

T. V. Palmer, real estate salesman of Fayetteville, was in Plymouth this week advertising farms for sale that are held by the Federal Land Bank.

W. V. Hays, L. E. Hasell, W. H. Thompson, and probably a number of other farmers of the county are planning to attend a livestock show in Alabama sometime during July.

L. W. Gurkin, owner of Albemarle Beach, is preparing to stage a gala Fourth of July celebration. Music, dancing, with swimming, boating and other water sports will be included on the schedule of events.

A visitor here this week was Miss Ardeen Blount, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Blount, of Roper, who is secretary to the regulations manager of Interborough News, an organization which distributes magazines in New York City.

Principal R. B. Trotman and Mrs. Trotman were visitors here this week. The principal is working at Jackson during the summer, and Mrs. Trotman is a nurse in the health department of Northampton County.

Robert B. Campbell, a graduate of Wake Forest College and the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Campbell here, is among the 109 persons who will take the examination for license to practice law during the summer.

Men of the Grace Episcopal Church met at the home of C. E. Ayers on Wednesday night. H. A. Williford is president and R. A. Duvall secretary of the club.

T. W. Armstrong, manager of the Scuppernon Farms project of the Farm Security Administration near Lake Phelps, has been talking of staging an agricultural fair at Lake Phelps this fall.

Producers sold 12,500 pounds of lamb for a total of \$1,109.97 last Thursday afternoon, when the second lamb sale for the year was held under the auspices of the Plymouth Mutual Livestock Marketing Association.

Choice lambs brought 12 cents per pound; good, 11 1/2 cents; medium, 10 1/2 cents; common, 9 cents; and culls 7 1/2 cents.

Next year, when another sale is held, the producers are planning to hold a livestock show, with prizes to be awarded to the persons producing the first, second and third best lots in the shipment.

Whether or not the Plymouth High School Band will accept the invitations issued to them for performances on July 4th has not been decided yet.

The band has been invited for the annual July Fourth celebration in Belhaven and in the afternoon and evening to Bayview, resort near Washington, to give concerts.

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This will make highway No. 64 a transcontinental highway from Manteo on the Atlantic to Santa Fe on the Pacific coast.

Deliveries of Cucumbers To Plant Here Increasing

Three thousand bushels of cucumbers have been delivered to the plant here of C. C. Lang & Son, Inc., so far this season, with the deliveries increasing daily now, F. H. Roberts, Jr., manager, said this week.

Producers are being urged every day they make a delivery to pick their cucumbers while they are small. These bring the best price, and none of the yellow, large and misshapen cukes are being accepted at the plant, as the officials want only the sizes and grades which will resell better as pickles.

DISTRICT DEPUTY



The Rev. N. A. Taylor was this week appointed deputy district governor for region No. 2 of the Lions organization.

N. A. Taylor Named As District Deputy Governor for Lions

Appointment Is Announced This Week by Neil Hester, District Governor

Appointment of the Rev. N. A. Taylor, pastor of the local Christian church, as deputy district governor of region No. 2 of district 31C, International Association of Lions Clubs was announced this week by Neil Hester, of Raleigh, district governor.

Region No. 2, over which the minister will preside as district deputy governor, comprises three zones and includes clubs in the following towns: Roanoke Rapids, Weldon, Seaboard, Rich Square, Williamston, Washington, Greenville, Belhaven, Plymouth, Columbia, Edenton and Hertford.

Elevation of the minister, who is at present secretary and treasurer of the local Lions Club, raises him from zone chairman to district deputy governor. Serving one year as zone chairman and two years as secretary and treasurer of the club here, Mr. Taylor has been very active in the Lions organization.

Funeral Held Here Tuesday for James Warren Overton, 61

Former Resident Died Sunday at Home of Daughter in Washington

Funeral services were held here Tuesday afternoon for James Warren Overton, 61, who died Sunday night as the result of a heart attack at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charlie Belote, in Washington, N. C., while preparing to retire for the night.

Mr. Overton was well known here, where he lived for years while he was employed at the Plymouth Box & Panel Company plant.

