

"Senator Huey P. Long, of Louisi ana was one of the squarest shooters VOLUME L-NUMBER 40 I have ever seen, because he gave us good roads, good schools, and many other advantages, and if he had lived R. Lumpkin, fo Bogalusa, La., who is

The Beacon is appearing several hours later than usual this week in order that it may carry the complete vote of the county in the tobacco control referendum today. Many who have been gettheir paper on Thursday afternoon will not receive it until Friday for this reason. Next week it will be back on schedule-we hope.

A gasoline drum upon which A. D. Basinger, of the Basinger Body & Machine Works, was working exploded last week. No one was injured and the loss was limited to the drum. An attempt was being made to weld the drum to stop a leak.

Chief of Police P. W. Brown said that children or others have been tampering with th new street signs recently erected, and the officer warns that any person caught mutilating or tampering with them in any particular will be arrested for destruction of public property.

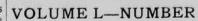
The Plymouth High School Band, under the direction of L.W. Zeigler, will play at the University of North Carolina-Virginia Polytechnic Institute football game at Foreman Field in Norfolk Saturday afternoon, along with high school bands from Elizabeth City and Edenton, upon invitation from A. Herbert Foreman, chairman of the stadium committee.

Home on furlough this week from Fort Hoyle, in Maryland, Eli C. Spruill, who is in the heavy artillery division, says that service men are not as much concerned over the possibility of the United States entering the European War as civilians appear to be.

Fred P. Latham, "Sage of Belhaven," who was here the other day conferring with John W. Darden about the Wenona road matter, is reported to be one of the best farmers in the state. On his "Circle Grove Farm" he produces potatoes, soy beans, pecans, Hereford cattle, Duroc-Jersey hogs and Shropshire sheep, as well as his famous "Latham's Double" seed corn.

An interesting and instructive film entitled "Young America," requiring 15 minutes to show, has been booked for the Plymouth Theatre on October 22, 23 and 24 by Shep Brinkley, and it will be shown under the auspices of the Loyal Order of Moose.

James W. Norman said today that his brother, Stanford R. Norman, of Washington, D. C., was reported some



is to meet to route traffic away

from the school zones and at the

same time relieve the congestion

Chief of Police P. B. Brown is

making a study of the traffic sit-

uation and will make recommen-

dations for routing heavy trucks

Main Streets, where schools are

located, in order to prevent pos-

sible accidents to the children

and lessen driving hazards as

It is possible that heavily load-

ed trucks will be routed by Brink-

ley Avenue and Jefferson Street

from Washington and

of traffic on Water Street.

away

much as possible.

Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thusday, October 5, 1939

and News Columns a latchkey to 1.500 Washington County homes

Advertisers will find Beacon

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I don't believe there would have been so much scandal in connection with the misuse of public funds," said J. R. Lumpkin, fo Bogalusa, La., who is here visiting his son, F. S. Lumpkin

* AND WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS * * * *

Plans Are Considered To Route Heavy Trucks Away From School Zones Here

to Highway 64, or probably over A step in the interest of public safety and convenience will some other routing. be taken here next Monday night. It is also likely that an ordiwhen the Town of Plymouth

cidents.

nance to be drafted by City Attorney Z. V. Norman will prohibit the loading and unloading of heavy trucks on Water Street, particularly on Saturday, and require them to go to the lots behind the stores for this purpose.

As soon as the ordinance is completed and made effective, it was stated that all auto traffic will be required to strictly observe the regulations prohibiting double parking, even temporarily, and to move properly through the streets in order to relieve congestion, as well as prevent ac-

Option on Fletcher Only 11 Out of 356 Votes Cast Waters Farm Here Renewed Last Week Owner Believes Sale Will Be Completed Before 15-

THE ROANOKE BEACON

Day Extension Expires

Assurances that his farm would e purchased, presumably for a residential development, were received last week-end by Fletcher Waters. it was learned today. Frank Kirk patrick, Wilwaukee, Wis., contractor sent Mr. Waters a check for \$200 and requested a 15-day extension of the purchase option taken by the former on the Waters farm on Auggust 27.

The option was to expire on Sepember 30, the request for the extension and check arriving just before the deadline Saturday. Mr. Waters is awaiting further negotiations in connection with the sale of his property, which he now feels sure will take place

When the option was taken on the 75-acre farm, just west of the Plym-At Door of Courthouse outh Country Club Golf Course, Mr. Waters said he did not ask any questions regarding the use for which the land was intended, and therefore does not know. However, it is generally believed it will be used as a residential development, to provide homes for the

additional employees to be required by the North Carolina Pulp Company when its proposed expansion program Year is completed.

