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Superior Court Civil Session Announced For Week October 25

Judge C. L. Williams Expected To Preside; 14 Cases Put on Calendar

Washington County Superior Court will be in civil session here for one week beginning October 25, and Judge Clawson L. Williams, of Sanford, is expected to preside, according to C. V. W. Ausbon, clerk of the court.

There are 166 cases on the court docket, but only 14 have been scheduled for hearing, Mr. Ausbon said. Some of the cases which are still being carried on the court records, though there is little chance of their ever being heard, date back 14 or 15 years.

Those scheduled for trial this session are as follows: Monday, H. A. Berry vs. Henry D. Harrison, et al.; Janet Jones vs. J. M. Horton; Cox Motor Co. vs. John Atamanchuck; Washington Production Credit Corporation vs. T. H. Davenport, et al.; and International Ring Co. vs. Don G. Davis.

Tuesday: Della Furlough vs. W. C. Godwin; Hopewell Holmes vs. Leonard Holliday, et al.; Jerry McL. Harris vs. Wade Waters; and the Will of Mrs. E. Hill will also come up. Wednesday: Butler Bros. vs. A. B. Spruill, et al.; Lucy Biggs, Adm., vs. A. C. L. R. Co.; Clara Hedgebeth vs. Life Insurance Co.; Nancy Coffey vs. Stuart Moore; and D. D. Davenport vs. Z. H. Phelps, et al.

Motion and divorce cases will be handled at the pleasure of the court. The civil court holds terms in Plymouth only twice a year, in April and October, and the criminal court is in session in July and January.

The jury list drawn for the coming civil term is as follows:

From Plymouth: H. W. Alexander, J. H. Leggett, B. L. Ange, W. L. Hassell, J. W. Jackson, T. C. Burgess, Enoch L. McNair, and J. H. Riddick. From Lees Mills: J. A. Chesson, R. W. Lewis, B. B. Spencer, Ralph Smith, B. M. Snell, and Joe W. Swain. Two names have been drawn from Skinnerville: H. E. Ambrose and L. C. Spruill.

From Scuppernon: Ernest W. Furlough, J. F. Snell, Mitchell Spear, J. L. Phelps, W. G. Ainsley, W. P. Davenport, and Isaac W. Furlough.

IT ISN'T NEWS BUT—

Looke Like Conspiracy

Des Moines - Disgusted with the automobile a dealer had just sold him, Jack Sutherland wrote on the side "Phoozy to this car from me. It is an oil hog, a lemon—no satisfaction from the dealer—when new it used two gallons of gas per 1,000 miles."

All went well until police discovered that Hibbard Sutherland, brother of the owner was driving without a license.

"I'll bet my dealer's back of this," said the disgruntled owner as he fixed up his brother's \$100 bond.

Pennies Fill Coal Bin

Chicago - E. A. Toppsons walked into the office of a coal company, placed a 32 pound bag of pennies on the counter and ordered seven tons of coal.

He explained that it had formerly been considerable of a financial strain trying to pay his winter fuel bill, so that he now starts a year in advance tossing odd pennies into a box for this purpose. The 32 pound bag contained 5,250 pennies of \$52.50 clerks found after they finished counting them.

The Old Maid Problem

Vienna - When 65,000 women are looking for husbands, —and there aren't any husbands to be had,— the situation is serious. And this is the problem which just now is one of the most perplexing for the Austrian government.

Whereas, generally more girls are

Plymouth High School's Vocational Agriculture Class Wins Prize at Fair

Vocational agriculture students of the Plymouth High School won first prize of \$40 at the Williamson Fair last week for their exhibit on the feeding, care and marketing of hogs that showed the proper methods for management of swine.

The yearly hog program was shown with both fall and winter farrowing. The boys began with a sow and ten small pigs. Each month a clear picture was shown by changing the pigs to different lots.

In carrying out their points, the boys put into use not facts and theories only but they showed

American Legion Post Here Is Planning Big Armistice Day Celebration This Year

Following the installation of new officers last Friday night, with the Rev. Worth Wicker, of Greenville, as the principal speaker, the American Legion today is looking toward the celebration of Armistice Day here on November 11.

Dr. C. McGowan, district commander, and P. Bruce Bateman, post commander, are working with their buddies in arranging one of the largest and most comprehensive Armistice Day celebrations in the history of the local post.

