

Confederate Widows May Be Put on Rolls Of Security Benefits

Only Class B Widows Are Eligible Under Present Regulations

Widows of Confederate veterans in Washington County who have been drawing a pension from the State government will probably be transferred to the social security benefit rolls if they have reached 65 years of age and can qualify in other ways in this new system of help.

Class B widows are eligible and may be transferred, while class A will not be included in the social security set-up. Class B widows are those in fairly good health who draw \$100 annually, while class A widows are totally helpless and draw \$300 annually.

There is only one class A widow in this county who receives the full amount, and that is Mrs. Ellen E. Norman, of near Creswell, widow of the late Nehemiah Norman, of Company H, 17th Regiment. She has been ill for some time.

Class B are Mrs. Rennie V. Alexander, widow of Alfred M. Alexander, 14th Battalion, Cavalry, Creswell; Mrs. Ella A. Bateman, widow of Henry H. Bateman, Company H, 17th Regiment, of Plymouth; Mrs. Ida S. Bateman, widow of J. I. Bateman, Company G, 17th Regiment, N. C. S. T., of near Creswell; Mrs. Bashebiah Cannon, widow of R. Cannon, Company B, 3rd Regiment, N. C. S. T., Roper; Mrs. Martha A. Harris, widow of James A. Harris, Company K, 17th Regiment, N. C. S. T., Plymouth; Mrs. Nancy K. Spruill, widow of James A. Spruill, Company H, Montgomery Blues, Plymouth.

It is understood that the state is anxious to change those eligible from the pension list to social security. The usual custom of the board is to allow about \$8 month. Thus the amount received by the pensioners from social security would not vary much.

However, it is certain that those who are changed from the pension rolls to the social security list would receive as much, if not more, than they get at present. They will continue to draw their pension until the change is made. Under social security the state would pay only a fourth of the amount that it now pays them, with the Federal government and county paying the difference.

Bankers Join With Government To Aid Farmers Pay Debts

Voluntary Agreements Are Reached in 977 Cases in North Carolina

North Carolina bankers are joining forces with the government to help farmers get back on their feet, C. G. Hutcheson, RA supervisor for Washington and Tyrrell Counties, reports.

"Faced by a demand for standard rehabilitation loans far in excess of time available for that purpose, Resettlement Administration employees in North Carolina are helping many farmers rehabilitate themselves thru private credit, or even without credit," he commented.

Farm debt adjustment aid available without cost through this agency helps to bring the farmer's debts in line with his ability to pay. Resettlement supervisors are helping farmers work out written, budgeted farm and home management plans that show how much can be paid on old debts after family living and farm operating costs have been provided for.

Private bankers realize that sound farming plans are just as important as credit. They are often willing to make small loans to enable farmers to put their farms on a paying basis, on the strength of adjustments made through the efforts of local county Farm Debt Adjustment committees.

A few farmers who ask for rehabilitation loans find that all they need is debt adjustment and advice in sound, up-to-date farm methods. They are glad to get back on a paying basis without borrowing more money.

"The fact that this service aids creditors as well as debtors is borne out by reports that just about as many creditors as debtors over the nation have applied for voluntary farm debt conciliation assistance," Mr. Hutcheson stated.

Farm Debt adjustment aid available through the Resettlement office has helped debtors and creditors reach voluntary agreements in 977 cases in this state. These adjustments have brought \$70,319 back taxes into public treasuries throughout North Carolina.

Home and Club News

By Mary Frances Misenheimer

Schedule for Next Week

Wednesday, August 11, Scuppernon Club, Pine Grove Club, and possibly Cherry Club will have a joint picnic at Pea Ridge.

Thursday, August 12, Chapel Hill Club and Cool Spring Club plan to have a joint picnic at Albemarle Beach.

Friday, 13th, Mount Tabor plans to have a picnic at Pea Ridge. Their plans may be changed and join the other clubs on August 11.

Last Thursday the Piney Grove Club had their regular meeting with Mrs. Frank Tarkenton. Even through the downpour of rain the faithful members were present. Each member is trying to make a record for attendance.

A most enjoyable meeting was held by the Cool Spring Club last Wednesday with Mrs. Joe Snell, the president, as hostess. Mrs. Sam Lucas reported having completed the home assignment.

The club decided to join Chapel Hill Club in an annual picnic which is to be held Thursday, August 12, at Albemarle Beach. Miss Beatrice Asby is to be sent to Raleigh to attend Farm and Home Week as a representative from Cool Spring Club.

