

Washington County sheep growers have a good crop of early lambs now running on small grain. Many of the lambs are being creep fed and are showing good flesh.

"Diversion of automotive tax income for purposes unrelated to highways is dangerous because it means neglect of roads, with resulting increase in highway accidents, deaths and injuries," says C. E. Myers, oil dealer.

There are already about 32 Scouts in the Plymouth troop and the only way to accept more members is to start the second troop, according to Dr. Alban Papeau, district chairman.

A. L. Alexander, who left here about two years ago, has returned twice in the last week. One time during the week and again during the week-end. He was formerly postmaster here.

"I know of no other rural schools in North Carolina with a course of study comparable to that adopted by Washington County for the next year," Clyde Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction, told H. H. McLean, superintendent of schools.

Bryan Grimes, of Washington, and Hoover Taft, of Greenville, were here last week conversing with leaders in the Washington County Young Democratic Club.

The annual field day at the Blackland Experiment Station at Wenaona will be held on July 14 this year. This is one day in the year when farmers of this section enjoy feasting, hearing speeches and viewing exhibits.

Wilbur C. Spruill, associated with the Social Security office in Salisbury; J. H. Spurrill, candidate for the State Senate residing in Windsor; and J. C. Higgins, United States District Attorney, of Greensboro, were here last week.

Tom Gardner, well-known young fellow, is at home where he is convalescing from a broken leg and foot bones. A pipe fell on it. He was working with the Grinnell Company at Fernandina, Fla., on a pulp mill.

The \$300 for the Boy Scout district of Washington County has been raised. Leading contributors were as follows: North Carolina Pulp Co., \$30; Lions Club, \$40; Creswell, \$25; Roper, \$15; American Legion, \$25.

Mrs. Blanche Swain made her second trip to New York this year when she went this week to purchase Easter and summer wearing apparel. She will visit the style centers and her stock will include the smart, fashionable apparel for ladies.

Revival To Begin Sunday Night at Christian Church

Cottage Prayer Meetings Are Being Held This Week in Preparing for Event

By Rev. N. A. TAYLOR
 Preceding the revival to be held at the Plymouth Christian Church, beginning Sunday, April 3, at 7:45 p. m., and lasting until Easter Sunday, there will be two cottage prayer services. Rev. P. B. Nickens will conduct the one held Thursday night, March 31, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Darden. Rev. R. H. Lucas will conduct one Friday night, April 1, at the home of Mrs. O. M. Chesson, corner of Third and Jefferson Streets.

Special emphasis will be placed on each night of next week: Monday night, Church Night; Tuesday night, Men's Night; Wednesday night, Woman's Night; Thursday night, Young Peoples' Night; and Friday night is Family Night.
 Different committees have been appointed for each night, and their work is to encourage a large crowd and to map out the program for that service they represent, including special music.
 In this season, when Christ is expected to be lifted up, let not the opportunity pass to attend these services, and may your coming be blessed.

Must Secure Permits for Brush Burning After 1st

Emphasized by the driest February and March in 40 years, a warning has been issued by S. F. Darden, forest fire warden, that all citizens who wish to burn brush on their property between April 1 and June 15 must first obtain a permit.

Those who fail to secure these permits before starting a fire are liable to be assessed with a fine and the court costs and responsible parties charged with the cost of extinguishing such fires if they should get out of control.

County Elections Board To Meet Here Saturday

The Board of Elections of Washington County appointed last week by the State Board of Elections, including L. E. Hassell, P. M. Arps, and J. R. Carr, will meet in the courthouse here Saturday morning at 11 o'clock for the purpose of organizing and electing a chairman and secretary. It is also probable that the precinct officials will be appointed at the meeting.

Candidates for the various county and senatorial district offices have until April 23 to file their notices with the board of elections, a review of the law shows. Registration books for the Democratic primary in June will open on May 7 and close May 21.

Leaf Acreage To Be Cut by About Third

Jackson Slayers To Be Tried at Special Term Court in May

A special term of Federal Court Court will be held in Elizabeth City beginning May 24, at which time Bernard Ervin Royals and Joe T. West will be tried for the slaying of W. J. Jackson, jr., of Plymouth, an agent of the Alcohol Tax Unit, south of the Virginia state line on March 8.

Judge I. M. Meekins will preside over the court. This week the Federal grand jury returned a true bill charging the men with the crime. The defendants are now in jail at Portsmouth.

