

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEET AT ROPER LAST TUESDAY

Rev. Shuford Peeler, of Raleigh, Is Principal Speaker

Roper.—Sabbath school workers in this county took a rap at Sunday baseball, Sunday midnight picture shows, filling stations open at church hours on Sunday, and pledged themselves to retention of the prohibition amendment at a meeting of the Washington County Sunday school association Tuesday at Zion Chapel church, near here.

In addition to unanimously adopting the resolutions about the above matters, they appointed a committee composed of John W. Darden, Rev. R. E. Atkinson, and R. W. Lewis to take some action in putting into effect in this county the purposes of the resolutions adopted.

Also resolutions of appreciation were adopted for the services of Shuford Peeler, superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, who was at the convention, those who participated in the program, to the Beacon, and to the people of the community. Miss Lela Blanche Chesson was chairman of this committee.

Union Chapel Free Will Baptist Church of Long Acre was awarded the attendance banner, with Mount Tabor as runner-up in this contest. Mrs. Hugh Allen accepted the banner for Mrs. W. H. Harrison, superintendent of the first-named Sunday school, who was prevented from attending on account of the illness of her husband.

Officers for the coming year are the same as in the past: E. R. Davenport, Columbia, president; John W. Darden, Plymouth, vice president; Mrs. Leon S. Brey, secretary and treasurer; Children, Mrs. W. H. Harrison, Pine-town; Young People, Mrs. C. N. Davenport, Creswell; Adults, Mrs. E. M. Chesson, Roper; Administration, Mrs. W. A. Swain, Mackeys.

Invitations were extended for the next meeting to be held at Mount Tabor, St. Delight, and Zion Chapel, and it was finally agreed to have the 1934 meeting in September at the Mount Tabor Free Will Baptist church near Creswell.

There were delegates present from 25 Sunday schools in this county, with attendance for the day of about 125, which was more than last year. From time to time the attendance at these meetings is increasing.

The morning session opened at 9:45 with a 15-minute song service followed by Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. R. Ernest Atkinson, pastor of the Roper Methodist Church. A ten minute talk by Rev. Roy Respass, pastor of a charge of Christian churches in the Creswell section, on "Building Up the Sunday School Spirit," was enjoyed.

The feature address of this session was by Dr. J. W. Harrell on "The Intellectual and Spiritual Preparation of the Sunday School Teacher." Special music was rendered in the form of a solo by Rev. W. H. Winstead, of Creswell.

Prior to the noon hour a very interesting address was delivered by Rev. Shuford Peeler, of Raleigh, general superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, whose efforts and aid have been the means of continuing the interest for the last several years in these annual gatherings for the Sabbath school workers.

A fellowship dinner was enjoyed at the noon hour intermission at which time the large crowd present opened their baskets and spread the food out in picnic style and everybody ate to his heart's content. E. R. Davenport is president and Mrs. Leon S. Brey served as secretary of the Sunday school organization.

Business matters claimed the attention of the afternoon session that lasted only about two hours with checks on attendance and hearing of reports from the various committees that had been appointed in the morning session.

"Evangelism in the Sunday School," was discussed by Rev. W. H. Hol-lowell, pastor of the Creswell Baptist Church and "Down to the Potter's House," was Mr. Peeler's subject for the afternoon. The Zion Chapel choir rendered some very enjoyable music.

Buy Feeder Pigs To Utilize Damaged Corn
Having a good corn crop blown to the ground, two Carteret farmers recently purchased a truck load of feeder pigs from neighbors in Pamlico County.

Mrs. C. W. Cahoon Heads NRA Consumers Campaign

Mrs. C. W. Cahoon has accepted the chairmanship of the NRA consumers pledge campaign in Washington County and as soon as an adequate supply of pledge cards and insignia can be secured a house to house canvass will be made by a group of women in each town and rural community.

The following chairmen have been appointed by Mrs. Cahoon: For Plymouth, Mrs. James W. Norman; Roper, Miss Doris Lewis; Mackeys, Mrs. Edison Davenport; Creswell, Mrs. Sidney Smith son; and Wenona, Mrs. Jim Rhea.

Miss Eugenia Patterson will direct the drive among the women of the home federation of women's clubs throughout the entire county, while Mrs. Marion Ramsey has accepted the office of director of publicity for the entire NRA work.

Mrs. Cahoon is urging every woman in the county to give her loyal support to this glorious effort on the part of the leaders of our nation to bring about better living conditions and to restore peace and plenty with a brighter and happier outlook for the future.

