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Local Red Cross Campaign Fund Goes 'Over The Top'

The Red Cross campaign fund recently held again has "gone over the top" according to the final reports received. The total amount contributed by the people of the Roanoke Rapids district, which includes part of Littleton, was \$12,222.24. The quota was \$8,500.

"We wish to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation," said Rev. G. D. Price, chapter chairman, "to the industries of the district for their splendid support. We cannot give too much credit and praise to the workers and contributors for their splendid service and cooperation."

"The people of our chapter have shown by their fine spirit of giving," continued Rev. Price, "that we shall do the most possible to render all services needed for our community's servicemen and veterans."

Here are the figures: Special gifts, Frank C. Williams, major, totalled \$4,015., a partial list of the contributors being:

Roanoke Mills Company	\$1,200.00
Rosemary Mfg. Company	1,200.00
Patterson Mills	600.00
Theatres	250.00
Halifax Paper Company	125.00
Manchester Board and Paper Company	100.00
Other majors and amounts collected are:	
Rosemary Business Section, H. S. Loy, major	\$1,350.45
Roanoke Rapids Business Section, Miss Fanny Marks, major	605.75
Rosemary Manufacturing Co. Employees, J. H. Mayfield, major	1,559.95
Roanoke Mills Employees, A. O. Pendleton and Bill Hodges, major	1,885.20
Patterson Mills Employees, J. R. Meikle, major	477.27
Halifax Paper Co. Employees, T. R. Wilson, major	400.00
Manchester Board and Paper Company, H. C. Brown, major	98.50
Virginia Electric and Power Co., Miss Virginia Mount, major	93.00
Post Office	104.50
Municipal Building, Mrs. Ruby Mincher, major	23.00
Hospital, Mrs. Claude Keen, major	17.00
Roanoke Rapids Schools, I. E. Ready, major	144.50
Littleton, Mrs. J. N. Moseley, major	1,122.67
Hornertown, Mrs. M. C. Morris,	8.00
South Rosemary, Mrs. Dora Hawkins, major	46.25
Belmont, Mrs. Reginald Baird, major	24.10
Wm. R. Davie School, Mrs. Woodard, major	82.04
Chaloner Park School, Prof. Lewis, major	129.06
Other contributions	36.00

Commissioners Vote Funds For Halifax Service Offices

A committee representing the various service and civic organizations of the county appeared before the Halifax County Board of Commissioners last Monday and secured funds to establish two service offices for this county. One office is to be located in Roanoke Rapids and the other in either Enfield or Scotland Neck.

These offices are being created to provide service to World War veterans and their dependants. Operations will begin May 15 or soon thereafter as possible, the date being contingent upon securing the services of a qualified

veteran to act as service officer. This officer will be available to all veterans and their families to aid them in any way possible with their problems.

A meeting of the committee representing Roanoke Rapids, Weldon, and Littleton, last Tuesday night elected a commission to employ the necessary personnel and take all other action required. This commission is composed of:

F. J. Bounds, Weldon, chairman; S. H. Akers, secretary-treasurer; A. N. Martin and C. C. Churchill, all of Roanoke Rapids, and G. E. Harvey of Littleton.

Compromise Sentence In Daniels Case

Willis Daniel, young war veteran of Weldon, last week accepted a compromise sentence in Halifax County Superior Court in connection with the death of Mrs. T. W. M. Long of Roanoke Rapids who was killed last fall.

Under the terms specified by Judge John J. Burney, Daniels loses permanent possession of his drivers license and must pay \$600 to the Roanoke Rapids Episcopal Church, of which Mrs. Long was a member. Judge Burney also gave Daniels a suspended sentence of two years.

Mrs. Long was the widow of Dr. Long, veteran member of the State legislature. She also was a sister of Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn.

Miss Kay Wood Vice-President

Officers for the coming year in the four literary and social societies of Woman's College, Greensboro, were recently elected. The societies are: Dikeans, Cornelian, Alethian and Adelpian.

Among the officers elected was Miss Kay Wood of Roanoke Rapids, who was elected vice-president of the Adelpians.

Light Vote Cast In City Election

A very light vote was cast last Tuesday in the city election for two commissioners. W. P. Taylor, re-elected, polled 34 votes, and Howard Pruden, elected from the South Ward, polled 14 ballots. Neither candidate had opposition

Services For Anderton On Next Sunday

Memorial services for Radioman 3/c Wilbur Edward Anderton, who lost his life in a naval engagement in the Pacific war theatre in October, 1944, will be held next Sunday morning at the regular worship hour in the Presbyterian Church, according to an announcement today by the pastor, Rev. John M. Walker.

