

Gives Report Activities Of Playgrounds

The playgrounds of the community were opened to the children June 11 in charge of Rockfellow Venters, director. There are twelve people employed at five playgrounds located at Central School, Patterson Mills Village, Rosemary, Bunker Hill, and John Armstrong Chaloner colored school.

The program is carried out under the direction of the Recreation Committee composed of one member from each of the various clubs, the city, the schools, and the Community Chest. The committee is headed by McRae Faison as chairman.

During the first four weeks of operation, there were 6,164 children, with an average of 1,541 children per week. There was some delay in the opening of the pool due to certain repairs which were necessary. During the past two weeks approximately 2,200 children visited the pool. During the four weeks' operation, the twelve employees have spent 1,297 man hours at a total cost of \$738.29, an average cost per man hour of approximately \$.52. During the hours that the pool is kept open, life guards are kept on duty to protect the children. No children are permitted to participate in the swimming pool activities unless they have attended the playgrounds on the same date.

The expenses of operation of the playgrounds is borne by contributions from the city, the schools, the Community Chest, the Lions Club, the Rotary Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Business and Professional Women's Club, and the Sanitary District.

Visiting Here

M/Sgt. and Mrs. E. R. Burnette of Greensboro, are visiting Mrs. Burnette's mother, Mrs. J. N. Taylor. M/Sgt. Burnette returned to the states recently after spending 30 months overseas and serving in Africa, Italy and France. He has been awarded the Bronze Star.

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DEATHS

DONALD LEE PITT

Donald Lee Pitt, age 23, died Saturday, June 30, at 9:15 o'clock in State Hospital, Raleigh. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Pitt of Monroe Street, Roanoke Rapids. Surviving besides the parents are two brother, John R. Pitt of the U. S. Navy, and K. Alvin Pitt of Wake Forest; one niece and one nephew.

The funeral was held July 2 at the home by Rev. Gordon L. Price. Interment was in Cedarwood Cemetery.

Local Lions Sponsoring Air Patrol

The Lion's Club of Roanoke Rapids is sponsoring, under the direction of the Army Air Force, a Civil Air Patrol Squadron. All persons interested, especially boys and girls from 15 years old up, should join. This is a branch of the Army Air Force and flying will be taught from the ground up. This is not a war time training course. It will be continued after the war is over. Regular army training equipment will be used and all who wish to learn how to fly, should enlist immediately.

The first meeting will be held at 8 p. m. Tuesday, July 17 at the Roanoke Rapids High School.

Rev. Topping Returns Home

Rev. R. L. Topping of 915 Hamilton street, returned home last Monday from Roanoke Christian Service Camp, Bath, N. C., where he had helped direct the activities of the camp. He taught two classes daily, directed the recreational activities, and was song leader for the camp.

Twenty churches were represented with a student enrollment of seventy-eight. There were twelve baptisms, and six who volunteered for full-time Christian service.

The camp was held in the Bath High School building which has all modern conveniences. The evening devotional was held in the Christian Church located just across the street from the high school, to which the public at large was invited. Dr. Harry Poll of Cincinnati, Ohio, was dean of the camp. The morning "dip" at six-thirty and the swimming in the afternoon was in the Pamlico River. On the fourth of July the

Bronze Star Medal Given Lt. Col. Taylor

With the 89th Infantry Division in Europe — Lieutenant Colonel Thos. J. Taylor, husband of Mrs. Doris D. Taylor of Scotland Neck and son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Taylor of Enfield, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy as Commanding Officer, 314th Medical Battalion, 89th Infantry Division.

In the advance of the division from Luxembourg to Central Germany, Lieutenant Colonel Taylor handled in a superior manner the operations involving the collection and evacuation of personnel from forward aid stations.

"He was tireless in his efforts to provide rapid and efficient evacuation from all units of the division and was frequently exposed to enemy action during reconnaissance for the location of forward medical installations," the citation accompanying his award states.

"His outstanding leadership and devotion to duty were largely responsible for the excellent medical support furnished the division during its operations against the enemy" the citation continues. "The service of Lieutenant Colonel Taylor reflects great credit upon him, his battalion, and the Army of the United States."

Prior to entering the Army in 1940, Lieut. Col. Taylor was a practicing physician in Roanoke Rapids.

Lt. George Wood Is Here on Visit

Lt. George S. Wood, 25, arrived in this city last Friday for a 30-day furlough after serving overseas in the China-Burma and India Theatres for 10 months. Lt. Wood has completed a total of 100 combat missions on a C-47 as a navigator and has been awarded the Air Medal, an Oak Leaf Cluster and the Distinguished Flying Cross. He flew from the European area into Florida. His wife is the former Sarah Crawford Towe of this city.

campers hiked to Bayview for swimming.

There will be two weeks of camping next year held at the same place. One week for juniors and one week for seniors. The time will be the last two weeks of June, at which time the Roanoke District Convention will hold its fifth Saturday and Sunday sessions as the guests of Bath, Athens Chapel and Saint Claire Churches.

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Miss Dorothy Lee McClure, of Newport News, Va., is spending this week with Misses Betty and Margaret Ingram.

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