HONOR MEMORY OF COUNTY MAN

Primitive Baptists Gather At Mewborn's Church For Celebration

Primitive Baptists in the eastern part of North Carolina gathered Sunday at Mewborn's church, between Jason and Snow Hill, for a celebration of the 100th anniversary of the church and to commemorate the memory of a Washington County man.

Among the best known of North Carolina elders of the last 100 years was J. I. Ambrose, of Creswell, who served the church for years in the capacity of pastor and his ministry must have been among the first of the new church's leaders.

The Primitive Baptists have been called "anti-missionary," but Elder Ambrose traveled widely to "spread the word," although he was known as a circuit rider and visited his two or three churches every month, as is the usual case.

Elder Parrott Mewborn was the first pastor of the church and was a native of Lenoir county and was a preacher for 40 years, dying in 1864, and it is possible that Elder Ambrose, of this county, followed him or maybe he was the third minister, with J. E. Adams, of Angier, as the second.

Rev. Mr. Ambrose pastored this church latter members of the Herring and Wooten families had given the ground on which a frame structure was built in 1833. Thomas Wooten was reported to have given the produce of five acres to the needy each year.

This church is possibly the only one in the state that has two pastors.

The two work together in perfect harmony for "the advancement of the kingdom."

County Principals Will Meet Here Saturday

Principals of the public schools in Washington County are called for a special meeting on Saturday with the white meeting in the courthouse, and the colored assembling at the Washington County Training School in Plymouth. Both sessions are to start at 9:30 in the morning.

The chief speaker for the occasion will be J. Henry Highsmith, of Raleigh, director of the division of instructional service in the North Carolina Department of Education and possibly others who will be here with the visiting educational official.

The call for this meeting was issued today by James W. Norman, superintendent of public instruction of Washington County, who will probably be on the program also.

Farm and Welfare Agents To Deliver Cotton Checks

Cotton reduction acreage checks will be distributed with intimate cooperation between Farm Agent W. V. Hays and Mrs. W. C. Brewer, county relief administrator, it was announced today by Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State Relief Administrator. This is done in an effort to ascertain definitely the percentage of such cotton growers who are relief cases. In this method it can be told who are entitled to receive cotton acreage reduction checks.

The names for the cotton reduction checks will be checked against the names of those now on relief rolls.

Walter White Hurt As Trailer Turns Over

Skinnerville.—Intense pain was suffered by Walter White Tuesday when a trailer filled with ice tilted over backward pinning him underneath the burden. John Swain and a colored man helped him get from beneath the ice and the trailer.

Dr. W. T. Gibson, of Roper, was summoned to render medical aid. He found no bones broken, but there were a number of sprains. He is improving very well.

HOLD REVIVAL AT PLEASANT GROVE

Rev. R. L. Hethcox Held Series Services There Last Week

Pleasant Grove.—The revival which was held at Pleasant Grove church last week was greatly enjoyed by all the denominations. Large crowds were present for each service, despite bad weather. Rev. R. L. Hethcox preached some real inspiring and helpful sermons. The entire community was glad to welcome him in their midst. Also they were delighted to have with their former pastor, Rev. J. Bascom Hurley, and family. The pastor, Rev. R. E. Atkinson, gave some splendid talks.

Some of the most delightful features of the meeting were vocal solos rendered by Mesdames H. E. Nixon and Albert Gard, of Elizabeth City. Mrs. Nixon sang "Sometime, Somewhere," and Mrs. Gard sang "Living for Jesus." Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brewer also sang a duet.

There were six additions to the church. They will be received into the church at the next first Sunday service.

STATE LEADS IN COLLECTION OF FEDERAL TAX

Income Taxes Show Slight Increase; Collections As Whole Decrease

Washington.—The North Carolina revenue district, which collected \$213,487,759.08, again led all other districts in the nation in the collection of Federal taxes for the fiscal year ending June 30.

Income taxes in the state showed an increase of 11 per cent over 1932, but total collections were off 8 per cent. The drop was due mainly to a decrease in miscellaneous taxes, including that on tobacco, which were 9 per cent lower than in 1932.

The great bulk of North Carolina's collections came from the state's huge tobacco industry, which paid into the Federal treasury \$199,511,718.51 in taxes on cigarettes and other manufactured tobacco products, the treasury reported.

Income taxes collected during the year totaled \$12,760,720.22, compared with \$11,464,232.47 in 1932. North Carolina was one of two states to show an increase in income tax collections. Nevada, with a 17 per cent increase, was the other. Of North Carolina's income tax, \$9,482,484.60 was paid by corporations.

Total collections from tobacco manufacturers in the nation totaled \$402,739,059.25. This sum was nearly half of the revenue derived by the government from miscellaneous sources and nearly half of the total tobacco tax was collected in North Carolina.

