Home from a trip to Tarboro this week where he attended a meeting of

camping chairmen of the East Carolina Council of Boy Scouts, J. R. Man ning told of the arrangements being

made by the Edgecombe city to take care of 800 scouts who will camp

J. A. Ferree, sanitary inspector for the district health office here, is at

his home in Aberdeen recovering

from an operation performed at Duke

Hospital in Durham several weeks

ago. Although reported much im-

proved, Dr. S. V. Lewis said this week

that it would likely be several more

weeks before Mr. Ferree would be

Postmaster George W. Hardison

is reported improved today. Mon-

day the popular postal official

collapsed while at work. A stom-

ach ailment was reported as the

cause of his illness. Mr. Hardi-

son has been working long hours

at the post office here and has

missed but three days from his

work since entering the service

John Bartram for 20 years aver-

aged being in jail every day. An

Episcopal lay worker, he has visited

jails in almost every county in North

and South Carolina and Virginia

Monday he was in Plymouth with his

party of three for religious services.

Former Senator Carl L. Bailey ap-

peared before the senate in Raleigh

Tuesday sponsoring the report of a

commission of which he is chairman,

appointed in 1935 by Governor Eh-

ringhaus to study the laws on wills,

guardianship and administration of

There is twice as much pulp-

wood in Washington County as in

any similar area in the state;

more different kinds of botanical

plants around Lake Phelps than

in the whole of continental Eu-

rope; Scuppernong Farms con-

stitute one of the largest FSA

projects in the country; and Washington County has these

and many more things of which

to be proud, according to John

W. Darden, secretary of the

Washington County chamber of

Industry is not the goal of the

Hyde County Chamber of Commerce,

according to P. G. Gallup, school sup-

erintendent and president of the

The United States Civil Service

Commission has anonunced an ex-

amination to fill the position of rural

tion will be held at Plymouth and re-

Civil Service To Hold

there April 14, 15, 16.

able to return to work.

three years ago.

up to Thursday.

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District Health Officials Encourage Markets To Sell Home-Killed Meat Plant Manager Says Company

A. J. Riddle To Be Candidate for City Councilman May 2

Silence surrounding the municielection on May 2 was broken today by the announcement of A. J. Riddle that he would be a candidate for councilman from the first ward.

Mr. Riddle aspires to the post now held by T. C. Burgess, who says his health will not permit him to continue. It has been rumored that W. J. Mayo, the other councilman from the first ward, will not run again.

Mayor B. G. Campbell definitely decided Thursday that he would be a candidate for reelection to the office which he has hold for the last four years.

J. W. Norman and Dr. W. H. Johnson, in the second ward, and E. H. Liverman and H. C. Spruill, in the third, are expected to run again, although they have made no announcements as yet.

estates. The code as submitted by the commission contains 195 pages County Historical and was reported by the judiciary committee to the senate without prej-Commission Set Up udice. It had not been considered

> Provides for Publishing First **Volume of County History During Next Year**

Publication in 1940 of the first volume of a history of Washington County is provided by a bill introduced in the house this week by Representative W. M. Darden. The measure would establish a historical commission for the county and is expected to be enacted into law withouth opposition.

The bill sets forth that it shall be the duty of the 12 commission members to collect from the files of old newspapers, court records, church records and elsewhere valuable docuto the history of the

but rather Hyde County wants to become known as the "Sportman's Par-Named in the bill are John W. Darden, James W. Norman, Mrs. Addie L. Brinkley, and Miss A. C. Carstarphen, who will elect the other eight to serve with them. Each member is ap-Exam for Rural Carrier

pointed for life. The law provides that the regular

Applications blanks may be se-cured from the local post office. The form all matters of historical intersalary for this position is \$1,800 a est and shall preserve all matters and Mr. Booker that the health auyear with an additional allotment for which may in the future be of historical itnerest

District U. D. C. Meet To Be Held Here 31st

Over 100 Delegates And Number State Officers To Attend

Program Being Prepared for Sessions To Be Held in **Methodist Church**

Upwards of 100 delegates from chapters in the fourteenth district of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, comprising clubs in Aulander, Edenton, Hertford, Windsor, Elizabeth City and Plymouth are expected to attend the district meeting to be held in the Methodist church here next Friday, March 31, at 10:30 a. m., with Mrs. L. E. Fisher, of Asheville, state president, as the principal speaker.

