administer not only to the needs of the future generations, but to the present as well. He has now brought 31 homes to this city since July, '47. That is close to a record. He hopes to bring from 50 to 100 next year. More power to you, Brown. You are rendering great services!.... Christmas street lighting is up in the down town area, and is making progress in the uptown area. From what we have seen it is very beautiful, with large red bells intermingled with holly and Jighting effects. Incidentlly, we have heard many, many favorable comments recidentlly, we have heard many, many favorable comments regarding the Christmas carel selections being played in the store areas . . . Driving on Roanoke Avenue late last nite we were glad to see so many store fronts lighted up. Yes, it amazed us, so we looked carefully. Then we took inventory. Here is the result: practically every one of those lighted store fronts were operated by merchants who had either recently moved from one location to another, or by merchants who had recently entered business in this city. Their fronts stood out

had recently entered business in this city. Their fronts stood out like stars in the dark and there was no mistake as to what mer-chandise they had for sale. It gave a heartening warmth to passers-by . . . which reminds us of the two aged merchants who had made their life's stakes and desired to take it easy henceforth. They proposed to their city's merchants organiza-

tion that stores be opened only during the mid-day from 12 to 1, with an hour off at noon for Wise Old Ben Franklin

Journeying by night on horse-back, Benjamin reined his horse before a small wayside inn and went inside to warm himself. But to his disappointment and dismay, he found a crowd of inconsiderate loungers shutting off from the fire.

him off from the fire.

"Half a peck of oysters in the shell for my horse," he called out in a loud voice." in a loud voice."

When the astonished inn-keeper went out to obey this startling order, the entire assemblage
—save- Franklin—rushed out to

see the horse eat oysters.

Soon the people returned and told Franklin that his horse had refused to consume the bivalves. "Then," said Franklin, now settled before the cheerful fire, "bring them in and watch me set tiem."

What They Turk of Our City's Tuture! Henry Loy: "It won't be many years until Roanoke Rapids resches 25,000 population. Just look at all the building in our city and all around it." city and all around it."

J. R. Manning: "This city is just at the dawn of greater things. It is still in its infancy, but its future growth is sure."

The Difference

One lady guest, greatly admir-ing the necklace, inquired about the teeth.

the teeth.

"Alligator teeth," the Indian replied with some reserve.
Fearing she had somehow caused offense, the lady placatingly remarked, "I suppose they are about the same to you as pearls are to us."

"Not exactly," replied Red-Feather Colbert, smiling for the first time. "It doesn't take much of a man to extract a pearl from an oyster."

Welcome Home
Coming home from the Marianas is T/5 Herman P. Cooper of this city, to again take his place

"Only God Can Make a Tree" The other day a beautiful cedar tree, still in its youth, was uprooted to make room for an enlarged dwelling. A passer-by inquired if he could have the tree. The owner, a true tree lover, gave permission. That brought beaming joy to the heart

The first owner of that the for this more explained to us that while he knew the tree was beautiful and possibly of much future value to another owner, he did not think anyone would want it. Neither Total Residential did he know where to give it Other

will not cost anyone anything . . but may bring much happiness to

you. Our phone number is R-326.

Here and There's
Thus, 1947, which pulled ahead on last year on the October com More Here and There's Johnnie Crutchfield's lad painted the realistic Santa and Reindeers in the Easy Pay Furniture Stora window... Alfred N. Martin at the Rosemary Drug Company says he is being given credit for buying property about which he known nothing...

The Howerton Gowens and Robert Carey Josie III's made a trip (Centinued en Pose Case. A)

Only two permits were issued

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\$404,000 City Bond Election Set For January 6th

First Additional Local National Guard Unit Revenues Received Enlistment Campaign Beer Tax Increase

Raleigh, Dec. 3—A check for wine. \$20,294.52 has been mailed to Littleton, \$263.58, of which Halifax county as its share in \$257.75 was from beer and \$5.83 the first distribution of income from the increased taxes on beer and wine, according to informaand wine, according to information released by the State Department of Revenue. Of this amount, \$19,845.97 was derived from beer and \$448.55 from wine.

