

Mrs. Mattie Macon Norman White, of Hertford, was here this week. Mrs. White and her two children recently returned home from China, where she and her husband were Baptist missionaries. A recent government regulation caused the recall of the women and children. One of the missionary circles of the Baptist church here is named for Mrs. White.

L. W. Gurkin, local merchant and paint salesman, is in New York this week attending a meeting of salesmen for C. A. Woolsey Paint & Color Co., for which he travels. Mr. Gurkin has been with the firm for a number of years and is one of the organization's outstanding salesmen.

Mrs. Walter P. Lloyd said today that a total of \$324 had been contributed in the recent roll call of the American Red Cross, with Mrs. Asa Snell, Roper; Miss Anne Spoolman, and R. E. Dunning. Plymouth, taking memberships since last week and the Junior Woman's Club donating \$2.50.

Among the Christmas greetings received by members of the Roanoke Beacon staff is one from O. H. Cox, of Three Rivers, Mich, former manager of the North Carolina Pulp Co. plant here: and one from Elisha Penniman, formerly editor of the Beacon, who founded the "Rambler" column. which has been continued since by various members of the crew. Mr. Penniman is now in Groton, Conn.

W. S. Worsham, of Norfolk, claim adjuster of the Norfolk Southern Rail road Company, was here this week on business. Mr. Worsham is connected with prominent families in the county by marriage. He was in town for a short while with W. S. Swain. a leading farmer of the section.

The choral club of the Plymouth Colored High School presents "Childe Jesus," a cantata, in the school auditorium tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock, according to Principal W. H. Berry, who said that white people were cordially invited to attend. This is the first public appearance of the club, and a large crowd is expected to attend. There is no charge for admission.

Corporal T. B. Brown and other officers of this area have been invited to attend a meeting in Elizabeth City today, when a Federal Bureau of Investigation agent will explain the manner in which local police officers can be of assistance in rounding up persons suspected of sabotage and espionage in this country.

W. R. Hampton, a member of the State Board of Conservation and De-velopment, left Wednesday for Raleigh to atend a meeting of the fisheries committee of the department, of which he is chairman.

President Approves Agreement Reached WPA Water - Sewer For Parking Buses Buses association will be made to the state

A total of \$67,000 has been paid who found, when Christmas came, that they could get along out in currency for market purposes and on saving accounts without drawing on these accounts and kept them in the bank during the last three weeks, according to H. E. Beam, cashier of as a regular savings account. the Branch Banking & Trust Mr. Beam said that the total

Much Money Paid Out by Local Bank

In Last Three Weeks for Gift Shopping

money paid out for commercial Though the local bank does not purposes included vouchers on have the regular 'Christmas Club' the Federal government for adaccounts, a number of thrifty peovances on peanuts stored in the ple set up special Christmas savgovernment warehouses here. A ings accounts, adding a little each great deal of this, however, is credit to the owners' accounts, week in order to provide a fund and hence does not figure in the for them to draw on for Christmas shopping. He also said that amount of currency paid out by there were a number of people the bank

Directors of Local

Planned Sunday at **Plymouth Churches**

Christmas Programs

THE ROANOKE BEACON

AND WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS * * * *

Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thursday, December 19, 1940

the holidays.

No Religious Services Are In Prospect for Christmas Day

While no religious services have been announced here for Christmas Day, most of the local ministers are preparing special programs for Sunday and the two days following to emphasize the sacredness of the ocasion.

A Christmas pageant will be given at Grace Episcopal Church Sunday night at 7:30, with W. M. Daniels student minister, assisted by Mrs. T. New Series of B. & L.

