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## START TIN SALVAGE DRIVE

### 300 RETAILERS ATTEND MEET. IN CITY WED.

A meeting of the retailers of Roanoke Rapids, Littleton and Weldon Townships was held in the Roanoke Rapids High School Auditorium Wednesday night at eight o'clock. The meeting was conducted principally for the purpose of discussing rulings which have been made by the Office of Price Administration, together with their regulations for the national food problem.

Two representatives of the OPA were present who gave talks on specific subjects. Maurice Hill, Senior Price Officer from Raleigh, spoke to the group about price fixation in general lines of merchandise. L. E. Edwards, Food Specialist from Raleigh, spoke to them about food prices.

A great deal of local interest in the meeting was shown by retailers in this area. At least 300 merchants, clerks and store managers attended. The local rationing board had let the bars down on "pleasure driving" to enable merchants to drive their automobiles to the meeting, ruling that attendance there by interested persons did not constitute "pleasure driving." Observers noted more automobiles parked near the high school building than had been seen since the recent ruling on pleasure driving came into effect.

### 45 COMPLETE NURSES AIDE COURSE HERE

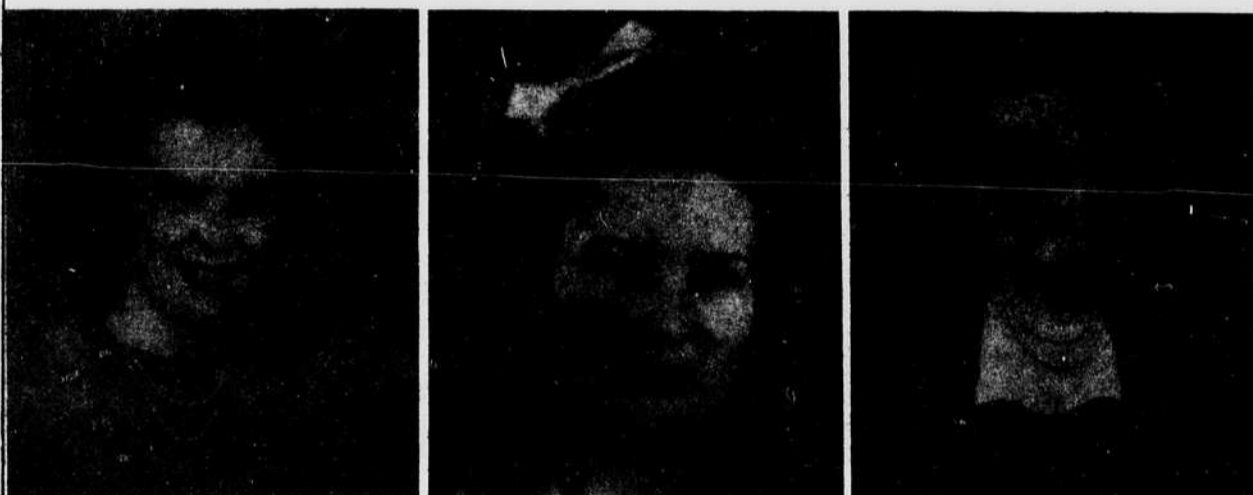
#### Rev. John Walker Will Address Group Monday At Capping Exercises

Thirty-three young ladies of the city have completed their courses, and are scheduled to receive their certificates, as the second and third nurses' aide classes at capping exercises to be held at the Rosemary Baptist Church next Monday night at 8 o'clock. This will bring to a total of 45 the number here who have received their Red Cross Nurses' Aide certificates. The first class, composed of 12, graduated early in September last year.

Rev. John Walker, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will address the group at Monday night's capping exercises, to which the public, and particularly friends of the young women completing the course, are invited.

The 33 ladies to receive their certificates next Monday night have given unstintingly of their time over a strenuous training period of the past several weeks. They are to serve in case of war or other emergency, without re-

### AMONG CITY'S FIRST WAAC'S



DELLA MCKAY ERWIN

MADIA P. WADE

VIRGIE P. FARTHING

Shown above are three young ladies of which Roanoke Rapids may well be proud, as they are among the first from the city to take the Oath to defend America by non-combat service in the Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps. Details of their enlistment will be found on another page in this issue.

