

FEW FIRMS CLOSE FOR NEW YEARS

Mills To Have 3-Day Week-End; "Business As Usual" Elsewhere

Roanoke Rapids textile mills will enjoy another long week end this week to usher in the New Year holidays, but for the most part business will go on as usual at city stores. Only a few business houses will close their doors Friday. All city banks, the Virginia Electric & Power Co., the Halifax County ABC Stores, and the N. C. Employment Service office will be closed all day. The postoffice will observe their war-time holiday hours, with general delivery and stamp windows open from 10:30 to 11:30 a. m. and again from 4:30 to 5:30 p. m. There will be no delivery of mail on New Year's Day.

For city textile workers the holidays this year have been longer than those of any previous occasion in memory, as they enjoyed a four-day week end last week. Only employees of the local mills who will work Friday, January 1st, will be those who must take inventory on that day.

Keen disappointment may be in store for the city's "imbibers" who have been looking forward to Friday, January 1st, as the day their new series of coupons will be redeemable at the county-operated ABC stores for spiritous beverages. According to the ruling of the State Board, coupons Nos. 7, 8, 9 and 10 are redeemable for the period of from January 1st to January 15th, but the ABC stores will be closed all day Friday, thus no sales on the new coupon series can be made until the following day, Saturday, January 2nd.

John Connor, Jr. Is Aviation Cadet At Maxwell Field

Maxwell Field, Ala., Dec. 31 — John C. Connor, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Connor, of 36 Roanoke Avenue, is a member of the latest class of aviation cadets to enroll in the Army Air Forces Pre-Flight School (Pilot) at Maxwell Field, located on the outskirts of Montgomery, the capital of Alabama.

Here the new class of cadets is receiving nine weeks of intensive military, physical and academic training preparatory to beginning their actual flight instruction at one of the many primary flying schools in the Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center.

Cadet Connor attended Roanoke Rapids High School and had served in the U. S. Army as an enlisted man for two years and two months when he was appointed an aviation cadet in the Army Air forces. Cadet Connor was an employee of Halifax Paper Corporation.

Chas. A. Webb, Jr. Now Lieutenant; Visits Parents

Word was recently received here by friends and relatives, that Charles Allen Webb, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Webb, 430 Washington Street, was commissioned a First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army on December 24th.

Lt. Webb serves with the Third Division, 143 Armored Signal Corps and is at present stationed at Camp Pickett, Va. Lt. and Mrs. Webb, and their daughter visited Webb's parents here for the Christmas holidays.

William Farber is spending the week in Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Lancaster and son, Maxie, spent Christmas in Rocky Mount.

BIRTHS

Ten births were reported at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital this week: Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Daniels, girl on Dec. 23; Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Clements, boy on Dec. 24; Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wallace, boy on Dec. 25; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wright of White Plains, Va., girl on Dec. 25; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wendell of Emporia, Va., girl on Dec. 27; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Balmer, boy on Dec. 26; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Spence, boy on Dec. 29; Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow James, girl on Dec. 29; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Butts, girl on Dec. 29; and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Mayle, girl on Dec. 29.

OUT-OF-TOWN PATIENTS AT HOSPITAL

Fourteen out-of-town patients were reported at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital this week: Mrs. J. R. Cancell of Emporia, Va.; Z. L. Davenport of Gumberry; R. F. Davis of Seaboard; A. K. Harris of Seaboard; W. R. Hackett of Littleton; Nancy Jones of Jackson; Nancy Lee King of Inez; Mrs. Woodrow Mayle of Emporia, Va.; Mrs. J. W. Moore of Littleton; Mrs. J. M. Mann of Severn; Mrs. Ezra Shearin of Hollister; Mrs. J. H. Shell of Gholsonville, Va.; Mrs. G. W. Wendell of Emporia, Va.; and Mrs. Alvin Wright of White Plains, Va.

Moves Insurance Office Operated By McRae Faison

Announcement is made this week by M. McRae Faison, local insurance man, that his offices will henceforth be located at 1201 Washington Street, instead of at the Kidd Building where he formerly maintained offices.