Mrs. Gardner entertained the Cross Roads Club Tuesday. In spite of the rain good attendance was had. Each member reported having canned a large amount of vegetables, and a good clothing report was given. Mrs. D. B. Chesson, president of the club, is to be hostess next month.

100 Town Lots To Be Sold at Auction Here Friday Afternoon

Nathan Allen Property Will Go Under Hammer; Free Prizes

Sale of about 100 lots Friday at the Nathan Allen property near the county home will mark the beginning of the South Plymouth Development which will provide home sites at popular prices and on easy terms for those who wish to own their homes.

The development will have streets that will be extensions of Jefferson and Madison Streets from the town of Plymouth and with a street joining highway No. 97 and 64, intersecting a road from No. 64 to the Kieckhefer village.

This property is owned by W. E. (Jack) Weede, but local interests, including W. M. Darden, have an option on it and are selling it to develop it into a residential section. The extended streets will give it a favorable location.

The auction sale is being handled by the United Auction Company, of Wilmington. W. C. Player is advance man and has been here for several days arranging for the sale, which is to be held at 2:30 p. m. on Friday, August 6, rain or shine.

Prizes will be distributed, including a building lot, an all-wave Zenith Radio and cash, all of which can be seen in the windows of the Southern Hardware Company. Cards will be distributed. Prize winners must be present.

"Plymouth is positively the most progressive town in Eastern North Carolina and has a great future and this is a chance for the people here to buy a site for their own home at their own price and on easy terms," said Mr. Plyler.

Cases Tried Tuesday In Recorder's Court

Recorder's court Tuesday: Devora Downing, negro, was sent to the county farm for three months for stabbing "Red" Linson.

Sandy Williams, negro, was fined \$25 and taxed with the costs for selling whiskey.

Nat Barnes, negro, was given six months on the roads for selling whiskey, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$35 and costs with the requirement that he report to Recorder Darden at intervals to show good behavior.

Walter Bradman was fined \$50 and costs for operating an auto while drunk.

Matthew Jones, negro, was sent to the roads for three months for resisting an officer.

Matthew Jones and Buster Johnson, both negroes, were tried for gambling. Johnson was assessed the costs and Jones was found not guilty.

Duties of Preacher Outlined in Sermon By Rev. C. T. Thrift

Large Crowd Attends First Of Union Services Last Sunday Night

"Ministers should learn why they are preachers and the laity needs to learn what preachers are for since most of them seem to have failed to grasp the meaning of a preacher's existence," Rev. C. T. Thrift told those attending the union services at the Christian church last Sunday night.

"The true preacher is primarily God's man and is not to be measured by popularity with the multitudes by his fidelity. Because people pay him or give him a living does not give them the right to demand that he preach to please them unless they want the 'whole counsel of God.'"

"The preacher is an expert in morals and religion as well as others are experts in law, medicine, education and engineering. The layman is not expected to know more than the minister but is to follow his leadership."

"They have spent years in preparation and then have grown thru the practice of their profession. His advice should be sought in his field as readily as that of experts in other fields, and should certainly be as readily followed in his superior realm of effort."

"Church people profess to love their pastors and sometimes even pay them liberally and yet pay no attention to their teaching. They apparently profess to know more about morals than the man of God who is apparently needed only in cases of sickness, funerals and sometimes marriage."

"There would not be an ABC store no Sunday movies, no beer shops, no Sunday baseball games, no dances, no rotten bathing beaches (especially on Sunday) nor a single bridge club if the preachers were consulted and their advice followed."

"Yet the owners and operators of all these highly organized evils are members of the church, with one exception. He makes no pretense of religion. While I despise his business, I take off my hat to him because he does not burden the church with membership."

"Your sky-pilots are not your enemies but your friends, and they should make Plymouth clean in its morals, warm in its religious fervor, crowding the churches every Sunday for worship and a substantial town in material things," concluded the minister.

A large crowd heard the minister. A larger crowd is expected at the Methodist church Sunday night, with Rev. N. A. Taylor as the speaker. Those attending are recognized to determine which church has the largest membership present. Last Sunday outside visitors outnumbered the local church goers.

Expect Mr. Norman To Return Home by Latter Part of Week

Prominent Local Attorney Improving From Auto Accident Injuries

If nothing prevents, Zeb Vance Norman, well known and well liked attorney, will return home this week end from a Washington hospital, where he has been since he was injured in an automobile accident last Wednesday.

Miss Barbara Norman reported Wednesday that her father was recovering and that he was expected home by Saturday. However, it is feared that he may not be able to resume his law practice before the first of September.

His return will likely be in, an ambulance, as his condition will not permit him to sit erect, on account of the dislocated hip, suffered when the automobile in which he was riding struck a bridge abutment after a tire blew out.

