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Woman Is Hit By Auto Last Friday Night

Mrs. Daisy Gum was struck by an automobile about two miles from Roanoke Rapids on the Littleton Highway last Friday night about 11 o'clock. The accident was caused, it is said, when H. E. Liles of Norfolk, on his way to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Liles, of Aurelian Springs, met another car travelling toward Roanoke Rapids. The two cars passed without mishap, but immediately afterwards Liles said he saw a dark object directly in the path of his car only a few yards in front. He made every effort to avoid hitting it. Stopping his machine the Norfolk man discovered it was a woman.

Mrs. Gum was on her way home, it is said, after she had been to the home of a daughter nearby. She was taken to Roanoke Rapids Hospital for treatment. Her injuries are not believed serious.

After an investigation of the accident by officers no blame was attached to Liles. Riding in the car with him at the time were his wife and two children and Mrs. Liles' mother, Mrs. W. W. Gibson.

Men Jailed In "Break" Case

Two white men, Hubert "Boob" Lowder and Ben Barnes, were arrested Tuesday morning by Police Officer Jenkins and placed in jail in connection with a "break-in" at Kidd's Lunch in "uptown" Roanoke Rapids. The alleged crime is believed to have been committed sometime Monday night or early Tuesday morning.

Entrance into the place was made by tearing the screen from the window on the side of the building and breaking the large glass pane. Missing from the place according to the management of the establishment, were 500 pennies taken from the cash register and two cartons of cigarettes.

Office Hours Of Local Red Cross

The local chapter of the American Red Cross, Miss Doris Hedgepeth, executive secretary, announces the following office hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Saturday, 9 a. m. to 12 noon.

'Wood-for-War' Motorcade Will Put On Show Here Next Tuesday Night; Vets Coming

The U. S. Army "Wood-for-War" Motorcade now touring the Eastern part of North Carolina will put on a night show here in Roanoke Rapids for all workers, both white and colored, working in lumber mills and woods industries of this vicinity. Included on the program will be the personal appearance of five distinguished combat veterans of World War II. The highlight of the program will be the moving picture "San Pietro," a combat film, made under fire by

Back In States



Pictured above is Marine Captain Allen P. McNeill, Jr., 29, who has returned to the Marine Corps Air Depot, Miramar, California, for leave and reassignment, after participating in the campaign for liberation of the Philippines as a communications officer with a First Marine Air Wing group. Although he underwent several Jap bombings of his base on Luzon, Captain McNeill escaped injury.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen P. McNeill, Sr., 4810 Meadow Rd., Norfolk, the Marine officer was graduated from Roanoke Rapids High School in 1935 and attended Guilford, N. C. College. Prior to enlisting in July, 1940, he was employed by the Virginia Power and Electric Company, Roanoke Rapids. He was commissioned in May, 1942, and was promoted to his present rank in January, 1944. A brother, George 18, is a Navy Seaman first class in the Pacific.

Roy Parker Talks To Rotary Club

Roy Parker, professor of Journalism at the University of North Carolina, and a widely known North Carolina Newspaper man, was the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Roanoke Rapids Rotary Club here last Tuesday. Mr. Parker interestingly discussed daily and weekly newspapers and their position in public life and industry.

Mrs. Parker accompanied her husband on his visit to the city. They returned to their home in Ahoskie Tuesday night.

CHARLES T. JOHNSON IS FOUND DEAD IN BED

"Meat Shortage" May Be Cause of Theft Charges

Mincher Buys Silver Grill; Hatems Going To New York

A. K. and Jimmie Hatem, operators of Hatem's Silver Grill on Tenth street, have sold their business, including all stock and fixtures, to B. Mincher. The deal was consummated this week.

The Hatem brothers have been residents of Roanoke Rapids for 13 years. Eight years ago they purchased the grill and since that time they have made many friends throughout this section.

A. K. Hatem will leave this week for New York city where he will devote his entire time to the brokerage and resident buying business established there in 1896 by N. Hatem, who, after his death was succeeded by Albert Hatem. The business will be operated under the firm name of B. Hatem Company. Jimmie will join his brother there after August 1.

