Director

JOSEPHINE LASATER

Buie's Creek, May 26,-Miss Jose-

phine Lasater of this community,

This summer Miss Lasater will be

senior counselor at a recreation camp

mencement One Week Ahead of

Other Schools This Year

Because of its earlier opening last

fall. Angier school wound up its

1947-48 term a week ahead of other

schools in the county. Principal G. P.

Carr is highly pleased with the suc-

Friday night the graduates re-

ceived their diplomas following an

address by Roy Armstrong, director

of student admissions at the Univer-

Class night exercises were held

Thursday night, at which the senior

the school annual, "Old Acquaint-

ances" to five former students who

lost their lives in World War II.

Students who died in service were:

Allie Rae Currin. Willard Jefferson

Smith. Lee Edgar Pleasant, Windsor

Berry Surles and W. J. Washington.

Mothers of the boys, Mosdames Allen

Pleasant, Liza Jane Surles and R. L.

and evening service at 8:00 p. m.

The pastor, Rov. A. M. Keith, and

Mr. Davenport is an able preacher

Over Radio Friday

Bob Young, candidate for Con-

gress, will deliver an address over

6:45 o'clock, in behalf of his can-

tion WCKB, 780 on your dial.

The broadcast will be over Sta-

All Harnett Democrats, as well

as those in neighboring counties,

will be interested in Mr. Young's

address, and they are invited to

entertain their friends by asking

them in to hear the address.

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congregation extend a cordial wel-

come to all to attend the sorvices.

and well known throughout this sec-

running through the meeting.

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cation hero.

# Primary Campaign Comes to Close Saturday

## Wife Killer Given Penalty of Death

### **NEGRO DRAWS DEATH SENTENCE** IN WIFE MURDER

JURY FINDS TROY MCNEILL GUIL TY OF MURDER IN FIRST DE-GREE: SENTENCED TO DIE FRIDAY, JULY 9

The jurors who heard the McNeill case in Harnett Superior Court last week brought in a verdict that has become rare in past years. They found Troy McNeill, Stewart's Creek Negro, guilty of premeditated and deliberate slaying of his wife with an axe last March 22, at their home near Bunnlevel.

Judge Paul Frizzelle sentenced major in physical education at McNeill to die in the State's gas chamber on Friday, July 9. return home and to Alma Mater The story of the killing has been

published in The News. Attorney Doffermyre of Dunn, defense counsel, will have time to perfect his appeal to the Supreme Court, at Lake Placid. if he desires to do so, before the date of execution arrives.

Examination of the McNeill wo- ANGIER CLOSES man by Coroner C. B. Allred showed that she had been beaten almost to a pulp. It was pronounced a brutal killing. McNeill had claimed that his-Principal G. P. Carr Stages Comwife "had a spell" and had fallen when she attempted to leave the house and struck herself, causing

Two children of the McNeill's testified that when they tried to rescue their mother from the father's blows, he threatened to shoot them.

Doubt was expressed at the conclusion of the trial by many who beard the case whether an appeal would be perfected.

If McNeill pays the supreme penalty, it will be the first execution from Harnett county in more than quarter of a century.

Jurors who tried the case were: W. A. Baldwin, B. H. Yarborough, P. L. Wade, W. G. Dean, O. W. Weeks, M. E. Thornton, J. B. Collins, C. T. Moore, Raymond Moss, Joe M. Johnson, L. D. Reaves and M. B. Wade. They received commendation from Judge Frizzelle.

#### **NEW MANAGER ANGIER THEATRE**

W. B. Chick Comes From the Strand Theatre in Waynesville, N. C., and Takes Charge

Theatre-goers who attend the An- giftorian and David Price was masgier theatre, as well as other people | ter of ceremonies. Mascots were: in this area, will learn with interest Brenda Langdon and Paul Max Nor- year 1,665 of the Baptist churches in

ville, N. C., Mr. W. B. Chick has son, Anne Overby and Dottie Collins. 266 new schools in the state last taken charge of the Angler Theatre Over 900 people attend the services. and will manage it in future. Mr. Chick has had wide experiences in the management of showhouses, and Revival Meeting this guarantees that the community will now have not only a wellmanaged theatre but will be assured of good films well presented.

Mr. Chick is married and has one child. The newcomers will make their home in Angier.