Sunday Services At Saints Delight

By M. L. AMBROSE, Pastor

On account of the revival meeting at Saints Delight Church which will continue through the second Sunday in the month, Zion's Chapel people are asked to attend Saints Delight church on Second Sunday, August 8, there being no services at Zion's Chapel.

On first Sunday in September, Saints Delight will meet with Zion's Chapel, the revival being in progress at Zion's Chapel at that time.

Farm Notes

By W. V. HAYS, County Agent

The Plymouth Livestock Association shipped three good cars of hogs last week, which brought 12.40 here. This is a good price for hogs, and we should handle our hogs in the best known manner so as to have them ready for market in early fall. Hog prices should continue good even up into October. A few things are listed below which are profitable if followed in swine husbandry: (1) Always keep an ample supply of fresh water convenient for the hogs and near to the feeding place; (2) Always have the old sow farrow pigs on clean ground. A field of soy beans fenced in or a field of corn and soy beans, pays better through hogs than seed or hay.

Now is the time to put 100 pound shoats on hard roasting ears. This saves harvesting and considerable labor.

Always keep salt and ashes available for sows and pigs in the feed lot. Two pounds of salt to 10 pounds of ashes is a good formula and is the cheapest tonic we know about.

Sheep should be drenched at this time of the year every two or three weeks for best results. It will cost only about 1 cent per head. This is profitable and favorable in keeping good sheep in this section, where sheep run on small areas. Lots of our sheep die through the winter on account of a weakened condition due to stomach worms. Instructions can be had at the County office by merely mailing us a card.

Handle hogs carefully when bringing them for sale or shipment. Do not hit with switches, sticks or clubs. Waste meat caused by bruises amounts to 7 cents per hogs through the entire United States last year.

Vetch is a wonderful soil-building crop and should be planted early to secure the maximum growth and results. Seed can be bought now in lots for less than 10 cents per pound. These same seed will probably cost 15 cents in October. Buy or contract for your hairy winter vetch seed now.

Compliance with the Soil Conservation program or land measuring has begun. We will get this done as soon as possible. Those who do not have sufficient number of acres in soil-conserving crops may plant winter legumes and comply for payment.

Our farm tour must have been a success. A number of people have asked that we make this an annual affair. We also had a request from 10 farmers on this trip that a tour through the western part of this state be planned about the first week of September. We estimate about a three-day trip through this state and possibly on up into the mountains of Virginia to cost about \$20 each. We can secure a comfortable bus and possibly make the trip within this figure. Any farmers interested in making this trip please get in touch with the county office.

Sow Crimson Clover In Hull About August 15

Crimson clover, if sown in the hull, should be planted on or before August 15. They may be scattered between the rows of cotton, corn or tobacco, covered lightly, using about 30 pounds to the acre. Cleaned seed may be sown during the latter part of August and only 25 pounds used to per acre. However, it is well to run the cultivator first and then sow the seed, or sow the seed first and cover with a fine-tooth cultivator.

Cut Cowpeas for Hay As Pods Begin To Yellow

The best time to cut cowpeas for hay is when the first pods begin to yellow. This gives a hay of high quality with not too much woody material. Cure as rapidly as possible because over-curing causes the leaves to fall off and leaches out the green color.

Windsor Boy Killed By Lightning There Saturday

Windsor.—Edwin Whitley, 10, was instantly killed when struck by lightning Saturday night in a severe storm which struck Windsor between 8 and 9 o'clock.

The child was sitting on the floor playing. The lightning seemed to come in the window, burned the clothing from the child's body, and ignited the nearby bed.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Whitley. Mr. Whitley is a merchant here.

Program Presented At Local School 49 Years Ago Reviewed

Event May Be Recalled by Some of Older Residents In This Section

Below is a sketch of a program that was presented in the Plymouth High School Thursday evening, June 7, 1888, and among those who read it some may be able to say, "Yes; well do I remember the night that Herman Hornthal, Ailen Latham, Blanche Barden and the rest of us were happy young participants in those closing exercises."

Others may read and remark, "And such was Plymouth then. No automobiles with glaring headlights and blaring horns; no pavement to resound to the footfall of unfamiliar folk; no bright electric lights to show a garish light, but a happy gathering of friends whose lives had not been awakened to the new order of things."

"This Twentieth Century has whirled us out of the quietude, tranquility, simple living and happy friendships that made up the lives of the folk who lived in Plymouth back in 1888, and into a ruthless heritage of 1937. The topics important to folk in that age are apparently of little interest in this epoch."

