

Miss Virginia Layton Spruill, the daughter of Mrs. Kathleen S. Nobles, Monday received her B. S. degree in secretarial administration from the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

George R. Uzzell, of Salisbury, representative from Rowan County to the North Carolina General Assembly, was here last week visiting Representative W. M. Darden relative to the former's candidacy for speakership at the next session of the legislature.

J. H. Swindell, a World War veteran and oil-truck driver for C. E. Ayers is in a hospital for veterans at Kecoughtan, Va., where he is being treated. He hopes to return soon.

L. S. Thompson, W. L. Whitley, and P. W. Brown were named last week by President Z. V. Norman of the Lions Club as delegates to the state convention of Lions, held during the week-end at Durham.

During June, July and August the local Lions Club will meet on alternate Thursday nights. There will be no meeting this week. The weekly meetings will be resumed on the second Thursday in September.

The Northeastern North Carolina group of weekly newspaper publishers will hold its June meeting at the county club here Saturday evening at 7 p. m. About 15 or 20 members are expected from the following counties: Washington, Martin, Bertie, Northampton, Gates, Hertford, Halifax, Chowan and Perquimans. J. E. Buffal, of Edenton, is president, and W. C. Manning, of Williamston, vice president.

The Plymouth Merchants Association provided 25-cent tickets for the members of the Plymouth, Columbia and Creswell bands to secure dinner at the several church booths Tuesday, when about 100 of the young musicians performed for the enjoyment and entertainment of the crowd.

A motorcycle, operated by G. W. Birmingham, constructed worker at the North Carolina Pulp Company here, caught fire on highway No. 64 about 20 miles east of Plymouth Sunday and was destroyed. Mr. Birmingham escaped unhurt.

Attired in cowboy garb, W. C. Bateman, of Ponzer, in Hyde County, who has roamed the world, was one of the colorful figures here Tuesday for the Southern Albemarle Association meeting. He writes a column for the Dare County Times known as "Uncle Bill Jots It Down."

Not So Enthusiastic Over War Prospects

While arguments for and against the United States entering the war on the side of the Allies are raging wherever two or three get together, with a preponderance of the sentiment greatly favoring extending every aid and comfort to the armies battling the German hordes in France, at least one group of men is against active participation. An advertisement was prepared and inserted in this week's issue of The Beacon, addressed to the "Attention of All Men Over 50," reading as follows: "Remember that life begins at 50. So at least give us a chance to reach the beginning point. Don't be so enthusiastic with the words 'we should go to war,' with the word 'we' underscored and capitalized. The advertisement is signed 'The Men of Plymouth From 18 To 50.'"

Episcopal Services Scheduled Sunday

Heard by a large crowd at his initial service here last Sunday morning, William B. Daniels, of Wilmington, student minister who is sharing the duties as rector of Grace Episcopal church here with Rev. Sidney E. Matthews, will conduct the morning prayer and deliver the morning sermon at 11 o'clock Sunday. The young ministerial student will use as his subject, "Christian Education—Its Plan and Purpose." Sunday school will be held at 10 a. m., and the Young Peoples Service League will meet Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Nine young folks of the parish will attend a Diocesan Y. P. S. L. convention at Camp Leach, near Washington, during the week-end.

Blue Plate Lunch Opens This Week

Announcement is made this week by Mrs. H. A. Liverman of the opening of a Blue Plate Lunch in Liverman's Drug Store on Water Street, with home-cooked hot breads as a specialty with each meal served. Though the food will be served in her husband's drug store, the Blue Plate Lunch will in no way be connected with the drug store, as it is owned and operated independently by Mrs. Liverman, who will have Mrs. Elmo Spruill as waitress. A feature of the new place will be the serving of Sunday night 6 o'clock dinners.

School Lunch Rooms in County Served Total of 57,988 Meals During Last Term

Profitable lunch rooms have been operated during the past year at the white schools in Plymouth and Creswell, where 11 persons are employed by the Works Progress Administration, it was learned this week from Mrs. Kathleen S. Nobles, the project supervisor.

