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Seventh District Parents and Teachers In Annual Meeting

"Laying Firm Foundations" was the theme of Annual conference of the Seventh District, North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers, held in the High School building, at Rich Square, last Friday. Counties participating were Edgecombe, Greene, Halifax, Johnson, Nash, Northampton, Wayne and Wilson.

Representing Roanoke Rapids schools at the conference were: Vance Street School P.-T.A., Mrs. Lunsford Harris, Mrs. Mary Seaver, Mrs. V. M. Daughtry, Mrs. W. B. Rhoden, Clara Hearne, P.-T. A., Mrs. W. H. Proctor, Mrs. J. J. Thompson, Mrs. Reginald Harris, Miss Elizabeth Tait, Central School P.-T.A., Mrs. D. E. Bennett, Mrs. T. J. Taylor, Rosemary School P.T. A., Mrs. Lewis Johnson, Mrs. R. H. Wood, Mrs. J. E. Mausteller.

After the report of the various P. T. A. presidents, an address was made by the state president, Mrs. E. N. Howell, subject: "The Strength of The Foundation." Mrs. Howell emphasized the fact that the state program could function only through the help of the local Parent-Teacher Association and depended largely on the membership rather than on the president alone. Each member is an important cog in the wheel. Relative to the State program, Mrs. Howell mentioned the following:

1. Health and Safety (a national project).
 2. Parent Education (stressing the need for good planners and thinkers and calling attention to the fact that the P.-T. A. is set up for adult education).
 3. School Education (including character building and the spiritual education of the child.)
- Mrs. Howell also stated that the Parent-Teacher Association is vitally interested in the solution of the teacher shortage and the teacher housing situation. The state president's address was followed by a conference hour led by members of the state board.

The luncheon period in the High School cafeteria afforded a pleasant hour of relaxation and an opportunity for members to mingle and get acquainted.

The highlight of the afternoon session was an address by C. W. Phillips, second vice-president, National Congress of Parents and Teachers, on "The School and The Community Together." Mr. Phillips handled his subject in a capable and interesting manner, with facts and statistics understandable to all. Particularly did he stress the appalling shortage of teachers, urging recruitment of young people to the profession of teaching.

At the close of the meeting, the District Magazine Cup, formerly held by the Central School of Roanoke Rapids, was awarded to a Rocky Mount School.

Three Round Trips Is Daily Schedule

A schedule of three round trips daily has been inaugurated by the Trailway Bus Lines between Norfolk and Roanoke Rapids, via Seaboard, Boykins and Courtland, according to an announcement made today.

Officers Get Big Still, 12 Barrels Mash

Sheriff Harry A. House, Deputies A. J. Brigman, Leslie Crowley and Rodwell Crowley captured a 300-gallon capacity copper still last Saturday afternoon.

The still was found near the Nash county line between White Oak and Glenview, and had not been operated at its new location, it had evidently only recently been moved and set up. Instead of having a "worm" the still was equipped with a large condenser.

A negro man has been arrested in connection with the raid. He was not found at the still, however, officers said.

After loading the still to bring it out, 12 barrels of mash were destroyed by the raiding party.

Infantry Unit In National Guard Is Planned For City

Mayor Kelly Jenkins and Francis S. Kemp, called on General Van B. Metts by appointment at his office in Raleigh last week. After a two hour conference with the general information received and with the authority to publish it was that Roanoke Rapids is listed for an Infantry Company consisting of 128 men and seven officers, the company will not recruit to full strength at once but will recruit twenty five to forty men and two officers as a basic of organization and then have from twelve to eighteen months to reach full strength.

Enlistments of forming the unit in Roanoke Rapids will not start until after General Metts and his staff visits Roanoke Rapids to confer with the city officials, management of industry and civic clubs for support and co-operation.

Dr. Cooke To Speak Here

The local unit of the North Carolina Education Association will present on October 14 at 3 o'clock in the Roanoke Rapids High School Library, Dr. Dennis H. Cooke. Dr. Cooke is the new president of Eastern Carolina Teachers College and a native of Maiden, N. C. For the past 16 years, he has been associated with the George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tennessee. Dr. Cooke's topic will be "The Mental Hygiene of the Teacher" or "The Teacher as a part of the Community."

The new president is prominent in education circles of the nation and has gained great recognition as an educator and as a author. Books under his authorship included "Psychology of Arithmetics," "The Teaching Personnel and General School Administration." The public is cordially invited.

Floyd's Death Date Set For October 25th

Unless Gov. Cherry intervenes on his behalf, Edward W. Floyd, who was sentenced to death in Northampton County for the slaying of his father-in-law, Wade Cooke, at Cooke's home about four miles from Roanoke Rapids, on Saturday night, November 10, last year, will die in the gas chamber in State's Prison on Friday, October 25. The death date was automatically set after the State Supreme Court yesterday found no error in the trial.

According to the record Floyd walked into the kitchen of the Cooke home as the family sat at the supper table and began shooting. He killed his father-in-law, and his sister-in-law, Rosa Cooke, and wounded his wife and another sister-in-law. It was in evidence that he had been drinking but was not "drunk or crazy." He pleaded mental irresponsibility and introduced evidence showing that he had two uncles who committed suicide and a brother who died in an insane asylum.

