

## TAKING STEPS TO AVOID INFANTILE PARALYSIS HERE

### Congregation of Children Prohibited by Mayor And Council

Hemmed in on all sides with counties reporting cases of infantile paralysis causing a continual increase in the 312 cases reported in the state, officials this week began to take precautions that it is hoped will keep the dreaded malady from the borders of Washington County.

There are some cases in Martin on one side; Beaufort has reported one or more; across the Albemarle Sound in Chowan is a case in Edenton, and now there is a case at Sound Side in Tyrrell County. The 12,000 inhabitants of Washington have been fortunate. Now it is believed that luck needs to be supported by precautions.

In Plymouth Mayor Davis and his councilmen have prohibited the congregation of children anywhere below the ages of 15 years. This includes resorts, theatres, street corners and possibly Sunday schools. Dr. T. L. Bray, health officer, who has been sick in bed, will begin preventive methods in the county as a whole.

It is urged that children should not be subjected to fatigue and strain and that in the case of illness, the muscles should be protected against activity or stretching. Federal authorities have found that only 1 in 1,000 persons contracts it; only one-half of those who become ill are paralyzed; one-half of those paralyzed will be cured completely; one-half of the remainder will not be seriously crippled.

Federal authorities also revealed that "parents should take every precaution and while there are no proved preventives, the best results are obtained by keeping children segregated during an epidemic. The danger of infantile paralysis is not great enough to warrant wrecking of the nervous system of children in an effort to prevent their possible exposure to the disease."

A meeting was held with Dr. Bray and the town board of Creswell Sunday afternoon, at which time it was decided to prohibit the congregation of children at public places, gatherings, Sunday schools, churches and theaters. It is understood that the Town of Roper is taking similar precautions.

## Funeral for Mr. J. F. Gaylord Is Held in Roper Last Sunday

Funeral services were held at the Roper Episcopal church Sunday afternoon for John Fletcher Gaylord, 61 years of age, who died last Thursday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. C. McCleary, in Raleigh, following an illness of several months caused by a liver ailment.

Rev. Sidney J. Matthews, of Washington, rector of Grace Episcopal church in Plymouth, officiated. Interment took place in the old St. Luke's cemetery near Roper. Mr. Gaylord was a 33rd degree Mason and was known as the man who perfected free-wheeling for automobiles, but he never enjoyed the full credit from a financial standpoint of his achievement.

Mr. Gaylord is survived by his wife, to whom he was married in Tokio, Japan; a sister, Mrs. W. B. Stafford; and a brother, Dr. Lyman W. Gaylord, of Baltimore, Md.; and his daughter, Mrs. McCleary; and a number of relatives hereabouts, including Mrs. S. F. Nurney, Mrs. Mack Brown, Mrs. Dick Hardison, and Roland Gaylord.

## Memorial Service At Local Church

A large gathering is expected to attend the Memorial service to be held at the local Christian Church next Sunday, July 14, at 11 a. m., in honor of Mrs. Alice Ayers, who passed on to her reward a year ago. Out-of-town, as well as local, relatives are expected to attend the service held in the church where Mrs. Ayers found herself when the doors were opened for services.

The pastor, N. A. Taylor, feels sure that many in Plymouth cherish the memories of her faithful Christian life. Therefore, he, in behalf of the church, welcomes the public.

## Service Sunday at Creswell Church

Creswell.—Services will be held at St. David's Episcopal church by Rev. John W. Hardy Sunday morning at 11 and will continue to be held each Sunday morning through the month of August. Every one is cordially invited to attend these services.

## Locust Expected To Appear in Great Number In Western Carolina This Year

The song of 17-year locusts will drone through wooded areas in northwestern North Carolina this summer. Grubs which have been living under the ground since 1918 will crawl up onto trees this year to shed their skins and emerge as winged insects.

The locusts will appear in wood lots by the million; the males, filling the air with their steady droning. However, the insects do very little damage, says Dr. Z. P. Metcalf, head of the entomology department at State College.

Occasionally they do injure young fruit trees which have been set out in new ground by laying eggs in the twigs. This can be prevented by covering the trees with mosquito netting or tobacco cloth, Dr. Metcalf points out.

The locust infestation this year will occur in Alleghany, Surry, Wilkes, and Yadkin Counties, the mountains of West Virginia and Southwestern Virginia, he adds.

