

TEACHERS MET ROPER FRIDAY; LOTS SPEECHES; PLANS WORK

The county teachers association held their first meeting during the present school year at Roper last Friday with a goodly number of teachers and patrons present.

The meeting was called to order by County Superintendent of Public Instruction, J. W. Norman. Captain Charlie Mizell, a member of the county board of education, in a very eloquent manner welcomed the teachers to Washington county. Captain Mizelle assured the teachers that they could depend entirely on receiving the complete cooperation of the board during the coming year, and urged that the teachers make Washington county their home and not merely a place in which to stay for the school year. H. L. Melvin, a member of the Roper faculty responded, expressing the appreciation of the teaching staff throughout the county and assured the board that the teachers would cooperate with them in every way possible.

A roll call was then taken by Professor E. N. Riddle, principal of Roper school. Each teacher stood when his or her name was called so that everyone present could get acquainted.

Superintendent Norman then outlined the aims during the coming year as follows: Every child in the county of school age in school; the teachers to give the very best possible instruction; and to operate as economically as possible.

Others who made remarks were: T. J. Swain, chairman of the board of education; J. C. Gatlin, county auditor; C. L. Basley, prosecuting attorney; Miss Pauline Lucas, member of Plymouth faculty; H. L. Swain, principal Creswell school; Lee Roy Harris, editor **Beacon and News**.

REVIVAL MEETING

BEGINS SUNDAY

Revival meeting at Pleasant Grove begins Sunday night, September 8th at 7:30. The Rev. R. L. Hethcox, the Methodist Protestant Pastor of Creswell will do the preaching. The Pastor will have charge of the singing. We are hoping to have at least three days of day meeting, the hour to be announced later. A most urgent invitation is extended to people of all denominations to attend this meeting. Come and bring your friends with you and help us in the name of our gracious Master, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, to make this a gracious season of spiritual refreshing.

OVER 1,900 IN WASHINGTON COUNTY ENROL IN SIX SCHOOLS

Vacation days for approximately 1,900 white children of Washington county were brought to a close Monday when the six white schools opened their doors for the 1929-'30 session. In long lines, the children ranging in age from five years and a fraction to 18 years, there is some few over 18, filed into the seven buildings to mark the first year of the consolidated school system in Washington county. No doubt, there would have been at least 200 more girls and boys throughout the county to register the first day had it been possible for them to turn from their compelling tasks and chores on the farm.

Every school in the county had a decrease with the exception of the three main schools where all of the high school students will be instructed. This is the result of the consolidated system and will prove as a decided number of advantages for the students who have, heretofore been compelled to attend the smaller high schools. Not only will it give these students an advantage, but it will also give the students in the larger schools an advantage as the board of education can afford to equip the laboratories, library, etc., much better in three schools, and more economically, than they can a number of small schools. Last year, approximately 33 1/2% of the children in the schools in Washington county failed to make their work. This year, Superintendent Norman hopes to bring this average down considerably. A report of each students work the previous year, and during the same month, will be available for the teachers to use in this manner. The teacher will be prepared to better help the failing student.

REVIVAL SERVICES AT HOLLY NECK CLOSED

The Revival Meeting at Holly Neck which has been running for two weeks closed Sunday night. Rev. Tylor Smith of Fairfield, Pastor of Holly Neck Church, conducted the services, which proved to be very successful. There were ten confessions made. The baptismal service was held at Mrs. M. J. Alexander's Beach on Sunday afternoon.

SERVICES AT REHOBOTH SUNDAY

President S. W. Taylor of N. C. M. P. Conference will preach at Rehoboth, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. All denominations are cordially invited to hear this excellent speaker.

Miss Pratt Covington Gives Recipes For Tomato Canning

OPPORTUNITY PLANT COVER CROP SAYS MR. DUNNING, C. F. A.

The 700,000 acres of land planted to tobacco in 1929 offers North Carolina its best opportunity to plant winter cover crops this fall for soil improvement and for hay.

"The reason is that the tobacco crop is about all taken from the land permitting the cover crop to be planted early enough for best results," says R. E. Dunning, Washington County Farm Agent. "To plant cover crops on tobacco land, progressive farmers cut the stalks with a sharp cutter, then level the field by running one row with a disk harrow to tear down the ridge. If the cover crop is to be either rye, oats, wheat, barley, vetch or Austrian Winter peas, the seed may be broadcasted and covered immediately by double disking the field."

Mr. Dunning warns that this plan would put crimson clover seed in too deeply and they should be covered with a brush drag, weeder, or some other light implement. If the crimson clover is to go in with grain, the grain should be covered with the disk and the clover seed with the drag immediately thereafter.

Mr. Dunning says the best time to sow winter cover crops is about September 15. The crop then makes good growth before cold weather.

