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# NEGRO WOMAN SLAYS MAN

## Jaycees May Bring League Baseball Here

The local Junior Chamber of Commerce has initiated plans to acquire a Coastal Plains League baseball franchise for Roanoke Rapids.

Judge W. G. Bramham, of Durham, president of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, has assured the Jaycees that he will do "everything in my power to help you in your efforts."

The Jaycees have learned that there possibly may be a vacancy in the Coastal Plains League next year, and much correspondence has been circulated on behalf of Roanoke Rapids.

Arthur H. Ehlers, promotional director of the NAPBL in Baltimore, Md., has extended his congratulations to the local Jaycees, and has also offered his assistance "in any way possible."

"I am pleased to know," he said "that Roanoke Rapids is interested in a league franchise, and my investigation of your city indicates that it well could support an entry."

The Jaycees hope to bring together a group of business men who are interested in forming a stock company to provide initial funds.

However, the Jaycees' biggest problem is securing a park for the games. It is understood that the local mills, which own Simmons Park, are not interested in the sale or leasing of Simmons Park for the purpose.

However, other property, equally as desirable, has been made tentatively available to the club, and if Simmons Park—first choice of the club—cannot be obtained, it is believed that a new plant altogether will be erected on the secondary site.

## "Doc" Murphrey Lightest Player

The following news story sent out from Wake Forest was taken from the News & Observer: Willis Murphrey, speedy little tailback from Roanoke Rapids, is the lightest man on the Wake Forest football squad, which makes four out of State appearances this season and five in North Carolina. Murphrey weighs only 148 pounds but he has plenty of scrap and fight. He is a candidate for the tailback or left half spot in the Wake Forest backfield. Murphrey is an excellent passer and a fast and elusive runner.

## Brake Qualifies As Apprentice

Dewey Lee Brake, 17, son of Mrs. Aubrey Brown, 1931 South Roanoke Ave., has qualified as hospital apprentice, at the U. S. Naval Hospital Corp School, Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Md.

## Campaign Is On For New Equipment For Athletes

The Roanoke Rapids Junior Chamber of Commerce has begun work on a project to raise \$2,000 for the local high school athletic association—and, as a result, somebody will receive a brand new 1946 Ford for just one dollar.

The Jaycees have undertaken the job of selling 5,000 tickets to the Roanoke Rapids-Oxford football game, which will be played here on October 11. Each of the tickets bears a number, and during the half-time of the game, a stub will be drawn from a container.

Holder of the lucky ticket will receive the automobile.

Every member of Jaycees now is selling tickets for the game, and there is no limit upon the number any individual may purchase. However, the club has ruled that no member of the Jaycees or his immediate family may be eligible to win the automobile.

President Jack Vincent of the Jaycees today called upon all residents of Roanoke Rapids and Weldon to purchase at least one ticket. Vincent said that "It's time the young fellows at the high school were equipped with good equipment and good uniforms."

"When our teams—whether football, baseball or basketball—play away from home," Vincent said, "they represent Roanoke Rapids. If they march upon the field in tattered uniforms—that's a reflection upon Roanoke Rapids."

The project is in line with the Jaycees' over-all policy of promoting Roanoke Rapids, both here and away. It is only one of several projects which the club has accepted for completion within the next several weeks.

## New Playground Equipment Is Expected to Arrive Soon

Early last spring the Kiwanis Club, in cooperation with the P. T. A. Association of the various city schools, sent off an order for playground equipment for the school playgrounds. Many of the playgrounds needed strong, substantial parts to put their equipment back in operation. Repair parts were ordered at the same time the new equipment was ordered. The repair parts have arrived and have been installed. However, due to factory delays, the complete new units have not been received. For that reason it may appear that some schools are getting more equipment than others, but such isn't the case, for the Kiwanis Club ordered basically the same equipment for each playground except for minor variations due to individual school choices.

## Opportunity For Veterans Is Offered By High School

In addition to the Regular Textile Adult Classes that have been offered for several years, Roanoke Rapids High School has entered into a contract with the Veterans Administration to offer courses in textiles, machine shop, woodworking, mechanical drawing, commercial subjects and college preparatory subjects where there is sufficient demand. For all veterans, the Veterans Administration will pay all expenses connected with the courses. To veterans not full time employed (less than 40 hours per week), the Veterans Administration will also pay subsistence, the amount to depend on the number of hours of classes per week attended. If you take two courses, one-half of the subsistence will be paid; for four courses, three-fourths will be paid; for 25 hours of classes per week, or five courses, the full subsistence allowance will be paid. This full allowance is \$65 per month for veterans without dependents, and \$90 per month for married veterans with dependents.

