

## Three People Killed In Two Wrecks At Roanoke Rapids Sat.

### Car Overtakes Killing 2; Child Struck By A Passing Auto

Two people died in Roanoke Rapids Hospital Saturday night as result of an automobile accident which occurred Saturday afternoon around two o'clock, when a Pontiac Sedan driven by Claude Shaw missed the railroad crossing at the intersection of tenth street and Bolling road.

The dead are Claude Shaw and his mother, Mrs. Delia Barnes, both of near Thelma. Other occupants of the car, who were uninjured, were: Pressley Barnes and a negro.

Sergeant Kirkland, of the Roanoke Rapids police force, viewed the wreck and stated it was caused by reckless driving.

A short time after the other accident and near the same place, a car driven by Mrs. R. T. Perkins, of Littleton, struck five year old Albert Hughes Jarvis of Roanoke Rapids.

The child died later at the Roanoke Rapids hospital.

Albert Hughes had followed a friend, Floyd Bryant, across the street and then turned and started back to where his grandfather waited on the other side of the street.

Bryant saw the child in the path of the approaching car and tried to save it but was unable to do so.

Mrs. Perkinson is suffering from shock and is under a doctor's care.

A warrant has been issued against her charging her with reckless driving. However, no hearing has been held because of her serious condition.

The little boy was buried Monday afternoon in Roanoke Rapids Cemetery, with Rev. J. J. Boone, officiating.

## At the Baptist Church Sunday

The pastor's subject for the morning hour will be: "What Have I Done?" His subject for the evening hour will be: "The Great Supper."

Our auditorium was almost filled with people last Sunday morning, and the evening congregation was very good for a rainy night. Six new members were received into our church by baptism last Sunday night, and there was one who confessed Christ as her Saviour in the evening hour of worship. There are many Baptists living in Weldon who have their church membership elsewhere. We invite all of them to move their church membership to our church. There have been several who have requested the pastor to write for their church letters within the last two weeks. We hope that others will make this same request.

"A lady who had for many years been a great sufferer said, after a visit from the sainted Dr. Chalmers: "Oh, yes, I am better this afternoon. Mr. Chalmers has been here today, and he never comes but after he is gone I think that is just how Jesus would have come to see me; that is just how Jesus would have spoken to me; that is just how Jesus would have looked." God help us so to live that people who remember us will also remember Jesus Christ.—(Record of Christian Work.)

"It is said that upon the table land of Asia Minor, the women may be seen at dawn of day going out-doors and looking up at their neighbor's chimneys. They would see the one out of which the smoke is coming. Tither they would go to borrow live coals with which to kindle a fire in their own homes. Do men watch thys their lives? If in our hearts the Holy Ghost has kindled a sacred fire, shall they not come to us for warmth and inspiration?"—W. R. Lambuth.  
By the Pastor..

## COMMUNITY CLUB MEETS TUESDAY

The regular meeting of the Weldon community club will be held at the Legion Hut Tuesday evening at 6:30. An interesting program is being planned.

## CANDIDATE FOR RECORDER'S JUDGE



Manning Studio, Greensboro

DR. W. A. CARTER, Weldon veterinarian, who announces in this issue for office of Recorder Judge.

## Freddie Bounds, Jr., Buried Today

Freddie Bounds, Jr., the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Bounds died at his home on Washington Avenue, at four a. m., Wednesday. He was sixteen years of age.

The funeral services were conducted from his home, at four o'clock Thursday afternoon with Rev. J. O. Long, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating.

The pallbearers were friends of Freddie, Jr.'s age: John Shearin, Jr., Howard Bounds, Jr., Vincent Wyche, C. P. Bounds, Jr., Luther Draper, Jr., and Jimmie Ellis.

Interment followed in the Cedarwood cemetery. Though Freddie was an afflicted child, his sunshine will be missed in his home. He was born in Weldon, and has lived here all his life. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Bounds.

## Sister of Local Man Dies in R. R.

Funeral services were held from the residence in Roanoke Rapids Monday afternoon, April 27, for Mrs. J. O. DeVane who died Sunday morning in Roanoke Rapids hospital following an illness of only a week from pneumonia. The rites were conducted by Rev. G. L. Price, pastor of the Baptist church and interment followed in the town cemetery.

