

It was reported here that out of the large acreage Sam Davenport cultivates...

Not the largest, but one of the most modern, bottling machines and plants in the entire country is that of the Coca-Cola Bottling Works here...

Local officers are expecting a "break" shortly in the case of the person who ran into a group of negro potato workers near Columbia several weeks ago...

L. L. Basnight, ABC enforcement officer, is on the job. He has recently made about 20 raids and arrests of persons in possession of illegal whiskey...

Ducky Lloyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Lloyd, has returned from Camp Charles, near Bailey, where he has been for some time employed in the camp.

Not a single case was heard in recorder's court Tuesday, as the docket usually prepared for trial did not materialize.

To further prove that the law business is dull, not over five cases have been filed to go on the civil calendar during the last several months.

Word received here is to the effect that Sam Adler, local merchant who has been in a Richmond hospital for about 10 days, is recovering from an illness that has been troubling him for some time.

For every \$1000 worth of goods that rural merchants sold to farmers in 1932 they sold \$202 worth in 1937. Farm income in 1937 was approximately twice as much as in 1932.

A check of the records of the North Carolina Department of Revenue reveals that out of more than 15 brands of motor fuel sold, Esso and Essoless sold 29 1/2 per cent, or more than any other three companies, said C. E. Ayers, local distributor.

Forbid Trucks Going Into South Carolina With Two Gas Tanks

Truck Operators Warned of New Law Applicable to Out-of-State Truckers

Truck owners in this section who operate their equipment in South Carolina are warned they will be subject to indictment if their trucks are operated in that state with auxiliary tanks, according to Highway Patrolman Tom Brown.

A new law has been passed by the South Carolina legislature prohibiting the use of auxiliary gasoline tanks and standard tanks of more than 30 gallons capacity, this law being applicable to out-of-state truckers operating in that state.

"Since there is nothing in our laws prohibiting the use of auxiliary or large tanks, we cannot withdraw the privilege of allowing South Carolina trucks so equipped to operate in North Carolina," Patrolman Brown said.

"However, we can withdraw our reciprocity privileges and require all such vehicles to carry North Carolina license plates, and so private and public carriers operating with an extra tank from South Carolina will be required to purchase North Carolina license plates," he said.

Softball Game Is Carded for Next Wednesday Afternoon

The second competitive softball game here has been set for Wednesday afternoon, July 6, at 5 p. m., when a team from the Grace Episcopal Church will battle a club from the Methodist church.

R. A. Duvall is captain of the Episcopal team and Raymond Smith will lead the Methodists. The game is expected to provide plenty of fun and entertainment and a large crowd is in prospect.

Deliver \$23,000 Worth Cucumbers at Plant Here

Approximately 22,000 bushels of cucumbers have been delivered at the plant of C. C. Lang & Son here, where they will be cured for shipping to the Baltimore plant for pickling purposes, according to P. H. Roberts, Jr., manager.

The payroll for the coming Monday will be about \$17,000, making a total of about \$23,000 paid out for cucumbers since the plant opened for deliveries several weeks ago.

Tobacco Growers To Get Allotments After July 8th

Tobacco marketing quotas will be mailed to farmers in Washington County as soon after July 9 as possible, provided the growers have certain information required in the office of the county agent here by the deadline mentioned above.

Beacon's Contest Will End Saturday, 4 P. M.

Publishers of The Beacon are just as much at sea as any reader at this writing as to who will win the major prizes in the subscription campaign which comes to a close Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Judges who will tabulate the final vote are: B. G. Campbell, mayor of Plymouth; Frank L. Brinkley, county commissioner; and Aubrey R. Phelps, town clerk of Roper.

Special Program Is Prepared for Lions Meeting This Week

A special program is being arranged for the Lions Club meeting Thursday night, when the new officers will be installed to take over their duties for the ensuing year, according to Secretary N. A. Taylor.

Dr. T. L. Bray will speak for a short time on "The Joy of Serving," and at the close will turn over his gavel to W. L. Whitley, president-elect, who will respond, citing the duties of the secretary, with Secretary Taylor pledging his performance of these duties.

Tall-Twister Carl L. Bailey will make a short talk explaining to W. V. Hays, his successor, the duties of that office.

Z. V. Norman, in a short talk, will accept the pledge of Walter H. Farnore as lion tamer, as well as explain the duties of that office.

