M. L. Bowen, Plymouth Route 1, re-

cently enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard Service, and on Wednesday

here, Tuesday enlisted in the Navy,

along with 31 others from Eastern

Carolina, and took the oath as ap-

prentice seaman, with Lieut. A. S.

Joyner, recruiting officer at Raleigh,

A Halloween dance will be held at

Each club member is re-

the Country Club Friday night, with

music by Rudy Walters and his or-

quested to invite a non-member to

are asked to come in Halloween cos-

Indigent cripples are invited by

the Tarboro Rotary Club to at-

tend its regular orthopedic clinic

in the Presbyterian Sunday

school rooms on Monday, October

30, where competent physicians

will examine those who appear

J. R. Manning and W. M. Darden,

directors, and M. W. Spruill, secre-

tary and treasurer, of the Plymouth

Building and Loan Association, at-

tended a meeting of about 50 build-

ing and loan officials from several

counties in this section held at the

last Friday.

The Junior Woman's Auxiliary of

Hubert Cox, who has been in the

U. S. Navy for about three years, was

home this week to visit his parents,

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cox for a few

days. He is stationed in California

and said that most of his 15-day fur-

Virginia Dare Hotel in Elizabeth City

the Grace Episcopal Church will give

a benefit bridge party at the com-

munity hall next Thursday night, No-

vember 2, at 8 p. m. A small admis-

sion fee will be charged. Miss Mar-

the University of North Carolina, was

This County Assume

Responsibility

lough was spent in traveling.

wish further information.

the principal speaker.

Department.

disease among inmates.

sponsible for her care.

The New York authorities say that

three children, but local officials can-

not find this amount of money avail-

hands, the New Yorkers suggest that

a home be rented and a nurse em-

ployed, with the county, town, state

and Federal governments, or some

the funds necessary for her care un-

til a cure is effected. The messages

Creswell.—A Halloween party, sponsored by the Creswell school,

with the faculty in charge, will be

given at the school next Tuesday eve-

ning. At this time the high school

band will furnsih music and, in ad-

dition to a play written by Bob Mer-

ritt and acted by H. R. Bateman and

son, Bossie, there will be many other

entertaining features for young and

old. Miss Julia Stilley will have

There will be a booth for a cos-

Patrons and friends of the school

charge of the hall of horrors.

penses of the school.

and recommend treatment.

outh High School.

administering the oath.

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Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thursday, October 26, 1939

At Cherry School; Here

The second meeting, for the grow-

There will be no meeting for Skin-

nersville Township, since, as was the

case last year, the farmers of this

township will vote with those in Lees

Mill and Scuppernong, a line drawn

The meetings will all be held

promptly at 7:30 p. m. on the dates

their respective township gatherings

desired by a majority of all the grow-

Immediately after the township

committeemen are elected, the dele-

gates from the three townships wil

be elected in the same manner as the

local committeemen, and the dele-

gates will later meet to elect the

members of the county committee.

signs a statement signifying his in-

The duties of the township com-

acreage allotments, normal yields and

soil-building goals; (2) to determine

farm marketing quotas when appli-

cable, and to handle local adminstra-

at Pritchard's store marking the di-

viding line.

ers may be chosen.

ESTABLISHED 1889

Advertisers will find Beacon and News Columns a latchkey to 1,500 Washington County hon

dered to report for duty. Ray at Sold by Building & Loan To Attend Fall Meet In Series Meetings At Pulp Mill Monday; Beacon while a student in the Plym-Edward E. Craft, son of Cecil Craft

Fifty additional shares of stock in the Plymouth Building and Loan Association have been sold since last week's report, bringing to 250 the total number of shares sold in the eighth series during the campaign waged here this month to boost the outstanding

The total number of shares in force at the present time is 1,227, exceeding the goal set by the directors when the drive started on October 1. At that time there were less than 1,000 shares in

make loans to individuals who

are seeking places to live here.

