

THE ROANOKE RAPIDS HERALD Growing With Carolina's Fastest Growing City

Roanoke Ramblings

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Gets Quick Results

Weldon's Truman One of our super-sleuth correspondents in Weldon reports that when Mr. and Mrs. James C. Tilghman took a vacation trip to Florida and Cuba recently, Mr. Tilghman's striking resemblance to the present occupant of the White House caused them to be the object of much attention.

Payless Holidays Contary to popular belief, the local teachers received no pay for the days recently when the schools had to close on account of the weather.

Speaking of teachers reminds us that we're going to give a little space this week to Miss Clara Hearne. You parents should be interested in this: "To the little boys and girls of Roanoke Rapids: We are interested in all the little boys and girls in our community. We have been thinking about you and have seen many of you now we want to get ready for you to start your school career. If you are going to be six years old before October 2nd of this year, we want you to tell us about it, because we want to make room for you. Ask your mother or daddy to write us your name, the date of your birth, and where you live.

May Be 40,000th Some young citizen of Roanoke Rapids joining the Army or Air Force within the next few days or weeks will receive an extraordinary reception from both military and civilian leaders if he happens to be "Number 40,000", says Master Sergeant Robert M. De Young, in charge of the local Army and Air Force Recruiting Sub-Station.

Kitchen Named Buck Kitchen, Scotland Neck farmer, has been appointed to the State Committee of the Production and Marketing Administration, according to an announcement made last week by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Kitchen is the son of the late Arrington Kitchen and a nephew of the late Claude Kitchen, for many years Congressman from the Second Congressional District, and predecessor of John H. Kerr in that office.

Got a letter from one of our best informants this week containing a clip (from a trade journal maybe?) which we couldn't resist passing on:

The town board was debating the question of building a fence around the township cemetery. Supervisor Jed Smith from Coon Hollow 'louted as how it was a complete waste of the taxpayers' money. 'Ain't nobody on the outside wants in the cemetery,' he said, 'and ain't nobody in there that kin git out, so what good is a fence agoin' to do?'

Everybody's hepped up on basketball it seems, but the latest cage story comes out of Stroud, Oklahoma. C. B. Wright of Stroud was hunting a basketball team that wasn't easily discouraged. He announced the opening of the Stroud Independent tournament last Monday by describing the meet as follows: "To be perfectly fair we must warn you that our gym is small, our basketballs are lopsided, the floor is generally dirty, the lights are poor, illiterates only are used as scorers and timers, the officials will be blind, local teams will be favored." We wonder if many accepted his invitation.

Dr. Crocker Maddrey looked out the window Tuesday morning up at the hospital and remarked that it was mighty good "pneumonia weather". He observed that it looked so much like spring that people would be tempted to go around in shirt-sleeves and -bingo!-his business would be rushing. A doctor is apparently just like anyone else in not wanting to see people.

River Out of Banks But Little Damage

Melting snows all along the Roanoke River from as far west as Clarksville caused speculation as to possibilities of floods waters here Monday and Tuesday, but, although the sometimes ferocious stream did get out of banks on those days, not much damage was caused.

No Industrial Damage Manchester Board & Paper Company reported water in the basement of the company's mill on the river Monday morning and officials said they had moved a few motors. They reported not much damage, but at about 10 o'clock hadn't been able to begin operation.

Expected Second Rise F. C. Williams told newsmen that the river rose here all day Sunday and up until midnight Sunday in its first rise and a second rise of from 15 to 18 inches was expected by midnight Monday.

Wildlife Club Meet Slated Tomorrow

Proposed changes in rockfishing regulations in the Roanoke River will be discussed tomorrow night in Halifax when members of the Halifax County Wildlife Club meet in the Agricultural Building at eight o'clock.

Northampton Meet Over in Northampton County, the Wildlife Club will meet in Jackson Monday night at the courthouse to discuss the proposed moving of the commercial fishing line on the Roanoke from Weldon to Williamston.

Two Committees In addition to a committee from the Wildlife Resources Commission made up of Harry Green of Raeford, Frank T. Erwin of Durham and J. R. Winslow of Robersonville, it was reported that the Department of Conservation and Development, which has control over commercial waters, will send a committee composed of Roy Hampton of Plymouth, Oscar Breese of Fayetteville and Clyde Council of Wanasish to the hearing.

Slowed down business caused drivers license examiner Irwin K. Weeks to again remind motorists whose names begin with C or D to come in for their examinations for licenses this week.

Four Months Left For C, D Drivers To Get Licenses

The new La-France Invader truck, purchased by the city last April 15th, arrived in Roanoke Rapids yesterday by rail and is being unloaded this afternoon.

Newly Organized Group Wants More Members

Organization of the Roanoke Rapids Male Glee Club was completed Monday night when a group of music-minded young men of the city elected officers for the coming year.

