

# REMEMBER

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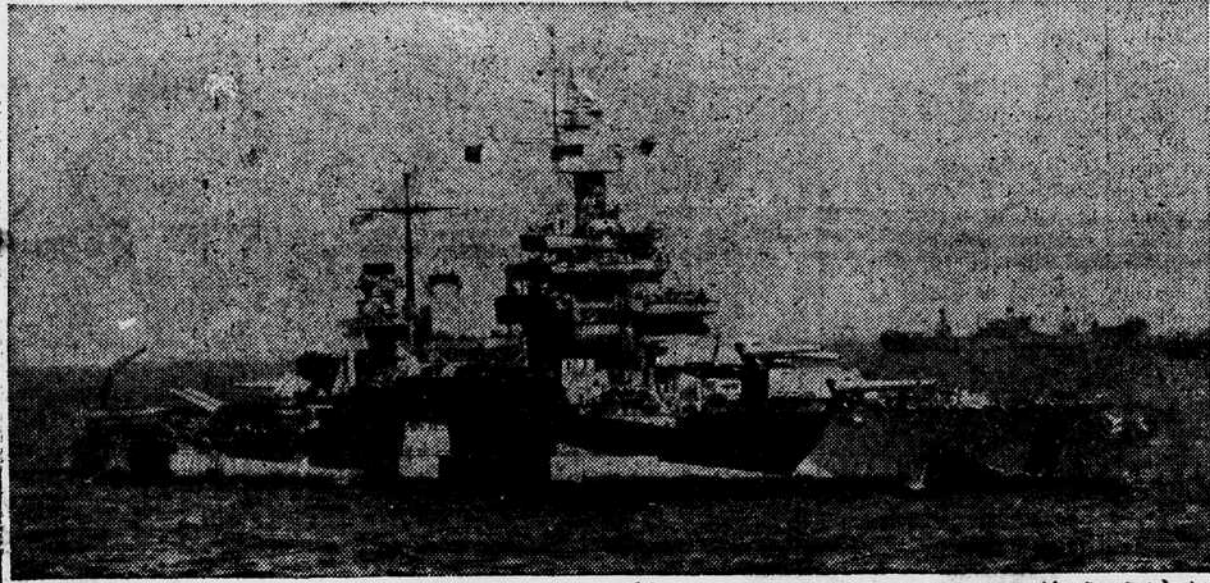


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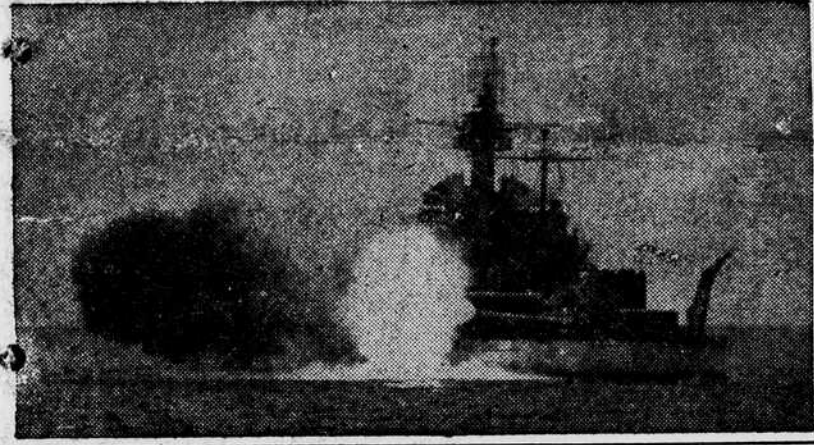
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## USS Colorado In Tokyo Bay With American Forces



The battleship USS Colorado was among those warships of the United States Navy which steamed into Tokyo Bay to be present at the historic signing of the Japanese surrender, and to support the occupation of the Tokyo area. The Colorado was one of the first Allied ships to sail into the Japanese home waters of Sagami Bay to support the initial landings of airborne troops at Atsugi airfield, 18 miles from Tokyo. These two official Navy Photographs include an overall view and one showing the mighty ship in action against the enemy. Harvey W. Taylor, Jr., 20, shipfitter, third-class, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey W. Taylor, 1205 Washington street, Roanoke Rapids, was aboard the ship as she steamed into Tokyo Bay.