Pleasant Grove

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Chesson of Plymouth spent Sunday with Mrs. J. W. Chesson.

Mr. and Mrs. Deward Chesson of Roper were the guests of Mrs. C. W. Snell Sunday.

Rev. J. Bascom Hurley and family were the dinner guests of Mrs. W. B. Chesson Sunday.

Miss Corinne Bell left Saturday for Washington, D. C., and Baltimore where she will spend her vacation.

A. J. Barnes left Monday for Norfolk to be at the bed side of his son Jessie who will undergo an operation for kidney trouble.

Cherry

Misses Ruth and Wilma Smith of Norfolk are guests of Miss Erma Barnee.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Barnes and Miss Hortense Ambrose were in Raleigh last week.

Mrs. Joe Woodley and children and Miss Pearl Elliott spent the past week end in Hertford.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gibbs of Newport News, Va. were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gibbs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Brown of Oak City spent a few days of last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ambrose.

ALMO THEATRE TONIGHT

Dorothy Mackaill
IN
"Children of the Ritz"
COMEDY

Saturday Night

Roland West's
Production of
"The Bat"
Last Episode
Tigers Shadow
COMEDY
DON'T MISS IT

Below is a list of recipes for each club member who wishes to enter the tomato contest. One of each must be entered under each group in order to win the nice prizes that have been offered.

1. GREEN TOMATO PICKLE:

1/2 Gal. sliced green tomatoes. 1 pt. onions sliced. 1/2 teaspoonfull ground black pepper. 1 small red pepper. 3 tablespoonfull white mustard seed. 2 tablespoonfull celery seed. 1 lb brown sugar. 1/2 tablespoonfull all-spice. 1/2 tablespoonfull cloves. 1/2 cup salt. All measures level.

Sprinkle sliced tomatoes and onions with salt. Let stand 4 hours in two separate bowls. Place each in a thin muslin bag and squeeze gently until juice is practically all removed. Now place in porcelain kettle (pot) mixing with them the mustard, celery seed sugar and pepper. Cover with vinegar (1 1/2 pts.) to which the other spices tied in a bag have been added. Boil slowly until soft and tender. This pickle is not good if removed from the fire before the tomatoes are tender. After cooking pour into jars and seal while hot. Be careful to use a liberal amount of the vinegar in which pickle was cooked when packing in jars.

2. TOMATO CATSUP:

Use first class tomatoes. Remove peeling, cut out cores and defects. Place in porcelain pot and boil 30 minutes. Mash finely through a sieve. To one gallon of pulp add: 1 cup vinegar. 1/2 cup sugar. 1/4 cup salt. 1 medium size onion. 1 teaspoonfull ground pepper. Pinch cinnamon.

Cook until the desired thickness, which usually requires from 2 1/2 to 3 hours. Fill bottles using parafin for sealing.

3. TOMATO AND CORN (Vegetable Soup):

Select nice ripe tomatoes and tender corn. Cut corn as near cob as possible after blanching whole ears in hot water 3 minutes. Cut so grains of corn will be whole. Scald tomatoes and peel, slice in small slices. Use 1/2 corn and 3/4 tomatoes. Mix corn and tomatoes together. Place in stove and stir continually until mixture is a nice thick mixture. Place in square jars with glass tops (no other will be accepted in contest) and boil jar 1 hour for three days in deep pot of water. Cook only 1 hour in steam pressure one day.

4. CHILI SAUCE:

1 Gal. tomatoes peeled and chopped. 2 tablespoonfull salt. 2 tablespoonfull sugar. 2 medium size onions. 3 green peppers (hot.) Mix all ingredients. Place in porcelain boiler and cook until thick. Place in square jars and seal air tight.

5. TOMATO PRESERVES:

To 1 lb peeled tomatoes add: 1/4 lb sugar, let stand over night. Next morning drain off juice. Place in porcelain vessel and cook ten minutes before adding tomatoes, add tomatoes and cook until tomatoes are clear (sometimes tomatoes will have to be removed before juice will thicken.)

6. TOMATOES:

For plain canned tomatoes, blanch until skins peel off, dip into cold water and remove skins and hard cores. Pack into hot glass square jars adding 1 level teaspoonfull of salt to each jar. Pack tomatoes whole in jars so they will not break if possible. Fill jars with clear hot water. Partly seal and cook for 25 minutes in a pot of hot water. Clamp last clamp down before taking jar from water bath, cover with cloth to keep air from breaking jars.

NEW PICTURE HOUSE PLANS; DR. D. B. MIZELL WILL BUILD

Is Plymouth going to have a new Theatre?

This question has been asked a thousand and one times during recent years. The need for one has been greatly felt and at last some constructive work is being done towards giving Plymouth a new Theatre.

