

Little Miss Betty Jean Jackson, daughter of Mrs. Blanche Jackson, ang very beautifully at the Tom Thumb wedding given for the second time at the high school building on Monday night. Others in the cast also gave splendid renditions of their

Edmund G. Harding, executive

secretary of the Washington, N.

C., chamber of commerce, here yesterday to confer with John W.

Darden, of the Washington Coun-

ty Chamber of Commerce, said

he expected to bring a large

crowd here Monday from Wash-

ington to take part in the cele-

Milton Newberry, former resident

now retired from the government

Civil Service, with his wife, were

Washington, N. C., unit.

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bration.

THE ROANOKE BEACON * * * * * * AND WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS * * * *

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W. Blount Rodman, an associate in the law offices of Z. V. Norman here. VOLUME L-NUMBER 48 returned this week from the maneuv-

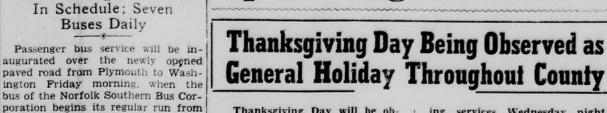
Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thursday, November 30, 1939

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ers of the 113th Field Artillery of the National Guard, which were in prog-SPEAKERS AT ROAD CELEBRATION MONDAY ress last week. He went with the



Zeb Vance Norman, representing Mayor B. G. Campbell, of Plymouth, and Mayor Ralph H. Hodges, of Washington, are two of the speakers who will be heard at the road celebration here next Monday afternoon.



Thanksgiving Day will be observed as a general holiday thruout Washington County Thursday, and while there are no special programs for the day, different organizations will observe the occasion in various ways.

Practically all the stores and business establishments will be closed, including the Branch Banking & Trust Company, the ABC store, the post office, and county and town offices. Mail will be received and put in boxes and rural deliveries will be made. but there will be no city delivery, it was stated Wednesday.

The churches in Plymouth are mostly having their Thanksgiving services Wednesday night, with the exception of the Grace Episcopal church, where the Rev. Mr. Matthews will conduct services at 9 o'clock Thursday morning

Bus Service by New Plans Complete for Celebration of

Washington Road to Be Effective Friday Number Changes Are Made Number Changes Are Made

In the realm of sports, it is possible a special golf tournament will be played if a sufficient number of participants show up, according to the professional. The high school here has closed its football season, and there will be no game. Many hunters will take to the fields and woods, the open season on quail beginning that day, and a number of football

enthusiasts are planning to attend college games at various places.

CHAIRMAN

John W. Darden, secretary of

the Washington County Cham-

ber of Commerce, is chairman of

the committee on arrangements

Meeting in Theatre Second Part of Program To Be Held in Washington

Lindsay Warren To

Be Main Speaker at

Monday Night

Finals plans had been made today for the exercises to be held in Plymouth and Washington Monday celebrating the formal opening of the last stretch of hard-surfaced highway linking together the capitals of Wash ngton and Beaufort Counties. About 1,500 persons are expected to attend the exercises, which get underway here at 2 o'clock, with a number of dignitaries from the two counties paricipating in the event.

Such notables as Congressman Lindsay Warren, E. V. Webb, district highway commissioner. Chester Hawkins, a representative of the Norfolk Southern Bus Corporation, Osbourne Puckett, a representative of William F. Bowe, ir., road contractor who finished the project, Fred P. Latham, Belhaven farmer, and many others vill participate in the speechmaking.

Space will be reserved on Washingon Street here for the group from Washington to park their cars, and Chief of Police P. W. Brown says that all local cars must be removed from this area between 1 and 4 o'clock. He further asks that flags be placed on display in the down-town area and requests residents to decorate their cars with signs, placards, flags and bunting. Every effort will be made to give the town a festive appearance

John W. Darden, secretary of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, and chairman of the committee for arrangement of the Plymouth exercises, today announced a program that is sure to draw hundreds of persons here, and at 8 o'clock that night the Washington organization will put on its program, eaturing a perade, special addresses and other events.

Parade at 1:30 P. M.

The program as announced by the committee on arrangements, including Mr. Darden, Z. V. Norman, W. H. Paramore and P. W. Brown, calls for the local Boy Scouts, Plymouth and Washington High School bands, possibly a unit of the National Guard, school children and others to participate in a parade, which is to be formed at the high school building at 1:30 o'clock. After marching down

town, the bands and guardsmen are

Assembling at the Plymouth The-

to stage drills of various kinds.

here this week visiting relatives and friends. They left for Edenton and Washington, D. C., where they will visit before going to Florida for the winter. Mrs. Mary F. Darden, home demonstration agent, left Tuesday for Richfield, where she attended the funeral of her grandfather, P. R. Misenheimer, who died at his home there **Resume Construction** Monday night at the age of 81 years.