Mr. Waters is so confident the land will be purchased by the Wisconsin man that he has given the tenant or the farm, J. E. Williams, written no-Mrs. A. R. Modlin tice to move from the place by December 30, and directing him in the meantime to permit the prospective purchasers to make any surveys or do any other work on the property they may wish, informing him that any damage to crops which he has

produced will be paid for.

Appropriation for **ABC Enforcement Officer Exhausted**

Work of L. L. Basnight Is Being Discontinued Temporarily

It is possible that illegal whiskey Mrs. A. R. Modlin, with a ticket makers and salesmen may attempt to from the Plymouth Furniture Combetter after an extended illness. Mr. of Elizabeth City, has been named thus causing the larger delinquent and Mrs. Norman and daughter, Miss pastor of the Mount Tabor Free Will list, according to J. E. Davenport, tax run wild within the next few weeks, pany, called for the first prize of \$10 as L. L. Basnight, special officer for when the first ticket was drawn. This the Alcoholic Beverages Control was the ticket for the accumulative Through the last several years the Board, has had his work with the or-prize, which next week will be \$10 tax rate has been stationary at \$1.80 ganization discontinued because the again. In the event the holder of The new minister preached his first on the \$100 valuation and the differ- appropriation for such activities has the stub to the first ticket drawn is been exhausted. ence in amount collected each year not present, the prize will go over until the following drawing and the is not caused by a higher or lower Ernest G. Arps, chairman of the rate, but by economic conditions precounty ABC board, this week advised prize will be increased by that much. If holders of tickets for the other Mr. Basnight that funds for the paythree prizes are not present, the drawings contiune until the prizes are ed after he had put in about a year's claimed. Mrs. Archie Tetterton, holding ticket for Kenneth Allen, claimed the payers. The figures for Scuppernong key second \$10 prize. The ticket came were \$4,598.64; while the last on the Mr. Basnight said he did not know from the Central Garage. list is Skinnersville with \$2,842.56 due when it would be possible for him to Mrs. E. F. Still, with a ticket from in taxes and penalties. return to work: that it might be two Williford's Yellow Front Market, was weeks, a month, or possibly longer; awarded the first of the two \$5 prizes ple owed \$\$22,962.17 in the four but it is believed that when the money after the holder of the first ticket townships and the colored property becomes available for enforcement drawn failed to appear within the owners \$5,131.93. The wide disparity again that Mr. Basnight will return allotted time. The initial ticket in these figures show that property to the job before the law violators drawn for this prize came from owned by white people is valued know it. Campbell's Store. As a deterrent to wholesale viola The fourth prize, \$5 went to Fred tions of the law, there is always the The largest single delinquent tax- possibility that State ABC officers or Ausbon, who was holding the ticket for his mother, Mrs. C. V. W. Auspayer on the list is the Norfolk South- Federal Alcoholic Tax Unit investiern Land Company which owes the gators may swoop down if the illegal bon. This ticket also came from Wilcounty \$4,060.78 for 1938 alone, on traffic gets out of hand; and it is liford's Store. four large timber tracts. It is under- also possible Mr. Basnight will be re-Clerk of Court C. V. W. Ausbon stood the company has not paid any tained at any time to cooperate with who came up after his son had retax on this land for about 10 years the state and federal officers. ceived the \$5 award for his mother, In the report of his year's work said that this was the first time his total about \$28,000, which the land Mr. Basnight made an excellent showwife had ever won "anything." Mrs. ing for his part-time activity, which Still voiced a similar statement to From this large figure the amounts is believed to have been largely rethe large crowd. due range down to a few cents, and sponsible for keeping down wholesale Plymouth Merchants Association in many cases the penalties and ad- violations of the law in the county. officials urge patrons to ask for the tickets, which are given with every It is interesting to note that the to-Law levy for 1938 was \$110.873 91 \$1 spent or paid on account with the 28 participating merchants, as the For Game Warden drawings will continue for 11 more weeks, with a grand prize of \$100 and four \$25 prizes to be awarded on December 27.

The Beaufort County Commissioners at their meeting Monday took action to cooperate with that taken about two months ago by the Washington County Commissioners, when they passed a resolution urging the State Highway and Public Works Commission to place the Turnpike Road by Wenona to Belhaven on the map of the state highway system as Highway No. 99, in lieu of the present routing, which runs from Plymouth nearly to Wash-

Beaufort Commissioners Join in Urging

Designation of Wenona Road as Route 99

400 People at Initial

Drawing Wednesday

ington.

