

FAIL TO REOPEN WELFARE OFFICE IN THIS COUNTY

1,000 Signers of Petition Fail to Move Powers That Be

Failure was the result of the movement on foot to reestablish a full time superintendent of public welfare in Washington County at a joint meeting of the board of education and commissioners here Monday.

Ten petitions on which were the signatures of close to 1,000 names were handed into the officials by leaders of the movement who wished to secure the re-establishment of the office and the reinstatement of Mrs. W. C. Brewer as superintendent.

Speaking for the petitions were Dr. C. McGowan, Mrs. C. N. Davenport, Eli Spruill, John Phelps and Rev. Mr. Atkinson. Opposing the re-establishment of the office were Walter Spruill, John McAllister, Jim Knowles and J. A. Chesson.

W. R. Hampton, chairman of the board of commissioners, did most of the talking for the officials and explained that it was the desire of the board to affect economy where possible in this work and inasmuch as there was only a small sum appropriated for this work then much of the sum went to pay the salary of Mrs. Brewer.

Mrs. Brewer secured a check monthly from the county for the last several months for \$83.33, about \$16 of which was paid for expenses. In addition to this amount the FERA paid local traveling expenses. The county paid out of the county travel expense on some occasions.

The commissioners explained that about \$4,000 was appropriated for this work and that much of it was used in paying the salary of Mrs. Brewer. Also that her work was duplicated to some extent by the FERA office here.

C. Norman Davenport, of the Creswell section, a member of the board of education, made a motion for reinstatement of the office but it met with no second. W. R. Hampton, E. R. Lewis, O. R. Armstrong and L. E. Hassell were against the motion.

FUNERAL HELD FOR S. A. ALLEN

Deceased Dies Thursday Following Attack of Apoplexy

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon for Stuart Allie Allen, 49 years of age, who succumbed at his home here Thursday night as the result of a severe attack of apoplexy.

Mr. Allen was taken seriously ill at Brinkley Park here Thursday afternoon while watching an Albemarle League baseball game between Plymouth and Ahsokie. Dr. C. McGowan, his physician, was at the game and administered first aid to him while awaiting the arrival of Nursey's ambulance.

Mr. Allen had just returned home from a period of rest and treatment at a Metropolitan Life Insurance health retreat in the Catskill Mountains of New York State. Apparently, he was in better health than in some time as he has been a chronic sufferer for years.

Immediately prior to his collapse he seemed to be particularly interested in the game but complained of a headache. He expired at his home at 10:25 o'clock on Thursday, being taken to his home about 5 o'clock. His wife fainted when he was brought into the home on a stretcher from the ambulance.

He was well known in Washington County, as for years he was employed with the old Plymouth Mercantile Company and left the firm when it ceased operation to go with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, with whom he worked until just before his demise.

He is survived by his widow, the former Miss Georgia Tarkington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tarkington, of Roper, and one daughter, Miss Louise Allen, about 14 years of age. He had no brothers and sisters.

The last rites were held at the home by Rev. J. R. Everett, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Washington, and Rev. R. H. Lucas, pastor of the Plymouth Baptist Church. Interment took place in the Windley cemetery near here. A large crowd attended and contributed a beautiful floral offering.

Active pallbearers were W. E. Weede, Dr. C. McGowan, W. L. Whitley, J. K. Reid, E. H. Liverman, Zeno Lyon, Plymouth; Messrs. Lindsey and Edwards, Metropolitan Insurance Company officials of Washington. Honorary, J. W. Darden, B. O. Bishop, Ed. Overton, Mr. Spencer, J. H. Leggett, Claud Spruill, A. T. Darden, C. V. W. Aushon, W. W. Browning, A. J. Dunning and Bobbie Tetterton.

FARM NOTES

By W. V. HAYS, County Agent

The Kerr-Smith bill requires all tobacco growers, contract signers and non-signers alike, to make application for tax exemption certificates and marketing cards. Those not having these cards will be taxed one-fourth the sale price of their tobacco.

All contract signers may come to the agent's office and get their marketing card. Non-contracting growers may make application before the fifteenth. The office will be open Saturday, August 11th, for application for marketing cards.

This past week Mr. Morrow, the extension horticulturist, and Mr. Dudley Bagley, of Moyock, were in the county looking over our tomatoes. Mr. Bagley is one of the outstanding plant breeders of the South. The purpose of their visit was to select disease resistant specimens of tomatoes. These tomatoes will be used as plant stock in producing certified seed in North Carolina more favorable to our conditions.

To All Cotton Growers: The Bankhead bill is separate and apart from the voluntary cotton reduction agreement. It is now necessary for all growers to make application for ginners certificates or pay the ginning tax.

