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THE ROANOKE RAPIDS Carolina's Fastest Growing City

ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C.,

Building Permits Near Three Million Dollar Mark For First Eight Months Of This Year

August Permits Show Decrease In Residences

and business construction in Roanoke Rapids for the year showed no signs of abating during the months of July and August, with the aggregate total issued through the end of August showing guilding permits are shy of the three-million-dollar mark

by only \$88,740.
Total building permits issued prior to September 1 of this year amount to \$2,911,260 of which re-sidence building accounted for \$259,350 and commercial and other construction amounted to \$2,651,910.

The eight-month total for 1948 showed that this year has seen over five times as much construction according to permits issued as was done in 1947 and nearly five times as much as the 1946 figure. In 1946 the first pent-up surge of postwar building in the city ran the total to \$627,005 during the first eight months of the year and last year the figure was almost equalled, when \$557,200 worth of permits were issued through August.

With four months remaining in the present year it is expected that the city will go well over the three-million mark by the year's end if there is no severe

drop in proposed construction.

During July of this year permits totalling \$40,900 were issued for residence building, with \$60,850 listed for other construction. In August residence building

Residence permits issued during July were the following: J. here at 2:00 p. m. next Sun-Jenkins, addition to a home on Jefferson street, \$500; E. D. Williams, residence on Cedar street. Rams, residence on Cedar street, \$7,000; G. S. Wood, residence on Cedar street, \$8,000; W. L. Moody, repairs to residence on Jefferson street, \$400. Other permits included the following durmed on a high jump, will head med on a high jump, will head the size of the size

The following residence build- tured. ing permits were issued by the the city during August: Mrs. Alfred Bruce McMinnix, business man-Moore, residence on Birdsong ager of the show, will include vants' quarters at 726 Monroe street, \$550. August permits for other buildings were t e following: A. P. Dickens, garage on Tenth street, \$15,000; Douglas E. Keeter, garage at 810 Roanoke avenue, \$500; Sam T. Brown, store building at Eleventh and Hamilton streets, \$6,-

Pig Is Born With Elephant Like Snoot

A "what is it" put in an appearance on the farm of Willie Doughton, Negro, of route one Roanoke Rapids last Saturday morning, when Doughton's sow farrowed a litter of only two pigs, one of which looked not unlike an elephant.

The young pig at birth had a long nose resembling the trunk of an elephant, though apparentpractical since the unique animal died about ten minutes after

The other pig in the litter was perfectly normal and at last report was apparently thriving in spite of the fate of his ele-

A Grad After 44 Years
TAHLEUAH, Okla. (U.P.)—
Dora Early Tucker, Claremore, will receive a backelor's degree from Northeastern State College
\$10 and costs for intoxication.



C. S. Thompson of Roanoke Rapids was elected to the board of directors of the North Carolina Concrete Masonry Association at the annual meeting held last week at the Ocean Terrace Hotel in Wrightsville Beach. The new members of the board of directors seated left to right and the home town and district which they represent are: G. S. Sinnicks, Charlotte (Ceniral); C. S. Thompson, Roanoke Rapids, (Eastern); G. D. Owen, Durham (Central); standing: L. W. Stallings, Winston-Salem, (Western); R. C. Derby, Rocky Mount (Eastern). Absent when the picture was taken was A. S. Johnson, Salisbury (Western).

Jaycees Sponsor Showing Of Hell Drivers Sunday At Chockoyotte Grounds

The Hell Drivers, well-known band of automobile daredevils, Catfish Get Drinks permits slipped drastically to will present their two-hour only \$2,050 and other permits to-show of death-defying stunts at the Chockoyotte Fair Grounds E. McGee, residence on Monroe day under the sponsorship of street, \$25,000; Mrs. Florence the Roanoke Rapids Junior

Johnny Hand, who recently rejoined the act after injuries mits included the following during July: Roanoke Mills Company, dye house on Jackson street, \$60,000; T. B. Glover, stable at 105 Jackson street, \$650; C. W. Hawthorne, shop on Henson street, \$200.

street, \$1,500; J. B. Batton, ser- ramp jumps, broad and high

ber of Commerce, sponsoring organization for the show, said they hope to see a large crowd on hand for the thrill show Sunday afterness.

Northampton By Three To One day afternoon.