Declarations: "Nature's Gentleman," by George Washington Waters; "North Carolina," by James Percie Cooper; "Drunkards Not All Bruties," by Herman Hornthal; and "John's First Speech," by Onward Rupert Leggett.

Dialogues: "Mark Twain and the Interviewers," by Messrs. Latham and Hornthal; "Our Country's Wealth," by Messrs. Hassell, Leggett, Owens, Latham, Barden and Bennett; "The Art Critic," by Misses Newberry and Latham; "The Rainbow," by Misses Leggett, Hassell, Owens, Cooper, Latham, Barden, and Latham.

Readings: "Sophia's Victory," by Miss Vonnie Evestine Leggett; "What I Live For," by Miss Susan Beasley Cooper; "The Duty of Forgiveness," by Miss Blanche Walker Barden; "The Child and the Moon," by Miss Ethel Brittain Chesson; "Not One Child To Spare," by Miss Addie May Latham; "The Children's Hour" (Longfellow), by Miss Martha Louise Latham; "Huldy's Pumpkin Pies," by Miss Lucille Owens; "Love in a Balloon," by Miss Eva Pauline Hassell; "A Word To Our Girls," by Miss Lydia Lewer Hassell; "Elsie's Child," by Miss Myrtle Ernestine Bennett; "Help Me Across, Papa," by Miss Aileen Inez Latham; "The Case of Young Bangs," by Miss Belle Fagan; "How a Blacksmith Was Converted," by Miss Adelia Skittle; "Put Yourself in Her Place," by Miss Mattie Pugh Latham; "Getting in the Wrong Room," by Miss Charlotte Elizabeth Newberry.

Original essay: "That Our Daughters May Be as Cornerstones Polished After the Similitude of a Palace," by Miss Hope Hunter.

District Dentists In Meeting Here

Treatment of pyorrhea pockets was explained in a lecture-demonstration by Dr. D. B. Mizelle, of Windsor and Charlotte, to the score or more dentists of the first district group which met in the community hall last Monday evening.

Dr. W. H. Johnson, local dentist, was host to the group. Dr. W. I. Hart, of Edenton, is president and Dr. R. L. Powell, of Ahoskie, secretary. Dr. L. G. Lancaster, of Windsor, responded to the welcome address made by Dr. Johnson.

Dr. S. V. Lewis, district physician of Washington, Tyrrell and Hyde Counties, and Dr. Alban Papineau, of Plymouth, were guests of the dentists.

Mad Dog Shot at Creswell Store

Creswell.—No one was bitten, but there was a scramble for a while here last week when a mad dog entered the store of Charles Barnes foaming at the mouth and snapping at everything.

Mrs. Barnes hustled a four-year-old son, John, into the kitchen and closed the door and screamed. A Negro passing could not make the dog leave the living room, where he had taken a stand. Mr. Barnes came in later and shot the animal.

Swain Farmers Vaccinate Birds Against Chickenpox

Poultrymen of Swain County believe that a "stitch in time saves nine" and many growers have had their poultry flocks vaccinated against chickenpox.

Chamber of Commerce Idea Is Gaining Favor

About Town

Among the six men from this section sent in for enlistment is the Navy is Thomas Edwin McNair, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McNair, of Plymouth. There are still vacancies. Applicants must be between the ages of 17 and 25, good physical condition, at least 7th grade education, have parents' consent and no police record.

"Last year some of the business men would not contribute to a fund to advertise our market and town, and business remained in a slump during the fall and this year \$11,000 is being spent in advertising our tobacco market, as everyone contributed," said S. Lee Braxton, chairman of the board of trade and a member of the city council of Whiteville.

"Pete" is 14 years old. Two cars have run over this bird dog, and injuries sustained cause him to limp around like an aged person. He is the property of Dr. C. McGowan, who owns four others. Patients entering the physician's office can usually see him lying around. Flies do not bother him there.

Now comes Patrick Healy, jr., executive secretary of the North Carolina League of Municipalities, asking for a copy of the special edition of The Beacon issued when the Southern Albemarle Association met here in April. "This will be of great help to us in presenting a true picture of your community," writes Mr. Healy.

Harry E. Stephens and Arist Piotros are renovating the building on Water Street formerly occupied by the Central Cafe and will open a cafe there on or about Saturday, August 14. They are bringing in new equipment and arranging for the interior to be remodeled and redecorated.

W. G. Bailey, of Wilson, will open a 5c to 50c store in the Landing building on Water Street. Mr. Bailey was at one time manager of Oettinger's store in Wilson. He has managed a number of chain stores but picked Plymouth for his own enterprise. He hopes to be ready for the trade by September 1.