Mrs. DeVane, who before her marriage was Miss Mamie Clyde Williams, was born in Williamston but had been a resident of Roanoke Rapids since she was five. She was the daughter of Mrs. J. W. Williams.

Surviving are her husband, two small sons, Jack and Tommy DeVane, her mother, one sister, Miss Inez Williams of Roanoke Rapids and five brothers, B. F. Williams of Weldon, J. L. Williams, C. D. Williams, Claude and Haywood Williams, all of Roanoke Rapids.

## 2 Weldon Boys Receive Honors

Donald Ward, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Ward of Weldon, has been elected secretary of the rising sophomore Y. M. C. A. cabinet at the University of North Carolina. He has been an active member of the freshman friendship council this year.

Edward O. Bailey, another Weldon boy at the University has the honor of having made the scholastic honor roll for the last quarter. To make the honor roll, a student must make an average of B (90 to 95) on all of his courses.

## Kidnap Sentence Against Trio is Taken Off

The Supreme Court of N. C. yesterday struck off the charges of kidnapping against George Smith, Dick Tudor and Jewell Gray and affirmed the sentences of conspiracy and assault against Smith and Tudor.

According to this decision, Smith and Tudor will serve sentences of six months each.

After being found guilty in Superior Court in January of charges brought by Frank Mitchell and Richard Weaver, Judge Parker sentenced Smith to five to eight years in prison for kidnapping; Tudor from three to five years; Gray 18 months. To each was added six months for conspiracy and another six months for assault as to Smith and Tudor; the latter six months Judge Parker suspended.

## Week's Term of Criminal Court

Superior Court began a weeks term of criminal court on Monday, April 27, 1936, with Judge E. H. Cranmer of Southport, presiding.

The following cases were continued under former order: Fred Forest and R. B. Ivey, charged with liquor; R. F. Crawley, charged with liquor; and M. H. Cotton, charged with driving while drunk. Percy Bell, charged with reckless driving and larceny. Instant capias returned "not found".

Whit Newsome, charged with driving while drunk. It appearing to the Court that the defendant abandoned appeal to Superior Court and has paid the costs, the case goes off docket.

George Davis, charged with driving while drunk. Defendant called and failed. Judgment nisi set fa capias and continued.

Julian Johnson, charged with forgery, pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to 18 months in jail to work under the direction of the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

Quinton Dunlow, charged with aiding and abetting in forgery, pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to 18 months in jail.

Spencer Baker, charged with breaking and entering, pleaded not guilty. He was found guilty and sentenced to State's Prison for two years.

Hezekiah Avent, charged with embezzlement, pleaded not guilty, but was found guilty and sentenced to 12 months in the common jail.

Dick Lynch, charged with reckless driving, remanded to Recorder Court.

George Bowers and Otis Bowers, charged with breaking and entering and larceny, pleaded not guilty and were found not guilty.

Furman Mayton and Herman Cook, charged with larceny. Capias ad testificandum to Alamance County for Richard Washington.

Johnnie Alston, charged with Rape, pleaded guilty of assault with intent to commit rape. He was sentenced to not less than four years and not more than eight years in State's Prison.

Elizabeth M. Harrell vs. Carl Goerch and "The State" Magazine. It was ordered that the defendant be allowed to file amended answer in above case and that the plaintiff have thirty days from date in which to file a reply should she so desire.

James Butler and Buck Hardy, charged with larceny of automobile. Butler was given 18 months suspended sentence on condition he remains of good behavior and reports to the Judge of Recorder Court every Tuesday to show good behavior and pays costs of action and cost of repairing automobile of J. T. Williams. Clerk of Superior Court to issue capias at any time on motion of Solicitor. If at the expiration of 18 months he has remained of good behavior and has reported to the Judge of Recorder Court the case to be stricken from the docket. Buck Hardy found not guilty.

John Woodley, charged with receiving stolen money, pleaded not guilty and was found not guilty.

Johnny Wilson, charged with larceny, pleaded guilty and it was ordered he be sent to Stonewall Jackson Training School.