Boger Resigns As Pastor Of Church Of God

The Rev. Floyd A. Boger, pas-tor of the Church of God here, has resigned to accept the pas-Fayetteville and to be District Overseer of the Fayetteville Dis-

the new pastor of the local Church of Good and will preach his first service next Sunday at

POMEROY, O. —Sheriff Ralph Welker refused to let Mr. and Mrs. John Bowen and their

from Northeastern State College here this summer. It is 44 years since she first enrolled in the institution when it was the Cherokee Female Seminary.

Mrs. Tucker went bact to school in 1944 to finish work on her degree.

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noke Rapids itself.

The emphasized that they are looking for local talent of any sort of their Festival, and said that anyone may enter the talent show, whether they include instrumentalists, singers, hog-callers, dancers, impersonators or anything else that is of entertainment value.

The Talent Night is open to any and all of those who have any sort of talent they want to display at the show to be held in the high school athletic field,

port tax.

After failing to dispose of the 130 to 150 proof rum at an auction, Collector James R. Wade ordered the 225 barrles of rum poured into the river because it had been costing the government warehouse fees.

Is holding auditions for the context the context that holding auditions for the context the context the Lions Club have a talent and the neighbors toss out scraps for him but none have been able to approach him. Neal would like to adopt the dog but he can't get near.

The dog just keeps sitting by the side of the road, watching the cars roll by and waiting patiently.

Beer And Wine Voted Out In

PRECINCT

Conway 91
South Kirby 15
Pendleton 26
Lasker 10

Square, returned a vote and ing the continuation of beer and wine sales, and the wine issue tween the wet and dry forces in Northampton County, however a local hospital. When he re-

150 deadlock.

All Northampton County voters the action indicated a trend who were eligible to vote in the among the North Carolina counhome. Pitcher told officers that

recent Democratic primaries and all who registered during the August registration period were eligible to vote in Wednesday's referendum.

Who were engine to vote in the state ties in voting out beer and wine sales, Northampton County best to sales, Northampton County best to outlaw the sales in special elections already held this year.

Jim Meyer Is Most Valuable

Jim Meyer, whose hefty bat and timely fielding have provided much of the power of the Roanoke Rapids Jays during the 1948 baseball season, was voted as the "Most Valuable Player" on the Jays squad in a poll conducted by the Tar

a poll conducted by the Tar Heel Sports Shop. Announcement of the choice of the big leftfielder was made at the season's final game

here Monday night, and Meyer acknowledged the vote by taking a bow to a big ovation set up by the fans.

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Meyer was chosen in the ballowing during which nearly 1,000 votes were cast by interested fans. He will be awarded a trophy, a pair of shoes and the glove of his choice by the firm which sponsored the bal-loting on the player of the sea-

Lions Still Seeking Talent For Festival September 23

Roanoke Rapids Lions Club! members this week reported Dog Stays Faithful that so far there have been a To Faithless Master number of entries received from surrounding territory for the

AVERY, Neb. (U.P.)-Another Lions Club's Festival here on of the countless tales of a dog's Thursday, September 23, but said loyalty to his master is being they still want talent from Roa- enacted near this small Nebras-

home. Pitcher told officers that down the house for the lumber

WINE

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
OFFICIAL VOTE ON BEER-WINE SALE
BEER
For - Against For

Warren Tobacco Market **Opening Day Prices Top** Those In Middle Belt

Negro Mother

And Children

Burn To Death

other stepdaughter is in the hospital with burns that are not

regarded as serious. A stepson

escaped injury.

Authorities were unable to determine the cause of the blaze.

The house was located on the W.

Richmond Davis, husband

when the blaze occurred about 9 o'clock Thursday night.

Parking Meters

During August

Total "take" from the Roanoke

Rapids parking meters during the month of August was \$1,-

later in the year when business

GOP Senatorial

Candidate Will

Speak To Lions

afternoon closings.

Gross \$1,023

R. Riggan farm.

Warrenton market Thursday for the opening of the Middle Belt tobacco markets led the entire belt with an average of \$58.87 per hundred for 149,660 pounds of tobacco sold.

Edgar R. Wood, sales supervisor on the Warrenton market, released the opening day figures, saving that the total sales were \$88,110.69 for Thursday. Opening dren. day this year averaged \$10.53 more than the 1947 opening at which 233,466 pounds were sold for an average of \$48.34.

. Quality on the first Warrenton ale ranged from medium to good, was light and no ticket Hospital at Rocky Mount. Anwas reported turned.

