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ARMISTICE DAY IS TO BE OBSERVED BY LEGION HERE

Parade in Morning and Dance At Night Are Features

James E. Jethro Post, No. 164, of the American Legion will celebrate Armistice Day here Monday, November 12.

There will be a parade at 11:30 o'clock in the morning and a dance at night.

Every ex-service man in the county is asked and urged to march in the parade, whether he be a member of the Legion or not. The parade will form at the high school and march down Washington Street to Main, then down East Main to Madison, then down Madison to East Water, then up East Water Street to Jefferson, then up Jefferson to Fort Williams, and then along Fort Williams Street to the high school.

There will be floats by the legion, legion auxiliary, woman's club, and junior woman's club, the fire truck and a score of cars, all decorated with flags and bunting.

At 10:50 the members of the legion and ex-service men will march down to the front of the legion hall, and at 11 o'clock, while whistles of several mills and fire alarm sirens are blowing will stand at attention for 3 minutes. There will then be a roll call of the dead ex-service men of the county, and after the roll call the band will play the national anthem, after which they will march back to the high school and lead the main parade over the route mentioned.

Buddies, this day is your day. You should lay aside all work and business and help make this day a day of celebration that will be remembered for many years. Don't forget, be at the high school at 10 o'clock sharp, Monday morning, November 12.—Post publicity officer.

THREE HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Car Runs Into Tree Near Oak Grove Church Last Sunday

Skinnerville.—Three young men were injured and a car badly damaged when a machine driven by Nathan Whitfield swerved from its course on a curve and ran into a tree on the side of the road near the Oak Grove Baptist church Sunday.

The injured included young Whitfield, who was driving the machine, and who sustained cuts and bruises about the face; Henry Williams, whose foot was hurt; and John Forbes Davenport, who suffered body bruises. It was thought that the driver lost control when the car rounded a curve. It was reported that the machine turned over four times. In its path it tore out limbs from small trees and smashed into others, badly damaging the car. The vehicle landed bottom-up. J. C. Swain brought the young men to a doctor.

AN EXPLANATION

In an article appearing in this paper last week in reference to the settlement of fire-burn cases against the Virginia Electric & Power Company there appeared the following paragraph:

"After the case had been decided by the supreme court the counsel for the power firm filed notice for new trial because Whedbee made an affidavit in Zeb Vance Norman's office repudiating his first testimony. For this affidavit (a declaration that his first testimony was false), he said he was promised \$100."

This paper did not intend to convey the idea or inference that Zeb Vance Norman was charged with corrupt practice, and if any such inference was drawn from said statement this paper now desires to correct any wrongful impression as to him. Mr. Norman is regarded as one of the cleanest and most upright men of this county, and we did not intend to cast any reflections upon him in connection with these law suits.

Hallowe'en Program At Cherry Last Friday Night

An enjoyable Hallowe'en program and supper was given at the Cherry school Friday night, November 2, under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association.

After the program, which consisted of Hallowe'en recitations, songs, pantomimes, and plays given by the pupils of the school, chicken salad and oyster suppers were served, as well as ice cream and cake. The proceeds will be used in some beneficial way for the school. A hall of horrors added to the Hallowe'en spirit.

The Creswell orchestra contributed much to the entertainment of the evening.

Unofficial Election Returns

Following is an unofficial tabulation of the returns from the general election Tuesday, by precincts, for county offices: (Returns from Wenona precinct were not available when this tabulation was made):