Of Clubs Wednesday To Elect Committees

Norfolk Man To Be Main First Is Being Held Tonight Speaker at Demonstration Clubs Meeting

Upwards of 250 women from all over the county will gather in the ister the 1940 Agricultural Adjust Plymouth High School auditorium ment Administration program Wednesday afternoon for the fall Washington County will be elected in meeting of the Washington County the next few days in a series of farm-Federation of Home Demonstration ers' meeting, with the first scheduled Clubs, when Roscoe Thrasher, of the to be held in the Cherry school build-Greenbrier Farms at Norfolk, will be ing for Scuppernong Township tothe principal speaker.

The invocation will be made by the ers of Plymouth Township, will be Rev. P. B. Nickens, pastor of the local Baptist church. Mrs. Joe Snell, held at the agriculture building in of the Cool Springs Club, is scheduled Plymouth Friday night; and the third to welcome the visitors on behalf of and last meeting will be held Monthe hostess club, with the response day night at the Roper High School to be made by Mrs. F. D. Wilson, of Building for Lees Mill Township Roper. County Superintendent H. H. growers. McLean will make a short talk. A feature of the business session

will be a report of the year's activities, to be made in her individual style by Mrs. A. Edison Davenport. Music will be provided by the Plymsic teacher, will sing.

tion, will preside. Miss Pauline Smith, urges all eligible voters to attend of Raleigh, district home demonstration agent, is also on the program for and avail themselves of the privilege a short talk, with the main address of voting so that the committeemen to be made by Mr. Thrasher.

The Roanoke Beacon trophy will be presented to the club which is f peanuts are drying on stacks in judged to have the best report, based

> conducted during the past year will be announced at the meeting, according to Mrs. Frances M. Darden, home agent, who urges all club members in the county to be present and invites all others who may wish to at-

tion of commodity loans; and (3) to purpose and provisions of the pro-gram.

serve as a committeeman.

Plymouth's 1939 Halloween Carnival, sponsored by the local Parent-Three thousand head of cattle in Teacher Association, will be held to-Washington County, including both morrow, Friday, evening, beginning

The good old stand-bys, bingo, Disease, according to County Agent fortune-telling, side-show, raffling W. V. Hays, who said this week that off of cakes and turkeys, popularity it might be next spring before repre- contests, and a house of horrors, will at this time. sentatives of the veterinary division all be found in more streamlined ver-The High School Band will play

during the evening and will furnish There have been no urgent requests | music for the coronation of the Queer

A new and interesting feature of the carnival will be the home economics booth, directed by Miss Martin. Here the patrons may sit at tables and enjoy delicious sandwiches and chocolate as they watch the carnival

Dancing will be in order for all the guests from 10:30 until 12 o'clock. A small admission charge will be made

Musical Play Will Be Given in Roper Friday

A musical comedy, entitled "Miss Blue Bonnet" will be presented at the a cast including such well-known per-Jim Chesson and Edward Poole, principal of the school.

Special Program Held at Creswell Church Sunday

Creswell.-A service marked by its simplicity was held at Christ Church Sunday evening at 7:30, with three youths of the church, J. C. Gatlin, jr., Ammon Smithson, and Bobby Woodley in charge.

Tomorrow Night Good Prospects in Township committeemen to admin-**Drive for Members**

The drive for 25 new members at the Plymouth Country is progressing very satisfactorily, with every indication that the quota will be surpassed, it was learned today from O. H. Cox, president. Over 20 new members have al-

ready been secured in the campaign, which will end next Tuesday. A substantial reduction in membership fees is predicated upon securing the 25 or more additional members, and as a further inducement, the \$10 initiation fee is being waived for all applications received before November 1. J. Roy Manning is chairman of the membership committee and in active charge of the campaign.