Since the department of entomology is dependent upon local observers in the affected areas for information regarding the locusts, Dr. Metcalf has requested that interested persons send him information about the insects.

Specimens of the locusts will also be appreciated, he stated. Specimens may be mailed in pasteboard boxes to the Entomology Department, State College, Raleigh, N. C.

Locusts will be found most numerous in rich woodlands which have not been cut or burned over recently, he said, but will also occur in other places. They should not be confused with grasshoppers or July flies.

Mr. Rankin, of St. Louis, Mo., who returned this week as a retired hotel man for his first visit since he left here 60 years ago as an assistant baker. Tragedy, romance, comedy, drama, and all the characteristics of a lowly young man's rise from the bakery shop to the executive positions in leading hotels are well-known phases in the career of this aged gentleman. Hard work, application to duty, honesty and integrity marked the upward trend.

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North Carolina farmers are being asked not to overlook the sale of firewood as a source of cash income. Woodlands on thousands of farms in the State will yield an annual harvest of firewood without depreciating in value, according to R. W. Graeber, extension forester at State College.

Given the proper care and management, wooded areas may well be considered timber and fuel crops, he added. Wood lots are not merely idle land to be neglected.

The extension forester, county farm agents, and forest authorities are always glad to give suggestions as to how the wood may be cut selectively so the land will continue to produce an annual harvest.

Graeber also pointed out that many county and city school officials will be making fuel contracts in July. He suggests that many farmers should be able to secure contracts to supply part of this fuel supply.

One cord of air-dry oak or hickory wood as a heating value equal to one ton of coal, Graeber stated by way of comparison. A cord of air-dry pine is equivalent to three-fourths of a ton of coal.

Farm timber grows can supply schools with fuel at an actual money saving to the school and at the same time make a fair profit for themselves, he commented.

He also brought out the point that when fuel money is spent for firewood, it remains in the community, giving the farmers and timber producers money to pay local taxes or to spend for other things.

## RETURN TO PLYMOUTH

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hardison and son, of Kenly, have moved back to Plymouth, where Mr. Hardison will be connected with the Nurney Funeral Parlor. They have an apartment in the home of Mrs. Sarah F. Nurney on Jefferson Street.

## MAN, 81, IS HERE ON VISIT AFTER 60-YEAR ABSENCE

### Joseph Rankin Has Had Long and Interesting Career

Fiction could never contrive a story more elemental than the career of Joseph Rankin, of St. Louis, Mo., who returned this week as a retired hotel man for his first visit since he left here 60 years ago as an assistant baker. Tragedy, romance, comedy, drama, and all the characteristics of a lowly young man's rise from the bakery shop to the executive positions in leading hotels are well-known phases in the career of this aged gentleman. Hard work, application to duty, honesty and integrity marked the upward trend.

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## OVER \$2,000,000 GO TO FARMERS IN RENTAL CHECKS

### First Rental Payment Yet Due Nearly 65,000 Farmers

More than \$2,000,000 has been distributed to North Carolina cotton growers in the first rental payment of the 1935 adjustment program. At the close of last week, checks had been mailed out to approximately 45,000 contract signers, with 65,000 signers yet to be paid, reported J. F. Criswell, of State College.

He also pointed out that later in the year the second payment will be disbursed. In some cases, the second payment will be larger than the first, while in others it will be smaller.

Criswell also announced that all 1934-35 cotton adjustment contracts have been cleared to Washington from the state office, except a few held up on technicalities.

The new contracts signed this year are now being approved by the state office, he added, and virtually all will be sent to Washington by the end of this week.

Rental payment checks to new contract signers will be mailed from Washington as soon as the contracts are approved and accepted there.

Meanwhile, around 100,000 applications for Bankhead tax-exemption allotments have been received at the state office at State College. Between 115,000 and 120,000 applications are expected.

Certificates exempting 552,000 bales from the Bankhead tax are available for distribution to North Carolina growers this year.

## Hold Funeral for Creswell Woman

Creswell.—Funeral services were conducted Monday morning at the St. David Episcopal church for Miss Caroline Chicoon by the Rev. J. W. Hardy pastor of the Episcopal church. Miss Chicoon died Sunday afternoon at the home of Miss Ida Bate-man after a brief illness. Burial took place in the St. David cemetery. The floral offering was very beautiful. Pall-bearers were Ray Armstrong, Josh Woodley, E. F. Swain, Ike Carter.

