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CALL FIVE CASES | Washington County Ranks 82nd in State In Car Ownership; 1 to Each 14 Persons TIMBER IS PLAN **IN RECORDER'S** COURT TUESDAY

Several Defendants Draw Long Terms On The State Roads

Five criminal cases were tried before Judge John Darden in Recorders court Tuesday.

Charles Puckett, colored, was sentenced to three months on the county roads for stealing some hams, but his chased new. lawyer, Pete Bell, said that he would appeal to Superior Court.

Although recently released from a sentence Geoge Brent, colored, was given two more years for assault with deadly weapon.

Two young colored boys, Madison Boone and Aaron Simmons were given a 30 day sentence or payment of fine on the count of being a public nuisance on a highway near here. Alfred Vaughn was acquitted of the

same charge. Thirty days or payment of costs was put on Charles Webb, colored, who was found guilty of being a public nuisance.

Last week two assault cases and one larceny were tried. Henry Mayo colored, was sentenced to two months on the roads or payment of costs.

John Henry Webb was given six months for a larceny charge, and Nathan Webb was assigned to the roads for two months or payment of fine

Interesting Program

for Special Schools at

Roper Thursday

A program interesting from begin-

ning to end was put on Thursday af-

ternoon, May 30, by Mrs. W. B. Ches-

son's ERE classes in a community

festival at the Roper School Auditori-

The stage was beautifully decorated

with fern and cut flowers of the sea-

son. In the background were exhibits

of clothes and hand-work pieces of

to themselves.

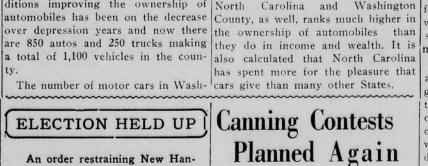
Washington County ranks 82nd in lington County has varied considerably he 100 counties in North Carolina in during the last few years, and it is he ownership of automobiles with an said, that probably no other factor automobile for every 14th person, ac- reflects the State's income, or the relative prosperity of the people, like cording to reliable statistics.

In 1929 the depression caught 1,205 the registration of motor cars, particularly passenger cars. automobiles owned by people in this The growth of motor county with 195 trucks in use. Esti-

tion has been the outstanding develmating these vehicles at a cost of a opment of modern times. Back in little over \$700 each, this county at 1915 in North Carolina there were that time had over \$1,000,000 invested only 16,410 cars in the State with one in motor cars, if they had been purfor every 140 people while in 1934 there are 471,092 cars in the State In the struggling years before 1934 with one for every seven persons. And

there were not many vehicles regis- there will be still more for 1935. tered in this county but now with con-In comparison with other States ditions improving the ownership of North Carolina and Washington

The number of motor cars in Wash- cars give than many other States.



In This County Plans Are Made for Holding Contests in Each of the

Again, this year the extension department is cooperating with the Kerr and Ball Jar companies in contests sponsored by the companies. There are both county and State ontests. We are planning to hold Classes at Festival Borrow \$10,000 from a local contest. We are planning to hold a local contest in each home demonstration club at the September meetings, of which you will be reminded again, both in the Kerr and Ball con-

tests. of fruits (quarts).

terminal to Mary Rose's house on 4th\$3, 5th \$2.

It will be asked that this money be If as many as 75 women in the coun-

noon, June 7th, at 3:30 with the pres- Last year Mrs. C. L. Everett, Mrs.

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The following program was given Madison street and also extend the Any make of jar



Commissioners Established \$850 Fund for Handling Conservation Work

Thousands of dollars worth of tim ber are hoped to be saved annually to the residents of Washington County ful Roanoke River has been subjected from the church and frightened the to a series of petty offenses which if negro before any harm was done. when the forest fire prevention service ice begins to function in this county. not halted may lead to a crime of mag-Brinkley has been entered of late and Commissioners here have appropr ated \$850 annually for the next five

a small sum of money taken. Thieves years to cooperate with the State in More than a month ago Mrs. Roscoe also entered the home of T. C. Burthe prevention and fighting of fires Gaylord, wife of the office manager gess on Main street last week while in woodlands. J. L. Hooker, chief of the H. E. Harrison Wholesale the family was away and carried off forest warden, landed the contract job Company here, was grabbed by a ne- a small amount of money also. Gaswith the commissioners after spending gro man on Main street. She was oline has been taken from the cars of several hours with them about the between the Christian church and E. owners by use of a siphon. matter.

