

CASES TRIED AT OCTOBER TERM SUPERIOR COURT

Number Divorces Granted By Judge Barnhill at Recent Session

Returns and information on the election took up so much of the Beacon last week it crowded out the resume of the October term of Superior Court which met here with Judge M. V. Barnhill presiding.

Divorces were granted the following: Ruby Harison Windley from Jack L. Windley, consent on grounds of incompatibility; Milton Earl Barnes from Ercell Snell Barnes, abandonment; Mildred V. Bateman from J. Bruce Bateman, separation; Claire Ray Wilson from Anne Elizabeth Wilson, separation; Rosalie Sallinger from C. D. Sallinger.

Alethia Twiddy vs. B. F. Twiddy, C. L. Bailey, as commissioner, paid to the court \$561.06, with distribution to be made Lillie May Ward, one twelfth; Sam Sykes, one-twelfth; J. C. Tarkenton \$150 and interest, with balance going to B. F. Twiddy.

F. C. Thornton vs. John Atamanchuk. Case continue to January term. Sheriff ordered to make list of property of saw mill and garage to prevent Atamanchuk from selling before trial.

J. J. Johnson vs. W. B. Copper-smith. Johnson was awarded \$350 damage from Copper-smith, as defendant failed to return property. Depreciation was figured at \$300.

Industrial Bank of Elizabeth City vs. G. S. Pettiford. Bank was allowed \$70.37 with interest from June 15, 1935, and was given a piano.

Clara Hedgepeth vs. Home Security Life Insurance Co. Court would not allow amendment and so non-suit was taken.

J. I. Heritage vs. Victor Lewis. In this case \$1,000 was secured by a deed of trust signed by Heritage and others to Norwood L. Simmons and held by Lewis. Heritage paid in full his one-third that was due on note, relieving him.

Mrs. Ercell Jackson and E. R. Jackson vs. Branch Banking & Trust Co. Bank claimed that they only offered to credit Jackson with 85 cents on the \$100 for Home Owners Loan Corporation bonds tendered to them in payment of an account. Several hundred dollars were lost by Jackson, as the jury held with the bank. Appeal was noted.

J. L. Swain injunction bond against Clyde McCallum was increased to \$200, and the case was referred to H. G. Horton, William-son, as referee.

Windsor Defeats Plymouth, 33-0

The Rocks were no match Wednesday for the charging, driving Lions who were led by a great high school fullback, Pete Alston, so Windsor defeated Plymouth, 33 to 0, for the sixth shut-out against the locals this season.

The Rocks never even made a first down, although they threatened several times on passes and on triple lateral plays behind the line. However, Plymouth showed the best fight they have manifested this season as the fair-sized crowd looked on.

The passing, charging, driving, and open-field running of Pete Alston, who called the signals from the fullback position, and the pass-receiving ability of Acie Phelps were enough to make any coach's heart glad. The two gained almost all of the ground for the Windsor club.

Windsor racked up 14 first downs. The score reads Alston to Phelps for all of the touchdowns, except when Alston punched the line, drawing the ends and running off-tackle. Harrison, punting, for Plymouth, sending the ball 40 yards on one try, looked good for Plymouth.

Alston blocked one of Harrison's punts and then recovered the ball and raced to the 1-yard line.

Scuppernong Gives Democrats Majority

Scuppernong precinct—Creswell, voting place—rolled up a majority of 84 Democratic ballots out of a total of 650 ballots for the first time in 16 years in a presidential election.

On off years little attention is paid to politics, and the Republicans do not go to the polls as they do in the presidential years, and then they usually all flock in. This time enough were converted by the Democrats to roll up the majority.

Option Taken on 75 Acres of Land Near Here as Mill Site

An option has been taken on the T. S. Lucas farm near here for a pulp mill. This is the same group of representatives who have been in this section for several months surveying sites and securing options in possibly Windsor and William-son.

