

Despite the fact that the prelimi

disappointment to the civic pride of

employ of Williford's Yellow Front

The Branch Banking and Trust

Company will be closed all day

next Thursday, May 30, National

Memorial Day, it was announced

today by H. E. Beam, cashier. The

bank will also close at noon each

Wednesday afternoon during the

summer months, along with the

other places of business here, be-

ginning next Wednesday, May 29.

Iverson Skinner, of Williamston;

Y. T. Cheatham and E. G. Johnson,

of Rocky Mount, were here Wednes-

day greeting voters in the interest of

the candidacy of Lee Gravely for the

Democratic nomination as governor.

have been referred to competent

medical authorities by the Wash-

ington County Welfare Depart-

ment in the past year, it was learned today from Miss Ursula

Bateman. She said that tuber-

culosis is largely a "poor man's

disease," because it develops rap-

idly among those who get insuf-

Miss Connie Edmondson, daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Edmondson, of

Plymouth, was awarded an athletic

pin for winning at least 1,000 points

in intra-mural sports at the Womans

College of the University of North

Warnie Gurkin, son of Mr. and Mrs.

L. W. Gurkin, has built a home near

the residence of his parents, fur-

nished it, will be married to Miss An-

on June 6 and then will leave with

his bride for a trip to the New York

A total of 514 persons attended

the WPA dinners for white peo-

ple in Creswell and the colored

people in Creswell and Plymouth

Monday night, according to Mrs.

Kathleen S. Nobles, project sup-

ervisor, who was in charge of the

An interesting Mother's Day pro-

gram was given at the Christian

church Sunday night a week ago with

Miss Louis Sitterson, route one, tak-

ing the lead. Lewis Styons assisted

her and Mrs. Rudolph Beasley and

Lewis Styons, jr., directed a play,

which was thoroughly enjoyed by the

C. V. Swain, of Roper, said that a

calf born dead on a farm near Roper

had a face, ears and head resembling

that of a human being, a growth un-

large number in attendance.

dinner meetings in this county.

World's Fair.

Carolina in Greensboro recently.

ficient food and care.

Three cases of tuberculosis

Market Monday as clerk.

Advertisers will find Beacon and News Columns a latchkey to 1.500 Washington County homes.

nary report showed only 2,458 per-**VOLUME LI-NUMBER 21** sons living in Plymouth, resulting in



The following self-explanatory telegram was received yesterday by James W. Norman, county Red Cross chairman, from Norman H. Da vis, national director;

"With several million men locked in mortal combat on French and Belgian soil, the relief needs of Belgian-French peoples are reaching staggering proportions. Already five million pitiful rejugees are clogging every road into central-southern France trying to escape bombing and strafing from airplanes. Our representatives in France report thousands dying by roadsides of wounds, fright and hunger. American Red Cross must rush relief of every kind if these innocent people are to be saved. We are expediting millions of dollars in money and supplies, but we need more and bigger contributions to carry on. Cannot urge upon you too strongly need for prompt action if we are to be friend these sorely tried victims of brutal warfare. We count upon you to reach and oversubscribe your goal within shortest possible time. Every day's delay means hundreds may die because we have not brought them aid in this, their saddest hour."

Washington County's quota is \$300. All contributions will be acknowledged through this newspaper and may be made to The Roanoke Beacon or any of the following: In Plymouth: Mrs. H. A. Liverman, treasurer or J. W. Norman, chairman; in Roper: Mrs. Frank Wilson; in Creswell: Mrs. A. H. Tucker; and in Wenona: Mrs. J. L. Rea, jr.

Red Cross Quota for

Local and State Offices Saturday 18-Year-Old Colored Youth Dies in Hospital, Result Of Auto Collision One person was fatally injured and several others were hurt in automobile wrecks in Washington County over the week-end, causing property damages estimated at approximately

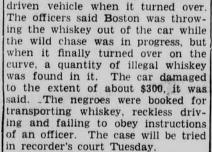
\$1,000 by Corporal T. B. Brown, of the State Highway Patrol, who, with Sheriff J. K. Reid, investigated the accidents. Marshall Armstrong, 18, colored, died in a Rocky Mount hospital Tuesday night at 7:20 as a result of injuries received Sunday night about 9 o'clock when the car in which he was riding, driven by Sylvester Small,

collided with another operated by Fenner Waters, white, of Dardens, Both drivers are under bond on reckless driving charges, with the case set for heating next Tuesday in recorder's court. The accident occurred near here on Highway 64 toward Roper

Riding with Waters was Miss Grace Nobles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Nobles. Occupants of the Small car, in addition to the driver, were Armstrong, Alonzo Small, brother of the driver and owner of the car, and several other colored people whose names could not be learned. No one was injured seriously with the excep-County Set at \$300 was injured seriously with the excep-tion of Armstrong. Damage to the two machines was estimated at \$500.