Former Lieutenant Governor Sandy Graham, of Hillsboro, will be the principal speaker. There will be the usual parade of the veterans, their sons, and possibly some floats, to be followed by the memorial services in front of the legion hall.

The Greenville Episcopal minister, in speaking to the former soldiers, pointed out what this country should do in preventing the spread of foreign influences and to keep America for Americans. The veterans enjoyed a supper.

Five Plymouth Women Win Prizes at Drawing

WANTS 100 SQUIRRELS

One hundred squirrels and a deer, dead or alive, are wanted at once by the hospitality committee appointed by the Lions Club to entertain the publicity party coming here on October 21.

The visiting writers and travel bureau managers are to be given a game dinner in Plymouth, and the committee is now faced with the problem of getting the game.

The publicity which this type of meal will give Washington County as a hunting ground will benefit everyone, and most of all local men who may, as a result have a chance to act as guides, the committee pointed out. All game shot should be brought to Riddle's Ice Plant at once.

Plans Under Way Here for "Little Federal Theater"

Would Mean Enlargement of Present Federal Project If Public Gives Support

Plymouth may soon have a "Little Theater" similar to hundreds that have sprung up all over the United States during the past two or three years.

Miss Lillian Waldo, of Raleigh, has been sent here from the Federal Theater at Raleigh to organize a theater group among Plymouth residents if it appears that there is sufficient interest.

She decided recently to hold a meeting in the high school auditorium Thursday evening, October 14, for the purpose of making preliminary plans for the undertaking.

A number of people have indicated an interest in the project, she says, and she hopes that it will be possible to have at least 30 members in the Little Theater group.

The theaters of this sort in other places are paying their own way thru membership fees and admission tickets sold. They offer an opportunity for those who have dramatic ability and also for those who are interested in art work, in costume making, and scenery designing, according to Miss Waldo.

She will work with Mrs. Kathleen Spruill, who has been doing Theatre Guild work here for some time, and also with Delbert Allen.

Miss Waldo is a graduate of Chowan College in Murfreesboro and during the summer was associated with the pageant at Fort Raleigh.

Ausbon's Cafe Changes Hands

Ausbon's Cafe is under new management this week.

Fred Barringer, the former owner, turned it over on Sunday to two partners: H. E. Wyndham, of Greenville, and Nile Wombled, who works in Liverman's Drug Store.

Mr. Wyndham will act as manager of the cafe and has announced that he will attempt to employ all local help as far as possible, and that he will buy his provisions in Plymouth in order to make the cafe an entirely local enterprise.

Roper P.-T. A. To Meet October 19

The Roper Parent-Teacher Association will hold its second fall meeting on Tuesday evening, October 19. Dr. S. V. Lewis, county health officer, will be the chief speaker of the evening, and another feature of the program will be singing by a male quartet, including the Rev. M. L. Ambrose, Robert Lewis, J. C. Knowles, and D. E. Poole.

All Roper parents are urged to attend, as Dr. Lewis' message is expected to be of considerable interest and by attending parents will be cooperating with the school.

General Public Invited To Oyster Supper Saturday

An oyster supper will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock Saturday evening at the social house of the Christian Church in Plymouth. The public has been invited to attend.

Roper Still Has No Prospects in Search For Another Mayor

Unpaid Job Hard To Fill After Phelps Resigns; To Continue 30 Days

For a month now Roper has been trying to find someone to serve as mayor, following the resignation of Aubrey Phelps, who felt that the job interfered with his business at the "Little Monte Carlo."

But it appears that no one wants the job, so Mr. Phelps has agreed to serve for another 30 days in the hope that by that time the city council may be able to persuade someone else to take over the job.

It appears that the mayor of Roper draws no salary at all, which is a little less than some of the other communities pay, and the job carries with it the unpleasant duty of passing sentences on friends and neighbors at the sessions of the mayor's court.

Roy Hearne Here To Collect 1937 Feed-Seed Loans

North Carolina Farmers Pay Up Better Than Most in United States, He Says

Roy Hearne, supervisor for the Emergency Seed and Feed Loan Administration, began making collections in Washington County this week.