### PREPARATION OF CANS OF IMPORTANCE

A concerted drive for obtaining tin salvage will be made in the county through the collection of properly prepared tin cans, following the appointment of the Weldon Coca-Cola Bottling Works, Inc., as the official tin salvage collectors for Halifax County by the War Production Board. D. W. Seifert, manager of the Weldon bottling concern, has conferred with F. S. Kemp, chairman of the salvage committee for Roanoke Rapids Township, together with other salvage officials throughout the county, and detailed plans of the drive are announced herewith.

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### LONG SENTENCES ARE DEALT CITY YOUTHS AT SUPERIOR COURT

### LIONS STAGE POLIO DRIVE CELEBRATION

#### Indoor Circus, Dance To Be Held At Armory Here Saturday Night

The Roanoke Rapids Lions Club is all set for the celebration of the President's Birthday, auspices of the infantile paralysis fund, they are to stage at the Armory here Saturday night, January 30th, from 8 p. m. until midnight.

Many "weak spots" in the program have been ironed out this week by tireless members of the committee which has been working overtime to insure the success of Saturday night's venture, and present indications point to one of the most successful celebrations ever to be held.

This year's celebration will vary a great deal from any formerly staged here. There will be the proverbial "President's Ball;" — as a matter of fact there will literally be two dances, but since stringent regulations as to pleasure driving have been placed in effect, the local civic club decided not to employ the services of a high-priced dance band for the occasion. General admission (which is only 35c) to the indoor celebration, entitles patrons to square dancing to the music of "The Rangers," local hill-billy band, or to straight dancing to the music of electrical recordings. The two types of danc-

The first week's session of Superior Court was held this week at the county seat in Halifax, with Judge Richard D. Dixon of Edenton presiding. As is the custom, the first week of the court was given over to the trial of criminal cases. Next week's session will be consumed by civil actions.

Roanoke Rapids figured prominently in the first week of court, as a number of youths from here were tried on various charges of robbery, breaking and entering, etc. Many of the cases came as an aftermath of the round-up of the youthful law offenders by city police and other officers, announced in this newspaper last week. It is reported local police are working on additional clues, and more arrests may be expected.

William Scott and Donald Lee Pitt, local white men, plead guilty to breaking and entering the high school office and were given 12-months in prison each on this charge. They were also charged with breaking and entering the Clara Hearne School, and were sentenced to 12 months on this charge, the term to commence with the expiration of the first sentence. This pair also plead guilty of entering a local barber shop, and were sentenced to another 12 months on this charge to begin at the expiration of the second term. In addition they plead guilty to entering Ray's Place, and were dealt another 12-months sentence to commence at the expiration of the third sentence, while an additional 12-months sentence was imposed for their implication in the robbery of Murray's Service Station, in which a typewriter and a small amount of cash was taken.

Donald Lee Pitt was also found guilty of breaking and entering Bowman's Store and Jackson's Service Station, and was given a 12-months prison sentence in each

### WAAC'S RECRUITER IN CITY



Lieutenant Mary Jo Norton, executive officer of the WAAC recruiting and induction station at Fort Bragg, who visited the city on Monday of this week, is shown above. Lt. Norton and Major E. C. MacDonald, recruiting officer of Seymour Johnson Field, plan regular visits to the city in the future in the interest of securing more volunteers for the WAAC's. Complete details of their activities here Monday will be found on Page 8—Section B of this issue.

### MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has annually celebrated the President's Birthday by a drive to raise funds for The Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, and

WHEREAS the people of Roanoke Rapids are conscious of the great benefit derived from funds raised for the Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, and

WHEREAS the Committee for the celebration of the President's Birthday has requested that Saturday, January 30th be designated as "Tag Day" for the purpose of obtaining funds for The Foundation for Infantile Paralysis,

THEREFORE, I, Kelly Jenkins, Mayor of Roanoke Rapids, do proclaim Saturday, January 30th as "Tag Day" for Roanoke Rapids. This the 26th day of January, 1943.

KELLY JENKINS, Mayor of Roanoke Rapids