This property comprises about 75 acres cleared, with several acres of woodland. It is located on the road leading from town by the National Handle Company to the famous Kitty Hawk and Slade, fisheries. By water it is much less, but by land

the distance is 2 1-2 miles from town.

This is thought to be a choice location for the pulp mill, as water can then be secured from Roanoke Middle and Cashie Rivers, which converge at a point near the site. It is just over the Washington County line in Martin, and the option will be filed in the courthouse at Williamston.

It is hoped by the citizens that this plant will be located near here as it may increase the payroll coming to labor in this section.

About Town

Three of the 1,790 students enrolled at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro for the fall semester are from Washington County, including Misses Edith Edmondson and Virginia Spruill, of Plymouth, and Margaret Anne Swain, of Creswell. Ninety-seven counties are represented in the student body. Last year's registration was 1,563.

Miss Minnie Brinkley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Brinkley, has returned from Washington, D. C., where she has been attending Temple Business School. She enrolled January first for the entire course. Her sister, Miss Carolyn Brinkley, is teaching in the Fremont schools this year.

Misses Elizabeth Campbell and Martha Mayo attended Society Day at Wake Forest College Saturday, which included a banquet, society activities and a victory over Presbyterian College at night. Miss Campbell's brother, Robert Burbage is president of the Eu Literary Society and served as secretary of one of the day's events which combined

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Sunday Services at Methodist Church

Next Sunday morning the door of the Plymouth Methodist church will be opened for the reception of new members. The pastor, Rev. C. T. Thrift, is looking forward to the reception of the largest class ever received at this church. The parents and friends of those who are to unite with the church are urged to be present for this solemn service. Every member of the Methodist church ought to attend. Friends of the church are also cordially invited. This is the last Sunday before conference meets in New Bern on November 19th.

At the evening service the pastor will read some of his poems, among which are: The Morning Star, Twilight, Dawn, Labor, The Impossible, The Greatness of Christ, and The Thunderstorm. The choir and the congregation will sing those which have been set to music. The people of Plymouth are cordially invited to attend his unique service.

Service at Dardens Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Members will be received there also and the Lord's Supper will be observed.

Newspaper Story Has Flare-Back

Newspaper publicity sometimes kicks back, as in this case.

Jim Allen was reported to have trapped a bear. Off to the papers went the story. Next day down to Plymouth came Rupert West, district game protector of Moyock, asking J. L. Swain, local game protector, to do his duty.

Swain was to arrest Allen and have a hearing today charging Allen with trapping a bear. They can be shot but trapping is not allowed.

Sixteen Added To Jamesville Church

Last Sunday was a great day with the Methodists at Jamesville. The Sunday school was larger than usual. The congregations, both morning and night, were unusually good. The Communion service was the largest ever known in that church. The pastor, Rev. C. T. Thrift, received the largest class ever received into the membership of that church. There were 10 received on profession of faith and 6 by certificate.

Farm Notes

By W. V. HAYS, County Agent

It seems that prices of mules and work stock will continue to advance until a farmer can hardly afford to buy work stock. The number of young mares imported in the county during the past few years should be bred to the young Percheron stallion at the State Test Farm at Wenaona. The fact that the old stallion proved sterile should not discourage us in the production of colts. The young stallion is a beautiful animal and now weighs about 1,500 pounds. The get from this stallion crossed on most of the mares here in the county should give a good chunky work animal weighing from 1,000 to 1,200 pounds. We should take advantage of our opportunity and raise some good breeding fillies while these stallions are being kept at State expense in our neighborhood. Pure-bred Percheron mares, I understand, can be bought registered in the buyer's name from \$300 to \$350 in the Valley of Virginia. A good mule will cost this much or more, and when one considers the fact that a colt can be raised practically as cheap as a cow we should realize that we farmers in this county have an opportunity of increasing our income considerably.

