Alumni To Have Rock Muddle Rock muddle will be enjoyed at a meeting of the Upper Halifax County North Carolina State Atumni Club at the Legion Center in Weldon tomorrow night at 7 o'clock. All alumni and friends of State College are cordially invited.

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. The reception will be from 8 to 10:30 Saturday evening, May 22, at Coletraine Hall.

Grandson An Editor

Gene Lehman, grandson of Mrs. E. W. Lehman, of this city, was recently elected editor of the "Sanspur," student newspaper at the Presbyterian Junior College in Maxton.

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 bewild-erment that the team in play

was from Tarboro. A Job Well Done Traffic Officer Crawford C.

Deese, who resigned from the lo-cal Police Department Monday, is leaving behind many friends 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. The Chief has to say of Deese: "He was a mighty ellicient officer and we're sorry to lose him." Yates Duffy, of Seaboard, will take Deese's place on the force. take Deese's place on the force. He comes highly recommended and will begin tonight on the night duty shift.

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

At Maxwell, Ala.

Pfc. Raymond A. Brown, son of Mrs. Lottie A. Brown, city. has been assigned to the 108th Airways and Air Communications

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Democratic Convention

Opens in Raleigh Today

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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.

# Anniversary

Women's Club, of Roanoke Rapids, celebrated its fifth anni yersary 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 at-

tending.

Special guest speaker for the occasion was Mrs. Frances Hoff-man, of Raleigh, who was in-troduced by Miss Josie Moore, president of the club.

A program arranged for the evening featured Mrs. Agatha Miller, who gave the "Collect" as a solo, accompanied by Mrs. Alice Miller at the piano, and an after dinner quartet. The quartet was composed of Tom Taylor, Monroe Starke, James C. Wrenn and Gilbert Baughan, members of the Men's Choral Club. They gave several selections

Allsbrook.

Special guests included the presidents and their wives of all local civic clubs. Among the guests present were the late Rev. John Edwards and Mrs. Edwards, of the First Methodist Church, Mayor, and Mrs. Allerbrook, Mr. Guy M. Leedy, or the Herald, and Mrs. Leedy, or the Herald, and Mrs. Leedy, and Mr. John Lackey, of the Merchants' Association, and Mrs. Lackey.

High School

### Master Plumbers To Graduate Form Association 80 Seniors

A group of licensed plumbers of Roanoke Rapids held an ini-tial 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

## Marks Club's 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, fol-lowing five weeks of illness. Funeral services were held yes-terday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Seaboard Baptist Church with the Rev. Earle Rogers, the Rev. C. M. True blood and the Rev. J. P. Pegg officiating

Mr. Edwards, who was born born and reared in North-ampton County, was well known in business and farming circles. He carried on an intensive farming program in the county and at one time was owner of the Edwards Cotton Gin. He was a deacon in the Seaboard Baptist Church.

He was the son of Thomas Burgess Edwards and Ella Conner Edwards. His wife, Lilian Jones Edwards, died July 1, 1947. He is survived by one daughter. Emma Jean Edwards. Club. They garding the strong of the strong

# High School

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.

So, at 8:00 p. m. The Rev. Felix Arnold, pastor of the Enfield Baptist Church will preach the Baccalaureate sermon.

Class Night, "The Wedding of Experience and Education" will be held in the school auditorium on Thursday night, June 3, at 8 o'clock.

Graduating exercises will be held Friday night, June 4, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium. Dr. D. B. Bryan, Dean of Wake Forest College, will deliver the commencement address.

The Navy's air arm reached maturity on its thirty-first birth-day—May 8,1742—when it played its first important role in modern warfare in checking the advance of the Japanese at the two-day crucial battle of the Coral Sea.

Union-Mill Meeting

A committee representing the Roanoke Mills Company and a committees representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committees representing the Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a committee representing the Unite Roanoke Mills Company and a codleck in the auditorium. A play, "The Senior Follies," which takes place at the present at the present at two day the commenters and no agreements were made by the company representatives. After some discussion between the two day May 8,1742—when it played its first important role in modern warfare in checking the advance of the Japanese at the world.

