

REMEMBER

ROBERT E. MAY, Navy, May 8, 1942
R. H. McCOMMONS, Merchant Mar., July 5, 1942
JAMES W. WHITBY, Navy, Oct. 26, 1942

WILLIAM H. CAMP, JR., Navy, Nov., 1942
GROVER WOODRUFF, Army, July 19, 1943
WINFIELD HASTY, Army, August 19, 1943



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NEED \$103,000 "E" BONDS

MARVIN WILLIAM SCOTT IS REPORTED KILLED IN ACTION

The Bureau of Naval Personnel has informed Mrs. Mary Poythress of Star Route, Roanoke Rapids, that her son, Marvin William Scott, water tender second class, is presumed to have been killed in action in the Southwest Pacific. He previously had been listed as missing in action. He died aboard a destroyer that was sunk in action with the enemy. He was one of the 13 survivors of a vessel that had been sunk at an earlier date.

In Louisiana



Corp. Willie L. Hasty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie L. Hasty, 920 Rapids Street, this city, is now in Louisiana. Willie graduated from the Roanoke Rapids High School before entering the service in August, 1943. He received his basic training at Camp McCain, Mississippi. His present address is: 847th Ord. Depot Co., APO 408-A, care postmaster, Shreveport, La.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION CALLED HERE

The Republican convention for Halifax County has been called by E. D. Dickens, chairman of the Halifax County Republican Executive Committee, to convene on the night of Tuesday, March 14. The meeting will be held in the Municipal building in Roanoke Rapids, beginning at 8 o'clock.

The township conventions will be held on Saturday, the 11th. Each township convention will elect proper delegates to the county convention.

Dickens urges all Republicans in the county to attend this convention.

ARMY-NAVY TESTS HERE AT R. R. HIGH SCHOOL ON MARCH 15TH FOR H. S. GRADS

The third Army-Navy College Qualifying Tests for the Army Specialized Training Program and the Navy College Program V-12 which will be given throughout the country on Wednesday, March 15, at 9:00 A. M., will be administered at the Roanoke Rapids High School, according to Thomas L. Martin, principal.

A leaflet of general information which contains an admission-identification form may be obtained at the local high school. This form properly filled out will admit to the test students between the ages of 17 and 21 inclusive, who are high school graduates or who will be graduated by July 1, 1944. Intent to take the test should be made known immediately to Thomas L. Martin in order that the necessary test supplies may be ordered.

The same examination will be taken by both Army and Navy candidates. The examination is designed to test the aptitude and general knowledge required for the program of college training and all qualified students are urged to take the test. At the time of the test each candidate

will be given a choice of service preference, but taking the test does not obligate the candidate to enlist in the service.

The Army Specialized Training Program is aimed to meet the Army's needs for specialists and technicians in certain critical field of study. Academic work is at the college level at government expense.

The Navy College Program also enables students to continue academic training at government expense. Successful completion of the prescribed courses may, following further officer training, lead to a commission in the Navy.

Father And Son Banquet

The Future Farmers of America will hold their annual banquet next Saturday night in the banquet hall of William R. Davie School. The time of the banquet is set for 8 o'clock. Charles Wright will be toastmaster for the occasion. G. J. Wheeler is advisor of the FFA.

Neal Calls Meeting For Tuesday At 8

L. S. Neal, chairman of the Red Cross war fund, announced today that a meeting of all "majors" and workers has been set for next Tuesday night in the Municipal building, beginning at 8 o'clock.

At this meeting plans will be perfected for the coming campaign which opens here on March 6. About 30 minutes of the session will be devoted to moving pictures.

"As the quota set for this district is about \$14,000," said Mr. Neal, "it is important that Red Cross workers attend this meeting, which will be very instructive."

Rev. Gordon Price is chapter chairman of the Red Cross in this city.

CHARGED WITH TWO DEATHS

According to a news story from Smithfield, H. M. Johnson of this city is being held under bond of \$2,000 for his appearance in Johnston County Superior Court on a charge of manslaughter, after a preliminary hearing in Recorder's Court at Smithfield last Tuesday.

Johnson, it is charged, was driver of an automobile that ran down and killed two pedestrians and injured a third last Saturday night near Benson on highway 50.

J. Dan Young and Penrose Webb, residents of Route 2, Benson, both about 60, were killed as they were walking along the highway, and Nancy Beasley, 43, suffered injuries to his right shoulder and leg. All three were walking along the left shoulder of the highway, according to Beasley.

