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## SELECTMEN OF THE LAST REGISTRATION

List of Those Who Became 21 Since Last June Registered From Roanoke Rapids, Weldon, Littleton, Butterwood, Brinkleyville, Faucett and Halifax Townships.

### ARRANGED IN LIABILITY ORDER

Below we give a list of those who registered at Weldon with the Exemption Board of Halifax County. The order of service number is not given, but the arrangement is made in the order of liability. All of these men fit for military service will be called out in the next few months. The registrants from the townships at the lower end of the county have not been included in this list.

- 246 Herbert M. Tharrington, Rocky Mount
- 154 Jesse Turner, Rosemary, col.
- 10 Willie Thomas Powell, Rosemary, col.
- 210 William V. Summerell, Portsmouth, Va.
- 17 Jasper Baker, Thelma, col.
- 136 Solomon Person, Rosemary, col.
- 145 Isaiah Davis, Weldon, col.
- 207 Joe Hale, Thelma.
- 326 Joseph L. Williams, Roanoke Rapids
- 268 Charlie Benjamin Green, Rosemary
- 78 Tom Flowers, Roanoke Rapids, col.
- 279 Causey Glenwood Freeman, Roanoke Rapids
- 87 Willie Panton, Weldon, col.
- 252 Hobart West, Rosemary
- 209 Paul Ervin, Hollister, col.
- 269 John Joseph Ingram, Roanoke Rapids
- 239 Stafford W. Gray, Rosemary
- 234 Jackson Faulcon, Littleton, col.
- 65 Jasper Wilkins, Rosemary, col.
- 125 Lucious Jenkins, Rosemary, col.
- 72 Charlie Reed, Rosemary, col.
- 135 Frank Powell, Rosemary, col.
- 212 Jesse Harp, Roanoke Rapids
- 61 Richard Clements, Weldon, col.
- 51 William Moody, Louisburg, col.
- 244 Waverly Shaw, Rosemary
- 62 Junior Hawkins, Thelma, col.
- 231 Adyott Williard Briggs, Rosemary
- 41 Ellis Simmons, Halifax, col.
- 274 Herbert Edgar Brantley, Roanoke Rapids
- 84 James Brewer, Weldon, col.
- 31 George Miles, Rosemary, col.
- 66 McKinley Ivey, Weldon, col.
- 16 Charlie Tillery, Halifax, col.
- 203 Major Charles Newsom, Littleton, col.
- 218 Robert Y. Whitmore, Rosemary
- 82 Clarence Nicholson, Airlie, col.
- 238 W. A. Hinson, Roanoke Rapids
- 55 Lonnie Gary, Weldon, col.
- 285 David Burgess, Thelma, col.
- 206 Joe Cleveland Carroll, Airlie
- 254 Wilbur Lawrence Pair, Halifax
- 64 James Leon Brown, Thelma, col.
- 198 Harvey Kinnin, Rosemary
- 296 George L. Outland, Rosemary
- 267 Frank Henry Robertson, Jr., Roanoke Rapids
- 210 Robert Boyd Patterson, Littleton
- 270 Ernest Lee Medlin, Roanoke Rapids
- 241 J. W. Stokesbury, Rosemary
- 35 Roy Boone, Rosemary, col.
- 18 Plummer Pierson, Thelma, col.
- 143 Lee Johnson, Thelma, col.
- 223 C. L. Fulgham, Weldon
- 81 Edward Austin, Halifax, col.
- 173 Sylvester Byrd, Rosemary, col.
- 189 Leslie Alston, Brinkleyville, col.
- 206 Frank Samuel Watkins, Rosemary
- 278 Arthur Elwood Cushing, Rosemary
- 184 Alex Carter, Aurelian Springs, col.
- 264 Starkey Haggard, Rosemary
- 245 William D. Crawley, Penniman, Va.
- 30 Vasco Williams, Thelma, col.
- 280 Forest Cemore Medlin, Weldon
- 98 Jesse Jones, Thelma, col.
- 277 William Boone Grant, Halifax
- 34 John Henry Williams, Littleton, col.
- 228 Hezekiah Gilbert Leigh, Weldon
- 203 Joe Wiley Atkins, Littleton
- 149 Wiggins Lee, Airlie, col.
- 247 Seabrook Jones, Roanoke Rapids
- 95 Charlie Williams, Littleton, Col.
- 243 Willie Ellis, Weldon
- 131 Junious Alston, Littleton, col.
- 186 Frank Williams, Brinkleyville, col.
- 300 Charles Edward Hawkins, Littleton, col.
- 204 Picot Walker, Littleton
- 150 Billie Simmons, Halifax, col.
- 94 Robert Edmonds, Littleton, col.
- 148 Ned Jenkins, Weldon, col.
- 260 Sidney Broadus Allen, Weldon
- 265 William Jones, Rosemary
- 156 Willwood Johnson, Petersburg, Va., col.
- 40 Willie Edmonds, Aurelian Springs, col.
- 182 Cage Bryant, Jr., Aurelian Springs, col.
- 232 James Vinson, Rosemary
- 284 Sandy Clanton, Halifax, col.
- 251 James Russell Johnston, Littleton
- 163 John Rogers, Thelma, col.
- 233 Eugene E. Clary, Rosemary
- 52 Earl Pierce, Louisburg, col.
- 219 Frank Hudson, Rosemary
- 164 William Percy Hawkins, Brinkleyville, col.
- 237 Turner Smith, Weldon
- 208 C. G. Shearin, Rosemary
- 19 Joe Gee, Hollister, col.
- 196 Edward Russell Myrick, Roanoke Rapids
- 185 Plummer Alston, Jr., Aurelian Springs, col.
- 37 Plummer Hawkins, Aurelian Springs, col.
- 295 Theodore Webb, Thelma, col.
- 85 Guy Harris, Weldon, col.

