

Roanoke Ramblings

Receives Honors
Jay William Sanders, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sanders, city, a senior at Louisburg College, Franklinville, has been initiated into Phi Theta Kappa...

Gold Keys
Gold keys were presented 19 High School students for being outstanding in the field of athletics yesterday afternoon by the Jaycees.

Those receiving keys were: Sam Wood, Walter Myrick, David Lee Cox, O. B. Crumpler, Robert Johnson, Wordest Felts, Hubert Lowder, Vance Stewart, Louis Ivey, James Bryant, Billy Clemmer, Sonny Hines, Earl Rook, Earl Waters, James Warren, Thomas Wheeler, Lola Cates, Margaret Outland, and Fred Etheridge.

Cookie Sale
Every Girl Scout and Brownie in town will be asking you to buy boxes of cookies beginning Monday, April 12.

Wins Award
Friends here of Mrs. Virginia Shelton will be interested to read the following announcement which recently appeared in a Florida paper regarding her son, William R. Shelton who is a student at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla.

"Shelton, whose topic was 'Is College Life a Life Apart?' competed in oratory with five other winners of the Gen. Reeve Essay Contest."

To Attend Convention
Among those who will attend the 65th annual convention of the North Carolina Education Association in Asheville on April 15, 16 and 17 are Mr. Paul T. Overton, school superintendent of Halifax County; T. O. Hickman, school principal at Enfield; and L. W. Alexander, school principal at Scotland Neck.

IT GETS BY
"The typographical error is a slippery thing and sly. You can hunt till you are dizzy but it somehow will get by. Till the forms are off the press it is strange how still it keeps; It shrinks down into a corner and it never stirs or peeps. Till the ink is on the paper, when it grows to mountain size. The boss he stares with horror, then he grabs his hair and groans; The copyreader drops his head upon his head and moans— The remainder of the issue may be clean as it can be. But that typographical error is the only thing you see. From Knoxville (Tenn.) Express

Howard J. King
Howard J. King, 62, well known citizen of Roanoke Rapids, died in the local hospital Monday morning at 3:30 following an illness of two weeks. He was born in Littleton and came to Roanoke Rapids 35 years ago. Mr. King has served in the capacity of bookkeeper and salesman at the Coburn Shoe Store for the past 31 years. He was past master in masonry of the local Widows Son Lodge 519 A. F. and A. M. and served as a faithful and devoted deacon of the First Baptist Church here for the past 20 years.

Funeral services were conducted from the First Baptist Church at 3:30 Tuesday afternoon by his pastor, the Rev. Gordon L. Price. Burial followed in Cedarwood Cemetery here with members of the Masonic Lodge in charge. Surviving Mr. King are his wife, Mrs. Clara Thomason King; three sisters, Mrs. Nora Newman and Mrs. Annie Johnson, both of Littleton, and Mrs. C. E. Ritchie of Roanoke Rapids.

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LOCAL TEXTILE MILLS FACE SHUTDOWN

Here April 12



Kerr Scott

Candidates For Governor Asked To Speak Here

The Junior Chamber of Commerce has invited the four active candidates for governor, Kerr Scott, Charles M. Johnson, Oscar G. Barker and Mayne Albright, to come to Roanoke Rapids and speak in order that local citizens can hear and see these gubernatorial candidates.

Kerr Scott, first of the candidates to appear at a public meeting in Roanoke Rapids, will speak Monday evening, April 12, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the Central High School on Hamilton Street. Mr. Scott will be the dinner guest of the local Rotary club earlier in the evening.

Halifax County Law Enforcement Assoc. Elects New Officers

T. J. Davis, Roanoke Rapids police chief, was elected president of the Halifax Law Enforcement Officers Association at a meeting held last evening at the Boy Scout Hut in Weldon.

Annual Tri-County Contest At Eastman

The annual Tri-County Competitive Activities contest for New Farmers of America chapters in Halifax, Edgecomb and Ashe counties rural schools was held at Eastman High School in Enfield Tuesday.