Dr. D. B. Mizelle, a former resident of Plymouth and now of Charlotte is negotiating with W. R. Hampton for the purchase of the building formerly occupied by the Plymouth Mercantile Company. Plans are that this building is to be remodeled and turned into a modern and up-to-date picture house with all modern equipment.

The new theatre will be operated by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Brown and will probably go under the name of the Almo. Mrs. Brown stated yesterday that she hoped and expected negotiations to be closed within the next few days. A vitaphone will be installed, thereby giving the people of Plymouth and Washington county advantages enjoyed by people living in much larger towns.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown are not the only people in Washington county interested in seeing a better theatre at Plymouth. It is understood that there are other people equally interested and are merely waiting a few days to see if the proposed deal materializes.

KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

While playing with a little wagon near the highway in front of his home Wednesday afternoon "Little John Swain," the five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Swain, ran in the road and was struck by an automobile driven by Mr. Leon Spruill.

The auto struck the little wagon and child, sending "Little John" in the air. He only lived two hours and forty five minutes after being struck. Dr. McGowan was immediately summoned, but the child never regained consciousness.

He was the only son. He was laid to rest Thursday afternoon in the Pleasant Grove cemetery Rev. J. Bascom Hurley conducted the burial service.

Many beautiful flowers covered the grave.

NOTICE

There will be no services at Grace Episcopal Church Sunday Sept. 8. W. F. WINSLOW, Lay Reader.

"It Happened At Midnight" We Wonder What.??

POET AND PEASANT

"Do you drive an automobile?" asked the Peasant.

"Yes," said the Poet. "What of it?"

"Nothing," said the Peasant, "I don't mind, but it certainly is funny to me that I have not heard you say anything about these damnable stop signs parked at a number of corners in Plymouth. They are not only expensive and dangerous but they are not constitutional, or something like that."

"They are constitutional," said the Poet, "but they are not any good, they are a lot of trouble, they ruin tires, they just are not the right thing and according to the town ordinances there is not any law in Plymouth ordering anyone to stop at any corner."

"I thought that before anything of this kind was a law in a town that there must be an ordinance,"

At the regular meeting of the County Commissioners held Monday, the following action was taken:

Ordered that, "Mr. Basnight continue to have charge of the Wenona roads and that within 15 days from date, he give this road attention to put same in good condition. Cutting and cleaning ditches thru which road is drained, and that in case of immediate need of dragging at times when Mr. Basnight cannot give his personal service, he is to hire labor to do same."

The above order was passed during the morning session. At the afternoon session, a committee composed of Dr. C. McGowan, E. H. Liverman and W. F. Minslow, appointed by the Chamber of Commerce, accompanied a number of citizens from the Wenona district to plead with the honorable commissioners for some action in reference to the roads in that section. [No mention was made of this delegation in the minutes.] "We don't care how it is done, but we want a road at any cost," said one of the Wenona citizens Monday. "At one time we were trying to make it be as cheap as possible for the county but now, since we realize how near winter is here, we are thinking of getting our children to and from school," he continued.

(Editors note: The **Beacon and News** would suggest to the honorable commissioners that they keep an accurate record of the cost to the county for keeping this road up and compare it with the bid offered by two citizens of the Wenona section. This bid was not mentioned in minutes of the meeting.)

Among the other business transacted at this meeting was the purchase of a truck to transport the children from the Mt. Tabor district. This did not necessitate a change in the school budget. Current bills were paid, the tax rate of \$2.05 was approved; W. T. Phelps filed a protest to amount being paid for preparing the tax books and the jury list was made out. This list will be published next week.

ATTENDS MEETING AT RALEIGH MONDAY

T. D. Woodley, manager of the Woodley Chevrolet Company attended the dealers meeting at Raleigh Monday. Over 100 dealers were present and the progress and problems in North Carolina was discussed by those present.

News For Farm And Home

BY MISS ELEANOR PRATT COVINGTON, HOME A GENT
R. E. DUNNING, COUNTY AGENT

I will hold a leaders school at the court house at 2 o'clock today. House furnishing will be studied all leaders are requested to bring sewing equipment.

Schedule for week beginning Sept. 9th.

Monday, Scuppernon Womans Club.

Tuesday, Mackeys Womans Club
Creswell Girls Club 9:45, Cherry Girls Club 11:00.

Wednesday, Albemarle Womans Club.

Thursday, Monticello Womans Club.

Friday, Wenona Womans Club.
Saturday, Office.

GIRLS CLUBS TO MEET

FOUR TIMES MONTH

The girls club at Plymouth, Roper, Creswell and Cherry will meet four times each month, or one time each week. In this way the girls in the four largest schools will be given a fairly well rounded course in Home Economics. Clothing will be studied, also foods and nutrition. All the school children will be weighed during the first month of school to determine the number of over-weights and under weights. Each teacher will be given a food selection score card which will be used by the school children in correcting any fault in the diet.