Mrs. Jackson, widow of the slain agent, was prostrated by the death of her husband, but is recovering now. She and her husband were very devoted. They have one child, Lorraine, 12.

Building and Loan And F. H. A. Offer Help To Builders

New Homes Needed To Relieve Congested Housing Conditions Here

With the advent of spring comes new interest in the building of homes in Plymouth that is destined to relieve somewhat the housing problem that has faced the town for about a year.
 Among those who are planning to build or who have recently completed homes are Wesley Marrow, L. W. Gurkin, Dewey Ange, E. E. Harrell, Dr. W. H. Johnson, W. M. Darden, Rasser Edwards, Ludford McNair, S. A. Ward, Jr., Abe Adler, J. L. Phelps, and possibly others.
 Some of these are erecting dwellings with the idea of renting them, but most of them are to provide residences for the owners.

Home owning in Plymouth has been made much easier by the financing plans offered by the local Building and Loan Association and by the Federal Housing Administration, the latter being represented by W. M. Darden locally.
 Materials to build brick or frame houses are now available from dealers here in Plymouth, with everything necessary, including the incidentals being carried in stock.

Fire Destroys Home Near Here Monday

The home of W. W. Roberson, located about three miles from town on the old Roper road, was completely destroyed by fire Monday, the loss being estimated at \$1,500.
 The frame building burned to the ground and much of the furniture was destroyed. Meat in a nearby house was saved.
 Firemen from Plymouth stood by with chemicals and helped to prevent the spread of the fire to other buildings and residences near by.

Mr. Darden urges those in Washington County to be sure to get their permits before starting these fires, as the state officials are now urging him to prosecute all who violate this measure of protection.
 Permits may be secured from any of the following:
 S. F. Darden, forest fire warden, Plymouth; J. T. Weede, towerman; W. A. Mizell, J. H. Allen, W. J. Vaughan, W. A. Everett, J. W. Swain, Dewitt Davenport and J. E. Nooney, district wardens.

Two More Entries In Political Realm During Past Week

Linwood Hassell Announces For Treasurer; John W. Darden for Recorder

Politics continues to increase in interest here, as two new candidates entered the field this week seeking the Democratic nomination for offices in Washington County.
 One new contest has developed as a result of the week's activities. Linwood Hassell entered the field for treasurer, for which post S. D. Davis had previously announced his candidacy for reelection. The other entrant was John W. Darden, who is seeking to succeed himself as judge of the recorder's court.
 Ben A. Sumner, whose campaign is being managed by Harry Stell, and A. R. Dupree, sr., are the only candidates so far for representative, but there are rumors that others may enter the race before the time for filing closes on April 23.
 J. R. Campbell is the only one out for commissioner from Plymouth Township, while J. H. Gaylord, sr., of Roper, is running for the office of commissioner from Lees Mills Township.
 At the time for filing for state and district offices closed last Saturday, the line-up, as far as the voters of this county are concerned, is as follows:
 Congressman Lindsay C. Warren is congressed and his nomination will be certified to elections officials.
 The same is true of Donnell Gilliam, of Tarboro, for solicitorship of the second judicial district.
 District interest is centered around the contest between Walter J. Bone, incumbent, and Timout T. Valentine, both of Nashville, for superior court judge.
 For Utilities Commissioner, Stanley Winborne, of Raleigh, incumbent, is opposed by Paul D. Grady, of Kenly.
 Robert R. Reynolds, incumbent, of Asheville, and Frank Hancock, of Oxford, will battle it out in the primary for the nomination as United States Senator. The winner will have to face Charles A. Jones, the Republican nominee, of Lincolnton, in the general election next November.
 Supreme Court Justices M. V. Barnhill and J. Wallace Winborne will be certified as Democratic nominees for their offices, no opposition having developed, and will be opposed in the general election by Herbert F. Seawell, sr., of Carthage, and Irvin B. Tucker, of Whiteville, the Republican nominees.