The county agent's office will receive applications until the 18th. There will be someone at Creswell this week to receive applications from growers living below Snell's Store, others will come to the county office. After this week applications will be received only at the county office. No applications will be accepted after the 18th of August.

Landlords should have a record of the number of acres in cotton for each tenant.

All applications must be in by August 18th.

WATERS RESIGNS FROM COUNCIL

First Ward Again Has Insufficient Representation On Board

Troublesome old First Ward in the town of Plymouth again has insufficient representation on the City Council with the resignation of W. E. Waters from this body last Monday night. The permanent residence of Mr. and Mrs. Waters will be with Mrs. Van Martin on the outside of the city limits.

Only two meeting night ago, June 4, T. C. Burgess was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of E. F. Still, who resigned when he moved from the district and then later was made a member of the city school board.

The present board consists of W. H. Gaylord and H. C. Spruill, of the Third Ward; B. G. Campbell and Zeno Lyon, of the Second Ward; T. C. Burgess of the First Ward. A successor to Mr. Waters will be appointed later. Gilbert Davis, of course, as mayor completes the board.

The firm of Williams and Wall which has been doing the auditing for the town for the last three or more times will do the work again this year. However, the town agreed if Mr. Williams were assigned to the work. The bid of this firm was much higher than the other two submitted.

Greathouse and Butler, of Rocky Mount, submitted a bid of \$100 while T. L. Matlock & Co., of Greensboro, asked for \$225. Williams and Wall asked for \$250. They got it. Last year it took about four full days to do this work.

However, the audit this time will include special work on the street assessment scroll and work on the books of the Plymouth Volunteer Fire Department. It was decided by the officials that this time the work was more and would take more time and was worth more to do it.

Zeb Vance Norman will look into the matter of the application made by the A. C. L. Railroad Company who want to repair their track at the rear of the old ice plant in the municipal building.

Ottaway Warren Enters Coyne Electrical School

Ottaway Warren, who has been employed here for some time with the Gilbert's Cleaning Works, left Monday for Chicago, where he will enter the Coyne Electrical School for a term of 12 to 14 weeks.

He hopes to graduate by November 2 but may remain over for two weeks more to specialize in broadcasting and sound technique. Young Warren is a graduate of the Plymouth High School and has been interested in radio and electric work for years.

REV. MR. JARMAN DRAWS CROWD AT UNION MEETING

Methodist Church Filled; Next Meeting Held In Baptist Church

"Misunderstanding is one of the greatest blights upon the civilized world as it has bred enmity, jealousy, prejudice, ill-will, hatred and has resulted in pain, suffering and even destruction," Rev. Cecil Jarman told the large crowd that attended the union meeting of local churches in the Methodist church last Sunday evening.

"Jesus faced this problem even in His day. When He told His disciples that He would be delivered into the hands of men they couldn't understand it. And that story is not different from our own. Our failure to understand His message is a curse to us. It is natural that man should not know everything as the world would be dreary with no prospect of mental growth.

"Consider examples of our failure to understand Jesus: 'Those who take the sword shall perish by the sword,' yet, men in the world have had wars and talk of war even now in time of peace. And 'He that is greatest among you shall be servant,' yet humanity has measured greatness in the scale of material values rather than spiritual.

"The greatest world figures are those who serve. Mahatma Gandhi, who is living in protest to the caste system in India. Kagora who is pouring out his life in the slums of Japan; Lord Shaftsbury who chose rather to serve the poor than to serve in the English parliament.

"We can understand Jesus fully in our day only as we surrender our spirit to Christ; assume the spirit of humility; and lose ourselves in active service for Him and His cause."

Next Sunday the church-goers of all denominations will meet in the Baptist church at the evening service with Rev. R. R. Grant, pastor of the Methodist church, as the speaker.

CASES TRIED IN COUNTY COURT

First Cases to Be Tried In Recorder Court Since July 24

Granted the right to act as his own lawyer when he did not have one, Herbert Lambert, colored, asked his victim in an assault case before the recorder's court Tuesday morning a few questions, but suddenly decided that he could best give the information about his case, so he (Lambert) called the witness down and testified himself.

As he took the stand he gave the Bible that has been sworn over so many times a big healthy kiss, and proceeded to reverse a question put to him by Prosecuting Attorney Whitley by saying that the wife of the victim in the case was "going with me, not that he was exactly going with her." He was given four months on the roads by Recorder Darden.

J. S. Sugar was found guilty of driving recklessly on a curve near Roper, when the truck he was driving hit and damaged slightly Henry Everett's car. Prayer for judgment was held over to next Tuesday.

