Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Blount hope to be in their new apartment, at the

home of Mrs. M. W. Norman here, by the last of the week. They are

moving here from their home near

Mackeys and taking the apartment vacated by Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Thomp-

son, who recently moved into their new home on West Main Street.

. Firemen were called out here Fri-

Twenty American flags have

been presented to the Plymouth

schools by the Woman's Auxiliary

of the American Legion. Each

classroom will have a flag and

the teachers will instruct the

children in the proper forms of

respect due it as part of a course

farmers to permit peanuts to become

thoroughly dry before picking. Mr.

Clark said that by doing this the

farmers would have their peanuts in

Mrs. Ted Blount that her brother,

Art Kessinger, and family are safe

in Sandi, Arabia. An oil center

owned by the Standard Oil Company

of California and the Texas Com-

pany was bombed by Italian war-

planes Sunday on the Behrein Islands

They told J. E. Nooney, route 1.

Plymouth, to keep his registra-

tion card with him always. So

today he still has in his billfold

a worn registration card issued to

him on September 12, 1918, by

S. A. Holton, registrar for Skin-

W. F. Masters, of Charlotte, field

superintendent of the B. F. Goodrich

Company, was here this week direct-

ing the renovation and installation of

new fixtures and the placing of new

merchandise in the Economy Auto

Supply store here, owned by W. Ron-

J. R. Manning, A. J. Riddle, Z. V

Norman, B. G. Campbell and M. W

Spruill attended a meeting of the

North Carolina Building and Loan

League in Williamston last Tuesday

night, when Dr. Malcolm M. McDer-

Duke University, was the speaker.

Harrison Auto Supply Store

Will Become Economy

Auto Supply

Raleigh and Norfolk.

in Plymouth.

ald Gaylord and H. E. Harrison.

nersville Township.

where Mr. Kessinger is located.

a more marketable condition.

in Americanism.

Advertisers will find Beacon

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day night, when the home of Hampton Little, colored, located on the fire from what was reported to be a the registration books of the county register Saturday, regardless of how defective flue. Little damage was were opened preparatory for the Noey, chairman of the board of elec-

The books will be open in the five trar. The following Saturday, Noprecincts of the county Saturday for vember 2, will be challenge day. the last time for the purpose of reg-W. H. Clark, who assists J. E. Davenport in the operation of the North Carolina Peanut Stabilization Cooperative warehouse here, today urged

About 50 persons have registered before the primaries will not be eliduring the last two Saturdays, when gible to vote November 5 unless they past years. Those who have changed rember 5 general election, it was their residence from one precinct to learned today from Frank L. Brink- another must also re-register, and they will also be required to present a transcript from their former regis-

Following is a list of registrars for stering new voters and those who the five precincts in Washington have moved from one precinct to an- County: Plymouth precinct, Mrs. Adother since the primaries last spring, die L. Brinkley, courthouse, Plymas well as for any who did not qual- outh; Lees Mill, A. R. Phelps, Roper ify at that time, Mr. Brinkley said. Skinnersville, W. W. White, at his It will be remembered that a new home or store; Scuppernong, Thomas registration was ordered last spring, F. Davenport, Creswell; and Wenona and all voters who did not register W. L. Furbee, Wenona.

Alternate Routing for U.S. 17 Discussed at News has been received here by Meet Here Last Week

Hope To Reopen Creswell School

H. H. McLean said this morning that it was hoped the Creswell school could be reopened Monday after being closed for about two weeks to prevent the spread of diphtheria in the section. However, it was not definite that the school would reopen at that time, he said.