There were a total of 57,988 meals served during the eight-month school term, 25,354 of which were served free of charge to undernourished children who were unable to pay, 19,488 were paid for by other children, and 4,156 were served in exchange for

certain services or supplies furnished. Before the establishment of lunch rooms, according to Mrs. Nobles, a large number of undernourished children were attending school regularly who did not receive proper food, resulting in grade failures and susceptibility to all types of diseases because of their weakened condition.

Today the happy smiling faces of children who are receiving proper food at the lunch rooms vouch for the importance and worth of the daily service made possible by cooperation of the WPA.

Red Cross Donations Reach Total of \$164

URGES CLEAN-UP

Chief of Police P. W. Brown urges the resident of Plymouth to clean up the premises about their homes in connection with a drive to rid the town of mosquitoes and make it more sanitary. The officer, who is also in charge of the streets, urges that vacant lots be cleaned, weeds cut, and every effort be made to keep the town clean and attractive as well as more sanitary and comfortable as a place to live.

First Report From Roper Shows \$63.55 Contributed There

Total Collections Still Over \$135 Short of \$300 Goal Set for County

With a report of \$63.55 collected in the Roper community and \$17 added to the amount secured in Plymouth this week, the fund being solicited by the Washington County chapter of the American Red Cross for refugees and innocent victims of the European war soared to a total of \$164.67 contributed so far.

James W. Norman, county chairman of the Red Cross, and Mrs. H. A. Liverman, treasurer, said today they were delighted with the liberality of the people in the Roper community, as reported this week, and they urge people all over the county to continue their contributions so at least the county quota of \$300 will be raised.

So far there has been no report from the Creswell community, but Mr. Norman said today that he felt sure the good people in that section would soon turn in an excellent report showing the names of the donors and the solicitors.

The amount previously acknowledged totaled \$84.12; The total received this week from Roper and Plymouth amounted to \$80.55, making a grand total to date of \$164.67. This leaves a balance of \$135.33 needed to complete the minimum quota of \$300.

The following contributions were received this week: Plymouth: A. J. Riddle and Geo. M. Snyder, \$5 each; Mary C. Owens, Mrs. H. M. Ramsey, Z. V. Norman, Mrs. M. J. Riddle, Mrs. Addie L. Brimley, C. L. Smith, Mrs. C. L. Smith, \$1 each.

Roper Community: Lees Mills Sunday School Convention \$20; a friend, \$10; E. R. Lewis \$5; Mrs. Leon Bray, Mrs. Mittie Hassell, Mrs. W. S. Davenport, F. D. Wilson, \$2 each; Methodist Sunday school, \$1.55; Baptist Sunday school, \$1.25; Joe Nowarah, M. R. Gardner, W. A. Blount, Q. W. Blount, H. L. Lewis, Potter Dixon, J. J. Hessel, Barton Swain, Mrs. W. M. Bateman, Mrs. C. H. Floyd, Mrs. W. W. Mizell, Miss Alma Knowles, Miss Ida Peacock, \$1 each; less than \$1: Mrs. Aubrey Phelps, Mrs. J. W. Cheson, Miss Cordula Lanier, Miss Doris Lewis, Henry Tarkenton, H. M. Williams, Clyde Snell, W. W. Mizell, a friend, Louis Mizell, Henry S. Everett; total \$63.50.

Local Minister Leaves Monday for Assembly

The Rev. O. L. Hardwick, pastor of the Methodist Church, will leave next Monday for Louisville, where he will be a worker at the annual North Carolina Young People's Assembly, which will be held there for two weeks. The local minister is director of young people's work in the Elizabeth City district.

Official delegates from the local church who will attend the assembly are Mary Charlotte Jones, Peggy Brown, and Roy Manning, Jr., for the first week and Lillian Reid McGowan, Camille Burgess, and Helen Coburn for the second week.

Clinton Minister Will Preach Here

The Rev. Charles T. Hopkins, of Clinton, will preach at the Plymouth Christian church Sunday at both the morning and evening services. The minister is reported to be a good speaker and officials of the church urge a good attendance.

