

## DATE MOVED AHEAD

On account of being required to publish a notice of registration and election for thirty days prior to the closing of the registration books, we are compelled to issue this week on Thursday instead of the customary publication day of Friday.

The election will determine whether this county will adopt a county-wide plan of organization, and the rate of taxation required will not exceed fifty cents on the hundred dollars valuation of taxable property and one dollar and a half on the poll.

An interesting article explaining the details of the operation of the county-wide plan has been prepared by Supt. John W. Darden, and was intended for this issue, but on account of cramped time and other hindrances we are forced to omit it this week. It will appear next week, however, and we invite the attention of our readers to it.

The notice appears below.

## NOTICE OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTION

Take notice that an election is hereby called in Washington County to ascertain the will of the people residing in said county on the question of the adoption of the county-wide plan of organization of the schools of said county and on the question of levying a tax sufficient to maintain the schools of said county under said plan and to retire outstanding bonds and interest hereof issued for school buildings, grounds and equipment, the maximum tax to be levied for said purposes is not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation taxable property and \$1.50 on the poll. Said election will be held on the 26th day of May, 1926, in said county, and all qualified voters may present themselves at the usual polling places in Plymouth, Roper, Skinnersville, Scuppernon and Wenoa Precincts for the purpose of casting their votes.

A new registration is ordered for said election and the Registration Books will be opened on the 23rd day of April, 1926, and closed on the 15th day of May, 1926. The following Registrars have been appointed:

- Plymouth Precinct  
P. W. Brinkley
- Roper Precinct  
Geo. W. Dixon
- Wenoa Precinct  
W. E. Allen
- Skinnersville Precinct  
C. V. White
- Scuppernon Precinct  
J. C. Gatlin

Those who desire to vote in favor of said county-wide plan and in favor of the tax levy mentioned hereinabove will cast a ballot, "For County-Wide Plan and Uniform County School Tax of Same Rate". Those who desire to vote against said county-wide plan and the tax levy hereinabove mentioned will cast a ballot "Against County-Wide Plan and Uniform County School Tax of Same Rate".

This the 10th day of April, 1926.

A. L. BRINKLEY,  
Register of Deeds.

## Inadvertent Error

In our chronicle last week of the meeting of the Thursday Afternoon Literary Club we gave the place of entertainment as the home of Mrs. James W. Norman, when it should have appeared the home of Mrs. James W. Williamson. The error is regretted and we hasten to correct it.

## WRITING 120TH HISTORY

Captain Theodore Partrick, rector of the Plymouth Episcopal church, has been in Raleigh this week in conference with adjutant-general J. Van B. Metts, with reference to the compiling of a history of the 120th infantry, of which organization he is chaplain.

Captain Partrick is eminently qualified for the task assigned him, being a writer of unusual ability and a great deal of experience. The subject assigned him offers a wealth of journalistic possibilities, and the result of his efforts will be gladly welcomed in every home in North Carolina.

The 120th was a component part of the famous Thirtieth Division which assisted in the breaking of the Hindenburg Line during the latter part of the World War. Operating with the English and Australians in the British sector it performed many outstanding military feats which assisted materially in the early closing of the war.

It lives now as a part of the North Carolina National Guard, commanded by its war-time commander, Col. Don Scott of Graham, and among its officers and men will be found many veterans of the past war.

Captain Partrick has been engaged in compiling facts for several months and it is expected that the history will go to press within a short length of time.

## SKINNERSVILLE NEWS

Mrs. Jim Chessa of near Plymouth was in this neighborhood Sunday.

Messrs. G. L. Davenport and Tom Curis motored to Belhaven Saturday.

Dr. S. A. Saunders made a visit to his mother-in-law, Mrs. S. S. Aumack, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Hatfield of Creswell, were the Sunday visitors of Mrs. S. S. Aumack.

Capt. Chas. Mizelle and wife of Roper, were the guest of Mrs. Henrietta Swain on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Swain and family of Plymouth were the guest of Mrs. Henrietta Swain, Sunday.