	Total	Scuppernon	Lees	Skinnersville	Plymouth
For Representative:					
Harry Stell	1,146	277	254	81	534
J. Richard Carr	624	200	150	128	146
For Clerk of Court:					
C. V. W. Ausbon	1,208	264	291	72	581
Roy V. Patrick	525	199	108	134	84
For Sheriff:					
J. K. Reid	1,318	287	325	104	602
E. R. Jackson	468	188	89	99	92
For Register of Deeds:					
Mrs. Mary O. Sawyer	1,292	277	311	106	598
For Judge of Recorder's Court:					
John W. Darden	1,270	278	295	105	592
For Treasurer:					
E. G. Arps	1,288	272	298	103	615
Asa D. Snell	475	198	102	102	73
For Coroner:					
Mrs. D. M. McKnight	1,267	262	304	104	597
Asbury W. Ambrose	455	193	87	99	76
County Commissioners:					
Frank L. Brinkley	1,227	275	286	100	566
J. M. Clagon	1,284	273	310	102	599
Clyde Smithson	1,218	267	284	98	569
A. L. Alexander	511	192	105	106	108
B. B. Spencer	491	193	103	106	89
Stewart J. Woodley	521	210	112	111	88

ANOTHER BITTER BONUS BATTLE IS ALMOST CERTAIN

Powerful Pressure Will Be Brought To Bear on New Congress

Washington.—Another big battle in congress over the bonus—the most bitter since the bonus army's invasion of Washington in 1932—is in prospect this winter.

The demands of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars for immediate governmental action despite warning by President Roosevelt of its danger to the recovery program, indicates that powerful pressure will be placed on the new congress for immediate cash payment of adjusted compensation certificates.

It is estimated that between \$2,000,000,000 and \$2,400,000,000 would be needed to pay the bonus in full. Representative Wright Patman, of Texas, who for several years has been a leader of bonus-supporting forces in congress, is expected to introduce a measure similar to his bill which passed the house last March but died in the senate.

The Patman bill authorized immediate payment of the bonus in new money—the issuance of \$2,200,000,000 in United States notes of small denominations against the gold supply of the treasury and to be maintained at a parity with other paper currency. The house passed the bill by a vote of 295 to 125 despite the opposition of President Roosevelt and the protest of administration leaders that the measure "struck at the very heart of the recovery program." The senate, which two weeks before the house vote defeated a similar bill, did not take up the Patman measure.

Political observers here are of the opinion that the bonus would receive enough support to pass both the house and senate in the new congress but that it probably would be defeated on a second vote in the senate after veto by the president.

In his speech at Roanoke, Va., President Roosevelt inferentially stated that any bonus payments to war veterans should await at least the relief of millions of persons whose conditions were far worse than those of the average veteran. He also warned that the credit resources of the nation must be conserved.

The bonus was a thorny issue also for Presidents Coolidge and Hoover. Certificates are held by some 3,543,000 former service men, the value of the average certificate being \$988. Loans on the certificates, however, have been made to 2,870,000, or 80 per cent of those holding certificates.

Adjusted service credit is computed on the basis of amount of active service in excess of 60 days in military or naval forces after April 5, 1917, and before July 1, 1919. For overseas service \$1.25 per day is allowed, while for each day of home service the allowance is \$1.

Advocates of cash payment contend it would boost the nation's purchasing power by putting money into circulation in all sections of the country.

M. L. Ambrose Is New Pastor at Zion's Chapel

Rev. Mr. M. L. Armstronghrdelu, Rev. Mr. M. L. Ambrose, of Creeds, Va., will begin his year's work at Zion's Chapel Sunday, November 11. He is well known in this section, as he was born and reared near Roper. He is a very able speaker and every one is cordially invited to attend.

FIRE DESTROYS COUNTRY HOME OF W. B. BARBER

House and Contents Totally Destroyed in Blaze Early Friday Morning

Damage estimated at \$3,000 was sustained by W. B. Barber and family when their country home in the Skinnersville section of Washington County was completely destroyed by fire early last Friday morning.

Hardly any of the furniture in their spacious residence was saved. This was valued very conservatively at \$1,500 and the house at the same figure. The occupants of the home, including Mr. Barber and eight members of his family, were not injured.

Mrs. Barber was awakened from a sound sleep about 2:30 in the morning by the smell of smoke. Immediately other members of the family were aroused, and they fled into the yard in their night clothes. The older members saved some of their clothes, but the younger children didn't save any. Mr. Barber was so busy fighting the blaze that he did not save any of the younger children's clothes, and the mother was giving them her attention, while the adults were exerting every effort to keep the blaze from spreading to near-by buildings.