#### Funeral Services For Howard Butts

Funeral services for Cpl. Howard Butts, who was killed in action near St. Lo. France, July 12, 1944, will be held at Harnett Memorial Park today (Thursday) at 3 p. m. conducted by Rev. G. Scott Turner and Rev. Charles B. Howard.

Military honors will be conducted by Lillington VFW Post, under Commander Carl Byrd.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thad Butts of Lillington R-1; two sisters. Mabel Butts of Lillington R-1 and Mrs. Cecil Fisher of Bob Young to Speak Fayetteville; three brothers, Clellan, Norwood and Hal Butts of Lilling-

#### Ray's Window Features Manikins

Ray's, one of Lillington's newest firms, has added to the attractiveness of the store by placing in its windows two manikins, on which ladfes' ready-to-wear will be displayed. The addition of the manikins gives the store a modern and up-todate appearance.

### **BIBLE SCHOOLS** IN LITTLE RIVER **SOON TO BEGIN**

FACULTIES TO BE COMPOSED OF JUDGE FRIZZELE REQUESTS SUNDAY AND PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS, COLLEGE STU-DENTS AND OTHERS

The Little River Baptist Association holds a record in Vacation Bible asked Judge Paul Frizzelle to request School. Last year, in addition to the Governor Gregg Cherry to call a 27 churches there were four Mission Schools, and two Negro Schools conducted by the Baptists. The goal set for this year by Mr. Irvin Stephens, Associational Vacation Bible School Howard Godwin, filed the request Superintendent, is a total of 35 with the Governor. schools. The churches who do not have adequate leaders to conduct the heavily crowded with a volume of schools will be assisted by Mr. Roger Johnson, Associational Missionary, trained workers from the stronger churches or a Summer Student worker who will be furnished by the State Department of Sunday School Work.

The Vacation Bible School work is a division of the Sunday School. It is projects four of its departments, and do so at its regular sesion on June 7. WCUN who graduates in June, will possibly more, into a week-day school, three hours a day, five days the problem will be to secure a judge next fall to direct girls' physical edua week, from one to three weeks. The faculties are mude up of the term in another county. Whether this regular Sunday School teachers, public school teachers, college students, Commissioners request the Governor

> Preparation in this association for statewide, clinic in Salisbury. Plans were projected to the local churches of this association in a five hourlinic at the Lillington Baptist church on May 13. At this conference, departmental conferences were held presenting plans and materials for this year's work.

The hymns for the joint-worship service were practiced, and the entire worship service was rehearsed so that the workers would be prepared to lead the pupils through the services on the first day of the schools. Those leading the conferences and taking part in the program were: Rev. R. E. Moore, Miss Ruby Williams, Mrs. I. class dedicated the 1948 edition of K. Stafford, Miss Vara Lee Thornton, Mrs. Casey Fowler. Miss Zula Rogers Rev. G. Scott Turner, Mr. Roger Johnson, Mrs. Irvin Stephens and Miss Margie Stewart. Eight of the 27 churches wore represented-Antioch, Bule's Creek, Coats, Dunn, Chalybeate Springs. Lillington, Neill's Creek and Pleasant Memory. Many B. Currin, Clyde Smith, Richard who could not attend are making

Washington, were presented copies of preparation for their schools. Some of the churches will begin their schools on June 7, others will Stedman Ballard was class historbegin June 14 and others will be held ian, Betty Stephenson gave the class prophecy; Kenneth Williams, the last at various times throughout the sum-

will and tostament; Jane Smith was mer. Little River's participation is just a part of the whole state plan. Last Louise Chisenhall, Katherine Camp- School with an enrollment of 138,-Arriving this week from Waynes- bell, Helen Pleasant, Dorothy Wat- 361 including the faculty. There were

#### Boone Trail Term At Ephesus Church

Dr. W. N. Hicks, professor of Rev. R. K. Davenport, Evangelist ethics and religion at State College, for the Synod of North Carolina, is to be the visiting evangelist for the delivered the commencement address at Boone Trail school Tuesday night, revival meeting at the Ephesus Presand the school's session came to a The revival meeting will begin

Libby Chapin was valedictorian of Wednesday, May 26, and will run the graduating class and Rosie Lee through June 2. Services will be Gilchrist was salutatorian. held each evening at 8:00 p. m. Two

"Graid Circus" was presented services will be held on Sunday, May Monday night by the graduates. The 30th. Morning services at 11 a. m. sermon was preached last Sunday at 3 p. m. by Rev. R. G. Dawson, San-Afternoon services will be held at p. m. beginning on May 31st and ford Methodist minister.