Expect County Total Around 1,100 Acres Against 1,500 in 1937

County Agent's Office Busy Working Out Goals for Individual Farmers

The tobacco acreage in Washington County will be reduced about 30 per cent this season, it was learned Thursday from County Agent W. V. Hays, who was busy working on the goals for individual farmers.
 Last year there were 1,500 acres planted in the county, and the reduction to come within the general acreage allotment this year will reduce this to about 1,050 acres. In addition to this there will be a small percentage added to provide allotments for new growers which will raise the total acreage in the county to around 1,100 acres, possibly slightly more.
 This goal of 1,100 acres will mean that the grower's equipment and land and labor availability will be taken into consideration in determining the allotments, as it is not likely that there will be a wholesale straight 30 per cent reduction on all farms.
 This is all left up to the county committee, which will pass on these matters. The committee will consider every phase and every item in order to provide as many pounds for each grower as possible and at the same time have a reduction in the county total.
 Provision is still made whereby the tobacco growers can realize some profit from their unused land by devoting it to soil-conserving crops under the soil conservation program.
 There are no quotas yet for cotton, as legislation is still pending in Congress about this crop, and no allotments can be issued to the individual growers until after this legislation is perfected.
 Mr. Hays hopes to have tobacco goals for individual farmers worked out by Saturday, but growers are notified not to call at the county agent's office for them, as they will be mailed just as rapidly as they are completed.

W. M. Carey Leaves Pulp Plant Employ

William M. Carey, general superintendent of the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company, terminated his connection with the company Wednesday. No successor to Mr. Carey was mentioned when O. H. Cox, general manager, was asked if the person had been named.
 Mr. Carey came here when work started on the plant last year, and was very popular with the employees of the concern and the people of the town. He stated Thursday morning that he made no plans for the future as yet.
 Mr. Cox stated that he was unable to make any statement at all about the matter.

Explains Requiring Servants To Obtain Health Certificates

D. S. V. LEWIS, M. D.
 Domestic servants are required to obtain health certificates in Washington County, and for some reason a considerable amount of confusion has arisen in regard to same. In order to clarify this matter, I wish to give the following information:
 A health certificate, issued by any physician in Washington County, which has attached the laboratory report of the blood examination for syphilis, is all that is required of the servant. It does not matter what this certificate is written on.
 If the servant does not have any communicable disease, one form of health certificate is as good as another, and no physician will issue a health certificate to any person known to him to have any contagious disease. It is not necessary that the health department issued the required health certificate; a certificate from your family physician is quite all that is necessary.
 Your health department is interested in the fact that domestic servants do not have any contagious disease, and not especially in the type of health certificate they hold.
 Some domestic servants have been given health certificates who have syphilis, but not until they have had sufficient treatment to make them safe to work in the home. Any servant holding a health certificate is safe to employ and the health department will see that those having syphilis will continue to take proper treatment.

Confusion Regarding Ruling Cleared Up by Health Officer's Article

Funeral services were held here at the home of her daughter, Mrs. P. H. Darden, last Friday afternoon for Mrs. Alwilda Allen, 77, who died while on a visit to her son, J. Stanford Allen, in Windsor Thursday.

Funeral Friday for Mrs. Alwilda Allen

Surviving Mrs. Allen are the following children: J. M. Allen, Belhaven; J. S. Allen, Windsor; C. M. O. L. J. F., and T. S. Allen, of Plymouth; L. E. Allen, of Wilmington; H. J. Allen, Craddock, Va.; Mrs. R. E. Whitehurst, Smithfield; and Mrs. P. H. Darden, of Plymouth.

Courtney Funeral Home Completes New Quarters Here

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Tax Listing To Get Underway in County April 1st; H. C. Spruill Is Supervisor; List-Takers Named

\$1,719.30 Spent in County On Poor in Three Months

Public assistance amounting to \$1,719.30 was rendered to needy people in Washington County during the months of October, November and December.
 There has been a gradual increase in the number of cases that have been receiving help, but the amount of funds expended has not greatly increased during the period covered by the statistics.
 This money was divided in the departments of welfare as follows: old age assistance, \$1,088; aid to dependent children, \$182.50; general relief, \$127.50; and other assistance, \$321.30.
 In December there were 53 cases for old age assistance; 6 families, comprising 31 children, for aid to dependent children; 11 on general relief; and 2 that were helped on account of causes not considered in the first three departments; making a total of 72 cases helped during December.

