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CAMP UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Girl Injured When Hit By Automobile

Shirley O'dell, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. O'dell of 1201 Hamilton Street was injured in an accident last Monday about 12:10 o'clock when she collided with Mallory Faison's car. The accident was unavoidable, it is said, as the child was riding her bicycle down the driveway in front of Williams Funeral Home and it was impossible for Faison to stop his car in time to prevent hitting her. The child's leg was cut and required two stitches; her head was injured, and there were several other minor cuts and bruises. Immediately after the accident, Mr. Faison took the child to the hospital for treatment and she was released Wednesday.

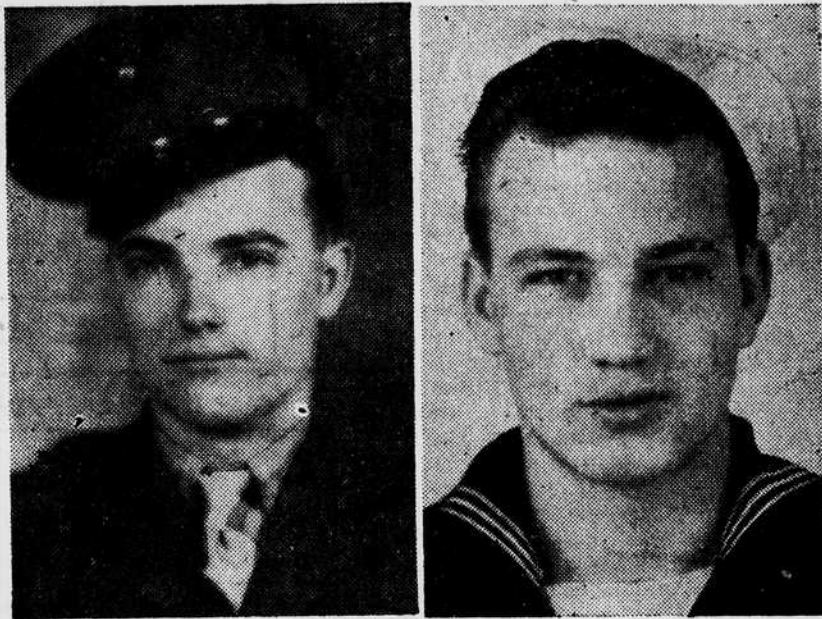
Sergt. Morris Arrives Home

Technical Sergeant Leroy Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nettie Morris of this city, arrived in Roanoke Rapids last Tuesday afternoon. A radio operator-tail gunner in the Air Corps, Morris was shot down over Germany in June, 1943, and was captured by the Nazis. He spent about two years in a German prison camp before being liberated by American doughboys. Aside from being in a highly nervous condition Morris is said to be in fairly good health. He is at present visiting his wife in West Virginia.

Meats Arrive In Town; People "Storm" Market

Meat, a very necessary commodity on most American tables, which joined the long list of "shortages" several weeks ago and became a critical shortage recently, came to Roanoke Rapids Thursday morning in a small quantity. It was whispered around a day or two ago that meat would be in town at a certain local market and it really created excitement. Early this morning a line formed in front of the store before opening time and when the doors were finally opened the hungry "meat hunters" surged in and jammed against the meat counter. "Gimme some of this" and "gimme some of that," said almost all of them in unison. However, there is no need to get "all up in the air" over the meat shortage. A check-up among local markets this morning brought to light the opinion of most of them that there will be plenty of meat within a few days. "I believe," said one prominent market operator, "that by next week we'll have enough to supply our customers." And with that, this reporter felt better. We haven't "eaten meat" in several days.

These Brothers Are on Guam



Pictured above are Calvin and Gleen Williams, sons of Mrs. E. B. Williams of 1017 Roanoke Avenue. On the left is Pfc. Calvin, 21, who is in on Guam at the present, with the Marine Corps. He received his basic at Parris Island, S. C., after he entered in February of '42, and went overseas in September of the same year. Calvin has never been home since he has been in service. S1/c Gleen Williams, 18, is also on Guam with his brother. He entered the Navy in July '42, and received his "boot" training at Bainbridge, Md. Gleen was home last in July, 1944.

Auto Use Tax Stamp Must Be On Your Car July 1st.

