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NEW FILTER PLANT COUNTY SHERIFF BUS STATION

TO BUILD \$10,000.00 STATION

Altho it could not be officially confirmed from the Carolina Coach Company the Herald learned from an authoritative source tonight that they had definitely decided upon the site for their Roanoke Rapids terminal.

The location will be lots numbers 1108 to 1116 Roanoke Avenue. The property is almost immediately adjacent to the Citizens Bank & Trust Co. building, there being two lots left vacant between the building occupied by the Citizens Realty and Insurance Agency and the bus company property. Carolina Trailways, it is understood, will occupy five 25-ft. lots on the Avenue. They will erect a building with an approximate 50-ft. frontage and extending to the alley, 140-ft., on the southern end of the property selected by them.

Construction is to start immediately, it is said, and when completed Roanoke Rapids will have one of the finest bus terminals of any small city on the Atlantic seaboard, in keeping with the important bus terminus the city has become since the Carolina Coach Company was granted charters to operate from Raleigh to Richmond and Norfolk, with important connecting links to northern and southern points.

It was definitely learned that plans for the local bus depot include spacious waiting rooms for white and colored passengers with a partition dividing same and separate ticket windows to serve them; ample storage space for baggage; a concessions counter for both white and colored, and rest room facilities for white and colored men and women. In addition the building will house executive offices for company officials and drivers, while in the rear will be located storage, furnace and coal storage rooms, and a garage and greasing pit sufficient to accommodate three of the large "clipper" buses operated by the company.

The front of the building will be most attractive and undoubtedly a valuable addition to the Avenue. A large electric sign and modernistic marquee will identify the station, according to present plans. To the left of the station will be the "loading platform" with parking space provided for five buses at one time. These platforms will be so situated that entrance to the buses will be on the same elevation as the walkway for passengers. The three extra lots on the North side of the station will provide

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ROMANCOS PLAY 1:30 P. M. FRIDAY



Repeating 1939, the Romancos of Roanoke Rapids won the 1940 State Softball championship at Raleigh and are now in Detroit in the National Tourney. Above is Russ DeBerry, ace pitcher, holding the Championship Plaque presented to the Roanoke Rapids team Monday night by State Tournament officials.

Following telegram came in from Coach Bill Allgood, who is with the Romancos in Detroit tonight:

Detroit Mich Sept 5 1940
Carroll Wilson
Sports Editor

The Romancos drew a first round bye for Friday morning and will play the winner of the Penna.-Ohio game at one thirty Friday at Northwestern Field. Ohio is heavily favored to win over Penn. as the Buckeyes went to the Worlds Finals last year against Covington

Ky who won the title 1-0 and is rated the strongest team in the tournament this year and have five ace pitchers on their team

Bill Allgood
The Romancos, twice championship softballers of North Carolina, arrived in Detroit this morning, ready for the National Tournament to be held there beginning tonight. Approximately 100 of the prime softball clubs from the nation will be on hand to vie for the National Trophy.

The local boys—led by DeBerry, (Continued on Page 12, Sec. A)

RIDDICK RESIGNS

Harry A. House of Thelma was appointed Sheriff of Halifax County this morning by the County Board of Commissioners to fill the unexpired term of Joe L. Riddick who resigned last night.

The Board passed the following resolution this morning: "N. W. Warren nominated Harry A. House as Sheriff to fill the unexpired term of J. L. Riddick, resigned. Seconded by J. R. Wrenn. On vote taken, Harry A. House was unanimously elected Sheriff, and bond fixed at \$5,000."

The new Sheriff was sworn into office late this afternoon by Clerk of the Superior Court A. L. Hux. Sheriff House was born at Thelma, July 30, 1890, son of the late C. D. House and the former Miss Lula Allen of Weldon. He is a brother of Hugh House of Halifax and a nephew of the late Sheriff J. A. House of Thelma who served as Sheriff of Halifax County for 24 years.

Young Sheriff House has served as deputy sheriff the past 15 years under the last three sheriffs. He stated this afternoon that tomorrow he would swear in five deputies: C. O. Strickland, Enfield; Jack Whitehead, Weldon; J. W. Dickens, Halifax; G. F. Gray, Roanoke Rapids; Julian Draper, Tillery. Others will be appointed later, he said.

Altho presented yesterday, Sept. 4, Mr. Riddick's resignation was dated August 31. It reads as follows:

August 31, 1940

The Board of
County Commissioners
Halifax, N. C.

Dear Sirs:

On account of a great deal of untruth talked about me in the county and which it is utterly impossible to refute or to meet, I have decided and do hereby tender my resignation as Sheriff of Halifax County to your Board, effective as of this date.

In doing this, there is no admission on my part of any immoral conduct, and I deny that I have been guilty of any immoral conduct in any respect whatever. However, I feel that the talk which has been going on in the county in reference to me is of such a nature that it reflects upon the office which I hold and I am unwilling that such should be the case.

I assure you that I have at all times conscientiously undertaken to execute the office of Sheriff on as high a plane as is humanly possible. I appreciate the cooperation which I have received from your Board and from the law-abiding people of the county generally.

Respectfully yours,
Joe L. Riddick

ENLARGE WATER OUTPUT

A new addition to the present filter plant at Roanoke Rapids will be built which will increase the filtering capacity 50 per cent, according to reliable information received by The Herald today. Work on the new addition will start in the very near future.

An entire new section of basins and filter equipment will be added to the present two sections. This will mean 50 per cent more filtered water for local citizens and industries and for the new homes and industries for several years in the future. This also means that the present water shortage will be averted in the future.

A fair and amicable settlement has been reached between the Sanitary District officials and the Rosemary Mfg. Co., which owns the present filter plant, according to information. The agreement was reached last night after two afternoon sessions.

Rosemary Mfg. Co. will stand the expense of the new addition and will charge the Sanitary District one dollar per year rental for the use of the entire plant.

Funeral Held For B. Moyer September 4

Funeral services were held for B. Moyer, 53, who died at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital Tuesday afternoon, September 3, after a brief illness, Wednesday afternoon at the Williams Funeral Home with the Rev. J. N. Bynum officiating. Interment was in the Roanoke Rapids Cemetery.

Mr. Moyer, who was born in Franklin County, is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Louise Warwick of Danville, Va., Mrs. Beatrice Wray of Jarretts, Va., Mrs. W. H. Taylor of Ferrium, Va., and Mrs. Estelle Moody of Dunn; two sons, David Moyer of Ferrium, Va., and Arthur Moyer of Roanoke Rapids; a sister, Mrs. Rose Outland of Roanoke Rapids.

Pallbearers were V. L. Little, Leroy Askew, Harry Moulder, J. M. Faison, M. M. Moore, W. L. Landis.