Mrs. Blanche Swain, owner of the Woman's Shop here, has returned from a month's vacation and has opened her store for business again. While away she visited the markets and purchased her fall merchandise. She hopes to put on her fall style show in the new theatre on Washington Street.

Bugs Beasley is "priming" his cohorts for a battle Sunday with the Edenton Braves at Brinkley Park here. Norman Mayo, an outfielder and slugger, will be missed as he is away at a CMTC at Fort Bragg. But there will be a good game, argue Manager Bugs.

The supply house in front of the new agriculture building will be moved to the old schoolhouse to be used as a dressing room for athletes. The town and county both have contributed some toward the expense but Bugs Beasley still needs about \$15 to finish the job. Who will contribute?

Mixing legal and illegal whiskey and a little too much beer brought nine inebriates to jail during last week-end. The number continues to increase weekly. Chief P. W. Brown and his men are determined to break up public drunkenness.

Phillip M. Ambrose Final Rites Friday

Funeral services were held Friday for Phillip M. Ambrose, 45, who died Thursday following a lingering illness. Rev. M. L. Ambrose officiated, assisted by Rev. N. A. Taylor, at Zion's Chapel Christian church, near Roper.

Surviving is a widow and the following children: Raymond, Bennie, and Herbert Ambrose; brothers, Willie Warren Ambrose, Hampton; Lehman and Wilson Ambrose, Norfolk; Julian Ambrose, Wilmington, Del.; sisters, Mrs. Steve Long, Norfolk; and Mrs. Dewey Phelps, Creswell.

Mitchell Farmers Average \$7.07 Per Head for Lambs

The first cooperative shipment of lambs ever to move out of Mitchell County brought farmers an average of \$7.07 per animal recently.

Paid Secretary for Reorganized Group Suggested by Some

John W. Darden Outlines His Views on Perfecting Reorganization

Pressing the idea that the chamber of commerce should be reorganized in Plymouth, as advanced in an interview last week with Zeb Vance Norman, Recorder John W. Darden adds his theory of a workable organization.

His idea is to have a paid secretary that should receive not less than \$25 monthly, making him the central figure in every effort for the good of the town, and he will work with an executive committee chosen from the board of directors.

Any member hearing of a matter that would be of civic interest to the town would pass it along to the secretary. Any correspondence or inquiries received would be submitted to the secretary. The executive committee would meet weekly if desired to consider matters.

Then if the matter was of such proportions to warrant it the secretary could call a special meeting for any night. Then and there the idea advanced or the problem to be considered could be presented to the membership.

Annual dues should be payable every three months. Regular membership meetings could be held every three months. The organization should be a Washington County proposition and not for Plymouth exclusively.

Bulletins should be issued and the members informed of the work regularly. Pamphlets could be printed with good reading matter and pictures showing the advantages of Plymouth. These could be inserted by merchants in each letter that they mail out of Plymouth.

It is too difficult to get the members together weekly. Yet, a good live executive committee and secretary could whip the matters into shape for the approval of the membership when they were called to a meeting. This would eliminate confusion and a waste of time at a meeting.

Collection of Water Accounts Under New System Is Ordered

Delinquent Accounts To Be Divided Into 12 Equal Installments

Flatly demanding that delinquent water users in Plymouth pay their past-due accounts, the City Council has instructed Clerk M. W. Spruill to begin a new system of collecting water bills in the future so as to collect the \$1,100 in delinquent accounts that piled up in the last three years.

The new method involves the division of the past due accounts into not more than 12 equal payments to be collected along with the regular bills that are issued monthly, and calls for the discontinuance of service to those who fail to pay both their current bill and the payment on the arrearage by the 15th of the month.

There will still be a discount of 10 per cent allowed on current bills to customers who pay their bills by the 10th of the month. Each delinquent user will be advised by a form letter issued by Mr. Spruill of the total amount of their arrearages and their monthly payment.

Also from now on there will be a cut in deposit charge of \$3 and those who have their service suspended upon failure to pay their bill by the 15th will be charged \$1 before they are reinstated or the water re-connected.

Possibly more city water is being used in Plymouth now than ever before because of the influx of construction workers and new families who have moved here. Yet there is a group who owe back water bills that Clerk Spruill must collect in order to balance the water accounts piled up since June 30, 1934.

If a good number are cut off this will not affect the town's revenue very much, as there has been such an increase in water users and in the amount of water used that there will still be an increase and the city council has instructed Clerk Spruill to bear down on the delinquents or to stop providing them with free water at the town's expense.