Collector of Internal Revenue, Charles H. Robertson, has announced that auto use tax stamps in the denomination of \$5.00 were placed on sale in all post offices and offices of Collectors of Internal Revenue on June 9. The

stamps will evidence payment of the tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1945, and must be purchased on or before that date. The stamps will be serially numbered, and will be gummed on the face, and will have provision on the back for entry of the make, model, serial number and State license number of the vehicle.

Every owner of a motor vehicle which is used upon the highways should call at his local post office (Continued on page 8—Sect. A7)

Purple Heart Given Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Whitby, 902 Rapids Street, this city, have been awarded the Purple Heart in recognition of the death of their son, Pvt. James G. Whitby, who was killed in Europe July 11, 1944. Mr. and Mrs. Whitby have another son who is now stationed in Germany.

Raleigh Team To Play Here Again

The Young Men's Business softball team from Raleigh, will play a return game here next Saturday night against the Romancos, it was announced today. The contest will be staged at Ledgerwood Park, beginning at 8 o'clock. The Raleigh outfit and the Romancos engaged in a doubleheader here last Saturday night, in which the Romancos came out on the right side of the score both times.

German War Prisoners Will Be Used As Laborers Here

Scrap Drive To Be Next Sunday

A city-wide scrap paper drive will be held next Sunday, July 1, at which time the Boy Scouts of the city will collect all the old paper possible. The collection will start at 1:30. The Scouts will not be responsible for paper placed on the curb after that hour. All old paper should be tied in bundles and placed in front of your home before that time. The Scouts will get it.

American Legion Show Called Off

A telegram was received Wednesday saying that it was impossible for the cast in the show, "Gloom Chasers" scheduled to come here July 5 to play on that date. The show, sponsored by the Robert E. May Post of the American Legion, had been billed as an attraction to aid in raising money for the building fund of the Legion and the V. F. W. The two local organizations are in no way responsible for the cancellation of the show.

Stores To Close On July Fourth

Roanoke Rapids stores, banks and postoffice will be closed all day next Wednesday, Independence Day, it was announced this week by the Merchants Association.

Sergt. Francis L. Williams Knocks Out An Enemy Tank

Looks Like Good Fishing



Shown above is Sgt. Graham Dickens, Roanoke Rapids; Sgt. Bill Fogarty, Minneapolis, Minn.; Lt. Dick Gerhan, Cleveland, Ohio; and Major Joe Boswell, Jackson, Miss., after they returned from a fishing trip to Chinaman Lake. See letter to editor on page 4 of Section A.

Actual construction of a German war prisoner camp here was begun last Friday. The camp is located just outside the city limits between Fourth and Fifth streets beyond Marshall. A part of the camp, however, will be in the city limits. This will be occupied by Army personnel who will have charge of the camp activities and the prisoners.

The cost of the construction of the camp is estimated at about \$7,000. The expenses of building is being borne by industries in this area which plan to use the German prisoners as laborers.

When the camp is completed it will have all modern conveniences, such as lights and water and sanitation. The prisoners will be housed at night in comfortable quarters.

Present plans call for an estimated 200 war prisoners, but this number will be increased during the crop harvesting season, provided, of course, that the situation demands it.

Sergt. B. Buckingham, a wounded veteran of the Pacific war theatre, now stationed at Camp Butner, is in charge of construction work. He brought here 31 hand-picked skilled German workers. Buckingham's home is in Columbus, Ohio.

"These are the pick of the lot," said the sergeant. "They are all skilled men and good workers." They look like a healthy lot, too. It is estimated the camp will be completed in about three weeks.

Sergt. Buckingham and the prisoners are quartered at Ahoskie until water can be "run" into the camp.

Knocking out an enemy tank single-handedly, Sergeant Francis L. Williams, tank commander of Company B, 747th Tank Battalion, was awarded a Silver Star by Major Gen. Charles H. Gerhart, Division Commander. The sergeant is the son of Mrs. Lucille Williams of Roanoke Rapids.

The text of the citation reads: "On February 25, 1945, Sergeant Williams was engaged in a fire fight with an SP gun near Huthmachershof, Germany. Although his tank had received three hits, none of the shots had penetrated and Williams kept up a steady stream of fire going at the position where he had seen the SP. He did not once give the order to back up, but instead chose to stand his ground and fight it out even though the SP was dug in and had a definite advantage. On its fourth shot the SP got a penetrating shot, that hit in the engine compartment setting the tank on fire. Williams gave the order to abandon. As soon as he hit the ground Williams headed for the tank that was nearest him in a protected position from the gun (Continued on page 8—Sect. A)