Mr. Jack Partrick of Pearidge died Wednesday, April 13th, from an attack of pneumonia.

Rev. R. L. Hethcox held his regular service at Rehoboth church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. During the service Rev. Hethcox performed the infant baptismal ceremony of Elizabeth Ardean, grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Blount.

## Rarefied Air Used for Killing Moths

Washington.—Mountain climbers and aviators are familiar enough with the disabling and even deadly effect of rarefied air, but it has remained for scientists to utilize this air in beneficial ways.

E. A. Back and R. T. Cotton of the Department of Agriculture have first reported on the work they and others have done in using rarefied air to kill insects in stored articles subject to their depredations. They have found that moths and other insects inside a locked trunk may be killed by exposure for a few days to atmosphere from one-fifth to one-thirtieth of normal.

A trunk was placed in a vault from which almost all the air was exhausted and after two days all the moths were found to have been killed and a few days' longer exposure killed other insects.

The method is said to be more effective than fumigation.

## Fifty Years for Uncle Sam



Among those distinguished for long and faithful service in Uncle Sam's employ are Mrs. Lillie Beard and Mrs. Letitia Calhoun, both of whom have rounded out a half century of duty in the Treasury Department at Washington.

## S. S. TO HAVE THE PRECINCT MEETINGS

On May 21st and 22nd an inter-denominational Sunday School Association will be held in one of the four towns of Washington county, conducted by D. W. Simms of Raleigh, who will be assisted by Miss Flora Davis also of that place.

Sunday schools of all denominations have an equal interest in this association, and with good weather, indications are that large crowds will attend each of the three daily sessions.

A committee is now engaged in making plans for the event, and some time this week they will meet and decide upon the town in which it will be held. All information that we can gain will be published for the benefit of those concerned.

## Theatre Pleases Crowds

The James Adams Floating Theatre, exhibiting here this week at the town wharf, is drawing large and appreciative audiences.

Mr. Adams has been a frequent visitor to Plymouth for many years, and the class and character of his shows have never drawn words of criticism whatever, and his patrons are eager to see announcements of his coming.

Programs for Friday and Saturday nights are "Little Miss Light Fingers" and "Girl of the Flying X", respectively.

## Engagement Announced

Her many friends here learn with interest the announcement of the marriage of Miss Margaret Susan Moore of Smithfield to Mr. John Bryan Havens Bonner of Siler City, the wedding to take place in June.

Miss Moore, a sister of Mrs. T. L. Bray, was a member of the high school faculty here for two terms, and has a host of friends in this community.

## All Aboard for the North Pole



Commander Byrd is on his way to Spitzbergen, up near the Arctic Circle from where he will hop off by aeroplane for the North Pole. Among the famous personages who bid the explorer "Good Luck" was John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

## SPRINKLERS AT VENEER PLANT

Keeping up with the march of progress the Wilts Veneer Co., of this place is now installing an up-to-date sprinkler system for the purpose of fire protection at a cost of approximately fifty thousand dollars.

The system is being installed by the Rockwood Sprinkler Co., of Chicago, operating out of Charlotte, and the work is being superintended by Mr. Ed. Roper, of Providence, R. I. Two divisions of the plant will have the benefit of this protection this week, and the entire system will be installed and ready for operation about the first of June. There are 2,400 automatic sprinklers in the entire system, which provides a protection that would make it practically impossible for the plant to be burned.

A fifty-thousand gallon tank at an altitude of one hundred feet, equipped with a 750 gallon steam pump, will provide water for the system, giving a pressure of about fifty pounds.

The company is to be congratulated for making this improvement that may prove a safeguard for both life and property.

## Minstrel Appreciated

The minstrel given in the high school auditorium last Friday night by members of the high school, assisted by other local talent, was a great success.

A large crowd attended and was splendidly entertained, as was attested by the numerous rounds of applause.