The clerk of the court for 28 years, C. V. W. Aushon, said before court that there had been no cases tried since July 24, the reason for which he attributed to the fact that most of the people were working, not having time for crime. However, three assault cases were tried Tuesday.

Edward Phelps was found not guilty in a case in which he was the defendant, and a rather unusual thing happened when a witness for the state was declared guilty instead. She was given prayer for judgment.

Also charged with assault, Smith White, 69, was given a suspended sentence on good behavior.

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. N. H. Ambrose

Creswell. — Funeral services were held Friday, July 20, for Mrs. N. H. Ambrose, 57 years of age, who succumbed Thursday morning after a lingering illness. She was the wife of N. H. Ambrose of near Creswell.

Mrs. Ambrose was a member of the Phillippi Christian church at Cherry, where she served faithfully as long as she was able to attend.

Last rites took place in her home with Rev. Roy Respass officiating. Interment took place in the family cemetery.

Surviving are the following children: Mrs. C. L. Barnes, Woodley Ambrose and Alethea Jane Ambrose of Creswell, and Mrs. J. H. Phelps of Roper. She also leaves her devoted husband and five brothers.

Home and Club News

By Miss Eugenia Patterson

The curb market receipts for July were \$166.69. This is an increase of \$6.93 over June sales. We are very proud to say that the sales are steadily increasing. We are again asking the buyers to help us give both buyers and sellers a square deal. Buyers, we appreciate your standing by us and we know you will cooperate with us in helping us to better serve you. We again ask you not to yell over the counter for the sellers to save you something. Let's come on time and give everybody that comes a "square deal." We cannot serve you to the best of our ability unless you help us. Please don't go behind the counter until the bell has rung.

Please don't ask special favors for yourself from anyone. We want to create a spirit of democracy, instead of just thinking only of ourselves. I thank you. —Curb Market.

Washington County was in the limelight last week at state short course at Raleigh. We were especially honored last week by having two women from Washington County to graduate, namely Mrs. Geo. Bowen, president of the Alba club, and Mrs. Ida Bateman, vice president of the Mt. Tabor club. As far as records show, they are the first extension graduates from our county. Congratulations!

There was something rather unusual about Mrs. Bowen's graduation. One of her sons was there to witness the graduation. This is a case of "mother's going to college."

Washington County was well represented at the state short course by 18 women who spent the entire week in securing information and recreation in order that they might live more abundantly for their homes, communities, county and state. Two others were there for a part of the conference which made a total of 20 representatives. Alba club led the list with six representatives. One was a free trip for the prize in gardening. Those representing Alba were Mrs. George Bowen, president; Mrs. Charlie Bowen, vice president; Mrs. Hugh Allen, secretary; other members, Mrs. Tom Darden, Mrs. H. G. Darden and Mrs. W. H. Harrison, county federation president.

Chapel Hill club's delegation was composed of Mrs. Hilda Robertson, Mrs. P. M. Ambrose, Mrs. Willie Sitterson and Mrs. Fannie Bell Robertson.

Albemarle—Mrs. Tom Curles. Cherry—Miss Ida Davis. Swain—Miss Velma Sitterson and Mrs. T. R. Chesson. Mt. Tabor—Mrs. Ida Bateman. Creswell—Mrs. C. N. Davenport. Cool Springs—Mrs. W. V. Hays. Wenona—Mrs. Bryan Harris. Mrs. Hays and Mrs. Harris were not there for all the conference, however.

Miss Virginia Cahoon was there from the county, which gave us a "registration" of 20, for which we are proud.

Each year the county federation offers the canning leaders of the county a free trip to the short course for the one making the best record in the project. The leaders give demonstrations, help club members and non-club members can. This year Miss Velma Sitterson, Swain canning leader, won the free trip. This is the fourth consecutive year that Swain club has won this honor.

This year our major project in women's club work is clothing. The county council offered a trip to the short course for the leader doing the most outstanding work in the project, and receiving the best cooperation from her club members. The Chapel Hill club won this trip, Mrs. P. M. Ambrose and Mrs. Fannie Bell Robertson. Mrs. Ambrose's trip was paid for by the federation, while Mrs. Robertson's was given by a friend of home demonstration club work. Mrs. Robertson was elected assistant clothing leader February 8th, since Chapel Hill club was so large and one leader couldn't do justice to the club. I am sure Chapel Hill club is proud of their leaders. The yard leader prize winner was Mrs. Willie Sitterson from this club.