Dr. S. V. Lewis, district health officer, was out of town today, but so far as could be learned there have been few additional cases of the disease reported in Creswell since early last week. There were seven cases in the Creswell section and one in the Plymouth section at that time. One death was reported early last week from Creswell.

mott, member of the law faculty of Program Completed Auto Supply Store For Warren Day in

New Set-Up Friday Jesse H. Jones, Governor W. Brown. Hoey and Max Gardner Among Speakers

Hundreds of Washington Count citizens are expected to be included The Harrison Auto Supply Store in the thousands from the 14 counhere has become connected with the ties of the first congressional district group buying and selling organiza- in Washington Friday to honor Reption of the B. F. Goodrich Company resentative Lindsay C. Warren, who and will be known in the future as has given 16 years of service as Repthe Economy Auto Supply, according resentative in the National House of to announcement by W. Ronald Gay- Representatives and who has been lord and H. E. Harrison, partners in elevated to the post of Comptroller the concern. The change becomes ef- General of the United States.

fective tomorrow, and the new store The list of prominent speakers for is putting on a special opening sale, the occasion includes Jesse H. Jones, embracing hundreds of needed items, Secretary of the Department of Comat very low prices as an inducement merce, Governor Clyde R. Hoey, and for the people of this section to visit Former Governor O. Max Gardner.

the store and get acquainted with the The program for the day, as angreatly expanded line now carried. | nounced by Edmund H. Harding, of be the proper procedure. I can see Mr. Gaylord said the change was Washington, chairman, in a letter to no harm in advising motorists to use made to permit the local store to en- W. R. Hampton, chairman of the the Plymouth route over the new and joy the same advantages in purchas- Washington county committee, is as expensive Albemarle Sound bridge." ing merchandise enjoyed by 921 oth- follows:

er Goodrich stores in the nation, and At 11 o'clock, friends of Mr. War- public instruction in Hyde County he can now sell auto accessories and reh will gather at his home on West and a civic worker there, said "I household appliances as cheaply as Main S eet and at noon will escort have no expression on the alternate any stores in Williamston, Rocky Mt., the dis inguished Washingtonian to route matter.' the Field Museum lawn, where the Mayor J. H. McMullan, of Eden-The store here will handle a com- exercises and an old-fashioned picnic ton: "I'll be frank and tell you that plete line of Goodrich tires, tubes, will be held.

batteries, radios, bicycles, auto accessories and household appliances. Plymouth High School band will be I have attended all meetings that in the line of parade with other bands have been held regarding this route. The store has been renovated and new type fixtures installed to make of the district, Miss Evelyn Lilley, of We have made investments in hotels it one of the most attractive places Williamston, leading the bands

At the museum grounds, the prin-Charles E. H. Jones, of Dry Fork, cipal addresses will include, "What alternate route was ever considered Va., has been transferred here by the the Nation Thinks of Lindsay War-Goodrich company to manage the ren," by Jesse Jones, Secretary of the theory that there would be no budget department, which offers long the U.S. Department of Commerce; easy terms on merchandise, and Miss "A Tribute From Lindsay Warren's trade that the route provides to take Anna Margaret Stillman will continue Friends." by O. Max Gardner, formas bookkeeper. Mr. Gaylord will con- er governor: "A Tribute From the tinue his practice of law and attend District," by Col. E. C. Flanagan, of are opposing an alternate route. to his other duties, while Mr. Halri- Greenville; and "What Lindsay Warson will continue his partnership in ren Means to the State," by Governor Clyde R. Hoey.

First Peanut Picking Work in County Reported This Week; Yield Said Fair

So far as is known here, the first lot of peanuts to be picked in the county this season was that on the farm of L. R. Davenport, at Westover, picked this week by a crew working under the direction of Harry McNair, of Plymouth. The quality of the 174 bags picked from the crop grown on eight acres was reported to be very good, and the yield is also considered fair.

