

# REMEMBER

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# FATHER AND DAUGHTER ARE SHOT AND KILLED IN HOME

## Dr. M'Dowell Resigns From Health Dept.

Dr. W. K. McDowell has resigned as health officer for Halifax County. His resignation will become effective December 31. Dr. McDowell plans to return to private practice.

A meeting of the Halifax County Board of Health was held recently in the office of Dr. W. G. Suiter in Weldon for the purpose of considering Dr. McDowell's resignation. Present at the meeting were Dr. Suiter, Dr. M. C. Maddrey, C. E. Shaw, V. C. Matthews and Chairman J. R. Wrenn. A motion was made by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Dr. Suiter, that Dr. McDowell's resignation be accepted with regrets, and the secretary was instructed to write him a letter of appreciation for his outstanding services as a health officer for this country.

An act of the legislature provides that a pharmacist be placed on county boards of health and a motion was made to elect N. O. McDowell, a pharmacist, of Scotland Neck, as a member of the Halifax board.

Dr. Maddrey, Dr. Suiter and V. C. Mathews were named as a committee to find a qualified person to take over the work as health officer for the county, his duties to begin January 1.

## Alexander To Be Chairman Dimes Drive

C. S. Alexander of Scotland Neck has been appointed county chairman of the annual March of Dimes appeal which will be conducted in January to raise funds for the treatment of infantile paralysis victims.

Mr. Alexander has made an outstanding record for the past two years as a county district chairman, and his appointment to the county chairmanship is recognition of the work he has directed in the past. The appointment was made by Mrs. Phillips Russell of Chapel Hill, state director of organization with the approval of Ralph W. McDonald, state chairman.

Mr. Alexander expects to plan his countywide campaign sometime during December, and at that time will announce the appointment of district chairmen and quotas.

## Russell L. Wrenn Gets Discharge

Pfc. Russell L. Wrenn, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Wrenn, 607-A Washington Street, received his honorable discharge from the Army, October 30, after serving for 32 months. He spent 18 months overseas. Wrenn wears the E. T. O. Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, and five battle stars.

## Contest Winner



Pictured above is Derith Lorraine, three-year-old daughter of Mrs. Lillian Morris. Derith was winner in the recent "Tiny Tot" contest held in connection with the "Pep Parade" show, sponsored by the Roanoke Rapids Business and Professional Woman's Club. The "Little Lady" received a total of 4,500 votes and was presented a tiny gold ring which she proudly wears.

## Butts Is Home From Overseas

Sgt. Frank W. Butts, son of Mrs. Anna W. Butts, 1837 Roanoke Avenue, has arrived home from overseas. Sgt. Butts entered the Army on March 10, 1942, and served 44 months with the Seventh Armored Division and 17 months in the European Theatre of Operations. He was in combat in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany and served as chief of section on and in a tank throughout four major campaigns, namely, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes and Central Europe. He was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received during the Rhineland campaign.

## George L. Hayes Returns to City

George L. Hayes returned to the city Wednesday, where he will make his home. For two years he served in the Navy in the Dutch West Indies. For the past fourteen months he has been stationed in New York and Norfolk. In August, 1944, he married Miss Frieda J. Karsh, of Curacao, Netherlands, West Indies. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes and son will live at 1101 Hamilton Street, Roanoke Rapids.

## Edward Floyd, White, Placed In Northampton County Jail; Charged With Double Killing

### "Jumper" Buck Is Given His Release

Francis W. Buck, known as "Jumper" to everybody, is now at home with a discharge from the army. "Jumper" entered service on October 19, 1942, and received his basic training at Saint Petersburg, Fla. After being assigned several other stations, he was shipped overseas to the Aleutians, May 26, 1943, where he remained until his return to the states, Saturday, November 3. When "Jumper" entered service three years ago, he had graduated from the local high school only four months before. He was a sergeant at the time of his discharge, and a wearer of the Asiatic-Pacific, Good Conduct and Victory ribbons, and the Bronze Star. He is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Buck, at 1104 Franklin Street.

### Thomas E. Baird Given Discharge

S/Sgt. Thomas E. Baird, husband of Mrs. Gertie W. Baird, Roanoke Rapids, has been honorably discharged from the army. Sgt. Baird is a veteran of 34 months in service.