## Plans Being Made To Bring Symphony Orchestra Here

Dr. Benjamin Swalin, director of the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra, and Col. Hermit H. Hunter, business manager, of Chapel Hill, met with the Weldon Music Club and representatives of various civic organizations of Roanoke Rapids last Tuesday night at the Country Club in an effort to work out plans for bringing the symphony to this community.

The North Carolina Symphony Society is seeking contributions and patronage from music lovers and the public spirited citizens throughout the state. This will enable the symphony to make its services available to the small towns and cities and promote understanding and love of good music through free concerts for children, radio broadcasts and a regular season of major concerts, besides small group concerts in the smaller towns.

When the quota is raised a full-orchestra concert will be given. This concert will be without any guarantee or payment other than the privilege of the orchestra to collect an admission at the door from those who do not contribute or do not hold membership cards.

The general membership is \$1.00. Each person who contributes that sum will receive a general membership card which will entitle them to attend any local concert upon payment of the 20c federal tax which will be collected at the door.

The active membership of \$5.00 (Continued from page 1—Sect. A)

## One At The Time Mr. Peed, Please

D. W. Peed, 210 Monroe street, has been losing considerable feed and other things in his smoke house lately, so Mr. Peed decided to do something about it. Matter of fact, he got mad about it. He got himself some small steel traps and set them in his smoke house. This morning he came down to The Herald office and exhibited one of the traps with two "nice size" fat rats in it. Never heard of catching two rats in the same steel trap at the same time, but it's all right with us, Mr. Peed. Go get 'em!

## Lt. Mary Warren Is Now At Oliver General Hospital

Lieutenant Mary E. Warren, Army Nurse Corps, daughter of Mrs. J. W. Warren, R. F. D. One, Box 367-A, Roanoke Rapids, is a member of the professional staff at Oliver General Hospital, Augusta, Ga. This institution has cared for nearly 20,000 wounded veterans of this war. Lieut. Warren entered the military service on May 14, 1945, and took her basic training at Camp Rucker, Ala. She then reported to Oliver General for duty.

## Jenkins Home After Serving 37 Months In War Theatre

After having served 37 months overseas in the European war theatre with the First Infantry Division, Sergt. Lloyd Jenkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Jenkins, of Roanoke Rapids, is at home and out of the army with an honorable discharge.

Jenkins went overseas August 2, 1942, and saw much action, being participated in the battles of Algeria, Tunisia, Sicily, Northern France, Normandy, the Rhineland, Ardennes and other places in Central Europe. He wears a campaign ribbon with eight bronze stars and one bronze service arrowhead, an American defense service medal, good conduct medal and has been awarded the Bronze Star medal.

Sergt. Jenkins served a total of three years and nine months in the armed forces of the United States.

## Grosso Is Held In Jail; No Bond

Paul Grosso, 27, white, who was arrested last week on charges of assault in an attempt to rape, brought by Laddie B. Strickland, and involving his 16-year-old daughter, Ollie Juanita Strickland, was given a hearing in Magistrate's Court here last Thursday night. Probable cause was found and Grosso was bound over to the October term of Halifax Superior Court which will convene on Monday, the 22d. He is being held in Halifax County jail without bond.

## Will Hold School Election Tuesday

Polls will open next Tuesday morning at 6:30 for balloting on three trustees for the Roanoke Rapids graded school district. Up for re-election with no opposition are: E. W. Eubanks, E. A. Telliga and R. L. Towe.

## More Local Boys Get Discharges

### Standard Time September 30

President Truman Tuesday signed legislation returning the nation to Standard Time effective at 2 a. m., Sunday, September 30. On that day clocks must be turned back one hour to end daylight saving or war time.