MORTGAGE

The American farm mortgage debt now stands at approximately \$7,000,000,000, the smallest figure in 20 years and almost at the same level of the 1918 mortgage debt.

M. R. Daniels Again Named President at Session in Afternoon

Number Resolutions Passed Concerning Matters of Regional Import

Passage of resolutions asking appointment of a highway commissioner from the Southern Albemarle, favoring a change in the number of highway 32 to 17-A; favoring reorganization of the state highway commission; opposing diversion of gasoline taxes; and of respect to W. O. Saunders, as well as election of officers, were high spots of the afternoon session of the Southern Albemarle Association Tuesday, presided over in the courthouse by the president, Melvin R. Daniels, of Manteo.

The Rev. W. B. Galtner, of Creswell, offered prayer before the meeting, and Mr. Daniels made a brief address dealing with the activities of the association during his term of office.

Reports were made by the following committee chairmen: Zeb Vance Norman, on roads; W. L. Whitley, on parks; John W. Darden, on the visit of the delegation to Raleigh seeking free ferries in the Southern Albemarle territory; and Mrs. W. S. Carawan, on beautification, who said that county units would be organized for work this year.

The resolutions passed were offered as follows: By O. L. Williams, of Swan Quarter, favoring the appointment of a representative of the Southern Albemarle section as a member of the State Highway and Public Works Commission; by W. L. Whitley, that the State Highway and Public Works Commission and the United States Bureau of Roads be petitioned to immediately change Highway No. 32 to Highway No. 17-A; by Carl L. Bailey, that the State Highway and Public Works Commission be reorganized on a state-wide basis, rather than by districts; by W. L. Whitley, opposing the diversion of tax from motor fuel and other motor vehicle taxes to other than highway use; by C. W. Tatem, resolutions of respect for W. O. Saunders, of Elizabeth City, who was killed recently in an automobile accident.

A resolution was offered by W. L. Whitley for endorsement of Franklin D. Roosevelt for a third term as President of the United States, but was withdrawn after several members spoke against permitting any political action being taken by the association.

Representatives of the four counties to the General Assembly were named on a committee to interview the State Highway and Public Works Commission on road matters. They are: W. M. Darden, Washington; C. Earl Cohoon, Tyrrell; George Davis, Hyde; and Roy L. Davis, of Dare.

Officers were elected as follows: Melvin R. Daniels, Manteo, president; vice presidents: C. Earl Cohoon, Tyrrell; O. L. Williams, Hyde; D. V. Meekins, of Dare; W. L. Whitley, of Washington; Paul Liverman, of Columbia, executive secretary; W. H. Paramore, Plymouth, recording secretary; and M. A. Matthews, Engelhard, treasurer.

Daily Bible School Is Being Held This Week at Mackeys

This week a vacation Bible school is being conducted in the Mackeys Methodist church every morning from 9 to 11 o'clock for all children and young people of the community. The workers include the pastor, Rev. M. R. Gardner, Miss Hester Ricks, teacher of the primary group; Mrs. W. B. Davenport, teacher of the Junior group; Mrs. Jim Davenport, teacher of the intermediate group; Mrs. M. R. Gardner, leader of songs and play, and Miss Elizabeth Chesson, secretary.

The program provides for worship, study, work and play. There is much interest and the attendance is good. This is the first such school conducted at the Mackeys church.

On Sunday morning the worship service of the Sunday school will be conducted by the Bible school members. Each group will contribute a review of their activities during the week. Certificates will be presented by the superintendent. Everyone is invited to this service, especially all parents.

Bids Being Received for Post Office at Creswell

Bids are being received now by M. R. Morgan, of Jacksonville, Fla., for post office quarters in the Town of Creswell, it was announced this week by Postmaster E. S. Woodley.

Those desiring to enter bids may secure the proper blanks at the office. The bids call for a lease on the property for a period of 5 or 10 years from October 1, 1940. A total of 750 square feet of floor space will be required.

