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B. P. W. C. Has Fifth Birthday



Shown above at the annual Business and Professional Women's Club dinner held at the First Baptist Church last Thursday night are, left to right, Mrs. John Edwards, Mrs. Frances Hoffman, of Raleigh, guest speaker, and Miss Jose Moore, president of the club.

Annual Dinner Marks Club's Anniversary

The Business and Professional Women's Club, of Roanoke Rapids, celebrated its fifth anniversary at an annual dinner held in the main dining hall of the First Baptist Church Thursday night, May 13, at 7:30 o'clock with 100 members and guests attending.

W. Paul Edwards Of Seaboard Dies In City Hospital

Seaboard—(Special) William Paul Edwards, 53, prominent businessman and owner of the new Jean Theater in Seaboard, died Tuesday morning in the Roanoke Rapids Hospital, following five weeks of illness.

Democratic Convention Opens in Raleigh Today

Two Die in Automobile Accidents; First in '48 On Halifax County Roads

The first fatal highway accident in Halifax County for 1948 occurred last Saturday morning when Esther Anderson Pugh, 64-year-old Weldon negro woman, was fatally injured about three miles from that city on highway 301 when she was hit by an automobile driven by Frank H. Neal, Roanoke Rapids bank official.

More Streets To Be Paved

At a special meeting Wednesday evening, May 12, the city commissioners decided to construct storm sewer, curb and gutter and street paving on the following streets in Roanoke Rapids in addition to the present project now underway:

Halifax Delegates Vote For Uninstructed Ballot

Expect 4000 Democratic Delegates To Attend Session From Districts

Rev. Edwards Dies of Heart Attack Mon.

The Rev. John R. Edwards, 59, of Roanoke Rapids, died suddenly Monday morning of a heart attack while visiting at Halifax. He was pastor of the First Methodist Church, coming here the latter part of October from the Fifth Avenue Methodist Church in Wilmington, N. C.

Teachers To Be Honored

The public is cordially invited to attend a reception given by the Roanoke Rapids local unit of the North Carolina Education Association and the School Board, honoring Miss Clara Hearne and Miss Mary Lowder, both of whom are retiring at the end of the school year.

Who's Confusing Who?

Signs stretched across Roanoke Avenue Tuesday night stated that the Jays were playing Goldsboro, but when the Rambler settled down at Simmon's Park he found to his bewilderment that the team in play was from Tarboro.

A Job Well Done

Traffic Officer Crawford C. Deese, who resigned from the local Police Department Monday, is leaving behind many friends who hate to see him go. Deese has been on the job here since November of 1946, having come here from Graham, N. C., to work with Chief Davis.

Make Honor Roll

Three students from Halifax County have made the Dean's list in the School of Commerce at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Vivian A. Parks, Halifax, made all "B's" (no less than 90 to 95 on all courses) and Wilbur Y. Bridges, of Enfield and Jack R. White, city, averaged "B" on all courses.

At Maxwell, Ala.

Pfc. Raymond A. Brown, son of Mrs. Lottie A. Brown, city, has been assigned to the 108th Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron at the Maxwell AF Base, Ala. Brown has just completed his basic training at the Lackland AF Base, Texas.

Just Folks

Despite their dignified appearance during the concert Monday evening, members of the North Carolina Symphony showed that they, too, left their hair down in moments of relaxation. Riding out to the Country Club Reception in chartered buses following the concert, the group sang songs and kidded each other as another group of young people do.

High School To Graduate 80 Seniors

Eighty seniors of the Roanoke Rapids High School will walk across the stage of the High School Auditorium to receive their diplomas next Friday night, May 28, at 8 o'clock.

Master Plumbers Form Association

A group of licensed plumbers of Roanoke Rapids held an initial meeting last Thursday night at 8 o'clock in the Norwood Cafe to form a Master Plumbers' Association. Charles Zeiler was named president of the new organization.

Miss Miriam Shearin Graduates From Nursing School

Miss Miriam Shearin, of Roanoke Rapids, was graduated from the Norfolk General Hospital School of Nursing, Norfolk, services held today at the Christ the King Church in that city.

No Demands Made; No Agreements Made In Union-Mill Meeting

A committee representing the Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the United Textile Workers Union of America, CIO, met in the office of the Company on Friday, May 14, 1948, for the purpose of bargaining and negotiating a possible union contract.

Firemen's Association Holds Regular Meeting

The Roanoke Firemen's Association held its regular meeting in the Community building in Halifax Wednesday evening. Rufus Britton, president of the Association presided. George Hux, chief of the Halifax fire department, introduced Billy Norwood, former state senator, who addressed the group.

Jays' Veteran Outfielder



Herb May, veteran outfielder, recently purchased by the Jays, performed for the Rocky Mount Leafs last season. May led the League with a total of 190 hits in 132 games and ended the 1947 campaign with a .342 batting average. Included in his '47 hit parade were 27 doubles, two triples, and 24 home runs. He scored 100 runs and batted in a total of 113. In four games played the past week May has hit two home runs, one double, and batted in a total of six runs. See Sports, page 3.

VFW Auxiliary Elects Encampment Delegates

Delegates and alternates were elected to attend the State Veterans of Foreign Wars Encampment at a meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the local VFW held Tuesday night. Planning to attend the Encampment which is scheduled for June 4, 5, and 6 in Winston-Salem are: delegates Mrs. Lula Bell Rogers and Mrs. Louise Smith. Alternates named were Miss Frances Keeter and Mrs. Deanie Holadia.

Man Held Without Bond On Assault; Burglary Charges

John Brown, negro city street department employe, is being held in Halifax County jail without privilege of bond, to await trial on charges of first degree burglary and criminal assault, both of which are capital offenses.

High School Graduates Need Security Cards

Prospective workers, who are graduating from High School this spring should obtain a Social Security Card before they start to work. Marshall Arney, manager of the Rocky Mount Social Security Office said today. Many employers are now following the practice of not putting anyone on the payroll until he has shown his Account Number Card.

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Convention Tells Committees For County Precincts

Precinct Committees for Halifax County were certified at the Halifax County Democratic Convention held Saturday, May 15. Listed below are members of the Committees. In each listing the first name is the chairman and automatically is a member of the Democratic County Executive Committee.

Perdue School Of Dance To Present Recital

The Perdue School of Dancing is presenting its annual recital, "Tapping Toes of 1948," under the sponsorship of the Roanoke Rapids Girl Scouts, at the High School Auditorium tonight at 8 o'clock. Dancing is under the direction of Mrs. S. E. Perdue, with Mrs. A. L. Slaybaugh as accompanist.