

OLD COPIES WANTED
After a thorough search, we find there are no copies of the first Roanoke Rapids Herald in our office files.

Just a Few Feet From Safety
The plane which crashed at Leasburg, killing 50 persons, was just 100 feet from safety.

Love is a condition of the mind at a time when the mind is out of condition.
Most Grateful
There are persons who have been most kind and hospitable to your new publisher.

Here and There
When the cow jumps over the moon she takes the price of beef with her. Building in our city has averaged just about \$60,000 per month.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS
'Don't drive so fast, dear. The motorcycle policeman behind us can't get by.'

Blue Monday
The cigarette smoke hangs lazily just under the chandelier and you begin to wonder if it will ever move.

Kidnap Attempt Fails As Nervous Intruder Drops Intended Victim
A 28 year old Weldon waitress, identified by Sheriff Harry House as Mrs. Bessie Fawcett Dunlow, a native of Warrenton, stumbled into the Weldon police station late Sunday night and described to officers how an unidentified man had seized her as she lay sleeping in her second story room, bound and gagged her; then carried her downstairs only to drop her and flee as he reached the street.

She: "Does the moon influence the tide?"
He: "I don't know, honey, but it sure influences the untied."

Imposing Building Planned For Gaston By Two County Group
An imposing building, containing 65 hotel rooms, several apartments, a cafe, a large recreation hall, a theatre, bowling alleys and a billiard room, will be erected in Gaston if plans recently formulated by a group of Halifax and Northampton County citizens are realized.

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City Prepares For Gala July Fiesta Queen of Semi-Centennial Fete To Be Chosen From Ten Contestants

Roanoke Rapids To Celebrate Half Century of Growth

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION
WHEREAS, the City of Roanoke Rapids has enjoyed phenomenal growth and expansion during the 50 years of its life and is the inheritor of a rich and colorful history; and
WHEREAS, merchants and industrialists have assumed a progressive leadership, unparalleled in Eastern North Carolina; and
WHEREAS, the Roanoke Rapids Lions Club, in recognition of the city's history and growth and in recognition of the leadership of its business and industry, has made available a program of events in which all citizens may participate in the city's Fiftieth Anniversary;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. T. Chase, Mayor of the City of Roanoke Rapids, do hereby proclaim the days, July 2nd, 3rd and 4th, as dedicated to a Semi-Centennial Celebration in honor of the Fiftieth Birthday of our city and do hereby urge every citizen to pledge his or her support to make this Semi-Centennial Celebration in Roanoke Rapids a success and a fitting tribute to our city's progress in its first half century.
(Signed) J. T. CHASE, Mayor.



ELIZABETH BECKWITH, LOUISE BURKE, JEAN BUSBEE, DORIS FAHEY, ELIZABETH PRICE HINES, PATRICIA HODGES, MARGARET MARTIN, GERALDINE REVELLE, ERNESTINE SMITH, PRISCILLA TICKEL

Prize List Grows As Textile Mills Donate to Lions
Donation of more prizes for the forthcoming Semi-Centennial Celebration were announced today by members of the Roanoke Rapids Lions Club, which is staging the gala fiesta.
These additional prizes were donated by the Rosemary Manufacturing Company, Roanoke and Patterson Mills Company of this city and by Simmons Company and Sintex Mills, selling agents for the local mills.

Hit-Run Driver Nabbed Within Three Minutes
Within three minutes after they were handed the license number of a hit and run driver by another officer Monday night, three Roanoke Rapids policemen arrested C. R. Vick, of Weldon.

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Gaston Baptist Church To Hold Revival
Revival services will start at the Gaston Baptist Church Monday, June 23, and continue until June 27. Rev. Gordon L. Price, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Roanoke Rapids, will conduct the services, which will begin at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

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