Principal A. T. Brooks, of the Cre well School, is expected to return to his work in the county soon. He has been advertising proof reader on the News and Observer during the sum mer months, relieving the regular proof readers, who have been on va-

Bill Baker, photographer of the advertising division of the Department of Conservation and Development, has been in this county and made a number of beautiful pictures of historic houses, farms and other places of interest.

Mr. and Mrs, Gordon E. Wallace and family are here this week visiting Sheriff and Mrs. J. K. Reid. Mr. Wallace is a chemist in a textile plant in Providence, R. I. He was a student at the University of Alabama and is the sheriff's brother-in-law.

Rev. W. E. Norris, formerly a pastor of the Christian church here, who is now in Texas, writes in a good word in praise of the special bridge edition of this paper. He remembered many of those who were mentioned in the special articles.

Hershey Pritchett, from down the county, was in Plymouth this week. He said that since the bridge had opened competition had raised the price of eggs and produce, eggs showing an advance of 5 cents per dozen.

Stewart Blow, of Edenton, is the new chief clerk in the county agent's office here. He is now working on compliance work, which work he also did in the county agent's office in

Virginia Whitley, of Pantego, is the new fourth grade teacher, and Annie Perry, of Windsor, will have charge of the sixth grade in the Plymouth schools. Principal R. B. Trotman i near the end of his faculty-seeking campaign, with all posts filled except that of commercial teacher.

Leslie Darden, Martha Booth, Minnie Brinkley, and Linda Stevens were the only persons from Washington County-except those who had a part in the program—to attend the presentation exercises at the draw last Thursday when the bridge was formally opened.

L. W. Zeigler, Plymouth High School Band Instructor, directed several numbers of the Pennsylvania Railroad Middle Division Band at Ivyside Park, near Altoona, Pa., last Sunday afternoon according to the Altoona Mirror. Mr. Zeigler played a French horn

Joe Nobles, an employee of the North Carolina Pulp Company and well-known baseball umpire, is recovering from an injury received lady who fainted on the grounds durwhen he was hit by a fall while um- ing the celebration. piring a game recently. He has not worked in about two weeks.

Beacon to publicly express his thanks County boys in traffic-control and and statesman, Congressman Lindsay and appreciation to the Boy Scouts first-aid work. for their splendid work and help to the highway patrol and the celebra- at the bridge celebration were: tion at large last Thursday at the Albemarle Sound bridge opening.

Rex and Walter Paramore knows how ny Williford. Phil Liverman, Zeb to get water when the boys get in Norman, Ducky Lloyd, Duncan Getsfrom a long, hot trip. He goes to a inger, Lloyd Cratch, Wilford Whitley, spigot in the front yard, turns the Charles Robbins, Skinner Ayers, Warwater on with his teeth and drinks ren Robbins. from the flow. "But," say the boys, "he never turns off the water, just

High School Pupils ter Sidney Smithson, Assistant Scout-Invited To Register master Forrest Wagoner, J. C. Gatlin, Amon Smithson, Sam Woodley, Har-Before School Opens Ry Walker, Walter Peal, Clyde Barnes, Chester Hopkins, Carol V.

Schedule of Pre-School Registration Is Announced for Monday and Tuesday

An orientation program, or preschool registration, is to be held at the Plymouth High School next week, according to Principal R. B. Trotman, who says that this new system is being inaugurated for the convenience of the pupils.

During this time children will have the help of the faculty in arranging schedules and courses of study before the first day of school to avoid confusion; and as many pupils as possible are urged to come to the school buildings for registration on Monday and Tuesday of next week.

Interested parents are invited to days and hear the new courses of study explained and have their questions answered.

The schedule of pre-school registration is as follows: Eighth grade pupils are asked to

report Monday, September 5, at 10

Ninth grade students report Monday at 2 p. m.

Tenth grade students are asked to report on Tuesday, at 10 a. m. Eleventh and twelfth grade students are asked to report Tuesday at

Those children who cannot arrange to attend the pre-school registration are urged to attend school on the opening day as usual

County Board To Hold Regular Meet Monday

The Washington County Commissioners will meet in the courthouse Monday night at 7:30 for the purpose of attending to the business of the county, and those who wish to see the commissioners are urged to be present at that time.