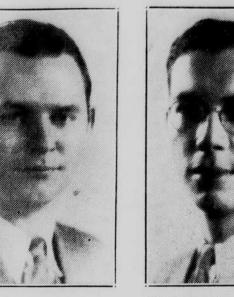
An automobile reported to have been operated by Wilbur Pierce, colored, turned over Saturday night within 200 yards of Herrington's serv-For Each Town by lice station beyond Roper. Willie Boston, colored, burned him arm in ce station beyond Roper. Willie his wreck which it was said might James W. Norman necessitate amputation. Edmund Pierce, also a passenger, was said to have jumped from the car and made his escape when officers called on the whiskey-laden machine to halt. Cor-

poral T. B. Brown gave chase but was unable to overtake the fugitive. Officers were chasing the Pierce-



A car operated by Joseph A. Jones, white, collided with another driven by Pettigrew and St. Wilson, Roper; Mrs. A. H. Tucker, east of the town limits Saturday Wilson, Roper; Mrs. A. H. Tucker, east of the town filling Saturday Creswell; and Mrs. J. L. Rea, jr., We-night. Officers reported that the El-nona. Contributors in Plymouth may nona. Contributors with Mr. Nor-

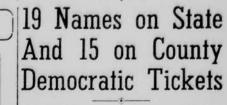
"HORTON-FOR-GOVERNOR" COMMITTEE



Lieutenant Governor Wilkins P. Horton, instead of naming a single manager of his campaign in Washington County, designated a "Horton-for-Governor Committee" to look after his interests here, composed of W. Ronald Gaylord and W. Blount Rodman (above), young attorneys, and Ernest G. Arps (left), druggist. According to their spokesman, the lieutenant governor will make a strong bid for the lead in this county, as well as throughout the state, in the primary Saturday. It is generally understood that Mr. Horton is one of the strongest candidates in the race, and most political observers predict he will be one of the two contenders in the second primary on June 22. It is believed this county will be fairly well split up between Broughton, Horton and Maxwell, with Gravely coming in

for most of what is left.

FOR MAXWELL



Total Vote of Around 2,000 Expected; Complete List Of Candidates

Voters of Washington County will ave a field of 39 candidates from which to make their choice for officials in the primary on Saturday of this week. The names of 34 of the candidates appear on the county and state Democratic ballots, leaving the few Republicans in the county a quiet and peaceful time in selecting their nominees from a field of five candidates for two state offices.

A total of 2,469 persons registered in Washington County, thus qualifying themselves to vote, but political observers here believe that there will be only about 1,500 of the 2,252 registered Democrats to vote: while it s expected most of the 211 registered Republicans will vote for their nominees. Six people who registered as independents will not be eligible to vote in either of the primaries.

In 1936, when the last governor was nominated, there were 36 names on the county ticket and 30 on the state ticket. There were no Republicans engaging in that primary as a party, because they passed on their nominees in conventions

State Ballot

The 19 names appearing on the state Democratic ballot are contesting for six offices, as follows:

For governor: L. L. Gravely, Paul Grady, Thomas E. Cooper, Wilkins P. Horton, A. J. Maxwell, J. Melville Broughton, Arthur Simmons. For lieutenant governor: R. L. Har-

is, W. Erskine Smith, Dan Tompkins, L. A. Martin.

