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## MEET OF PEANUT GROWERS TO BE HELD HERE 22ND

Purpose Is Organization of Growers; Market Experts To Attend Meeting

There will be a mass meeting of the peanut growers of Washington County at the courthouse here next Monday morning, June 22, at 10 o'clock. R. E. Dunning, county farm agent, announced here yesterday. The purpose of this meeting is for organizing the peanut growers of the county.

Various counties in which peanuts are grown are being organized into units of the Peanut Growers Association, a national organization. Tentative plans for a county organization will be presented at this time.

Representatives of the North Carolina Division of markets from Raleigh and from the Federal division will deliver speeches at this time, and will explain the purposes of a peanut growers' association. Any and all questions pertaining to the association will be answered and explained.

Every peanut grower in Washington County is especially urged to attend this meeting.

## COUNTY WOMEN BUY THIRTEEN STEAM COOKERS

Goal Set by Home Demonstration Workers Near Goal Originally Set

Various women of the county, together with home demonstration clubs and the county federation, have just purchased thirteen steam pressure cookers, it was announced here this morning by Miss Pratt Covington, the home demonstration agent.

Miss Covington stated that the goal set by the members of the different home demonstration clubs, was fourteen steam pressure cookers. They only lack one having the goal.

The steam cookers purchased are regular \$21 cookers, but due to the number ordered were secured for \$14 each. These cookers are of 25-quart liquid capacity. This is considered quite a step toward standardization of the home, as the steam pressure cooker enables the housewife to cook food in just a fraction of the usual time required by the old method of stove and pot. For instance, an old chicken rooster that would require from four to five hours by the pot method can be cooked in 25 minutes.

Then, too, food cooked by the steam pressure method retains all of the vitamins and flavor, a good deal of which are lost by the old method. The ladies of the county have been putting these steam pressure cookers to excellent advantage during the past several weeks. A number of the home demonstration clubs have already canned as high as 200 quarts of vegetables. Many more vegetables will be canned during the summer, as well as fruit.

## Pleasant Grove Ladies' Aid Society in Meeting

Pleasant Grove, June 15.—Miss Myrtle Tarkenton and Mrs. T. B. Bell were joint hostesses to the Ladies' Aid Society of Pleasant Grove Wednesday afternoon.

The vice president, Mrs. H. G. Sprull, presided. Mrs. T. W. Tarkenton read the forty-third Psalm, followed by prayer. The roll call was responded to with a Bible verse and paying odd dues and birthday fees. \$5.00 was the total amount of the collection for this meeting. The business session consisted of plans for beautifying the church. The social hour was greatly enjoyed, while Misses Myrtle Tarkenton, Corinne Bell, and Mrs. Effie W. Gurkin served a very tasty course of sandwiches, cake, and iced tea. Eleven members were present. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Tarkenton.

## Home Agent Announces Schedule for Next Week

The following schedule for the week beginning June 22 has been announced here by the home demonstration agent:

Monday, at Plymouth; Tuesday, at Pleasant Grove; Wednesday, at Swain; Thursday, at Creswell; Friday, at Albion; Saturday, at market.

## Superior Court Juror's Little Daughter Dies

Louis Sprull, of Roper, who has been serving as a juror here in Superior court this week, was notified about 1 o'clock Wednesday that his little daughter had died at his home in Roper. He was excused for the balance of the term.

Details of the child's illness could not be learned today, and as we go to press funeral arrangements have not been announced.

## SPECIAL CIVIL TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT BEING HELD HERE THIS WEEK

### Elevated to Presidency



**S. CLAY WILLIAMS** of Winston-Salem, N. C., who has been elected President of R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, manufacturers of Camel cigarettes and Prince Albert smoking tobacco. He succeeds Bowman Gray, who was made Chairman of the Board.

## FISHERMEN HAVE EXCITING TIME

Sudden Violent Rainstorm Upsets Trip of Three Local Men

Dr. Claudius McGowan, Tom Swain, and John Leggett, all Plymouth citizens, report a most exciting time while on a fishing trip Monday afternoon. It seems these gentlemen motored up to Gardner's Creek, near Jamesville, loaded with fishing tackle and equipment, all set upon hooking all the biggest fish in the stream.

Arriving at the creek, the three men parked themselves in a boat and rowed forth into a wilderness of water. The fishing started off pretty good, but only five fish had been caught when the heavens darkened with heavy and leaden clouds impending whilst the rain descended in torrents. Dr. McGowan declares that it was a regular "swashbuckler" and that he became frightened. The Doc was afraid it might get drowned, or something.

Accordingly, the men rowed the boat to shore and yanked it forth upon the wet land. Here, with the aid of poles they propped the boat up, making an improvised shelter. All three men crawled under the boat, where they stayed until the rain ceased. Their clothes were practically spoiled and all were drenched. The three fishermen finally arrived in Plymouth about dark.