With an estimated 6,400 acres of peanuts produced in the county this year, the peak of the picking season will likely be reached around the first week in November. Several of the crews of workmen who operate the pickery

are beginning to visit other fields

in the county. The dry weather of the past few weeks, together with the cold snap and sunshine of recent days, has helped considerably in dryout out the stacked peanuts for picking operations. Unless rain occurs within the next few days to dampen the vines and peanuts the crop should be in good condition for market, according to ob-

Representatives of various buying companies are visiting crops in the county, and it is expected that the price of peanuts in this section will be about the same as last year, around 3 3-4 cents a

Visitors From Other

Discussion Is Held at Lions Good Neighbor Dinner Last Thursday

The good-neighbor dinner sponsored by the Lions Club here last Thursday night turned into a frank and friendly discussion of the proposal to provide an alternate routing of U. S. 17 by way of the Albemarle Sound bridge and Plymouth, with a number of visitors expressing their approval or opposition of the plan. The discussion went to such lengths that the scheduled speech of James H. Parker, of Clinton, deputy governor of Lion district 31-C, was called off, although he and Norman H. True blood, of Hertford, zone chairman expressed their pleasure at being present and listening to the discussion and praising the attitude of those present, stating that Lionism promoted round-table talks about Here Opens Under Washington Friday matters affecting communities with the local club, president of the local club, presided in the absence of President P.

The discussion started with W. L Whitley presenting the desires of the Plymouth and Albemarle Sound bridge to the intersection with U. S. | morning near Creswell. 17 between Edenton and Hertford as

U. S. 17-A. Z. V. Norman, chairman of the committee on roads for the Southern was given six months on the roads, Albemarle Association said "it is no suspended upon payment of \$50 fine desire of those who sponsored this and costs. His license was revoked dinner to embarrass or put the visitors 'on the spot.' We are only asking for equality. We wish to share some of the prosperity those on the original U. S. 17 are enjoying."

Fred P. Latham, of Belhaven: 'Our section is not seriously concerned over the marking of the alternate route, although it seems that would

P. G. Gallop, superintendent of

we are fighting for route 17 to con-Director L, W. Zeigler and the tinue as it is, with no alternate route. and other improvements with the idea that U.S. 17 was permanent. No in our plans. We made our plans on alternate route. It takes all of the care of the investments we have made for it. For this selfish reason we Plymouth citizens should work toward an improved and completed U.S. 64 for more tourist business. Also Plymouth has an opportunity to develop route 10 from the Virginia line with a bridge at Plymouth. We will help you get this route."

Norman H. Trueblood, of Hertford 'It is well to see communities that have crossed purposes meet around a table to discuss them in a friendly manner. You will get the alternate route only if the State Highway and Public Works Commission sees fit to

O. L. Williams, of Hyde: "Hyde County is famous for its muddy roads. We can't tell you what should be done about the alternate route matter. It should be decided by those most af-

Dr. W. T. Ralph, of Belhaven "This meeting tonight is the proper approach to getting interested parties in the road matter together. am glad to be here. It is too remote from us to seriously affect us. However, we usually use the proposed 17-A route."

J. E. Winslow, of Hertford: "Peo-

(See DISCUSS 17-A, Page 4)

Joe N. Mason, 25, white, of Swan Quarter, was absolved of blame for 90 of Best Musicians DIRECTOR OF BAND the accident last Saturday morning Whitington, 48, of Bogalusa, La when the case was heard here Tueslay morning in recorder's court.

Witnesses testified in the court that Mr. Whitington drove his car across the highway at Hoyt's Cafe, near Parade and Concert Will Be Creswell, early Saturday morning, in the pathway of the Mason car, which ollided with the Whitington auto with such force that Whitington was nstantly killed.

Corporal T. B. Brown of the State Highway Patrol, investigated the acci ent and summoned Mason to apcourt Tuesday on his own recognifor the hearing in recorder's ify in the case.

Mr. Whitington moved to Creswell bout six months ago and had been the occasion. employed at the Halsey Hardwood 1 o'clock in the afternoon with a Towns Give Their lusia Monday for funeral and interment. It was reported that Mr. and back to the school building, and back to the school building.

> This makes the second fatal automobile accident to occur in Washingstrong, colored, was fatally injured riding collided with another.

4 Cases Tuesday In County Court

Four cases came before the recordhem relating to violation of the auomobile laws.

Alton Roberson, 30, white, charged with driving in a reckless and careess manner and damaging state property in a collision, was given a suspended sentence on condition that ne pay the costs and \$15 to the State for the property damage.