Mrs. F. M. Dunstan, of Windsor, the meeting. Other state officials expected to attend are Mrs. J. E. Lambeth, Thomasville, second vice president; Mrs. Garland Daniels, Greensboro, treasurer; Mrs. Quinton Gregory, Halifax, historian; Miss Nannie Dodson, Winston-Salem, recorder of crosses; Mrs. John Rowe, Hickory, recording secretary; Mrs. J. S. Hayden, High Point, chairman of the Jefferson Davis fund; Mrs. Claudius McGowan Plymouth, chairman of Southern Literature for Home and Foreign Li- Terrace, it was learned today.

Music will be rendered by Shep been extended eastward to connect Brinkley, C. J. Norman and Mrs. with the new subdivision, which starts Laura S. Johnston. Misses Helen at the East Main Street home of Mrs. Harrison, Mary Thomas Robbins and D. V. Clayton, whose residence is just Jane Reid will serve as pages. The outside the town limits. A street senior woman's club will serve a has been surveyed from Main Street Dutch supper under the supervision southward to connect with Fourth of Mrs. W. A. Davidson at the community building.

All who possibly can are urged to attend this meeting, according to the Main Street. This is the residence president of the local chapter, Mrs. that is now occupied by Policeman John W. Darden, as this is the sec- George Coburn. ond time that the district meeting has It is understood that since the lots ever been held in Plymouth, and she are within the town limits that an wishes everyone to contribute in any effort will be made to have these way possible to the success of the streets opened by WPA funds under

MAY START MONDAY

The water continues high at the Kitty Hawk and Slade fisheries near here, but W. R. Hamptoday expressed the belief that the water was falling fast enough now to permit operations to begin next Monday.

Arrangements had been made to start last Monday, but the high water, over the batteries of the two fisheries, continued, and it necessary to wait until the river recedes enough to permit the workmen to empty the seines on the batteries.

Sites Are Provided club Monday night for the men golf-ers, according to L. J. Meunier, jr., district president, will preside over By New Subdivision

> erty of T. C. Burgess; Streets Laid Out

The property adjoining the residence and premises of T. C. Burgess on the east has been subdivided into Alexander. 50 building lots for white people, the development being next to Fairvale

Third and Fourth Streets have been extended eastward to connect

Street. Dr. W. H. Johnson has purchased the bungalow and lot that fronts on

the sponsorship of the town.

Misinformation To **Contrary Corrected** In Statement Today

Markets Will Not Be Penalized for Handling Meats **Dressed by Farmers**

From Dr. S. V. Lewis, district health officer, it has just been learned that misinformation has recently spread abroad to the effect that local homekilled and home-dressed meat would not be acceptable or would not be approved for sale at the local meat markets; and that meat markets found to be handling meat which has been slaughtered in Washington County might result in the de-grading or lowering of the grades of those

meat markets. According to Doctor Lewis, and Mr. Warren H. Booker, director of the division of sanitary engineering of the State Board of Health, nothing could be further from the truth. The State Board of Health, and through it the local health units, are charged with the sanitation of meat markets. but this work has to do with matters of sanitation only; and a spe-cific provision is included in the State law to the effect that "This act (the meat market act) shall not apply to By Legislative Act farmers and others who raise, butcher and market their own meat or meat Mrs. Allie Reddick products.'