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Celebration Carried

Parade and Public Speaking on Labor Day Program Here

The most significant observance of Labor Day ever staged in Plymouth is being planned for next Monday, when the three local labor unions will stage a parade, to be followed by a public speaking at the courthouse.

Members of the pulp and sulphite workers', operating engineers', and electricians' locals will assemble at their headquarters at 9:30, and at 10 o'clock the parade will form at the corner of Water and Jefferson Streets, moving from there to the courthouse, where the remainder of the exercises will be held. Efforts are being made to secure a prominent speaker for the occasion, and it is also hoped to have a band to furnish music.

The families of the union members will gather at the courthouse, and the public is also invited and urged to hear the address at the courthouse.

The post office, ABC store, and Branch Banking and Trust Company will observe the day as a holiday, but the other stores and business houses will be open as usual. There will be no mail deliveries in the town or on the rural routes.

Scouts Praised for Work Last Week at

Helped To Direct Traffic and Maintained First-Aid Station on Grounds

Boy Scouts of Washington County, including 13 members of the Plymouth troup, 7 members of the Roper troop, and 8 members of the Creswell troup, helped to direct traffic and maintained a first-aid tent at the bridge celebration last Thursday, officials of the celebration and visitors the south side, where the cars were

Several persons were treated at the bruises, and assistance was given one

The Edenton Scouts, under the di-

Scouts in uniform from this county lous dignitaries present.

Plymouth Troop No. 84: Scoutmaster N A Taylor, Assistant Scoutmas-"Buck," white and brown pony of Joseph Swindell, Roy Manning, Son-

Roper Troop No. 100: David Johns- Seashore Park. ton, Sidney Hassell, Aubrey Dixon, walking away when he has a plenty." Leroy Davenport, Joe White, Bryant hesson, Billie Pickett.

Creswell Troop, No. 101: Scoutmas-

In addition to the uniformed not in uniform who helped with the work, according to Dr. A Papineau, chairman of the Washington County Council, who was in direct charge of the activities.

Change Roper Mail Service on Holidays

the Sunday schedule now, it was an-nounced this week by Mrs. Perla H.

Asphalt felt and cem Bray, postmistress.

and all points beyond at 7:15 a. m., vent leakage for 20 years. Some recome with their children on these to return from Columbia and Creswell at 9 a. m. The principal dis-walls also. patch will be made at 9 a. m., after which the post office will be closed Roofing Company, of Raleigh, fin-

> The new schedule will be first observed Labor Day, Monday, Septem-

IMPROVE TURNPIKE

Dr. Claudius McGowan has reliable information that the surfacing of the Turnpike road will not all be done on the end nearest Highway No. 97.

His information is that 1 1-2 miles of surfacing will be done on the other end of the road, beginning at Goldie Williams' filling station and coming this way. The other 3 1-2 miles of surfacing will start at Highway No. 97

and go the other way. It was explained that this was being done to afford a passable road over the roughest part of the turnpike.

Largest Gathering in History of County Present for Program

Estimates of Crowd Range To 18,000; Large Array Of Notables Present

By WALTER H. PARAMORE

Bees hummed in and out of the entury-old pine tree in the grove on Ed Patrick's property at the Washngton County end of the new bridge ver Albemarle Sound last Thursday. 2-mile span.

With a rope around it to set it part from the others, the aged tree charge. was a silent reminder, among the forst of younger pines, of the years it nuge bridges if not before the time fsuch stirring oratory as was uneashed about it.

But little concerned with the pine ree were the orators who gathered to speak pleasing things to the great mass of people who had gathered from far and near to officially open a bridge that united a geographically divided Albemarle.