These classes may serve several purposes. They may be taken by

people who want to up-grade themselves in their present position. They may be taken to prepare a person for another type of work. They may be useful as refresher courses for people who have graduated from High School and who plan to go to college later on. They may be taken by people who have graduated from High School and who plan to go to college later on. They may be taken by people who have not graduated from High School, but who want to complete requirements for graduation.

It will be necessary for veterans who wish to attend to secure a "Certificate of Eligibility." The local Veterans Service Officer at the Armory will assist in filling out the necessary papers.

It may be possible to rearrange the class hours to suit the group after the class is formed. In general, however, each class will meet one hour per day for five days per week.

Any person not a veteran may enroll in the school by paying his own tuition.

Classes are expected to start not later than September 9.

## Important To All Service Veterans

Army, navy, marines, coast guard and merchant marines, World War II. Under the G. I. Bill of Rights, the local high school has worked out with the Veterans Administration, whereby you may locally take advantage of further education and vocational training along the lines you might desire. Those that are interested be present at a meeting in the high school auditorium, Saturday, 10 A. M., September 7th, 1946.

## Lee Morgan In Court On Charge Of Abandonment

Lee Morgan, white, apparently is an "elusive husband," according to testimony given this morning in Roanoke Rapids Recorder's Court when he faced Judge Charles R. Daniels on charges of abandonment and non-support of his wife and four children.

It was brought out at the trial that Morgan had left his family on numerous occasions, sometimes his wife would know his whereabouts and sometimes she didn't. Anyway, the family, so the testimony showed, has been receiving aid from the Welfare Department, while Morgan was "running about the country" working as a "church artist." He sent various sums of money from time to time, but for three or four months did not contribute to the support of his family.

The last time he left his family, who live in the 1200 block of Roanoke Avenue, with his wife's parents, was early this year. He was finally located in South Carolina, but before a warrant for his arrest could be served he "skipped out." Later on he was known to be in Texas. And finally about two weeks ago he came to this city and went again to live with his wife and his in-laws. The law caught up with him and he was haled into court.

Judge Daniels had not passed judgment in the case at press time.

## Knife Is Used To Kill Negro Monday Night

Linnie Bell Robbins, 24-year-old negro woman, is in Halifax County Jail charged with the knife slaying of her "lover," Leroy Pope, 25. The killing took place about 6 o'clock last Monday night on an unpaved street in Hodgestown near Highway 158.

Investigating officer Deputy Sheriff A. J. Brigman, said the woman related that Pope, with whom she had been living for two years unmarried, left early Monday morning and that she did not see him again until late Monday when she met him on the street after leaving her house "to look for him."

Pope, it is said, asked her where she was going and she replied: "To hunt you."

"You're a --- liar" the negro man is reported to have said. "You're going to meet that damned man of yours." He then slapped her face, kicked her in the stomach and while she was on the ground jumped on her, the woman said. It was then she cut him.

Pope, it is said, staggered into the yard of a negro resident and told them he'd been cut and to get him to a hospital.

It is reported the negro woman walked up to the car into which the negro man was being placed and said: "You'd better git 'im away from here 'fore I finish him off."

Linnie Bell then left the scene of the killing and made her way to Robersonville where her people live. She returned to Roanoke Rapids Tuesday morning and gave herself up to Officer Warren High. High turned her over to Deputy Sheriff Brigman who locked her up in Halifax County Jail.

## Taylor Is Named Health Officer

Dr. T. J. Taylor has been appointed city health officer by the Board of City Commissioners at its regular meeting Tuesday afternoon. Dr. Taylor succeeds Dr. W. P. Speas, who resigned a few weeks ago.

## Thirteen Enter Nursing Class

The following girls have been admitted to the new class of nursing at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital School of Nursing: Misses Hazel Baird, Roanoke Rapids; Marcile Mashburn, Cummings, Ga.; Mary Brothers, Norfolk; Lucy Lee Cole, Kinston; Jennie Lynn, Lasker; Doris Moody, Henderson; Eula Overby, Norlina; Frances Dickens, Littleton; Evelyn Best, Halifax; Helen Lee Adams, Charlotte; Ann Edwards, Brunswick, Va.; Mary Plyler, Charlotte; Caroline Brewer, Littleton.