Poundage sold on the markets in the belt was generally lower due to reduced acreage allotments and the fact that opening day was two weeks earlier this year than the 1947 opening. In comparison with sales on the and father of the victims, was Border and Eastern Belts on the in Warrenton to sell tobacco same day, the prices brought a much higher average, with \$54 per hundred being the general opening day averages on the nine markets comprising the

In addition to sales at Warren-In addition to sales at warren-ton markets were opened at Louisburg, Oxford, Henderson, Durham, Sanford, Carthage, Ab-erdeen and Fuquay-Varina. In Warrenton most of the farm-

ers seemed well pleased with the prices brought by their offering, however most of the dis-cussion among growers was con-cerned with the high cost of production and the reduction of ka town south of Omana.

In this case the dog's loyalty seems misplaced. He is faithful some comments made by War
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Some comments made by Waracreage. Many farmers seemed to feel that acreage increases should

ren County tobacco growers are

the following:
F. B. Lynch, 67, of Six-Pound Township in Warren County, who has raised 18 children, 12 of them girls, and says "I can't begin to count all my grandchil-dren," said the proposed in-crease would be enough for some and not enough for others." He raises seven acres of Catfish Get Drinks
On Uncle Samuel

ST. LOUIS (U.P.)—The government played host to Old Man River and the Mississippi catfish here when federal customs agents spiked the muddy water with rum.

Between 9,000 and 10,000 gallons of rum were poured into the river. It was shipped here the river. It was shipped here from the Virginia Islands during the war but went unclaimed be because of the heavy impact of talent they want to display at the show to be held in the high school athletic field, where a stage will be erected and a public announcing system will be a piano on the stage, but other included by the contestants themselves.

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Between 9,000 and 10,000 gallons of rum were poured into the high school athletic field, where a stage will be erected and a public announcing system will be a stage, but other included by a car stopped where the dog car stopped where the dog car stopped where the dog out. A man followed, placed some food on the ground, then winner in the contests and will be awarded to each winner in the contests and will be awarded to each winner in the contests and will be awarded on the basis of applause from the audience. Mack the river. It was shipped here from the virginia Islands during the war but went unclaimed because of the heavy implementation of the stage, but other included in the high school athletic field. The story behind the dog's wait was told by a nearby resident, T. A. Neal.

Neal said several weeks ago a car stopped where the dog some food on the ground, then have to be provided by the contestants themselves.

Prizes will be awarded to each will be awarded to each winner in the contests and will be awarded to each will be awarded to each winner in the contests and will be awarded to each winner in the contests and will be award

acre farm and then turned the farm over to two of his six sons, said the acreage should be increased at least five per cent, but that the increase should go of farmers with two or three acres.

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First Bale 1948 Cotton Ginned Here

Mrs. Pearl Love of route one Roanoke Rapids qualified for free ginning of a 530-pound bale of cotton, the first one ginned of the 1948 crop, Monday at the Rosemary Gin Company. In keeping with a long-estab-lished custom the gin provided free service on the first bale of the season brought for gin-ning.

ning.

The bale, graded as strict low middling, was 1 1-16 inch staple, and sold for 33 cents a pound to Marvin D. White and Company, Littleton cotton buyer.

2,419 State Beer Tax Totals \$553,108 **During August**

Raleigh,-Beer taxes collected by the State during August to-taled \$553,108, the State Depart-

beer dealers.

Construction **Would Begin** During 1949

Richmond. - President J. G. Holtzclaw of the Virginia Electric and Power Company announced last Friday that his firm will make application to the Federal Power Commission for authority to build an \$18 million dam and hydroelectric plant on the Roanoke River Warrenton, — Fire that destroyed a tenant house on a

Such a dam as the one propostobacco farm near here Thursday night claimed the lives of a Negro mother and two children.

Stirl a dam as the one proposition of the company would increase the power company's generating output by approximately dependent. Rebecca Davis and a six-year-old daughter, whose name was not available died in the flames. Most of the land which would not available, died in the flames. he flooded by the dam is alA stepchild, Rebecca Rose, who ready owned by the company. If such a project is authoriz-ed, Holtzclaw said construction of the dam will get underway

> In a statement to The HER-ALD Tuesday morning of this week, J. G. Holtzclaw, presiweek, J. G. Holtzciaw, president of the Virginia Electric and Power Company, said the company hopes to file its ap-plication for the proposed \$18,-000,000 dam with the Federal Power Commission within "the

He said the company has already retained the services of Charles T. Main, Inc., and Stone and Webster Engineer-Funeral services for the vic-tims were held Sunday after-noon at Greenwood Church, near ing Corporation, both Boston firms, whom Holtzelaw characterized as some of the best hy-draulic engineering firms in the country.

