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CITY SCHOOL FINALS START

CITY GIRL KILLED

19-YEAR OLD MOTHER DIES IN VIRGINIA

Notify Sister, Estelle Jarman Killed Near Alexandria, Va.

Mrs. Leslie Hunt, 109 Clinton Street was notified by the State Highway Patrol that her sister, Mrs. Estelle Jarman, had been killed in an automobile accident near Alexandria, Va., about 6 o'clock this morning, and that her body was being held at a funeral home at Occoquan, Va.

Mrs. Jarman, 17-year old mother of a two-year old child, had been making her home with the Hunts here for about a month. Her husband has been in the army since last fall. A brother, Ralph Smith, lives here, and her parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Smith of Richland. Another brother, Hudie F. Smith, is with the 151st Infantry stationed at Camp Livingston, La. Red Cross officials are attempting to get in touch with the service man, to enable him to attend his sister's funeral, pending arrangements.

Mrs. Hunt last saw her sister about 8:30 last night. They had attended a show and on their way home, Mrs. Jarman explained to her sister that she had promised some friends to go riding with them. They parted at Roanoke Junction, near the Hunt home, and Mrs. Hunt had not heard from her until this morning when the state highway patrol brought the message of her death.

Saturday Will Be 'Poppy Day' Here

Saturday, May 29th, will be "Poppy Day" for Roanoke Rapids, Weldon and other towns and communities through the country, as ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary of Weldon, join the nation in offering poppies for sale on that day.

Money contributed for the flow-ers will go to the rehabilitation and child welfare funds of the Auxiliary, where they will support the Legion's and Auxiliary's efforts for the disabled and fighting men of both wars and for the children of the dead and disabled.

Erwin's Condition Is Reported As Improved

W. M. Erwin, city policeman who was stricken with a heart attack at his home in the city Tuesday morning of last week, is still a patient at Roanoke Rapids Hospital, but attending physicians report his condition as greatly improved.

2 WEEK TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT STARTS

A two weeks term of Superior Court will convene in Halifax, May 31, with Judge Clawson Williams of Sanford, presiding.

According to the records there are few outstanding cases to be tried. Probably the most serious one is the case of Elmore Ivey, young man of Halifax, who is charged with "assault on his wife, Ellen, by entering the Plant (mill in Roanoke Rapids) where she was on duty and beating her in the face and about the person, inflicting painful bruises, and did further rob her person of _____ in cash."

Mrs. Ivey was admitted to Roanoke Rapids Hospital where she was a patient for sometime. Mr. and Mrs. Ivey have resided in Halifax for about two years, having lived in an apartment in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jones Avent. They have two small daughters of about 5 and 7 years of age.

Gets DD Degree



DR. NAT M. HARRISON

of Brinkleyville, Vice President of High Point College was given the Doctor of Divinity degree at Commencement exercises at that school last Sunday. Complete story on Page 2, Section B, this issue.

MAC JARMAN MEMORIAL IS UNVEILED VMI

A memorial tablet to the late Lemuel McKinnie Long Jarman was unveiled Friday, May 21st, at Virginia Military Institute by his class. The presentation was made by Bob Mountcastle, Jarman's roommate, and the tablet was accepted by Colonel Peyton, a member of the Institute's Board of Visitors. The tablet was unveiled by Norwood Anderson, Fourth Classman, a cousin of the deceased.

On Saturday, May 22, the Jarman Award was presented to the outstanding member of the Fourth Class. This is a permanent award set up by the Jarman family from their son's insurance policy.

Attending the ceremonies were Dr. and Mrs. F. G. Jarman and son, F. G. Jarman, Jr. and Mrs. Norwood Anderson, aunt of the deceased.

125 OR MORE TO GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL

Baccalaureate Sermon Delivered Sunday By Head Of Orphanage UNION SERVICE

Graduation Exercises To Be Held Wednesday At The Auditorium

Final exercises of Roanoke Rapids High School will get under way on Sunday morning, when I. G. Greer, Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina at Thomasville, will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon at the High School Auditorium, bringing the school year to a close.

Between 125 and 130 students will graduate this year, this number being slightly smaller than the last year because the schools have lost several students to the armed forces.

Following the usual custom, churches in the city will dispense with their regular Sunday morning worship services and congregations will be asked to attend the baccalaureate exercises at the high school. Sunday schools will be conducted as usual at most city churches, however, and they will also follow their regular schedule of Sunday evening worship.

Class Day exercises will be held Tuesday night, June 1st, at 8 o'clock at the High School Auditorium.

Graduation Exercises will be held on Wednesday night, June 2nd, at 8 o'clock, at the auditorium. C. K. Proctor, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, at Oxford, will deliver the address.

C. W. Davis, city superintendent of schools, issues a cordial invitation to the public to attend all of the school commencement program this year. The Class Day and Graduation Day Exercises are being held a day earlier than usual.

Berkstresser Is Member Ticking Committee, WPB

Gordon Berkstresser, Vice-President of Roanoke Mills Co. of this city, has been named a member of the Industry Committee on Tickings of the War Production Board, and is subject to call for committee meetings at all times.

The purpose of these meetings will be for the group selected by the WPB from industry to sit with them and work out ways and means of getting more production out of present loom equipment available for essential government goods.

The first meeting was held May, 11th in Washington, D. C. Future meetings will probably be held there or in New York City.

PREVENTORIUM

SHELL HEADS CONVENTION OF RETAILERS

C. C. Shell Is Retiring President Of State Association

Curtis C. Shell, city merchant who has served as president of the North Carolina Merchants Association for the past year, presided over the 41st annual convention of the association, in session at Raleigh on Monday and Tuesday of this week. He was succeeded as president of the state organization by F. R. Stout, of Greensboro, elevated to that post from that of vice-president at an election held by the directors meeting in afternoon session at Raleigh Tuesday.

The convention ended Tuesday night with a banquet and dance at the Sir Walter. An address by Governor Broughton and the installation of officers were the highlights of the banquet session.

Outstanding speakers at the con- (Continued On Page 12—Sec. A)

WILL OPEN NEAR CITY JUNE 14TH

The Roanoke Rapids Preventorium, located at the old South Rosemary School building, under the supervision of Miss Gladys Ethridge, a member of the city school faculty, will open Monday, June 14th.

The preventorium has been in operation here for four years, and has been operated for two five-week periods each summer, serving about 35 or 40 children each period. Plans for this summer are to operate it for two four-week periods, and serve 30 children per period.

Any parents who would like for their children to receive the benefits of this care may make application to Dr. John W. Martin, who serves as chairman of the Preventorium Committee.

The project gets very nearly its entire support from funds from the Community Chest. The Public is invited to visit the preventorium at any time and see the activities that are carried on there.

CITY STORES START EARLY WED. CLOSING

Practically All City Firms To Close At 12 For 3 Months

Practically all Roanoke Rapids retail business firms will start their regular summer closing schedule effective Wednesday of next week. The stores will close Wednesday at 12 o'clock, and remain closed for the rest of the day on Wednesdays throughout the months of June, July and August.

City grocers, banks and a few business houses started their early Wednesday closing the first Wednesday in May, but the shorter Wednesday hours will not be unanimous until next week.

There will be no city carrier delivery of mail, and the windows at the postoffice will also close Wednesday afternoon, though Postmaster Shell announced that work in the postoffice will go on as usual, and that mail will be dispatched from the office and put up in boxes as usual.