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PRIMARY RESULTS

CHERRY WINS BY BIG VOTE ON SATURDAY

In the Democratic Primary held last Saturday R. Gregg Cherry of Gastonia decisively defeated Dr. Ralph McDonald for Governor of North Carolina. McDonald did not run as strong a race against Cherry as he did in 1936 when he was defeated by Clyde Hoey by a small majority. Cherry's majority over McDonald and Boyd, the third candidate will exceed 60,000 votes.

In the senatorial race in which there were five candidates, Clyde R. Hoey, a former Governor, made it a "run-away" affair. Hoey's total vote will probably show he defeated the runnerup candidate, Cameron Morrison, also a former Governor and United States Senator, by more than 100,000 ballots.

In the Second District congressional race, the incumbent, Congressman John Kerr, of Warrenton, defeated Cameron Weeks of Tarboro in a closely-fought contest.

In Halifax County there were only two contested offices—for County commissioner — results of (Continued on page 8—Sect A)

Higher Quota

Halifax County's quota in the fifth war loan campaign which will open on Sunday, June 11, has been placed at 1,657,000, according to H. E. Lee, permanent chairman of Halifax County War Finance Committee.

This is an increase over the quota of the fourth war loan campaign of \$327,000.

Organization of workers during the coming campaign will be completed early next week.

SEVEN HURT IN CAR-TRUCK COLLISION

Seven people were more or less seriously injured when an automobile and heavy truck collided on the highway between Conway and Seaboard last Sunday afternoon about 3 o'clock.

Those injured were Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Mumford, daughter Annie Mae, 20, and son, J. W. Mumford, 17, all of Seaboard, and occupants of the automobile. They were on their way to Pleasant Grove at the time of the accident. The others were W. J. Futrell, 72, of Conway, driver of the truck, and Lonnie Johnson and Charles Sledge, both of Seaboard, who were riding with him. All seven were brought to the Roanoke Rapids Hospital for treatment.

Mr. Mumford suffered head injuries, arm and leg broken, and his body badly bruised. Mrs. Mumford received bad cuts on her head, bruises and abrasions on the body and legs. She was dismissed from the hospital Wednesday. Annie Mae Mumford suffered head injuries and bruises; J. W. Mumford also was injured about the head and body with cut on his neck. He was thrown through the windshield. The three men riding in the truck suffered bad cuts and bruises and broken limbs. The car and truck both were

Don Tillar Goes To Richmond, Va.

Don P. Tillar, district engineer for North Carolina for the Virginia Electric & Power Company, has been transferred to Richmond, according to an announcement made today.

Mr. Tillar came here in 1941, and since that time he has been active in all civic projects, being interested in Scout work and a member of the Kiwanis Club. His family will remain in Roanoke Rapids for the time being.

Aycock Brothers in the Service



Here are two more brothers who are serving Uncle Sam in the armed forces. On the left is Cpl. Woodrow Aycock. Woodrow, who is married, entered the service December 8, 1942. He is stationed "somewhere in England." Before entering the service he was employed by the Roanoke Mills Co. Aycock received his basic training at Camp Edwards, Massachusetts. To the right is Sgt. Paul Aycock. Paul entered the Army in

September, 1942, and received his basic training at Camp Crowder, Missouri. He also was formerly employed by the Roanoke Mills prior to going into service, and is now stationed in Kansas. Woodrow is with an anti-aircraft outfit, while Paul is in the Signal Corps.

Both boys are sons of Mrs. Martha Aycock, 209 Monroe Street, Roanoke Rapids, and are graduates of the local High School.

ORDER TO GO INTO EFFECT ON JUNE 12TH

By orders of the government, Roanoke Mills Co., and Patterson Mills Co. will go on a 48 hour week starting Monday June 12. Rosemary Mfg. Co. has been on the 48 hour week for some time.

This action has been deemed necessary because of the textile shortage and it is hoped that the extra day's work will bring production up to the requirements of the armed forces and essential civilian needs.

All first and second shifts will work six 8 hour days per week. Bottleneck departments will run a third shift. These are the departments needed to run three shifts in order to keep two full shifts operating in the rest of the plant.