Superior Court Will Likely End October Term Here Friday

But Two Cases Left on Calendar Today; Review of Proceedings

Mr. Blow said that any farmer who docket for trial at the October term of Washington County Superior Court tention of complying with the 1940 today, and Judge Leo Carr, of Burprogram will be eligible to vote and lington, was prepared to adjourn the term Friday afternoon if the calendar could be cleared. mittee are to (1) determine farm

Proceedings this week were as fol-

The case of H. D. Stokes, trading as the Big Four Sales Agency, vs. I. E. Barber and Leroy Ange, regarding the ownership of an automobile and assist in explaining to farmers the balance due on the car, was dis-

Mary Jane Elliott and L. L. Elliott Bang's Disease Halloween Carnival boundary line dividing their particular Litchfield, of Columbia, and W. W. Ange, jr., of Plymouth, were in-

> In the suit brought by Zion Jennette, Ernest Johnson and W. H. Moore against Henry Ellis, William Johnson and the Atlantic Fire Insurance Co., the plaintiffs were paid \$1,-000 by the insurance company.

Other matters have come up, Judge Carr had not passed judgment Mrs. Winona Bowen White was

granted a divorce from Earl Duncan White, as was Willie Spruill Jones from Ernest L. Jones.

Hertford, Edenton And Local Lions in Joint Meeting Here

Hilarious Program Presented at Community Building Last Thursday

Fifty Lions of Hertford, Edenton and Plymouth dispensed with their roars for gales of hilarity and laughter at the antics, capers and stunts Roper High School Friday night, with provided under the direction of J. A. Mitchener, of Edenton, chairman of sonages as Mrs. A. Edison Davenport, the program, last Thursday night at an inter-city meeting here in the community building.

> Miss Louise Smith, blackface and all, gave a clever impersonation of a colored washerwoman which really brought down the house.'

> Between the humorous features of the program, C. B. Mooney, of Edenton, sang two solos, with his wife ac-

companying him on the piano. The height of the hilarity was reached when bottles of soft drinks,

equipped with nipples, were presented to a Hertford contestant, W. L. Whitley, of Plymouth, and W. J. Taylor, of Edenton, for a race to see who could drink the entire contents first, with a really "valuable" prize to be awarded the winner. Mr. Taylor, who is superintendent of public instruction for Chowan County, won and was given an all-day sucker as a reward.

President Zeb Vance Norman, of he local club, presided over the meeting except when Mr. Mitchener was in charge.

Halloween Carnival at

The Junior Class of the Roper High talent is widely known School will present a carnival Tuesday night in the school auditorium, with husbands, wives, friends and children promised an enjoyable evening visiting the fish pond, shooting gallery, bingo tables, and fun house. Refreshments will be sold.

The sponsors reported an "efficand chances will be sold on a delicious cake.

Bleaching Room First Gradual Increase in Number Workmen;

> Excavating for Foundations And Other Preliminary Work Being Done

50 At Work Today

Tool sheds were being constructed oday and excavation had been started for one building, as the expansion program at the North Carolina Pulp Company got underway. Today there were about 50 men employed on the construction work, acording to R. D. Lambert, construction superintendent for the William Muirhead Construction Company, of Durham, which has the contract for the work. Others are being added almost daily, and several hundred will be employed at the peak of the work. Over 300 men reported at the plant Monday morning, when only a few were hired, but the force is being increased daily from applications

Mr. Lambert said there would be four new buildings erected, including bleaching, liquor, beater, and machine rooms, with an extension to be added to the present wet room, and although he did not have the exact dimensions of the additions, it was reported they would be "large" build-

The new structures will be constructed on the south side of the present huge brick building facing the Roanoke River, while the wetroom extension will be made to the west end of the same building, extending over and beyond the present road to the Hampton fisheries.

It was learned from Mr. Lambert that the Bethlehem Steel Corporation had the contract to provide the steel construction material needed in the buildings and that firm would construct the steelwork itself or possibly sub-let it, as his company did not have charge of this work.