At the conference today between Dctor Lewis and Mr. Booker, it was pointed out that the State Board of Health insisted on inserting this provision in the original act passed some two years ago, and that none of the health authorities is in any wise interested in the matter of home-killed meats, that this was not contemplated in he original State law, and that it is not contemplated in the Federal

However, the local and State boards of cleanliness and decency in meat markets, including such items as clean washable floors, clean walls and dren: John H. Reddick, Alton, Ill.; ceilings, well-screened windows and J. H. Reddick, Plymouth RFD.; Arself-closing screen doors, a safe water supply, with means for those han-dling tht meats and meat products to Reddick, Florence, S. C.; Herman Reddick and Mrs. H. S. Hardison, wash their hands, tools, and utensils Dardens; Mrs. C. S. Teachey, Florwith hot water and soap, with provision for clean towels, safe excreta disposal, clean meat blocks, with all employees handling meats provided with health certificates showing freedom from syphilis or other contagiannual meeting of the commission is ous and infectious diseases, with adeto be held on the first Thursday in quate garbage cans, with tight covers, carrier at Columbia. The examina- January of each year in the Wash- for storing the wastes and scraps of ington County courthouse. Special meat, and where chicken pens and ceipt of applications will close on meetings may be held when desired. coops are used to insure that these daughter, Mrs. Willie Oliver, in Scup-The commission, according to the and the general premises are kept

It was pointed out by Doctor Lewis thorities are anxious to do everything in their power to promote the increased use of local or native meat,

If any impression has gotten out that local dealers in meats would be resident. She was very active, conpenalized in any way for handling home-killed meat, it has been in error, and the health authroities stated that they are anxious that any misapprehension should be corrected at

the earliest possible moment. The law provides that no rule or regulation adopted by the State Board of Health shall provide any system which reduces or lowers the scoring and grading of any of the places mentioned in section 1, Chapter 44, P. L. 1937, by reason of purers who raise, butcher and sell to Firemen Called To such places their own meat and meat

Preparations for Golfers'

Preparations have been made and Additional Building be held at the Plymouth Country Club Monday night for the men golfin charge of arrangements.

An entertaining program has been falling timbers during the blaze. The bout 60 days. arranged for the event by the program committee, including Ellis Ma-New Development on Prop- grain committee, including this that ed and indent or ed and inden the principal speakers.

> Announce Birth of Son Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Walker,

Matters of importance to every

business and professional man

and woman in Plymouth will be

discussed at a meeting to be held

in the council chambers in the

municipal building Friday night

at 8 o'clock, it was announced to-

day by J. R. Manning, recently elected president of the Plym-

Pulp Company Not To Build Added Houses at Village

Will Sell Lots but Is Not Interested in Building

Investors who desire to put their money to work by building new homes for the large number of persons who will come to Plymouth in connection with the additions to the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company here will not be troubled by competition by the plant. O. H. Cox, general manager of the company, said Wednesday that it had been definitely decided by the company that it would not build any more houses at the

village here. Mr. Cox said the company would sell lots for residences in the village, but it would not undertake to finance the building. However, it was point ed out that all houses constructed in the village would be required to come up to certain standards, and although proposed homes in that section need not be necessarily expensive, the ject to approval by the village board company now owns 32 houses in the to residents there on long terms o payment, it is understood.

Upon the strength of the statement by the company official this week, it is believed that John L. Phelps, who has constructed a number of houses here recently, may be induced to add some new houses to his holdings here

Died Wednesday

day afternoon for Mrs. Allie Reddick, 81, who died Wednesday morning following a lingering illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. S. Hardison, former manager of the local unit of at Dardens. She was the widow of the American Fork & Hoe Company the late John E. Reddick, well known here, sent copies of the West Virginia throughout this section.

Rev. W. B. Harrington, of the Farm Life section of Martin County, conducted the last rites. Interment was of health are interested in matters made in the cemetery adjoining the Dardens Methodist churchyard.

Surviving are the following chilthur Reddick, St. Louis, Mo.; Alton ence, S. C.; and Mrs. Evelyn Reddick, Portsmouth, Va.