He will be in County Agent W. V. Hays' office every Monday afternoon from 2 to 5 p. m. until about Christmas, he announced.

Monday mornings he spends in Columbia, where he makes collections from Tyrrell County farmers who received aid in the spring from the government.

Only about 100 farmers in Washington County borrowed money this year, whereas loans were made to nearly 300 in 1933, and this indicates that farmers are gradually getting out of debt, according to Mr. Hearne.

Collections in North Carolina during the past six years have been far ahead of those for other states, with very few farmers failing to pay up in the fall when their crops are sold, he said.

Those farmers who do not repay the money they have borrowed are blacklisted and find it impossible to secure any further aid from the various Federal agencies, but it seldom is necessary even to threaten such action in North Carolina, he said.

Loan applications were made out for farmers of Washington County last spring by Miss Martha Hornthal and were passed on by Mr. Hearne at his office in Washington.

Federal feed and seed loans are available only to farmers who are unable to borrow from any other agency and up to \$300 this year, and a limit of \$1,000 was fixed for the maximum amount of credit to be extended to any one farm, regardless of the number of tenant farmers on it.

All loans are at 4 per cent interest.

Many Persons Hunt Jobs By Applying At State Registry

Employment Service Branch Office Open in Plymouth One Day Each Week

Approximately 550 applications for employment are now on file at the Washington County courthouse, where the North Carolina State Employment Service maintains an office to help men and women of both races find work.

Applications are received every Thursday morning beginning at 10 o'clock, and there is no charge whatever for registration or when placements are made, according to C. W. Bazemore, manager of the Williamson office, of which this office is a branch.

Many jobs have been found recently for those registered, Mr. Bazemore said.

A wide variety of trades and occupations are handled through the office here. These include: teachers, clerks, stenographers, truck drivers, carpenters, brickmasons, laborers and farm workers.

Chief P. W. Brown Back From Hospital This Week

Chief of Police P. W. Brown returned to Plymouth Tuesday following an emergency operation for appendicitis at Rocky Mount last week. He is reported doing well and hopes to be able to get out again soon. It is expected that he will remain in bed for a while longer, however.

County Agent Declares Farmers Have "Greatest Opportunity in All History" To Assure Selves Measure of Stability

Fall Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs Will Be Held in Roper Next Week

The Fall Federation of Washington County Home Demonstration Clubs will meet in Roper High School next Thursday at 2:30 p. m., Miss Mary Misener, announced this week.

The Fall Federation has been an annual feature of the home demonstration work in this county for many years, and the program arranged for this year will prove one of the most interesting ever held, it is believed.

The program was announced as follows: Song, by assembly; Invoca-

tion: Welcome, Mrs. W. E. Blount, Roper Club; Response, Creswell Club; Song, County Chorus; Bustines, roll call, reading of minutes; reports by officers; Special music.

Introduction of speaker, Mr. Poole, principal of Roper School; Speaker, Professor Ralph Deal, head of the Language Department, East Carolina Teachers' College, Greenville.

Song, County Chorus; Presentation of \$5 prize for best gardens, donated and presented by Mr. W. F. Winslow; Presentation of trophy cup, given by Roanoke Beacon; Club collect; adjournment.

Local Farmers Can Benefit Greatly by Demand for Action

Calls for Strong Delegation To Support President's Policies at Hearing

For the first time in American history an opportunity for sound and lasting prosperity is within the grasp of Southern farmers, W. V. Hays, Washington County agent, declared this week.

Following the address delivered by President Roosevelt over a nationwide radio hook-up Tuesday evening, Mr. Hays called upon farmers in this county to take advantage of the opportunity he is offering them.

"There is to be a hearing in Winston-Salem next Monday at 10 o'clock in the morning, at which time a United States Senate investigating committee will attempt to learn what North Carolina farmers want," he said.

"No doubt our farmers have greatly benefited under the AAA program, but since compulsory control has been eliminated the farmers' incomes have been reduced.

"I should very much like to see a representative group of Washington County farmers attend this meeting and hope that there will be a good expression of Washington County farm sentiment."

Several men have notified Mr. Hays that they intend to make the trip. Among them are members of a committee appointed by Mr. Hays, including J. E. Davenport, of Mackeys, A. L. Owens and E. H. Liverman, of Plymouth.

