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# POLIO REPORTED IN COUNTY

## The Evans Boys — Sailor and Soldier



Pictured above are the Evans brothers — Lewis and Andrew — sons of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert R. Evans. Lewis (left) is in the Army, and Andrew (right) is in the Navy. Both are seeing overseas duty.

## Cpl. Coston Is Well and Safe

Corp. Maury D. Coston, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Coston, 1211 Washington street, "is well and safe," said a message to his parents sent by him last night.

Mr. and Mrs. Coston received a telegram Tuesday reporting their son as missing in action. A gunner on a B-24 bomber, Corp. Coston has only been overseas about five weeks. He entered the service in March, 1943.

Two other sons, Melvin H., and Alvin B. Coston, are also in the service.

## Negro Shot By Mohorn

Eddie Harris, negro, is in the Roanoke Rapids Hospital as a result of gunshot wounds received last Friday night inflicted by Zack Mohorn, white resident of South Rosemary.

It is alleged that people in that section have been "pestered" for a considerable time with a "peeping tom," and when the negro was seen "peeping" into the bedroom of Mrs. Mohorn, her husband got his gun and fired a charge of shot into the man.

A hearing will be given Harris as soon as he is able to leave the hospital.

## Lt. Pendleton Visits Parents

First Lieutenant Cecil Pendleton reached Roanoke Rapids last Thursday for a brief visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Pendleton. Cecil has almost fully recovered from serious rifle wounds in his neck, chin and shoulder inflicted on Bougainville Island by a Jap sniper on February 4. He has been in a hospital in New Caledonia for several months. After his visit with his parents, Lieut. Pendleton left Monday for Camp Butner where he is temporarily stationed. He has been entered in the Officers Replacement Pool.

## Cpl. James King Returns To Knox

Cpl. James E. King has returned to Fort Knox, Ky., after spending 12 days here. Mrs. King accompanied him from Kentucky and will remain here with her daughter, Mrs. Harry M. Turner, until October or November.

## The "V" Apple

"V" for victory has been applied to many slogans and many things, but it has remained for the lowly apple—you know, "one a day keeps the doctor away"—to come up with a "V." Mrs. M. M. Moore, 762 Charlotte street, bought some apples the other day from Paul Thompson, and while preparing them for making jelly and other apple "goodies," Mrs. Moore discovered one with a perfect "V." Don't be too optimistic about the war's early end, but many things are showing up with "V's" and it must mean sure victory.

## Small Negro Boy Becomes First Victim Of Disease; Lives In Halifax Township

The District Health Department has reported the first case of infantile paralysis in Halifax County during the present epidemic of the disease which has been raging throughout many sections of the state for many weeks.

The victim is Charlie Lee Peterson, five-and-one-half-year old son of Willie Lee Peterson, negro, who lives in the Halifax Township. The boy is still being treated at the home of his parents, but may be taken to the special infantile paralysis hospital in Hickory.

Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, state health officer, announced yesterday that 25 deaths have resulted from the disease up to date. With the case reported in Halifax and another reported in Dare county, the total number of cases now known to health authorities totals 659 in the state since June 1.

## Rogers Slightly Wounded Aug. 12



Pfc. Dewey Knox Rogers was slightly wounded in France on August 12, according to information received by his wife, the former Miss Essie Wayne Mason. Rogers entered the service on January 30, 1943.

## Jewelry Stores Close Wednesday

The jewelry stores of the city will also continue to observe the year-round Wednesday afternoon closing, it was announced today by Mrs. Blair Gibson, secretary of the Merchants Association.

## Moves In House On Bolling Road

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thomas have moved into the house on Bolling Road formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hancock. Since taking up his duties as advertising manager and news editor of The Herald last February, Mr. Thomas and his wife have been residing in an apartment at 17 Jackson street.

## Students Leave To Take Exams

The following girls of the Roanoke Rapids Hospital School of Nursing, left today for Raleigh to take the State Board Examination for Nurses: Mrs. Carlee Butler Jenkins, Mrs. Dorothy Lee Garner, Misses Elsie Bridges Deberry, Elizabeth Warren, Virginia Shell, Alice Mae King, Mabel Bryant.

## "V" Day Services By All Churches

Rev. Lester A. Tilley, secretary of the Ministerial Association, announces today that all churches in Roanoke Rapids and Weldon will be open for prayer and thanksgiving on "V" Day. If the announcement of the surrender of either Germany or Japan should be received in the morning, a special worship service will be held in each church at 11 o'clock. If the announcement should come in the afternoon or early evening, the service will be held at 8 o'clock. The entire public is urged to attend these services at one of the churches.

## Is In Cleveland For Convention

O. Griffin, owner and manager of Griffin's Drug Store, is in Cleveland, Ohio, this week attending the national convention of druggists. Mr. Griffin will return early next week.

## Edward Simpson Returns To Post

Pvt. Edward J. Simpson, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Welch of 225 Hamilton Street, has returned to Plant Park, Fla., after spending several days here with relatives. On his return to his station "Pinky" expects to begin crew training. He is a gunner on a B-17 bomber. Prior to his entrance in the Air Corps he was a member of the senior class of Roanoke Rapids High School. "Pinky" entered service several months before his graduation, but completed his units before he left school and received his diploma at the end of the school year. This is his first visit home since his induction.

## In North Africa

Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Thomas have received word that their son-in-law, Capt. John M. Hughes, U. S. Air Corps, has arrived somewhere in North Africa.

# Plan to Close Stores V-Day

The Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association has voted overwhelmingly to close their stores on "V-Day", the day that Germany or Japan, or both, surrender to the Allied nations. This decision was reached at a recent director's meeting, and the votes were in favor of closing under the following conditions:

1. If the news breaks on Sunday, closing will take place all day Monday.
2. If the news breaks on any week-day, closing will be immediate for that day and for the following day.
3. In event that V-Day falls on Saturday, closing will be for that day and Monday.

## Kemp Is Named To High Post

Frank S. Kemp of this city was named North Carolina vice commander-at-large at the concluding session of the three-day annual reunion of the 29th Division Association held in Staunton, Va., this week. William N. Nicklas of Baltimore, was elected national commander.

## Nu-Fashion Will Open Saturday

The Nu-Fashion, Roanoke Rapids' newest business firm, will throw open its doors to the public next Saturday morning. The store is being opened by Mooney Greenberg and is located at 1029 Roanoke Avenue.

## Pfc. Robt. Gums Loses Left Eye

Pfc. Robert M. Gums, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gums of 201 Henry street, was wounded in France on August 12, states a message to his parents, received last week. In a letter received today, Robert tells his family of the loss of his left eye and he is now confined to a hospital, but getting along all right. Prior to entering the service in January, 1943, Robert was employed by Roanoke Mill No. 1. He has been overseas about three months.

## Sgt. Burnette Badly Injured

Mrs. Ida Edmonds Burnette, of this city, received a telegram from the War Department stating that her husband Sgt. E. M. Burnette was seriously injured in action on August 12, in the European area when his plane made a crash landing. He is now in a hospital in North Ireland. Before entering the army in March of 1943, Sgt. Burnette was employed by Glen L. Martin Company in Baltimore, Md.

## Resigns Position With The Herald

Miss Winifred Hudson, bookkeeper for The Herald for the past several months, has resigned her position, effective this week. Miss Hudson plans to leave at an early date for Miami Beach, Fla.