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Dobbins Relieved as Chief Of the Police Department

as chief of the Roanoke Rapids police department and has been transferred to the city tax cellector's office where he will assist in the collection of delinquent, privilege and other taxes handled by that office, it was announced yes-

This action was taken by the City Board of Commissioners at its meeting last Tuesday after-

Mr. Dobbins, a law enforcement officer for approximately 32 years, being connected with the sheriff's office as a deputy until 1931 when Rosemary and Roanoke Rapids were incorporated into one town, joined the Roanoke Rapids police force in August of that year. In 1936 he was made chief of the department in which capacity he served until this week.

Succeeding Dobbins as head of the police department is T. J. Davis, who came here about three months ago and assumed duties as a night officer. Davis comes with a long record of law enforcement activities, having been con-nected with the Burlington police department for 14 years with the exception of 15 months when he was chief of police at Laurinburg.

Davis' education in law enforcement includes a course at the Institute of Police Government held in Chapel Hill in 1937; six monthhs study in fingerprint identification in 1938 under W. P. Whitley, who is now director of the Bureau of Identification for Wake County and the City of Raleigh, and is a graduate of the FBI National Police Academy.

Asked if he had any new plans for the department Chief Davis rein the present personnel of the Hayes was elected secretary-treasdepartment. We hope to add more urer. officers, however, and with the

The new chief, who is married and has one child, assumed his duties Monday morning.

22 Buildings Are **Being Constructed**

According to the records of Henry Fitts, city building inspector, there are now in course of construction in Roanoke Rapids twenty-two buildings, both residential and business. The city has been on a "building boom" for some time, however, a number of new buildings have already been Ampleted.

Episcopal Church Fellowship Dinner

Members of All Saints Episcopal Church will have a fellowship dinner at the High School lunch room Friday night at 6:30. The dinner is free and is being given for the purpose of increasing fellowship among the congregation, introducing new members and furthering plans for the new parish house. Turkey with "all the trimmings" will be served. 233

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Cute, Isn't She? Police Cars



Pictured above is Maxine Daughtry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd L. Daughtry. Maxine will be the "bride" in a Tom Thumb wedding which will be presented in the school auditouium in Emporia Friday night. The Auxiliary of the V. F. W., is sponsoring the entertainment.

New Officers

The Kiwanis Club at its meeting Thursday night elected Don Tillar president for 1947 and Dr. W. plied: "There will be no change D. Hall vice president. George L.

> Manning, Bob Cleaton, Graham payers." Shell and Bob Vaughan.

The new officers and directors for the coming year.

Be Equipped With Radios

the Roanoke Rapids police department the Board of City Commissioners at its meeting Tuesday afternoon authorized the purchase and installation of two-way radios on all cars used by the depart-

This announcement was made today by Mayor Kelly Jenkins. The equipment has already been ordered and will be installed on the cars with the transmitter in the chief's office as soon as possible.

Cost of equipping the police cars with this modern paraphernalia will be about \$3,200. The system will make it possible, said the Mayor, to keep in touch with officers at all times during the day or night wherever they may be.

Please Don't **Burn Leaves** On Pavement

George Justice, street superintendent of Roanoke Rapids, said today that he "wished residents of the city would stop burning leaves on the streets, especially the ones that are paved. Justice said that it was not against any city ordinance to burn trash in the streets, but it was against a city ordinance to burn it on those that are paved.

"When people burn leaves, etc., out the city. on the pavement of a street it Succeeding Rev. Tilley will be The program Wednesday night officers, however, and with the two-way radio system installed in police cars the city will have considerably better police protection."

Four new directors elected were heats it to such an extent that it was outstanding in that Mrs. Haz-will crack and consequently has ed several charges in North Carsolderably better police protection."

Ready and Dave Clark. Hold-over to be repaired. That cost money, olina, among them being Farm-County Library Board, was guest directors are W. G. Collier, Ned not for the city, but for the tax-

> So if you have to burn leaves or trash after you have raked will be installed at the first meet- your yard do it in a place that is ing in January. Almand White, the not paved. It will save the street retiring president of the club, will department time and save you serve with the board of directors money in the long run, said Mr.

SNAKE" POTATOES TOP A

"Snake potatoes," not the poisonous, biting kind, but honestto-goodness sweet potatoes—the kind you eat. There are two of them and to prove our story they are on display in the news room of The Herald. They were brought in by Jessie Porch who lives at 98 Monroe street, last Friday.