Principal Roger Johnson of the Boone Trail school has tendered his resignation, and the local board has asked Supt. Reid Ross to secure his

#### Closing Events At Shawtown School

Following is the program of the

Sunday, May 30, at 3:30 p. m.

dress by Dr. Joseph H. Douglas, Dean State Teachers College, Fayetteville, M. C.

### SPECIAL TERM MAY BE ASKED BY

TERM AT SUGGESTION OF SOLL-CITOR: COMMISSIONERS MAY ACT ON JUNE 7

Solicitor Jack Hooks last week special term of Harnett Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases. Judge Frizzelle, according to Clerk

The criminal docket has become minor cases, and there remain several cases of a more aggravated nature still to be tried.

Asked whether a special term is likely, Clerk Godwin told The News that it is squareiy up to the County Commissioners to request the term. means by which the Sunday School and that the board would probably

Clerk Godwin said, however, that who will not be engaged in a regular can be done will be decided after the to call the special term.

Harnett county, although it needs the extensive program of Bible a special term to clear the congested School began in February when Rev. docket, has not had satisfactory ex-SCHOOL TERM R. E. Moore, Associational Sunday perience with special terms hereto-School Superintendent, and Mr. Ir- fore. Instead of clearing the docket, the special term have fizzled after trying only a few cases.

One big "eason why a special term will not be popular in the summertime is because the farmers, who most often compose the majority of the lury list and witnesses, are very busy with pressing crop problems that must receive their immediate attention to avoid disastrous failure.

Those in closer touch with the situation observe that the only period of the year when special terms can materially aid in relieving the docket is in the winter when farm- Day for the two graduating groups, ton, ers have more time to spare for jury duty and to serve as witnesses.

### New Manager For

and Madison theatres, to take charge of Charlotte. A sacred concert was of the Lyric here. His home address is Lancaster, S. C. He is residing at choir directed by Phyllis Thompson. Hotel Lillington.

nesday for New Bern where he will by the college sophomores, with tion to head the mechanical departmanage the Kehoe and Colonial Charles Sasser of Wilmington in the ment. theatres. Mr. Morgan stated that it major role. Mrs. Jane Morgan, dihad been a distinct pleasure to man- rector of dramatics, is directing re- the most popular makes of automoage the theatre here in that he had hearsals. Other leads in the play are bile, but are not ready at this time always received wholehearted co- Kenneth Leland and Guilford Daugh- to make announcement of the name. operation from the people of this erty of New Bern, Frances Griffin of That, however, will be done soon, of the change in management of the dan. Serving as marshals were: N. C. reported a Vacation Bible section. He and his wife, the former Monroe, Frances Webster of Pitts- the delay being caused by lack of Miss Joan Sutton, have a large num- boro, Hilda Johnson of Clayton, and receipt of confirmation by the manuber of friends here who regret to see Jennings Campbell of Wilmington.

ett-Stewart chain.

rolled at Meredith College in Raleigh: Ella Adams, Bunnlevel; Mary Frances Keene and Frances Altman. both of Dunn; Eunice Andrews, Ann Melvin and Ruth Summerlin, all of Fuquay Springs; Barry Barefoot, Lela Butts and Doris Johnson, all of Angier; Catherine Campbell, Buie's Creek; Betty Jean Johnson and Ruth Hall, both of Lillington.

#### Now, See Here! Harnett Democrats:

to you.

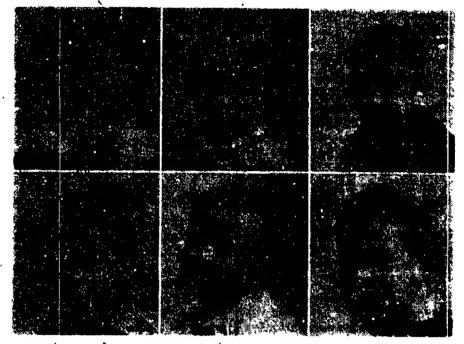
Harnett has a candidate for Congress, and it is the duty of all Harnett Democratis to support and vote for him Saturday, May 29.