Delegates To Attend Educational Meeting In Asheville April 15

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Special Board Meeting Tues. To Discuss Swimming Pool For City

A special board meeting of the city commissioners will be held Tuesday night, April 13, at 8 o'clock at the Municipal Building to discuss a proposed swimming pool for the city, according to Mayor W. B. Allsbrook.

The board also granted the Business and Professional Women's Club permission to hold a plate dinner Saturday, April 17, at a downtown park.

The board opened the one bid it received for construction of a second story addition to the building now housing the Roanoke Rapids Fire Department.

The bid, for \$13,250, was considered excessive and was rejected. The proposed building would give the firemen more room and relieve congestion in the crowded upstairs portion of the Municipal Building.

\$3,000 Goal Set For Cancer Drive

Mrs. Berkstresser Heads Halifax Group

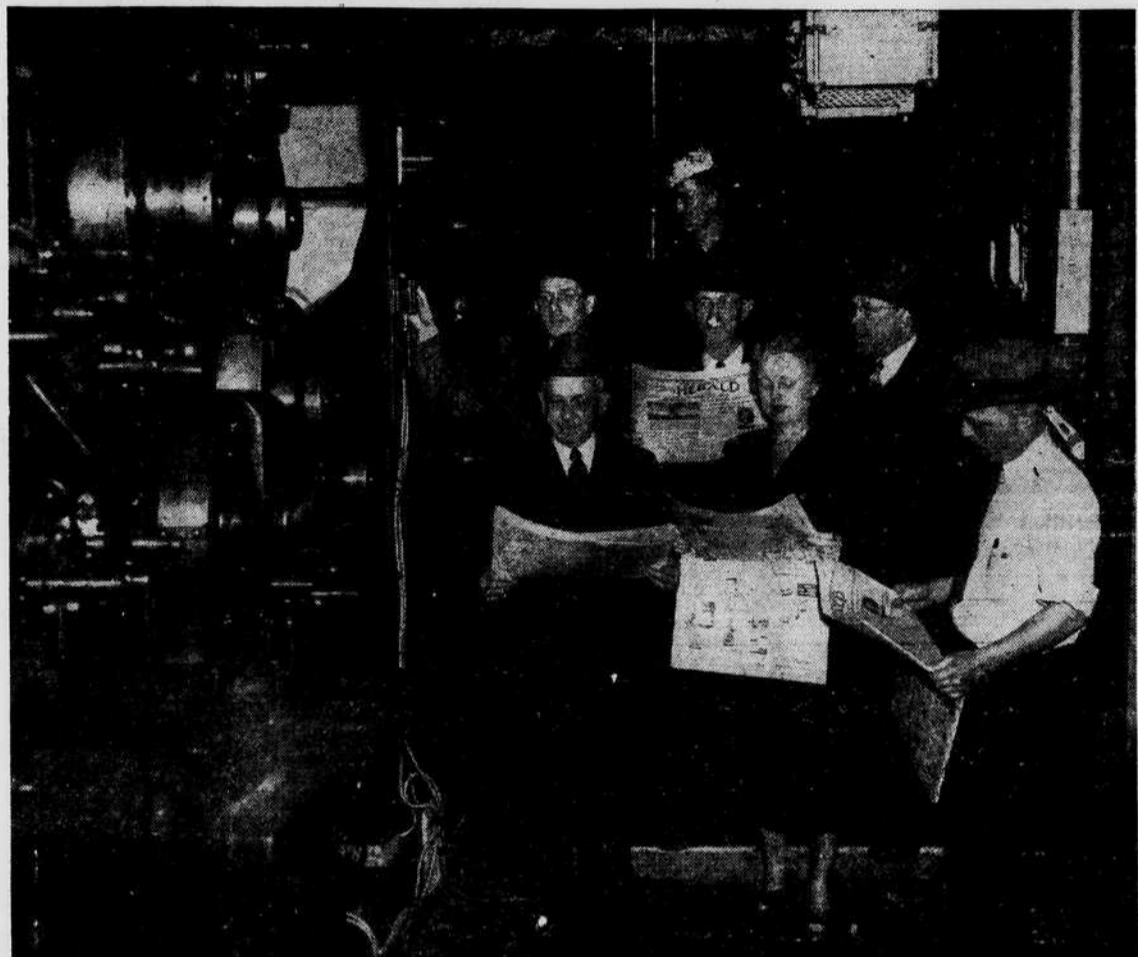
Mrs. G. A. Berkstresser of Roanoke Rapids has been appointed 1948 Campaign Chairman for the April Drive to be conducted in Halifax County by the North Carolina Division of the American Cancer Society.