It is not definitely known at what spot the fire started, whether in a wood-box, flue, or some other place, but the fire did originate somewhere in the kitchen. When Mr. Barber opened the door after Mrs. Barber was awakened, he was greeted by a puff of smoke that nearly suffocated him.

This farm is known as the old Newberry place and was being purchased by Mr. Barber through the Farm Loan Bank. He had a long term to pay for the place and it was required that some insurance be carried but this is only a small amount and would cover only a small part of the damage.

"I have been helping and contributing to unfortunate people for 40 years right here in Washington County. My home is gone. My little children lost their clothes in the fire, and this is winter. I am asking the good people of this county to help me a little until I can once more get on my feet," said Mr. Barber.

Feed Grain to Poultry in Troughs, Specialists Say

For sanitary reasons alone, grain should be fed to poultry in troughs. Some poultrymen believe that feeding grain in the litter gives the birds much needed exercise but, unless a close confinement system is practiced, the birds will receive ample exercise on the range. Then, too, there is a tendency to neglect changing the litter which makes for unsanitary conditions. A "V" shape trough is very simple and inexpensive to build and should be used at all times for grain feeding.

Home and Club News

By Miss Eugenia Patterson

Schedule for Next Week

Monday afternoon, November 12, Scuppernon.
Tuesday afternoon, Cherry.
Wednesday afternoon, Albemarle.
Thursday afternoon, November 15, Wenona.
Friday afternoon, Mount Tabor.
Saturday morning, curb market.

The Swain Home Demonstration Club held a memorial service at their last meeting for two of their deceased members, Mrs. Minnie Swain and Mrs. Ethel Davis. This part of the program was presided over by Mrs. O. A. Chesson, club president.

The various women's clubs will be electing officers all the month of November. They will take office January 1st.

Mrs. W. H. Harrison, county council president, was a special guest at the Hoke Club Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Mattie R. Swain held the Lake Farm Club Friday afternoon, November 2, in the absence of the home agent, who had taken the second prize winners to Raleigh for the day. This was their prize.

Now is the time to plan your yard planting for 1935 yard contest, also to begin planting and collecting materials. Let's make 1935 the best yard improvement year in the history of our club work.

Let's try to take at least one good magazine in 1935, such as Better Homes and Gardens, Good Housekeeping, and the like.

Democrats Make Clean Sweep Of County in Tuesday Voting

ILLEGAL GOLD BUYERS WORK IN THIS SECTION

Reported They Are Paying Less Than True Value For Scrap Gold

Illegal gold buyers have been operating in Plymouth.

Since the enactment of the Gold Reserve Act of 1934 the government has counted gold very precious and crooks of the latest order have been endeavoring to buy up the gold in this and other sections at a fraction of its worth.

The purchasers present themselves to the holders of gold watches, rings, bracelets, and other jewelry offering to purchase it by the pennyweight. They use a copper cent coin in balancing the scales to determine the worth of the precious metal and purchase it by the pennyweight in that system, it has been reported. This is unfair to the seller, as one copper cent's weight is valued at about two and one-quarter times as much as the weight of the penny. Thus, if by using a copper cent coin to balance the scales \$1 worth of gold would actually be worth about \$2.25.

It has been reported that in a recent case here a lady was offered \$27 for a gold watch case that was loaded with the precious metal. It was found upon investigation that the case was easily worth about twice the amount offered if sold in legal channels.

In another case here a woman had a ring that was worth at least \$1.90 and she was offered only 85 cents for it. There have been other cases of this kind of gold buying in Plymouth. But the above samples portray to the mind the actual state of the illicit traffic in this metal.

Some of those who came through here represented themselves to have been purchasing the metal for the government on commission, while others have claimed they were paid a salary by the government to purchase gold for the treasury department. Scrap gold dealers should be asked by the prospective sellers to exhibit their license from the government, and if they fail to do so the gold should not be sold to them because they are doing it solely for the purpose of gain and will not give the seller the true worth of the article.

