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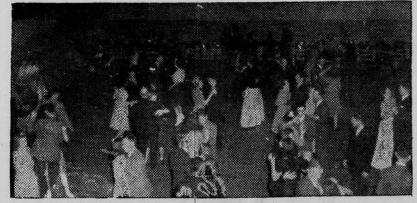
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### HIGH SCHOOL TEAM



Above is shown the girls' basketball team of the high school. The squad, coached by Margaret Poyner, has recently completed a successful

### MINSTREL CAST DANCE



Above is a view of the dance given by the Kiwanis Club in honor of the members of the minstrel cast. The function was held in the gymnasium of the high school.

### EIGHT CHILDREN HURT BY FALLING PLASTER WED. AM

#### Section Gives Way In Rosemary School

The little second graders in Miss Reid's room at the Rosemary gradthey were being attacked by enemy raiders Wednesday morning of this week. Suddenly, in the midst of a class, a section of plastering, approximately 5 by 8 feet, gave way and fell from the ceiling upon the heads of the children, sending eight of them to the hospital where they were treated for cuts and bruises. One little girl, Peggy Ryals, had four toes broken.

contusion of head: Noah Saddler, cut on shoulder: Irwin Bright, cut on nose and left hand; Sidney Deleatch, contusion on head; George Jenkins, contusion on right arm: ed school probably thought that der and hand. None of the children bridge and Gaston will be poured channel of the river and Gaston. Pete Newsome, cut on left shoulwere kept at the hospital.

> The Rosemary school was erected in 1915. In the same room about four years ago a teacher was injured by falling plaster, according to information from the janitor of the building.

As the plastering gave way Wednesday, it broke into small pieces, The other children injured were no child being hit by a very heavy Margaret Ann Robinson, contusions section. The plastering was approxof hand and wrist; M. C. Crane, imately one inch thick.

### **WAKE FOREST 17-DUKE 3**





At top, Lefty Tommy Byrne, ace Wake Forest pitcher and former Coanoke Rapids Owl, is shown scoring after cleaning the bases in the fatal 9th here last Saturday when Wake Forest beat Duke before a chilled but enthusiastic crowd of over 1,000. At bottom is the first score of the game, a regular Big 5 match. (NewsKuts by Crumpler & Brigman)

### **WORK PROGRESSES** ON \$25000 BRIDGE **OVER RIVER HERE**

The first concrete in the new \$25,000.00 bridge across the northern arm of the Roanoke River in the new stretch of highway to be constructed between the main river early next week, according to information from Superintendent of

construction L. G. Frierson today ... A small force has been at work clearing the bridge right-of-way for the past several days. A "steam" shovel is at present excavating for treated, it is understood here. the seven cement pillars that will

Work on the road itself is expectwas undertaken by the State High- is understood.

way Department in order to replace the old narrow bridge across the northern arm of the river at the present and to eliminate the curves on the road between the main

The contract for the construction of the bridge was let to Kiker and Yount of Reidsville. The highway contract was let to Gregory and Poole of Virgilina. The new stretch of road will be surface

The bridge will be 256 feet long support the structure across the and approximately 29 feet above low water level. The work is expected to be completed in about ed to begin in the next few weeks. four months. The road will be com-Construction of the road and bridge pleted in about the same time, it

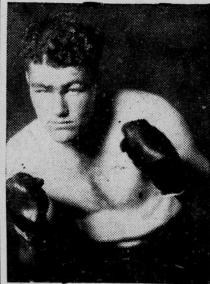
## MEN ARE TAKING EXAMS

Roanoke Rapids has been awarded the N. C. National Guard Unit, a Collecting Company of the 105th Medical Regiment and for the past two days a committee has been receiving applications which last night were double the number needed for the peace time strength of the company.

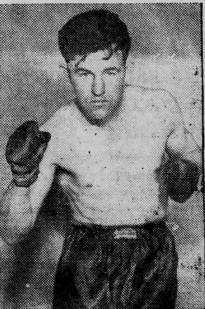
Regimental officers are in the city today and, aided by local officers and doctors, are giving physical examinations to applicants. It is expected that the usual number will fail to pass the physical exam while others may be disqualified or held for reserve because of dependents.

120 men had made application by last night for the 66 places and more applications were being made today. About 60 per cent of the company must have no direct dependents, leaving 40 per cent to be picked from the married men, (Continued on Page 8, Sec. A)

#### **BOXING SHOW**



LONNIE BLACKWELDER



HUNTER CROSTIC

In feature bout here May 9th in first outdoor boxing show in Roanoke Rapids at Simmons Park. staged by the Rosemary Athletic