Richard L. Commander, charged with driving an automobile while under the influence of intoxicants, was clair, majorette. called for trial but failed to appear A capias was issued for him.

Jack Nicholson Mason, 25, white, was found not guilty of any law vio- Ray Abernethy, Jimmy Murphy, Bob-Plymouth people for designating the lation, as the result of the fatal ac- by Adams, Charles Rinehardt, Walter highway from Washington by way of cident in which John Whittington, Powell, Earl Ayers, Jack Chadwick, Blumouth and Albamarka Sound 48, white, was killed last Saturday players; Maxine Parker, majorette.

with driving a motor vehicle while wood Burrell, Joe May, Bill Webster, under the influence of intoxicants, for two years.

Halloween Carnival at School Gym Tomorrow

A Halloween Carnival will be held row night, sponsored by the teachers and grade mother, it was announced today by Principal R. B. Trotman who urges a large attendance. Receipts at the door will be used to reduce an old debt for athletic equipment which has been hanging over Harry McLean, Skinner Ayers, Chas. the school for some time, while the revenue from other sources will be Zeb Norman, Frances Spruill, Helen used to buy library books.

There will be fortune telling, apple bobbing, sideshows, goblins, and everything that goes with this type of entertainment.

DEFENSE

Forty new Army and Navy projects already approved by Congress as a part of the nation's defense program will require 400,000,000 feet of pine

Ask Registrants to **Have Blood Tests**

By S. V. LEWIS, M. D. District Health Officer The health department will hold clinics for the taking of blood for Wasserman tests of all persons registered in the military requirement group on October 16, who did not have blood specimens taken the day they registered.

Such clinics were held yesterday in the counties of Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington, and they will be held again next Wednesday, October 20. Health department workers are operating the clinics at the regular clinic points in the counties mentioned for the two days in order to accommodate those who did not have their blood specimens taken the day they were registered.

It is requested that everyone who registered present himself to the health department clinics and have the blood specimen taken. No further instructions have been received in regard to taking blood specimens except on the two dates mentioned above.

One Day Left in Which To Register For Next Election Killed in Accident at Killed in Accident at Creswell Saturday Gathering of Band Now Stands at 1,502 Second Highway Fatality in County This Year; Other Driver Exonerated Pupils Here 30th

which resulted in the death of John In Eastern Carolina Expected To Attend

Features of Program Next Wednesday

With the program completed and he order of the day's events arranged the personnel of the 90-piece Eastern Carolina All-Star High School Band was chosen this week for the third court Tuesday on his own recogni-zance. The patrolman and Sam Spruill were the only persons to tes-tify in the case.

en here next Wednesday, October 30, it was learned this week from Lewis W. Zeigler, director of the local high school band, which is to be host for

He was a native of Louisiana practice session at the high school and the body was shipped to Bogavived by three sisters and four daugh- ball game. At 4:30 there will be another practice session in the gymnasium, followed by a banquet in the community hall at 6:15, and at 8 p ton County this year. Marshall Arm- m. the concert will be given in the high school building. Several hunin April, when a car in which he was dred visitors are expected in addition to the members of the band, and the public is cordially invited to both the parade and concert.

The personnel follows: Johnson, Chalmers Laughlin, players Hortense Tyler, majorette.

Oxford: Willard L. Burrage, direcr's court Tuesday morning, all of tor: Thornton Vancey, Eloise Jones John Lawson, players; Grover Nicholson, drum major.

Roanoke Rapids: R. L. Martin, director: Mary Sasser, Derith Morgan, Earl Shaw, Billy Morgan, Lainter Davis; Bill Waters, William Sanders, Frances Ricks, Charlie Davis, Raymond Taylor; Anne Dawson Mohorn, majorette.