## ROSEMARY PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

The Rosemary War Savings society will meet in the Red Cross room next Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock, every member of the society of Rosemary and Roanoke Rapids is urgently requested to be present. Mrs. Fred Peck, President, Mrs. W. F. Horner, Local Chariman.

J. R. Liles, of near Littleton, spent a short while in town Monday on business.

Joe Collins after visiting friends and relatives in Petersburg for a few days returned here and has accepted a position with the Rosemary Mfg Co.

J. E. Browning, of Hopewell, Va. spent a few days here this week as the guest of his daughter Mrs. J. C. Groce.

Horace Robinson, of Littleton, spent the week end here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Matthews.

J. R. Burgess, of the Old Soldiers Home in Raleigh, is here this week visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Byrd.

Rev. A. G. Wilcox and son Hopkins, of Brinkleyville, was here a short while Saturday as the guests of friends.

Miss Minnie Johnson left Sunday for Tarboro for a week's visit to friends and relatives.

A. P. Thompson, of Emporia, spent the day Thursday here on business.

Mrs. N. M. Harrison and daughters, of Brinkleyville, were here Monday visiting friends and relatives.

B. D. Hamill, of Thelma was in town Saturday on business.

C. O. Byrd of Emporia was here for a few hours Sunday visiting relatives.

S. W. Smith spent Monday in Emporia on business.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Clayton after an extended visit to relatives in Arden, N. C. returned the past week and after a few days stay here with friends and relatives left Monday for Norfolk where they will reside.

Sheriff Hous of Thelma spent a few hours in town Monday on business.