Charles here welled

Checks also have been mailed to incorporated communities in the county as follows: Enfield, \$1,138.91, of which \$1,113.74 was from beer and \$25.17 from wine. Halifax, \$192.91, of which \$188. 65 was from beer and \$4.26 from

Hobgood \$324.45 of which\$317 28 was from beer and \$7.17 from

Banks Mailing Out Christmas Checks

Christmas Checks

The Rosemary branch of the Roanoke Bank & Trust Company and The Citizens Bank & Trust Company this week began mailing out hundreds of checks to Christmas club members. The amount saved this year in the two clubs totals \$60,000. This is an increase of about \$15,000 over last year. Bank officials say that

were hooked up to REA-financed lines between June 30, 1946 and June 30, 1947.

Safety specialists warn against using pull-chain switches unless they contain an insulating link

Police Make 102 Arrests Last Month

Indian painter, Red-Feather Colbert, attired in full tribal regalia, including a magnificent necklace made of savage looking teeth alternation with lumps of raw turquoise.

One lady guest great drunk, 6; affray, 5; disorderly conduct, 4; auto violations, 4; vagrancy, 2; assault with deadly weapon, 2; simple assault, 2; assault on female, 1; damaged property, 1; auto theft, 1; trespassing, 1; shooting fireworks, 1; and bastardy.

from wine

Roanoke Rapids, \$4,407.59, of which \$4,310.17 was from beer and \$97.42 from wine.

Scotland Neck, \$1,319.95, of and six officers. The pay roll of

cities and towns which permi the sale of these beverages. The new tax rate went into effect July 1 and this first distribution

an increase of about \$15,000 over last year. Bank officials say that there is no profit in operating the Christmas Savings Clubs, but they do it as a public service to the people who want to save money with which to do their Christmas shopping.

The total amount to counties, cities and towns of the state from first quarter collections was \$1,774,784.32, of which \$30,551.15 came from wine. The state's share was somewhat less, due to the fact that the state had previously collected of this city, who is now up for taxes on large inventories of beer and wine dealers had on the company drills every Tues. es paid on July 1 floor stocks should go to local government

The allocations were made on the basis of population as shown by the 1940 census. The largest amount allocated to an individual community went Charlotte, which received \$52,0-44.64. Robeson led the counties with a payment of \$29,967.44 In announcing the payments, Revenue Commissioner Edwi n Roanoke Rapids police officers made 102 arrests during the month of November, according to police department records. creased rates ran abnormally..

Chief Davis Leaves To Inspect Meters

Chief of Police T. J. Davis left this morning on an inspection trip to view marking meters. He will visit Sanford and Burlington where meters have recently been installed. Davis is to inquire as to the satisfactory operation of the meters in these two cities and report back to the city commissioners at their next meeting.

Roanoke Rapids is contempla ting installation of parking met-ers as a solution to the all-day parking in the business district, which has been the cause of comment recently.

Although ranking only 31st among North Carolina cities in the 1940 census, the local National Guard unit ranked 12th in total enlistments in the recent state-wide campaign.

The local unit, Co. E., 119th

Scotland Neck, \$1,319.95, of and six officers. The pay roll of which \$1,290.78 was from beer and \$29.17 from wine.

Weldon, \$1,207.51, of which \$26.69 from wine.

The 1947 legislature doubled the crown and stamp taxes on beer and unfortified wines and directed that half of the collections be distributed to counties, cities and towns which permut of the control of the company, a movie projector with training films has been awing and deform use of the local unit. Rifles, machine guns, pistols and other ordnance necessary for control of the unit last month was \$1140 the unit last month w

1st. Sgt. James R. Taylor, who has been sergent of local unit, Co. E. 119th, Inf., has recently been discharged. Now the company is looking for a capable 1st Sergeant, according to Capt. Seay.

"Any one qualified for this position, please contact me," Capt. Seay requests.

training purposes are now in use.
Training at the present is
mainly basic, due to the recent

beer and wine dealers had ou hand July 1. The attorney general ruled that supplemental tax day evening from 7:30 to 9:30.