Mrs. Kizzie Sexton

day afternoon at the home of a year. pernong Township, for Mrs. Kizzie Sexton Godwin, 92, who died Thursday morning at 2:30 after a lingering illness. The Rev. W. L. Jernigan, of Creswell, officiated. Interment took place in the Ambrose cemetery.

For years Mrs. Godwin had been and to prevent, as far as possible, the a member of the Bethlehem Primitive sending of North Carolina money to Baptist church in Tyrrell County and was well known in Washington County, where she had been a life-long sidering her age, until last August Mrs. Godwin was considered one of the oldest persons in this county.

Surviving are the following children, all of whom live in Creswell or near there: Mrs. Ella Oliver, Mrs. M. E. Ambrose, Mrs. W. C. Godwin, Mrs. L. S. Phelps, C. E. Godwin; and L. S. Sexton, a brother.

Pall-bearers were Otis Godwin, Edison Godwin, Winton Oliver, Roxie Oliver, Phillip Ambrose, and Cheslee

The Plymouth and Edenton fire de-Banquet Nearly Complete partments joined the Coumbia ce-partment Sunday in helping to bring Mr. Cox said this week that under control the biaze at the latter nite plans and specification for the place Sunday afternoon which did additions to the local plant had not many tickets sold for the banquet to damage estimated at \$75,000 to the yet been finished and that no con Tyrrell County Lumber Company's tract for the buildings could be

Jerry Davenport and J. W. Collins, Columbia firemen, were injured by tion work would get underway in a plant and two box cars were destroy ed and much of the lumber on the guard over the embers until well in Dardens, left Thursday night for the night.

er firemen here answered Columbia's United States Military Academy, has on Tuesday, March 21, a son, Burl call for aid about 2 o'clock in the been ill since January with a con-

Everyone Is Urged To Attend Meeting

but President Manning said to-

day he thought it would be bet-

ter for local folks to meet and

have an open discussion on any

ideas that may be suggested for

improvement of Plymouth in gen-

Plants Unusually Small In County Tobacco Beds Lower Part County

Damage to tobacco plant beds all over the tobacco belt has reached the stage where it is critical, according to County Agent W. V. Hays, who points out that even though ne blue mold has been found in this county the beds have been seriously damaged by wet weather and flea beetle infestation.

"The plants are unusually small, and it is recommended that a small amount of nitrate of soda be used at intervals," Mr. Hays said, "and it is much better to make a small application than to make a large one.'

"We recommend," the county agent said, "from 1 to 3 pounds per hundred square vards and suggest that at least 100 gallons of water be used on this yardage to wash down the fertilizer after making the application. It is foolish to put soda in plant beds and expect the rain to wash the leaves.' "The application should be

made when the bed is dry, then apply water with a sprinkler type can or bucket. Naphthalene or moth flakes scattered lightly over the bed helps to reduce worm and flea beetle damage," the agent

Say Plant To Be Set Up Here by End Year

plans and specifications would be subbefore a lot could be secured. The Is Severe Setback To village, some of which are being sold West Virginia Town

> Plant at Richwood Which Is To Be Moved Here Had 400 Employees

> In connection with the official announcement on March 9 that the local plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company would be considerably expanded and improved, copies of several West Virginia papers were received here this week containing dispatches about the removal of the Cherry River Paper Company from Richwood, W. Va., to Plymouth. Carl L. Groves, of Elkins, W. Va.,

> papers to The Beacon with the penciled notation that "In case you are not sure, it looks like you are getting about half of West Virginia.

One of the papers, the Clarksburg Exponent, has a special dispatch from Richwood reading as follows: "With the supply of pulp wood almost exhausted, the local plant of the Cherry River Paper Company will move late this year to Plymouth, N. C. The plant has been active here for nearly 30 years and employs about 400 per-

"The Cherry River Paper Company of Delaware (closely affiliated with ing to Mrs. Mary Frances Misenheim-the North Carolina Pulp Company er, home demonstration agent. in Plymouth) has purchased the stock business and assets of the old com-Funeral services were held Thurs- there before the beginning of the new County Agent W. V. Hays.