The first building to claim attention is that of the bleacher, excava-

tion for the foundation of which is now unde-way, with the probability that the concrete would be poured It was explained by Mr. Lambert

that when the work its peak, his organization would employ about 150 or more men; in addition there will be the steel-working crew and the brick masons, who will enclose the building, with helpers for both the steel and bricklaying crews, making work available for a large number of men when all of the crew are at work together. Officials of the Muirhead Com-

pany who are here or will be here during the construction period include Mr. Lambert, construction foreman; E. S. Scott, bookkeeper; Mr Wooten, timekeeper and assistant bookkeeper; H. S. Crane, executive vice president, who will be here occasionally; and probably William Muirhead, president, who will likely visit the project several times while the work is underway.

Mr. Lambert said the wet-room extension would make it necessary to change the course of the road leading to the fisheries which now runs around the fence enclosing the plant. but that the change would be made by the State Highway and Public Works engineers and he did not know what route would be followed.

One group of workmen was engaged today in building an extension to the railroad track running through the plant property, and it was indicated the track would be extended as far as the wet-room extension made it necessary.

Special Service at Methodist Church

Rev. WADE JOHNSON, Pastor The Rev. Wade Johnson will fill his regular appointments Sunday morning in Plymouth at 11 o'clock, Siloam at 3 p. m., and Jamesville at 7:30.

A special program has been arranged for the vesper service. The Young People's Division will have its installation of officers and council members service. This service is planned to be one

of extraordinary beauty and solemnity. Candelabra and cathedral candles will be used for lighting, and there will be soft music during the entire service by Mr. Shepherd Brinkley. The young people greatly appreciate Mr. Brinkley's help in working out their program.

We feel very fortunate in having Roper School Tuesday Mr. George Peel with us Sunday evening. Mr. Peel's exceptional musical

The Young People's Division is very anxious to have all the parents of its members present at the installation, as well as all those who are interested in young people and their

Officials of the League are as follows: Loamie Gilbert, president; ient" fortune-teller had been secured Helen Coburn, vice president; Corinne Gurkin, secretary; and Ben Owens, treasurer.

dered to report for duty. Ray at one time wrote sports new for the spo

stock in the organization.

attend. Saturday night, a Halloween party will be held for the children of club members. The young folks

The organization continues to

wish to repair or enlarge their homes, and applications are under consideration for new construction which will greatly increase the usefulness of the association. So far, the organizations has loaned about \$18,000 in the community, principally to small home owners who wished to enlarge their houses and provide apartments for newcomers who

Many local people are carrying their stock principally for the savings feature, shares being paid for weekly at the rate of 25 cents each maturing at \$100 in about

County Peanut Crop Begins Moving Soon

MEET POSTPONED

It was announced today that a change had been made in the date of the meeting of the Plymouth Parent-Teacher Association from Wednesday, November 1, to Wednesday, November 8, at 3:45 in the auditorium of the high

At the meeting a debate will be heard on the lifting of the embargo on arms in the present neutrality act of the United States. Four high school students will take part in the debate, which should prove interesting and helpful, and a large attendance is urged by the officers of the organization.

tha Booth can be seen by those who Commissioner Will Mrs. H. A. Liverman was making Favor Designating an effort this morning to get a group from Plymouth to attend the meeting of Red Cross leaders of this region being held in Edenton today. Dr. Frank Porter Graham, president of

Be Made Part of State Secondary System

Welfare Department Has Puzzle in Case Of Colored Woman Darden, secretary of the Washington over the crop and make bids.

County Chamber of Commerce, said B. T. Ferguson, state farm agent

as highway No. 99. With Mr. Darden was Fred Latham, of Belhaven, who joined in urging the commissioner to designate this as a state highway the manual transfer of the second trans The case of Sarah Heckstall, col- this as a state highway, thus making

Turnpike. Sarah is now a patient in a New The commissioner advised the men York institution for the treatment of tuberculosis: but, since she is not a citizen of that State, the local welwould be a secondary highway, that of farmers' stock Virginia-type peafare organization has been bombardis, a numbered highway endorsed by nuts in September totaled over 25,ed with about 50 letters, telegrams. telephone messages and about every Federal Government.