W. Earle in directing the event. Mr Daniels wil lalso speak at the 11 o' lock service Sunday.

Stock Is Now on Sale Holy Communion will be observed at Grace Church on Christmas Eve, Tuesday night, at 11:30 p.m. Every one is invited to attend. The Rev

S. E. Matthews, the rector, will offic

The Rev. O. L. Hardwick, pastor of 'Association Hope the local Methodist Church, will deliver his Chirstmas sermon at the morning service Sunday. "They Re-To Sell 500 Shares he chosen sermon. joiced At His Birth" is the subject of

Worship services will be held as usual Sunday at the Baptist church at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. The pastor, Rev. P. B. Nickens, will speak on "The Real Spirit of Christmas" at

1,800 Shares the morning hour. Sunday night a Officers and directors of the Plymthe story of the Christ Child, will be outh Building and Loan Association given. are this week beginning the sale of

Sunday morning services will be installment stock in the 13th series of held as usual at the Christian church. the association, dated January 1, 1941, and with reasonable assistance Christmas Comes." Sunday night [the annual white gift service will be held. Tomorrow night, Friday, a

Christmas party will be given members of the Sunday school in the social hall.

Seven White Men for Draft Next Month

> cluded in January Ouota Not Yet Known

Washington County will be called on to furnish seven white men and an unknown number of colored men for the draft next month, with the white men from this section scheduary 7 with others from Tyrrell, Mar-Before the quota was officially an-



Randolph Minton, of Roper.

was the first man from Washing-

Uniform Listing of All

Property

Attempts To Break in Other Places Down County Also Reported

Sheriff J. K. Reid said today that

he robbery of the ABC store at Creswell Wednesday night had been reported to him, and that so far Depupageant in story and song, telling the same night the lock on the seed store of H. C. Brinn at Creswell was broken and entrance made but nothing was missing. It was also reportwith the pastor, Rev. Griffith Ham- ed that attempts were made to brea lin, speaking on the topic, "When into the railroad stations at Cres well and Mackeys at the same tin W. L. Davenport, manager of the

> a dozen cases of expensive whiskey were missing. The thieves forced an

Wednesday morning. No estimate of the value of the stolen goods was available from ABC officials today. Mr. Davenport roped off the area around the store to preserve the tire

one of the counters, but it was beforcing entrance into it.

ganized gang of robbers is working in the section, and think the robbery and attempted robberies in this counpetrated by the same group which last week.

Believed Sum Will Be Adequate to Care For Poor This Year Preparations Go Forward

To Have Baskets Ready For Delivery Tuesday

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

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The Christmas Joy Fund in Plymouth will amount to about \$225 by the time the last contribution has been received, and preparations for providing baskets for the needy will be completed and the baskets ready for delivery by next Tuesday, it was said today by Chief of Police P. W. Brown, who is chairman of the Joy Fund committee.

has \$173.25 in hand, with a number of contributions from others expected before the canvass is completed.

strict their activities to Plymouth alone, but will aid those in Roper and Creswell sections if the demand grows and there is enough money to go around.

are working every spare moment to provide "renewed" toys for the little tots, and the home economics department of the school has been busy reconditioning used garments that have been contributed.

The baskets will be prepared with fruits, toys, clothing and groceries to be supplied to those families which are most in need. Each case will be investigated to determine what is most needed for that particular person or family, and the baskets will be prepared accordingly.

There will be no delivery of baskets this year. They will be prepared in the community building here and will await those who are to call for them, or they may have others to call for them.

Contributions so far received this week follow:

James E. Jethro Post of the American Legion, \$25; North Carolina Pulp Company, \$25; Merchants Associa-tion. \$25! Lions Company, \$25

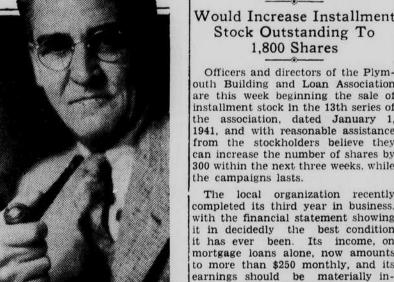
work that is to be done in connection American Legion Auxiliary, \$10: Junior Woman's Club. \$5; Mrs. Geo. The listers will fix the value of ar-M. Snyder, \$5; Mrs. W. H. Gurkin, icles of personal property as well as \$2: Senior Woman's Club, \$15: Woconsider a schedule of real property man's Auxiliary \$2; United Daughters of the Confederacy, \$3: Young valuations at the meeting Monday, in order that the listing may be done Matrons' Circle of Christian Church, on an equitable basis and with a min- \$2.50; Roanoke Beacon, \$5; Eastern imum trouble when the work gets un- Star, \$6.40; Ladies Aid of Christian Church, \$2: Young Woman's Mis.

sionary Society \$2; Young Business

Women, \$12; miscellaneous amounts

from Mrs. W. R. Hampton, Mrs. Ly-

man Mayo, and Mrs. H. E. Beam.