Johnson was found guilty at the same hearing on a charge of transporting liquor and was given a road sentence. Bond covers both indictments. Johnson formerly lived in Johnston County before coming to Roanoke Rapids.

Promotion And Medal Given Hawkins Boys

Sgt. Russell D. Hawkins, who is stationed somewhere in England, with the 358th Engr. Regt., has been awarded the Good Conduct medal.

Hawkins was inducted into the army at Camp Lee, Va., January 18, 1943. He received his basic training at Camp Claiborne, La. He has been in England since June, 1943.

A younger brother, Paul E. Hawkins, Jr., who is also serving overseas, has been promoted to Private First Class.

Pfc. Hawkins, 18, received his basic training at Camp Croft, S. C. In November of 1943, he was transferred to foreign service in North Africa. He is now stationed

The Hawkins brothers are the only sons of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Hawkins of Route 1, city.

LOCAL SCHOOL SALE OF WAR BOND SALES COMES TO AN END WITH \$31,481.85

Sailing The Seas



James W. Cannon, seaman second class, United States Navy, son of Mrs. Rose Cannon, is now "sailing the seas." Cannon is believed to be "somewhere in the Atlantic area. He volunteered for service in 1942, and received his boot training at Bainbridge, Md. Cannon has been in active service about seven months and has seen some foreign action.

County's Total OK But "E's Lag

The quota for Halifax County in the Fourth War Loan campaign just closes was \$1,334,000. The "E" bond quota was \$552,000. Through February 22, \$1,561,000 in bonds had been sold, thereby exceeding the overall quota by about \$227,000. The "E" bond sales are off, however, by about \$103,000.

The sale of "E" bonds will continue for a few more days.

The stamp and bond drive which ended February 18 was most successful for the Senior High School. The drive was under the direction of Miss Martha Rice and her 11-1 home room students. The 28 members of this home room were organized in a most efficient manner and through this means canvassed the different rooms in Senior High school each morning and at 1:00 p. m. activity period to solicit the sale of stamps and bonds. The entire student personnel in Senior High worked with the 11-1 group and thereby the canvass was extended throughout the entire community. Hattie Mae Woodruff served as secretary for the drive and did an excellent job of it.

Various activities were sponsored by different home rooms to boost the sale of defense stamps, which were used as admission to these different functions. Grades 10, 11, 12 sponsored a basketball tournament of four games; 12-3 home room sponsored a moving picture in the auditorium; 12-2 sponsored a class party and sold stamps; Douglas Sanford from the 11th grade promoted an auction sale—our sincere thanks and appreciation to the merchants who contributed the articles for this auction sale. A king and queen of hearts contest was promoted throughout the school by the 11-1 group. This group also sponsored the dance at the armory on Friday night, which closed the campaign.

Special credit goes to John Cul-lom and Joe Kidd for the excellent job of making posters for the drive.

The total sale of stamps and bonds for senior high school netted \$31,481.85. This money has been designated to purchase two Fairchild "Cornell" Trainer Planes, 1 Jeep, 1 Life Raft, and 1 Parachute.

The senior high school expresses thanks to every person who helped to make the drive such a success.

H. E. Lee, county chairman, and F. H. Gregory, special chairman, are very appreciative of the efforts of the school students for their great work during the campaign, "and we wish to extend to them our sincere thanks."

Meeting Of Law Officers Here On 9th

Edward Scheidt, special agent in charge of the Charlotte office of the FBI, announced here today that a conference of FBI and other law enforcement officers will be held in Roanoke Rapids on Thursday, March 9. The meeting will be held in the Municipal building on Roanoke Avenue.

The program at this conference will be similar to that of other conferences which have been held in North and South Carolina. Mr. Scheidt said, and will consist of a discussion on evidence by Mr. Scheidt; exhibition of the movie "Battle of Britain"; exhibition of slides of badly wanted local fugitives and FBI fugitives of national interest.

H. E. Dobbins, chief of police of Roanoke Rapids, said that he expected a large number of law enforcement officers to attend the meeting, coming from Halifax, Northampton, Warren, Vance, Wilson, Edgecombe, Nash, and Hertford counties.

License Revoked

Clifton Turner of Roanoke Rapids was among those whose automobile driver's license was revoked by the North Carolina Highway Safety Division last week.