Anderton entered the service in November, 1943, went overseas in July, 1944. Before entering the service he was employed by the Virginia Electric and Power Company. He was a graduate of Roanoke Rapids High School and the University of North Carolina.

Donald Moseley Arrives in Italy

Private Donald L. Moseley, husband of Mrs. Helen G. Moseley and son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis L. Moseley of 226 Monroe Street, Roanoke Rapids, arrived safely in Naples and has been assigned to the 337 Quarter Master Depot Co., a unit of the Peninsular Base Section, the Army Service Force in Italy.

Robert P. Cooke Gets Discharge

Robert F. Cooke, son of C. W. Cooke, Roanoke Rapids, route 1, has been given an honorable discharge from the United States Navy. Cooke, who entered the navy in February, 1944, spent 19 months overseas. He wears the Philippine liberation, Asiatic, Pacific and Victory ribbons.

Industrial Plants Have Only Limited Coal Supply; Power Company Asks for Voluntary Curtailment Electric Current

The 39-day-old United Mine Workers' coal strike is beginning to have its effect in Roanoke Rapids along with practically every city and town throughout the nation. While the situation here is "bad" the critical period has not yet been reached.

Officials of the various industrial plants in Roanoke Rapids in checking up their coal supply find they have enough on hand to continue operations for from two to three weeks. However, if the plants are unable to obtain a new supply of coal,

which at this time seems unlikely, it obviously means a curtailment in operations.

Checking with the two coal companies in the city it was learned today that they have less than 150 tons between them. Both firms have stopped delivery of coal to any one except essential institutions, such as restaurants, laundries, etc. Neither of them expect to receive any more coal until probably three or four weeks after the strike ends.

Rationing of electric power in Roanoke Rapids and Eastern North Carolina area served by the Virginia Electric & Power Company will not be invoked as yet said J. T. Chase, manager of the local office. "But we do ask," said Mr. Chase, "that the people served by my company place themselves on voluntary curtailment in the use of electric power."

"That means," added Mr. Chase, "that if the stores, housewives, public institutions or any one else that uses electricity, will voluntarily do this and cooperate with the power company it will go a long way in aiding in spreading out the supply of coal which the company uses and will prolong the day of drastic curtailment by the company if it becomes necessary. The situation in the territory in Virginia is very serious, said Mr. Chase, "and we in Roanoke Rapids are lucky that we get our power from the south of us." There has been no official curtailment of current in the North Carolina area served by VEPCO.

Mail and freight service into the city has been curtailed on account of a 25 per cent cut in train operations by the Seaboard Railway. In the past 24 hours six trains have been discontinued. In place of the steam engines used on this branch of the road the big oil-burning Diesel engines are being pressed into service.

No action by the city in issuing "brown-out" orders have been taken so far as could be learned this morning.

Stores in the city will probably discontinue the use of store front lights and window lights as a purely voluntary step to conserve electricity during the crisis, it was said today.

Saturday Is Last Day For Registration

Next Saturday is the final day for registration to become eligible to vote in the county and state primaries which will be held on Saturday, May 25, it was announced today by Dr. John Martin, chairman of the Halifax County Democratic Executive Committee.

Dr. Martin further stated that veterans of World War II who became 21 after entering the service and registered any other place than their home precincts, would have to register again in order to become eligible to vote.

"It is only fair to the veterans to let them know they have to register again, if they registered while away from home after they became 21. We wouldn't want them to go to the polls and then find they were not entitled to vote."

A fairly light registration has thus far been made, but probably will become heavier as the closing date of the books nears.

Geo. L. Odom Is Jailed For Theft of Car

Deputy Sheriff A. J. Brigman went to Fayetteville last Sunday night to return to Roanoke Rapids with George L. Odom, 17-year-old white youth, who has been charged with the larceny of an automobile owned by Elton Moody. The car is alleged to have been stolen on March 4.

Odom's arrest was brought about by he and a gang of young white men "playing bad" while in Fayetteville. Odom was arrested by Fayetteville officers who found a German pistol on his person. He was summoned to court and while he was free awaiting trial, it is said he "rounded up" three or four of his buddies and the gang is reported to have stolen a machine gun from a nearby military school (Continued on page 12—Sect. A)