Broughton Says Cooperation of Road Commission Necessary for Establishment Toll-Free Ferries

Second Primary for County Treasurer To Be Held Saturday of Next Week

The two candidates for the lone office at stake in the second Democratic primary next week, W. Linwood Hassell and W. S. (Bill) Davenport, are actively campaigning for the party nomination as county treasurer. The primary will be held on Saturday, June 22, and as there are no state or district candidates, only the county ticket, with the two names will be before the voters.

In the first primary on May 25, Hassell, the present county treasurer, led a field of five candidates. Davenport coming in second only 28 votes behind, and the other three were eliminated. It is expected the ballots for the second primary will be printed this week-end and distributed to the five county precincts about the middle of next week.

Attendance Not as Large as Expected At Meet Tuesday

Less Than 1,000 Persons Present at Annual Sessions Held Here

With J. Melville Broughton, of Raleigh, Democratic nominee for Governor, as the principal speaker praising the resources of this section and lending a word of encouragement to the organization, the sixth annual session of the Southern Albemarle Association held here Tuesday was a success despite the attendance of less than 1,000 persons from Dare, Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington Counties.

The prospective governor said that it would be necessary to secure the cooperation of the state highway and public works commission in order to get free ferries for the eastern section of the state. He also said there should be free ferry service available throughout the state where ferries were used instead of bridges in connection various sections. This was the nearest he came to promising his support to the movement in the association which has for its aim the establishment of state ferry service or bridges over Alligator River, Croatan Sound and Oregon Inlet.

The Columbia and Creswell bands played as a unit and with the Plymouth band provided the outstanding entertainment feature of the day's program. Several hundred persons lined the sidewalks while the bands were drilling and playing. The Belhaven band was unable to attend.

Introduced by Representative W. M. Darden during the morning session, Mr. Broughton told the 400 persons who heard him speak in the Plymouth Theatre that the Southern Albemarle section should be proud of the resources, including history and scenery, the possibility of further development of the fish and oyster business, a chance to diversify agriculture with intelligent guidance in this favorable climate, and with improved transportation facilities to sell farm produce and cattle in the large markets of the country.

Touching upon the war situation, the speaker said the Southern Albemarle area would be included in any plan for national defense, as channels of streams would have to be deepened, possibly seaplane bases established, the coast guard enlarged, and a better system of transportation provided to furnish supplies for the coast defense system.

He also said that Americans could not fail to feel sentimentally close to England in the present World War, as that is the mother country of America, with a democracy somewhat similar to ours, and many of our problems are the same as those of the British.

Rev. Paul B. Nickens, Baptist minister, made the invocation at the start of the meeting, which was presided over and welcomed by Zeb Vance Norman. Responses were made by C. Earl Cohoon, vice president for Tyrrell County; P. D. Midgett, jr., vice president for Hyde County; and D. V. Meekins, vice president for Dare County.

A number of distinguished guests were recognized, including Fred Latham, of Belhaven; Richard Dixon, of Edenton; Mayor Jerome Flora, of Elizabeth City; Mayor J. H. McMullan, of Edenton; G. C. Meads, secretary of the Elizabeth City chamber of commerce; Herbert Peele, editor of the Elizabeth City Daily Advance; W. R. Hampton, of Plymouth, member of the State Board of Conservation and Development; Senator D. B. Fearing, of Manteo; and C. L. Bailey, of Plymouth.

John W. Darden, in a short talk, presented a gavel to C. Wallace Tatem, of Columbia, first president of the association, who served for five years, and officially designated him as president-emeritus of the organization.

Electricians Union Is Organized Here

A charter was issued recently by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, an affiliate of the American Federation of Labor, to a local union here, which has as members about 20 men employed by the North Carolina Pulp Co. The unit here was designated Local Union, No. 1183. Officers of the organization are as follows: William Kelly, president; Asa Meadows, vice president; L. L. Sawyer, financial secretary and business agent; and Harry Adams, recording secretary. Regular meetings of the union will be held on the second and fourth Thursdays in each month.