### Wife Of Cox Gets Bronze Star Medal

Mrs. Jimmie L. Cox went to Camp Butner near Durham, last Saturday to receive the Bronze Star Medal awarded posthumously to her husband, Technician Fifth Grade Jimmie L. Cox.

The presentation was made by Major General Edward F. Witsell, and the citation read as follows: "For distinguishing himself by heroic services in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in \* \* \* on 22 December, 1944."

Cox entered the service March 10, 1942, and went overseas in June of 1944. He was reported killed in action in Belgium January 23, 1945.

Mrs. Cox, who resides in Roanoke Rapids, was the former Miss Ann Matthews.

### Stewart Boys Discharged Same Week

The three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stewart are out of the armed service, having been given honorable discharges within the same week. Woodrow Stewart had been in the Army for two and one-half years, serving with the 15th Air Force, and spent 18 months overseas. Hank Stewart spent 44 months with the United States Marines and was overseas 14 months of that period. Neal Stewart, serving with the 82nd Airborne Division for three years, was overseas 29 months.

### Berkeley Named Fund Chairman

Rev. Edmund Berkley, Rector of All Sains Episcopal Church, has been appointed Chairman of the China Relief Fund for the City of Roanoke Rapids by Mayor Kelly Jenkins, it was announced today. This fund is a member of the War Relief Fund. Anyone wanting additional information or having an additional contribution to make to this Fund will please see Rev. Berkley.

The attention of the public is called to a Poster in the Municipal Building and from time to time pamphlets will be available there for free consumption by the public.

Five more Roanoke Rapids boys who have seen service in the armed forces of the United States are now at home and out of military service. They are:

Corp. James Grady Pearson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pearson. He has been in the Army for the past three years. His wife is the former Miss Willie Harris. She and their young son have been residing here while her husband was away.

William K. Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Neal, an Army Air Force pilot, stationed at Hobbs Field, New Mexico, has been discharged and has entered State College at Raleigh.

Lieut. Paul T. Overton, who entered service with Roanoke Rapids National Guard, is out and home with his wife, the former Miss Evelyn Johnson, of this city.

Capt. Rudolph Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Williams, is out of the Army and back on his old job at Leggett's department store.

Lieut. Allen Welch, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Welch, is at home for a few days and is waiting for his discharge papers before donning civilian clothes again.

Sgt. Emory Vaughan, who left with the National Guard in 1940, son of Mrs. J. E. Vaughan, has been in the service five years and five months, serving with U. S. Troops in Germany. He has been given an honorable discharge and is now at home.

Lieut. Cecil Pendleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Pendleton, is another Roanoke Rapids soldier (Continued on page 12—Sect. A)

### Hodges Dies In Hospital In Richmond

Hezzie Gerdyne Hodges, prominent 44-year-old citizen of Roanoke Rapids died in the Saint Elizabeth Hospital in Richmond last Sunday afternoon, at 1:10 o'clock from a stomach ailment from which he had been suffering since March of this year. Mr. Hodges was carried to the hospital on Tuesday, September 11, for treatment and on the following Friday he underwent an operation.

Mr. Hodges was born in Whiteville, N. C., and came here in 1919 and was employed in the local mills. Later he went to work for W. G. Lynch in the jewelry business. In 1932 he bought out the downtown portion of the jewelry store at 222 Roanoke Avenue and operated the business for himself. He established a reputable business and had remained in the same location since that time.

Funeral services were conducted from the First Methodist Church, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with Rev. L. A. Tilley officiating. Interment was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

Survivors are: his widow, Mrs. Selma Hodges; mother, Mrs. Lila Hodges of Hartsville, S. C.; four daughters, Mildred, Marian, Patricia and Gwendolyn and one son, H. G., Jr., all of the home; one sister, Mrs. Claude Davis of Hartsville, S. C.; and one brother R. B. Hodges of Newport News, Va.