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CITY WOMAN IS SENTENCED

GROCCERS, BANKS CLOSE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS; OTHERS ARE UNDECIDED

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER



R. A. Daniel, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Daniel of Seaboard, has been promoted to Lieutenant-Commander. Lt. Comdr. Daniel has been in active service since February 1941 and is now in the Pacific area. His wife is the former Miss Mildred Norvell of Seaboard.

COUNTY BOY GETS HIGHEST RIFLE SCORE

James Weeks, Halifax, Makes Record At Fort Logan

Pfc. James L. Weeks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Weeks of Halifax, made the highest score with a 30 cal. rifle ever made at Fort Logan, Col. The air administration school had stated that they had never even had an expert rifleman until the flight of which Pfc. Weeks is a member on the range.

In order to qualify as an expert rifleman a mark of 179 has to be made. Pfc. Weeks went above the mark with a mark of 184.

Pfc. Weeks has recently been transferred from Ft. Logan, Denver, Col. to a camp in Augusta, Ga., where he is awaiting orders for another transfer. He is a member of the air ground crew. Weeks entered the army in March, of this year, having been attending State College at the time of his call.

Most City Stores On Regular Wednesday Hours Sept. 1

Roanoke Rapids banks and all city grocers who are members of the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association will continue their summer Wednesday afternoon closing hours on a twelve months basis; it was decided at a meeting of that group of members of the Association held on Tuesday of this week. Only exception for the year will be for the ten day period immediately preceding the Christmas holidays.

A general membership meeting of the Association was held in the Municipal Building this afternoon, at which time it was decided by members in other lines of business that they would revert back to their regular store hours effective September 1st.

There had been some talk of merchants closing their stores at noon for the day on Wednesday on a year-round basis, but merchants attending the meeting this afternoon decided it would be better to defer any action along this line until it was found out what steps would be taken by merchants in other cities in the trade territory.

As a result the two meetings of the Association this week, most stores will be doing "business as usual" on Wednesday afternoons after September 1st, but housewives will have to buy food early, and business men will be forced to do their banking before the noon hour on Wednesday—at least for the duration.

ROMANCOS TO DEFEND THEIR STATE TITLE

Eyes Of Thousands Of City Fans On State Contest Tonight

The state softball tournament, in which 14 teams are entered, is scheduled to get underway at Memorial Stadium, Greensboro, tonight at 6 o'clock.

The Roanoke Rapids Romancos, state champions for the past four years, are conceded to be the leading contenders for the 1943 state title by leading sports writers and fans over the state.

High Point will meet the strong Gastonia team for the opening game of the state tournament. The Romancos are scheduled to play Asheville at 9 o'clock. If they win their initial contest, they will play the winner of the Charleston team. (Continued On Page 8—Sec. A)

FAISON BROTHERS IN SERVICE



Shown above are the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Mallery E. Faison, who live about 3 1-2 miles from the city. They are Mallery E. Faison, Jr., left, who was awarded his wings and commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant on June 29th at Strauther Field, Kansas. He is 22-years old and a member of the original national guard company from the city, where he ranked sergeant. After being selected for officer training, he received his basic instructions at an Oklahoma field.

Howard E. Faison, right, is 20-years old, and is a private in the army now thought to be stationed somewhere in India, as a flight mechanic in the air corps. Howard volunteered on October 9th, 1942, and received his basic training at Gulf Port, Mississippi. He spent three months at LaGuardia Field, New York.

COURT TAKES ADJOURNMENT 'TIL MONDAY

All Criminal Cases Before Session Are Heard

The August term of the Superior Court now in session at Halifax was ordered adjourned early this morning in respect to Jos. P. Pippen, veteran Littleton attorney who died at his home there last night, by Judge R. Hunt Parker.

All criminal cases slated to come before this term of the court have been heard. The court will re-convene on Monday morning for the disposal of civil cases. A partial list of cases disposed of will be found in a story appearing on another page in this issue.

JOHNSON CASE POSTPONED
Besides the Pinkerton murder case, the only other case to be tried at this session of the court of unusual interest to Roanoke Rapids was that of Raymond Johnson, city railroad employee, who was to answer to a manslaughter charge in connection with the death of Dick Weaver, city textile worker, who was run over by Johnson's car here on the night of Saturday, April 10th. This case was postponed until the October term. Two important witnesses could not attend the trial. Johnson had previously been exonerated from any blame in connection with the accident by a coroner's jury.

WORK ROOMS WILL REOPEN SEPTEMBER 1

Red Cross To Resume Work Of Making Dressings

The workrooms maintained here by the local chapter of the American Red Cross for the purpose of making surgical dressings, will reopen on Wednesday, Sept. 1st, after being closed for practically two-months.

This announcement was made this week by Mrs. F. G. Jarman, who has charge of the program for the local chapter, and she stated that ample supplies were on hand for a resumption of the work, and thought they would be received on a more satisfactory basis in the future. The work rooms were closed early in the month of July because of a lack of supplies, so the local committee decided to close the rooms during the hot summer months in order to give them more time to catch up on receiving supplies.

Mrs. Jarman commended the work of local ladies who have volunteered their time and services to do this work in the past, and urged that all again report to the work rooms upon their opening here September 1st. The surgical dressings made by the ladies of the nation in overseas service.

MURDER CASE TRIED MONDAY AT HALIFAX

Mrs. Pinkerton Given 12 To 15 Years For Slaying

In a murder trial lasting only two hours, in which the defendant plead guilty, Mrs. Tiffaney Pinkerton, 40-year old city white woman, was given from 12 to 15 years in State's Prison, for the murder of Ernest W. Riddle on a city street on the night of June 19th. Mrs. Pinkerton was defended by Attorneys Henderson and Henderson, of Greensboro, and D. Mac Johnson of Enfield. Solicitor E. L. Tyler was assisted in the prosecution by A. H. Graham of Hillsboro.

Riddle was shot fatally Saturday night, June 19 and died a short time later in Roanoke Rapids Hospital. Before he died he made a statement to authorities to the effect that Miss Pinkerton shot him because he was making plans to leave his home and "go away to escape her influence."

He had applied for a release from work at a city textile mill where he was employed.

Riddle, it is alleged, visited Mrs. Pinkerton at her home Saturday night. As he left the house and walked a few steps she called to him, rushed out, and shot him with a rifle, according to witnesses.

Riddle was married and the father of three children.

During the trial Judge R. Hunt Parker, city jurist presiding over the current term of Superior Court in session at Halifax, offered the defendant the privilege of taking the stand, in order that her side of the case could be stated, which she declined, telling the judge she was "unable to do so."

Mrs. Pinkerton appeared to be extremely nervous during the trial, and sobbed often. When the sentence was pronounced she listened to the verdict without any display of emotion, though it is said she broke down and sobbed after leaving the courtroom.

SOME COUNTY SCHOOLS OPEN ON AUGUST 30

The Halifax County Board of Education has set Monday, August 30th, as the general opening day for all county schools, and requested teachers to meet with their principals on Saturday morning, August 28th.

The list of teachers for all county schools is still incomplete, but the Board of Education ventured the hope that all vacancies would be filled by opening day for the schools.

Colored Schools of Roanoke Rapids will also open on August 30th, but September 6th has been set as the date for the opening of white schools in the city, as was previously announced.