## Department of Revenue Now Working On Forms for Auto Drivers' Licenses

Raleigh — Officials of the Department of Revenue are spending a good deal of time now studying the new state drivers' license law and working out the various application blanks and forms that must be adopted and printed before any licenses can be issued. Director George S. Scott of the Division of Accounts has already drawn up several trial forms for both the application blanks and the actual license forms to be submitted to Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell and Assistant Commissioner of Revenue M. C. S. Noble, Jr., for their approval.

Several hundred letters have already been received from persons asking for application blanks for drivers' licenses, Scott said. But since none of the forms have even been decided upon yet, these applicants are being told that it will be a month or two yet before the license will be ready. It was hoped to get the application blanks and license forms ready as soon after July 1 as possible, but it may be August 1 before all of the machinery is ready for the distribution of the new drivers' licenses.

## ANNUAL GARDEN TOUR BY WOMEN IS HELD FRIDAY

### Mrs. George Bowen, Leader for Chapel Hill Club, First Prize Winner

By Miss Eugenia Patterson  
Miss Pauline Smith, northeastern district agent from the extension department, will be in Washington County Friday, July 26, to judge the demonstration yards in each club. Each yard leader is asked to have her club represented on the tour. This will be an "all-day affair," and lunches will be carried. Each club will have time to make plans for the day, and we are expecting them to make some "real" plans.

All of the leaders have done a fine piece of work for this year and deserve honorable mention for it. The leaders who had demonstration gardens in the various clubs are: Alba: Mrs. C. M. Allen. Beech Grove: Mrs. T. W. Davis. Cool Springs: Mrs. H. J. Woolard. Chapel Hill: Mrs. George Bowen. Cherry: Mrs. M. H. Phelps. Cross Roads: Mrs. R. W. Lewis. County Bridge: Mrs. S. L. Lilley. Hoke: Miss Lula Watson. Albemarle: Mrs. W. C. Spruill. Mount Tabor: Mrs. Lee Midgette. Piney Grove: Mrs. Durand Spruill. Pleasant Grove: Mrs. Wallace. Swain: Mrs. Jane Vail. Roper: Mrs. Joe Nowarah. Scuppernon: Mrs. C. C. Cahoon. Creswell: Mrs. Renzy Sawyer. Lake Farm: Mrs. J. T. Davis. Wenona: Mrs. John Kinard.

The first prize is a free trip to the state short course, and the second prize a one-day tour of the State Capital.

## Twin Dahlias Put On Display Here

Another of nature's freaks is on display in the office of the Roanoke Beacon, in the form of twin dahlias. This unusual flower was grown on a bush in the flower yard of Miss Ida Davis, in the Cherry section of Washington County. It was brought in by Miss Eugenia Patterson, home demonstration agent. It is preserved in a bottle of water for those who wish to see it.

The abnormal plant has one stem with two blossoms. The center of one is like a lettuce, while the blossom of the other resembles a sunflower. There seems to be an equal number of petals on each blossom. Miss Patterson seems to think that the two blossoms represent the different sex of flowers.

There are numbers of single flowers on the bush, but in the years of its growth this is the only stem with two blossoms on it. They grew with their backs to each other.

## Town Asked To Enter Contestant

Plymouth has been invited to enter a fair dansel in the bathing beauty contest which will feature the 4th annual outdoor celebration at the swimming pool at Rich Square, Wednesday, July 17, by N. G. Bartlett, of Kingston, secretary-manager of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, which is sponsoring the event. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, "North Carolina's silver-tongued orator," will speak in the afternoon at 4 o'clock. Music for the event will be furnished by Paul Jones and his orchestra. A dance will be enjoyed at night. Name of the Plymouth beauty to be entered is not ready for release at present. Coronation of the bathing beauty will take place at 9 p. m.

## LOCAL COUNCIL NAMES ENGINEER FOR PWA WORK

### Number Projects Likely To Be Undertaken if Loan Is Granted

Agreement was reached here today by the city council to pay William C. Olsen, of Raleigh, \$350 for the preparation of a PWA application, including an engineer's report and financial report of the proposed effort to secure funds for the construction of a new water supply, water and sewer extension and tilting of the town ditch. In the event the PWA approves the application and loans the money for the work, then Mr. Olsen will credit half of the \$350 to the town, as he will get an additional 7 1/2 per cent engineering fee applicable to the gross cost of the project, exclusive of legal and advertising, land and rights of way expense.