## WEDDING BELLS RING MERRILY

Number Licenses Issued by Register of Deeds Here in Past Few Weeks

For the past several weeks the wedding bells have been ringing merrily in Washington County, judging from the number of marriage licenses issued at the Register of Deeds' office here. With the coming of spring and summer, the marriage business seems to have picked up considerably. The following licenses were issued during the past few weeks:

**White**  
J. M. Squires, of Pantego, and Miss Violet A. Sawyer, of Pantego; William E. Nelson, of Columbia, and Miss Mary Carolina Ambrose, of Creswell; Oscar Grant Mizell, of Plymouth; Thomas C. Craddock, of Mackses, and Miss Esweath Craddock, of Roper; L. H. Boyd and Miss Leona E. Ange, both of Plymouth Township; and Russell Everton and Miss Camille Bateman, both of Columbia.

**Colored**  
Lin Swain, of Roper, and Lilly Midgett, of Mackses; James Rawson, of Roper and Catherine McAden, of Greensboro; Alexander James and Fannie Sprull, both of Plymouth; Moses Ruffin and India Armstead, both of Plymouth; William David Cox and Christy Belle Grimes, both of Roper.

## Shay Method Hog Feeding Is Again Proving Profitable

With hogs selling from two to three cents a pound below normal, the Shay method of feeding again proves profitable according to records of four Jones County farmers.

## A. G. WALKER DIES AT HOME IN CRESWELL

Prominent Merchant and Farmer; Funeral Service Friday Morning

Creswell, June 17.—Augustus G. Walker, 84, died at his home in Creswell Tuesday at midnight. He was born in Tyrrell County, the son of William W. and Carolina Walker. In early manhood he moved to Creswell, where for many years he was actively engaged as a merchant and farmer, being owner of Weston Farm on Lake Phelps. He was a member of St. David's Episcopal Church and as long as health permitted, he was ever active and generous in its cause. His wife, Mary Alice Dillon, died in 1915.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. J. D. Cooper, of Columbia, and the following children: Mrs. J. L. Phelps, of Creswell; Dr. H. D. Walker, of Elizabeth City; Mrs. R. H. Bachman, of Edenton; Mrs. J. L. Grandy, of Norfolk, Va.; Harry G. Walker, of Creswell, and 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at Christ Episcopal church, Creswell, Friday morning, June 19, at 11 o'clock, conducted by Rt. Rev. Thomas C. Darst, D. D., and Rev. Charles E. Williams.

Interment will be in St. David's cemetery, near Creswell.

## CROP OF SNAKES THIS SEASON IS LARGE AS EVER

Large Numbers Are Being Killed, According to Reports

J. L. Ange, who lives about two miles from Plymouth, informed The Beacon yesterday that a huge moccasin crawled from under his house one day last week and made a bee-line for a toad-frog in the yard, and upon reaching the frog, swallowed him down with one big gulp. Mrs. Ange and a friend were sitting on the porch and witnessed the devouring of the frog by the snake. Accordingly, Mrs. Ange secured a hoe and killed the snake.

It was also reported here last week that a family living several miles from Plymouth found a whole nest of huge black snakes in the barn. It seems that these snakes were all together, hanging from the loft, when discovered. The reptiles were killed, and two of them measured sixteen feet when placed together.

Reports are being received here practically every day now regarding snakes throughout the county. There seems to be a bumper crop of snakes in Washington County this season. One snake was reported to have broken up a hen's nest by swallowing all of the eggs, while another is said to have milked a cow for several days before the owner discovered the reason why his cow was not giving the usual amount of milk.

## Announce Scale of Prices At Curb Market Saturday

Eggs	16c
Young chickens	30c
Turnips, per bunch	5c
Huckleberries, per quart	15c
Cream, per pint	25c
Squash, per pound	8c
Lettuce, large heads	8c
New potatoes, per pound	2 1/2c
Asparagus, per bunch, large	10c
Apples, per basket	15c
Peaches, per basket	20c
Beans, per lb.	4c

If prices are lowered in town after these prices are published, the prices at the market Saturday will be automatically lowered.

## W. T. Meadows To Be At Roanoke-Dixie This Year

The Roanoke-Dixie Warehouse, of Williamston, will be operated during the coming season by W. T. (Uncle Buck) Meadows. Every tobacco farmer in ten counties surrounding Williamston knows Uncle Buck Meadows, it is said. Associated with Mr. Meadows will be a new man on the Williamston market, J. W. Berger, of Florence, S. C. Mr. Berger has been in the warehouse business for forty years and knows the tobacco business from a to z.

## Ladies' Aid Society of Roper Meets Tuesday

The Methodist Ladies' Aid Society of Roper met with Mrs. A. R. Hooker Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. F. D. Wilson, president, led the devotional and also read an interesting article, entitled, "My Ambition."