Millions of feet of salable timber **Announce Plans for** and fine growth that would produce good timber for lumber is being des-4-H Short Course In troyed every year in this county because no body makes an effort to check the blaze or rather, because Raleigh July 24-29 without concerted effort little can be done to prevent the vast loss.

In the Wenona section the fires rage through the immense forests destroving vegetation and causing game to flee before the stinging tortures of the dreaded flames. Even the earth is heated several feet under the surface and the "ground itself burns."

Jurors chosen for the service by the planning to attend the 4-H Short commisisoners for the July term of Course July 24-29th. Superior Court follow

Plymouth: L. C. Hassell, Guy L. Harrison, Zeno Lyon, James F. Aus- and Elizabeth Holmes, Creswell; Elbon, A. W. Alexander, H. L. Horton, len Tarkenton, Roper; and Mary At-E. H. Harris, A. F. Arnold, J. H. omaneruk, Plymouth; and this year Browning, J. E. Cutten, T. S. Allen, we have a most promising number to L. T. Weede, Robert S. Swain. Lees Mills: W. E. Allen, T. E. Ain- "Dress Revue," how it was conduct sley, Fred Blount, W. A. Knowles, ed, from the above girls named. T. E. Knowles, Forest Williams and Roy C. Chesson.

Skinnersville: T. G. Alexander, annual "Dress Revue" for boys and Carney Spruill, Jr., L. H. Ambrose, girls at the short course. Of course, J. G. Alexander, Duard Spruill and the extension department, and this Scuppernong: H. G. Walker, E. H. held. Dresses, suits or coats of out-

Herrington, Robert L. Phelps, P. B. Then the best exhibit in each local Belanga, Claude Brinn, S. D. Burgess, wish modeled. First of the garment, Missionary Societies Hold plication has been prepared and oth-

on, wool or silk

There is a widespread rumor among teresting to boys and girls, since apour farmers that the Supreme court propriate dress for various occasions ruling on NRA has killed the Farm will be modelled by boys.

Program. This is not the case, if Mr. Harrell and boys of the Honor Group will be responsible for outfits

Town and County May Go

Epidemic of Minor Law Violations Is

This quiet little town on the peace-1G. Harrison's home. A person stepped

After Public Works Program

ESSAY CONTEST

Talking about the New Thea-

See Edward G. Robinson in the

Jean Arthur, when that production

opens June 10 and 11 at the New

See the back page for further

Last Tuesday

Home and

Special to 4-H Campers

Theatre.

details!



State Engineer Says Now Is Time To Make Many Improvements

What will the Plymouth City Coun-Cil and the Washington County commissioners do with this new opportunity to get a PWA grant from the Federal government under more favorable circumstances?

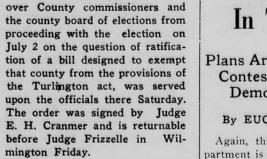
"Now is the time to get works, sewerage, water and sewer extensions, school plant extensions and improvements, school sanitation be fore the PWA money is exhausted on ess worthy projects," writes W. H. Booker, director of the division of sanitary engineering of the State Board of Health to Mayor Gilbert Davis and probably to county offiials

Under the new Public Works Adninistration policies, the Federal grant to cities, towns and counties has been increased from 30 to 45 per cent and at the same time the interest rate on the remainder of the loan has bee reduced from four to three per cent.

Something needs to be done about the Plymouth water supply. The State Board of Health has condemned the water supply and the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company has instructed its carriers not to use the water for drinking purposes. The **Methodists To Meet** trouble is apparently with the tank and ot with the source of the supply.

In Williamston For It is known that a new tank is needed or many repairs for the old the extension department, and this honor group want it to the best ever Session Next Fall one. The huge ditch that runs through the town by M. W. Darden's home and through to J. S. Brown's needs ing done after submission of the application except a personal visit from an FERA worker.