Past President E. F. Still will cite the duties of the board of directors and the work of the club in general, with a response by E. H. Liverman.

Vice Presidents J. R. Manning, P. W. Brown and B. G. Campbell will hear their duties explained also, as they compare with that of the president.

Rev. R. H. Lucas will pronounce the benediction.

Final Rites Held in Creswell Saturday For Gilliam Sykes

Creswell.—Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon for Gilliam Sykes, 84, who died Friday night at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ida Hassell, Creswell, from a stroke suffered about two weeks ago.

The Rev. Mr. Armfield, who is in charge of St. David's Parish during the summer, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Forest Wagoner and Dr. G. A. Martin. Burial took place in St. David's cemetery.

Mr. Sykes was reared in Tyrrell County, but spent most of his life in Connecticut. For the last nine years he has been living in Creswell with his sister, Mrs. Hassell, who is his last surviving relative.

Pall-bearers were Ruffin Bailey, C. A. Swain, H. G. Walker, Clyde Smithson, A. H. Tucker and Joshua Woodley.

Mr. Roberts estimates about 60 per cent of the crop has been harvested and delivered, and he is very well satisfied with the grades and quality received, stating that most of the large and brown cucumbers have been brought in on Mondays, due to the fact that no picking is done on Sundays.

Local Business Will Come To Standstill Monday for Fourth Day Will Be Observed as General Holiday Throughout Eastern Section

Joining in with the other towns in this section, business will be brought to just about a complete standstill in Plymouth on Monday, when the nation celebrates the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

It is understood that all industrial plants will also be closed with the exception of the North Carolina Pulp Company. The manufacture of pulp being a continuous process, it is not possible for plants of this nature to shut down for holidays.

Local merchants are urging their customers to do their shopping on Friday and Saturday of this week to avoid inconvenience.

Many are planning to attend the special program at Albemarle Beach, while others will remain here and take in the ball games and movies scheduled for the day.

The county commissioners will not hold their regular first Monday meeting until Tuesday night, and all the county offices will be closed.

"Incubator Baby" Died Wednesday

Little Camilla Ann Simmons, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Simmons, of the pulp mill village, died Wednesday morning after a very brief illness with pneumonia.

The little girl was born October 31, last year, her birth being the first recorded at the pulp mill village here.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Courtney Funeral Home with the Rev. P. B. Nicken, pastor of the Baptist church, conducting the last rites.

Interment was made in the Baptist cemetery.

Mr. Simmons is quite ill at this time in a Rocky Mount hospital with a kidney ailment. A two-year-old son has also been very sick with colitis at the Simmons home here, but is reported to be showing some improvement now.

Plymouth Furniture Co. Starts Auction Sales Today

The Plymouth Furniture Company is starting something new in this section in furniture sales by conducting auctions twice daily, offering all the items in their entire stock by this method.

The sales are under the direct supervision of Mr. Neely, the first being held for Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

Besides selling furniture at the buyers' own prices, a number of free prizes and gifts are being given away at each sale.

The public is cordially invited to attend the sales and get a chance on the prizes without any obligation.

THE SCOREBOARD

Mrs. Walter P. Lloyd won the 50 gallons of gasoline offered last week by the Beacon to the contestant turning the most subscriptions into the campaign department for that week.

The standing listed below shows how the candidates stood at the close of business last Saturday night. The campaign will close Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and as soon as the judges make the final count, the prizes will be awarded and the commissions paid to those who do not win a prize.

No one has a prize "cinched." The work done this week will determine the winners.

Miss Dorrice Litchfield, danseuse of Emporia, Va., will give a special performance in the Plymouth Theatre at 9 p. m. Friday night, accompanied by Paul Jones Orchestra, it was announced today by Shep Brinkley, manager.

Miss Litchfield has been a student at the Evelyn Zaban School of Dancing and the Tray-Boy Dancing School in Richmond; the Ann Boyer School of Dancing in Danville, Va.; and also studied under Howell Fisher, a pupil of Fred Shaw. She has given two performances at the Lumina at Wrightsville Beach and was starred in a musical show at Emporia.

Independent and A. F. L. Unions Seek Recognition as Bargaining Agency for Pulp Plant Workers

Recognition as a bargaining agency for the pulp plant workers was sought by American Federation of Labor representatives, who met with officials of the North Carolina Pulp Company Tuesday morning in a short session, which is to be followed by another in about two weeks.