The girls and women of our county are camping at Camp Leach in Beaufort County next week. The women's camp will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, while the girls will come in on Wednesday and stay through Saturday. The total cost will be \$2.50 each. This is a joint camp with Beaufort and Pasquotank coun-

WEED GROWERS OF WASHINGTON TO GET TIDY SUM

County Farmers Get Slice Of Amount Paid For Tobacco Rental

Washington County farmers will receive or have received \$6,602.57 out of the more than five millions of dollars awarded this State for rental and benefit payments to tobacco growers under the 1934 tobacco curtailment program up to July 1.

This county will share heavily on the payments to be made from now on because the payments announced above included the bonus paid on the 1933 crop which was shared in only by those growers who sold their crop before the rise in prices during the 1933 season.

Growers in this section benefitted only slightly with the bulk of these payments going to early growers in other states. This year the growers in all belts will uniformly receive 12 1-2 per cent of the market price.

The pitance that accrues to the growers here is very small in comparison with the \$97,038.77 that went to Martin and with the \$358,919.92 that was made to Pitt counties but then it averages very good in comparison with the \$2,368.66 that was allotted for Chowan, as neither of these small counties are extra heavy tobacco growers.

In Washington County in 1932 there were only 391 acres of tobacco grown here but this amount increased by one leap to close to double the last crop as in 1933 there were 707 acres cultivated in this county. This will be increased to about 1,000 acres this year, it is thought.

CONTRACT IS NOT AWARDED TO CAN WESTERN CATTLE

W. R. Hampton Hopes to Can Relief Administration Beef

W. R. Hampton, head of the tomato canneries in Plymouth and Roper, announced today that he has been questioned about canning the Federal Emergency Relief Administration cattle, but that no contract had been submitted to him.

The cattle that are in Wenona owned by the government are to be fattened and then killed to be canned and then distributed in the various counties for relief purposes. Mr. Hampton hopes to do the work.

MRS. BREWER TO BE WITH FERA

Expected That Welfare Officer Will Act as Case Worker

Indications are that Mrs. W. C. Brewer, recently deposed as superintendent of public welfare in Washington County, will be added to the administrative staff of the local FERA office as a case worker.

Up until Tuesday morning Mr. Gibbs declared that he "had no authority to employ Mrs. Brewer in the administration" as he first must get approval from the State officials before adding to his force in the office.

Although Julian E. Gibbs, director of the FERA, would not approve the statement that she would be employed in his office in some capacity it is almost certain that this is true and the Beacon feels that it is.

Unanimous approval of the Bankhead and Kerr crop control acts was expressed by farmers attending the annual farm and home week exercises at State College last week.

This will be a fine vacation. Come! Get in touch with home agent at once if you haven't sent in your card.

Schedule Announced For Next Week

The woman's camp will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The 4-H girls' camp will start Wednesday and last through Saturday. The regular club meetings will be held as usual.

Tuesday—Cherry. Wednesday—Albemarle. Thursday—Wenona. Friday—Mt. Tabor. Saturday—Curb market.

MRS. HARRISON'S RADIO SPEECH

Federation President Talks To Nation Over NBC Hookup

Here is the speech delivered on the radio at Washington, D. C., on last Wednesday, August 1, at noon on the National Farm and Home program on the NBC nationwide hookup by Mrs. William H. Harrison, president of the Washington County Federation of Women's Clubs.

Static was a little bad to the home town folks but the reception was good enough so that much of the club leader said could be heard.

"My husband and I have realized that a comfortable home is satisfying; that it helps to increase family morale, and has a definite, positive influence in shaping the character of the children who are reared in it. Therefore, we wanted to improve all of our surroundings, the outside as well as the inside and we determined to have as pretty a place as possible with native shrubs and those we could get in our neighborhood plant exchange.

"I wish I could make you realize just how much we enjoy the lovely 'garden spot' we have made and you would if you had seen a picture of our home before improvements were started. Ours is a simple little cottage nestled in a large grove of trees, about 150 feet from the road, and I assure you it is pleasant to sit on our front porch and see people apply the brakes on their cars when passing to observe what we have planted.

"Until a short time ago, the corn crib and the stable stood on the north side of the house extending far out into the front yard; the poultry house was only a few feet from the house; and the lawn was broken by paths and beds of flowers which were dotted all over it. It took the whole family's cooperation to rearrange that yard.

"The barn and garage were moved and grouped at the rear. My husband and the boys hitched each building to the Ford. Such excitement at our house! The old T model had carried us through many muddy roads. It did not fail us in this time of need. It pulled and pulled. More gas! 'Shoot the gas, Mama!' The garage moved ever so slightly. Then more. Finally it was in its place in the back yard.