other known means of communica-It was believed that even if it was tion, asking that the woman be reranked as a secondary highway that pounds. turn to this county, from where she within three years the State Highclaims she went to the northern city, way and Public Works Commission according to Miss Ursula Bateman, could be constrained to build the allsuperintendent of public welfare here. weather road to connect the county ber 1. The New York welfare officials are demanding that arrangements be seats of Washington and Hyde.

made to care for her here, but local Mr. Webb explained that he could authorities have no place for her to only recommend that this route be go. Health officials do not want a included in the secondary system and person with even a retarded case of that the entire commission would have to accept it before it would be tuberculosis placed in the county home here, where she may spread the placed on the state highway map and velopment, and Captain John Nelson a number assigned.

about \$40 a month is necessary to Mrs. Joe Chesson care for the colored woman and her Anxious to get the patient off their

Monday afternoon at the home in the lems affecting the three states from Roper.—Funeral services were held Mill Pond section for Mrs. Joe Chesson, 73, who died Saturday night at other agency, cooperating to provide 9:20, following an illness from which she had suffered almost a year.

The Rev. T. F. Davenport, Free Will become more insistent daily, with the Baptist minister of Creswell, officiatnorthern officials claiming they have ed. Interment took place in the famalready spent \$2,500 on the woman ily burial ground near the home. although this county is legally re-

dren: C. B. Chesson, J. M. Chesson Miss Lucy Chesson and Mrs. Mattie Halloween Carnival White, all of Washington County, and Mrs. G. L. Marriner, of Belhaven.

In Creswell Tuesday Creswell Students Plan To Issue School Paper

> Creswell.-At a recent meeting of the senior class of Creswell High School, the members decided to sponsor a school paper, the name of which has not yet been decided.

At the meeting, Miss Evelyn Swain was elected editor in chief; Virginia Davenport, associate editor; Dallas Spruill, circulation manager; Jack Jones, assistant circulation manager; Billy Wells Bateman, art editor; Irene tumed fortune teller, a fish pond, and Spruill, sports editor; Collia Davenice cream, candy and peanuts will be port, society editor; Nancy Norman

activity. The above staff will appoint a repare urged to attend. The proceeds resentative from each class to work with them. The paper will be issued will be used to defray incidental exmonthly

Picking Operations Will Get Started in outh High School Band and Miss Clara Louise Jones, public school mu-Earnest Next Week Mrs. C. N. Davenport, sr., of Cresdesignated, and Stuart Blow, assistant to County Agent W. V. Hays,

Quality Generally Reported Very Good, But Yield Is Below Expectations

An estimated six thousand acres Washington County awaiting the vis- on attendance at the meeting, most iting of the picking crews, who will membership dues paid and most new begin their rounds in earnest next members. The trophy was last awardweek. Several of the pickers were ed to the Roper club, and it becomes being operated this week, but the the permanent possession of the club peak of the picking season is still a winning it three times in succession.

Winners of the different projects week or so away, as many farmers do not feel their crop is dry enough

Exactly what prices will prevail is still problematical, but it is generally considered fairly well assured the farmers will get 3 to 31/2 cents and better, as the North Carolina Peanut Turnpike Route 99 Stabilization Cooperative is standing by to take peanuts at 3 1-4 cents for by to take peanuts at 3 1-4 cents for Cattle in County conversion into oil if the cleaners Says Highway Will Likely do not measure up to this price. It is understood that several farmers in the county have already sold their

entire crops at 3 3-4 cents. Buyers are beginning to come on After a conference a few days ago the market this week, with a numwith District Highway Commissioner ber of them actively engaged in vis-E. V. Webb, at Kinston, John W. iting the farms of the section to look

that he was reasonably certain the for the mortheastern district, said New York Officials Demand Turnpike road would be designated that No. 1 peanuts were bringing from 31/2 to 3 3-4 cents per pound,

ored, is a puzzling problem now facing the Washington County Welfare would be constructed through the yield will not be as large as was expected sometime ago, according to reports from various sections.