The funeral services were held from the home of another daughter, Mrs. J. B. Jordan, where he had been brought Monday. Rev. N. A. Taylor, pastor of the Christian church, conducted the final rites and interment was made in the Brinkley cemetery near here.

Surviving are the following children: Mrs. J. B. Jordan, Plymouth; Mrs. C. C. Belote, Washington; Mrs. W. M. Bowers, Hagerstown, Md.; Mrs. M. D. Mettee, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. H. E. Jones, New Bern. He also leaves the following brothers and sisters: Henry Overton, Plymouth; Eugene Overton, Greenville; Mrs. Garfield Sullivan, Greenville; and Mrs. Pauline Bateman, Plymouth.

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District Warden R. E. West, here last week, said that dogs had been apprehended running deer out of season, and, although the owner did not know about it, he was forced to pay for the violation or the dog would be taken in lieu of settlement.

Farm Bureau Will Meet Here Friday

Paul Fletcher, livestock marketing specialist of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, will be the principal speaker at the meeting of the members of the Washington County Farm Bureau, to be held Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the agriculture building in Plymouth.

County Agent W. V. Hays, who is arranging the meeting, said that refreshments would be served and that he expected a large attendance in view of the fact that Mr. Fletcher would explain the marketing of livestock in his address.

H. G. Harrison Dies In Louisburg Friday

Funeral services were held Saturday morning in Louisburg for H. Grady Harrison, 47, who died early Friday morning as the result of a heart attack. He complained during Thursday of a pain in his side, but retired feeling better. His wife awoke once during the night while he was struggling for breath. Burial took place in a Louisburg cemetery.

A son of W. C. Harrison, in Plymouth, Mr. Harrison was a successful broker in Louisburg. For years he was a wholesale grocer, but later devoted his entire time to the brokerage business.

In addition to his father, he is survived by a brother, Clarence Harrison, of Georgia; and a wife, Mrs. Neva Chesson Harrison, a sister of Mrs. J. R. Manning.

Lightning Kills Three Head Cattle at Roper

Roper.—Lightning struck among the herd of pure-bred Hereford cattle owned by L. E. Hassell Sunday afternoon, killing three outright and another believed to have been affected has not been seen in several days. Others standing nearby apparently were not hurt. The loss is estimated at \$250.

Way Is Found To Beat Slot Machine

The only way to "beat" a slot machine was found Sunday night by thieves who broke into the Browning store near the county home, on Highway 97, and carried the device out to a convenient place in a field, where they forced the back of it open and took out the coins.

It was estimated there were about \$50 in nickels in the machine. Robert Terterton, who operates the store for Mr. Browning, aided Sheriff J. K. Reid in searching for the machine Monday morning, and it was found in a field some distance from the store. Officers today were still unable to find a clue as to the identity of the person or persons who committed the act.

Adjustments Made In Property Values Last Week by Board

Forced to Turn Down Many Requests for Changes Until Revaluation

Adjustments were made in property values in 15 cases where some change had been made in the condition of the property, but many petitions for revaluation of property could not be granted by the Washington County Commissioners in session last week as a board of equalization and review.

It was pointed out by the commissioners that the law calls for another general revaluation of property in 1941 and at that time the proper values would be fixed on errors, but prior to that time only errors could be corrected or adjustments made on overcharges.

The records of the meeting show the following: Shep Brinkley asked that his Plymouth Theatre equipment be reduced from \$4,200 to \$3,600 because of depreciation. This was granted.

J. L. Phelps was granted a reduction of \$450 in the value of his property on Sugar Hill in Plymouth because the buildings had been taken down.

D. S. Swain was successful in getting a reduction of \$200 on the valuation of the Harrison property on account of the timber being cut.

Joe H. Snell was advised that nothing could be done to revalue his property because of fire, and that this would be done in 1941.

The value of the S. A. Ward lot on Wilson Street in Plymouth was reduced from \$200 to \$50 because of the removal of the building.

Goidie Simpson had the valuation on his farm reduced from \$1,875 to \$1,850 because of an error in the number of acres. He was charged with 48 and owned only 40 acres.