Williamston was chosen as the fall Water mains need to be extended neeting place of Methodist Missionary on several streets so that fires can societies which comprise organiza- be checked. Creswell needs a new ions in Windsor Williamston, Roper, school building. Preliminary charts Columbia, Creswell and Plymouth at and maps have been drawn and suba meeting held in Creswell Tuesday, mitted, yet, nothing definite has been Mrs. L. L. Gibbs, of Columbia, pres- done. There are improvements needided. Rev. E. L. Stack, of Roper, led ed at Roper. And people here should



An order restraining New Han-

Alarm System Here

a meeting that will be held this eve-

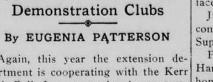
The Conference will be a one ses-

Given by E. R. E. Will Ask Town To Closing Exercises Are Held Public Works Fund

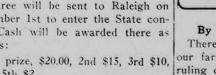
> Seek Extension of Water Lines and Modern Fire Dr. C. McGowan will ask the City

club will enter the county contest in David E. Davenport, Mathew Sawyer, Council of the Town of Plymouth to October at the federation meeting. and H. S. Furlaugh borrow \$10,000 from the Public Works The three best exhibits at the County Administration for use in the town at federation will be awarded one dozen quart jars each. (Kerr). The best of the three will be sent to Raleigh on The physician asks that this money November 1st to enter the State confurniture that the classes had made. be used to extend the water main with test. Cash will be awarded there as

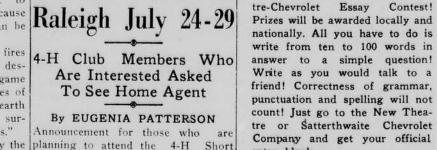
These many beautiful articles brought pipes large enough to supply force follows: due credit to their teacher as well as for fighting fires from the present first prize, \$20.00, 2nd \$15, 3rd \$10,



The Kerr exhibit must consist of he following: 2 jars of meats (quarts) Hugh Patrick. jars of vegetables (quarts), 2 jars







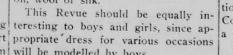
Company and get your official entry blank. Those who attended the 4-H Short thrilling Columbia Picture, "The Course last year were Mollie Sawyer Whole Town's Talking," with

go who may get some light on the

This year the 4-H Honor Group is going to have charge of presenting the

standing merit are the only ones they construction, and posture are the most Meeting at Creswell important points in this contest. The girls are asked to make in addition to their costumes the underwear worn

with her outfit. The girls may use any material they desire, cotton, ray-



The groupings are as follows:

with Mrs. Chesson presiding: Scrip- water lines from Browning's filling ture reading and prayer by Rev. E. L. station on the highway to the ball Stack; poem by Mrs. J. W. Furlaugh; park. address by Supt. J. W. Norman; two accordian solos by Mrs. Lindsey Phelps; talk by Miss Eugenia Patterby breaking the glass an alarm can be son; three guitar duets by Gordon and Daisey Sexton; talk by Miss F. E. town. Included in this is a proposal Ledbetter; songs by Virginia, Mabel

and Dock Furlough; carding-spinning and knitting demonstrations by Mesdames Thos. Craddock, S. B. Davenport, N. W. Phelps and Ed Sexton; secured under the proposal whereby ty enter the contest \$15.00 will be sent talk by Owen Allen.

This was a program that furnished of the loan and requires only three follows: 1st prize \$5, 2nd prize \$3, tices will be mailed growers immedenrichment of Community Life and per cent on the remainder with a long and 3rd prize \$2. unusual advantages in home-making. period for repayment.

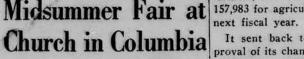


Section To Learn Wants Of Interested People

Conference at Washington, N. C. on contests. A committee composed of A. L. June 11th at 11 o'clock. Owens, L. S. Thompson, E. H. Liverman, John W. Darden, Gilbert Dasion meeting at the Methodist church, contest. vis, and Z. V. Norman reported at followed by a luncheon served by the the meeting of the Plymouth Chamthat they were encouraged over their visit to Capus Waynick, Raleigh, chairman of the State Highway Commission, on Wednesday.

They told the commercial members House Votes Cut in that Mr. Waynick had agreed to come to this section for a day in order to get first hand information on the scene of the proposed span to connect the northern and southern

The national House of Representa- of Hyde County several months ago sides of the Albemarle Sound. Mr. tives last week voted swiftly and with when the presiding judge in the case Waynick will visit points in this section that are interested in the bridge. rates on future land bank loans to failed to agree on a verdict. farmers, and then appropriated \$125,-



M. E. Zion Church, Columbia, will be and 4 per cent for the two years fol- for them. held beginning at 8 p.m. Monday, lowing.