Other sources which contributed to North Carolina's total collections, including manufacturers' excise taxes, are:

Issues and transfers of bonds of indebtedness, issues of capital stock, passage tickets, foreign insurance policies and deeds of conveyance, \$49,651.13; capital stock transfers \$2,160; still or sparkling wines, cordials, etc., \$10; spirituous liquors, \$1,323.03; non-intoxicating liquors, \$8,939.24. Collections in connection with prohibition enforcement \$1,073.15.

North Carolina, which comprises one entire internal revenue district, not only led all other districts in collections, but led all other states except New York, which has five districts within its borders. New York's five districts collected a total of \$376,346,672.75, but the largest amount from any one district was \$204,039,143.

Scotland County Farmer Gets 80 Bushel Corn Acre

Corn planted after crimson clover by G. G. Matthews, of Scotland County, will produce about 80 bushels of corn an acre, estimates the owner.

WHY THERE IS TO BE NO VARSITY ATHLETICS HERE

J. Frank Furches Outlines Difficulties Confronting School Heads

The Beacon asked J. Frank Furches for a written story on the outlook for athletics in the Plymouth High School this year. Mr. Furches is now teaching as many subjects as any other teacher, and has no designated period for coaching the different sports. Below is his interpretation of the facts:

Regarding Athletics.—By J. Frank Furches

Inasmuch as this article will concern community people in general and students of the Plymouth High School in particular, I feel that it is best at this time to state briefly why, in all probability, no varsity athletics will be offered to the high school students during the coming school year.

May I say at the outset that the writer would be only too glad to again direct a varsity athletic program, but, generally speaking, due largely to the present existing conditions, it is practically a physical impossibility.

In the first place, we have insufficient athletic equipment, to say the least, and no money set aside or available for general athletic use. This simply means that the principal, the community people, I or some one else must sacrifice considerably before athletic can even exist, much less live.

Again, we have no available or dependable conveyances for transportation purposes. If athletes are transported at all, I generally have to drum ways on the streets, sometimes for hours at a time, until the wire edge of accommodation wears off and the manager and I become embarrassed as well as those who sacrifice to carry the athletes for gas and oil. Life is dear, and we have no insurable way of guaranteeing protection against risk to those who are transported in this manner.

Then, too, the athletic spirit and rivalry between neighborhood communities is none too good, good refereeing is nearly impossible, and the securing of shower baths, after nearly exhausting in a heated participation, is entirely out of the question.

Furthermore, much organizing and carrying through of the organizing is necessary to carry to completion an athletic contest in an effective manner. This is impossible if one has a heavy teaching load, and no designated period of time for practicing or carrying out a competitive game after the regular school curriculum classes have ended. This is impossible when school trucks must leave the minute school closes for the day. Those athletes who live several miles out from town have no way of getting back to their homes after an afternoon or evening contest unless some one sacrifices to take them.

Other minor reasons could be listed, as the fact that varsity athletics require so much more time to direct, under all these adverse conditions, than does teaching, and one gets paid for teaching and not for athletics service. It isn't quite right to expect one to put forth so much effort and time toward a sideline objective. A coach now-a-days is a victim of circumstances.

I think enough has been said to validate the fact that it is nearly a physical impossibility to carry on varsity athletics here this school year.

Instead, it is hoped that some initiative and worth-while efforts can be made toward a more wholesome, recreative, and less expensive "play for everybody" program. Each teacher in the grades will be more health-minded and responsible for a certain amount of play activities for her pupils each school day. I hope to be able to offer more of an organized and supervised physical program for the high school grades during the last period of each day. This, at least, will be an initial attempt for each teacher to try to better satisfy the individual health needs and recreative interests of each pupil and at the same time draw closer together a relationship between teachers and students, both in work and play.

Roy W. Swain Now With People's Barber Shop

Roy W. Swain will be associated with J. E. Outten in the People's Barber Shop on Washington Street beginning Monday, September 11, it was announced last week by J. E. Outten, proprietor of the shop.

Mr. Swain for a long time has been connected with the Swain and Sexton shop on Water Street, but now leaves them to become affiliated with Mr. Outten. Mr. Swain is well known here and his years of experience have resulted in him being proficient at this work.

TO HOLD SCHOOL FOR MIDWIVES IN COUNTY 3 DAYS

Will Be In Charge of State Nurse; Is Sanctioned by Health Department

Midwives in this county are required to attend one of the meetings that will be held three days under the auspices of the North Carolina State Board of Health and the Washington County Board of Health, it was announced here this week by Miss B. Dunn, state nurse.