As the timber rights were sold to the Major & Loomis Lumber Company in Hertford, the valuation of the property owned by Mrs. Clara Snell was reduced by \$900.

The property of McCoy Davenport at Creswell was raised in value \$100 because of a new house being added to his holdings.

Mrs. J. R. Manning's property was reduced \$550, as this amount was added to the building.

The J. R. Manning and J. B. Wiloughby Plymouth Motor Company garage building was reduced by \$625, this same amount being included in the total value of the garage building.

C. W. Bowen lost three acres to the new highway, No. 97, so his valuation was reduced by \$150.

W. H. Gurkin sold the top soil of two acres to the State Highway Commission for Highway No. 97 and had his valuation reduced by \$100.

Hubert L. Davenport had the valuation of his property reduced by \$700 because a store was removed from the premises.

The value of Mrs. Della Simpson's property was reduced by \$300 due to the timber having been cut.

Mrs. Helen White had the C. V. Lewis property reduced by \$300 because the timber had been cut.

5 Pure-Bred Rams Disposed of at Sale

Five pure-bred Hampshire rams were purchased outright and another five are being held for person who spoke for them at the first ram exchange ever held in Washington County last Thursday afternoon, it was learned from County Agent W. V. Hays.

Purchases were made by C. J. Co-hoon, Columbia; T. A. Weeks, Whitakers; H. W. Garrish, Scranton; N. J. Winslow, Pantego; and L. E. Has-sell, of Roper. The following have signified their intention of buying but have not called for their rams as yet: Leigh Winslow, Hertford; Mr. Capehart, Windsor; W. T. Tadlock, Windsor; R. L. Coburn, Williamston; and W. H. Thompson, Roper.

These rams scattered among the herds of sheep in this section are expected to greatly improve the flocks, making possible a better return from the lambs that are being sold.

One Case Tried in Court Here Tuesday

Continue this week to be tried next Tuesday in recorder's court is a case in which Charles Gregg, white, is charged with assaulting Mrs. Mae Simmons Snell, wife of Julius Snell, by striking her with his hand. The trial could not be held this week as an important witness, Mrs. R. H. Bachman, of Edenton, had to be subpoenaed. The case will probably be tried on a basis of an assault on a female by a male over 16 years of age, which is a very serious charge.

The only case disposed of last Tuesday was that of Charlie Bell, 27, colored, who was found guilty of assaulting Walter (Babe) Ballard, colored, "biting off the ear and maiming" said Ballard for life.

Traffic on Roanoke Far Ahead of That On Other Streams

Total of 392,511 Tons Handled Last Year, Valued At \$8,908,786

The growing importance of the Roanoke River as a carrier of commerce was reflected in a report of the Norfolk Engineer's District of the War Department for the calendar year 1938, furnished the Beacon by W. R. Hampton, member of the State Board of Conservation and Development.

The report shows that traffic on the river in 1938 totaled 392,511 tons, valued at \$8,908,786. Of this amount 169,865 tons were inbound; 179,421 outbound; 23,084 tons through traffic; and 20,141 tons downbound.

In comparison with other rivers and waterways throughout the Norfolk district, the Roanoke River is far and away in the lead, with the exception of the ports of Norfolk, Newport News and James River, Va.

The value of commerce on the Roanoke was more than twice that of waterways from Norfolk to the sounds of North Carolina, five times that of Chowan River, 30 times that of Perquimans River, over twice that of Edenton Harbor, 15 times that of Cashie River, and others in proportion.

With the improvements that are soon to be made, it is predicted that the Roanoke will reach a new peak in usefulness.

Figures for the Scuppernon River show that total commerce amounted to 19,179 tons, valued at \$182,312. In Mackeys Creek, the total was 13,678 tons, valued at \$3,432,973.

J. R. Carr Talks on Beekeeping at Lion Meeting Last Week

Points Out State Ranks 17th In Nation as Producer Of Honey

North Carolina ranks 17th among the states in honey production, with an annual take of 3,700,000 pounds from 200,000 colonies, J. R. Carr, local apiarist and past president of the North Carolina Beekeepers' Association, told the members of the Lions Club Thursday night in an interesting address. A total of 1,500 colonies are located in Washington County, Mr. Carr said.