The soil conservation program has accomplished something which the county agents have found very hard to do in the past few years, that is the planting of winter legumes and cover crops, as is being done in our county this year. To date, there is a record of four tons more vetch sown than any previous year. There must have been quite a little of which there is no record. Warren Spruill, on Mr. J. T. McAllister's place, near Roper, has a piece of corn planted where vetch was turned under this spring without any additional fertilizer which he estimates will yield 60 bushels per acre. I have personally looked over this corn and do not believe the estimate much out of line, if any. The soil is an ordinary deep sand and perfectly demonstrates what vetch as a green manure crop can and will do. This has been called to the attention of most of the farmers in the immediate neighborhood and most of those visiting this corn patch now have some vetch sown.

We have been advised from Raleigh and Washington that our soil conservation program will be continued, regardless of politics or anything else. This being the case the farmers having surplus soy bean seed for sale would do well in holding these seed until the seed market really opens. Prices on winter legumes, small grains have continued to advance, and there will certainly be a premium on soy beans with the continuance of our present program.

Most of our farmers have increased the size of their poultry flocks and apparently have more laying hens per farm than usual. For these hens to show a profit they should be put on a good laying mash, either home mixed by a good formula or a good commercial laying mash and the hoppers kept full. The quarters should be cleaned up and made comfortable for cold weather. Plenty of grit, oyster shells and clean water shall always be available. It will be a good idea to have on hand litter for the floors, which may be pine straw, peanut trash, shucks, etc., but by all means change this as often as necessary to keep it clean.

Some of our farmers seem to think that rye and oats are winter legumes or that the planting of these qualifies them for a soil-conserving acreage. Winter legumes are vetches, clovers, Austrian Winter Peas and are best adapted of the winter legumes for this territory. It is permissible, however, to mix rye, barley, wheat or oats with vetch or clover or winter peas, but possibly where there was a shortage in summer soil-conserving crops either vetch, clovers, or Austrian winter peas must be used. Rye, oats, or barley sown by itself will not do, nor will it be credited as a soil conserving crop under the present program.

Each club is planning to exhibit some phase of its work during the past year. Some interesting exhibits are expected to be shown. The high school band will furnish music for the occasion, also some special string music will be given. Mr. W. F. Winslow will present the \$5 prize he has offered to the club having the best gardens. The public is invited to attend this meeting to see what the different clubs in the county are doing.

Basketball Teams At Creswell School

Basketball will be the principal form of athletics in the Creswell schools for the next few months. N. S. Riddick will coach the boys, and D. O. Rudisill will tutor the girls. Both instructors are members of the Creswell school faculty.

Cherry Chapter P.-T. A. Is Active

The program of the parent-teacher association of Cherry for the current year includes the completion of payments on a piano and the obtaining of supplementary readers for the children.

Mrs. Kie Spruill is president of the organization and G. A. Wilson is principal of the school.

PLAN TO FINISH NEW ROAD ABOUT FIRST OF YEAR

Total Cost Around \$30,000; Shortens Cherry Route Considerably

Completion of the new road between the head of the Newlands section and Roper by January 1, was predicted today by Roy L. Hopkins, foreman of the project, which will cost about \$30,000 before it is ready for traffic.

There are now only two miles to go. One mile of the work will be done by the dredge which has been digging a canal for drainage purposes alongside the road, and the other mile will be done by men and tractors, possibly with a little help from the dragline.

The distance is seven miles thru high land, reed swamps and marshes but now only two of the seven miles is left to connect the two portions of the road. Now an automobile can enter the road at E. R. Lewis' farm at Roper, traveling down the road 2 1-2 miles to where the work is in progress.

The project was approved by the old WPA with Washington County to pay \$2,000 as sponsor, and with the new WPA to provide the remainder of the money. Since then \$6,000 has been added to this amount making \$18,000 for the expense so far. It is predicted that it will take \$12,000 more.