License has been issued to Don G. Davis, local jeweler, for the purchase of gold. He must keep an accurate account of the transactions, reporting to the government. Such reliable places of business as jewelry stores are licensed, but no one actually represents the government. This is against the law.

This item is only to warn people in Plymouth to sell their gold to business houses and persons who can display the license form TGL-12, which is the government code number for these licenses.

LARGE CROWD AT CHURCH SERVICE

Rev. N. A. Taylor Begins Work Sunday at Local Christian Church

Undaunted by inclement weather, members of the Christian church in Plymouth came home last Sunday in large crowds to attend the installation service of the new pastor, Rev. N. A. Taylor.

John W. Darden welcomed the large crowd and the new pastor with a talk on the minister as a citizen, worker, and community builder. W. L. Whitley made the installation address with a talk on "the duties of the minister to the congregation, and the responsibility of the congregation to the minister."

Wilmer Chesson, chairman of the board of deacons and elders, received the pastor for the church, with Gilbert Davis offering the installation prayer. The sermon by the new minister was on "Our Future Opportunities and Responsibilities."

More than 100 people remained for lunch at noon and there was plenty left after they had finished. Out of the 238 members of the church about 200 answered either in person or by proxy to the roll call of their names. "It was one of the best meetings we have ever had," said M. G. Darden, an official of the church.

Moore Farmers Seeking Pure Bred Dairy Cattle

Residents of Moore County profiting from increased cotton and tobacco prices are seeking pure bred dairy cows to round out their farm programs.

Large Crowd Expected at Convention of Fiddlers

Roper.—Reports coming in to Principal J. J. Kellum, indicate a record-breaking crowd in attendance on the old-time fiddlers' convention to be held in the auditorium of the local school Friday evening of this week. Prizes amounting to more than \$30 in cash and a mule are being offered winning contestants in violin, banjo, guitar, harmonica, clog dancing, and hog calling.

An evening of music, fun, and frolic is promised all who attend.

CRESWELL BOY DIES SUDDENLY AT C. C. CAMP

Edmond Barnes, 17, Had Been in Camp for Only Two Weeks

Creswell.—The friends and relatives of Edmond Barnes, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Barnes, of near Creswell, were shocked to hear of his sudden death at the CCC camp at Chattanooga, Tenn. He was 17 years of age and apparently in excellent health when he left for the camp just two weeks before his death. The cause of his death is unknown.

The body was accompanied to Mackeys by a member of the CCC where he was met by members of his family.

Funeral services were held at Mount Tabor Free Will Baptist church, of which he was a member, by the Rev. T. F. Davenport, and interment was made in the Ambrose burying ground near the church. He is survived by his mother and father, two sisters, Mrs. Bruce Phelps, of Alligator, and Doris Ray; and one brother, Hulcan.

Pall-bearers were Lonnie Davenport, Seaton Davenport, Mack Davenport, Linwood Davenport, Mack Oliver, and Winton Oliver. Beautiful floral offerings were carried by Elizabeth Holmes Thelma and Agatha Hair, Beadie Ambrose, Mildred Graddock, and Lillie Jane Bateman. A host of friends mourn his untimely death.

CLUB WOMEN VISIT CAPITAL

Winners of Second Prizes In County Contests Get Trip To Raleigh

By Miss Eugenia Patterson

On last Friday morning at 7 o'clock the second winners in the gardening, canning, yard, and clothing projects in home demonstration clubs started out for Raleigh with the home agent. Upon arrival at Raleigh the first trip was to the state museum, where many things were to be seen. By this time it was lunch time. After this was observed, the women visited several of the stores, and shopping some as they went. Then a visit to the Methodist orphanage, State College, and a ride to the penitentiary brought us back to the Capitol. The women went through the various parts that hadn't been closed, and perhaps most interesting of all the visits was that to the Hall of History, where Col. Olds spent so many years of faithful work. This was much more interesting than a course in N. C. history, and it would take more than one day or one visit to see everything, but perhaps one of the most interesting exhibits there was the funnel of the old ram, "Albemarle." By this time our thoughts had begun to turn home, and the sun had begun to disappear.

