

# JUDGE STEVENS TELLS JURY TO DO ITS DUTY

## J. R. Twisdale Is New Foreman Grand Jury For Halifax

Judge Henry L. Stevens, of Warsaw, opening Halifax County Superior court Monday morning, charged members of the county grand jury to "at all times do your duty, carry out your work with dispatch, and make your reports to your presiding judge without favor to any race, group or person. You are one of the most responsible bodies in the county government; you are charged with the responsibility of seeing that justice is done, that the laws of the land are upheld and that prompt action is taken on any matter entrusted to your care".

J. R. Twisdale of Halifax was sworn in as the new foreman of the grand jury and will serve in this capacity for the next twelve months.

Nine new members of the grand jury to serve during the next twelve months were also sworn in. They are William Harvy, C. C. Landing, Jimmie Cullom, E. C. McCutchin, Arthur L. Clary, Hubert Isles, W. E. Lewis, Charlie Harris, and C. L. Crump.

Turning to a patriotic slant in

his charge to the grand jury, Judge Stevens, who is noted for his fiery speeches on preparedness throughout the State, urged his hearers to bear in mind that the United States is at war and that from time to time Americans would be called upon to sacrifice luxuries and even the necessities of every day life, but that all true Americans would take such sacrifices in stride, as they always have when the American way of life was threatened.

He urged all residents in Halifax county who are not serving in the armed forces to do all they can in supporting the Civilian Defense effort, the purchase of defense savings bonds and stamps, and the support of wartime relief agencies, such as the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the USO, and other organized groups that have a part in the care and welfare of our soldiers.

The remainder of this week will be taken up in the disposal of criminal cases, and next week's session will be devoted to hearing of civil cases.

This is Judge Stevens' first assignment in Halifax County and court officials, attorneys and spectators alike were impressed with the efficient manner with which he got court proceedings underway.

can do is to buy a spectator ticket—It's the "President's Birthday Ball" at the Armory.—Rumors have it that Bennie Everett and Frank Rhome, veteran Romanco "oldtimers" will be out again this season trying to break in the outfield—It will be a tough spot to make—Youth will be served! But I'll have to admit, they could play ball in their day—Russ DeBerry is better this season than he has ever been—I'll predict here and now that the "Rosemary Torpedo" will win at least fifty games this season and hang up a National record.—Betcha!

## 15 TIRES PERMITS ISSUED

The following persons have been issued tire permits during the past few days by the local tire rationing board, H. B. Speight, chairman of the local board, announced yesterday.

Dr. M. C. Maddrey, Roanoke Rapids, one tire and one tube; P. R. Kitchen, Weldon Chief of Po-

lice, two tires and two tubes; T. A. Chappel, Weldon, plumbing and heating contractors, three truck tires and two tubes; C. S. Thompson, Roanoke Rapids ice and fuel dealer, one truck tire and tube; H. P. Robinson, Littleton farmer, one tractor tire and tube; H. G. Rowe Funeral Home, Weldon, two ambulance tires; Weldon Roofing and Sheet Metal Company, one tire; P. E. Green, Roanoke Rapids pulpwood hauler, two tires; and C. H. Dickens of Littleton, two tires.

The following were issued tire permits for purchase of tires of an obsolete size: George Foulcom, Weldon, two tires and two tubes; E. L. Cain, Roanoke Rapids, two tires and two tubes; I. N. Newsome, Roanoke Rapids, two tires and two tubes; Jack Avery, Roanoke Rapids, two tires; C. A. Pepper, Littleton, two tires and two tubes.

Mr. Speight said that the rationing board, on orders from headquarters, considered tires of a certain size as an obsolete item and that those issued of this class were not included in the quota of tires issued to this board, but that application must be made for their purchase, however.