While it is true that practically all Democrats in Harnett will vote

in Congress, and now that it has a candidate, let every Bemocrat. in the county be considered a committee to do everything wessible to roll up every primary vote for him. We can do it! We must de it! We're Harnett Democrats, aren't

# Candidates and Friends Sound COMMISSIONERS Strenuous Plea for More Votes

"Citizens of Tomorrow"



Top Row: Kenneth, age 3 1/2 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sexton, Lillington: Karen, age 16 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Farrell, Lillington; Ray, age 4 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albort Autry, Lillington R-2. Bottom Row: Neill, age 3 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. McDonald, Lillington R-2; Michael, age 1 year, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Turner, Lillington; James, age 7 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smith, Lillington R-3.

#### CAMPBELL WILL **CLOSE ITS 61ST** TERM FRIDAY

exercises began last sunday EVENING: PRESIDENT CAMP-BELL ANNOUNCES CLOSING PROGRAMS, FOR FRIDAY

High school seniors will hold theirs Lyric Theatre staged in the Paul Green theatre.

Campbell's finals began last Sun-Jack C. Simpson arrived Monday day evening with the sermon by Dr. from Whiteville, where he had been William Harrison Williams, pastor of assistant manager of the Columbus Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church rendered by Campbell's a cappella

Manager Fabian Morgan left Wed- will be presented Thursday evening competent mechanics in this sec-

The theatre here and the two in retary of the Southern Baptist Con-pleasant surprise for automobile New Bern are members of the Ever- vention, will address the graduates Friday morning at 11 o'clock. Academic procession will march at 10:30 o'clock. -

> Mr. F. Hunter Creech of Washington, D. C., will be the alumni speaker at the luncheon to be hald at 12:30 in the college dining hall. A. Lincoln Fulk of Dunn is alumni president.

#### SUNBEAMS TO MEET

group under the leadership of Mrs. John Womble will give the program. retany.

### **NEW GARAGE** AND SALESROOM TO OPEN SOON

LARGE MODERN AUYOMOTIVE BUILDING EXECTED BY MESSRS. J. O. SUTTON AND W. H. BYRD NEAR COMPLETION

With its schedule of commones. Very little yet remains to be done ment exercises coming to a close to- to the large automotive building bemorrow (Friday), Campbell College ing readied by Messrs. J. O. Sutton will continue the finals week pro- and W. H. Byrd for their garage and gram today (Thursday) with Class salesroom on Main street in Lilling-

Putting the finishing touches on at 4 o'clock, led by Bob Lasater, pre- the building and pouring a concrete sident. College sophomores will take driveway around the structure will the stake at 5, led by Meredith Mil- put it in shape for doing business. ler, president. The exercises will be The structure itself is one of the largest and most modern in this sec-

Messrs. Sutton and Byrd have named their new concern the B & S Motor Company. They will have not only the offices and commodious showrooms for automobiles, but will operate an up-to-date garage. They Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" have employed one of the most

The company will handle one of facturer. The News is prepared to Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive sec- state, however that it will be a users in Harnett county.

Mr. Sutton tells The News that it will not probably be very long before the company will make an important announcement.

ATTEND MEETING OF WAR. MOTHERS

Mrs. Charles Ross and Mrs. Neill Fuquay went to Concord Thursday The Supbeams will meet Thursday where they attended a State Execuat 3:30 at the Baptist Church. The tive Board Meeting of War Mothers.

.Mrs. Ross is State Recording Sec-

### LAP OF RACES TAKING SPEED RVEN MOST OPTIMISTIC CAM-

HOME STRETCH

PAIGNERS CANDIDLY ADMIT POSSIBILITY OF SECOND PRI-MARY FOR GOVERNOR

If there remains a stone unturned or a bush unshaken in Harnett county, the political campaigners may be expected to take care of that during the few remaining days of the primary races that will be decided next Saturday, May 29.

Although, generally speaking, the 1948 campaign has not taken on the "rousements" that Democrats like so well still it has not by any manner of means been so void of interest and even excitement as many observers thought would be the case when they viewed the situation earlier in the

Strange as it may seem, interest in the county contests doesn't overshadow the State and Congressional races. Activity by county candidates and their friends has been marked. especially during the past few weeks, but they have not monopolized the oters' attention. Worker candidates for Governor and U. S. Senator have aroused the voters to a marked degree.