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### Two Die in Automobile Accidents; First in '48 Annual Dinner W. Paul Edwards 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 and all accident for 1948 in which George Walter Batchelor, three-will be was hit by an automobile driven by Frank B Neal, Roanoke Rapids bank official.

In the car with Neal, who was driving south, was another Roa noke Rapids bank official, H. E. Lee. Neither were injured.

According to investigating of-

ficers, a group of negroes were standing on the left side of the highway when the Pugh woman, apparently not seeing the approaching automobile, started to run across the highway to get with a friend on the other side. Neal told officers he saw the woman, applied his brakes in an effort to avoid hitting her, but her body struck the left side of the hood. She suffered a broken neck, arm and a compound fracture of the right leg. She was taken to the office of a Weldon physician, but was pronounced dead upon arrival.

Coroner Rufus Britton has ordered an inquest into the fatality to be held tomorrow night. Second Fatal Accident

Rigdon Green, 20-year-old ne

Norwood, former state senator, who addressed the group.
At the business session it was decided to take the Battlesboro Fire Department into the Association. Mr. Norwood was made an honorary member of the Roanoke Firemen's Association. About 125 firemen from the Enfield Weldon Ranake medium to the sessie Hyman, senior viceation. About 125 firemen from the Enfield, Weldon, Roanoke Rapids, Whitakers, Rich Square, Halifax and Scotland Neck fire departments attended the meeting at which brunswick stew and barbeque were served. The next scheduled meeting will be held in Whitakers on July 20.

year-old negro child, of Weldon, was struck by a station wagon, last Monday morning at Garner's and Bounds' crossroads junction on the Aurelian Springs road, three miles southwest of Weldon. The child suffered head and body injuries and died in Roanoke Rapids Hospital at 12:30 a.m., Tuesday.

According to Patrolman J. S. Woodall, who investigated the accident, Green, driver of the station wagon, and accompanied by seven other negro youths, was headed toward Weldon. Reaching the intersection of the crossroads. Green said he applied his brakes Green said he applied his brakes but they failed to work properly The negro driver said he ther threw the car into second gea: but it skidded sideways, leaving the road on the left-hand side and running into a wagon in which the Batchelor child was seated. The wagon was complete ly demolished.

Coroner Rufus Britton has or-dered an inquest into the af-fair to be held tomorrow night in Weldon

### Firemen's Association Holds Pegular Meeting | VFW Auxiliary Elects En. mp.ment Delegates

The Roanoke Firemen's Association held its regular meeting in the Community building in Halifax Wednesday evening. Rufus Britton, presided of the Association presided. George Hux, chief of the Halifax fire department, introduced Billy Norwood, former state senator, Wednesday in Winston-Salem are: delegates and alternates were elected to attend the State Vetical Control of the Ladies Auxiliary of the local VFW held Auxiliary of the local VFW held the Escampment which is scheduled for June 4, 5, and 6 in Winston-Salem are: delegates Mrs. Lula Bell Rogers and Mrs.

president, Mrs. Mamie L. Camp, district treasurer, and Miss Vio-let Dean Hux, state color bear-

At the Tuesday night meeting her with his fist and knocking plans were discussed for the VFW Poppy Day to be held May 29. Proceeds of the poppy sale will be used to aid disabled vet-

The Navy has developed a seaplane dock which can be carried to advanced bases by the planes that are to use it.

Will be used to aid disabled veterans and their families.

Three new members joined the Ladies Auxiliary: Miss Mary Elizabeth White, Mrs. Odessa that are to use it.

struct storm sewer, curb and gut

Street from Third Street to Sev-enth Street and from Tenth Street to Eleventh Street; on Franklin Street from Fifth Street to Twelfth Street; and on Madison Street from Seventh Street

on Street from Seventh Street to Eighth Street. The following cross streets will be improved: Third Street (Washington Street to Charlotte Street); Fourth Street (Washing-ton Street to Jefferson Street), Fifth Street (Washington Street to Jefferson Street); Fifth Street (Washington Street to Jefferson Street); Sixth Street (Washing-ton Street to Jefferson Street); Seventh Street (Jefferson Street) to Williams Street) and Eleventh Street (Washington Street to Marshall Street). The William F. Bowe Co., of

Augusta, Ga., will construct storm sewers for the street pav-ing project. Curb and gutter con-struction will be done by the F. O. Cline Construction Co., of Raleigh and bituminous treatment by Sam Finley, Inc. of Roanoke, Va.