- 195 Vernon I. Hockaday, Rosemary
- 174 Charlie Daniel, Weldon, col.
- 83 George Lee Wallace, Weldon, col.
- 164 James Lynch, Hollister, col.
- 292 Harrison Alston, Littleton, col.
- 181 James Watson, Aurelian Springs, col.
- 103 Stanley Norman, Brinkleyville, col.
- 15 Ernest Howard, Halifax, col.
- 211 L. M. Starke, Rosemary
- 104 Jenie Montague, Brinkleyville, col.
- 156 Henry Mills, Littleton, col.
- 31 James Palmer, Littleton, col.
- 256 C. T. Porter, Rosemary
- 53 Willie H. St. Clair, Weldon, col.
- 142 Romey Tillery, Weldon, col.
- 106 Mack Sledge, Rosemary, col.
- 248 Rufus Winston, Hollister
- 134 Willis Coley, Airlie, col.
- 80 James Fenner, Portsmouth, Va., col.
- 201 Barrum Evans, Roanoke Rapids
- 250 Sidney Wilcox Holdford, Weldon
- 214 Eugene D. Harlow, Aurelian Springs
- 21 Elmo Richardson, Hollister, col.
- 282 Mike Rabil, Weldon
- 50 Roy Frances, Thelma, col.
- 86 Walter Lynch, Halifax, col.
- 129 Earnest Harrow, Littleton, col.
- 205 Eddie Vornard Summerell, Norfolk, Va.
- 146 John B. Savage, Weldon, col.
- 20 Alfred Simmons, Hollister, col.
- 220 Herbert Green, Rosemary
- 255 Ben Britt, Roanoke Rapids
- 242 Lawrence Cummings, Rosemary
- 291 Jerry Obion Hockaday, Rosemary
- 249 William Mercer Ward, Weldon
- 261 Vernon B. Mountcastle, Weldon
- 5 Cleveland Bowser, Rosemary, col.
- 290 Harvey Claud Alston, Littleton
- 117 Harvey S. Nowell, Roanoke Rapids, col.
- 133 Alexander Brown, Thelma, col.
- 105 Jim Toney, Roanoke Rapids, col.
- 213 J. J. Anderton, Roanoke Rapids
- 176 Robert Daniel, Rosemary, col.
- 174 Willie Pierce, Weldon, col.
- 121 Billie Garland, Weldon, col.
- 221 Vernon Mohorn, Brinkleyville
- 132 Richard Harris, Littleton, col.
- 271 William Norman House, Thelma
- 97 Robert E. Whitehead, Weldon, col.
- 171 Leroy Curtis, Rosemary, col.
- 152 Lemuel Alston, Rosemary, col.
- 225 S. A. Hux, Brinkleyville

## CHAUTAUQUA CLOSES SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Best Program Yet Presented in Opinion of Many. Dr. Pearson Wins Affection of People as Platform Superintendent.

### TO RETURN AGAIN NEXT YEAR

Rosemary—Roanoke Rapids fourth Chautauqua closed its most successful season last Tuesday night. The program as a whole was certainly the best that has yet been presented and the guarantors and public alike were more than satisfied.

Either the production of the opera Pinafore, by full cast chorus, and orchestra, on Monday night, or the speech of Capt. Leslie Vickers on Tuesday night were alone worth the price of a season ticket. Dr. Pearson, President of the Chautauqua, acted as platform superintendent for the last half of the program and although professedly an amateur superintendent, has certainly spoiled the Chautauqua fans, who fell in love with him, and will not easily be satisfied with just an ordinary superintendent next year.

Chautauqua will return to this community next year, more than the necessary number of guarantors being secured with little solicitation, although the guarantee has been increased about two hundred and fifty dollars, due to the increase in prices of everything entering into Chautauqua work. Season tickets next year will be sold for \$2.50 instead of \$2.00, but more tickets have been pledged in advance than ever before. The people of the community realize fully the value of Chautauqua and are determined to make it a permanent institution.

### HARRISON—GREEN

On Saturday night June 29, 1918, Miss Beatrice E. Harrison became the bride of Mr. Robert L. Green. The simple ceremony was performed by R. L. Topping minister of the First Christian Church in the presence of a few friends at his home in Rosemary.

## ROANOKE RAPIDS PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. S. F. Patterson is spending several days this week with Mrs. Patterson and little daughter Mary at Atlantic City.

Mrs. Lula Jackson, of Littleton, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hancock a few days this week.