Discussing the habits and peculiarities of bees, Mr. Carr said that bees in a hive were very methodical in their work, having guards at each of the doors, nurse bees to tend the weak, worker bees to build the comb and other workers to gather the nectar for the honey.

He said that there usually about 80,000 bees in a colony, and that the old expression "a bee-line" is true, as the bees waste no time on their way to the hive, flying an absolutely straight line if there are no obstructions to impede them.

Each hive has a queen, and usually the queen will hatch about 2,000 eggs in 21 hours. The male bees, or drones, die shortly after mating.

After an explanation of foul brood, a disease which attacks bees, Mr. Carr spent several minutes answering questions asked by the interested Lions.

Wilford Whitley, son of Lion President and Mrs. W. L. Whitley, showed motion picture of the "Sky-Line Drive" and the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, as well as scenes around the military school which he will attend next year.

Closed-Shop Demand Holds Up Settlement

Total \$2,500 Paid Jobless Thursday

Approximately \$2,500 was distributed among idle employees of the North Carolina Pulp Company by representatives of the Unemployment Compensation Commission here Thursday.

This represented payments to about 150 workers for a two-week period, as part of the workers did not get their checks last week, and they were made available here Thursday.

These represented payments for the second and third weeks of their pay period. Two weeks is required as a waiting period. The first payment for one week was approximately \$1,900.

Plan Meeting Early In August To Urge Surfacing of Road

Improvement of Highway From Highway 97 To Pantego Object

Plans for a mass meeting to be held in Belhaven sometime between August 1 and 15 to impress the State Highway and Public Works Commission with the necessity for hard surfacing the remainder of the eight miles from No. 97 to Pantego were discussed at a meeting held at the Blackland Experiment Station at Wena Wednesday afternoon.

The dates were left open until it could be ascertained when Congressman Lindsay C. Warren and Highway Commissioner E. V. Webb could arrange to be present. It was reported that a free barbecue dinner would be given. Five thousand persons are expected. Boat races will be held. From 11 to 1 a discussion of the need for the road will be held.

John W. Darden, secretary of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, of Plymouth, was named general chairman of the event. Other committeemen include P. G. Galloway, R. E. Tunnell, Hyde County; J. L. Rea, Wena; D. R. Paul, Raymond Paul, Pungo; R. A. Jackson, Harold Whitley, L. H. Johnson, Pantego; Fred P. Latham, L. J. Yeager, R. G. Ross, Belhaven; Z. V. Norman, president Lions Club, J. R. Manning, president merchants' association, J. R. Campbell, chairman of county commissioners, Mayor B. G. Campbell, and Blount Rodman, president of the chamber of commerce, all of Plymouth.

These committeemen are to meet next Wednesday night, June 28, at a fish fry in Belhaven, when final plans will be approved for the event. Present at the meeting this Wednesday afternoon were the following: J. W. Darden, Plymouth; J. E. Edwards, H. E. Boyd, L. J. Jackson, R. H. Johnston, F. L. Voliva, R. G. Ross, J. H. Lupton and F. P. Latham, Belhaven; L. V. Paul, Pungo; R. A. Jackson, Pantego; W. T. White, Hyde County; R. W. Paul, Pungo.

Tri-County Doctors Meet at Creswell

Creswell.—Members of the Tri-County Medical Society, composed of doctors in Martin, Washington, and Tyrrell Counties, were entertained at Lake Phelps Sunday afternoon and evening by Dr. J. M. Phelps, vice president of the organization.

Fishing and bathing were enjoyed in the afternoon. Barbecue, slaw, sliced tomatoes, pickles, cornbread, and iced tea were served for supper. Guests included Drs. Rhodes, Wil-son, Brown and Spencer, of Williamston; T. L. Bray and W. H. Johnson, Plymouth; Josh Tayloe and Hackler, Washington; C. W. Bailey, Rocky Mount; V. A. and J. E. Ward, of Robertsonville.