Change in Location of Creswell School Urged

Merchant Offers \$50 Gift To Be Used in Purchase of New Lot

Creswell Citizens Claim Present Site Inadequate and Ill-Drained

Local members of the Washington County Bar Association have entered into an agreement to close their offices on Saturday afternoons at 12:30 and suspend professional activities except in cases of emergency when matters cannot be postponed without material loss or injury.
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Contracts Signed for 700 Acres Cucumbers In Section This Year

Washington County Acreage Is 610; Other 90 in Pinetown Area

Contracts have been signed by farmers in Washington and adjoining counties to supply about 700 acres of cucumbers to the local plant of C. C. Lang & Sons this season, according to P. H. Roberts, jr., manager.
 Of the 700 acres, 610 will be planted in this county and 90 acres in the Pinetown area.
 Last year there were about 600 acres under contract, but cucumbers were delivered from only about 400, as some farmers failed to replant and others did not gather the crop at the proper time.

Representative of Company Will Be Here Monday To Explain Details

Details of a new plan to insure the maturity of building and loan stock will be explained to stockholders in the Plymouth Building and Loan Association next Monday, when D. D. Hunt, special representative of the Security Life & Trust Co., of Winston-Salem, will be here to call on shareholders in the local association.
 In brief, the plan provides for insurance of the unpaed portion of building and loan stock, and the payment for which is made monthly at the same time payments are made on the stock. In the event of death of the insured before the stock is paid up, the full amount is paid by the insurance company immediately. The insurance is available to both borrowing and investing shareholders and may be added to shares previously subscribed to, as well as to new subscriptions.
 The plan worked out by the Winston-Salem company, while new here, has been in operation for the past five or six years, and is used by about 90 per cent of the building and loan associations in the state. The cost is considered very small, amounting to only a few cents per month per share, and decreasing each year as the maturity date for the stock nears.

County Commissioners To Meet Again Monday Night

The Washington County Commissioners will again hold their regular session at night this month, the meeting being scheduled for 7:30 p. m. next Monday night in the courthouse.
 Commissioner Frank L. Brinkley urges all who have matters to bring to the attention of the board to be present at that time.

County Likely to Get Licensed Swine Grader

Among the first group of prospects to be trained and licensed as swine graders of North Carolina will be Sam D. Spruill, of Creswell, grader for the Plymouth Livestock Association.
 Mr. Spruill has graded thousands of hogs which have been shipped to market from here in the last year or so, since the formation of the local marketing organization, and he is acceptable to both buyers and growers as a qualified grader.
 A state-licensed grading service is needed to determine the condition of the hogs offered, so that proper deductions may be made when pork is soft or oily.
 The packers usually pay 75 cents to \$1.50 less per hundredweight for the hogs that are soft and oily. And unless the hogs are graded accurately, the deductions may be too great or too small.
 The packing companies have offered the use of their coolers to be used as laboratories in training graders.

Complete Set-Up and Schedule Announced For Various Sections

Uniformity in Listings Sought By Officials; Take Farm Census at Same Time

List of taxes in Washington County begins April 1st, with H. C. Spruill as supervisor, and property owners are notified that all real estate, personal property and poll taxes must be listed during the month. Farmers are required to be prepared to give in their farm census at the same time.
 Tax lists this year are as follows: W. Linwood Hassell, Plymouth; A. R. Phelps, Lees Mills; W. W. White, Skinnerville; and P. B. Belanga, Scuppernon.
 At a conference this week a short schedule of values for personal property listings was agreed upon as follows: Poultry, 10 cents pound; milk cows, \$25 to \$50 each; other cattle, \$5 to \$25; hogs and pigs, 7 cents pound; goats, \$1; sheep, \$2; mules, \$25 to \$250; horses, \$25 to \$125; hay, \$8 to \$10 ton; corn, 50 cents bushel; lard, 10 cents pound.
 There will be no reevaluation this year of real estate, and it will be listed at the values set up a year ago, except where improvements have been made or losses sustained. Improvements to real estate will be listed at about 50 per cent of the value; and other household equipment will be listed also.
 "Every effort will be made this year to effect a uniform listing of personal property, and some of the listings may have to be checked at the place the property is located," according to Supervisor Spruill.
 The list-takers urge upon the property owners that they list early to avoid the rush later in the month.
 For the convenience of property owners, the list-takers will visit various places in the county during the month, and on page 3 of this newspaper a complete schedule is published that will be followed out. Taxpayers are urged to clip this out and keep it so as to be sure to meet the list-taker when he is in the section.

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