The VEPCO president pre-dicted approval of the request, however he said it may be "several months" before the power company knows whether or not the construction of the huge power dam on the Roa-noke River near Roanoke Rapids will be authorized for con-

the month of August was \$1,-023.29, according to figures re-leased this week by City Clerk Mrs. Dorothy Shearin. The August total was just early in 1949 and would be comabout average for the summer months, Mrs. Shearin explained, pleted by 1952. The dam proposed in the request will be 2,840 saying that summertime receipts are expected to fall below those rest long with a gate-controlled spillway to pass flood waters. The proposed power station would include a 19,500-horsehouses are open six days a week instead of observing Wednesday power turbines for part-time use. They would be connected The meters, which have been through transformers to a power substation on the south bank of in operation since March, have

proved to be quite satisfactory as a solution of the parking pro-blem in the business districts Holtzclaw said the 4,000-acre reservior would be available for fishing and boating and might be developed as a recreational

> The site of the proposed dam is about 42 miles below the Buggs Island dam project now under construction by Army engineers,
> Eric W. Rodgers, secretary of

ton section of Warren County, said he thought five per cent would be too much of an increase.

"If the ac page stays the same prices should stay like they are now," said Abbott. "I could grow more tobacco, but I'd rather not if it would hurt the prices."

Thinks Increase Needed
M. E. Wilson, 70, of Warrenton Star Route, who said he raised 40 crops of tobacco on his 40-acre farm and then turned the

"The cost of living and production has gone sky high," said Wilson. "This cuts down the spending power of all farmers, but it's the little fellow that is "Roanoke Rapids will precede try in the Roanoke Rapids area." to Roanoke Rapids will precede his appearance at the Republican rally for Eastern North Carolina to be held in Rocky Mount on September 16. base of operations for construc-tion work will probably be in Roanoke Rapids.

Money Counter Installed For In Boy's Town

Former Local

Boy Is Now

some of his friends.

In spite of the many applica-

Hubert was chosen to enter the boys' home by the superintendent, Father Edmond C. Wa'sh, because of outstanding traits of personality.

No Rest After All

ment of Revenue reported today.

August collections sent State beer tax receipts for the first eight months of the year to \$3,for4,751. Half of the State receipts will go to counties and municipalities in which beer is licensed to be sold.

The figures do not include by the production going beyond the avocation stage and nearing vocation stage and nearing vocation. licensed to be sold.

The figures do not include local and Federal taxes levied on of expanding his hobby into a 25-employe firm.

City Offices Boys Town, Nebaska.—One of the newest residents of Father Flanagan's Boys' Home here is Roland Hubert Sutton, Jr., a former resident of Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

His trip to the famous Boys Town was made possible by the Roanoke Rapids Community Chest fund and the efforts of some of his friends.

Actually the new addition.

Actually the new addition to the City Clerk's office is a mach ine that counts money—or at least it counts the pennies and nickles that people pay for the

In spite of the many applica-tions for admission from boys from all parts of the country, Hubert was chosen to every the contry, and that people pay for the privilege of parking. Other coins are also counted on the new coin counter which was installed last Friday, and it is esti-mated that the use of the machine will save hours of tedious toil

for the employees in that office and the Tax Collector's office.

A product of the Abbot Coin Counter Co., the new machine is similar to that used in banks and in large corporations. in large corporations where much coin-handling is involved. The machine automatically bags coins in prearranged stacks in desired amounts with a flip of the switch.

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Mrs. Dorothy Sherain, City Clerk, said she looks forward to flipping the switch instead of counting pennies by hand any

The Rev. C. S. Gogan will be

Northampton County won a smashing one-sided victory in a

beer-wine sale election conduct-

the county, as some 3,300 voters turned out to vote almost three to one to outlaw the sale of both

were canvassed on Thursday at a meeting of the Board of Elec-tions in Jackson. W. H. S. Burg-

wyn, Jr., of Woodland, Elections Board chairman reported that the total vote was 2.385 to 911 against beer and 2,419 to 889 against wine.

Only three precincts, East

Gaston, West Gaston and Rich Square, returned a vote favor-

ing the continuation of beer and

beer and wine in the county.