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Saturday Is Last Day to Register

Saturday is the last day to register for the special election on the question of issuing \$200,000 in bonds for constructing extensions of the water and sewerage systems of the Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District, it was announced today. Up until this time only a small number of voters have registered and, said one high official in the city, it "looks like the people don't care much whether they have these improvements or not." It is not too late yet, however to show interest in the project. All you have to do is register. This must be done if you vote in the election. Of course, if you register, you must vote. If you do not it will be a vote against the "book."

Under the law a new registration must be held and a majority of those registered must vote for the bond issue.

Any person living within the bounds of the Sanitary District is eligible to register and vote in the election which is to be held on Tuesday, August 6. Following are the places of registration:

Precinct No. 1—Warehouse on Second street, in rear of old Boston & Hub Store.

Precinct No. 2—Municipal Fire Station.

Precinct No. 3—Rosemary grade school, corner of 11th and Hamilton streets.

The books close Saturday. It's the last day.

Powell Back In Germany. People in Bad Way He Says

Pvt. Rodney Powell, four year veteran of World War II, and who re-enlisted in March of this year for overseas duty is back in Germany. In a letter to his mother, the first she has received since he left. Powell writes that "people in Germany are in a bad way."

In his four years in the service Powell saw much action. He was wounded in the battle for Normandy, returned to the front after his recovery and was captured by the Germans and held prisoner until liberated by the Russians in July, 1945.

At the time of his capture he weighed 167 pounds and when he was freed he weighed only 97 pounds.

After several months here at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Powell, 732 Monroe street, and his wife, the former Miss Alma Coppedge, Powell decided to go back into the Army.

Pvt. Powell was awarded the Purple Heart with oak leaf cluster, Silver Star for meritorious service, pre-Pearl Harbor and ETC ribbons and the good conduct medal.

Assistant Clerk

Miss Marie Garner has been appointed by the City Commissioners as assistant city clerk. She began her duties this week.

Pvt. McClure Dies Result Of Accident

News has been received here that Pvt. Thomas G. McClure, 24, nephew of Mrs. H. M. Hudson and Mrs. J. M. Ingram of this city, was accidentally killed on Saturday, July 15, in Chaumont, France when a wrecker crashed into a building. Death was attributed to a skull fracture and internal injuries.

Pvt. McClure, son of Mrs. H. G. McClure of Newport News, Va., had been in the army for four years, serving in Panama, Puerto Rico and was overseas for two years prior to returning for another six months' period.

Old-Fashion County Fair Will Be Held

The old-fashion county fair is coming back after several years' abandonment caused by the outbreak of war. This was announced this week by officials of the Veterans of Roanoke Rapids, Inc., sponsors of the event.

The fair this year will be held a full week in September, beginning on Monday, the 16th and continuing through the 21st. A beautifully illustrated premium list book is almost complete and will be mailed out about September 1. Valuable prizes will be awarded for the best display of agricultural products by 4-H boys and girls clubs; Home Demonstration Clubs will also be awarded valuable prizes for the display of products; ribbons will be awarded. (Continued on page 8—Sect. A)

Lieut. Wilfred Davis Killed In Plane Crash In Kansas

Halifax County Sanatorium Closes; Unable to Get Help

It was necessary to close the Halifax County Sanatorium last Monday, following the resignation of Mrs. Lee who has been superintendent of this institution for several years. Mrs. Lee resigned to enter general hospital work in another County. She has been one of the most efficient and most popular superintendents the County Sanatorium has ever had, said Dr. Robert F. Young, District Health Officer, in announcing her resignation.

Every sanatorium and individual associated with tuberculosis work in the state has been contacted during the past two weeks in an effort to locate someone capable of replacing Mrs. Lee, but no such person has been located, Dr. Young said. It has been impossible to even interest a practical nurse in this position.

Mrs. Lee was the only nurse on the staff of the County Sanatorium, and her resigning left no responsible person who could even temporarily assume charge. Moreover, the personnel under Mrs. Lee was inadequate to carry on the work of the Sanatorium safely and adequately. This total situation has left the County no choice except to close the Sanatorium. (Continued on page 8—Sect. A)

Mills To Close Saturday Night

The Roanoke Mills No. 1 and 2, Patterson Mill and Rosemary Manufacturing Company will close down Saturday for one week, reopening Monday morning, August 5. The purpose in closing the mills is to allow for vacations for all employees.