Mrs. S. P. Scott and son, Herbert, returned last week from an extended visit to relatives in Long Island and New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wyehe, and Miss Susan Holladay are the yacht guests of Mr. W. L. Long this week on a cruise around Norfolk.

The Camp Fire Girls will meet next Tuesday at the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. L. S. Mosher asks that all the Camp Fire Girls be present as the Camp will elect a new guardian to take Mrs. Mosher's place.

Mrs. C. C. Lawrence and children, of Murfreesboro, are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hancock this week.

Your Red Cross pledge is now due. Will you be kind enough to give this matter your prompt attention? Please mail check to Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, Chairman Second Red Cross War Fund Campaign.

Mrs. Mullen, of Scotland Neck, was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tillery a few days this week.

Mr. F. M. Coburn and Harry Clinton Shell spent a few days in Lynchburg this week.

Miss Bettie Sue Buffalo has returned home, after visiting her sister Mrs. J. R. Wirtz.

Mr. and Mrs. June Squire, of Garysburg, were in town Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Frank Taylor returned home from Mappsville Sunday to spend a few days with her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Forehand, of Murfreesboro, spent several days here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hancock this week.

Misses Lucile and Ethel Clements and Temple Cleaton spent a few hours in town Monday.

Mrs. B. Marks returned Friday from Camp Sevier, after visiting Mr. Abe Norinsky for several days.

Miss Margerie Rogers, of Durham, is visiting Miss Alice Hockaday this week.

Mrs. N. L. Stedman and children, of Halifax, spent one day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hancock this week.

Mrs. Josephine Cherry and little daughter, Geneva, spent Saturday and Sunday in Rocky Mount.

Misses Josephine and Alice Tillery, of Scotland Neck, spent a few days here this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tillery.

Miss Eugenia McRae, of Littleton, spent several days here this week with Miss Louise Jackson.

Miss Verna Davenport, of Richmond, spent the week-end here with Misses Lena Rivers and Meta B. Jones.

Miss Olivia Vincent, of Weldon, spent Sunday here with her sister Miss Josephine Vincent.

Mrs. J. L. Daughtry returned Sunday from Norfolk.

Miss Sula Williams has accepted a position at the Postoffice.

Mrs. Frank Tillery, of Scotland Neck, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tillery here this week.

Miss Mary Towe, of Aurelian Springs, is spending some time here with Miss Louise Jackson.

Mr. J. T. Chase spent the week-end in Norfolk.

Mr. Jim Young, of Richmond, spent the week-end in town with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hancock, Mesdames C. C. Lawrence and J. L. Price are visiting friends and relatives in Scotland Neck this week.

## POWER PLANT ON RIVER SUFFERS SEVERE FIRE

\$20,000.00 Damage Minimum Estimate of Thursday Morning Blaze at Roanoke Rapids Power Company's Plant, Principally to Electrical Machinery and Equipment.

### EXPECT TO FURNISH POWER MONDAY

The largest fire, from the standpoint of damage done, ever experienced by this community occurred on last Thursday morning between five and six o'clock, when flames originating in the transformer room, almost completely gutted the power plant of the Roanoke Rapids Power Company.

As the power furnished by this plant is necessary for the operation of all the industries of the community, except the plant of the Rosemary Manufacturing Company, the fire came very being a disaster of the first magnitude. It has been ascertained however, that the largest power unit at the plant, situated at the eastern end of the building, has escaped serious damage and Mr. J. T. Chase manager of the Power Company now thinks that the Company will begin again to furnish power necessary for the industrial enterprises of the community by Monday morning.

It is difficult at this stage to estimate accurately the damage done by the blaze, but it is certainly not less than twenty thousand dollars and may well be considerably in excess of this figure. The roof of the plant has fallen in, two generating units seem to be completely gutted, the big switchboards are entirely demolished, the transformers burnt out and a good deal of the equipment of the new steam power plant now in process of erection was destroyed.

