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Welfare Work Is Being Given Consideration

The services of Miss Florence Ledbetter, certificate adjuster for below according to townships: Plym Ledbetter, certificate adjuster below according to townships. Lether out Township: H. C. Spruill, chair-outh Township: H. C. Spruill, chair-man; R. B. Davenport, vice chair-

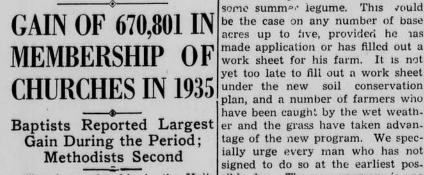
The State and Federal governices would no longer be available. Her salary was paid by the State H. O. Chesson, member, and J. H. and Federal governments.

It is expected that the Washington County Commissioners will arrange some kind of set-up for this chairman; W. D. Phelps, member; office or that H. H. McLean, superintendent of schools, and thereby according to law, be charged with the welfare relief duties.

is that some local person who has had some experience be given the welfare worker's job as an assistant to Mr. McLean and at a very reasonable salary. However, the State officials who supervise this work want a person with much training.

Miss Sybil Brown who has been assistant to Miss Ledbetter has been mentioned for the job. She has been engaged indirectly in this work for about three years. She has been doing the clerical work and is acquainted with other phases of relief activities.

State and Federal agencies in an effort to effect a substitute organi- ton. This means that a farmer hav- in improving and paving as much better is leaving.



Farm Notes By W. V. HAYS, County Agent Money for Road Meetings were held last week in Substitue Plan To Carry on the four townships of the county Commission First Said \$50,and committeemen elected for the 000 Was All That Could administration of the new soil con-

Strenuous Efforts

Be Allotted

"Had strenuous efforts not been

made at the meeting of the State

mission on June 19 by a delegation

from Washington County, it is prac-

tically certain that little, if anything,

would have been approved for the

Long Acre road on No. 97 during

The delegation was told immedi-

Highway Commission that no more

than \$50,000 to \$60,000 could be

road construction out of the money

to become available for the year,

an interview this week

Highway and Public Works Com-

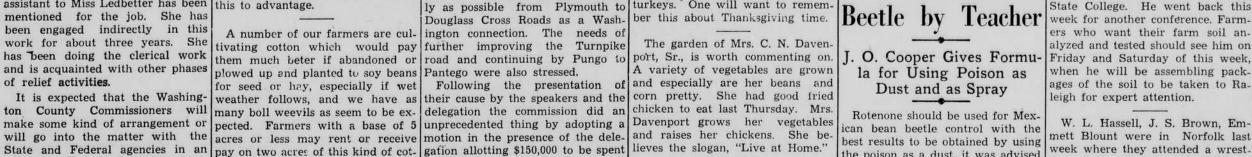
servation program during the year 1936. The committeemen elected man, J. T. Browning and C. S. Hey-

nen; J. B. Stillman, alternate. Lees ments are withdrawing their wel- Mill Township: R. L. Stillman, chair fare relief workers from the coun- man, J. E. Davenport, vice chairties in the State and this means, of man, and J. R. Swain. Skinnerscourse, that Miss Ledbetter's serv- ville Township: J. C. Swain, chairman; C. L. Everett, vice chairman; Pritchard, alternate. Scuppernong Township: Roy L. Leitchfield, chair-

man; J. DeWitt Davenport, vice and T. F. Davenport, alternate.

A number of farmers are market- ple living along Route 97 from P. gives a report on it at the club ing tall, straight pine trees in the M. Arps, Senator Bailey, Louis Lu- meetings.