The larger one resembles a corbr that is found in Africa. There is no evidence that Jessie has ever lived in Africa, but just the same, any one who has ever seen a cobra will have to admit the potato is a likeness of the

reptile. The smaller one looks more like a water moccasin, found plentiful in the streams of the south, especially in Georgia. It is in a coiled shape as if ready to strike. The "head" is straight. fangs protruding, two eyes formed, and if you saw it in the dark you would certainly have that "creepy feeling" running up your spine and you'd jump back from_

Porch said when he dug them up he raised his rake up to "kill 'em," but realized his mis-take, and swore to the ed he hadn't had a thing to drink but ice water, and brought 'em in to prove his point.

New Preacher



Pictured above is Rev. D. A. Clarke who will succeed Rev. Lester Tilley as pastor of the First Methodist Church.

Clarke New Pastor Here, **Tilley Goes** To Morehead

Rev. Lester A. Tilley, who has served the First Methodist Church here for the past four years as its pastor, leaves Friday with his wife and three children for Morehead City where he has been sent by the North Carolina Methodist Conference.

Rev. Tilley, coming here from Ayden, has been one of the most popular pastors of the local Methodist Church. Besides his activities in religious circles in the city he was an active member of the Rotary Club and he end his wife have made a host of friends thru-

ville, First Church in Washington and First Church in Oxford Rev. Clarke is married. He and promises to be a lively one, pretwo sons and a daughter. Thomas, the eldest, will graduate in December from the USMC Academy at Kings Point, New York, and be commissioned in the United State Navy. Dorothy will graduate from Meredith College next June with a major in elementary education and child psychology. She is also a talented mu-sician. Milton, the youngest, is a student in the freshmen class at

Error Appears In Final Tabulation

In the final tabulated report of the recent Community Chest campaign an error appeared in the amount contributed by the Manchester Bard and Paper Company. The figures in the story read "\$22.35," but should have been \$222.35." The paper company has always been one of the liberal contributors to financial campaigns in the city that are worthwhile and should be given due credit for the amount given.

'Book Week' **Programs Are Broadcast**

National Book Week broke into radio Monday night in Roanoke Rapids through the courtesy of Station WCBT. This program was the first of a series of three, the cthers being scheduled for Wednesday and Friday nights of this

Children of Rosemary School, cooperating as Brownie Scouts and Intermediate Girl Scouts, presented a clever Book Week version of the Pied Piper, as suggested by the Children's Book Council of New York City. The cast was as follows: Jackie Johnson, Betty Cullom, Marilou Mausteller, Anna Harper Murphrey, Anne Smith, Margaret Griffin, Martha Boggs Smith and Jane Ray White, including Donald Bennett, a senior high school student, as the Pied Piper.

The story of Little Red Riding Hood was told by Charles Anna Johnson, a charming little girl from the second grade, and the story of Robin Hood was rendered in clever style by Johnnie Ellis, a fifth-grader,

These little folks were rehearsed and directed by Mrs. J. Ellis Mausteller, radio chairman of the Girl Scout Council, assisted by Jesse Helms, program director of Station WCBT, and Ted Jackson as announcer.

These programs were planned with the cooperation of Mrs. Gay H. Spivey, county librarian, to emphasize the Book Week Slogan, "Books Are Bridges"—Bridges to Lands Around the World, Understanding Other People, Realms of Imagination and Joy-Bridges to Facts and Information, The World of Nature, The Wonders of Science or Growing Up with New Experiences - Bridges to Fun and Entertainment, An Appreciation of The Past — Bridges to Building the Future.

speaker.

The Friday night program Mrs. Clarke have three children, senting "The Book Worm Club" of Junior High School. This activity is under the supervision of Miss Iris Davis, ninth grade English teacher and guidance director of Junior High School. The idea. was presented to the students by Miss Davis and received enthusiastically. It intails writing their comment into script form for the radio and will give the public inside information as to what teenagers like to read. It is also intended to encourage good reading habits among the young people of

William Lowe Is **Hospital Patient**

the community.

Corp. William S. Lowe, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Lowe of this city, is a patient at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C., according to an announcement made today. Lowe, a World War II veteran, is being treated for a blood disease contracted while overseas in Korea. His address at the hospital is ward 38.