Each member of the cast creditably rendered the parts assigned to them, and it is hoped that a similar entertainment may be again offered to our people.

## CRESWELL NEWS

Messrs. W. D. Peal and F. A. Williams went to Greenville Friday.

Mrs. O. D. Hatfield spent Sunday with Mrs. Matilda Aumack at Mackeys.

Messrs. C. N. Davenport and R. T. Hopkins were in Washington Monday evening.

The Philisopian Literary Society held its meeting Friday in the High School auditorium.

Mrs. R. L. Hethcox left for Washington Monday, with her little daughter Ruth, who is to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. L. V. Sexton fell from the running board of her car Sunday and is suffering from a broken arm. Dr. J. McCless is the attending physician.

Little Foy Lavenport, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Davenport, had his arm broken while playing at school. He was given first aid by Dr. Norman of Columbia.

## Gators Eat Dynamite; Halt War on Lizards

Beaumont, Texas.—War on alligators in the marsh district of Cameron parish, Louisiana, has been called off temporarily since it has developed that dynamite missing from the camp of oil prospectors making seismicographic tests has been eaten by the gators.

A post mortem on one of the big lizards revealed several sticks in his stomach and trappers are apprehensive of the results should a bullet come in contact with one of these choice morsels of alligator dessert. The snurians are being killed as a protective measure against destruction of muskrats, which are valuable for their fur crop.

## LOCAL NEWS

Mr. J. S. Norman spent Sunday in Goldsboro.

There were quite a few visitors here Sunday from Jamesville.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Harrison, Jr., motored to Greenville, Sunday.

Mr. W. C. Miller left Saturday for a business trip to Philadelphia.

Miss Sallie Dickens of Enfield, is reporting civil court here this week.

Mr. J. F. Jordan of Darden, was in town on business this week.

Mr. W. B. Cox of Raleigh, spent the week-end here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Gurkin motored to Greenville Sunday afternoon.

Mr. C. S. Heynen of Wenoa, was a business visitor here last Saturday.

Miss Laura Norton of W. Williamson is visiting Miss Margaret Ward Jackson.

Judge T. H. Calvert is presiding over the April term of civil court this week.

Quite a number of our county people have been here this week attending court.

Mr. L. E. Turnage of Kinston spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Read and Mrs. Claudia Read motored to Washington Friday.

Mrs. Lula Hampton returned Monday from an extended stay in Elizabethtown, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Marsh spent Sunday with friends and relatives in Washington.

The Branch Banking & Trust Company closed Monday in observance of Halifax Day.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Norman, Mrs. George Barden and son, George, Jr., motored to Kinston, Sunday.

Messrs. H. E. Frame of Fort Wayne, Ind., and C. L. Groves were in Greenville this week on business.

Mr. Thomas Hamlin of Washington, D. C., is visiting his sister, Mrs. W. R. Hampton on Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Campbell and little daughter, and Mrs. J. S. Chesson motored to Greenville Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Marion Ramsey and Miss Hermine Ausbon went to Florence, S. C., Saturday to return this week by automobile.

Atty. I. M. Bailey, representing the corporation commission, of Raleigh has been attending court here this week.

Messrs. J. G. Station, John L. Rogerson and Robert Everett of Williamson, were in town this week attending court.

Mrs. A. L. Booth and children of Rock Mount arrived Tuesday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hornthal.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Horton are spending some time in Roanoke, Va., with Mrs. Horton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Smith.

Miss Hildred Swain returned Saturday from Greenville, where she was entertained during the exposition by Mrs. J. K. Young.

Mrs. Ruth Litchfield returned from a short visit in Raleigh and will make her future home at the residence of Mrs. J. W. Norman on Main St.

The combined choirs of the Episcopal and Methodist churches rendered a very delightful program at the Episcopal church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Swain and children, Miss Meredith, and Mr. William, of Raleigh, were week-end visitors here to relatives and friends.

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