A plan that has been suggested form of saw logs when this timber cas, John Allen, and others, who would bring twice as much if sold were backed by an enthusiastic delfor piling material. Anyone having egation composed of about 15 men they believe suitable for piling material might be able to secure a prem both for local travel, and as a conium on this timber. Advise the necting link with Beaufort County hundred percent. county office of the amount and size were strongly presented by the sevof the timber you have to sell, and eral speakers. It was advocated we may be able to help you market that this road be continued as quickthis to advantage.



zation to help Mr. McLean in the ing three acres of very poor cotton of this road, beginning at Plymouth welfare work. But now everything would receive rental on two acres as the appropriation would cover

cotton and plant it to soy beans or at the result of their efforts. some summer legume. This would The improvement and paving of be the case on any number of base this road has long been advocated acres up to five, provided he has by the people of the county, and made application or has filled out a efforts will continue until it is comwork sheet for his farm. It is not pletely paved from one end to the

yet too late to fill out a work sheet other. under the new soil conservation plan, and a number of farmers who have been caught by the wet weathtage of the new program. We spec-

ially urge every man who has not signed to do so at the earliest pos-



Schedule for Next Week Monday, Beech Grove Club. Tuesday-Hoke Club. Wednesday-Roper Club Thursday-Chapel Hill Club. Saturday-Curb market, 3:15. good for the month of June. On nut butter here. Saturday, June 13, Mrs. Joe Snell this year," stated Senator Bailey in led the sales. Mrs. J. W. Marrow, of the Cross Roads club, was highest seller on June 20, and on June

ately upon appearing before the 27 Mrs. Joe Snell again led. getting plenty of corn out of it, even enough to give to her neigh- stood. beginning July 1, 1936. The com- bors. Mrs. Vail takes a lot of inmission heard the needs of the peo- terest in her garden and always

Mrs. E. W. Harrison, of Alba club, has done quite a bit of work tall, good-sized trees for sale which who live on the road to be im- in redecorating the interior of her proved. The needs of the section, home this spring. The new wall paper used improves her rooms

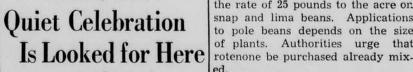
peanut butter.

Dust and as Spray

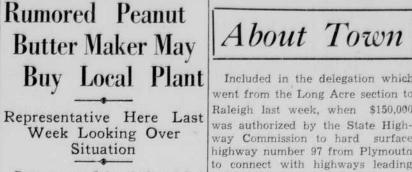
Mrs. C. N. Robbins, of the Swain Kontrol of Mexican club, has 50 fine looking young turkeys." One will want to remember this about Thanksgiving time.

The garden of Mrs. C. N. Daven-A variety of vegetables are grown Following the presentation of and especially are her beans and chicken to eat last Thursday. Mrs. lieves the slogan, "Live at Home.'

Mrs. George Bowen's yard is lovely now. A pretty out-door livouth High School. is indefinite except that Miss Led- should he plow up two acres of this The delegation was greatly pleased ing room has been fixed, a variety of flowers are blooming, and shrubs form a perfect back ground.



Celebration of Independence Day tablespoonfuls of the poison with a



o connect with highways leading Rumors were flying thick and fast to Washington were C. L. Bailey and nere today that a chain store or- P. M. Arps, who headed the deleganization was interested in pur- gation, and the following: Charlie chasing the local Plymouth Peanut Bowen, John Allen, Warren Ayers, Company plant as the first step in Wilton Ayers, Jim Askew, Allen Curb market sales have been the process of manufacturing pea- Peed, Louis Lucas, W. H. Gurkin, A. R. Latham and W. E. Weede. In fact the reporter can name the

persons interested, but for obvious J. S. Allen, of Windsor, was in reasons he has been requested not Plymouth during the week-end. For to do so until the plan has progress some time he was employed by the ed further. A representative was Central Garage here, but resigned to here last week looking over the accept a job with the state as a me Mrs. Jane Vail's garden in Swain plant which is not working, but chanic for the school system in Berspent in Washington County for club is fine-looking. She has been which was operated for a couple of tie County. This county has 34 hours for inspection, it is under busses for the children to ride in while Washington County has but

If the matter goes through then 24. Mr. Allen likes his new job.

it will mean that close to 60 people will be given employment here in the plant which shells and cleans the nuts while additional equipment will be installed to convert an ad run in the Beacon.