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## HOLC Now Bending Efforts on Collecting Home Installments

### Success of Undertaking Depends on Honesty, Says Regional Chairman

"Loaning is not the only job of the Home Owners' Loan Corporation, as the time of applications for loans has passed, the organization now must bend its efforts to collect from a million borrowers the monthly installments that are due," writes R. B. Davis, Greenville, regional chairman of HOLC, to borrowers in Washington County.

"Success of the enormous servicing operation will rest mainly upon the inherent honesty of American people. These loans were made on a basis of easy monthly repayments and are first liens on homes valued at least 25 per cent above the amount of the loans.

"Foreclosure proceedings have started against several hundred borrowers who willfully defaulted in their payments. Delinquency must be kept at a minimum represented by actual distress. And every effort will be made to collect these payments so as to take care of the three billion dollars government-guaranteed bonds that will soon be outstanding," said Mr. Davis.

## Dardens Team Will Play Here Sunday

That old adage, "You can't keep a good person down" applies to a sports town in the dumps, because Sunday afternoon the Dardens team (4 miles from here) will play Perrytown, of Bertie County, on the Plymouth diamond at 3:30 in the afternoon. Dardens beat Perrytown, 3 to 2, in the last encounter. Sneeze Burnham will be on the mound for Dardens, with Carl Brown receiving. Dardens outfielders are Red Sykes, Eddie Gettinger, Thomas Hardison; infielders: Aubrey Hardison, Vic Frazier, Bob Davenport, Ralph Davenport (also manager); James Harris, with C. Reason as relief hurler.

## Schedule of Club Meets Next Week

Miss Eugenia Patterson, the county home demonstration agent, announces the following schedule of club meetings for next week: Monday afternoon, Scuppernon. Tuesday, Cherry. Wednesday, Albemarle. Thursday, Wenona. Friday, Mount Tabor. Saturday morning, curb market.

## Farmers In Onslow County Organize Agricultural Club

The first meeting of the new farmers' club of Onslow County was held a few days ago. It was organized to bring the farmers into closer touch with one another and to promote agricultural interests.

## Final Rites Are Held Tuesday for Mrs. Mae Herrington, 65

Roper.—Funeral services were held Tuesday for Mrs. Dennie Mae Herrington, 65 years of age, who died on Monday at her home in the Pleasant Grove section of Washington County. Interment took place in the family cemetery at the Downing homestead.

Rev. E. L. Stack, of Roper, pastor of the Pleasant Grove Church, of which Mrs. Herrington was a member, officiated. A large crowd attended the funeral of this well known and well-liked woman, who was an ardent church worker. The many assorted floral designs revealed the esteem in which she was held.

She was the wife of Nathan Thomas Herrington, marrying him December 24, 1890. She is survived by the following children: N. S. Herrington, Roper; Mrs. Audrey Sivills, Richmond; Mrs. J. C. Tarkington, Mackeys; and by a sister, Mrs. Nona Holloman, of Norfolk.

Active pall-bearers were: W. A. Knowles, L. L. Mizelle, J. M. Clagon, W. A. Swain, W. A. Mizelle, L. D. Barco, and Barton Swain. Visitors at the funeral included Capt. and Mrs. G. B. Downing, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Downing, Mrs. R. H. Brickhouse; Mrs. R. S. Markham, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Sivills and J. W. Sivills, of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Holloman, Elizabeth City.

## Novel Feature To Be Put On by Theatre

Shep Brinkley, manager of the New Theatre, announces this novel feature to begin on Saturday, July 20: Beginning on this date a new feature and entire change of program will begin each Saturday night promptly at 10 o'clock (sharp). The feature booked for Saturday, July 20, is one of the cleverest comedies of the year: "Cockeyed Cavaliers," featuring Wheeler and Woolsey.

It is believed this will afford additional amusement to all late visitors and to the people working late in town. This novel attraction will give every one the chance to completely relax and refresh his mental attitude before returning home.

## Grease Pigs with Waste Cylinder Oil to Kill Lice

Hogs infested with lice should be greased with waste oil from the automobile. This will kill lice and other external parasites affecting the animals. However, do not expose the pigs to direct sunlight immediately after greasing them.