And the entire program was carried out without a single hitch. Fourteen miles away, in Edenton, a caravan of automobiles, headed by dignitaries in buses and private cars, with a sprinkling of floats that emphasized historic incidents in the life Bridge Celebration of the seven counties, started moving slowly proceeding sevens the 19 ing, slowly proceeding across the 18, 000-foot bridge. There was a halt at the draw for the ceremony of presenting the bridge to the public, which was done by Chairman Frank Dunlap, of the State Hgihway Commission, with Julien Wood accepting for the north side of the sound and side.

ping of ribbons permitting the parade to continue its slow progress to neath the grove of pines to hear a first-aid station for minor cuts and fervor until its reached its climax with Former Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, the principal speaker.

The ever-popular and thorough organizer, Charles Wallace Tatem, of rection of Scoutmaster George W. Columbia, served as master of cere-Capehart, had a float in the parade monies, and he brought to the stand Patrolman Tom Brown wishes The and also assisted the Washington the section's outstanding politician C. Warren, who recognized the var-

than just calling the names of those present; he prefaced this by a few accomplished improvement of his section by the Albemarle Sound bridge should spur the section onward to the fight for a bridge over the Alligator River and the Croatan Sound and the Hatteras National

Following this, Governor Hoey strode to the microphone to welcome the people from all the counties, and from Virginia, as well.

He welcomed the people to this region. He welcomed them in the that he represented; and, in similar Colonel E. E. Holland, the personal representative of the governor of Vir-Scouts, there were a number of boys ginia, responded, praising the two states and referring to them as "sis-

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Work Completed on Roof at Courthouse

Heavy rains should no longer beat into the walls of the courthouse here, Effective after September 1, the as the 20-year-old building now has mail schedule on holidays in the a new roof, designed to prevent the Roper post office will be the same as leaks which have damaged the roof

Asphalt felt and cement have been applied to the roof, and the manu-"Mail will arrive from Plymouth facturers guarantee the work to prepair work was done to the damaged

Workmen for the Baker and Rawls until 7 a. m. the following day," says insed the job last week, and this week Janitor Abram Styrons was cleaning away the debris created while the work was in progress.

The job cost the county between \$1,500 and \$2,000 and was sorely needed to protect the \$70,000 structure, which is one of the best in the

Mrs. Elvia Harrington Dies In Roper Monday Morning

Creswell.—Funeral services for Mrs. Elvia Harrington, 87, who died at the home of L. A. Parrisher in Roper Monday morning, were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Stanford and the Rev. Mr. Ambrose Tuesday afternoon, at 2:30, at the Pleasant Grove Church

Tobacco Price Gives

Series of Meetings Called by Farm Bureau To Seek Reason and Remedy

Tobacco farmers in eastern Caroina are becoming aroused over the downward trend in tobacco prices, which opened around 24 cents last Thursday and have slumped to 21 in the few days since. Notices have been issued of mass meetings of

but they paid little attention to and Federation in Greenville at 2:30 Sat- each of the intersections. were paid little attention by the 13,- urday afternoon in the Pitt County 000 people that gathered there to courthouse. This is the nearest meetelebrate the formal opening of the ing for the growers of the county,

Secretary E .F. Arnold, of the State try club driveway. had stood there—before the time of to discredit current propaganda that tinued beyond this year to insure 'parity" price.

Prices paid on the various markets farmers' meetings an explanation of Score of County's and the remedy discussed.

Corey Speaker Here Friday When Legion

State Senator Says Being Prepared for War Is Way To Preserve Peace

Zeb Vance Norman for the south thur Corey, of Greenville, told the This over, the 14 pages enacted the American Legion when he in- promptly at 7:30 o'clock. their part of the ceremony, the snip-stalled the new officers here Friday night

der would like to avoid the horror tions from Hollywood, Paris, and alike praising the work done by the parked and the people gathered bethe World War and I urge each of brand of oratory that increased in you to lend your influence to the perpetuation of peace," the veteran fall dresses, and smart fall sport told his comrades.

duties to the officers.