J. O. Cooper, head of the voca-Beetle by Teacher State College. He went back this Grady led with 719 votes week for another conference. Farm- P. Horton trailing with 666. ers who want their farm soil analyzed and tested should see him on la for Using Poison as ages of the soil to be taken to Raleigh for expert attention.

Rotenone should be used for Mex-W. L. Hassell, J. S. Brown, Emican bean beetle control with the mett Blount were in Norfolk last best results to be obtained by using week where they attended a wrest the poison as a dust, it was advised ling match refereed by Jack Demptoday by J. O. Cooper, teacher of sey. They reported that the old vocational agriculture in the Plym-"Manassa Mauler" appeared to be in trim. They recalled an incident In using it as a talc dust the that happened some months ago mixture should contain 75 percent when one of the wrestlers insulted rotenone. It should be applied at Dempsey and the former champion the rate of 25 pounds to the acre on boxer knocked the wrestler through snap and lima beans. Applications the ropes, landing him in the laps of to pole beans depends on the size ringside spectators. of plants. Authorities urge that

Nine dogs have been slain lately by officers who have been making For spraying, mix three level an effort to rid the town of the unwill be quiet here. No stores or gallon of water or 1 1-2 pounds to claimed canines. Residents have Court Activities business houses will be closed either fifty gallons of water, using one when in the late hours of the night been taking pot-shots at the animals when in the late hours of the night Five-Year Old Boy Lester Davis, young colored far-ber, charged with assaulting L. E. on Saturday or Monday. Merchants hundred gallons of the mixture to one acre. Applications should be low up Washington Street was benefit

COUNTY CITIZENS **VOTE SATURDAY**

ON SIX CONTESTS Three County and Three State Offices Are To

Be Filled

Opposing forces are making last minute arrangements to marshall their complete strength in the battle of ballots that will be held here Saturday when nominees for six offices will be selected by the electorate of Washington County in a second Democratic primary

Three of these are for State and hree for county offices. Next to the governor's race in importance in this county is that of Frank L. Brinkley, incumbent, who is opposed for the office of commissioner in district No. 1 by Percy M. Arps.

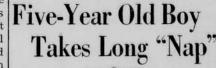
In fact political observers agree that the commissioner's race will be J. R. Morris and J. L. Gurganus, the most hotly contested battle of of Bethel, were here on business last the six offices in significance. It week. They are livestock dealers provides the balance of power beand expressed their satisfaction at tween two waring factions. Who the shelled goober into the popular the results brought to them through has the edge so far in the race can not be predicted.

Cyde R. Hoey led the county the first time in the race for governor Rotenone Urged for tional agriculture department of the with 747 votes with Graham trail-Plymouth High School, was home ing with 636 and Dr. R. W. McDonlast week-end from Raleigh, where ald third with 554 votes. In the he attended a two-weeks course at race for lieutenant governor Paul State College. He went back this Grady led with 719 votes with W.

Thad Eure for secretary of state, led the entire state ticket in this county counting 1278 against 355 when he will be assembling pack- for Stacey W. Wade and 72 votes for Mike Dunnagan. Eure is very popular and is expected to repeat with a sizeable margin of victory in this county as well as in the first district in which he lives.

> Besides the office of commissioner, Robert Campbell and Stuart D. Davis are waging a lively campaign for the office of treasurer. Davis, in the first campaign, secured 545 votes, and Campbell 397. This campaign will mean a battle to the fin-

Then there is the contest between W. H. (Jack) Peal and W. S. Nurney in the second primary for coroner. Peele counted 702 votes while Nurney narrowly topped Walter W. White who had 586 votes.