City Schools

The Roancke Rapids schools both white and colored, will be gin the Christmas holiday period after regular school hours on Fri In announcing the payments, day, December 19, and will reRevenue Commissioner Edwin
Gill warned local government units not to use them as the basis
of estimating future annual allocations, pointing out that
first quarter collections of beer
The enrollment of the schools
weeks' holiday season.

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this year for the first three months, said Supt. Ready, shows 1,936 white pupils, and 640 colored. This is a decrease of three over the same three months of last year. The attendance has been splendid, continued Mr. Ready, with the white schools showing a percentage of between 97 and 98, and the colored schools having an attendance percentage of between 90 and 93.

Work Will Start On School Auditorium

Work on building new acoustical ceilings under the beams, put-Work on building new acoustical ceilings under the beams, putting acoustical materials under
sides of the balcony, and repainting the High School auditorium
will begin about December 15,
it was learned today. Contract
for the work has been let to the
Bonitz Insulating Company of
Greensboro. The architect for the
job is Eric Flannagan of Henderson. The project will cost \$7,230.

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of Mrs. Viola Pearce; state
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Dr. Robert F. Young Resigns Edgecombe County Health Post

Dr. Robert F. Young, Halifax County health officer, has re-signed from the Edgecombe County Health Department as of December first and, in the future, will devote all of his time to the Halifax department. As a result, the Halifax County depart ment will operate as a fully staffed county health department for the first time since 1942.

New Staff Members Mrs. Lee Bond, Mrs. L. W Edwards, Jr., and Mrs. A. W Kilpatrick have recently been added to the nursing staff of the department, it was announced and Eugene Edwards will join the department on January 1st as a food sanitarian in charge of all milk and food sanitation in the county.

Dr. Young plans to take some more post-graduate work in Public Health at the University of North Carolina beginning on January first, but will return to the county on week ends to di-rect departmental activities.

Yellow Jackets **Basketball Squad Drills Opened**

By WILEY WARREN

The card calls for 14 North-eastern Conference tests, and 4 non-conference battles; one with the famed House of David cag-ers. The "Bearded Boys" are slated to appear here sometime in January. in January. Merc han 28 candidates, in

cludi seight lettermen, turned out for the opening practice ses-sion Monday afternoon. Heading that list of monogram

wearers are: Sam Wood, Walter Myrick and James Warren, who handled most of the scoring chores last year; and Earl Waters James Bryant, Billy Cle m mer, Sonny Hines and Earl Rook, boy who saw only limited action

Cagle, who replaces Rock Ven-ters as head cage mentor, hopes to build a strong club around that group of veterans. Marvin Christian College cager, will assist Cagle in his efforts to produce a loop title contender. The Jackets finished last year in a tie for fifth place in the conference campaign, winning six while dropping eight.

Coach Cagle cut the squad to 16 players yesterday and has an-nounced that four more may be dropped next week.

One way to take out "life in-urance" on your electric appli-

The Local Week . . .

144 Scout Hut and at the bus station at 7:00 o'clock Saturday morning, December 6th, to g by chartered bus to Raleigh They will spend much of thei time aboard the Freedom Train viewing the historical exhibits and, if time permits, they will visit points of interest in Ral-

FIREMEN OUT TWICE The Roanoke Rapids fire de-partment was called out twice partment was called out twice this week. On Monday evening about 6:15, firemen said they answered a call to 716 Washington Street where sparks had set a mantlepiece and chair afire and they extinguished the blaze with only minor damages resulting. Tuesday morning at about 10:00 o'clock, they went across the river to the Camp Store section where a stopped-up stove answered a call to 716 Washington Street where sparks had set a citation," Lane said.

COUNTY JAIL REPAIRS
The county commissioners have authorized repairs for the Halifax county jail. The repairs the river to the Camp Store section where a stopped-up stove pipe had caused some corcern to a housewife. There was no damage to any property on this call, the firemen reported.

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only jail cases.

VISIT FREEDOM TRAIN
The Boy Scouts of Hoanoke
Rapids will assemble at Troop

144 Scout Hut and at the boy.

"Anyone whose last name begins with either of those two initials, not having his license by January first, will be subject to a citation," Lane said.