Dates and places for the meetings are given as follows by Miss Dunn: Creswell A. M. E. Zion church, 2 o'clock in the afternoon, Friday, September 22; courthouse, Plymouth, 2 o'clock in the afternoon, Saturday, September 23; Roper, Mount Ephraim Baptist church, 2 o'clock, Monday, September 25.

The midwife will be told at these meetings what to do and what not to do in order to do better and safer work for the mothers and babies they attend. There will be absolutely no cost to the county, nor to the attending midwives, but the bureau of maternity and infancy, operating under the State Board of Health, will bear the expense.

A model bag containing all the articles necessary to carry on obstetrics properly will be exhibited. Every one attending is urged to bring along their work kit for inspection.

Each midwife whose work is approved will have her letter of registration renewed for another year at the meeting. A new applicant may also register and qualify.

"In this state a large number of babies and mothers die each year as a result of poor care in childbirth. Intelligent and competent midwives help to prevent such deaths. Every practitioner of this art in the county is urged to attend," said Miss Dunn. A resolution has been signed by Dr. T. L. Bray, county health officer, and Dr. W. H. Harrell, James W. Norman, and W. R. Hampton, as members of the Washington County Board of Health, approving these meetings in the county.

Announce Programs for New Theatre Next Week

The film, "Ann Carver's Profession" plays on the screen at the New Theatre on Thursday and Friday with a matinee each day. The theme is modern and novel, being based on the lives of younger married couples of today. Gene Raymond and Fay Wray play excellent roles as husband and wife. See the new and interesting happenings involved in the newest treatment of the triangle. A comedy, "Nothing Ever Happens," adds spice and variety to the program.

Saturday brings Buck Jones in a galloping broncho film, "Treasure." Torchy appears in "Torchy's Loud Spookier," and what a comedy—you'll burst your sides laughing.

Sunday night at exactly 12:05, we will witness "Gold-Diggers of 1933," decidedly the picture of the century. In this production we find twelve big stars and the most beautiful girls in all the world. It outlines the lavish splendors of "42nd Street." In the cast we find Warren Williams, Aline MacMahon, Joan Blondell, Ruby Keeler, and Dick Powell. A news reel and Russian short complete the well-rounded-out program. The same program will be shown at matinees and night on Monday and Tuesday.

"Here's the comedy you have been waiting for—"Sailor's Luck," playing on Wednesday, with James Dunn and Sally Eilers in probably their best to date. Everybody loves a sailor—so we learn. The "Taxi Barons" lend their bit of comedy which is always above par. All in all, it appears to be one of the best movie weeks to date—so make your plans to not miss a single one of the offerings.

County Agent W. V. Hays Makes Report of Activities

Here is a report of W. V. Hays, farm agent of Washington County, which appeared Monday in reports of county agents of eastern farm activities in a daily publication, and the Beacon passes it along with the idea that it is of local interest:

"Most of the cotton contract acreage was visited and confirmation sheets have been signed and sent into the Washington office. There are a few that had to be sent away for waivers to be signed. Most of the farmers have shown a wonderful spirit of cooperation all the way through in this campaign.

"I have been well received in the county and am much pleased with the cooperation given so far. We are getting into a cooperative order for fall grains.

Wet-Dry Election Machinery Set Up

SAFETY MEASURE

In an effort to lessen the danger surrounding school children in their travel to and from the local schools, the town authorities last Wednesday night ordered the strict enforcement of automobile traffic laws. Chief of Police P. W. Brown was instructed to arrest any autoist caught exceeding the 25-mile-per-hour speed limit in any part of the town. The violators are subject to punishment regulated by law.

Hundreds of little folks will be crossing the streets on school days and all auto drivers are asked to guard the safety of the children.

RECORDER HAD ASSAULT CASE

W. A. Davidson and Lue Read Enter Pleas of Guilty Tuesday

W. A. Davidson, superintendent of the plant here of the Plymouth Box and Panel Company, was assessed the costs of the action in recorder's court here Tuesday when he entered a plea of guilty to simple assault on Lue Read.

The same action was taken in the case of Lue Read, who was charged in a warrant with simple assault on Mr. Davidson's son, Billy, when Lue Read was alleged to have hit the youth on an previous occasion.

No evidence was offered in the court as to the activities of the two men that led to the affair, as when the case was called, Zee Vance Norman, attorney for Mr. Davidson, and E. L. Owens, lawyer for Mr. Read, consented to a mutual plea of guilty.

Mr. Davidson was said to have come by the home of E. R. Jackson on Saturday night, where Lue Read was, and called him to the street and struck him twice and kicked him once in retaliation for an offense he took when Mr. Read struck his son, Billy some time before.