Roanoke, Va.

The city's street paving project was begun April 2.

trial on charges of first degree burglary and criminal assault, btth of which are capital offens-

Brown, it is alleged, broke in to the home of Beatrice Johnson, negro house servant of Dr. and Mrs. M. S. Broun, located in the rear of the Broun residence on Roanoke Avenue, about 4 o'clock last Saturday morning, entering, it is said by morning, entering, it is said, by tearing away screen breaking a glass, unlocking and raising a window.

After getting into the house,

Brown attacked the woman, she claims, drawing a knife and threatening to kill her, hitting her with his fist and knocking

the negro still loitering in the driveway.

Brown was arrested by Officers C. R. Greene, H. C. Kellett, and C. D. Allen between 5 and 6 o'clock Saturday morning a William Alfred Thorne of Road C. Schart C.

conducted the state's prosecu-tion and Kelly Jenkins appeared

### High School Graduates Need Security Cards

Prospective workers, who are graduating from High School this spring should obtain a Social spring should obtain a Social Security Card before they start to work, Marshall arney, man-ager of the Rocky Mount Social Security Office said today, Many

### More Streets Halifax Delegates Vote To Be Paved For Uninstructed Ballot

## ter and street paying on the following streets in Roanoke Rapids in addition to the present project now underway: Parallel Streets: On Jefferson Attack Mon.

The Rev. John R. Edwards, 59, of Roanoke Rapids, died suddently Monday morning of a

dently 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. Funeral services were conducted yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from the First Methodist Church. The rites were conducted by Dr. A. H. Hobbs. A motor procession led by local police drove to Siler City for burial. Active pallbearers were Curtis Christman, Almand White,

tis Christman, Almand White, Blair Gibson, George Taylor, Leslie Towe and Edwin Akers. Honorary pallbearers were the Board of Stewards of the First Methodist Church and vi-

rirst Methodist Church and visiting pastors.

The Reverend Mr. Edwards was born in Mount Vernon Springs, N. C. He was the son of James Robert Edwards and Rebecca Phillip Edwards. He was a graduate of Trinity College and served as pastor at

was a graduate of Trinity College and served as pastor at winington, Graham, Bethel, Mt. Gilead, Whiteville and Bynum. He was a member tf the Masons and Rotary Club.

Surviving are his wife, the former Gertrude Selby; a dauth-ter, Mary Elizabeth Edwards, of Greensboro, and the four privilege of bond, to await trial on charges of first degree.

was a graduate of Trinity College and served as pastor at wininstructed delegation to the Na think to the National Convention. His resolution was carried unanimously. Said Mr. Johnson in speaking in be former Gertrude Selby; a dauth-ter, Mary Elizabeth Edwards, of Greensboro, and the principles of the Rev. J. Paul Edwards, of Greensboro, and the Principles of the Rev. J. Paul Edwards, of Greensboro, and the Principles of the Rev. J. Paul Edwards, of Convention to vote for an uninstructed delegation to the Na thousand to the Na the National Convention. His resolution was carried unanimously. Said Mr. Johnson in speaking in be former Gertrude Selby; a dauth-ter, Mary Elizabeth Edwards, of Greensboro, and the Rev. J. Paul Edwards, of Greensboro, and the Rev. J. Paul Edwards, of Convention to vote for an uninstructed delegation to the Na thiosal Convention. His resolution:

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Special memorial services for the late Rev. Edwards will be held this Sunday at the First Methodist Church at the Morn-ing Service at 11:00 A. M. and the Evening service at 8:00 P. M. Mr. Will Nelson will conduct the memorial services.

### **Convention Tells** Committees For

Rev. Edwards Expect 4000 Democratic Delegates To Attend Session From Districts

> Nearly 4,000 Democrats, delegates from each of the state's districts, are meeting at the State Democratic Convention in Raleigh today to elect delegates to the National Democratic Convention.

Besides the election of dele gates, main issue of the conven-tion will be whether or not to instruct the State's delegation

the National convention.