Church membership in the Unit-sible day. The new program is one ed States increased by almost 700,- of the most liberal insurance poli-000 during 1935, the annual report cies imaginable, and should be very of the Christian Herald statisticians profitable for the Washington Coun ty farmer this year. Every farmer reveals.

the direction of Dr. George Linn ance, which pays if complied with Kieffer, president of the Associa- and costs you nothing otherwise. tion of Statisticians for American Religious Bodies and statistician for the National Lutheran Council.

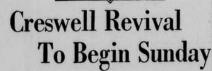
The more than 156 bodies report- State College in Raleigh on July 30, ing disclosed a total membership of at which time Mr. J. B. Hutson, man for trial. 62,678,177, a gain of 670,801 over ager of the old tobacco program, the previous year. The bodies com- and a number of other officials of prise 245,005 churches, with 244,090 the Department of Agriculture will ministers in charge.

Among the Protestants, the Bap- how a program might be worked tists lead in the gains and also in out which would benefit and safetotal membership. That denomina- guard the interests of all tobacco peth on two occasions, was given tion reported an increase of 163,318 producers in North Carolina. Every 30 days on the roads. members and a total membership tobacco grower who possibly can of 10,191,697.

bership of 9,067,561. The Lutherans (Saturday), to elect at least three was found not guilty. are third with a gain of 86,088 mem- representatives of our growers who bers and a total membership of 4,-586,300. will attend this meeting and repre-sent the interest of the Washington Returns From

The Roman Catholic Church re- County tobacco producers. mains the largest of the religious bodies with a total membership of 14,797,479 over 13 years of age and a grand total of 20,609,302 members. It reported a gain of 210,793 members during 1935.

Total per capita contributions were \$12.10, a slight gain of three cents per head over 1934. Total control. Hogs must be confined and property valuation was placed at \$2,636,964, with indebtedness of only \$250,970. Dr. Kieffer points out that this comparatively low indebtedness makes the churches the most solvent institutions in the na-



Creswell-Cottage prayer services have been held this week in preparation for a series of revival services that will be held in the Methodist Espiscopal church beginning Sunday night, July 5, at 8 o'clock with the pastor, Rev. W. J. Watson, as the preacher.

Preparatory services were held at the homes of E. R. Davenport, R. L. Spruill and H. A. Norman. urged to participate.

threatening his life. Not guilty. John Norman, 33, colored laborer, charged with assaulting T. L. The report was compiled under should take out this kind of insur-Green with a knife. Not guilty.

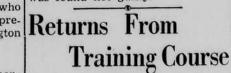
Tommie Lee Green, 26, colored laborer, charged with being in an aflray. Thirty days on the roads. North Carolina tobacco growers C. L. Perkins, 35, white farmer, are invited to attend a program at issuing a worthless check. Case

remanded to a justice of the peace Carrie Pettiford, Phillip Alexan. der and Lexion Gibbs, charged with aiding and abetting in prosspeak on the tobacco situation and titution. Case nolprossed.

mer, charged with assaulting L. E.

Ben Hedgepeth, 36, clored, charg ed with assaulting Adeline Hedge-peth on two occasions, was given Big Prehistoric City

Bosie Rhodes, 27, white farmer, should attend this meeting, and we charged with non-support of his The Methodists are second with expect to hold a meeting, here at the wife and two children on a wara gain of 91,069 and a total mem- courthouse on July 11, at 2 p. m. rant sworn to by Bernice Rhodes,



Hog cholera is breaking out spon-Mrs. W. C. Brewer is at home a taneously in practically all the area around Plymouth and Roper. There gain from Elizabeth City where she

are a few things which we can do attended an institute of training for which will greatly reduce losses the district, county and room supfrom hog cholera and these few ervisors of this district of the sewthings are absolutely necessary for ing phase of the WPA program. Instructors were Mrs. Mae Campnot permitted to run all over the bell, state director; Miss Rhinehart, assistant state director; Mrs. Charles neighborhood. Hog lots and drinking places should be kept clean and P. Wales, district supervisor; Mrs. E sanitary. Do not allow trash and H. Smith, assistant supervisor; E. S. manure to accumulate in the lots. Askew, district WPA administrator, Burn all rubbish, soiled bedding, was present for a while.