Everett Hurt In Accident

The condition of B. B. Everett of Palmyra, former State Representative, who was injured in an automobile accident near Speed Monday night, was reported as satisfactory last night at Edgecombe General Hospital, Rocky Mount.

Everett suffered bruises about the left leg and side and shock, his physician said.

The Palmyra man, whose wife is State Democratic women's chairman, was returning home after carrying a friend to the hospital. He was driving alone when his car collided with another automobile driven by a Negro near Speed. The accident occurred about about 9:15 p. m. Monday.

Everett was able to get out and walked away from the wreckage of his car, but collapsed a few minutes later and was taken to the hospital.

WHY THE RED FEATHER?

Many years ago the red feather was used as a badge of courage and chivalry. Actually, history books tell us that in the Crusade days, in the 10th and 11th Centuries, the Black Prince awarded the Red Feather to his men for unusual acts of valor. The custom stuck, somehow, and Robin Hood bestowed the Red Feather on his men for outstanding courage, courtesy and generosity.

It's strange how things get around. When the white man came to America, he found the Indians decorating their fearless braves with great eagle feathers, dyed red. That's why, today, the Red Feather is a symbol of our faith in man, our willingness to share what we have with others, our desire to bring health, happiness and opportunity to all the people in the community.

Red Feather services are scattered all over our city. They belong to the people of the entire community, and they are used by them day after day throughout the year. The Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Public Library and the Associated Charities are all year-round Red Feather services. The School Lunch Room and Book Fund operates during the nine months school year, while the Recreation Committee operates the swimming pool and the playgrounds during the summer months.

Wear the Red Feather as the symbol of your community service.

Community Chest Drive Gets Under Way Monday

Expect Big Crowd At Football Game

Tomorrow's the big day—the big day for some lucky person who's been looking for a new car without finding one.

For tomorrow, the Junior Chamber of Commerce will give away a new 1946 Ford sedan during the half of the Roanoke Rapids-Oxford high school football game which will be played at the high school athletic field.

The car is being given away as a part of the Jaycees' project of raising funds for the high school athletic association. Tickets for the game are being sold by every Jaycee, and each ticket is good for a free chance on the automobile.

The football game will get underway at 3:30 tomorrow, and should be one of the classiest grid games scheduled here this season.

Dr. R. S. M'Geachy Dies of Injuries

Dr. Robert S. McGeachy, 74, head of the Craven County Health Department, died yesterday morning in a New Bern hospital from burns received when he went into his basement early Tuesday morning to investigate gas fumes. It is not known what caused the fumes to ignite, burning him severely about the face and hands.

Mrs. McGeachy died suddenly of a heart attack 12 days ago, September 27.

Dr. McGeachy, a native of Robeson county, served with a medical corps in the 30th division during World War 1. After the war he entered public health work serving as health officer in Greenville, Kinston and Weldon.

Mule Killed When Struck by a Bus

A mule belonging to Paul Whitsom was killed Monday night when hit by a Trailway bus. The accident occurred on the Littleton highway near the William R. Davie School. The bus, a "dead-head", en route to Raleigh from Norfolk.

The Roanoke Rapids Community Chest drive gets underway Monday. This is not just another so called drive, but it is your opportunity to help your fellowman, and to assist in making your city a better community. One of the best descriptions of what the Community Chest drive stands for has been written in a letter from the President of the United States, Harry S. Truman, to Dr. Thomas S. Gates, Chairman of the Community Chests of America. The following is a quotation from the President's letter:

"The voice of the Community Chests of America speaks compellingly to every American, directing thought and conscience to the health and welfare needs of his own home town.

"It is a voice to which we should all listen thankfully, for in this aftermath of a bitter world war it speaks of man's humanity to man.

"I think of the Community Chest and its Red Feather services as a clear expression of the volunteer spirit, the animating force of citizenship in our democracy. In a thousand Community Chest campaigns we see a heartening demonstration of democracy at work. We see men and women of all religious faiths and political parties, from all ranks of business, industry and labor, uniting voluntarily to plan, work and give together for the common good.

When we give to the Community Chest we do not give 'charity' in any narrow sense of that fine word. Rather, we give opportunity—for health, for education, for wholesome and happy living—to all people. We help build the good community. And on the good community rests the hope of a good nation."

The President's letter continued, but the above paragraphs give a true meaning of the Community Chest and its Red Feather services.

Clyde Martin is now putting the finishing touches on a huge Red Feather indicator which will be placed in front of the Roanoke Rapids Hospital to keep the public informed as to the progress of the campaign.

The indicator consists of a dial with markings from zero to \$14,000 with a movable pointer in the form of a Red Feather. The Red Feather will be initially set at zero on Monday morning and moved around the dial each night to indicate the total donations received to date in the campaign.

Reports will be received each night from the dozens of voluntary workers scattered throughout the various industrial plants, business sections, and outlying areas, and those report will indicate the progress.

Watch the big Red Feather indicator move towards its goal, and feel proud that you had an opportunity to help it move along.

For an example of an actual case handled by the Associated Charities, the following report is given:

Recently the case worker for Associated Charities was requested by an official of one of the local mills to visit the family of one of its employees, a patient at the hospital at that time. Since there were several children, (Continued on page 12—Sect. A)