June 10 and close Sunday, June 16, it In addition it approved a conference American Legion Post To was reported here today by the pas- report on the regular appropriation tor, Rev. J. T. Maultsby, of Creswell. bill for the agriculture department, There will be exhibits of needle- sending the measure to the White

such. There will be different attrac- sion prevention, the eradication of American Legion post here Friday Rocky Mount Hospital. Friends and Christian Church. They will make field" left Norfolk and arrived at mouth Chamber of Commerce. His tions each night. It will be for the chinch bugs and other pests, for road night at 7:45 p.m. Commander Mc- relatives are glad to know that he is benefit of the church.

anything, the Farm Program is strongcanning the products. er than before. Our reduction pro- modelled by boys.

The Ball company asks that only gram on various commodities will two jars be exhibited in their con- continue in effect and plans are being He will also ask that a box fire test. One of fruits and one of vege- made now for a long time program sports, best, party or evening. alarm system be established so that table, both to be quarts. on crop control. This is a mutual A local club contest will be held in problem of farmers. We must so con- Sunday or best, formal.

sounded from any section of the September as in the Kerr Contest. sider it. What farmer wants to plant Then the best exhibit from each local all money crops and sell like these interested in going to the short course sie Harding of Washington, on behalf

the government grants 45 per cent to our county to be distributed as rental checks had been drawn. Noenter the contest or not. iately upon receipt of these checks.

If more than 75 enter more money course should let the agent know in Bankhead applications, or applicawill be given. So it is to the advantions for cotton ginning certificates tage of all to enter who want to get will be in the hands of the township as much as possible. The best county committeemen on Friday and Saturexhibit will go to the state contest on day of this week, June 7th and 8th. to be worn while at short course. Davenport, Mackeys.

Then, too, it is important to know They will also be at the same place on State prizes are based on the num- the 14th and 15th to receive these apwho is going due to the transportation ber of counties entering. Let's be 100 plications. These have been made out

from signed contracts and sent to Any make of jar may be used in your respective townships. Please ge **Robinson Starred in** to the place so designated. All that i

ident, Mrs. Hays, as hostess. The date S. L. Lilley and Mrs. W. P. Daven- These applications must be in the Ra necessary is that you sign the form. is advanced on account of the Area port were winners in the county Kerr leigh office on June 20th. We are advised not accept any applications after

Mrs. L. S. Brey and Mrs. W. B. this date. The forms will be in the Chesson were winners in the Ball hands of the committeemen until af- which ran serially in a national maga-

ter the 15th. After this date it will be zine, "The Whole Town's Talking," necessary to go to the County Of- Edward G. Robinson's first starring the meeting of the Plymouth Cham-ber of Commerce Wednesday night that they were encouraged over their. Township growers will sign at the Creswell School House with Mr. Ste-Monday and Tuesday, June 10 and 11 appear on the program. Every Aux-iliary member is urged to attend. Results in Mistrial Creswell School House with Mr. Ste-wart J. Woodley. Skinnersville at Mrs. umbia's ace scenarists. Joe Werling Saturday morning curb marke Jane Elliott's Store with Francis Ever- umbia's ace scenarists, Joe Werling

ett. Lees Mill is divided, the lower end and Robert Riskin. will go to Mr. Jim Davenport at

Farm Loan Interest the case of Harry and Leshe Blake will sign with J. A. Chesson at the Bill," while Swerling prepared such Roper School House. Please observe Outstanding productions as "No the case of Harry and Leslie Blake will sign with J. A. Chesson at the pened One Night" and "Broadway the number of cases of infantile para robbing Deputy Sheriff W. W. Payne the date and place.

but little debate to slash the interests ordered a mistrial when the jurors ing tobacco. This should be finished ed the "Whole Town's Talking." this week. After tobacco comes cot

The case has been set for trial ton, peanuts and then corn and hogs. Midsummer Fair at 157,983 for agricultural purposes in the again in Swan Quarter in October. Please assist these men in the mea-Mr. Whitley is the chief counsel for suring and we will shortly get our

It sent back to the senate for ap- the men with a local lawyer in Swan rental and benefit checks. proval of its changes a bill shaving the Quarter as a colleague. The defend-

4 1-2 per cent now paid on such loans ants were kept in jail here for some The Mid Summer Fair of the A. to 3 1-2 during the next fiscal year time during an effort to secure bond Roper Principal in