HERE MONDAY

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Company here.

Dr. Frederick H. Koch, of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, will present his reading of Charles Histons'. "A Christmas Carol" at the Plymouth Theatre next Monday night at 8 o'clock.

from the stockholders believe they can increase the number of shares by 300 within the next three weeks, while the campaigns lasts. The local organization recently completed its third year in business. with the financial statement showing

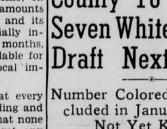
it in decidedly the best condition it has ever been. Its income, on mortgage loans alone, now amounts to more than \$250 monthly, and its earnings should be materially increased within the next few months as more money becomes available for first-mortgage loans on local improved real estate.

The officials point out that every Number Colored To Be Inperson who handles any building and loan money is under bond: that none of the officers or directors get any compensation whatever for their work, except the \$25 per month paid to the secretary for keeping the

books; and the only expense the organization has is for record books, stationery, audits, and minor inci-

dentals. Incidentally, a complete re-

association will be made to the state insurance commissioner and a copy



uled to report at Fort Bragg on Jan- ty Wednesday night were likely pertin. Chowan, Edgecombe and others. robbed the ABC store in Jamesville

nounced this morning, the secretar;

ton County to be inducted into army service for the one-year ty Sheriff W. D. Peal and Creswell military training provided by the police were working on the case. On selective service act. He left for Fort Bragg Wednesday of last week **Tax Listers to Meet** Here Next Monday And Outline Plans Creswell liquor store, said that about

To Work Out Schedule for entrance by breaking the front door County To Furnish W. S. Ainsley discovered the robbery ock. Deputy Sheriff W. D. Peal and

The dozen men who will be charged with the duty of listing and revaluing all property of citizens of Washingon County during the month of Jantracks of the car used by the robbers. uary will meet in the courthouse here and nothing was touched inside the Monday to plan a program of action. store, pending arrival of fingerprint Commissioner E. F. Swain, who specialists. The knob of the safe had will again serve as county tax superbeen broken off and was laid upon visor, will be in charge of the meetng and will outline the revaluation

lieved the thieves were successful in Officers here believe that an or-

erway January 1

Already Treasurer H. H. McLean

The Joy Fund officials will not re-

In the meantime, the firemen here

Project for Creswell In Business Section under commissioner and a copy published in this paper early in Jan-

Next Step Will Be Ordering Bus Official Says Drivers to Cooperate in Relieving Election on \$25,000 Issue Congestion Of Bonds

An agreement for the parking of value. Now that the Federal Works Projbuses while putting on and letting off ects Agency has approved a water and sewer project for the Town of passengers here was reached Tuesday, Creswell, it is expected that an elec- when Chester Hawkins, of Norfolk, ranks at the very top. Installment men during January, 1,635 white and tion will be ordered there in the near bus master of the Norfolk Southern future to determine whether or not Bus Corporation, conferred with per share per wek, and each share just been filled, was for 513 men, of residents will favor a bond issue of Mayor B. G. Campbell at length on matures at its \$100 face value is ap- which this county furnished two, \$25,000 to pay the town's share of the matter.

cost for the improvements. The two men decided that one bus Representative Herbert C. Bonner at the time would be stopped in front ings paying interest at the rate of 4 of the old market building here on per cent. The rate of interest earned was advised about a week ago that the project had been approved by the Water Street. facing Washington by the installment is slightly higher, Federal agency, which would put up Street and that every effort would be made by the buses to avoid congest- from federal and state taxes. \$37,578 of the estimated cost, leaving the responsibility of raising the ing or hampering traffic moving down remainder, \$21,392, up to the Town Water Street, the principal business markably steady growth since its or-

The project, estimated to cost a thoroughfare during the few mintotal of \$58,970, will include installautes the buses are here. tion of water and sewer lines, boxes,

It was pointed out by bus officials hydrants, specials, meters, manholes, that the company was rendering a pumps and other necessities; construction of pump houses, wells, elevated tank, and a sewage disposal tank, as well as performing incidental did not permit a heavy expenditure necessary work.