Tom Swain, former member However, Mr. Warren went further himself a legionnaire who now lives ter Blount Rodman, Douglas Gurkin, remarks in which he said that the and urged loyalty to the cause of

Prior to the installation exercises the men went to the Plymouth Counchicken dinner, rolls, and all the acessories that went with them.

name of the state and the section officer; J. R .Carr, service officer; vein, the orator of note and ability, bert Bratten, sergeant at arms; D. A. historian.

P. W. Brown, athletics officer Zeno Lyon, welfare officer; Lloyd Horton, Americanization officer; H. G. Simpson, graves registration officer: R. L. Tetterton, employment of-

ship; W. L. Hassell, publicity; Dr. C.

Begin Series of Services

The Rev. Marshall Joyner,

vited to attend.

No Change Made in Hours Of Work at Plant Here

No changes have been made in the number of hours that a workman may make at the North Carolina Pulp Company plant, according to Manager O. H. Cox. However, their hours of labor per week are restricted to 55 by the state law, it was said. It is probable the number of hours

allowed will be reduced in October, when the new Federal wage and hour aw becomes effective, to 44 hours per

At Pleasant Grove Church Two Tracts of Land Sold The Pleasant Grove M. E. Church revival will start Sunday morning, with the Rev. J. T. Stanford, of Rop-

growers in various sections to consid- the "pulp mill village," because the club, runs west to the home of O. H. er the situation and learn, if pos- settlement has been properly desig- Cox, north to the edge of the basesible, the reason for the declining nated on maps and plats as "The ball park, and east back to Alden

tend. Haywood Dail, jr., will be in

Bureau, said an effort would be made the crop control program is responsible and to gain farmers' assurance that the control program will be con-

have dropped in some cases from 2 the cause for the drop will be sought

Installs New Officers

to preserve peace, State Senator Ar-

In the solemn ceremony that preceded the speech, the new officers stood at attention in front of the speakers' stand, between two rows of comrades, with the flags of their country massed about them, and the installing officer explained their

Washington County School Board, in Greenville, told of the work of the former soldiers in Pitt County

try Club, where Charles Watson, the new manager, served a delicious fried

The new officers are: W. V. Hays, commander; B. G. Campbell, first vice commander; J. B. Willoughby, second vice commander; S. B. Lucas, third vice commander; P. B. Bateman, adjutant; P. W. Brown, finance Bob Swain, guardianship officer; Al-Hurley, chaplain; and J. H. Swindell,

Chairmen of important committees include Dr. C. McGowan, member-McGowan, Sons of the Legion.

Greenville, will be the speaker in a series of revival services which will placed Mrs. Pilley in an ambulance, begin Sunday night at 8 p. m. in the and she was later removed to her Union Chapel Free Will Baptist home. Church on Long Acre Road.

the courthouse this week.

Revival To Begin Sunday

Pall-bearers were W. E. Knowles, er, the pastor in charge. A visiting Hopkins, and M. F. Davenport, un-W. E. Blount, Wilbur Blount, L. A. minister whose name has not been married, have sold two tracts of land Parrisher, jr., W. M. Hassell, and F. learned will assist. The public is in Skinnersville Township to Herbert invited to attend these services.

Downward Trend of Elective Courses Added at Three Out Without Hitch Concern To Growers County High Schools; New Term To Begin Thursday of Next Week

Country Club Estates No Creswell Only Unit Longer 'Pulp Mill Village' Probably Open 29th

Here Next Wednesday

Plymouth Country Club Estates" by Road. Tobacco growers in Washington are the North Carolina Pulp Company.

A review of the new street signs

No longer should people refer to | Golf Road starts at the country

Headed south on Alden Road one being urged to attend the meeting of The company has recently completed finds Cedar Court, Maple Court, and the 3,500 school children in Washthe North Carolina Farm Bureau the erection of street markers on Pine Street are on the left, while on ington County will resume their

reveals that Alden Road runs from So "The Estates" is the proper north to south through the center of name, much more polite and digniand it is probable a number will at- the group of homes. It leads from fied than "The Village," although it The Creswell unit will probably bean intersection with the pulp plant may take some time for local peo- gin its term on September 29, when highway to the entrance to the coun- ple to become accustomed to calling it is hoped at least part of the new

the right is Linden Street.