One contest that demands and recoiver possibly more attention than any other is the candidacy of Bob Young for Congress. Harnett voters are determined to see to it that Mr. Young gets all or nearly all of the ballots cast in this county.

It would be extremely difficult to determine whether there is more interest being manifested in the Governor's race than in the contest for U. S. Senator, Friends of both J. M. Broughton and W. M. Umstead have been making the rounds in a continuous effort to win votes. Which of the two will "carry" Harnett can be learned, of course, by questioning the workers of the two candidates, but the questioner will still be left to make his or her own cal-

Friends of Charlie Johnson and Kerr Scott will admit that the "trailer" candidate, Mayne Albright, has picked up some votes in Harnett by his repeated visits here. Just how many votes Albright will get throughout the State has been variously estimated from 50.000 to 100,000. Barker, too, will get some

Most conservative prophets readily admit that Albright and Barker will receive enough votes to render a decision between Johnson and Scott altogether impossible in the first primary. Hernett under its new system of

district voting for members of the Board of County Commissioners will have contests in only three of the five districts this year. In District 1. Lofton Tart, incumbent, had no opposition, neither does Carson Gregory in District 2.

In District 8 there are two candidates, Charlie G. Fields of Black River and E. T. Tutor of Buckhorn. In District 4 there are two candidates, J. A. Senter and J. E. Womble, both of Lillington.

In District 5 there are five candidates. D. T. Adcock, Mack Holder and J. R. Meson of Upper Little River, Vance Cameron of Barbecue and Paul E. Tysinger of Johnsonville. This is the only district having candidates from each of its townis agreement to withdraw after the

that a second primary will be needton will join with them in carrying and will do much to improve the ap- of Angier, incumbent, H. M. O'Quinn out the work to be done during the pearance and neatness of our com- of Mamers and Howard E. Parker of

proclaimed by the Town Board as ness of the few who are promoting In the only other race of county-"Town Clean-up Week." Mr. Nor- this campaign for an attractive com- wide interest a definite decision will wood further stated that the organi- munity, it is the business of every be made next Saturday. It is the conzations would meet this week to work person in this community to do his test for Register of Deeds between Mrs. Inez Barrington, incumbent, The organizations which will work and Mrs. Mamie Sexton Byrd of with keen interest.

enters hospital

Mrs. A. H. Phelps entered Mary Elizabeth limital, Raieigh, on Wed-nesday and Will undergo a major

commencement exercises for Shawtown high school: Thursday, May 27, 8:00 p. m .--Class Night Exercises.

Baccalaureate Sermon by Rev. O. L. Sperill, Executive Secretary of State Baptist Convention of N. C., Raleigh. Monday evening, May 81, at 8:00 m .-- Commencement Exercises. Ad-

These programs will be held at the Wesley Chapel Church.

#### Comes To Close Harnett Has 12 Meredith Students

Harnett county has 12 students en

This is an appeal made directly

for Bob Young, this is to remind each and everyone of you: THAT IS NOT ENOUGH! It is not enough unless ALL

Harnett needs a Representative

### Civic Organizations Preparing For Town Clean-up Week ships. A second primary may be necessary in this district, unless there

Commerce, has indicated that the for the renaming of the streets. other civic organizations in Lilling-

During this period, these organithe business section, elimination of Auxiliary.

Mr. G. M. Norwood, Jr., chairman | blind corners, promote the mowing first primary. of the Civic Improvements Commit- of all property grown up with weeds | The three-man race for the House tee of the Lillington Chamber of and bushes, promoting a campsign of Representatives makes it probable This is a worthwhile undertaking ed to decide between A. L. Overby

week of June 7-12 which has been munity, but it is not just the busi- Erwin.

sations will join forces to work to- with the Chamber of Commerce on Stewart's Creek. The race between wards improving the general appear- the clean-up drive are the Woman's these two ladies is being watched ance of the community. This is an Club, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Amerundertaking which should have the ican War Mothers. Veterans of Yorinterest and complete support of ev- eign Wars, Lillington Rotary Club, ery person in the community. Some Tea and Topics Club, Lillington Paof the things under consideration by rent-Teacher Association, American this group are: Waste receptacles in Legion and the American Legion