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Mayor W. B. Allsbrook, above, presses the button that releases the first trial run made on the Herald's newly installed 24-page Hoe Rotary Press. Pictured here, from left to right are, first row: Marvin D. Collier, chairman of the board of city commissioners; Mrs. Elva Martin, secretary of the Merchants Association; and Doug Debnam, Herald shop foreman. Second row: Mayor Allsbrook, city commissioner Howard Pruden and Guy Leedy, the Herald's new assistant publisher. Behind them is Larry Willis, Herald pressman.

Conducts Mission Rabies Outbreak Possible Here



Rev. Patrick Walsh, O. P.

The Forty Hour's Adoration, which commemorates the forty hours that our Lord's Sacred Body remained in the Sepulchre from Good Friday afternoon to Easter Sunday morning, will be opened for the first time in St. John's Catholic Church on Sunday, April 11, at 10:00 A. M.

The Local Week . . .

PTA MEETING
The High School PTA meeting will be held in the school library this evening at 8 o'clock.

BPWC TO MEET
The regular monthly meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club will be held in the Blue Room of the Rosemary Cafe at 7:30 this evening.

TYPHOID CLINIC
Typhoid vaccine will be given at the Patterson Mill clinic for six weeks, Monday through Friday, at regular clinic hours.

DANCE, APRIL 9
The Jaycees are sponsoring a dance tomorrow evening at the Armory from 8 until 12, for the benefit of the high school music department.

Rabies Outbreak Possible Here

Local citizens are again warned by County Health Officer, Dr. Robert F. Young, that because of a very unusual and abnormal prevalence of rabies among dogs during the winter months, there is imminent danger of a rabies outbreak in this area.

Police Chief T. J. Davis points out that since summer time is coming and more children are playing outdoors, the danger is greater than ever and asks that citizens of Roanoke Rapids please cooperate in making this important preventive measure effective.

City officials have been requested by Dr. Young to destroy all ownerless, stray dogs in order to prevent an outbreak of rabies in the immediate vicinity.

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N. C. Symphony Program Given

Will Appear In City May 17

The program to be presented by the North Carolina Symphony in their concert in the Roanoke Rapids High School Auditorium May 17 has just been announced.

The following is the program for the evening concert: Hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy" To be sung by the audience Rossini-Overture to The Thievish Magpie Schubert-Symphony No. VIII in B minor ("Unfinished")

1. Rather lively movement MacDowell - Presto giocoso, from Concerto No. II in D minor, Opus 23, for Piano and Orchestra.

Intermission Debussy-"Clair de Lune" Tournier-"Fairyland"

Grofe-"On the Trail", from Grand Canyon Suite Khachaturian-Two Dances from the ballet, Gayane

1. "Dance of the Rose Maidens" 2. "Sabre Dance" Porter-"Begin the Beguine" Strauss - Waltz, "The Blue Danube"

Asst. Publisher



Guy Leedy

The following statement was issued by Milton Wick, publisher of the Roanoke Rapids Herald, on April 1

"I am glad to announce the appointment of Guy M. Leedy as assistant publisher of the Roanoke Rapids Herald. Mr. Leedy is one of North Carolina's best known and most outstanding newspapermen.