For secretary of state: Thad Eure and Walter Murphy. For auditor: Charles W. Miller and

George Ross Pou. For commissioner of agriculture: C. Wayland Spruill and W. Kerr

Scott. Near Creswell May 30 For insurance commissioner: Dan

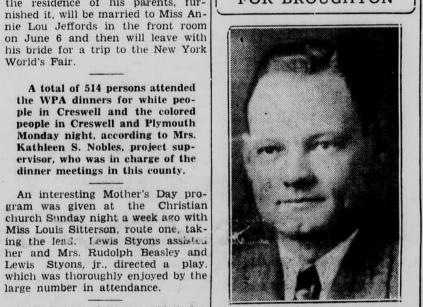
On the Republican state ballot are five names, as follows:

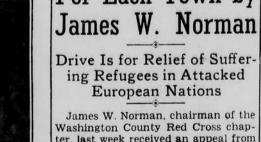
For governor: George M. Pritchard, Robert H. McNeill and John R. Hoffnan

For lieutenant governor: J. Forrest Witten and Halsey B. Leavitt. To distinguish the Republican bal-

Workers Appointed FOR BROUGHTON

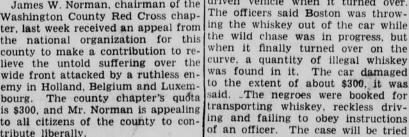
Representative Wilbur M. Darden is serving as county manager for J. Melville Broughton, Raleigh attorney and candidate for gov-





Washington County Red Cross chapcounty to make a contribution to relieve the untold suffering over the wide front attacked by a ruthless enemy in Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg. The county chapter's quota is \$300, and Mr. Norman is appealing

to all citizens of the county to conribute liberally. Mr. Norman has appointed the following to receive donations in their



respective communities: Mrs. Frank JJames Elroy, white, about 100 yards

noulders and back similar to those of a camel.

Discuss Mosquito Control

Jack White, a representative of the Jack White, a representative of the State Health Department, will talk to Died 'Friday Night headquarters. members of the Lions Club here tobreeding places of malaria-carrying mosquitoes in this section.

He said it would be necessary for an entomologist to come to Plymouth in June or July to study the habitat and travel of the types of mosquitoes which are nuisances but which do not carry malaria germs and hence are usually referred to as "pest mosquitoes."

His talk is expected to lead to ac tion by officials of the town and the Lions club and other organizations toward launching a program to control both types of mosquitoes with the aid of the WPA.

Mrs. R. E. Dunning Named tian church in Durham and former Chairman Missionary Union pastor here, assisted by the Rev. O. L. Hardwick, of the local Methodist

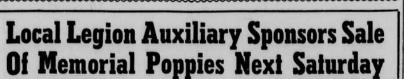
church. Interment took place in the Mrs. R. E. Dunning, of Plymouth, was named chairman of the Martin Saints Delight Christian Church cemetery near Roper. County-Plymouth division of the Wo-A large crowd attended the funeral man's Missionary Union of the Roanoke Baptist Association at a session of Mrs. Chesson, who was a life-long held in Robersonville Wednesday. resident of Washington County and

Mrs. Dunning also responded to the well-known and liked throughout the of \$10,000,000. Your chapter quota principal speaker at the meeting of kie, prayer; Rev. W. B. Gaither, of welcome address. Mrs. J. N. Carr, of section. She was the daughter of the is \$300. Please at once mobilize the the Lees Mills Sunday School con-Creswell, rector of the church, wel-Plymouth, was on the program for a late Whitman J. Harrison and Mrs. entire leadership of your chapter and solo but on account of illness could Mary Frances Harrison. not attend.

Those attending from Plymouth bepreceded her to the grave about 10 delay. sides Mrs. Dunning follows: Mesyears ago, was a well-known planter dames P. B. Nickens, R. H. Lucas, H. E. Kline, F. R. Mathews, L. T. Rose,

M. Pigford, A. P. Whealton, John Carlisle and Colon Gurkin.

who took an active interest in public affairs in the county. (Continue on page four)



Poppy Day will be observed in Plymouth and throughout the nation on May 25, the Saturday before Memorial Day, Mrs. Wade Johnson, president of local American Legion Auxiliary, announced today. On that day all Americans will be asked to wear memorial poppies in tribute to the World War dead and to aid the living victims of the war.

The little red memorial flowers will be distributed here by women and girls of the Plymouth unit under the direction of Mrs. Johnson, chairman of the Poppy Day committee. All contributions received for the poppies will go to Legion and auxiliary welfare work for the disabled veterans, their families and the families of the dead.