J. W. Darden and Fred P. Latham, of Belhaven, who urged the commissioners to take this action, believe that there is a better prospect of getitng the Turnpike road surfaced if the State follows these

And Kenneth Allen

Win Two \$10 Prizes

Mrs. E. F. Still and Mrs. C.

V. W. Ausbon Receive

\$5 Awards

Thirty dollars in four prizes were

warded to 4 of the 500 people who

gathered in the downtown section in

front of the American Legion hall

Wednesday afternoon for the first

weekly drawing in the business-build-

ing campaign being conducted by 28

members of the Plymouth Merchants

Association.

recommendations and includes it in the regular highway system. instead of in the secondary sys-

Against Invoking Quotas; State

Returns Indicate Similar Trend

tem as at present. Mr. Latham wrote Mr. Darden this week that he was forwarding the Beaufort commissioners' resolution to District Commissioner E. V. Webb at Kinston, and that he thought the action was a step in the right direction. There was no opposition to the recommendation at the Beaufort authorities' meeting.

Mr. Latham also advised Mr. Darden that "it is time for another council of war to be held by those of us who are really interested in seeing this work done at the earliest possible moment.'

'he WAR

Day by Day

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28-Rus-

eastern Europe: French report suc-

on German forces: also claim suc-

cessful raids deep in German terri-

tory by airplanes, including Ameri-

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stream pollution will be made at

the meeting of committees on

commercial fisheries from Mary-

land, Virginia and North Caro-

lina, to be held in Newport News,

Va., Friday, it was learned this

week from W. R. Hampton, chair-

man of the commercial fisheries

committee of the State Depart-

ment of Conservation and De-

state with Mr. Hampton will be

R. Bruce Etheridge, chairman of

the Conservation Board; Captain

John Nelson, state fisheries com-

missioner, and others.

Going to the meeting from this

velopment.

can-made Curtiss fighters.

Markets To Reopen Next Tuesday With **Big Sales Indicated**

Generally Believed Whole Tobacco-Producing Area Has Voted for Quotas

WASHINGTON COUNTY VOTE: For Against Plymouth T'ship 190 Lees Mill T'ship ____ 140 15 Others County Totals ____ 345 11 **Percentage for Control** 96.9

Washington County tobacco growers voted nearly 97 per cent for the application of quotas to the 1940 tobacco crop in the referendum Thursday. The actual count was 345 for control and 11 against, a resulting percentage of 96.91 for the proposal.

Early returns throughout the State ndicate a similar trend. Counties which were centers of opposition in the referendum on the question last December, have apparently reversed thir previous stand. Beaufort County, voted 2,146 for to 292 against; Harnett County, which cast 2,100 votes against control last year, voted 3,966 for and 730 against today; Sampson County is understood to favor the plan by a big majority, although definite figures were not available at 8 o'clock Thursday night.

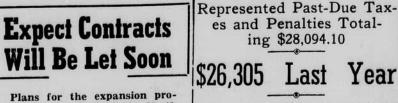
The vote in some of the other counties ran as follows, the larger figure in each instance being for control: Chowan, 169 to 6; Bertie, 2,009 to 65;

sia and Estonia sign pact of mu- Martin, 3,367 to 26; Hyde, 3 to 2; tual assistance and trade agree- Greene, 4.389 to 22; Pitt, 5,204 to 65; ment; permits Russia to fortify Wilson, 5,423 to 140; New Hanover, Baltic islands belonging to Estonia; 25 to 0; and Pamlico, 142 to 136. Germans say Moscow conferences It was considered apparent by agwill freeze- Great Britain out of

ricultural authorities that North Carolina farmers had voted for the processful attack near Moselle River gram by far more than the two-thirds majority required, although there were no returns available from the other states in the tobacco-growing area at that time. However, based on results last December, it was consid-

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29.—Fighting ered probable that quotas for the almost suspended and battles being waged by diplomats instead of 1940 crop had been invoked. soldiers; Nazis warn allied group

In the meantime, preparations are



Property of Delinquent

Taxpayers Sold Monday

gram at the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company, including erection and installation of a bleaching unit and other improvements, are still in the process of being worked out, and it was learned from a reliable source today that it was expected the contract would be let very soon. Construction of a new filtering plant is now under way.

