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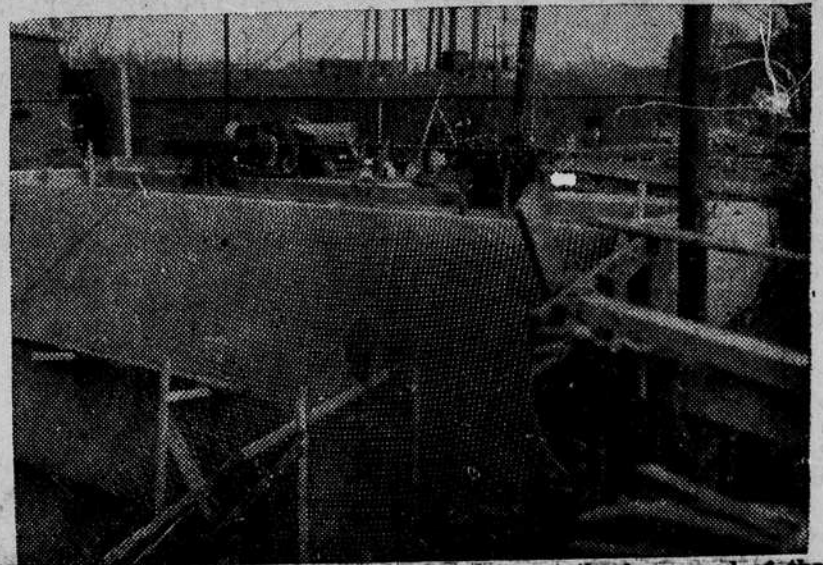
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!

NEW ADDITION AT PAPER MILL



Above photograph shows construction work in progress on the new addition at the Halifax Paper Company. This three-story addition will be over 50 per cent larger than the section, on the same location, that collapsed during the August flood. (NewsKut by Brigman)

CANAL READY FOR WATER AGAIN



Above is a recent picture of the gates at the lower end of the Virginia Electric and Power Company canal. New gratings in picture have been put in since flood in August. Behind the gratings is the flume that takes water to the Halifax Paper Company. The entire canal has been repaired and water is expected to be turned into it this Friday morning, enabling the industries and the power plants at the river to utilize the water directly from the canal once again. (Story inside) (NewsKuts by Brigman)

CHEST TRUSTEES HEAR REPORT OF CAMPAIGN DRIVE

The Trustees of the Roanoke Rapids Community Chest held their postponed November meeting on December 11 in the Municipal Building. The highlight of the meeting was a report from the Campaign Drive Chairman, T. J. Alford.

Mr. Alford explained that the amounts he was reporting had been checked through the office and to date this was not a complete report as the General Gifts Division still had some pledges and cash to be turned in. The report is as follows: Industrial Gifts Division, \$6,472.23, Special Gifts Division, \$4,303.50. General Gifts Division reported \$2,466.22, making the total pledged \$13,241.95.

While the report is not complete it will be interesting to note here what the Community Chest campaigns over the nation are doing. The Chest office here received from the national Council a report from Charles Francis Adams, Chairman of the Community Mobilization for Human Needs. In this report he states: "For the second consecutive year, the nation's community chest campaigns have shown substantial gains both in money raised and in the number of contributors.

To date, 252 cities have reported their fall campaigns. They have gained 2.6 percent over the amount raised last year when an increase of 3.9 percent over the previous year was obtained.

"Reports indicate that the total number of contributors to community chests also shows a gain, probably reflecting increased employment over the country," Mr. Adams said. Approximately one out of five residents contribute to community chests in cities where they exist.

Community chests reached 98.2 percent of their goals this fall. Only once during the past twenty years, in 1931, have chests averaged 98 percent of their objectives. Chests of all sizes and in all parts of the country shared in the general increase. More than two-thirds of the reporting cities exceeded last year's figures and city-by-city inspection shows that relatively few fell far below their previous campaigns.

Immediately after the meeting of the Trustees, the Executive Committee composed of F. C. Williams, F. M. Sherry, B. E. Speight, A. Melkie, A. N. Martin and T. W. Mullen, met and appointed a Nominating Committee of five persons and a committee of three Tellers to conduct the forthcoming election of Trustees.

Those appointed to the Nominating Committee were: Byron Gurley, Chairman, Tom White, J. T. Forrester, Shearod Crumpler, and Lewis Taylor.

The Committee of three Tellers were: Calvin Kennemur, Chairman, William H. Thorne and Russell Buxton.

Close Christmas

Most of the stores, banks, and the ABC stores will be closed Christmas day and the following day, Wednesday and Thursday, December 25 and 26.

The post office will be closed on Christmas Day only.

The local textile mills will be closed Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, December 23, 24, 25.

The State Employment office will be closed Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, running on the same schedule as the local textile mills.

The post office, banks, and the ABC stores will be closed again a week later on New Year's day. The stores will remain open on New Year's.

Schools will be closed from December 20 to January 6.

The Herald office will be closed on Christmas Day only.

The Virginia Electric and Power Company office will be closed on Christmas Day and the following day, Thursday.

The city clerk's office will be closed on Christmas day. The office will open again on Thursday, giving license purchasers a chance to buy their tags. The Sanitary District office will be closed Tuesday afternoon and all day Christmas day.

The Halifax Paper Company will be closed only one day (24 hours) and that will be Christmas Day.

The Manchester Board and Paper Company has tentative plans to close the plant from Tuesday morning, December 24 until the following Monday. However, the force will observe only two holidays, Christmas Eve and Christmas day.

OFFICE CASHIER HELD UP BY MAN WITH MASK & GUN

Leaves Without Taking Anything As Girl Faints

A masked man, described as white, short of stature, frail of body, and wearing a dark cap, walked into the freight office of the Seaboard Airline Railroad in Weldon Tuesday evening about 6 o'clock and demanded that Miss Ora Shores, cashier of the office, hand over the money in the office safe.

He emphasized the demand with a pistol that he kept trained on Miss Shores.

The cashier told the bandit that he could have her own personal money that she had in her purse but that she would not unlock the safe. In turn the man told Miss Shores that he did not want her money. He said that the Seaboard Company "had done him wrong" at one time and that he was after the company's money.

Miss Shores is reported to have fainted at that point, and when she "came to", the bandit was gone. Nothing has been missed at the station thus far, according to reports.

Miss Shores was able to give police a rather detailed description of the man. However, he had not been picked up late today.

It has been reported that a man who might have answered the description of the person at Weldon

has been seen loitering about the freight station of the Seaboard in Roanoke Rapids.

Miss Shores was alone in the office at the time of the attempted hold-up. She had remained at the office after working hours in order to catch up on some of her work, according to reports.

Police have been able to find no other persons who saw the man enter or leave the freight office. Miss Shores was unable to give any light on how he arrived at the office or how he left it.

Chief of Police H. E. Dobbins, who was called to Weldon on the case, said that in his opinion the would-be robber was an amateur. A professional would have completed the job, he said.

Registration Of Aliens Will Stop

Registration of aliens will be discontinued at the local post office after December 26, L. G. Shell, postmaster, said this week. It is understood that several men have reported to the office and have been finger printed by the department.

All aliens are required to register by an act of Congress. This has to be done voluntarily. No requests are sent to those people who have not become naturalized. However, they will be subject to action by the government if they do not present themselves for registration.