"Events of the past year have shown us clearly that to be secure the United States must have men ready and able to defend the country, willing to give their lives in its defense, if necessary. We can be thankful today that we had such men 22 years ago. Wearing their flower over our hearts means that within our hearts their love of America still lives."

ernor, subject to the action of the Democratic primary Saturday. been designated treasurer of the

All contributions made in the county At Lions Club Tonight Mrs. O. M. Chesson will be acknowledged in this newspaper and the money raised forwarded immediately to national Red Cross Funeral Today for

Fleeing before the invading Gernight on the survey that he and Char lie White have made spotting the At Her Home Here many army, hundreds of thousands of Dutch and Beligians, mostly women

> Funeral Held Sunday Afternoon for Highly Respectcountries having been thrown into ed Local Citizen Funeral services were held in the

> Christian church here Sunday afttrains loaded with women and chilernoon at 3:30 for Mrs. Mary Della dren had been bombed by Hitler's Chesson, 74, who died at her Third air forces. Street home here Friday night as the result of a severe heart attack.

the United States immediately, ac- tery near the home. Mrs. Chesson was a loyal member cording to Norman H. Davis, national of the Christian church for about 50 years, and the funeral services warded the following telegram to Mr. were conducted by the Rev. N. A. Norman here: Taylor, of the Holloway Street Chris-"With the invasion of Holland, Bel-

entered a phase which will inevitably and at once bring widespread and appalling suffering to millions of help less men, women and children. In

order to inaugurate widespread relief measures, the American Red Cross is at once launching a campaign for a minimum war relief fund

community in order that your quota Her husband, Otis M. Chesson, who may be raised and exceeded without

> Seeking To Raise \$90 To Equip Boat of Sea Scouts

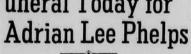
A drive is being conducted here by committee, composed of Dr. C. Mc-Gowan, J. B. Willoughby, W. V. Hays, and Z. V. Norman, to raise a fund of \$90 for equipping the boat recently acquired by the Plymouth Sea Scouts The boat has a Ford Model A engine in it that was donated by the

Plymouth Motor Company and is seaworthy in every respect, but none of the Scouts may enjoy it until it has been properly equipped with life preservers, running lights and fire extinguishers.

New Cafe To Open Here Tuesday of Next Week

D. E. Brantley is moving the equipnent of the Russ Tea Room, of Wash ington, to Plymouth, where he will open a cafe next Tuesday in the **Owens Building on Washington Street** formerly occupied by the Roanoke Beacon. 12

man, Mrs. H. A. Liverman, who has No one was hurt, but property damdrive, or with the Roanoke Beacon. fined \$50 and costs in recorder's court age was estimated at \$280. Jones was Dr. C. C. Crittendon, C. W. Tuesday as a result of the wreck. Tatem, W. L. Whitley Are Speakers



and children, are now facing starva-tion and want, their manpower and Funeral for Adrian Lee Phelps, 10_-Funeral services were held at the most of the resources of the little home near Roper today for Adrian Lee Phelps, 10, son of Joe and Mrs. the line of battle in an effort to check Martha Phelps who died in a Northe invaders. News was flashed from folk hospital as the result of peneu-Holland only last week that refugee monia. He had been in the hospital three days but had ben sick a week. The Rev. J. J. McCloud, pastor of the Roper Holliness Church, officiat-

Ten million dollars is needed from ed. Interment took place in a ceme-Episcopal Bishop of North Carolina,

Surviving are the parents of the and his worthy brother. General John chairman of the Red Cross, who for- child and the half sisters: Mrs. Annie McCloud, Mrs. Getrude Lamb. fame, will be decorated at the time. Mrs. Dora Smith, Mrs. Mary Brickhouse, Miss Jessie Phelps, all of Ropgium and Luxembourg, the war has er, and Mrs. Dora Ann Jones, of Cres-Cemetery at 10 o'clock in the mornvell; one half brother, H. W. Spruill, of Roper.

W. L. Whitley Speaker at Sunday School Convention ice will be the Rev. John Hardy, of

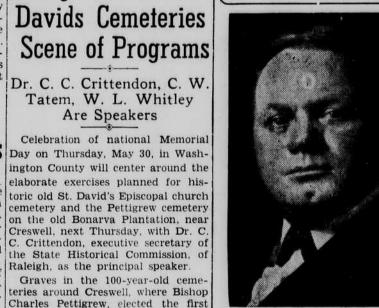
W. L. Whitley, prominent local at- Williams, of New Bern, creed and orney and churchman, will be the vention that will be held at Saints come address; and Rev. Sidney E. Delight Christian church near here Matthews, of Washington, presenta-

by Harold Swain. Ben Swain will at this gathering. velcome the visiting Sunday schools nd Miss Margaret Chesson will respond. Each Sunday school repreented will have a 5-minute program.