No intimation has been made as to the expenditure which will be required in connection with the expansion planned, but it is understood work will begin on a large scale there soon.

the plant, said today he had no definite information as to exactly when the contracts would be let or when work would start.

New Pastor Preaches at Mt. Tabor Church Sunday

Creswell.-The Rev. E. C. Morris,

sate in this county was sold at the courthouse door here Monday with representatives of Washington Couny purchasing practically every certificate of the 1938 delinquent tax. list, sold under the hammer to satisfy past-due taxes and penalties amounting to \$28,094.10.

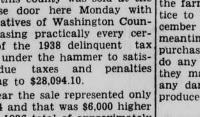
Last year the sale represented only \$26,305.54 and that was \$6,000 higher than the 1936 total of approximately \$20,000. This years' total is about \$2,-000 over that of last year. In the depression year of 1933 the taxes and penalties totalled \$63.354.80.

A year ago when the delinquent tax

Closing of the tobacco markets and

Thousands of dollars worth of real

general unsettled busines conditions this year have prevented many who usually settle their tax accounts before they are advertised from paying,



list was advertised there were 887 persons in arrears on their taxes and penalties while when the lost first appeared in September of this year there were 953 names on it.

Elizabeth, went to Richmond Satur- Baptist church, near Creswell, suc- collector. day and joined a party of friends to ceeding the Rev. W. L. Jernigan, who visit the ill man, who is also a brother has served the church for some time. to Z. V., Joe, and C. J. Norman, of Plymouth.

sermon in the church last Sunday

Legion and Auxiliary Banquet Next Week alties advertised for them totalling solution and destroying stills, nabbing transporters and others en-

State Officials Will Attend and Have Place on Program

Officers for Both Organizations Will Be Installed Next Thursday

Principal speakers at a special meeting of the members of the James E. Jethro Post, No. 164, American Legion, and members of the Legion Auxiliary here next Thursday night, October 12, will be June Rose, of Greenville, school superintendent and state department commander, and Jim Caldwell, of Asheville, state adjutant.

Officers of both the legion and the legion auxiliary will be installed at that time, with Mr. Rose in charge of the ceremonies. W. V. Hays, retiring commander, is arranging for the meeting, which will be in the form of a banquet.

Legion auxiliary officers to be inducted are: Mrs. D. A. Hurley, president: Mrs. W. C. Jones, first vice president; Mrs. C. McGowan, second vice president; Mrs. J. F. Jordan, secretary; Mrs. H. A. Williford, treasurer; Mrs. Katherine Harrison, historian; Mrs. Lee Landing, sergeant at arms; and Mrs. Henry Harrison, chaplain.

Legion officers to be installed are: J. C. Swain, commander; J. B. Willoughby, J. R. Carr and J. E. Bratten, vice commanders; W. L. Hassell, adjutant; P. W. Brown, finance officer; W. V. Hays, service officer; C. L. Robbins, guardianship of finances; Eli Phelps, sergeant at arms; D. A. Hurley, chaplain; P. B. Bateman, historian; P. W. Brown, athletic officer; B. G. Campbell, child welfare officer; A. G. Simpson, Americanism officer; J. H. Swindell, grave registration officer; R. L. Tetterton, employment of-

ficer; P. W. Brown, membership chair man; Dr. C. McGowan, publicity officer; and C. E. Ayers, chairman of Sons of the Legion.

Town Tax List To Be Published

The 1938 delinquent tax list of the Town of Plymouth has been prepared and will be advertised for four weeks, starting with next Thursday's issue of The Beacon, and those who wish to keep their names off the delinquent list are notified they must make payment immediately, according to P. W. Brown, chief of police and town tax collector.

It was pointed out that those who put off making payment until the last minute may find their names in the paper next week with their property advertised for taxes; and those who wish to avoid this embarrassment and the extra penalties and advertising cost must make immediate payment.

Town Council in **Meeting Monday Creswell Merchants**

The Town of Plymouth Council in session here Monday night heard the WPA officials report that the con-

struction of water and sewer lines now being laid on Fort Williams weeks ago, when the work started.

A committee composed of Fire Chief L. W. Gurkin and others was group continue to inspect dilapidated buildings and condemn those which were considered fire hazards. It developed that little had been done in this regard.