Annual Fashion Show

98 Per Cent County

Farmers Received

Leaf Quota Cards

Tobacco allotment cards have

been distributed to 98 per cent of

the growers in Washington County,

it was learned from the county

agent's office this week, and farm-

ers in this county have been sell-

the last few days.

ing heavily on the markets during

The average for the first prim-

ings is not holding up as satisfac-

torily as first anticipated, but the

growers can still make a profit at

the average of about 22 cents a

pound, which some are reporting.

growers in the county this year,

planting about 1,500 acres of to-

Few Complaints Heard So Far

In This County, But Many

Others Seek Hearing

No formal protests have been mad

the opening date from November 20

from February 15 to February 20,

without making known their inten-

tion beforehand and no one was al-

hunters in the counties named may

have a chance to oppose the change.

since it is prohibited to hunt within

old season to 56 days.

pot-hunters and law violators

DEDICATION

When the 14 boys and girls

from the seven counties in the

Albemarle threw open the gates

at the draw of the sound bridge

last Thursday, they recited the following dedication, in union with its author, John W. Darden:

and future generations of an

united and greater Albemarle, a

great state and nation, clip this

ribbon and throw ajar these

gates, thereby formally opening

and dedicating this bridge to the

service of humanity forever,"

'We, the representatives of this

hearing.

lowed an opportunity to be heard.

There are about 400 tobacco

Prettiest Girls To **Model New Styles**

Will Be Held in Plymouth Theatre; Music by Hal Thurston's Orchestra

A score of the prettiest girls in Washington County will serve as models at the fashion show which Mrs. Blar the Swain, of the Woman's Shop, is putting on at the Plymouth Being prepared for war is one way Theatre Wednesday evening of next week in cooperation with Shep Brinkley, owner of the theatre. There members of James E. Jethro Post of will be but one show, starting

The names of the models will not e made known until they appear on "Those of us who fought over yon- the stage in the latest fashion crea-Mrs. Swain has purchased a num-

ber of the new evening gowns, early clothes especially for this show Each year Mrs. Swain and Mr. Brinkley put on a fashion show about this time, but the one planned for next week they consider the most

ambitious one yet attempted. "I have never seen more lovelier clothes than the style markets have afforded this fall, and I am sure all hose interested in pretty fair should see this show," Mrs. Swain in Washington County, but residents said on her return from the markets. of Martin, Bertie, Halifax and Music for the fashion show will be Northampton Counties are aroused in provided by Hal Thurston and his opposition to the action of the North orchestra. There will be no advance Carolina Department of Conservation in price, though the program includes and Development in changing the the special feature, "Racket Busters," quail and wild turkey hunting seastarring Humphrey Bogart, George sons . Brent, Gloris Dickson, and Allen

Jenkins. Following the style show there will be a dance in the gymnasium sponsored jointly by Mrs. Swain and Mr.

Rumor of Death at Celebration Untrue

Despite rumors to the contrary, here were no deaths or serious acidents at the bridge celebration last Thursday. It was widely reported that a child was drowned and that a woman died of heart failure. . According to Patrolman Tom

Brown, who was near the scene, Mrs. Ed Pilley, of Terra Ceia, fainted upon receiving a telegram informing her that her daughter had died in a Washington hospital. The message was delivered by Ducky Lloyd, a Boy to hunting for from 5 to 15 days each. Scout. Rumors had it that the woman had fainted and later died. The Sunday at Union Chapel death allusion was to her daughter, which doubtless caused the misun-

> derstanding. Boy Scouts secured a stretcher and

Services will be held each night for about 10 days. The public is in-Delinquent Tax List

Thousands of dollars' worth of oke does not flood here as it does the other group. property, including the homes and farther upstream, but he did hear a 1937 taxes are paid before Wednesday of next week, it was learned at

More than 800 names are on the ist at present, but it is expected the number will be reduced considerably before publication begins. The property will be advertised for four weeks and sold at the courthouse door in Plymouth on the first Monday in Oc-

In Skinnersville Recently

C. L. Hopkins and wife, Mrs. Vera

Early Enrollment and Regu-

lar Attendance Urged by School Officials

Vacation over, a large majority of studies Thursday of next week, when all of the county schools, white and colored, except the one at Creswell open their doors for the 1938-39 term. school building will be available.