A conference is to be held some time this week between Bishop W. W. Peele and the Rev. B. B. Slaughter, superintendent of the Elizabeth City District, to determine what constitutes the charge here of the Rev. O. L. Hardwick, who was assigned to the pastorate of the Plymouth Methodist church at the conference in Fayetteville week before last.

Edmund G. Hurding, entertainer and speaker of Washington, N. C. who has been sick, is able to be about his duties again as executive secretary of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, and he said this week he expected to be here Monday to attend the road opening celebration with the delegation from Beaufort County.

A. J. Riddle, a member of the Town Council, is at his old home near the Virginia-Tennessee boundary, the name of the town being unknown here, for the Thanksgiving holidays. It is his first trip back home in several years.

Peanut Situation Is Discussed at Meet of Farm Bureau Here

Necessity of Halting Acre-



principal speaker at the exercises celebrating the opening of the new Washington road Monday.



On Buildings Originally Planned This Week

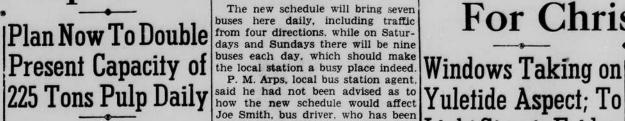
pulp, with the accompanying price rise for the product, due largely to conditions brought about by the European war, have influenced officials of the North Carolina Pulp Company to contract this week for additions to the local plant which will double its present capacity of 225 tons of air-dried pulp daily.

O. H. Cox, general manager of the plant, said Wednesday morning that work would proceed immediately on the construction of the additional buildings needed to house the equipment to be installed and there was much activity at the plant, where several buildings are already under onstruction

Equipment to be installed include lime kilns, steaming boiler, an additional recovery boiler and additional digesters, which will step production up from 225 tons of air-dried sulphate

Plan Now To Double Present Capacity of Present Capacity of P. M. Arps, local bus station agent.

Increased demands for sulphate



Norfolk through Plymouth to Wash-

There will be two buses each day

to reach here from Norfolk under

the new schedule, at 10:50 a. m. and

5:20 p. m.; two buses from Washing-

ton to Norfolk will arrive here daily,

at 6:50 a. m. and 6:25 p. m. On the

Williamston-Columbia run, the 11:40

bus will be discontinued except on Sat

urdays and Sundays; the bus from

Columbia to Williamston will arrive

here at 10:05 a. m.; and the William-

ston to Columbia bus will arrive here

at 9:20 p.m. In addition, a bus will

be operated between here and Wil-

liamston, arriving here from that

point at 6:25 p. m., and returning 5

minutes later, leaving at 6:30. On Saturdays and Sundays another Wil-

liamston-Columbia bus will arrive

ngton

Ridge.

NEW MINISTER



For Christmas Rush Windows Taking on making the run from here to Pea Light Streets Friday

> Early Shoppers Are Having Gifts Laid Away Until Christmas

Business took an upward spurt here this week, as colder weather and the nearness of Christmas took hold of shoppers visiting the well-filled stores to begin choosing clothing and gifts from the large stocks, many of the gift items being put away by the merchants to be called for before Christmas.

The vari-colored Christmas street lights, which lend a Yuletide atmosphere to the shopping district, were being strung along the wires today, and will be turned on either Friday or Saturday night, according to Chief of Police P. W. Brown, who is in charge of the work.

There are over 700 of the colored lights, which form a canopy over two blocks of Water Street and one block

age Increases Expressed By Speakers

Thirty members of the Washington County Farm Bureau heard three speakers discuss the conditions facing farmers of this section last Friday night at the agriculture building here, but no definite action was taken to remedy the conditions existing, especially in regard to peanuts.

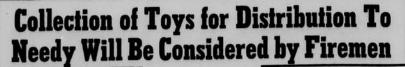
J. H. Broome, of Aurora, spoke a length on the conservation program, outh Merchants Association. but paid little attention to the peanut situation except to mention the grave situation that exists because Ainsley, put her hand in the containof the increased acreage during the er and drew four tickets with Mrs. G. past few years.