sticks, old boards, and everything Goals of teaching in the women's that will burn around the hog lot. sewing projects and administration If possible, fence off at least a por- problems were discussed. "Build a real constructive work in the lives tion of a field of green soy beans for the hogs to run on; a shade made of workers, better living, better To Begin Sunday for the hogs to run on; a shade made of workers, better living, better from old boards or brush is much homes and brighter outlook on life, better than a mud wallow. Keep were what Mrs. Brewer considered

stray dogs and people who have no the theme of the meeting. business from passing through hog lots. Incidentally, a healthy hog is more immune to disease than a less **To Hold Services** healthy or undernourished hog.

Services Sunday at Mount Zion Church Creswell.-Rev. C. E. Williams, of

speaker. The public is invited. is invited to attend.

spruil with a bush hook and who will come in to vote in the sec-under at least six inches deep imond Democratic primary and who will shop before they leave.

L. W. Gurkin will have a special program at Rea's Beach on historic Albemarle Sound on Monday, with

bathing, boating, dancing in afternoon and night with music furnished by the Carolina Club orchestra. A fireworks program will be an added feature to the night enter-

tainment. The merchants will continue closing each Wednesday afternoon during the summer months.

Superior Court which will convene here for one week on October 26. There will be no term of the superior court in this county in July. Judge Barnhill is the resident judge Dug Up in Nebraska of this judicial district. Judge Henry A. Grady was scheduled to have presided over the July and October courts this

Relics of 4000 - Year - Old off and an exchange has been effect-Civilization Found In Ancient Desert

Lynch, Neb.-Dr. Earl H. Bell, gist, said a few days ago that he and eight students have unearthed near McDonald on Friday here what probably was the largest

prehistoric city in North America. The primitive settlement-describ The only speech to be made in ed by Dr. Bell as "one of the most lower Washington County will be sensational sites ever found in this heard Friday night in the Cherry country"-was located beneath the school auditorium at 8 p. m., when shifting sands of an ancient desert. H. B. Spruill, of Windsor, president ed "possibly 4000 years" ago, he McDonald in the Albemarle section, said.

The first excavations indicated the city was three miles long and

a half-mile wide, and large sections evidently were inhabited densely. Revival To Begin at Remains uncovered included carbon ized ears of corn, large and small beans and squash. There also are pieces of pottery.

Dr. Bell said a type of house hitherto unknown also was found. He start in the Mt. Hermon Methodist ington County towns. He has been believed it a forerunner of the sub- Protestant Church near Cherry Sun visiting here with his Bible, musiterranean houses common to later day, July 5 at 8 p. m. with the Rev. cal instruments for a dozen or more nited States Department of Agricul-At Galilee Mission terranean houses com

size of the city to its "ideal loca- speaker.

New Bern, former rector of the tion for an early civilization," aling ground, he said.

whistling the dogs to him and then firing into the dozen or more which under at least six inches deep imtravel together in packs at night. mediately after picking is finished. Rotenone is not poisonous to hu

One of the twin daughters of Mrs. mans the teacher explained. Will Jackson was hit by an auto-

mobile driven by Demas Basnight, Barnhill To Preside colored, Friday, when she ran from behind a machine driven by W. B. Over October Court Cox into the path of the other ve-hicle. She was not seriously injured and witnesses reported that there

was apparently no negligence on the Judge M. V. Barnhill, of Rocky Mount, will preside over the Oc- part of the negro driver. tober term of Washington County

Clarence A. McArthur, of Florola, Ala., who was to start July 1 delivering mail from Rocky Mount to Plymouth, succeeding Fred Smith, died in Rocky Mount Thursday. He had come to the North Car olina town to assume his duties July

1. He was subject to sudden attacks of a chronic disease.

year but the July term was called Mrs. R. E. Ridenhour, of Concord, state president of the United ed by the two judges for October Daughters of the Confederacy, en of the child ever having any drugs. that the two might remain in their route to her home from a district meeting in Elizabeth City last week, stopped overnight here with Mrs. Lynch, Neb.—Dr. Earl H. Bell, University of Nebraska anthropolo- Spruill To Speak for Claudius McGowan, recorder of crosses of the state organization. She rosses of the state organization. She left next day for home.