A. F. Sexton, charged with reckless driving. Instant capias ad testificandum for Otis Williams.

Andrew Crowell, charged with carnal knowledge. Further proceedings of case stopped and case (Continued on page 2)

## SENTENCED TO DIE JUNE 1



Evans "Snooks" Macklin, above, who may be the first from Halifax County to die in the lethal gas chamber at State Prison. He was found guilty Wednesday night of the shotgun slaying of Chief of Police A. P. Moore in Scotland Neck, February 6.

## Juniors to Meet Here Wed., May 6

The annual district meeting of the J. O. U. A. M. Council No. 22 will be held in Weldon, May 6. Many state and national officers and members from all over Eastern North Carolina are expected to attend.

The business session will be held at 3 o'clock at the council hall with E. G. Shearin, of Scotland Neck, district deputy, presiding. Speakers at this time will be E. L. Gavin, state vice-counselor; C. F. Tankersley, Jr., past state counselor; E. V. Harris, field secretary and Garney P. Hood, state treasurer.

A rock fish muddle will be given at the Coca Cola plant from 6 to 7:30 p. m.

At eight o'clock the crowd will gather again at school auditorium. F. I. Robinson of the local council will make the address of welcome and Senator Julian R. Allsbrook of Roanoke Rapids is expected to make the response. Speakers for the evening will be Mr. Rupples, national vice counselor and Monroe Adams, state counselor.

A string band from Scotland Neck will furnish music for the occasion.

## Well Known Lady Died Wednesday

Mrs. Lou Powell, 65, widow of the late Lafayette Powell, prominent Halifax county farmer, died Wednesday night following an illness of four months.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from Smith's church with Rev. J. J. Boone officiating. Interment will take place in the family burial ground.

Mrs. Powell was a valued member of Smith church and a most beloved and outstanding citizen of the community in which she lived.

Surviving are four daughters: Mrs. E. R. Hawkins, Mrs. H. W. Cherry, Mrs. F. M. Coburn and Miss Helen Powell, all of Roanoke Rapids; one step son, George L. Powell, also of Roanoke Rapids and three sisters, Mrs. Carrie Ivey, Mrs. Mollie Shell, both of Roanoke Rapids and Mrs. Jim Wright of Lawrenceville, Va.

## "EVENTUALLY THE SHORTEST WAY SOUTH!" - VIA WELDON

We druff, S. C., April 28.—The detailed suggested route across N. C. of the recently proposed Southern Short-Way from Norfolk to Houston was set forth last week by the Anderson-Woodruff-York Highway League. Headquarters unit of the Southern Short-Way Association in a letter replying to Frank A. Pierson, Secretary of Durham (N. C.) Chamber of Commerce.

The letter states: "Ultimately it will follow a straight line, as near as a State (N. C.) survey would advise along a line drawn from near junction of U. S. 321

## Poppy Day Will Be Observed

Poppy Day will be observed in Weldon this year on Saturday, May 23, when memorial poppies will be distributed throughout the city by the Weldon unit of the American Legion Auxiliary. The Auxiliary women are making extensive preparations for the observance of the day under the leadership of Mrs. F. S. Moore, Poppy Day chairman.

The poppies, made of crepe paper by the wives and daughters of disabled veterans at Otton will be offered on the streets by volunteer workers from the Auxiliary unit. Auxiliary members and other volunteers will distribute the flowers in the business district throughout the day and will also work in the residential section. Contributions for the welfare of the disabled veterans and needy families of veterans will be asked in exchange for the flowers.

"Wearing the poppy is a personal tribute to the men who gave their lives in the country's service. By having a poppy on the coat on Poppy Day, all can show that they still remember and honor the sacrifices made for America during the World War. The poppy is the flower which bloomed on the battle fields where they fell and on Poppy Day it blooms again over the patriotic hearts where they are remembered."

"Wearing a poppy also gives the wearer a part in the vast work carried out by the American Legion and Auxiliary for the war's living victims; the disabled, their families and the families of the dead. Every penny contributed to the welfare activities of the local Legion Post and Auxiliary Unit.

## Blackface Minstrel At Rosemary

A blackface minstrel will be staged at the S. Rosemary school next Friday night, May 8. Real expert amateur talent and lively entertainment is promised.