T. B. Brandon, farm agent of Mar- tion, coming forward for the first \$10, problems.

It was left to Mr. Debnam, of Edenton, a representative of the North Carolina Peanaut Stabilization Cooperative, to tell the farmers present left his tickets with the store to be that unless the acreage expansion held at the drawing, and Mrs. T. C. was arrested there would be no Fed-eral aid through the cooperative for the store and the owner. the 1940 crop.

The second colored person to win action by the small group of farmers a prize was Wesley Bailey, colored the buildings originally planned to present, but it is understood the filling station employee here. His American Farm Bureau Federation is ticket came from Abe Adler's store. making an effort to prevent acreage Mrs. Emma Willoughby held the secexpansion and to persuade the gov- ond \$5 ticket, from White and Bowernment to continue the operation of en's market, for her son, J. B. Wilthe cooperative, which diverts all the loughby.

peanuts delivered to it to oil mills, Mrs. Harry Latham, a former resremoving them from the regular ident who is visiting here, won the turkey raffled off for the band channels of trade.



Chistmas.

Friday night.

Although no definite decision had been reached today by the members of the Plymouth Volunteer Fire Department, it is understood they are considering collection of old toys to be repaired and painted for distribution among Washington County needy children at Christmas. Members of the department have been doing this work for several years past.

As their contribution to the lightening of heavy hearts and preventing the sadness of disappointed children on Christmas day, the firemen last year "renewed scores of discarded toys

pulp daily to 450 tons daily. However, it was said, no paper-making or List of Winners at board machines are to be installed at this time, although they may come **Mid-Week Drawing** later. Plans for the original expansion

program, work on which began about With a crowd of 1,400 persons on the middle of October and was curhand, there was a taker for every tailed a few weeks later, have been number drawn at the mid-week drawaltered to provide for doubling the ing for the \$30 in prizes offered each pulp capacity immediately and instal-Wednesday afternoon by the Plymlation of finishing equipment later.

Originally, it was planned to put in a Little Miss Becky Lou Ainsley, the finishing plant without increasing the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence capacity. The buildings called for in the contract let early in October are to be constructed by the William Sam Respass, of the Long Acre sec-Muirhead Construction Company, of Durham, which has already poured

tin County, spoke on general farm presenting a ticket from Browning's the concrete foundations for two of Cash Store. them and was surveying and stak-

and brought cheer to the hearts

The second \$10 was won by Raying off the property yesterday for the mond L. Davenport, of Mackeys, with others. The two buildings under construca ticket from Campbell's store. He

tion are for the bleacher and liquor When word to resume work rooms. on the entire program was received this week, the Muirhead employees

began surveys to break ground for cluding an addition to the present wet room, machine room and beater room. A filtering plant is being built by the Rohleder construction comrany, and it is understood a boiler room building is also to be built, the contract for which has not yet been

No figures were available as to the

will call for double the amount of pulpwood now being required.

Voting Places for Cotton Referendum Announced

of many who otherwise would have been passed up Santa Claus. Voting places for the cotton refer-L. D. Jones, an official of the ndum, to be held on Saturday, Defire company, said this morning ember 9, have been designated for that he did not know exactly farmers of Washington County, it Woman's Club. The Masons officialwhat to say at the present time, was announced today by County as no decision has been reached Agent W. V. Hays. by the firemen, who worked on The three voting places are: agrithe toys in their spare time in culture building in Plymouth; Rayformer years, but it is believed mond Tarkenton's place in Roper; they will continue to render this

community service again this Ballots will be cast by the growers zation. A definite decision will be anto make it known whether they are in favor of compulsory acreage con- the only master to serve in the office nounced next week, after the firetrol for cotton and to ask for maren hold their usual meeting on keting quotas on the staple.

The Rev. O. L. Hardwick, for merly of Raleigh, who arrived here last week to assume his duties as pastor of the local Methodist church.

Masonic Banquet **Tuesday Night Is**

At Observance of 128th Anniversary Here

The pick-up in business is expected More than 100 persons attended the to show steady gains from now on, banquet held in the community house here Tuesday night, when the 128th as more and more folks in the rural anniversary of the founding of Per- sections are disposing of their peaseverance Lodge, No. 59, A. F. and nuts and other cash crops and are A. M., was celebrated, with J. Edward taking an inventory of their needs Allen, of Warrenton, Grand Master of for Christmas and the winter months. Masons in North Carolina, as the And in every store where this Christmas merchandise is being ofprincipal speaker.