The labor officials were told by the mill management that there was another union, known as the Plymouth Independent Pulp Works Association which was seeking recognition as a bargaining agency for the workers.

The union officials decided to secure the signatures of members of their local organization and forward these names to headquarters, where they will be certified as members in good standing who have signified their wish to have the American Federation of Labor represent them in the matter.

As soon as the names are secured and sent to union headquarters for certification, work on which is being concluded today, and they have been certified as active members of the union, then another conference between the union and mill management will be held, it is understood.

Present at the conference were Charles E. Haurly, representative of the International Union of Operating Engineers; and J. H. Malin, general representative of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers; and some local union officials.

Representing the management of the plant were H. M. Kleckhefer, secretary and treasurer of the Kleckhefer Container Company, of Delair, N. J., owners of the plant; W. B. Place, personnel expert for the Kleckhefer Company; and O. H. Cox, general manager of the local plant.

Young People Hold Service Sunday at Methodist Church

For the first time in the long history of the Plymouth Methodist Church the young people held a complete service Sunday night, with Walter Burgess in charge in the absence of the Rev. C. T. Thrift, who is in Virginia holding a revival.

The theme was "Prayer," with recitations and open on this topic read by Jack Getzinger, Edward Willoughby, Miss Camille Burgess, and a talk by Miss Sarah McLean. A collection was taken to help defray expenses of Misses Helen Harrison and Elizabeth Willoughby, delegates to the Louisville Assembly.

Officers elected recently are Miss Virginia Norman, president; Jack Getzinger, vice president; Miss Catherine Terry, secretary; Harold Brinn, treasurer; Miss Sarah McLean, program leader, assisted by Misses Helen Harrison and Elizabeth Willoughby.

The weekly meeting will be held on Tuesdays in the future instead of on Sunday afternoons, as in the past. A choir will be organized by the young people and it is planned to hold services every second Sunday.

Colored Youth Is Arrested for Theft Of \$52 From Town

Part of the money stolen from the office of Town Clerk M. W. Sprull early Monday morning was recovered Tuesday with the arrest of Johnny Moore, 14, colored, who was arraigned before Juvenile Court Judge C. V. W. Auson on a charge of breaking and entering and theft.

Mr. Sprull left the cash in a desk drawer in his office Saturday night, forgetting to place it in the iron safe, as is his usual custom, and came down Monday morning to find \$52 missing.

Chief of Police P. W. Brown arrested young Moore and found two \$20 bills sewed into the young negro's hat. The chief then persuaded a local hardware merchant to take back a rifle the youth had purchased, recovering in all \$46.

Officers believe the negro entered the clerk's office through a rear door, although they could not definitely learn how he gained access to the building.

It is considered likely the colored boy will be sent to a reform school.

MEETING POSTPONED

Because the regular monthly meeting date falls on July 4th, the Washington County Commissioners have decided to meet on Tuesday night at 7:30, instead of on Monday night, as is usually the case, according to Commissioner Frank L. Brinkley.

Mr. Brinkley urges those who have business with the commissioners to be present Tuesday. It was thought best to postpone the meeting in view of the fact that many people will be away during the holiday on Monday.

\$52,000 In Intangible Property on Books Of County Last Year

Transfer of intangible property tax returns to the state by the tax classification amendment passed at the last general election will likely cause the County of Washington and towns of Plymouth, Roper and Creswell to lose a total of about \$1,500 in taxes on this class of property which they have heretofore been receiving.

For the tax year of 1937 the county had listed on its books property of an intangible nature to the value of \$52,000, which brought in about \$936 in taxes. In addition, owners of this class of property who live in the three towns of the county paid the town levies on their listings, bringing the estimated total to about \$1,500.

Although this reflects a loss to the county and towns, it was a gain for the taxpayers, as they paid the regular tax rates levied—in the case of the county, \$1.80 on the \$100 valuation—while the state scale ranges from 10 to 40 cents on the \$100 valuation.

However, when this class of property was being listed by the county and towns, much of it was never reported for taxation. It is believed the state will bear down on this class of property, determining from records available the amounts and names of all who hold mortgages, notes, bonds, saving accounts, and other intangibles, and enforce the collection of the tax. The collections made by the state are to be divided 50 per cent for the state and 50 per cent for the county and towns. Just how the divisions will be made between the towns and county is not known.