## MUSIC RECITAL SEABOARD

Miss Hazel Maddrey will present her Seaboard piano students in a recital at the Seaboard high school Thursday evening at 8:15. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Three Men in Race for Judge Recorder's Court

For the first time since its establishment by the General Assembly in 1931, a race will be run for the office of Judge of Recorders Court of Halifax County.

Dr. W. A. Carter, of Weldon, and T. Emmett Marshall of Enfield are seeking the office now held by Chas. R. Daniel, Weldon attorney. All three are running their announcements in this issue.

Mr. Daniel was appointed to the job in January 1931, and has held the office since. He was born and reared in Weldon and is 41 years old, and prior to his appointment as Judge, was Town Attorney from 1920 to 1932. In 1923, was elected to represent the county in General Assembly. He has also served the Town of Weldon as Mayor for many years and has studied and practiced law.

Dr. Carter was born and reared in this county in the Pierce Cross Roads section. For the past 18 years has been a veterinarian in Weldon. He has served as Justice of Peace for many years.

Although the writer hasn't an opportunity to interview Mr. Marshall, we have learned he has been Justice of Peace for five years and is well known in the Enfield community.

## Seaboard to Have Town Election

### Four Candidates For Mayor And Ten For Commissioners On Ballot

Four candidates are aspiring to be Seaboard's next mayor and are on the ballot for the town election which will be held Tuesday. The four candidates seeking the nomination and election are S. L. Yates, J. M. Bradley, A. L. Ford and E. L. Edwards.

The seats of the three town commissioners are equally sought after, with the names of H. R. Harris, C. W. Hales, J. L. Gay, Dr. C. L. Vick, W. T. Norvel, G. F. Crocker, W. D. Barbee, P. A. Bullock, J. R. Stephenson and S. V. Edwards appearing on the ballot.

## CONDEMNED MAN REMAINS CHEERFUL

Being sentenced to die is a serious thing, but one would have some doubts if "Snooks" Macklin is an example.

"Snooks" was visited by the writer today and even though he had only last night been condemned to die in the lethal gas chamber for killing Chief A. P. Moore of Scotland Neck, the negro was by far the most cheerful person in the jail.

Macklin says there is nothing much to tell of his past life. He was born near Scotland Neck and has remained there all twenty years of life. "Snooks" says he did not like to go to school and did not get very far.

The man "accomplishment" in the negro's life seemed to be acquiring the reputation of being a "bad negro", stealing anything and never working very much. All during the time he has been in jail and throughout the trial he seemed the least interested and concerned over his fate.

While talking to him one can readily realize the negro has plenty of sense. He has an easy flow of conversation and always gives a very clever answer to questions.

"Snooks" said he had nothing to say to the public. He thinks nothing can save him now.

## SHORT SESSION OF RECORDER'S COURT

Only four cases were disposed of in Recorder's Court Tuesday.

O. S. Clark, charged with driving while drunk, found guilty. Fined \$50.00 and cost. License to operate a motor vehicle for 12 months revoked.

E. F. Coppedge, assault on female, found guilty of simple assault, prayer for judgment continued on condition defendant pays account of doctor for attending prosecuting witness burned hand and the cost of this case.

Jake McKee charged with driving while drunk. Found not guilty.

Hubert Powell, assault on female. Prayer for judgment continued on payment of cost.

## Negro Sentenced To Die For Slaying Of Chief A. P. Moore

### Youngest Educator



ATLANTA . . . J. D. Roan, 22 years old (above), of Meansville, Ga., has the distinction of being the youngest executive educator in the U. S. He is superintendent of Pike County schools for a 4-year term, winning the election over an opponent who had held the post 20 years.

### Jury Finds 20-Year-Old Negro Guilty Of Murder

A Halifax County Superior Court jury convicted Evans (Snooks) Macklin, 20 year old negro, of first degree murder Wednesday night at 10:30 o'clock, of the shotgun slaying of Chief of Police A. P. Moore, Scotland Neck last February 16, after deliberating for about two hours.

Macklin was sentenced by Judge E. H. Cranmer, of Southport, to die in the lethal gas chamber in Raleigh on Monday, June 1st.

Trial began Wednesday morning at nine o'clock with the selection of a jury from a special venire of 55 men. The presentation of evidence required slightly less than three hours. Judge Cranmer ordered a night session when it appeared that the case could be concluded then.