Mr. Hays emphasized the importance of compulsory control of crops under the AAA by pointing out that since tobacco has sold at top prices this year, unless something drastic is done, tobacco acreage will be greatly increased next year.

The result will be overproduction and lower prices, with little, if any, profits, and probably with many very heavy losses, he said.

What makes it especially important that the hearing in Winston-Salem be well attended is the fact that the President has called a special session of Congress to meet on November 15 for the purpose of stabilizing American agriculture, Mr. Hays declared.

The President left no doubt of his intention to fight for the farmers at the special session of Congress. "We intend this winter to find a way to prevent 4-1-2 cent cotton, 9-cent corn and 30-cent wheat," he told the nation, "with all the disaster that those prices mean for us—from ever coming back again."

"To do that, the farmers themselves want to cooperate to build an all-weather farm program so that in the long run prices will be more stable."

"We believe this can be done and the national budget kept out of the red."

"And when we have found that way to protect the farmers' prices from the effects of alternating crop surpluses and crop sacrifices, we shall also have found the way to protect the nation's food supply from the effects of the same fluctuations."

The farmers of Washington County will be missing the opportunity of a lifetime if they do not attend the hearing in Winston-Salem and cooperate with President Roosevelt in his attempts to help them by making the Senate committee understand how they feel and what they want, Mr. Hays said.

Aid Society Sponsoring Supper for Orphanage

The Pleasant Grove Aid Society will give an oyster supper at the home of Mrs. Clara Snell on Friday evening for the benefit of the orphanage.

Oysters, chicken salad, ice cream and cake will be served. The public is invited to attend.

TO PLAY HERE FRIDAY

The Plymouth Panthers will play the Hertford football team on the Plymouth field Friday afternoon at 3:30. Coach Armstrong announced this week.

This game will be the second played in Plymouth this year. The first was against Aulander and resulted in a victory for Plymouth.

Style Show Draws Large Crowd Here With Local Models

Hard To Define Trends of Fashions; Colors Popular; More Crazy Hats

The fall and mid-winter fashion show at the Plymouth Theatre Wednesday evening drew another capacity crowd, like that which attended the theater opening on Monday.

Everyone appeared to enjoy the movie, "Prisoner of Zenda," which preceded the fashion parade, and Bubbles Baker and his orchestra were greeted with considerable applause.

The girls who appeared as models in Blanche Swain's new street and sport clothes and mid-winter evening dresses included: Minnie Brinkley, Frances Bowen, Lou Henderson, Marion Brinkley, Lillian Read McGowan, Naomi Weede, Elizabeth Davidson, Katherine Midgett, Louraine Jackson, Helene Duvall, Lillian Jones, Madeline Edmondson, Lou Roberson, and Linda Stephens.

Such a wide variety of color combinations were shown that it appears there is no particular color or group of colors which will predominate this year.

And the lines of the fall garments, too, defy characterization because of their wide variety. About all that can be said is that women's dresses, suits, and coats this winter will be of every color and cut, and that the hats are going to continue looking just as crazy as they have all through the fall.

Couple Small Fires In Colored Homes

Fires in two colored homes were extinguished quickly by neighbors and the Plymouth fire department with small losses during the past week.

One of them, in the home of Alec Barnes, on Wilson Street, burned the end of the house and caused damage estimated at about \$400.

The other was in the home of James Jordan at 220 Madison Street. The house is said to be owned by Mrs. M. A. Nickerson, of New York. Damage was very slight, as the fire had been practically extinguished a few seconds before the firemen arrived.

Local Building and Loan Association To Begin Operations on Monday, October 25

The Plymouth Building and Loan Association, organization of which has just been completed, will be ready to begin operating on October 25.

Regular weekly payments on stock in the organization will start on that date at the rate of 25 cents on each \$100 share, according to Attorney Z. Vance Norman.

Within about two months, it is expected there will be enough money paid in to permit the making of the first loans. There are at present a-

bout 100 persons in Washington County who have subscribed to stock amounting to a total of \$85,000.

As this means there are 850 shares subscribed, the weekly income of the association will be \$212.50, which in two months should give the association enough to start making loans.

Payments on stock are to be made each Monday to the secretary-treasurer of the association at the Branch Banking & Trust Company in Plymouth.