The schedule of charges is as follows: Money on deposit, including postal savings; 10 cents per \$100 of average quarterly credit balance as of March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15; accounts less than \$100 to be ignored.

Money on hand; 20 cents per \$100 at December 31 in excess of \$300. Accounts receivable; 25 cents per \$100 of face value at December 31 in excess of \$300; current bills payable to be deducted.

Funds left with insurance companies; 25 cents per \$100 at December 31.

Notes receivable, bonds, mortgages, etc.; 40 cents per \$100 fair market value at December 31, in excess of \$300; like evidence of debt entitling owner to certain exemptions.

Shares of stock; 30 cents per \$100 fair market value at December 31, in excess of \$300.

Rocks Get New Right-Hand Pitcher From Coastal Loop

Wade Hardison, right-handed pitcher, formerly with Greenville in the Coastal Plain League, has reported here for duty with Manager C. O. Armstrong's Rocks and will likely hurl the Lewiston game Thursday afternoon.

He has a good batting average and usually plays the outfield when not pitching. His first game with Plymouth against the Edenton Colonials Wednesday netted him a double out of four trips to the bat.

He is expected to be on the mound for the local fans during the week-end games, when Plymouth battles the Norfolk Blue Devils twice on July Fourth.

Lieutenant Governor Will Speak at Field Day Event

Wilkins P. Horton, lieutenant governor of North Carolina, will make the principal address at the annual farmers' field day, to be held at the Blackland Test Farm, Wenoona, on July 14, according to J. L. Rea, Jr., assistant director in charge.

Dr. W. T. Ralph, of Belhaven, will serve as master of ceremonies and will introduce the speaker. W. Kerr Scott, commissioner of agriculture of North Carolina, will also be on the program, as well as a number of specialists and extension workers from State College, who will explain the projects now being worked out on the farm.

A highlight of the event and a new feature will be the horse and mule pulling contest, results to be determined by a mechanical device. Those having animals they wish to enter for the chance at a generous prize are urged to see County Agent W. V. Hays immediately.

Conferences With Management Held By Both Groups

Independents Claim To Have Majority of Employees Signed Up

It has been learned that a conference was held on Tuesday afternoon between representatives of the Plymouth Independent Pulp Workers Association and the management of the North Carolina Pulp Company.

The independent association is an organization recently formed among the employees of the company in accordance with the Wagner act, its primary purpose being collective bargaining with the employer of its members.

Ned Swain, president of this association, stated in an interview that recognition by the employer had been demanded and a contract tendered providing for such recognition.

He stated that he was advised that similar demand had been made by a local union affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, and that the position of the mill management was that until it was definitely determined which organization, if either, has a majority of the eligible employees as members, they could not enter into contract with either.

This situation required a determination of the claims of each union as to the number of members they have. Mr. Swain stated that he was absolutely certain that the union of which he is president has more than a majority of the total number of employees eligible for membership and that they are all genuine and bona fide members.

It was understood from Mr. Swain that he will welcome a show-down and determination by the National Labor Relations Board, or any other fair method of determination, of whether or not this union does actually have a majority. He expressed full confidence as to what the result would be.

It appears that until the question as to representation of a majority is determined no labor contract with the North Carolina Pulp Company will be signed. Mr. Swain indicated that his union would probably present its claim of right to the National Labor Relations Board unless the matter is otherwise determined without undue delay.

If this course be followed, it is probable that an election would be held among the employees under the supervision of the National Labor Relations Board.

36 Men At Work on Newland Highway; Much To Be Done

Thirty-six laborers working in staggered shifts are rushing work on the Newland Road from Roper to Cherry in an effort to have the project completed and turned over to the State in less than the 10 months allotted to the project.

There is more work to be done than was first thought. About six miles are being graded, stumps dynamited, a number of culverts being built, and there is about \$3,700 worth of dragline dredging to be done.

A tractor and a crew of 20 men are kept busy every day. The road will have a sand-clay surface when completed, and it is hoped will not become impassible even in the worst weather.

W. F. Davenport, of Creswell, is project supervisor; the work being done by the WPA under the supervision of the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

Patrolman Orders Number Motorists To Repair Lights

Returning from his vacation Saturday, Patrolman Tom Brown went to work that night and stopped more than 50 cars that were operating on the highways here with improper lights.

There were no arrests made, but all of those stopped were warned by the patrolman to have their lights repaired immediately or be subject to arrest and probable fine.