The state's chief witness, Thurston Augurn, negro, who said that Macklin told him prior to the murder that he was going to kill Mr. Moore and also Sheriff G. H. Johnson if he saw him; he also said that two days after Moore was slain in front of the bank early the morning of February 16th that Macklin told him he had killed Mr. Moore and if he told he would kill him, too.

Hilliard Taylor, negro, said he visited the defendant in jail, after his arrest and quoted him as saying, "I killed Chief Moore, but I ain't going to say anything about it until the jury convicts me and then I will tell all."

Several witnesses for the defense were called including the woman with whom he lived and an uncle, both of whom testified that they saw him around eleven o'clock the night of the killing but he did not have a gun with him.

Prosecuting attorney, Wade H. Dickens, of Scotland Neck made his plea to the jury for fifteen minutes, asking that they find the defendant guilty. Counselor for the defense, Bernard Allsbrook, of Roanoke Rapids pleaded for forty-five minutes with the jury for the life of the defendant, pointing out that no witness had sworn that the gun in the case had recently been fired.

Selector W. H. S. Burgwyn, reconstructed the case for the benefit of the jury. He brought out forcefully that the defendant, who had stated to witnesses that he would have killed the dog if he hadn't run, would not have known the dog was there had he not been there himself.

Judge Cranmer, in his charge to the jury explained that all the evidence in the case was circumstantial and explained fully the meaning of circumstantial evidence. On the other hand he explained that if the defendant was drunk at the time of the murder that intoxication was no excuse for crime, and he read the law on intoxication to the jury.

Bernard Allsbrook, counselor for defense gave notice of appeal to Supreme Court, and plead in open court for the life of the defendant.

Thursday morning Macklin was tried on the charge of larceny and the case was continued with prayer for judgment.

In this case Macklin testified he had stolen five hams from R. J. Madry and that his accomplice was Thurston Augurn. Augurn was given 15 months on the roads.

## FUNERAL HELD FOR SEABOARD POLICE

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at Emporia for M. J. Ray, 38, who died suddenly Sunday night of apoplexy at his home in Seaboard, where he had been employed as town policeman for the past two years. He is survived by his wife who before her marriage was Miss Viola Saunders of Emporia, two sons, James Palmer and Bobby Saunders, and by two sisters and a brother.

## HOME DESTROYED

The residence of Willie Shearin which is located on the Perkins estate, near Littleton, was completely destroyed early Thursday morning by fire. Only part of the furniture was saved.

## Peanut Millers Up Prices To Meet Oil

The peanut market has strengthened perceptibly this week, following the entrance on the market of concerns buying under government contract for diversion of surplus peanuts into oil, and several lots of large bunch and jumbos have been sold for as high as 31 cents per pound. First purchases of peanuts for oil were made in this section Friday of last week, at a price of 3.95 cents per pound for peanuts grading 65 per cent meat, and several lots moved at this price. Previous to the application of the government's oil program, the market was dull at around 3 cents for the best grades, the strengthening of the market and the boost in the prices offered by millers following the movement of farmers peanuts to the oil mills at the 2.95 price.

## Hoey Names Co. Campaign Mgr.

Walter D. Allen, local attorney was this week appointed campaign manager for Clyde R. Hoey, gubernatorial candidate, for Halifax County.

Mr. Hoey is scheduled to speak in Scotland Neck in the afternoon Friday, May 15, and in Roanoke Rapids, Saturday afternoon, May 16.

## Farmers Getting Ahead With The Planting of Crops

With continued fair weather, broken only by a light rain Sunday night, farmers are pushing rapidly ahead to catch up with their Spring work, and this week has seen hundreds of acres of crops planted. It is expected that tobacco transplanting will be started on many farms by the close of the week, and that practically all transplanting will be completed before the next week closes. Although blue mold has been reported in a few isolated instances, no serious damage to plants has occurred in this section.

## D. T. Singleton Is New Police Seaboard

Commissioners for the town of Seaboard met Tuesday night and elected D. L. Singleton of Weldon as policeman to succeed M. J. Ray, who died Sunday night after serving the town as policeman for about two years. Mr. Singleton is to begin his duties today in Seaboard. He handed in his resignation here Tuesday.