Those enjoying the trip were Mrs. Louis Bowen, winner in garden project; Mrs. J. E. Bowen, winner in canning project; Mrs. S. Z. Waters, winner in clothing project; and Mrs. Melinda Davenport, winner in yard work. The clubs represented were Chapel Hill, Alba, Pleasant Grove, and Cherry, respectively.

All reported the "end of a perfect day."

Firecracker Starts Fire In Awning Tuesday

A firecracker thrown onto the awning of E. H. Liverman's store here Tuesday night by celebrators fired the awning and threatened the business block of Plymouth for a few minutes. Some one sent in the alarm in time to check the blaze without damaging the store.

This followed on the heels of the City Council placing a ban on the sale and shooting of fireworks in the city. Numbers have been burned or shocked by people riding by in automobiles and throwing the crackers under their feet.

SHERIFF REID IS AGAIN LEADER OF DEMOCRATS

Average Vote Between Two Parties Two-To-One Democratic

Triumph for Democracy was crowned with the greatest majorities of any off-year election in recent years Tuesday when the Republicans could muster only 624 for their high candidate, while the leading Democrat polled 1,318.

Harry Stell, who fought through two primaries among his own friends, received the united support of them to boost him into the house of representatives of North Carolina, with a total of 1,146, while J. Richard Carr, his opponent, led the Republican ticket with only 624, giving Stell a majority of 522.

J. K. Reid, with a total of 1,318 votes, topped the entire ticket and led both parties in Lees Mills with 325. Plymouth with 615, Scuppernon with 287, and was topped by only two votes by Mrs. Mary O. Sawyer in Skinnersville, where Sheriff Reid polled 104 votes.

E. R. Jackson, Republican opponent for sheriff against Reid, counted 468 votes in the entire county, with Reid beating him three to one. Although Stell rode over his Republican opponent he received less votes from the Democratic party than any of his fellow candidates.

Donnell Gilliam had no opposition for solicitor in this district, and he with Carl L. Bailey and Robert L. Coburn in this county and all of the state candidates received around 1,200 votes each to register along with the others in the county. Robert M. Gradeless, of Belhaven, brother to C. A. Gradeless, in Plymouth, received only 396 votes for the office of state senator.

None of these figures include the Wenona vote, but they do include the total unofficial returns from Lees Mills, Plymouth, Skinnersville, and Scuppernon precincts. The Wenona precinct generally carries only about 20 or 30 votes, and majorities are such that it cannot change circumstances except as to the actual number of votes secured by each candidate.

TO RAISE MONEY FOR BASEBALL

Suggested That Local Fans Start Making Donations At This Time

A suggestion has been made by J. S. Brown here that all of those who are interested in having a baseball club in Plymouth next summer should organize and begin a system of contributing so that money will be available for opening expenses next spring.

Mr. Brown advances the idea that the fans who are willing should have a treasurer and pay to him their donations weekly. The treasurer is to keep a record of the receipts and bank the money. The money will draw interest.

In the event that a team is not secured for playing next season, then the money will be distributed back to the contributors. All of those who are interested in this idea should see Mr. Brown. It was also pointed out that a fair or dances could be given for the benefit of this fund this winter.

Junior Order To Make Awards In Local School

Plymouth Reck Council, No. 213, Junior Order United American Mechanics, has purchased gold medals to be awarded some boy and girl in the seventh grade of the Plymouth graded school.

These medals will be awarded to the boy and girl who best represents those qualities of character and ability which if cultivated are calculated to result in better citizenship. The awards shall be made on a basis of 20 percent for each of the following qualities:

Boy: Honor, courage, scholarship, leadership, and service.

Girl: Courage, companionship, character, service, and scholarship.

The two medals are on display in the window of Don G. Davis' jewelry store.

Electric Lights Recently Put in School at Cherry

A step forward has recently been taken by the Cherry school in the installation of electric lights. This step will prove very helpful as well as enjoyable.