The exact cause of the fire is still somewhat of a mystery. Robert Allsbrook, who was operating the plant at the time, and a colored laborer who was in the building, both agree that the fire started at or near the transformers and in a few seconds the whole switchboard was a blaze. The telephone, located in the transformer room, could not be reached because of the flames and the alarm was given from the telephone at the Roanoke Fiber Board Company's plant. Robert Allsbrook stated that he had started the generating unit as usual and was synchronizing this unit with that which had been in operation all night, preparatory to throwing them together, when the transformer room and switchboard suddenly became enveloped in flames. The colored laborer states that he heard an explosion from the transformers and he thinks the flames originated about the lightning arresters located between the transformers and the switchboard.

As prompt and effective assistance as possible was rendered, but some delay was experienced in getting hose lines to the plant and practically everything inflammable was consumed. The most fortunate circumstance for the community was the preservation intact of the largest generating unit at the plant, for had that been destroyed along with the others, a shut down for several months of fifty per cent of the machinery now operating in the community would have been inevitable.

As it is, work is actively underway to clear out the debris, put a temporary roof over the plant, and get the big generating unit started. It is expected that this will be done by Monday. Mr. John L. Patterson, manager of the Rosemary Manufacturing Company, has offered to furnish to the several industries affected from his steam power plant at Rosemary all the current possible to furnish through the available transformer capacity. The town lights are being supplied with current from the Rosemary

plant and the aid of the Rosemary Manufacturing Company's electrical and construction gangs has been offered and accepted for the work of getting one unit started at the plant. Electricians from other mills here are also aiding in the work and repair men from the General Electrical Company's Baltimore Branch, with the necessary supplies for setting up a temporary switchboard will arrive to-day.

At present about half of the Roanoke Mills is running on direct water power, practically all of the Halifax Paper Corporation's plant is being so operated and the Roanoke Fibre Board are making arrangements to connect up their entire plant to their direct water power drive. The Patterson Mills will operate a part of its machinery to-day on current supplied from the steam turbines at the Rosemary Manufacturing Company's plant, and if results expected are achieved all of the mills will be able to start up all of their machinery on Monday morning. Certainly to this end will be devoted the combined resources and energy of every industry in the community.

### ASHBY J. DOWNEY KILLED IN ACTION

First Citizen of Roanoke Rapids to Die in France in Defense of His Country.

The casualty list of July 10, issued by the War Department at Washington, contained the name of Ashby J. Downey, of Roanoke Rapids, among those killed in action.

Mr. Downey has been a resident of Roanoke Rapids for several years before being called to the colors last fall. His original home was Big Island, Va., and his wife left Roanoke Rapids several days ago for Big Island, to stay with relatives there. While here Mr. Downey was employed as a machinist by the Halifax Paper Corporation.

He has many friends here who regret deeply his death, among the more intimate being Recorder Wm. S. Saunders, who has known him for many years. So far Private Downey is the first of the young men of the community to pay the supreme sacrifice for home and country and his death brings the war even more acutely home to this community.

### MR. G. S. KENNARD BREAKS ARM

Mr. G. S. Kennard, local manager of the Weldon and Roanoke Rapids exchange of the Home Telephone and Telegraph Company, had the misfortune to break his right arm on last Tuesday in an automobile accident. Mr. Kennard was driving the car and turned too far out of the road to allow a buggy to pass, running into a ditch and turning the machine over. His arm is getting along nicely and his friends hope for and anticipate his speedy recovery.

An Earlier Civilization. The discovery of a community house probably a thousand years old in the prehistoric settlement 30 miles west of Santa Fe, New Mexico, has been announced by Mrs. L. I. Wilson. She has charge of an archeological expedition of the Philadelphia museum. A huge sacrificial altar is among the ruins.

Hops as Vegetables. Hops, which are not recognizable in the form we prefer, were eaten for themselves as a vegetable by the Romans of old and still are by the Bavarians, who choose, rather than the blossoms, the tender top shoots of the plant and prepare them in such the form of an asparagus salad.