This project is to operate on pub- here at the present. On the other hand, the mayor imlicly owned property and on privately owned property, consisting of the pressed upon the bus master that at and home-owning aid, the building installation of pipe lines, for which times when two buses or more were proper agreements have been ob- here at the same time, traffic was thrifty to save for any other definite impeded on busy days and nights. tained.

When Mr. Hawkins left, he said stock to provide a college education There was talk of holding the refthe bus drivers would be issued in- for their children, while a number of erendum last July after the application for Federal financial aid had structions to abide by the terms of business firms and stores build up been filed, but was decided to post- the agreement reached during the con contingency funds to care for unexpone the election until it was learned ference and that bus employees would pected emergencies or opportunities. whether the project had been apcooperate in every way possible to avoid traffic congestion. proved by the President.

to the local board, S. A. Ward, jr. had estimated that the county quota Loans are passed on by the entire would be 8 men, 5 white and 3 colboard of directors after a careful sur-

ored. It is expected the number of colored men to be selected from this Herrington Funeral vey by an appraisal committee, and the amount of the loan is limited by county will be worked out and made law to 70 per cent of the appraised known by tomorrow. Fourth Corps Area Army officials

have announced that North Carolina From an investment and saving would be called on to furnish 2,001 standpoint, the building and loan plan 366 colored. The first call, which has stock is sold at the rate of 25 cents proximately 338 weeks. Paid-up stock Randolph Minton, white, and Edlo

Spruill, colored. is sold at \$100 per share, with earn-

The state selective service officials local draft boards, would generally be and both classes of stock are exempt tas in the December call. Since two The association here has had a re was therefore figured that eight would be summoned next month. However, ganization in October, 1937. It now

the official figures made known this has in force over 1.500 shares of inmorning, indicates that more than stallment stock, and it is this class this number will probably be called which the directors hope to materially when the colored quotas are assigned very efficient bus service to the town increase in the next several weeks. It It was stated that men called in at present, and that the business here has no borrowed money, loans totalthe January draft quota will be ining over \$50,000 having been made for better quarters for the bus stop out of the income from installment ducted into service between January 6 and January 23, and those from

Washington County have been order-In addition to its home-building ed to report January 7. It is thought the white men will be sent to Fort and loan makes it possible for the Bragg for induction and then transferred to Camp Jackson, Columbia purpose. A great many parents carry S. C., to be asigned to the 30th Division

No Site Yet for The shareholder can always get his money out of the building and loan **Navy Blimp Base** by payment of a 25-cent per share withdrawal fee, or he can borrow up

to 90 per cent of the amount he has Washington County citizens paid in on the stock certificate alone are anxiously awaiting the decision that is to be made within the next 10 days regarding the choice

of a site for the \$5,000,000 nonrigid air base for the Navy, and while they are waiting they are hoping that one of the two sites proposed in the county will be chosen.

Captain C. E. Rosendahl, head of the Navy's inspection board, which visited the sites in this this county, has announced that recommendations for the site will he made to Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, who has the final say as to the location.

News reports of last week that the base was to go to Tyrrell County were later branded as incorrect, and the Navy board announced that it would be about two weeks before the selection was

In Roper Tuesday Former Resident of County Died Monday at Home Infant of Mr. and In Norfolk

Funeral services were held at the Roper Methodist church Tuesday for Mrs. Annie Williams Herrington, 79 said January quotas for the various wife of the late Ephraim L. Herrington, who died at her home in Norfolk. about four times as large as the quo- Va., Monday as the result of a heart

ailment. The Rev. M. R. Gardner were called from here this month, it pastor of the Roper Methodist church. conducted the last rites, and interment was made in the Roper Methodist church cemetery.