"Many loads of rubbish were hauled away, and an ugly ditch filled before we could begin on the plan which we had secured through our home demonstration agent, Miss Eugenia Patterson. It was a simple plan suited to the home and its setting; at least our city cousins were not irritated.

"We graded the driveway on the town side of the house, with the service road turning to the rear and disappearing behind a high planting of crepe myrtles and native shrubs. We have now a green lawn and the rambling low pitched cottage in its setting of shrubs is the center of interest.

"I wish all of you could see the native dogwood, yellow jessamine, crabapple and woodbine in the spring, against the background of cedars and gallberries.

"Many of the shrubs used to make our home grounds more inviting are native to the section, such as sweet myrtle, gallberry, fether bush and yaupon, and they were planted with syringa, golden bell, spirea, lilac and Japan crabapple which I had rooted. These plants were grouped along the driveway, about the steps and at the corners of the foundation, and there is seldom a time when one of them is not in bloom.

"Around the garage and other out-buildings we have a background of poplars with smaller evergreens, flowering shrubs and perennials grouped in front.

"In the side yard next to our living room is our outdoor living room where there are comfortable homemade seats under the trees; two hammocks, one made of oak staves and another of barrel staves; and an old iron cot which is painted and fitted with rain-proof pillows. At one end of the garden is an old-fashioned arbor with honeysuckle and roses clambering over it. There are seats and tables where all of our magazines and papers can be found. It is here that we cut watermelons in the summer and eat Scuppernong grapes and other fruit."

APPROXIMATELY 2,250 CATTLE ON WENONA RANGE

Efforts Made to Check Death of Suffering Animals

Wenona.—Efforts to check the death of cattle that were shipped into the Blacklands section of Washington County for pasturage by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration were being made today.

With only three days of notice from officials these cattle started to arrive on August 1 and during the next two days 66 carloads of the animals had been received at Maple Siding near Wenona and were being unloaded into their home range.

Then relief officials began to go to work. Fences had to be constructed along the canal banks with a mile or two on each side of the pasturage. Hand pumps were sunk below the surface of the canal water and this fluid was pumped into troughs for the animals.

The surface of the water showed that it was apparently stagnant. But though the water was not in motion at the time it was seen by the writer it was said by natives of that section that the water was not harmful and that on occasions it was used by the people while hunting.

The extreme heat of the section caused the cattle to suffer much. They arrived in a weak and feeble condition and some got into the canals and were unable to get out but herdsmen obligingly assisted them to the banks and back to the grazing lands.

Several hundreds of acres are on the railroad side of the canal and will be used for pasturage and now it is understood that thousands of acres will be converted into use on the side of Pungo Lake. This will make grazing facilities of 7,000 acres more or less.

Ferrell Harris with a crew of about ten men have been in charge of the cattle. They were sorely in need of horses to travel the distance in watching the herd. There was estimated on reliable authority that there were 2,250 cattle on the range.

Only six or eight had died the first of this week. Change of grazing from clover and grass to reeds and such pasturage hereabouts and the extreme heat caused the cattle to be slow in eating. But they are about used to their new surroundings and are making themselves "at home."

COUNTY SCHOOLS TO OPEN SEPT. 3

Colored Pupils of Sound Side Denied Transportation to School

Public schools in Washington County will open on September 3, for the current term of school, it was announced today by James W. Norman, superintendent of public instruction.

Thursday and Friday of the week will be taken for the Thanksgiving holiday while on Christmas the students may rest from their studies from December 21 to January 2.

After the arranging the calendar for school the officials had to issue to J. W. Starr, of Creswell, \$94 in payment for the death of 26 sheep and 14 lambs slain by dogs. The sheep were valued at \$2 each and the lambs \$3 each.

The patrons of the Sound Side colored school were denied their request for the transportation of their children to and from school as the officials explained that there were no funds for additional transportation facilities and that the present equipment was not adequate.

An appropriation was made for the repairing and renovation of the various school buildings in the county to make ready for the opening of the schools.

The Washington County Commissioners ordered that five cents a mile be paid to the superintendent of schools for travel expense in connection with his work as superintendent of public welfare.

The commissioners also decided to reimburse J. E. Gibbs for \$8.19 for returning Mrs. J. E. Moore from a hospital and then instructed the treasurer to pay for two weeks of hospitalization for Mrs. Ben Norman in a Rocky Mount institution.

Orphanage Class to Give Concert Monday, Aug. 13

The concert class of the Free Will Baptist Orphanage will present an interesting program at the Union Chapel Free Will Baptist Church Monday evening, August 13, at 8:15 p. m.

"Come and enjoy an evening of clean entertainment," says Mrs. Cottie Bowen.