Miss Mary Alice Harrison Dies in Guilford County

Final rites were held Sunday for Miss Mary Alice Harrison, who died in Guilford County close to Greensboro Friday afternoon from a disease known in the medical language as myocarditis. She was 85 years of age.

She was buried in the Harrison cemetery on Abe Arnold's farm near Plymouth with Dr. J. W. Harrell, pastor of the Methodist church here, officiating. She had been staying in Greensboro with relatives when she succumbed.

Nearest relatives to the deceased now living in Washington County are Mrs. Sally McNair, Mrs. Annie Roberson, and Asa Sawyer, who are third cousins. However, Miss Harrison was for years a resident of this section and well known.

Planting Dates for Fall Soil Improving Crops

Hairy vetch and Austrian winter peas may be planted as soil improving crops any time between August 15 and December 1, but best results have been obtained from September planting. Before planting, however, be sure that the soil is inoculated. Planting dates for crimson clover in the mountain valleys range from August 15 to September 15; from September 1 to September 20 in the Piedmont section, and September 15 to October 15 in the Coastal Plain section.

Cabbage Plants Should Be Sown in Few Weeks

In sown in outdoor beds in Eastern North Carolina cabbage seed should be planted the last week in September or the first week in October in order to get frost-proof plants. Earlier planting will cause a large number of the plants to bolt to seed next spring. These dates are for the eastern section. For the central or Piedmont section seeding dates should be advanced from 15 to 30 days.

Tobacco Damaged in Person County Recently

Person county tobacco growers report heavy damage from the wind and rain storm recently. Some growers estimate their damage at 50 per cent of the crop.

REGISTRARS AND POLL HOLDERS ARE APPOINTED

Registration Books To Be Open for One Day Only, October 28th

Precinct aids were named and other arrangements made for the prohibition election that will be held on November 7, by the Washington County Board of Elections in session here last Saturday.

It was decided that the registrars would keep the books open at the polling places on Saturday, October 28, for registration of new voters. Saturday, November 4, was designated as challenge day, and the officials were instructed to be at their polling place for this purpose.

The election will be held in November 7, from sunset to sundown, and the polling places will be the same as in the last election. W. L. Whitely, as chairman, and P. B. Belanga as a Democrat, and J. R. Manning, as Republican, were present at the election board meeting.

The registrars and judges met with the election officials and were told of their duties during the election, and the law was explained to them in full. Chairman Whitely was asked to look after the printing of the ballots and the distribution of them.

The following registrars and judges were appointed: Skinnerville: C. L. Everett, registrar; W. Chester Spruill and Lewis Bateman, judges.

Scuppernon: J. F. Belanga, registrar; Eli F. Spruill and W. Dewey Phelps, judges.

Plymouth: W. L. Hassell, registrar; H. C. Spruill and T. J. McNair, judges.

Lees Mills: A. R. Phelps, registrar; J. F. Leary and J. Leon McAllister, judges.

Wenona: W. L. Furbee, registrar; C. S. Heynen and J. L. Rea.

AGE LIMIT FOR SCHOOL CHILD

Child Must Be Six Years Of Age Before Nov. 15 To Enter School

City and county administrative school officials have been advised by the state school commission that "the children who will not become six years of age on or before November 15 of the scholastic year will not be allowed to enter and attend school during that year."

The commission also adopted the regulation that pupils who have graduated from a standard high school, if allowed to re-enter school for special courses, are to be at once reported to the superintendent of the administrative unit, who will report the same to the state school commission and in no event are these pupils to be counted as being in average daily attendance for the purpose of allotting teachers or any allotment of state funds.

The commission adopted the following regulation with reference to the work of the superintendent's office:

"Any clerical assistants employed in the office of the superintendent of the administrative units to be paid from state funds must be able to use a typewriter in an accurate and satisfactory manner in order that the filling out of reports and other clerical work may be done efficiently."

Commercial Course To Be Offered at School Here

A free commercial course in shorthand and typewriting is being offered in the Plymouth High School during this school year. This course is given through State appropriation, and is free to any one who has finished high school, or for some reason, was unable to complete high school and wishes to take up this training as a vocation.

All who are interested will please register at the Plymouth High School Monday, September 18. Classes will begin in both shorthand and typewriting Tuesday, September 19. Miss Josephine Bryan will instruct the class in this new course.

Crop Improvement Group In State Grows Steadily

When the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association was organized in 1929, some 250 farmers joined the organization. At present there are 506 members who produced 102,000 bushels of certified seed last season.