"You may say for us," said the Hatem brothers, "that we deeply regret leaving Roanoke Rapids and its fine people, but our added business interests in New York demand our time there. We have many wonderful friends in the city and Roanoke Rapids is a great place in which to live."

The Hatem brothers' brokerage business in New York is at 1182 Broadway.

Loan Approved To Halifax Paper Co.

It was learned today that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation approved an application for loan to Halifax Paper Company, Incorporated, and Albemarle Paper Manufacturing Company, in the amount of three and one-half million dollars for modernization and expansion of facilities in the State of North Carolina.

Trucks Available

It was announced today that the Surplus Property Administration will make available next week to farmers and farmers cooperatives in Halifax, Edgecombe, Bertie and Northampton counties 100 1½-ton cargo trucks, 22 ½-ton pickup trucks and 10 1½-ton stake body trucks. Procedure for obtaining these trucks may be obtained from the County Agents and AAA offices.

Body Discovered By His Daughter At Noon Monday; Rites Wednesday

Charles Thomas Johnson, 62 years old, prominent Roanoke Rapids citizen for 45 years, was found dead in bed last Monday noon at his home, 818 Roanoke Avenue. The discovery of Mr. Johnson's death was made by his daughter, Mrs. Paul T. Overton.

Johnson, native of Johnston County, near Smithfield, was owner and operator of Johnson's Laundry here for a number of years until it was destroyed by fire several years ago. He also had large farming interests in the county. After the death of his wife in 1941, Mr. Johnson's health failed rapidly and this year he was forced to give up active work and went to Florida for several months.

Returning home he was recently stricken with appendicitis for which an operation was performed. He had been released from the hospital and his condition was believed good. However, he suffered a heart attack sometime Sunday night, to which his death is attributed.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock from the Rosemary Baptist Church. Rev. B. Marshall Whitehurst, pastor of the church, officiated. Interment was in Roanoke Rapids cemetery.

Surviving Mr. Johnson are two sons, Charles L., and Raymond Johnson, and a daughter, Mrs. Paul Overton, all of this city; two brothers, Willis D. Johnson of Raleigh and James R. Johnson of Roanoke Rapids; two sisters, Mrs. C. D. Etrauther of Roanoke Rapids and Mrs. D. S. Greigg of Burlington; a half-sister, Mrs. J. M. Hodges of Dunn, and four grandchildren.

Active pallbearers were: C. C. Shell, William Tickel, V. C. Morgan, Harold Bloom, Harvey Taylor, R. I. Starke, Julian Allsbrook and Ed Knott.

Report Made For Women

Mrs. Howard Pruden, chairman of the Women's War Finance Committee for Roanoke Rapids, said this morning that her committee sold \$55,369 worth of "E" bonds during the past Seventh War Loan campaign.

"I am happy over the results," said Mrs. Pruden, "and I would like for The Herald to publish my thanks and appreciation to every woman in Roanoke Rapids who assisted in the sale of those securities — and many did. It was only through the cooperation and good work of the women that made it possible for us to accomplish such a fine record."

Mrs. Pruden urges her committee members and all other women to continue efforts to sell bonds — "not only sell them, but keep them," she concluded.

Monkeys Climb Trees: Men Also Climb Trees, Too; So What? Says Prof. Einstein

Was it Prof. Einstein who said "men are offsprings of monkeys," or who was it? Anyway, someone said it.

And believe it or not, but men sometimes do try to imitate monkeys.

And that's what happened last Saturday afternoon, right here in Roanoke Rapids on Monroe street. A gentleman, after taking "a fast one," decided he would climb a tree to get some honey from a bee hive, it is claimed. He started with a short ladder, but soon got the idea he could

do like a monkey, so he discarded the ladder and "shinned" up the tree.

Sawing off a limb to get to the bees, he found it was so restful up among the branches where the cool breeze was blowing, he forgot all about the bees and fell sound asleep.

Startled by the loud "snoring" or maybe it was the "cheep, cheep, cheep" noise made like a "monk," an officer of the law was called by someone. Investi-

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