Delegates from Halifax Courty were instructed to vote for totally uninstructed delegation to the National Convention at the County Convention held Sat urday, May 15. At the county convention, Henry Clark, of Scotland Neck, was named Chairman of the Halifax County Chairman of the Halifax County
Democratic Executive Committee to succeed J. Waldo Whitaker, of Enfield.
Elected to serve with Clark on

Elected to serve with Clark on the Executive Committee were Mrs. W. A. Thorne, of Roanoke Rapids, as Vice-Chairman, and Eric W. Rodgers, of Scotland Neck, County Secretary. D. Mac Johnson, of Enfield, introduced the resulution to in-struct the delegates to the State

struct the delegates to the State Convention to vote for an un

championed the Cause of Democracy and the principles of the Democratic party. On many oc casions this Great County has been the standard bearer of Democracy. We have felt the disappointing pangs of defeat and tasted the sweet fruits of victory with the Democratic party. There have been times when others fell away from the leadership of our great party, when Halifax County remained loyal and faithful. The Democratic party in Halifax County has not always stood for all of the principles of the entire party, but Halifax County has all ways held to the position that ways held to the position that more good for the people can be accomplished with and in the Democratic party and by remaining loyal and faithful to the Democratic party than by breaking away from the party and endeavoring to start new lines.

her across the bed where, it is alleged, he criminally assaulted her.

After the alleged assault the Johnson woman escaped from the house, going to the front of the Broun home and ringing the bell. Dr. Broun answered the door and the Johnson woman related her story to him and his wife. Brown was positively identified by Mrs. Broun who saw the negro still loitering in the driveway.

County Precincts

Precinct Committees for Halifax County were certified at the Halifax County Democratic Control of the Democratic Control of the Democratic Party and the principles upon freedom of the people elevated and the individual advanced to higher planes. We still believe that the Democratic Party and the principles upon freedom of the people elevated and the individual advanced to higher planes. We still believe that the Democratic Party and the principles upon freedom of the people elevated and the individual advanced to higher planes. We still believe that the Democratic Party and the principles upon freedom of the people elevated and the individual advanced to higher planes. We still believe that the Democratic County serves the people more and better than any other political organization. We still believe that working in and with the Democratic Party serves the people more and better than any other political organization. We still believe that working in and with the Democratic County is a principles upon freedom of the people elevated and the individual advanced to higher planes. We still believe that the Democratic County serves the people more and better that the Democratic Party serves the people more and better than any other political organization. We still believe that working in and with the Democratic Party and the principles upon freedom of the people elevated and the individual advanced to higher planes. We still believe that the Democratic County serves the people more and better that the Democratic Party serves the people elevated and the individual advanced to head the individual advanced to head the indivi lines.
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Brown was Brown was from the Broun residence.

A preliminary hearing was given Brown Monday afternoon before Mayor W. Bernard Allsbrook, who bound him over to brook, who bound him over to Court for trial during Superior Court for trial during Concennara Township — J.

Chairman; Mrs. Ray
Scotland Neck, Chairman; and the people of Halifax County in Gupton, H. C. Crawley.
Conoconnara Township — J.
E. Martin, Chairman; Mrs. Raymond Riddick, Mrs. O. C.
Weeks, Willis M. Dickens, Alfred Cooke.
Enfield — R. E. Shervette, Chairman; J. H. Evans, W. R.
Davis, Mrs. R. T. Beal, Mrs.
Asa Whitley.
Fawcetts Township — R. H.
Hux. Mrs. L. M. Butts, J. F.
Shaw, J. W. Dickens, Archie
Williams.
Halifax Precinct — George A.
Hux, Chairman; Mrs. P. C. Millikin, Mrs. Will Pittman, W. T.
Stephenson, J. R. Twisdale.
Hollister Precinct — T.
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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. Employers, all too often, have been promised by the new worker that he would bring his Security Card in the next day, or the next week, only to find on reporting day that he doesn't have a number for each employee on his payroll. They now want to see that eard.

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Jays' Veteran Outfielder



Herb May, veteran outfielder, recently purchased by the Jays, personned for the Rocky Mount Leafs last season. May led the League with a total of 190 hits in 132 games and ender the 1947 campaign with a 342 batting average. Included in his '7 hit parade were 27 doubles, two triples, and 24 home runs. He tored 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.