Faison established his insurance business in the city several years ago, and has been quite successful since returning here to make his residence. He specializes in writing mutual insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayo Coburn and daughter, Sandra, of Newport News, were visitors here during the holidays.

Overbys Observe Golden Wedding

On Sunday, December 27, at their home near Margarettsville in Northampton County, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Overby celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary. They were married at the Sharon Church in Northampton County, December 27, 1892, by the late Reverend Jiles.

The Overbys have eight children: Miss Ethel Overby, of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. H. P. Atkinson, of Roanoke Rapids; Mrs. R. E. Elank, of Richmond, Va.; Mrs. R. T. Batts, of Rocky Point; H. D. Overby, of Margarettsville; Eunice Overby, of Margarettsville, now in the U. S. Army; Mrs. Arnold Parreco, of Washington, D. C. and Robert Overby of Margarettsville. They have six grandchildren.

Mrs. Overby, 69, was before her marriage Miss Mattie Coggin and was reared in Northampton County. Mr. Overby, 71, was born and reared in Harnett County. They have made their home in Margarettsville for the past 35 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Overby celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary at their home and during the course of the day between fifty to seventy-five friends called.

MISS TAYLOR HOSTESS

Members of Circle No. 3 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, of Rosemary Methodist Church, and a few additional guests, were entertained at a Christmas party by the leader, Miss Helen Taylor, in the Blue Room at Rosemary Cafe, Tuesday evening, Dec. 22nd.

Carols were softly played by Miss Marie Harbour as the guests assembled in the candle-lit room. The tables were arranged and decorated with holly and red candles, attractive Christmas favors adding color to the scene.

After finding their places the guests sang "O Little Town of Bethlehem." The hostess extended the welcome and heartiest season's

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GRIZZARDS

SERVICE STATION

Roanoke Avenue at Third

greetings to which Miss Viola Glover responded. Mrs. Carl Thompson recited the Christmas story from St. Matthew. Miss Alice Fields sweetly sang "O Holy Night." Mrs. H. E. Baker gave a Christmas reading which was followed by the singing of carols.

Refreshments consisting of a salad plate and coffee was served to the following: Rev. and Mrs. Paul Fields, Mesdames H. E. Cam-

eron, Grady Pearson, Jobie Rawlings, T. H. Cook, Emma Roberson, Dewitt King, Crawford Britton, T. H. Cooksie, Carl Thompson, H. E. Baker, T. A. Collier, Grady Roughton, J. Thompson, R. B. Hurst, J. C. Wells, C. W. Davis, Hazel R. Harris, Misses Viola and Ruth Glover, Corrinne Satterthwaite, Elsie Rhone, Marie Harbour, Alice Ann Fields, Clyde Fulghum and Ann Crawley.

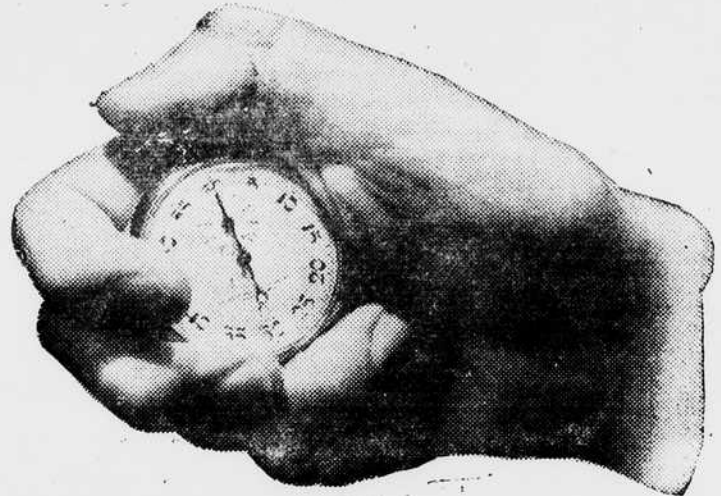
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This is the Penney Company's Statement of Faith, the Penney Company's Pledge of Cooperation for the Year 1943, and for Every War Year Thereafter.