R. T. Hopkins has served as foreman of the project. Carl Brey, assistant foreman, has been in charge of the men while Mr. Hopkins has been sick for the last several days. Some of the men employed have stopped work to help at peanut pickers.

So far an average of 21 men have been employed. The work started November 1, 1935. This road shortens the distance between Roper and Cherry from 20 to about 13 miles, making the Cherry people within 20 miles of Plymouth, the county at of Washington instead of about 40 on the other route.

For about eight weeks the men worked on drainage, digging a canal from back of the school to Scuppernong River and then digging out the old Idlewild Canal to Scuppernong River. This has impeded the progress made on the roads. Mr. Hopkins believes the new road will be ready for traffic by the first of the year.

Local Church Plans Victory Drive Here At Tuesday Meeting

Prominent Leader To Take Part In Two Sessions In Christian Church

"Through Loyalty to Victory" is the forward slogan of this year of Disciples of Christ which as they plan to strengthen and advance their brotherhood enterprises thru Unified Promotion, and that is the theme of their annual Loyalty and Victory Convention, one of which will be held here Tuesday, November 17.

Approximately two hundred and fifty of these conventions have been planned throughout the United States and Canada. For fourteen years these meetings have been conducted among churches of Disciples of Christ until they have become 65,846. They are under the direction of Unified Promotion, the general promotional agency of the their largest convention enterprise, brotherhood.

A morning and afternoon session will be held. The principal speakers will be national and state leaders of Disciples of Christ, and one of their missionaries. Local church development will be studied, and the world-wide activities of the church will be emphasized, both concerning its program presentation and suggestions and methods as to how to support that program. Christian stewardship and tithing will be stressed.

Funeral Service for Infant Held Friday

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon for Nina Ruth Davenport, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McCoy Davenport, at the grave in the S. R. Davenport cemetery, with the Rev. Roy Respass, Christian minister, officiating, assisted by Rev. T. F. Davenport, Free Will Baptist. One sister and two brothers survive, besides the child's parents.

HERE TUESDAY



James A. Crain, executive secretary of the United Christian Missionary Society of the Disciples of Christ, who will be the leader of the team that will be in a one-day convention at the Christian church here Tuesday.

ARMISTICE DAY IS OBSERVED BY PROGRAM HERE

R. L. McMillan, of Raleigh, Principal Speaker; Big Delegation Attends

Fighting men of a generation ago gathered around the improvised tables in the Legion Hall here on Wednesday, singing songs of their World War days as they climaxed their celebration of Armistice Day.

Enthusied by a talk from Comrade R. L. McMillan, of Raleigh, past commander of the Capital City post, the men who slept in mud and saw the blood of their comrades drench the trenches in which they fought sat down to eat their food in peace.

Hundreds of Legionnaires, sons of Legionnaires, school children, and the Plymouth High School Band, under Coach Ziegler, paraded thru the streets of Plymouth to the front of the Legion Hall, where the dead of Washington County veterans were remembered.

The rumble of muffled drums was heard, then a salute from the fire alarm. James Harold Ward blew "Taps" on his bugle, with Wilford Whitley, down the street, echoing the notes. J. R. Carr and F. M. Simpson were color bearers.

The only woman Legionnaire in this section, Mrs. Ernestine Alexander Stroup, formerly of a Legionnaire through her position as a war nurse in Bellevue Hospital in New York City, was present at the banquet.

District Commander C. McGowan and Commander P. W. Brown led their work well in getting the Legionnaires out and to attend.

50 Men in Bible Class at Creswell

The largest men's Bible class in Washington and maybe surrounding counties is claimed by the Christ Episcopal Church at Creswell as upwards of 50 men were present Sunday.

C. H. Aderholdt, principal of the school, is the speaker. D. O. Rudisill and Sidney Smithson are group captains who yank the fellows out of bed on a Sabbath morning to attend Sunday school. The losing group buys a feed for the winners.