W. L. Whitley presented the grand fered, the shoppers are asking for master, who spoke at length on Ma- their tickets, which entitle them to the opportunity of winning one of sonic activities. J. W. Darden prethe four mid-week prizes, the \$100 sided and presented H. H. McLean, grand prize or one of the four \$25 present master of the local lodge, cash prizes to be given away on Monwho said that his three ambitions when he was elected to the office was day, December 27 at 3 p.m.

to have all past masters' pictures number of regular employees to be framed and hung on the walls of the but nearly 300 men are employed at |an Easter Star chapter, and to have the plant now. The added capacity the grand master present at the annual banquet-and that all three of them had been achieved.

A Sunday school was organized last Instrumental numbers were rendered by Harry McLean, L. W. Zeig-Sunday afternoon at the Chapel Hill ler, Mary Lillian Campbell, Vance Schoolhouse near Plymouth by Rev. Norman, members of the high school P. B. Nickens, pastor of the Plymband, and Mary Charlotte Jones sang. outh Baptist Church. and J. E. West-

The Masons and their ladies as- ray, of Roper, superintendent of the embled at the community hall, where Baptist Sunday school there. a turkey diner was served by the Mr. Westray was made superin-

tendent of the school and Bible class ly opened the lodge meeting at their teacher. Sam Styons was elected sechall on the corner of Water and Jefretary and treasurer, with Mrs. W. ferson Streets prior to the banquet. W. Latham teaching the young peo-Mrs. W. C. Jones, as matron of the ple and Mrs. Sam Styons teaching Eastern Star chapter here, explained the intermediate class. Mrs. Swain and W. D. Phelps' store in Creswell. the work being done by that organiis teaching the primary group.

Sunday school will be held each It was said that J. R. Campbell was Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Last Sunday, the second meeting, there were 63 present

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of Washington Street, with a design for the road celebration topped by a large star over the com munity building brilliant with lights This year Chief Brown may put col-

merchants were preparing their

atre at 2 o'clock, the crowd will hear Miss Mary Emma Edmondson, of Former Representative Z. V. Nor-Gadsden, Ala., is spending some here with her aunt, Mrs. E. F. Thomas.

(Continue on page four) Afternoon Program Celebrating the Completion and Formal Opening of Highway No. 97 From Washington to Plymouth — Monday, December 4, 1939 1:30-Scouts, Bands, Children and possibly a unit of the National Guard will leave the School Building to parade down-town to front of Community Building. 2:00-Assemble at Plymouth Theatre for exercises: Welcome: Z. V. Norman, representing Mayor B. G. Campbell, of Plymouth. Response: Mayor Ralph Hodges, of Washington, N. C. Address: Representative Lindsay C. Warren. Short Addresses: W. B. Rodman, president of the Washington Coun-

County Chamber of Commerce. J. R. Campbell, Chairman of Washington County

Board of Commissioners.

W. L. Whitley, past president, representing the Plymouth Lions Club.

J. R. Manning, president of the Plymouth Merchants Association.

Edmund Harding, secretary of the Washington, N. C., Chamber of Commerce.

E. V. Webb, Kinston, district commissioner, State Highway and Public Works Commission.

Chester Hawkins, an official of the Norfolk Southern Bus Corporation

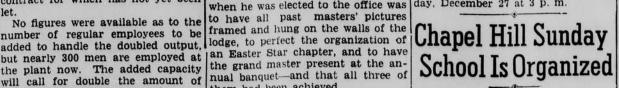
Osbourne Puckett, representative of William F. Bowe, jr., road contractor.

Others to be recognized include Mayor Harvey, of Belhaven; Fred P. Latham, of Belhaven; mayors of Edenton, Hertford, Columbia, Williamston, Elizabeth City; Representative W. M. Darden and Former Senator Carl L. Bailey, of Plymouth.

4:00-Adjournment.

6:00-Formation of motorcade to leave here for Washington, where the final exercises of the celebration will be held, beginning at 8 p. m.

Ask for Tickets With Each \$1.00 Purchase When Buying in Plymouth and Attend Weekly Drawings



ored lights on the town water tank. A canvass of the stores made this week convince a reporter that the

Christmas displays, and in many places bundles have already been laid away with the owners' names on them awaiting the gift season, as the early shoppers took advantage of the plentiful array of Christmas merchandise. Toy stores here have prepared their Largely Attended displays, as well as those other stores which will feature more practical displays, as well as those other stores gifts. Green and red crepe paper, holly and mistletoe are being used

full swing here by next week.

State Grand Master Speaks profusely in providing interior decorations; and, all in all, the Christmas shopping season should be in

held here Monday. From Gadsden, Ala