The following notice went up in the mills yesterday:

48-hour Week—Textile Industry War Manpower Commission General Order No. 12, designating the Cotton Textile Industry as subject to Executive Order No. 9301, establishes a mandatory 48-hour week in the Cotton Textile Industry.

As Mr. Donald Nelson, Chairman of the War Production Board, so aptly expressed it: "WE ARE TODAY THE WEAVERS OF THE WORLD," and, as such, we must shoulder this great responsibility. We must meet this responsibility fully, but the loss of manpower which we have sustained, with the constant loss of production, brings us face to face with the cold fact that we are not producing at a rate that will satisfy requirements and must, therefore, use every means at our disposal to increase production.

The designation of the Cotton Textile Industry as one of the few industries subject to the 48-hour week is a clear indication of the essentiality of cotton products in the war effort and is a challenge to the management and employees to bend every effort towards greater production. I am confident that this challenge will be accepted and met, in keeping (Continued on page 8—Sect A)

VISITS HOME FIRST TIME IN 12 YEARS

Master Sergeant Curtis E. Britton, son of Mrs. B. G. Britton, and the late Mr. Britton, of Gaston, is visiting his mother for the first time in 12 years. Sgt. Britton has been in the Army for 20 years, and has been doing overseas duty since the outbreak of the present conflict for 29 months. Britton was at Pearl Harbor when the United States was attacked by Japan on December 7, 1942. He has seen service in seven foreign countries during his army career.

Grandmother Joins WACS

Mrs. Minnie H. Hedgepeth, 44, 308 Madison street, Roanoke Rapids, mother of four children, has joined the Women's Army Corps of the Army of the U. S.

Born in Johnston County, Mrs. Hedgepeth has been a resident of this city since 1915. Her children are: McDonald, 17; John Linwood, 20; Staff Sergeant William A. Hedgepeth, 24, and Mrs. Naomi Jenkins, 27. The two youngest sons are former members of the Navy, both being given medical discharges. William is now "somewhere" in England. He was at first in the Marine Corps, but was discharged on medical grounds, and later joined the Army. Mrs. Hedgepeth has two grandchildren, a boy and a girl.

The "Grandmother" recruit, a spinner employed by the Patterson Mills for 27 years, requested parachute packing, under the station and job assignment plan, which gives her the privilege of choosing her job and station in the WACS.

Private Hedgepeth left today for Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, where she will receive her basic training. At the end of this training period she will attend the school for Parachute Maintenance at Fort Benning, Georgia, and will be assigned there to the Airborne Command.

NELSON NOW DEP. MASTER GRAND LODGE

H. Will Nelson, Roanoke Rapids, has been appointed district deputy grand master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A F & A M, Fourth District, which is composed of Northampton, Halifax and Warren Counties. He belongs to the Albert Pike Consistory No. 3, Jackson, Miss., the Wahabi Temple, Jackson, Miss.; also a member of Raleigh Chapter and Enoch Council of York Rites. In addition he is the Worthy Patron of the newly organized Emera 119 Chapter of the Eastern Star at Roanoke Rapids.

Mr. Nelson came to Roanoke Rapids in 1934 under the auspices of the North Carolina Industrial Education Department. He became affiliated with Widow's Son Lodge, No. 519, in 1936, and has served in official capacities ever since. He has been master of this Lodge since January, 1940, during which time he has effected a 58 per cent growth in membership and substantial increase in the general treasury and in Orphanage (Continued on page 8—Sect A)

Maj. Sears Goes To War College After Visit Here

Major and Mrs. James W. Sears of Camp Butner, Mrs. Frank Johnson and son, Steve Hawes, of Charlotte, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Williams today. Major Sears reports to the Army War College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., June 7th. He has just returned from extended maneuvers in Tennessee. He is the former assistant superintendent of Roanoke Mills Co., No. 1.

Members Urged Attend Meeting

H. S. Loy, president of the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association, urges as many members as possible to attend the state convention of the Merchants Association to be held at the Sir Walter Hotel in Raleigh, June 5 and 6.

Pharmacists Go To Convention

Attending the recent Pharmacist Convention in Raleigh were M. C. Savage, A. N. Martin, O. Griffin and W. P. Taylor of this city, and W. W. Selden, of Weldon.