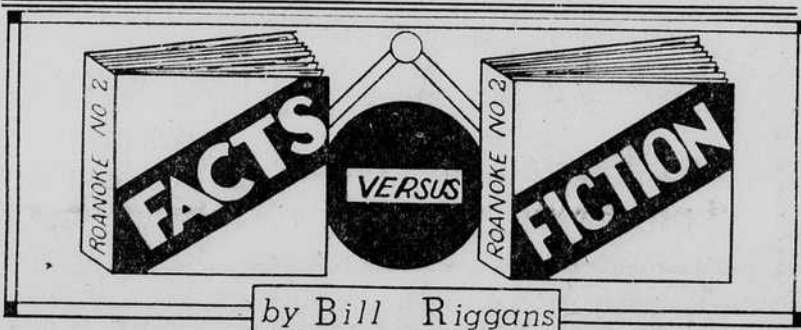
Little Sarah Ellen Wall celebrated her 2nd birthday with a party Saturday afternoon at 2:30. Cake and ice cream were served to the following children: Winnie Bell Wall, Helen Rose Vinson, Shirley Rose Burton, Jean Marie Pearson, Christine Pearson, Ollie Mae Brantley, Nancy Brown, Charlotte Ann Norwood, Nan Mitchell Wrenn, Vaden Ferrell, and Shirley Martin, Master Drewey Beale, Jearld Tudor, Horace Edward Gordon, Bobby Williams.

## REVIVAL



THE REV. H. V. LAWSON now holding a revival in the 1100 Block of Henry Street.

Miss Laura Read was a visitor in Rocky Mount and Wilson Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Pearce were visitors in Murfreesboro Saturday evening.



The lineup for last Saturday night's fights at the Arena between the Rocky Mount Allstars and the Textile Owls was as follows:

1. Jack Turner, Rocky Mount, 135 lbs. vs. Vernon Blue, Textile Owls, 135 lbs.; 2. Shifty May, Rocky Mount, 126 lbs., vs. Earl Wood, Textile Owls, 126 lbs.; 3. Wade Brooks, Rocky Mount, 135 lbs., vs. Dick Collins, Textile Owls, 135 lbs.; 4. C. P. Putman, Rocky Mount, 145 lbs., vs. Philip Hux, Textile Owls, 145 lbs. Referee, Wilbur Outland; Judges, R. W. Harris and Bob Moore.

The first fight of the evening was between two local boys who are working to make the Textile Owls first team and was staged by Manager F. S. Kemp merely as an added attraction. This fight was a fast and furious affair between Henry Wells, 125 lbs. of Roanoke Mills No. 1 and John Hedgepeth, 128 lbs. of Roanoke Mills No. 2. Young Wells proved to aggressor and took the fight by a decision.

The first scheduled fight was a fast and furious affair between Jack Turner of Rocky Mount and Vernon Blue of the Owls. This was the bloodiest fight ever seen in this Arena with both boys covered with gore at the end of the second round. Turner was awarded the decision but me-think this fight could easily have been called a draw. But, incidentally, folks, there are no draw fights at the Arena.

The second fight of the show brought together "Shifty" May of Rocky Mount and Earl Wood, pride of the Textile Owls. Wood kept May puzzled by his peculiar defense throughout the fight and when Wood let go that long right, May was fully aware that he had a fight on his hands. May fully deserves his title "Shifty" as the boy can really cover ground, and he proved this throughout the fight to

## State Office Here Closes Saturday For Merit Exams

The local office of the N. C. State Employment Service will be closed all day Saturday, January 28, in order that the personnel might go to Raleigh for the purpose of taking merit examinations for continued employment.

All claimants for unemployment compensation benefits scheduled to report on Saturday are requested to report, either on Friday, January 27 or on Monday, January 31st.

## 63rd Birthday For Mrs. Williams

The children of Mrs. Lucy Williams celebrated her 63rd birthday Jan. 22nd at her home. Those enjoying the dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Williams, Jim Kelton and Miss Essie Kelton of Lawrenceville, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Williams, Junior, Esther Gray, and Doris Williams of Weldon, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Pearson, Polly, Rivers, Christine and Jean Marie Pearson, and Mrs. C. L. Pearson, all of Fitzhugh, Va., Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Fisher, Mrs. Mary Tudor, J. C. Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Smith, Bobby, Lewis Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Pearson, Gladys Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Hudgins, Mrs. LeRoy Tudor, Mrs. Blanch Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Williams and Bobby Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Herman and Helen Rose Vinson, Horace Williams, Miss Retha Colston, all of Roanoke Rapids. Mrs. Williams was the recipient of many lovely and useful gifts.