Young Boy Dies Early This Morning

Fouled while playing basketball in December, 1944, an injury from which developed into a malignant growth, caused the death this morning in Roanoke Rapids Hospital of Alton Gentry Edwards, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross L. Edwards, 53 Washington street.

Several months after the incident young Edwards complained to his parents about the trouble. A physician was called in and he was taken to Richmond for treatment, later being sent back to his home where his condition steadily became worse. He was admitted to the local hospital several weeks ago but no improvement in his condition was observed. He died this morning at 6:40 o'clock.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday afternoon at 4:30 from the home with Rev. Lester A. Tilley, pastor of the First Methodist Church conducting the final rites. Interment will be in Roanoke Rapids Cemetery.

Surviving besides his parents are three sisters, Sandra, Mary and Kitty Edwards of the home and one brother, Ross L. Edwards, Jr., of the United States Navy.

Young Edwards was a highly esteemed pupil in the tenth grade of Roanoke Rapids High School. He was an active member of the local school band and made the "all-state" band in 1945.

Woman Dies In Collision Auto-Truck

The inquest into the death of Norma Dumm, 26, of Richmond, who was killed in an automobile-truck collision near Weldon early last Sunday morning, has been indefinitely postponed, Coroner F. N. Rowe announced today.

Miss Dumm was a native of Columbus and her body was sent there for interment.

Three other persons were injured in the wreck. They were Lawrence Aery, 20, James Ben Wright, Jr., 20, and Frances Lloyd, 20, all of Richmond. They were hospitalized in Roanoke Rapids Hospital, Aery being removed to Richmond yesterday. He is suffering from four broken places in his leg and internal injuries. It was because of his condition that the inquest was postponed.

Investigating officers said that the car driven by Aery first struck the left front of a truck driven by Jarvis Lee Batten of Goldsboro, skidded along the side of (Continued on page 8—Sect. A)

First Lieutenant Wilfred O'Dell Davis, Jr., 22 year old son of County Agent and Mrs. W. O. Davis of Weldon, was killed in the crash of an Army C-17 transport plane Thursday night, July 18, 10 miles east of Goodlands, Kan. He was en route to the overseas replacement depot at Kearns, Utah, for assignment to foreign service after having spent a 15-day leave at home.

Lieut. James Daniels of Robertsonville, a friend of Lieut. Davis, who visited in Weldon recently, was also among the 10 passengers, killed in the crash.

Lieut. Davis enlisted in the Army Air Corps January 15, 1943. He was commissioned a fighter pilot at Kerianna, Fla., in April, 1944, and served as a flying instructor at Marianna Army Air base, Tyn-dall Field, Panama City, and Dale Mabry Field at Tallahassee, Fla. For the past six months he was stationed at Biggs Field, El Paso Texas, with the 377th Fighter Group.

Young Davis is survived by his parents, three sisters, Sarah West, Betty and Kathleen Davis and his grandmother, Mrs. B. J. Sessions.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending arrival of Lieut. Davis' body.

Club to Make Air Show It's Annual Affair

At its regular weekly meeting last Tuesday the Roanoke Rapids Rotary Club voted to make the air show an annual event.

Plans are already under way to stage another show the first part of October, 1947.

The recent show sponsored by the club, while "not so bad," wasn't quite what was wanted. It was a new adventure to the membership and many mistakes were made which were beneficial for future shows.

As a whole, however, the show was a success despite the extremely hot weather and other adverse conditions.

By the time the next show is scheduled it is hoped the runways at the Halifax County Airport will be built of concrete or at least improved to such an extent that the larger types of planes can be brought here for an aerial exhibition that cannot be surpassed.

Brantley Jailed

J. H. Brantley, white, is scheduled for trial in Roanoke Rapids Recorder's Court next Thursday on a charge of wife beating, said to have occurred at his home on Jefferson street last Sunday afternoon. He is being held in Halifax County Jail in lieu of \$500 bond.

Under Bond \$100

Calvin Arrington, negro, is under a bond of \$100 on a charge of assaulting James Henry Lee, another negro. Arrington is alleged to have cut Lee with a knife during a fight last Saturday morning. P. C. Luter was the arresting officer.

FILL OUT THIS ENTRY COUPON

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F. S. KEMP, SECRETARY,

P. O. Box 591, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

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I will exhibit the following:

Signed _____

Address _____

Home Demonstration Club units or 4-H Boys or Girls Club units may also use this entry coupon. Simply fill it out and sign the club name and give address.