Ahoskie: 'I. V. Meeks, director; Bill Barnes, Jesse Gray Camp, Norman Earl Godwin, players: Juanita Sin-

Rocky Mount: H. Vernon Hooker director; Betty Nethercutt, Vernon Daughtridge, Wallace Lee Waters,

Henderson: W. T. Hearne, director Tom Swain, 21, colored, charged Della Dixon, Gloria Van Dyke, Spots-Thad Webster, players; Claire Hedge

peth, majorette Washington: Floyd F. Steib, director; Douglas Smith, Jack Cherry Nancy Ford, John Hough, James Elliott, J. B. Smith, John Morgan, William Abeyounis, Charles Warren, Jack White, Mary Hodges, players;

Laura Trueblood, majorette. Creswell: R. J. Merritt, director: J. Gatlin, Virginia Woodley, Iris

major named. Roper: Thomas A. Furness, jr., director: Jean Chesson, Jimmy Davenmajor named.

Plymouth: L. W. Zeigler, director; Brown, Phil Liverman, Harry Garrett Darden, Eunice Holliday, Junior Leg gett, Carl Bailey, Jack Horton, Mary Campbell, Gertrude Woolard, Frances Basinger, Phyllis Davidson, Caro lyn Byrd, players: Gracelyn Reid,

Billy Winesett, majors and major-Names of those from Columbia and Edenton, with C. L. McCullers, as di-

rector, have not been submitted. The mayors of the towns, school uperintendents and school principals ices under his direction Sunday. will be invited to dine with the band members at the banquet

Mrs. Ellen Norman Died Last Sunday

Creswell.—Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the home of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ella Norman, for Mrs. Ellen Norman, 87, who died last Sunday, following an attack of paralysis and rheumatism. Dr. G. A. Martin, Baptist minister conducted the services, and burial took place in a family cemetery near the home in the Creswell section.

Widow of the late Nehemiah Norman, who died in 1911, Mrs. Norman was a life-long resident of Washington County. She was a loyal and active member of the Mount Pleasant Baptist church. Mrs. Norman was outstanding in patience and Christian character during the period she was an invalid, and she always discouraged adverse criticism of any-

She is survived by two daughters Mrs. Ella Norman and Miss Sadie Norman, of the Creswell section; and five sons, H. C. Norman, of Philadelphia; L. L. Norman, D. F. Norman, W. B. Norman, and G. F. Norman, of



L. W. Zeigler is director of the Plymouth High School Band, which will be host next Wednesday to more than 80 visiting musicians who will be here for the third annual Eastern Carolina All-Star High School Band parade and concert.

Herbert Bonner To Speak at Creswell ton next Tuesday. Secretary of War Stimson will draw the first number, after which others will take up the Tarboro: B. P. Burrage, director; Ruby Hudson, Harvey Ward, Kate Rally October 30th task of drawing out every one of the approximately 7,500 numbers in the

First Democratic Activity Recorded So Far During Present Campaign

Political activities are expected to ncrease in the county within the next two weeks, but so far there has been very little done to arouse the interest of voters of either major par-

C. N. Davenport, jr., of Creswell, started the ball rolling yesterday, with the announcement of a Demoeratic rally to be held in the Creswell school auditorium next Wednesday evening, October 30. Herbert C. Bonner, nominee for Congress from the first congressional district will be send the "master list" to selective Bonner, nominee for Congress from the principal speaker. County canservice officials in Raleigh. didates will also be heard, and an oyster supper will follow the speak-

It is understood that J. E. Davenport and others are considering a barbecue and rally sometime between now and the general election, but nothing definite had been decided up to this morning. This will probably take place in Lees Mill Township for members.

W. Ronald Gaylord, chairman of the county Democratic executive committee, is planning a big rally here for election eve, November 4, but no at the Plymouth gymnasium tomor- Spruill, Louis Davenport, players; no details have been worked out as yet for this gathering.

J. C. Tarkenton, chairman of the county Republican organization, and port, Aubrey Dixon, players; no drum J. R. Carr, head of the county Willkie-M-Nary-McNeill Club, have made no announcements as to their campaign plans. Both parties have been comparatively inactive so far.