Others invited to be with the doctors were C. L. Bailey and E. F. Still, Plymouth; L. E. Hassell, Roper; Jack Spruill, Clyde Smithson, Edison Godwin, Harry Starr, Josh Woodley, J. L. Phelps, Wilbert Davenport and E. P. Welch, of Creswell.

Veterans' Applications for CCC Are Being Accepted

Announcement was recently received by the welfare department that the Veterans Administration will be authorized to select an additional number of honorably discharged war veterans for enrollment in the veterans' contingent, Civilian Conservation Corps, for consideration between July 1 and July 30.

Miss Ursula Bateman, welfare superintendent, advises that her office will be glad to furnish information and blanks for anyone who are interested in making application. It is necessary that the applications be in the Charlotte office of the veterans administration by July 1.

Other Issues Said To Have Been Settled In Meets This Week

Another Conference Scheduled To Be Held Thursday Afternoon

A special dispatch to The Beacon from Delair, N. J., filed at 11 o'clock Thursday morning, indicated that most of the differences between the striking workers and the Kieckhefer Container Corporation there had been settled at conferences this week, although a demand for a closed shop, made by the unions, was barring complete settlement of the strike, now in its seventh week, which caused the shutdown of the local pulp plant.

The dispatch to The Beacon comes from a source which is not connected with either the plant management or the striking workers and is believed reliable. It follows:

"Conferences Friday, Saturday and Tuesday are said to have settled all differences between employer and strikers, excepting the demand for a closed shop. The Kieckhefer company opposes this because it would force the discharge of valued employees, who might be dropped for non-payment of dues, as well as for other risks. The company points to a recent memorandum by the New Jersey court declaring that employers should have the right to decide the question of open and closed shops.

"Another conference is scheduled for this afternoon (Thursday). If an agreement is reached the mills should resume operations next week.

"The strikers in Delair are being fed with supplies purchased by union funds."

The general opinion prevailed among employees of the company in Plymouth today that the pulp plant here would resume operations early in July, although there was no official confirmation—or denial, for that matter—of this generally accepted idea.

There are 25 or 30 working at the plant here now, including painters, pipe fitters and millwrights, a number of whom were called back to work in the past few days, giving rise to the belief that preparations are underway for reopening the plant, although local officials decline to make any statement as to prospects for resumption of operations.

Former Resident Dies in Norfolk

Final rites were held Wednesday afternoon at the home on Jefferson Street for Thomas S. Clagon, 50, who died Monday afternoon in a Norfolk hospital from an illness reported to have been caused by an abscessed lung.

The Rev. P. B. Nickens, pastor of the Baptist church here, and the Rev. Gilbert Davis, pastor of the Christian church in Bellarthur, officiated. Burial took place in the Jackson cemetery.

For years, Mr. Clagon was employed at the Plymouth Box and Panel Company here, but for the last few months he has been working in Norfolk.

Surviving Mr. Clagon is a widow, Mrs. Ruby Bateman Clagon, and two children, Miss Alberta Clagon, and William S. (Bill) Clagon, all of Plymouth; and a sister, Mrs. C. A. Reggans, of Norfolk.

Plans Not Yet Made for Pettigrew Park Dedication

No definite date has been set and no program arranged for the dedication of Pettigrew Park as far as he knew, John W. Darden, secretary of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce said today.

Mr. Darden said he had been in correspondence with R. Bruce Etheridge, chairman of the board of Conservation and Development, but so far no definite date has been set and nothing done toward arranging a program for the event.

550 Cars of Irish Potatoes Shipped

So far a total of 550 carloads of Irish potatoes has been shipped from Tyrrell and the lower end of Washington County during the current season, according to R. H. Chesson, station agent of the Norfolk Southern at Mackeys.

The price this week has been from \$1.15 to \$1.25 per 100-lb. bag for No. 1 potatoes.

Mr. Chesson said that shipping had dropped off now to about 15 carloads a day, and he thought that possibly by next week all of the growers in the Tyrrell and Washington County areas would conclude their shipping.