Price Resigns As Chairman of Local Red Cross

Rev. Gordon L. Price, chairman of the Roanoke Rapids chapter of the American Red Cross for the past 14 years, has tendered his resignation and a new chairman will be chosen at the annual open meeting of the chapter on Monday night.

CAA Approves Airport Plans County Informed

A telegram was received Wednesday morning from the Wilmington office of the Civil Aeronautics Administration by the county board of commissioners that all plans and specifications for the new county airport had been approved by that Federal agency, the Herald learned from the County Register of Deeds office.

From Roanoke Rapids to the Needy



INTER-CHURCH CLOTHING DRIVE SUCCESS. Packing clothes into the 52 peanut sacks filled by the recently conducted Friendship Drive are (left to right) Rev. John M. Walker, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church and city chairman of the drive, Rev. Edmund Berkeley, rector of All Saints Episcopal Church, Rev. Jerome Hodges, pastor of the Pentecostal Holiness Church, and Rev. B. Marshall White-Hurst, pastor of Rosemary Baptist Church. All articles were carried to the Presbyterian Church last week. The total amount weighed 2000 pounds. They will be shipped to Church World Service Center at New Windsor, Maryland, and from there they will go overseas to be distributed to the needy of Europe and Asia.

Finding out Airport Cost Sound Idea Wilson Tells Local Civic Organization

The Roanoke Rapids Jaycees got a bit of inside information about developments on the proposed new county airport Friday night when Frank D. Wilson, County Register of Deeds, appeared before the club as guest speaker.

Call Raleigh Bureau; Get Hit-Run Driver Here Within Minutes

Shortly after his automobile struck another car, belonging to city policeman John Moore and parked in front of the city building, last night, a man identified by State Highway Patrolman Carol Petteway as George W. Lane, 46, of Gaston, was arrested on charges of hit and run driving and driving while under the influence of intoxicating beverages.

City Board Approves Plans For Paving; Asks For Bids

Income Tax Specialists To Help With Filing

Representatives of the Collector of Internal Revenue will be at the postoffice in the several towns of Halifax County according to the following schedule to assist in the filing of income tax returns, it was announced today by local collector R. A. Pope:

Forest Fire Dangers Seen By Forester

County Forest Warden M. M. Lawrence and his fire fighting organization request wholehearted support in preventing forest fires in our county this spring, and offer the following friendly reminders for consideration: do not burn lands while a high wind is blowing; try to burn following a rain or in the late afternoon or at night and when the woods are dangerously dry; keep a competent watch over your fire at all times; notify adjoining landowners when you plan to burn; comply with all North Carolina State Forest Fire laws and prior to burning always obtain a burning permit from your nearest issuing agent.

Full Itinerary Local Inspection Lane Announced

Schedule of operation of Motor Vehicle Inspection Lane 34, which will cover Halifax, Bertie and Northampton counties and is presently stationed in Weldon, was announced today by Arthur T. Moore, head of the Mechanical Inspection Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Three Sections of the project are as follows: Section I—Storm sewers and appurtenances, approximately 23,000 linear feet, sizes 15 to 48 inches.

Section II—Grading concrete curb and gutter-concrete paving in alley returns. Approximately 75,000 linear feet curb and gutter.

595 Helped In 1947 By Charities

The yearly report of Associated Charities released today shows 595 individuals helped in cases accepted.

The board of city commissioners met yesterday afternoon in the municipal building and approved all plans and specifications in connection with the \$404,000 street paving project.

Advertisements for bids begins this week and the commissioners expect that construction will begin by April first.

Lard, Flour Affected By Grain Drop

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Doing All Right

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Local Youth Is Named Outstanding Scout

BEST DRESSED CUB

Scout Dwight Elting, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Elting, 339 Charlotte Street, was awarded the "Outstanding Scout" for 1947 trophy presented by Clyde Liske at the annual Boy Scout Father and Son banquet Friday night, February 6.



Scout Elting was selected for the award from among all Scouts in the Halifax District, comprising Roanoke Rapids, Littleton, Aurelian Springs, Weldon, Halifax, and Enfield. Judges decisions were based not only on young Elting's qualifications as an outstanding Boy Scout, but also on his school record, athletic activity, church and Sunday School attendance, and his neighborhood behavior.

Scout Committee Meet Will Be Held Monday

The Halifax District Committee, Boy Scouts of America, will hold its February meeting in Enfield Monday, February 23rd, at seven p. m. in the Club House, by John Hines, District Chairman.

NEW FIRE TRUCK

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Another Blank

Another week has passed without the issuance of any building permits by the city building inspector. There had been none issued up until noon yesterday when the office closed.

Merchants Meet

The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Roanoke Rapids Merchants Association was held this morning at 10:30 in the association office.

ANNAPOULIS NOMINEE

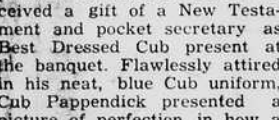
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