\$100,000 Program of Local Improvements

Paving, Extending Water and Sewer Lines Are Planned

Will Be Submitted to WPA For Approval; Town's Share \$44,000

Projects for paving streets and sidewalks and extensions to the water and sewer systems, to cost a total of \$99,000, have been planned for submission to the Works Progress Administration by the Town of Plymouth.

The program for extension of the water and sewer system calls for about 22,000 feet of lines and additional hydrants for fire protection. They are planned for streets which are now without these facilities, and it is believed such extensions will add scores of new customers to the system and bring in much additional revenue. The cost of this phase of the program is estimated at \$53,000.

The street and sidewalk paving program under consideration would cost an estimated \$46,000. Most of the work would be done in the southwest section of the town, with one block on the east near the Methodist church.

If the WPA approves the projects as outlined by Engineer Pettit, of Ahoskie, it is expected that about \$44,000 will be paid by the town. Of the town's share, it is estimated that property owners on the streets to be paved will be assessed with about \$20,000, leaving about \$24,000 to be paid by town taxpayers. The WPA is expected to put up the remainder required, or about \$55,000.

It is understood here that the proposal to extend the water and sewer lines has been submitted to the State Board of Health for approval before it is presented to the WPA for consideration. The paving project is reported to be already in the hands of WPA state and national officials.

AN EXPLANATION

The special edition of The Roanoke Beacon, issued Tuesday for the benefit of visitors and delegates to the Southern Albemarle Association annual meeting here, is being mailed out with the regular issue of the Beacon today to all regular subscribers.

It was originally intended to mail this section out with our regular paper last week, but due to delays in securing some of the material and working out the complete program for the meeting it was not possible to issue it at that time.

General Insurance Agency Is Opened

Herman B. Spencer, who for several years, has been engaged in insurance work in Plymouth, announces this week the opening of a general insurance agency here as representative of several outstanding old-line companies and is prepared to serve the public with any type of protection, including life, health, accident, fire, theft, auto, marine, and casualty. "I sincerely appreciate the fine patronage heretofore accorded me," Mr. Spencer said, "and I trust the people will give me a chance to serve them again in my new connections."

Broughton Expresses Pleasure on Trip Here

Governor-Nominee J. M. Broughton, of Raleigh, who was the principal speaker at the meeting of the Southern Albemarle Association here Tuesday said that "it was a fine occasion" and that he "liked the fine spirit of cooperation existing between southern and northern Albemarle counties."

Junior Auxiliary Will Sponsor Dance Tuesday

The Junior Woman's Auxiliary of Grace Episcopal church is sponsoring a dance in the Plymouth High School gymnasium Tuesday night, for which a small charge will be made. Refreshments will be served and fans will be used to cool the gym. Music will be provided by a nickelodeon.

Services Announced By Baptist Minister

Rev. P. B. NICKENS, Pastor Sunday is Father's Day, and the pastor will preach on the subject, "The True Father," at the morning hour. At the evening hour the pastor will use as his subject, "The Thirst of Jesus." This sermon will be the fifth in a series on the seven words of the cross. We invite you to join us Sunday night, and also at all the other services of the church. Let us show our thankfulness to God for His blessings upon us by going to church somewhere every Sunday. Services every Sunday at 11 and 8 o'clock.

Methodist Services For Roper Charge

ROPER METH SERVICES Rev. M. R. Gardner, Pastor 10 a. m.—Sunday school in Roper, Pleasant Grove, Mackeys, and Rehoboth. 11 a. m.—Preaching service, Mackeys church. 3 p. m.—Charge stewards' meeting, Mackeys church. 7 p. m.—Young peoples' meeting, Roper church. 8 p. m.—Preaching service, Roper church.

Revival Services Now in Progress at Roper Church

Revival services are now in progress at the Pentecostal Holiness church in Roper, with Miss Elizabeth Snow, of Windsor, doing the preaching and conducting the services. Services will be conducted each night at 8 p. m., continuing through all of next week. Good music and singing is scheduled for each night.