"The company has an estimated payroll of between \$500,000 and \$600, 000 annually and is said to have spent some \$600,000 annually with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

An Associated Press disptach from Richwood to the Elkins (W. Va.) Inter-Mountain, says in part: "The Cherry River Paper Company will move its plant to Plymouth within the next eight months. It has been necessary to import pulp to keep the

paper plant operating. "The announcement of the decision to move in November or December followed shortly after disclosur that the company had been purchased by the Cherry River Paper Company of Delaware, which is operating a sulphite plant at Plymouth.'

Both publications announced that this was the second largest industry in Richwood, a town of 7,000 people and that its loss was a severe blow George M. Snyder, of Richwood, general superintendent of the Cherry River plant there, Mrs. Snyder and R. S. Brown, a department foreman, with his wife, were in Plymouth this Columbia Sunday week looking for a place of residence but would not make any statements week looking for a place of residence to the press, referring all inquirers to O. H. Cox, general manager of the

Mr. Cox said this week that defiawarded until then. It was stated

Leave for West Point West Point. N. Y., where their son Dick Hardison, jr., and several oth- Hugh Fagan Jordan, a cadet in the

scription to be placed on road

signs, the number of signs, and

the investment to be made in

There are a number of other

items to be discussed, and Mr.

Manning urges a large attend-

ance so that something can be

done and arrangements made to

erecting these signs on the high-

ways of the section.

Building and Loan Stock Sale Begins Saturday, April 1

Handicapped by lack of funds to lend worthy applicants for building new homes, the Plymouth Building & Loan Association will offer its sixth series of stock for sale to the public on April 1, hoping a heavy subscription will enable the organization to make additional loans.

The organization is operating on a small scale and making some money on a sound financial basis, according to President E. F. Still.

There are six applicants now for loans totaling about \$6,000, and the organization hopes to sell sufficient paid-up or installment stock to take care of these

Poultry Specialist Plans Meet Here

Helpful information regarding poultry will be given to interested men and women of Washington County who attend the meeting in the agriculture Building here next Thursday morning, March 30, at 9:30, accord-

C. F. Parish, extension poultryman Godwin, 92, Passes business and assets of the old com-North Carolina to begin operation being sponsored by Mrs. Darden and Sexton, Eli Smith, and Marvin Has-

Seek Federal Aid in Draining Land in

A home newspaper dedicated to the service of Washington County and its 12,000 people.

Over 100 Attend Meeting at Courthouse Wednesday To Discuss Matter

Thousands of acres of farm and imber land will be reclaimed along the Scuppernong River from the Bull Pond to Cherry, in Washington County, as the result of an agreement reached in a mass meeting at the courthouse here Wednesday to seek Federal aid in draining and clearing his submarginal land.

Landowners residing in the area will form an organization to sponsor the drainage and cleaning of the land as a malaria control project of the Works Progress Administration, with Federal agencies supplying about 70 per cent of the needed money.

H. B. Hines, district supervisor in the division of malaria control with the State Board of Health; Dennis Combs, WPA supervisor for this region; and T. W. Armstrong, manager of the FSA Scuppernong Farms project, talked to about 100 farmers living in the affected area Wednesday.

Recorder John W. Darden, who has been a leading figure in promoting this program, presided over the meeting. Several citizens talked on the need of reclaiming this land, which at certain seasons of the year remains under water.

Encouragement was given to the group by announcement that the WPA had labor available for the project, and Mr. Darden believes the project will be approved by WPA officials. A survey has been made, but estimates of the cost are not avail-

Final Rites for Mrs. Mabel M. Hassell

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hassell, near Roper, for Mrs. Mabel McLawhorn Hassell, 21, who died Friday in a Washington hospital following an illness of two weeks. Interment took place in the family cemetery.