It was decided to take insurance on the new town trash truck.

ceived a raise in salary of \$2 weekly, Brinn, H. W. Norman & Son, W. T. making his total salary \$22 weekly.

vailing Lees Mill Township taxpayers owe ment of the officer had been exhaustthe most, the unpaid taxes and pen-

Divided by races, the white peo-

much higher than that of the colored population.

and that the taxes and penalties due

s hardly worth at present,

ertising costs are more than the riginal amount of taxes due. tal tax levy for 1938 was \$110,873.91. The total property valuation of the county is \$6,159,662. Of the amount of taxes levied, \$28,094.10 was not collected, representing about 35 percent of the total levy.

Job Take Exam

to accept forthcoming peace offer complete for reopening tobacco maror face "drastic" attack; Russia kets of the belt next Tuesday, with and Turkey reported to be nego- the prices to be paid eagerly watched tiating new treaty at Moscow; three by growers. In the event quotas were Scandinavian ships sunk in past 36 invoked by the referendum today, hours by submarines; fourth goes farmers are expecting the government down after striking mine; no lives to bolster prices by purchases of Imlost.

perial Tobacco Company grades and SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30.-Stale maintain an average of about 15 cents for the crop. mate continues on all fronts, with

battle of words and threats going Heavy sales on all markets are inforward unabated; Count Ciano, dicated for several weeks. The hours

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Two Teams of Directors Are Canvassing Town; No **Reports Yet**

Captains J. R. Manning and Zeb ance Norman declined to reveal how much stock their respective teams had sold in the eighth series of the Plymouth Building and Loan Association now open, but it is known that both groups are bearing down in the campaign now in progress.

The two team captains each have three men helping them, and they are engaging in friendly rivalry in the sale of stock to increas the 1,000 shares now held by people in Washington County.

Helping Mr. Norman in his bid for te prize for his team is B. G. Campbell, Lloyd Horton and R. L. Tetterton, while J. R. Manning's assistants are L. S. Thompson, W. M. Darden, and H. E. Beam.

Rev. WADE JOHNSON, Pastor The Rev. Wade Johnson preaches This group of directors of the organization are making a determined He will fill his appointments in effort to substantially increase the Jamesville at 10 a.m., in Plymouth at number of shares in stock in force, The voting will be completed on 11, and in Siloam church at 2:30 p. as they wish to secure more funds to lend worthy applicants desirous of

The Rev. B. B. Slaughter will be building their own homes Those who wish to take stock who ing to close the contest and count the will preach in Jamesville at 7:30. Mr. may not have been approached by Slaughter will hold the fourth quar- the campaign workers are asked to see The winners will also be announced terly conference at the close of the any of the officers or directors of the association. The installment shares Mr. Johnson will preach each eve- may be bought at the rate of 25 cents

at the Friday night concluding exer- ning next week in a revival meeting per share per week, each share maturing at \$100 in six and a half years.

signed. Included in the group taking the Included in the group taking the examination were V. E. Everett, Joe friends meet in the high school build- the preacher at the 5:45 vespers, and Arps, Jim Bateman, Herman Jackson,

Alexander, Walter Bowen, Clyde Snell

Emest Jones, game protector at

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Band, the 25 contestants in the baby popularity contest of the Young Matron's Circle of the Christian church Thursday afternoon in their canvass

Friday night at 8 o'clock, when the m.

at this time, and those in charge of Jamesville service. the contest urge a large attendance in Jamesville, and at the cises of the event.

End Friday Night Program of Services sition Failed To Appear For Test Tuesday Led by the Plymouth High School At Methodist Church Of the score or more of applicants

three-month deadline set about six tention of cooperating in an attempt ination given at the courthouse by paraded down Washington Street on Sunday on "The Defeat of Evil." to improve conditions among the District Game Protector Rupert E.

West, of Moyock, who is seeking a for votes. successor to J. T. Terry, recently re-

Many Who Applied for Po- Baby Contest Will

votes.

Association Formed Creswell.-Business men met here for the job as game protector for

recently and organized the Creswell Washington County, only 11 reported Street would be completed within the Merchants Association, with the in- here Tuesday morning for the exam-

merchants and to increase business.

Monthly meetings will be held by the

J. B. Davenport was named president; R. E. Norman secretary; O. D. Hatfield treasurer; and H. W.

Pritchette is chairman of the advis- Fletcher Harris, Jim Allen, R. B. ory committee. Members include the following: C. and H. W. Pritchette.

N. Davenport & Son, H. W. Pritchett, Night Patrolman Paul Basnight re- H. R. Stillman, C. L. Barnes, Claude Lake Phelps, took the examination

Phelps and O. D. Hatfield.