A lawn party for July 1 was discussed and planned for. The hostess served a refreshing iced drink and cookies. The society will meet with Mrs. Jack McAllister in July.

## District State Prison Camp May Be Located in County

### HOME AGENT IS FIRM ADVOCATE OF SAUERKRAUT

Recommended As One of Most Beneficial Foods Obtainable

One of the very first foods that should come to mind as a health and protective food is just plain old sauerkraut, according to Miss Pratt Covington, home demonstration agent. She states that almost since the memory of man, sauerkraut has been one of the recognized beneficial foods of the human race.

Many world-famous doctors and nutrition experts are great boosters of this food. And one of the outstanding women dietitians of the country, Mrs. Leona A. Malek, has made this food a specialty. She has sensed the ever-growing interest of women in sauerkraut, thousands of whom through out the country because of its health and tasteful properties, have added it to their bills of fare.

To the family of moderate means, says this expert, "sauerkraut has ever been a versatile friend. Its value will be recognized when you recall the stabilizing food elements it contains—vitamins, phosphorus, lime, potash, iron, and calcium."

One excellent way to make sauerkraut for home use is to cut cabbage up fine; place in stone jar or small keg; to each gallon of finely chopped cabbage add 3 tablespoonsful of salt; let it stand until fermented; place in jars and seal. This makes a splendid vegetable dish for winter.

A favorite sauerkraut dish may be made as follows: Baked tomatoes and sauerkraut; peel four nice tomatoes, reserving the liquid; grease a baking dish, put in a layer of solid tomatoes, sprinkle with salt, pepper, and dots of butter; cover with alternate layers of cracker crumbs and sauerkraut and tomatoes; pour over the tomato liquid, cover with buttered crumbs and bake in a hot oven for 20 minutes.

### LOOK FOR BIG TOMATO CROP

Approximately 1,000 Acres In County Planted to Vegetable

R. E. Dunning, county farm agent, stated here yesterday that the outlook for a bumper crop of tomatoes in Washington County this year was very good, and it is expected that the growers will start marketing them about the first of July.

Mr. Dunning stated that approximately one thousand acres had been placed in tomatoes this season, and that this amount of acreage should produce at least 300,000 baskets, which hold around five pecks. If the tomatoes sell for approximately 20 cents per basket, this will bring around \$60,000 to the growers. However, it is not known as yet what the tomatoes will sell for this year. There is a possibility that they will bring more than 20 cents per basket.

### Condition of Mrs. T. N. Pierce Reported Serious

Latest reports from Mrs. T. N. Pierce, who fell and broke her hip several days ago at her home near Long Acre Road, is that her condition is critical and it is feared that pneumonia will develop.

It seems that Mrs. Pierce fell from some high steps at her home several days ago, breaking her hip. She was rushed to a hospital in Washington, where she is being treated. Friends of Mrs. Pierce, who was active in home demonstration club work, will wish her a speedy recovery.

### New Winslow Store At Jamesville Doing Well

W. F. Winslow, who recently opened a store at Jamesville, stated here yesterday that he had an excellent opening and was doing a good business in that place. The store is located in the Coltrian building on Main Street, and a full line of groceries and novelties are being carried. Mr. Ludford McNair is the manager of this store, having formerly been connected with Winslow's store in Plymouth.

### Say Norton Oats Better Than Fulghum Variety

Norton oats are 25 percent better than Fulghum and are more smut-resistant, declares D. C. Strickland, of Cerro Gordo, Columbus county.

### Five Girls Win Free Trips to Short Course

The five Washington County girls who have won free 4-H club short courses at State College, Raleigh, which begins August 14 are: Pauline Woodley, Minnie Furlough, Margaret Everett, Vergie Davenport, and Merle Norman.

Other club girls who are expected to attend the short course should get in touch with the home agent immediately in order to secure information as to what will be expected of them, etc.

### CHAS. PRITCHETT IS HURT IN AUTO WRECK SUNDAY

Two Other Occupants of Car Escape With Minor Injuries

Scuppernon, June 16.—Charles Pritchett is in a Columbia hospital as a result of an automobile accident on the Creswell-Columbia highway Sunday afternoon, near the point of marsh, a little way from Columbia. Miss Merle Norman, who was an occupant of the car, also received minor injuries, while Pat Boyd, another occupant, escaped injury.

It seems that the trio had started to Columbia, and when near the marsh, a truck, being driven by Eddie Cahoon, headed toward Creswell, turned around on the highway without giving any warning. Pritchett, in order to avoid hitting the truck, was forced to drive his car into the big canal. The car turned over and the occupants were completely submerged in the mud and water.

Miss Norman was the first to climb out of the car, while Boyd dragged Pritchett out from under the steering wheel, where he was pinned down. Pritchett received an ugly cut on the left arm, together with minor bruises and wounds.