Washington County voters may cast their ballots between 7 a.m., and 7 p. m., in the primary Saturday, instead of from sunrise to sunset, as formerly. The last legislature changed the hours for voting in primary, although general elections will be held as in the past, from sun to sun.

It was also announced that the registrars will require poll book keepers to write under the name of every voter who receives assistance in marking his ballot the following: "This ballot marked by" and the person's name who assisted.



Memorial Observance

Recorder John W. Darden is Washington County manager for ston Pettigrew, of Confederate Army Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor

ing. The Rev. C. A. Ashby, of Edenton, will speak at the 11 o'clock service in the church. A large vested choir is expected to attend. Ministers taking part in the morning serv-Williamston, invocation: Rev. C. E.

psalter; Rev. John Armfield, of Ahosbe held at 11 o'clock. A good speak- school in Raleigh. Sunday afternoon. May 26, at 3 p. m. Matthews, of Washington, presentation of will be present for this service. A Immediately after the recital, Mrs.

their service at 7:15. After the morning service, a motor-

cade will leave the church for the Lake Phelps community house, where a basket picnic will be served and the bands will give a concert until 3 o'clock. Dr. Crittendon will speak at this time, to be followed by W. L. Whitley, of Plymouth. T. W. Armstrong, manager of the Scuppernong Farms, and a speaker from the University of North Carolina, will also address the gathering.

Following this service, the bands will lead the parade of scouts, clergy, choir, U. D. C. chapter members. and the crowd to Pettigrew cemetery where the closing exercises will be in charge of U. D. C. members

Services will begin at St. David's

Tom P. Sanderson Named Scoutmaster Local Troop

Tom P. Sanderson, salesman for the B. G. Campbell Wholesale Company here, has been nominated as Scoutmaster of the Plymouth troop with H. H. McLean recommended as assistant scoutmaster.

lots, they are printed on pink paper, while the Democratic ballots are on white paper.

County Ballot

On the Democratic county ballot are 15 names, as follows:

For state senator, second senatorial district (vote for two): P. G. Gallop, Hugh G. Horton and D. Bradford Fearing.

For county treasurer: Richard C. Peacock, W. S. (Bill) Davenport, Stuart D. Davis, W. Linwood Hassell, and Timothy M. Bowen.

For county commissioner, district No. 1: Ernest G. Arps and A. Lloyd Owens.

For county commissioner, district No. 2: J. C. Knowles, W. T. Freeman. and J. H. Gaylord, sr. For commissioner, district No. 3:

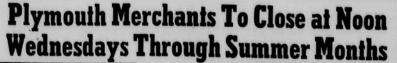
Ed F. Swain and Hoyt R. Davenport.

Piano Recital Here Tomorrow Night

Mrs. Laura S. Johnston will present her pupils in a piano recital at the Program of Services Plymouth High School auditorium on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Forty-Plymouth High School auditorium on At Christian Church for the program, with about 30 stu-dents participating.

Guest artists will be Miss Miriam Services at the Christian church Barron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. here Sunday will include Sunday T. Barron, of Franklin, Va., and Walschool Sunday morning at 9:45. The ter Ange, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. church service, with communion, will Ange, who has recently returned from

Tatem, of Columbia, will also speak large attendance is urged for all the Mary S. Cahoon will entertain those services. The young people will hold in the recital at the Plymouth Country Club.



The Plymouth Merchants' Association, at their meting Monday night, decided to begin closing their stores on Wednesday afternoon for the summer halfholiday next week, the first afternoon off coming Wednesday. May 29. The Branch Banking & Trust Company will also close at the noon hour with the merchants through June, July and August, H. E. Beam, cashier, announced yesterday.

Customers and patrons of lo cal business establishments are urged to do their shopping on Wednesday mornings before noon so that the clerks and other workers may have the afternoon for recreation and pleasure.

It was also decided by the merchants that stores would remain open all day on Wednesday, July 3, and be closed all day Thursday. July 4, for the Independence Day holiday.

A message from a hotel organization wishing to build a hostelry here was read, but the merchants felt it would be impossible to secure enough stock subscriptions to build one here, and it was decided not to invite the representatives here.

A. J. Byrd, E. E. Harrell, W. H. Booker and J. W. Norman were appointed on a committee to consider neon signs for erection over the three highways leading into the town.