"What the main trouble now is to get the fellows to attend church services," said Mr. Aderholdt, who told the men that if they wanted him to teach the class they must hustle an audience. And they do.

Three Arrested at Creswell Last Week

Jess Harrington, 22, has been filling the job as chief of police of Creswell very well in the last two weeks while Seaton Davenport is in a Rocky Mount hospital convalescing from injuries received when he was attacked from ambush while on his way home.

Last week he arrested three, Ernest Phelps, Harvey Gibbs, and Sipey Woodley, charging them with disorderly conduct. He would have probably nabbed the fourth if the colored person hadn't pleaded so sorrowfully for crowding the white folks of the streets of Creswell.

Those arraigned before Mayor J. A. Combs were assessed the costs, and in two cases a small fine.

THREE MARKERS CHALLENGED AT POLLS IN COUNTY

Cherry Mayor Resigns Office in Order to Retain Job at Polls

Watchful Republicans caused the mayor of one Washington County town to resign his position and a second was threatened with "the election law" in the recent general election.

Harry Barnes, of Cherry, was faced with the choice of either resigning his office as mayor or forfeiting his right as a Democratic marker in the Republican section of Scuppernong Township in Washington County. His party's call was stronger than the necessity for his being the mayor.

He handed in his resignation on October 30. A majority of the Democratic town commissioners favored allowing Barnes to resign, while G. A. Overton, Republican, protested his resignation. Barnes marked ball lots on election day. Now he is out as mayor. Overton has an eye on his place as mayor and then again, Barnes may be accepted again.

Mayor J. A. Combs, of Creswell, had the same trouble. His right to serve as an official in the election disqualified him as mayor. But he left the precinct aide's job and went out to hustle the votes in holding to his job as mayor. Hardy Craddock took his place at the polls.

Some said that if Mr. Combs had resigned as mayor of Creswell that W. T. Phelps might have taken his place. Mr. Phelps is a widely known and successful merchant and was the only thing they had against him was that he was a Republican. And the good Democrats opposed a Republican mayor.

W. M. Darden, prosecuting attorney of Plymouth, was moved out of a marker's place in the Plymouth precinct polls on a challenge by J. R. Carr, Republican candidate for representative, who brought the election law's provision to bear on a public official holding such jobs at the polls.

W. Dewey Phelps, unsuccessful opponent of J. K. Reid for sheriff, led the opposition to the officeholders down below the county serving as precinct officials.

Mrs. Mary Lee Wiley Dies Tuesday Night

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday for Mrs. Mary Lee Wiley 91, who died Tuesday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. A. Holton, at Roper.

Officiating were Rev. Sidney Matthews, of Washington, rector of the Grace Episcopal church in Plymouth; and Dr. G. A. Martin, pastor of Creswell Baptist church; Rev. W. J. Watson, pastor of Roper Methodist church.

Interment took place in Pleasant Grove Cemetery. She was the wife of the late George Wiley and is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Alma Lee, of Richmond, and George Wiley Holton, Roper.

Program at Local Colored School

J. W. Darden, recorder of Washington County, was the principal speaker at exercises held in the Washington County Training School in Plymouth, Sunday afternoon, which marked the end of a six-week campaign to raise money for seats for the auditorium of the colored school.

Two teachers, Eva Stewart and Abbie Brandon sang a duet. The choral club was directed by the latter. Principal W. H. Berry presided. Present were Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Paramore, Frank Brinkley and Mike Davenport, of Creswell, as guests.

A total of \$195.43 was obtained for the purpose during the campaign. This will purchase about 260 opera chairs for the auditorium. A total of 284 is needed. Other sources will be asked for aid.

The county commissioners agreed to lend the school \$175 for the purchase of auditorium seats which makes enough to buy about 500.

ROPER P.-T. A. TO MEET

The Roper Parent-Teacher Association will meet Tuesday night, November 17, at 8 o'clock, at the high school. Everyone is urged to attend.