Probably the greatest peach grow er in Washington County is Hugh Patrick in the Scuppernong section who has 1,800 trees on his farm. Only about 600 trees bore fruit this year, but the others are expected The discovery indicated a Mid-west- of the Young People's Democratic to start bearing next season. He ern agricultural civilization flourish Club and campaign manager for Dr. sells many of them for canning and immediate consumption to neighwill speak favoring McDonald for bors. This peach project is oper-

regular farm duties.

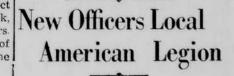
Envoy Sumners of the Salvation Army Corps at Greenville is in ers' abstracts the information that ice who is better known to the peo-

What was thought at one time to be sleeping sickness turned out to be a long "nap", probably the result of an over-dose of drugs, and the five-year-old son of Lawrence Bowen was well here today.

The child could not be awakened from sleep during a long number of hours. He went to sleep Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock and was brought to Dr. T. L. Bray here that night, the little fellow still sleeping soundly. His parents averred that it was unusual for him to sleep in

the day time. Doctors at a Washington hospital agreed with Dr. T. L. Bray here that the child was suffering from an overdose of drugs. He was reported to be well Wednesday after all night in a hospital. Contracted pupils of the eye first convinced the

physicians that he was drugged. Parents of the child contended then and now that they do not know



New officers for the James E. Jethro post of the American Legion as elected recently follow:

P. W. Brown, commander; W. V. Hayes, first vice commander; B. G. Campbell, second vice commander; M. W. Spruill, adjutant; J. Richard Carr, seargeant-at-arms; and the following committee officers: H. A. Williford, finance; Dr. C. McGowan, ated during the spare time from his publicity; J. B. McNair, athletic; R. L. Tetterton, service; Goldie Simpson, Americanism; D. A. Hurley, chaplain.

Mt. Hermon Sunday Mississippi visiting his daughter. goes on the tax receipts and to There is hardly a man in this serv-figure the amount due by each taxpayer.

> Some predictions on the price of farm products as made by the Uture: Corn prices for July will con-

tinue at present levels; hog prices Work on the 1936 tax receipts will rise seasonally in late summer; Rev. Mr. Asbrurn, of Greensboro, for the county has begun in the of- butter prices are expected to con-Services will be held at the Mt. Christ Episcopal Church here, has midst bluffs above Ponca Creek. a retired minister and a former pas- fice of Auditor E. Jack Spruill. tinue high during summer months; Zion Free Will Baptist Church Sun- arrived to conduct a series of mis- The nearby lowland was irrigated tor of Mt. Hermon, will be here dur- Those employed are Mrs. Ralph egg prices will probably rise by the The public is invited and church day morning, July 5, at 11 o'clock sion services at Gallilee Mission on naturally by springs, and the high- ing the services. Rev. O. L. Easter, Harrell, Roper, and Mrs. W. M. end of summer to last year's levels; workers of other denominations are with Rev. T. F. Davenport as the Lake Phelps this week. The public land to the north was a rich hunt- pastor of the church, will be in Spruill and Mrs. J. L. Hayes. It is prices on poultry may decline after their job to take from the list-tak- July; potato prices will decline.

The scientist attributed the large M. P. Church, in Greensboro, as the

own districts.

governor.

charge of the song service.



Creswell-A revival meetinw will ple of Plymouth and other Wash-

O. D. Shelton, pastor of the St. Paul years.