Wm. B. Daniels To Preach At Grace Church Sunday

Services will be conducted at the Anne Cahoon, Martha Manning and Grace Episcopal church here Sunday by William B. Daniels, jr., a student of the Union Theological Seminary who served the parish last summer as a student minister. Mr. Daniels was very popular here and it is expected a large number will attend the serv-

It was stated that Mr. Daniels would conduct the Sunday school at 10 o'clock, in addition to leading the prayer service and delivering a sermon at 11 o'clock. He will also meet of Mrs. A. Edison Davenport by the with the Young People's Service League at 7:30.

There will be no night service.

Washington County

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This County One of First Three in State to Complete Listing

A total of 1,502 registration cards have been filed so far in the office of S. A. Ward, jr., clerk to the local draft board, containing the names and addresses of Washington County citizens who registered last Wednesday as potential conscripts for military training and service under the national defense program.

Of the total of 1,551 men who registered in the county last Wednesday, the cards of 82 were sent to their home districts in other counties and states, leaving 1,469, to which were added 29 cards received from other places of registration and 4 who registered since Wednesday to give the county a total of 1,502 up to last night. It is likely that a few other cards will be received from more distant points in the next few days. The complete list of registrants for this county, with their serial numbers, appears on page 5 of this paper.

Mr. Ward said that any person between the ages of 21 and 35, inclusive, who failed to register last Wednesday will be given until noon next Tuesday to comply with the law. Next Wednesday morning an investigation will be launched to determine the identity of any persons who failed to regster, and they will be subject to the penalties of the draft law, one of which is immediate induction into the military service.

The national lottery to determine the order in which registrants will be sent questionnaires and classified for service will be held in Washingbowl. The order in which the numbers are drawn will be the order in which questionnaires are sent out, men classified, examined and those needed ordered to report for service. The questionnaires must be filled out and returned within five days after they are received by the registrants.

Mr. Ward accompanied E. S. Blount, J. R. Manning, local board members, and Z. V. Norman, appeal agent, to Edenton Tuesday, when they were instructed in their duty

Registrants have been visiting the bulletins boards in front of Mr. Ward's office this week to learn their serial numbers, which were posted last Saturday. Washington County was one of the first three counties in

Homecoming November 3

The Plymouth Christian church will celebrate its 45th anniversary and annual homecoming on Sunday, November 3, it was learned today from John W. Darden, chairman of the all Democratic candidates and party committee on arrangements for the event.

H. M. Ainsley, principal of the Oak City schools, will be the only out-oftown speaker for the occasion. He has been an interested worker in the denomination for years. Other speakers will include church officials and the pastor, Rev. Griffith Hamlin.

Wage-Hour Law Changes Affect Few in This Section

Effective today, a change in the vage and hours law reduces the maxmum work week from 42 to 40 hours. without overtime pay, and boosts the minimum hourly wage scale from 30 to 35 cents. So far as could be learned, this will not materially affect plants in this immediate section, as most employers are paying the minimum wage and the shorter hours schedule will make only a small difference in the plan of work.

Women's Society To Serve Supper at Mackeys Friday

Mackeys.—An oyster- chicken salad supper will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock Friday evening at the home Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Mackeys Methodist church. The public is cordially invited.

Legion Post Is Preparing for Armistice Day Observance Here on November 11

Efforts are being made by Commander J. B. Willoughby and W. V. Hays, of the James E. Jethro Post of the American Legion, to get Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn, of Woodland, to be the principal speaker at the Armistice Day celebration here on

Monday, November 11. The Legionnaires are aware that Judge Burgwyn will be here Armistice day to preside over the special term of superior court of Washington County and they are of the opinion that the jurist will speak for them on this oc-

Dr. C. McGowan is chairman of the committee on arrange-

casion.

ments for the turkey dinner to be served the Legionaires at noon on Armistice Day, at 75 cents per plate, with the Legion Auxiliary serving the turkey and "everything" that goes with it, according to the doctor.

Cards have been mailed to Legionnaires by the doctor who urges those who plan to come to notify the committee immediately so that the women can provide enough food to take care of all of those attending. The day's activities will in-

clude a parade of school children. the band and possibly some floats. The former service men will also be in the line of march as is their usual custom,