DIES SUDDENLY



Curtis Shell

Funeral services for Charlie curtis Shell, 54, prominent local business man who died at his loome Monday night following a beart attack, were conducted Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock from the Rosemary Baptist Church, with the Rev. B. Marshall White-Hurst, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in the new addition

to Cedarwood Cemetary Headed Merchants Group

At one time Mr. Shell was resident of the North Carolina Merchants Association and at Merchanis Association and at the time of his death was serving on the board of directors of that group. He was also a member of the board of directors of the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association and was a past president of the local organization. Coach Danny Cagle disclosed today that his Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association Yellow Jackets will tackle an 18 game basketball schedule this season.

Here for the local organization.

All members of the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association four until five o'clock yesterday afternoon as a mark of respect.

Meat production under Fede-

ral inspection for the week en-ded November 8 totaled 369 million pounds, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. October milk production on U-

October milk production on u-nited States farms this year to-taled 8.9 billion pounds, slightly lower than in the 1944-46 period but higher than previous years. cal police chief T. J. Davis to

Money Will Be Allocated For City Street Paving: **Election Officials Named**

An election for purpose of approval of a \$404,000 bond issunce by the city of Roanoke Rapids will be held on January 6th, according to plans formulated by the board of city commissioners at its regular December meeting on

The bonds will be used to pay for the new street paving project whereby the city seeks to eliminate some of the mud holes and provide surfacing for several much-traveled thorough-

new total is still some \$800,000

less than that permissible under the law.

Armory Money Authorized
In other business, the board A sufficient number of prop-erty owners, whose land fronts the streets under consideration

the streets under consideration for paving, has approved the appropriation of a idea by signing petitions requesting that the paving be accomption of respectively. pairs to the Roanoke Rapids armory, subject to the similar ap-proval of the county board of commissioners and the school Regular Polling Places Regular registration books for city elections will be used and board.

Christmas Music
Mrs. Elva Martin, secretary of
the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association, told by the police department that the playing of legal, sought and received permission of the board for her or-Burial was in the new addition of Cedarwood Cemetary.

Headed Marchante Carrell Marc she had no intention of flouting the law, Mrs. Martin paid the police department a compliment attesting to its efficiency in apprehending her.

"We've done it for the past several years," she told the board, "But this is the first time we've had our hand called. It makes you realize you've got a good police department." City Office Holidays

cipality is restricted (under the cipality is restricted (under the Municipal Finance Act of 1921) to a bonded indebtedness of 10 percent of its total listed tax valuation; and, since the local valuation is over \$14,000,000, the City Office Holidays

By action of the board in the Tuesday session, the municipal building will be closed from Wednesday noon, Dec. 24th, until Monday morning, Dec. 29th.

Mayor Urges Enforcement Officers To Be Courteous

"The main point to remember as you go about your duties is to be courteous,' Mayor W. B. Allslaw enforcement officers in the brook told members of the Halifax County Law Enforcement Of-ficers Association at their Meet-ing last night.

Ward — B. Marks Warehouse;
Junius M. Taylor, registrar; S. C.
Cook and J. R. Burton, judges.
South Ward — Rosemary Graded School; R. L. Topping, registrar; Clyde D. Martin and Noah
W. Saddler, judges.
City Still Under Quota
Issuance of the boate will

Issuance of the bonds will boost the city's bonded indebtedness to \$592,500. Since a muni-

Commissioners Approve

Road leading off Highway No. 158 at William R. Davie School

258 to Hill's Cross Roads; Scot-land Neck Township; black top-

The Annual Report of George
A. Hux, Clerk of Superior Court,
was presented to the board. On
motion by Mr. Davis, seconded
by Mr. Alexander, the report
was accepted and ordered filed
in the Register of Deeds office.
The clerk to the board was instructed to publish same in the
Roanoke Rapids Herald.

Federal Goverenment, which
work here. He was complimenand was promised full cooperation by the board of commissiontors.

Mr. J.B. Hall made report of
Welfare Department which was
approved.

Mr. C. S. Alexander was named by the board to discuss the control of the commissionmaterial for the control of the contro in the Register of Deeds office. Welfare Department which was Th clerk to the board was instructed to publish same in the Roanoke Rapids Herald.