"Until coming here, Mr. Leedy was general manager and treasurer of the Elizabeth City Advance Inc. He had charge of obtaining the radio license and the establishment of Radio Station WGAI in that city. Mr. Leedy was also one of the organizers of the Elizabeth City Theatre Corp. which operates (Cont. on back page section 1)

Miners Strike May Stop Work At All Mills Here

It was learned today from authoritative sources that the coal piles of the Roanoke Mills Co., Patterson Mills Co. and the Rosemary Mfg. Co., have dwindled to such an extent that the mills can operate for only a few more days on the present supply.

Investigation disclosed that the local mills have exhausted every known source of supply, even the "black market", in their effort to secure coal. The management of the local mills stated that they will continue to make every effort to get coal from all possible sources in order to keep the mills running.

The mills plan to reserve only the amount of coal necessary to operate the steam pumps for fire protection purposes.

Effective Sunday The Virginia Electric and Power Co., from which the local mills obtain their power, has announced that unless the coal strike ends immediately it will be necessary to cut power furnished to industries to not less than one half of their normal requirements, effective Sunday midnight.

If the coal strike should end today, it has been estimated that it would be two weeks before coal could be mined, shipped and received at the mills in Roanoke Rapids.

Jays Spank Bulls 8-4 In Opener; Rudden Homers

The 1948 edition of the Roanoke Rapids Jays defeated the Durham Bulls of the class "C" Carolina League here in Simmons Park yesterday afternoon 8 to 4. Approximately 800 fans witnessed the seven inning affair.

"Red" Rudden, smiling second baseman and lead off man for the Jays, touched off the fireworks in the home half of the first, by blasting one of Lefty Bill Hasted's pitches over the rightfield wall. From then on the Jays led all the way, touching the Durham Ace for eight hits and eight runs, during the three innings he worked.

In Manager Stu Martin's starting line-up there was only one new face—Carl "Dude" Lee, Rookie Outfielder, who played the entire contest. Lee, local boy, had a single for three times, at bat including one RBI. Starting at the other positions were Rudden 2B; Martin 3B; Coleman c. f.; Meyer r. f.; Parker 1B; Skelton SS; Pavlich C; and Carleton P.

Leroy Carleton and Glenn Titus divided the pitching chores for the Jays. Carleton started and worked three innings allowing only two hits, three runs, four free tickets; and fanning two. Titus in the remaining four innings gave up five hits, one run, no bases on balls and fanned 3. Carleton was the winning pitcher.

John Pavlich, with two for three was the only Jay to get more than one hit. Paul Crawford, Bulls catcher, got a triple and a single in as many tries to lead the Durham Club.

Local Employment Office Reports 278 Persons This Area Registered

A total of 278 persons were registered for work with the Roanoke Rapids Office of the North Carolina Employment Service as of March 25, according to Fred W. McNeil, Jr., local office manager. A decrease of 8 per cent from the previous reporting period was noted.

Of the total number of registered applicants, 42 per cent were women and 58 per cent were veterans. The 3 per cent increase in the number of veterans over last period was due to bad weather curtailing outside work and to season unemployment farm workers in the labor market, stated Mr. McNeil. However, with Spring here, all outside work is starting again, and unemployment will be reduced.

Formal Opening of VFW Home Sunday, April 11

Formal opening of the Halifax Post 3702 Home of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will take place Sunday afternoon, April 11, at 1:30. The new VFW home is at 1037 Hamilton Street.

The following officers will be installed by the State Department Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars: D. F. Mahaffey, Commander; James L. Fanney, Senior Vice-Commander; Sgt. Elwood Boyce, Junior Vice-Commander; C. C. Churchill, Postmaster; F. S. Kemp, Post Advocate; Billy Robinson, Post Surgeon; George Brewer, Chaplain; Mr. Williams, Adjutant; and Sgt. Dick Collins, Trustee.