A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McLawhorn, of Pitt County, Mrs. Hassell had made her home near the parents of her husband Mear Royll for the last few years.

Surviving are her husband. Wilbur Hassell; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McLawhorn; four brothers. Robert, Marvin, Charles and Junior; four sisters, Lila, Essie, Hazel and Genevieve.

Pall bearers were John McCloud, Irvin Hassell, Lester Hassell, Gordon

County Chamber of Commerce Organized

AMONG LEADERS

Ellis Maples, pro at the local country club, is among the top two dozen leaders in the North and South open at Pinehurst this week after 36 holes of play. Maples had a 3-over-par 75 for his first round and turned in an even par 72 on the second day for a 147 total, just 8 strokes behind Byron Nelson, the leader. There are 60 pros in the finals, 36 holes, played Thursday, and Maples is in an excellent position to "finish in the money" if he has a good third or fourth round.

Following the wind-up of the Pinehurst tournament Thursday. Maples will go on to play in the Greensboro Open, which will be run off Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Sedgefield, with \$5,000 in cash being divided by the win-

Native of Albemarle two weeks ago that actual construc- Section To Have Part In "Gone With Wind"

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Jordan, of Dr. Nash Tatum, of Hollywood, Is Visitor Here This Week

tle gray at 50, and bubbling with de-light at being back in the section of Z. V. Norman, J. W. Darden, W. H. his boyhood days again, Dr. Nash Paramore, J. R. Manning, A. J. Rid-Tatum, of Hollywood, Calif., was here dle, of Plymouth; A. R. Phelps and At City Council Chamber Friday Night A native of Tyrrell County, Dr.

that county. land make him a very interesting county organization. Directors will

Vance in "Gone With the Wind" gives vents in movie-land. Dr. Tatum said he had not been

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Blount Rodman Is Elected President at **Meet Monday Night**

Next Meeting To Be Held on **April 12 To Adopt Rules** For Organization

A committee is expected to meet in the municipal building Friday night to draft by-laws for the operation of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, which was organized at a meeting in the courthouse here Monday night, with Blount Rodman, young local attorney, as president.

Associated with Zeb Vance Norman, who for years served as head of similar commercial organizations here, Mr. Rodman will have ample opportunity to call on Mr. Norman, who has acted in numerous instances as a "one-man" chamber of com-

The election of Mr. Rodman, comparatively a newcomer to Washington Counyt, is expected to inject new interest in such an organization. He will be assisted by a group of officers identified as leading civic workers for a number of years, including John W. Darden, of Plymouth, secretary; Hoyt R. Davenport, of Creswell, vice president; and J. R. Campbell, of Plymouth, treasurer.

The group charged with the duty Small of stature, energetic, a lit- of drafting the rules that will govern last Friday visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. L. E. Hassell, of Roper; E. F. Swain Arps en route to Tyrrell County. and C. N. Davenport, sr., of Creswell. Aonther meeting will be held in the Tatum is a double first cousin of C. courthouse here April 12 to adopt the W. Tatem, of Columbia, former rep- constitution and by-laws and to start resentative in the legislature from the work of the organization in the various communities, each of which His knowledge of the stars of screen constitutes an integral part of the conversationalist, and his selection to be appointed for each community to play the role of Governor Zebulon be members of the governing board. Present at the meeting Monday

him authority to speak of persons and were Secretary Meades, Mr. Hassey Herbert Peele and Mr. Larsen, of Elizabeth City; and P. G. Gallup, presassigned his lines as yet, but he had ident, and Robert E. Tunnell, secretary of the Hyde County Chamber of Commerce. There were only about 14 county people present.

Mr. Manning is urging business and professional men to attend outh Merchants' Association.

It was a first thought that an the meeting and take part in the improve Plymouth both as a been definitely chosen to portray the discussions. One of the matters trading center and as a place to out-of-town speaker would be seto come up will deal with the incured for the meeting this week,