The following List Takers were appointed by the board: Brink-leyville-I. A. Crawley, \$140; Butterwood-Mrs. Robert Clark, \$75.

The following List Takers were appointed by the board to discuss with Mr. Merrill Evans, state high removed was commissioner for this district, the possibility of getting the processors. In the processors of Roanoke Rapids Herald.
The following List Takers were

county. Allsbrook told the gathering, "Aithough I haven't had much time in which to prepare a tark—and since I am limited to five

minutes—I would like to state briefly what we would like most to see in our law enforcement officers."

Four Road Improvements

Petitions for roads affecting Roanoke Rapids and other areas were approved by the county of this provements and the series of the se

plans to conduct a school for law officers of the county shortly

be started at the earliest possible time.

Tor. Young appeared before the board and discussed plans of the health department. He board and discussed plans of the health department. He board and discussed plans of the health department. He stated he was planning on installing a laboratory which would be state-approved and would take name to so notify the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

On motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Alexander and carried, the chairman was authorized to sign revisal of current expense budget for the board of education, the revised budget not the fact that there was no state-approved laboratory in the country. He also stated has reproved a plans to conduct a school for should would ask officers of the year. Commissioners Are Visitors Other guests for the meeting, held in the Blue Room of the Roanoke Rapids city commissioners, Howard Pruden, A. Cameron, D. C. Clark and Jimmie Sears; State Senator Julian Allsbrook and Lunsford Crew.

Farm Placement Man Appointed to Assist NCSES Office Manager Eston Y. Brickhouse of Crew.

expense budget for the board of education, the revised budget not exceeding in total amount the coriginal budget.

The Annual Report of George

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The Annual Report of George and was promised full coopera ed in the local office of the North with the board of commission. vice, located at 216 R Mr. J.B. Hall made report of made today by Fred Welfare Department which was Jr., manager of the Roanoke Rapids office.

Brickhouse received a B. degree from Wake Forest Col-lege in 1939 and was affiliated with the North Carolina Pulp

November Shows Increase Of \$88,380 Over Same Month, 1946 In Permits

cations, which was \$88,380 more be used as a sheet field \$100 in Halliax at the han November, 1946 could boast, at an estimated cost of \$2000; of Superior Courabulation of figures from the and to M. F. Edwards, for a only jail cases. office of the city building inspector this morning revealed com-Jackson Street, at an estimated f the recipient.

The first owner of that tree tor this morning revealed comparative totals for the two month cost of \$350.

Nov., 1946 Nov.,1947 Total \$35,200 Residential \$29,500 Other \$5,700 did he know where to give it away.

Such situations come up often. When any reader has anything which might be of value to someone else just call the Rambler at the Herald office. We will be glad to inform the public. It mercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in industrial, commercial, repair and miscellarity of the sum, leaving \$474,705 in neous permits.
This year, at the close of the

someone.

Don't throw away good trees, shrubs, bulbs, seeds, old furniture, old toys, and the like. Let the Rambler give them away for the Rambler give them away for \$419,330 divided in the miscellaneous categories. 1947 Ahead \$143,325

November of 1947 registered a total evaluation of \$123,580 in building permits in all classifications, which was \$88,380 more than November, 1946 could boast.

Tabulation of figures from the and to 14 and 25 and 15 and

\$123,580 \$59,700 \$63,880 Fo rMany People

The anticipated meat shortage for next year with its con-tinued price increase won't worry hundreds of people in Roanoke Rapids.

Roanoke Rapids.

Reason: For many years employes in the industrial plants here have been raising their own hogs — year after year leaning over the fence of the "pig pens" and swapping yarms with friends as to how "big my hog will be when it's time to kill."

This year has been no exception, and several hundred "porkers" will be killed and dressed, cut up and cured for future eating. Many people have already killed.

Yes, sir: It's hog killing time around Roanoke Rapids, and "eating time," too, with fresh souse meat, liver pudding, hog haslet, collards and heg level, sweet petaless and chitting tuppers.

EXAMINER GETS HELPER

In anticipation of the lastminute rush for driver's license ense examiner, Irwin K. Weeks, will have an assistant beginning today, the Herald has been in formed by Corporal Logan B Lane of the highway patrol.