## Complete Plans For Registering Men Age 20 to 45

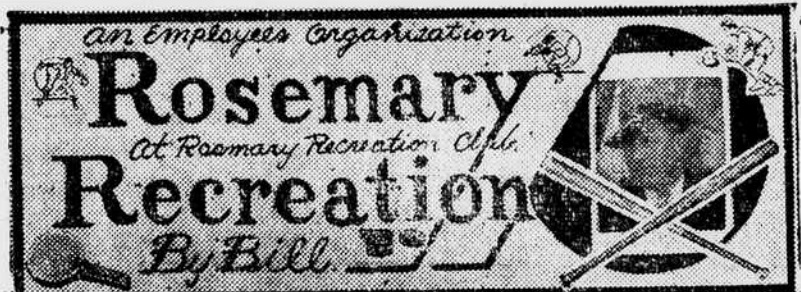
Final plans for the holding of the 20-45 year draft registration in this county on Monday, February 16, have been completed and filed with State Selective Service headquarters in Raleigh for approval.

M. McRae Faison, clerk to Local Board No. 1, Roanoke Rapids, said today that the new censorship law banned the publication of plans for the registration until such time as plans had been approved by the State Selective Service headquarters.

With this in mind, he said, complete plans would not be made known until final approval came from Raleigh, which is expected this week.

Complete details for the registration under the Roanoke Rapids board will be carried in next week's Herald.

One of the most popular hobbies of sailors in the U. S. Navy and Naval Reserve is that of collecting "covers" from the battleships that maintain their own Post Offices. Several naval magazines devote regular departments to stamp collections.



One year ago this Saturday night Rosemary Recreation Club started off its regular Saturday night square dances by sponsoring the "President's Birthday Ball". Byron Gurley of the local Lions Club was chairman and the dance was a huge success. Of course Rufus Mountford was Chairman of the Dance and contributed in a large measure to its success. We are only too glad to announce that we will again sponsor a "President's Ball" square dance this Saturday night, and that all profit will be turned over to Carlton Cannon, Chairman of the Lions Club Committee.

A meeting of the Romanco softball team was held last Wednesday night at the Recreation Club. Discussion was held to decide about the election of coaches and managers for the coming season. Judging from the crowd of players present the Romancos should have plenty of talent out for the ball club when workouts are started in April.

Pickups N' Putouts:  
Sour notes: That was really a red hot bond election last Tuesday—such interest! Don't forget to dance Friday night—so that crippled kids can walk—the least we

## NOTICE

### RESULT OF SPECIAL BOND ELECTION

At a special bond election held January 27, 1942, 4945 voters were registered and qualified to vote.

121 votes were cast for the ordinance authorizing not exceeding \$16,000 bonds of the City of Roanoke Rapids for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring the necessary right of way for the construction by the State of an underpass under the tracks of the Seaboard Air Line Railway across Roanoke Avenue at Roanoke Junction, and also the cost of damages to property caused by such construction, and a tax for said bonds, and 14 votes were cast against said ordinance, and said ordinance was thereby approved and is in force and effect.

122 votes were cast for the ordinance authorizing not exceeding \$12,000 bonds of the City of Roanoke Rapids for the purpose of paying the cost of purchasing land and improving the same for cemetery purposes, and a tax for said bonds, and 9 votes were cast against said ordinance, and said ordinance was thereby approved and is in force and effect.

This statement is given by order of the Board of Commissioners, this 28th day of January, 1942.

KELLY JENKINS, Mayor.  
M. D. COLLIER,  
W. P. TAYLOR,  
F. C. WILLIAMS,  
J. B. GURLEY,  
V. E. McDOWELL,  
R. I. STARKE,  
Commissioners.

Regular admission will be charged and the Square Dance Committee under Chairman Eugene Blowe assures all dancers who attend that they will have the time of their life.

Chester Simms and his Rosemary Ping Pong team deserve a lot of "back slapping" for winning the City Ping Pong championship. Members of the team beside Simms are Francis Buck, "Pig" Riggan, Roy Simms, Alfred Hall, and "Lefty" Lee. The boys waded thru the league like a house afire, and Coach Simms deserves a lot of credit for the skillful way in which he handled the team.

Bill Thompson is really putting Ledgerwood Park in good shape for the coming softball season. The entire infield is being worked over and when finished will give the Romancos one of the nicest parks in the State. From latest reports the State champs are rearing to get into action for 1942.

Smith Barrier of the Greensboro Daily News is handling all details in connection with the State softball meeting to be held at the O'Henry Hotel this coming Sunday at 1 o'clock p.m. District Commissioners representing the eight North Carolina districts will be present. Frank Kemp of District One will attend from here.

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