Meet Here Friday Night

W. L. Whitley, local attorney, won

building and numerous other purposes. Gowan urges that all members attend. improving rapidly.

orning devotional while Rev. nuch thee

W. L. Dawson, of Columbia, led the Friends in Hyde, and parts of afternoon preliminaries. Mrs. Lennie Beaufort counties are orging the need P. Jackson, of Creswell, welcomed the of a span to connect the north and Girls: School outfit, general wear, group with Mrs. A. R. Hooker, of south side of the Albemarle Sound. The Plymouth City Council has an Roper, responding. Boys: Work outfit, school, sports, Life memberships were given to application in for consideration of this Misses Mary Jackson, Ellen Brooks project but it lies dormant with towns

Any 4-H girl in the county who is and June Badger Easson by Miss Bes- around doing things. for the tiling of the well known town club will go to the county contest in products were selling three years ago. and entering the contest is asked to of a grandparent, Mrs. Lennie P. paving of highway 97 from Plymouth get in touch with the Home Agent Jackson. Mrs. J. L. Delaney, of Hert- to Belhaven. This has been agitated We had this week a notice from immediately, just drop her a card on ford, district secretary; Mrs. B. B. since the first paving program of the Washington that the 1934-35 cotton the next mail or as soon as your mind Spencer, of Roper; Mrs. J. F. Thig- State highway commission was inis made up, as to whether you will pen, of Williamston; Mrs. E. J. Rees, augurated back a dozen or more years

of Washington; Mrs. Bessie Bunstand ago. This road was impassable last All girls planning to attend short of Windsor, made talks. winter.

A duet was sung by Mrs. S. W. time to get pattern and material for and Mrs. W. H. McClees, of Colum- eager for State's, towns and counties Now the Federal government is so making uniforms. Two green dresses bia and a second duet was rendered by to borrow money through the PWA are required and none others allowed Mrs. W. B. Chesson and Mrs. A. E. that they will give to that government

borrowing money \$45 out of every \$100 borrowed and the remainder to be paid back over a long period of years at only three per cent interest.

It is possible now, according to an act by the 1935 Legislature, for revenue bonds for PWA projects to be issued. This means, that a town, county or city can construct such projects and repay the principal and interest with revenue from the project only and without any advalorem or direct property tax whatsoever.

Some think that on account of the "past depression" that people should not make any effort to construct or improve property but many others are of the opinion when an offer of al-Saturday morning curb market 8:15. most half the expense of a project is made that it should be met at once The State Board of Health asked and that "needy" buildings and pro-

lysis in the State. This ruling is for Mr. Groves Goes To Firm In Macon, Ga.

to carry and the dates will be an-Carl L. Groves, for more than a nounced as soon as we know. E. Pat- dozen years manager of the local plant of the National Handle Company, a subsidiary of the American Fork and Hoe Company, who was succeeded

several weeks ago by T. F. Connors, has completed negotiations for his connection with a handle firm in Macon, Georgia.

Mr. Groves was here this week Mr. E. A. Spruill and daughters packing and arranging his furniture Roper-I. J. Kellum, principal of and Mrs. Charlie Spruill, of Edenton, Marie and Ruth and son Lronce at- for shipment. Mr. Groves while here Roper High School has returned home Friday afternoon at Travis, Tyrrell tended the annual outing of the N. S. was a public spirited man and for There will be a meeting of the after spending several weeks in the county, by Rev. Roy Respass, of R. R. Thursday. The "President War- years served as secretary of the Ply-

Rocky Mt. Hospital Mrs. Ida Sexton and the late K. H. Sexton, of Norfolk, was married to Tom Spruill, of Norfolk, son of Mr.

Club News New Burnett Story Based on a W. R. Burnett novel By Miss Eugenia Patterson Schedule for Next Week Tuesday afternoon, June 11 Hoke. Wednesday afternoon, Roper.

which opens at the New Theatre on Thursday afternoon, Chapel Hill

Riskin is credited with such recent the first skirmish for his clients in Mackeys and the Roper community hits as "Lady For A Day," It Hap- that no camps be held now, due to jects should be constructed. outstanding productions as "No an indefinite period, and we don't

Greater Glory," Man's Castle," and know just when the camp will be held. The supervisors have begun measur- "Lady By Choice." John Ford direct- You will be notified as soon as plans can go forward. Keep list of things