An important change in the school ystem is the addition of elective courses in the high schools, and the equirement of 20 units for graduation instead of 16 as formerly. The additional courses are designed to make the work more attractive for the students and will mean betterequipped graduates, regardless of whether they intend going to work or pursuing their education further in institutions of higher learning.

The added courses will help to eliminate an acute problem presented by the laws which say that a child must be 18 years of age to work. Under the 11-grade system 80 per cent of the children graduate at 16 and 17 years of age.

Records show that during the last hree years, slightly over 10 per cent of the Plymouth graduates continue their eudcation beyond high school. In many instances the graduates are too young to work, even if there were suitable and adequate employment available. Pupils who have dropped out of high school before graduation are

practical courses will be arranged for hem. Some who have graduated will probably return to take additional courses, either in college preparatory, commercial, or vocational subjects, as a complete course in busi-Many Sportsmen Are ness training is being offered. "Enroll early and attend regularly, Protesting Dates of as no pupil can do creditable work who stays out of school. A unit of

urged to return, as interesting and

tendance. Don't lessen the credit earned by irregular attendance," the cshool officials urge. Permission to take five unit subjects will be granted only to those pupils in the tenth and eleventh grades who averaged 83 or above on

their last year's work, it was an-

New Hunting Season credit is granted on the basis of at-

nounced. The State department requires a child to have a minimum of 16 units for graduation, permitting the local systems to increase this according to local needs and desires, in line with the state regulations. Under the new set-up in this county, if a student The department recently changed has met the state requirement of 16 units and desires to stop, he will be to December 15 and the closing date given a certificate; however, a diploma will only be issued to those whose have the prescribed 20 units required for graduation in this county in the future. Students receiving Thousands of names have been af- certificates are not excluded from enfixed to petitions addressed to Game Commissioner John D. Chalk, ask- more difficult for them to do so than ing that a hearing be held so that students finishing the twelfth grade

They request an early date for the 90 Men Now Engaged The length of the season, under In Work on Newland

Work Not Expected To Be **Completed Before Spring** Of Next Year

500 yards of high water during a Additional men have been added freshet. It is estimated that an avto the force from time to time until erage of 20 days are lost on account of the floods, and this reduces the at present there are about 90 men at work on the Newlands road from Roper to Cherry, and it is expected Quail and wild turkey are being the project will be completed someprotected by day and season bag lim- time in the early spring. its, and such provisions limit the

The workmen are divided into two law-abiding hunters without affecting crews, with Winton Davenport, of Creswell, working 60 men on the Game Warden J. T. Terry says he Cherry end. W. C. Meyers, of Plymhas heard few protests here about outh, has a crew of about 25 or 30 the shortened season, as the Roan- on the Roper end working toward

The Davenport crew has completfarms of hundreds of Washington great many protests last year about ed about 8 miles of the work from County residents, will be advertised the change in deer-hunting season, the Cherry end, while Mr. Meyer's for sale next week unless delinquent but this opposition has about ceased. crew has encountered difficulties and has progressed about one mile. The entire distance from Roper to Cherry, through this short cut, is about

15 miles. The project called for the work to be completed within 10 months. The workmen are blasting stumps, raising the roadbed, clearing the shoulders and arranging for good drain-

Progress on the route is not visible from highway No. 64 at Roper, as the work was started about a half mile from where it will eventually intersect with the highway. When completed the route should be one of the prettiest in the county, as trees and foliage line the roadway on both sides practically the entire dis-

the old ruling, was 88 days, with 12 **Highway To Cherry** Sundays omitted, making a total of 75 hunting days. It is pointed out that the Roanoke River usually is in flood about three times during the season, and these freshets put an end