Pritchett was rushed to the Columbia hospital, and Miss Norman was taken home by a passing motorist. Latest reports indicate that Mr. Pritchett is getting along as well as could be expected.

### SEVERAL FIRES DURING WEEK

Home of Sam Garrett, Colored, Is Completely Destroyed

During the past several days, a number of fires have occurred in Plymouth, doing right much damage. The first was that of last week, when the home of Sam Garrett, colored was completely destroyed by fire. The home of Willie Jenkins, another negro, was also damaged. The total damage was estimated at between five and six hundred dollars.

Practically all of the household and personal effects of the Garrett family were lost.

Monday morning, Mrs. Griffin Norman's home on Jefferson Street caught fire, but little damage was done. The local fire department rushed to the scene and soon had the blaze extinguished.

### Local Baseball Team Defeats Jamesville, 8-4

The Plymouth and Jamesville teams played a fast game Saturday afternoon at Jamesville, the local club having won by the score of 8 to 4. Nevertheless, the Jamesville team played good ball, Gurkin having batted a home run in the seventh frame for his team. The most sensational hit made by any of the Plymouth batters was a two-bagger. Nine innings were played and the large crowd of spectators seemed to have been satisfied when the game was finished.

### Harry Stell Made Game Warden for Two Counties

Harry Stell, game warden for Washington County, has just recently been appointed game warden for Tyrrell County, the two counties having been combined by the department of conservation and development. The appointment went in to effect Monday, June 15th. All of which goes to bring out another point about Plymouth and Washington County. Namely, that it is one of the few towns in the state to have a game warden for two counties.

### COMMITTEE IS NAMED TO SEE ABOUT MATTER

Representative of Highway Commission Expected Here in Few Days

Carl L. Bailey, county attorney, has just been advised by the State Highway department that a representative will be here within a few days to confer with the committee which has been appointed by the County Commissioners to negotiate with the highway department for a district prison camp to be located in Washington County.

For the past several weeks, the county commissioners have been working toward securing a district prison camp for the county when the State Highway Department takes over the county highways in the State, which will be on July 1. Under the new law passed at the General Assembly, not only the county highways will be taken over by the State, but also the various chain gangs in the different counties. District prison camps will be established and prisoners will be apportioned to camps as needed.

Attorney Bailey states that the State will not use short-term prisoners, and for this reason, Washington County expects to maintain the prison farm for short-term prisoners.

It is understood that the committee which is composed of Carl L. Bailey, George W. Hardison and L. L. Bassinger, plan to offer the State a prison site in the county which can be maintained in conjunction with the prison farm.

A district prison camp, located in Washington County, the committee states, would be quite an asset, due to the fact that the keepers will live here and many of the supplies will be purchased here.

### FORMER COUNTY RESIDENT DIES

Funeral Services for Aaron Liverman Held Near Roper Tuesday

Funeral services for Aaron Liverman, 42 years of age, who died in Patterson, New Jersey, last Friday, were held near Roper Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with Rev. Mr. Cantrell, pastor of the Plymouth Baptist church, officiating.

The deceased had been working in Patterson, N. J., for some time, but was formerly of this county, having been born and reared here. The funeral was largely attended and the floral offerings were very beautiful.

Mr. Liverman is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Cleve land Beasley, of Plymouth; Clyde Liverman, of Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. Tom Dillon, of Roper; Mrs. J. W. Tucker, of Chicah; Mrs. D. H. Liverman, of Pittsborough, Pa.; and Elmer Liverman, of Los Angeles, Calif.

### Scuppernon Woman's Club Meeting Monday

Scuppernon, June 16.—The Scuppernon Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. H. E. Clifton Monday afternoon, June 15th. The president conducted the devotional service, after which the meeting was turned over to Miss Pratt Covington, who gave a very interesting demonstration on the harmonious arrangement of odd pieces of furniture, and the selection of colors for different rooms in the home. She stated that the color should blend with the furniture and rugs. She also exhibited many lovely samples of curtain material.

After the demonstration, a social hour was enjoyed by every one present. The club will meet with Mrs. M. F. Davenport in July.

### No Saturday Afternoon Delivery After July 1

After July 1, 1931, the trip made by village carriers on Saturday afternoon will be suspended, Postmaster A. L. Alexander stated here yesterday, owing to the fact that our last Congress passed a "short work week law," which was approved by the Post Office Department on February 7, 1931, for 44 working hours per week.

Therefore, these deliveries will have to be suspended at this time. Mail from United States Mail street boxes will be collected at 7 o'clock p. m. Saturdays.

### Big Increase in Acreage To Soybeans in Harnett

The acreage to soybeans in Harnett county has been increased by ten times this season, reports county agent J. O. Anthony.