The report released by the United that if the road was accepted as a States Department of Agriculture on part of the state road system, it October 17 indicated that millings the state but not approved by the 000,000 pounds, and that stocks of the Virginia nuts on hand September 30 were less than 4,000,000

J. E. Davenport has announced that the local Peanut Stabilization Cooperative warehouse will open Novem-

Fishing Authorities of Two States in Meeting

R. Bruce Etheridge, director of the Department of Conservation and Decommissioner of fishing, went to Norfolk Tuesday, when they with similar officials from Virginia and Maryland pure-bred and \$25 for grade aniwere guests of the Rotary Club at mals. the Fairfax Hotel. W. R. Hampton, Funeral Monday a member of the board, joined them when they came through here.

The fisheries committeemen from the three states further studied probthe standpoint of fishing, including size limits of fish to be taken from the streams, closed seasons, and pollution of streams.

Visit Here From Windsor Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Pugh, of Windsor, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Z. visited Miss Martha Hornthal.

To Be Tested for However, It May Be Next Here Friday Night structed by the court to survey the spring Refore Examiners Spring Before Examiners

pure-bred and grade stock, are on at 7:30 in the high school gym. the waiting list to be tested for Bangs of the State Department of Agricul- sions than ever before. ture could reach this county to make the examinations.

Can Reach Section

for the need of this testing work, ac- of the Carnival. cording to the farm agent, but it has been found in other counties that the rate of affected cattle has sometimes been as high as 10 per cent. This has been reduced in such counties by tests and elimination of the diseased cattle to a fraction over 1 per cent.

It was explained that Bang's Disease in cattle affects reproduction and lowers milk production. Since no cure is known for the disease and it is highly contagious, the most economical procedure for controlling the malady is to destroy the animals

Indemnity funds used to pay owners for diseased cattle killed are matched dollar for dollar by the Federal and State Departments, with the usual scale of prices being \$50 for

It was said that Washington is the eighteenth county on the waiting list and that approximately 55,000 herds, representing 145,000 cattle are now on the waiting list to be tested.

Pageant at Roper School Auditorium Sunday Night The Willing Workers of Zions

Chapel Church of Christ will give a pageant entitled "The Crossroads of Life" at the Roper High School Auopening service; Smithson read the G. Lyon Sunday. On Tuesday Mrs. ditorium Sunday night at 8 o'clock, lesson and psalter for the day; and Surviving are the following chil- Pugh and Mrs. C. J. Rea, of Windsor, and the sponsors urge everyone who Gatlin gave the sermonette for the

Over 400 Attend Prize Drawing Here

Entertained by the strutting Plymouth High School Band, over 400 persons, most of them holding tickets given with purchases by local merchants, gathered at the intersection of Washington and Water Streets here Wednesday afternoon to participate in the drawing for \$30 in cash prizes. The drawing and band concert combined to last for about 30 minutes.

Seven numbers were called during the exercises. Mrs. Lloyd Horton, with a ticket from C. E. Ayer's Esso Service Station, won the first \$10 award, and Heber

Respass, of the Long Acre section, picked out one of a hand full of tickets from the Plymouth Motor Company to get the second \$10 prize.

Raymond Peal brought up a ticket which belonged to Arlo Rath, secured at Pender's Store. for the first of the \$5 prizes, and W. D. Walker, an employee of the North Carolina Pulp Company, with another ticket from Penders, claimed the second \$5.

Incidentally, in the three midweek drawings which have been held so far, the first prize, which for when drawn, has always had an instant taker, so it continues to be \$10 weekly. Eight mid-week drawings re-

main in the campaign being conducted by the merchants, and on Wednesday, December 27, prizes totaling \$200 will be awarded at the final drawing. Customers in local stores are urged to call for their tickets with each \$1 cash purchase or payment on account. There is no obligation or strings to the offer, and every week \$30 in cash is awarded to the four holders of lucky tickets.

Wednesday; Concert Given by Band is to be accumulative if not called