Using a .22 calibre rifle and shooting with deadly accuracy, Edward Floyd, 39-year-old white man; killed Wade Cook, 62, his father-in-law, and Miss Rosa Cook, 29, his sister-in-law, last Saturday night about 7 o'clock. The slayings took place at the Cook home about two miles from Roanoke Rapids on the Emporia Highway, in Northampton County.

Miss Clyde Cook, another sister-in-law, was shot in the jaw and Floyd's wife was shot in the left thumb in a struggle to wrest the rifle from Floyd's hands.

Motive for the tragedy has not been determined. Members of the Cook family and Floyd's wife are quoted as saying "there never had been any ill feeling" between the slayer and members of the family.

The family was seated at the table preparing to eat supper when Floyd came home, it is said, from a deer hunt. "He went into his bedroom," said Mrs. Floyd, "and I went in there and remonstrated with him for drinking every week-end. He did not argue back at me and I returned to the dining room and sat down at the table again," she related. "In just a few moments he came from the room and walked to the hallway entrance to the dining room and without saying a word raised his

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## Proctor's Gives Ladies Rare Treat With Nylon Hose Sale

Old Brother Webster in his dictionary gives "state of excited feeling or interest" as one definition for "sensation." but yesterday Proctor's Department Store in Roanoke Rapids made another definition for sensation when it threw upon the open market genuine, honest-to-goodness Nylon hose for the women of this section.

Bill Proctor, owner of the store, "found a buy," of several thousand pairs of the beautiful hose a short time ago, and he planned carefully to give the women in this section a rare treat and a wonderful surprise. He kept his secret well, for not any of his clerks in the store knew anything about the big event until some of them heard it being broadcast over the radio Tuesday morning. And, of course, after lots of women heard the announcement, "the grapevine" began working, and it was only a short time before exclamations, such as: "Gosh, have you heard about the Nylons?" And in that way there was a crowd of ladies, small and large, short and tall, lean and fat, old and young—hundreds and

hundreds of them at the store front yesterday morning long before the hour of sale time.

Mr. Proctor, fearing that mayhem, hair-pulling, and even murder might take place, guarded against that by having Chief Dobbins and his force of bluecoats stand guard at the entrance and inside the store. But there was no need for that. The women just moved in smoothly in two long lines, bought their hose and happily went their way out, so thrilled and tickled over their good fortune. Not a trace of any disorder was noticed at any time. No crowding, no pushing, no hysterics, no nothing—except the calm desire to get up to the counter and buy a pair of the hose. It was a grand tribute to the women.

"It's been a long, long time," said Mr. Proctor, "since the ladies have been able to adorn their hapely limbs with Nylons, but we believe we have the answer for them from now on."

It was a "first" for Bill Proctor and his store in getting a large

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## Parents of Scouts Are Given Entertainment Monday Night

Scouts of Troop 142, together with Scoutmaster R. J. Waters and members of the troop committee entertained approximately 75 parents of members of the troop together with the Scoutmasters Roundtable at the Rosemary Recreation Hall in Roanoke Rapids last Monday evening. This was the second social affair held with troops of the city. The troop committee of Troop 146 entertained the parents of their troop and the Scoutmasters Roundtable at a barbecue and brunswick stew supper the first of last month. The second troop to undertake this project was Troop 142 which entertained with another barbecue and brunswick stew on Monday night.

The program was under the leadership of Scoutmaster R. J. Waters, who held a regular Troop Court of Honor. It has been the practice of Troop 142 to hold Troop Court of Honor following the District Court of Honor each quarter. At the troop Court of Honor the badges of Rank and Merit Badges that have been earned by

members of the troop are presented to the scouts by members of the troop committee. Awards were made by the troop committee and scoutmaster to first class Scouts, Merit Badges, Star and Life ranks and a Silver Palm to assistant scoutmaster, Eagle Scout Nathaniel Lyles. One of the outstanding features of the program was the presentation of a pearl handle bolo knife to the outstanding Scouts of the troop by Troop Committee Chairman W. H. Pruden. The bolo knife was brought back from India by former Scout Carlton Cannon, and turned over to the troop committee for presentation to the outstanding Scout of Troop 142, Eagle Scout Al George, Jr., was selected as the outstanding Scout of his troop and presented with the knife.

The next meeting of the Scoutmasters Roundtable will be held with Troop 145. It is understood that members of the troop will invite their parents to attend the affair as the guests of the troop and troop committee, during the first of December.