## ONE GOES, ONE STAYS

There were two in the city jail at Roanoke Rapids Sunday. Monday one was gone and one was left.

Lawrence Powell, colored, in jail on a drunkenness charge, escaped from the jail some time Sunday. Police believe he had outside assistance in getting over the high wire fence.

Spencer Goins, colored, who was in jail with Powell, refused to leave the jail when given a chance to escape, but would say nothing about Powell's departure.

## GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Morris, of near Littleton, N. C., celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary January 16th, 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris have lived at the same place during the fifty years they have been married. They have lived to see four generations of their family, having eleven children, thirty grandchildren and five great grandsons, all living.

Seward Dickens of Oak Ridge spent the week-end at home.

## Officials Of C. Chest Are Chosen

The annual organization meeting of Roanoke Rapids Community Chest was held last night and the following officers were elected for 1939: T. W. Mullen, President; Dr. T. W. M. Long, Vice President; H. B. Speight, Secretary; F. M. Sherry, Treasurer.

Trustees elected for two years were J. T. Chase, T. W. M. Long, T. W. Mullen and F. C. Williams; for one year: A. N. Martin, F. M. Sherry, L. I. Stell and F. P. Wilmer. These are the trustees elected at large by all contributors to the Community Chest. Other trustees are elected by participating agencies.

All persons desiring a copy of the constitution and by-laws of the Roanoke Rapids Community Chest may secure same by writing to H. B. Speight, Secretary of the organization.

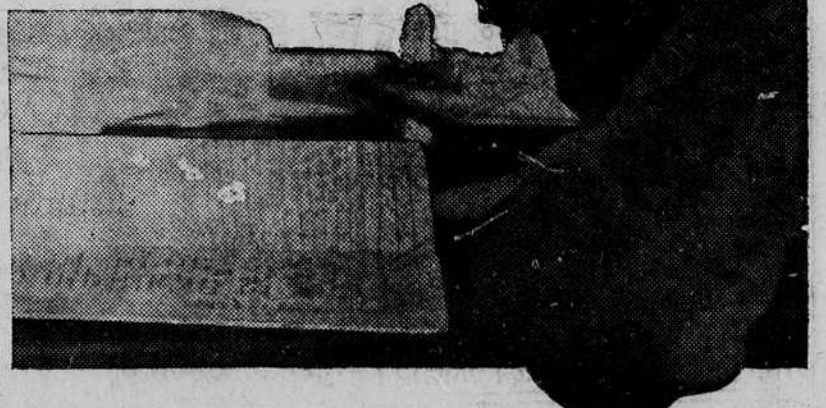
Mrs. Alice Tippett of Oxford spent last week with her cousin, Mrs. G. E. Williams.

Mrs. J. B. Young is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. M. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lambertson, Mrs. Grover Taylor and Morris Rook spent Wednesday at Bracey, Va.

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take the decision amid boos from the large audience.

The third fight on the program was between Wade Brooks, 135 lbs. of Rocky Mount and Dick Collins, 135 lbs. of the Owls. Brooks proved to be a crouch style of boxer and was an easy target for Collins' long right arm. At the end of the first round, Brooks was found to be too injured to continue the fight and Collins was awarded the fight by a T.K.O.

The final fight of the evening was between C. P. Putman, 145 lbs. of Rocky Mount and Captain Philip Hux, 145 lbs. of the Owls. Putman appeared to have had years of ring experience and proved himself one of the cleanest, cleverest boxers ever seen in Roanoke Rapids. Both boys fought a good fight and Hux was awarded the decision. This fight, too, dear reader, might well have been called a draw.

Saturday night, Jan. 28, Manager Kemp is bringing to the Arena Petersburg A. C. and from all reports, these lads are going to be received with a warm welcome by the local Owls so be on hand, dear reader, to watch the fur fly.

## Mrs. Lampley Hostess

Mrs. George Lampley entertained the Tuesday Night Bridge Club and additional guests at her home this week. Mesdames Sam Bunn, A. O. George, Arthur Gilliam, Ivey Mohnorn, Geo. Pappendick, H. C. Wirtz, J. A. Wood, Zollie Powell, Thurman Bullock, Pete Graham, Ella Grimmer, Miss Edna Wafford made up the three tables. High score prize went to Mrs. Arthur Gilliam, second high to Mrs. Sam Bunn and traveling honor prize to Mrs. Thurman Bullock. The hostess served a delicious salad plate with coffee at 10:30.