A native of Washington County, she ived in the county until 1922, when she moved to Norfolk, where she resided until her death. She was a faithful membe of the Roper Methodist church and was devoted to her family and friends.

Surviving are two daughters: Mrs. Ella Harrington and Mrs. Margaret Leggett, both of Norfolk: three sons: Marvin and James Herrington, of Norfolk, and Closs Herrington, of Creswell. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. Mary E. Knowles, of Portsmouth,

> Pall-bearers were F. D. Wilson, E R. Lewis, L. E. Hassell, A. R. Hooker, C. L. Walker, and H. L. Lewis

Joseph.



Washington County has had four

ersons to register and two others

nave expressed their intention of

complying with the terms of the Bo-

lich Act, requiring the 3,600.000 non-

citizens of the United States within

its borders to register with Federal

authorities prior to Thursday, De-

cember 26, according to Postmaster

The names of those registering here

vere withheld for the time by Mr.

Hardison. He also said that one or

wo aliens who resided in this county

but were closer to Washington than

to Plymouth had applied for regis-

tration at the post office in the Beau-

It is understod that about 2,000,000

non-citizens have applied for regis-

tration and been fingerprinted thru-

George W. Hardison.

fort capital.

out the nation.

Those named as listers and assesors for the various townships fol-Plymouth: L. S. Thompson, J. W Norman, and A. S. Allen. Lees Mills: Hubert Chesson, E. M

with the listing.

hesson and R. W. Lewis. Scuppernong: Paul B. Belanga, B Williams and John A. Combs. Skinnersville: W. W. White, Hubert Davenport, and A. M. Chesson.

Mrs. Clayton Dies

Local Pulp Workers **Elect Union Officers** At Meet Last Night

John N. Carr Elected President; W. R. Clark Is Vice President

William Gray Clayton, six-week-old John N. Carr was elected president on of Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Clayton, of Plymouth Local No. 356 of the Indied at the Warren Street home of ternational Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulhis parents in Williamston at 1 clock Tuesday morning following an phite and Paper Mill Workers Wednesday night, succeeding W. H. Townattack of pneumonia. Taken ill about send, who has accepted a supervisory hree weeks ago, the infant successfuly withstood an attack of pneupostion with the North Carolina Pulp monia and 10 days ago he was much Company.

Officers who were reelected were improved. Left in a weakened condition he suffered a relapse that re-F. D. Simmons, who starts his fourth term as financial secretary of the lo-

sulted in his death. Funeral services were held at the cal union; S. R. Matthews, who serv-Williamston home of the parents, ed as recording secretary last year: with the Rev. T. B. Hurley, Metho- and W. D. Walker, who begins his dist minister, officiating. Burial took third term as treasurer. New offiplace in the Methodist cemetery in cers are W. R. Clark, vice president; Plymouth. Jack Brown, outer guard; and J. H. Beides his parents, he is survived Smith, inner guard.

by three brothers, Daryl, Bobby and Jennings Ward, Harry Chopic and W. S. Cutler were made trustees; O.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Clayton are F. Magee, chaplain; and J. E. Conway, vell known here and in the county. J. H. Smith, Harry Chopic and W. L. Mr. Clayton was formerly assistant Garrison, the shop committee.

eashier of the Branch Banking and This is the oldest of the seven lo-Trust Company and Mrs. Clayton cals unions here has a total memberserved two terms as Washington ship, including the colored chapter, County register of deeds. No. 356-A, of 475

Tickets Are Going Fast for "Christmas Carol" Reading by Dr. Koch Monday

Those who have not yet secured their tickets from members of the Junior Woman's Club for Dr. Frederick H. Koch's reading of **Charles Dickens "The Christmas** Carol," are warned to do so immediately, as the tickets are being sold rapidly, according to the club members. The presentation will be in the Plymouth Theatre here Monday night. December

It is generally agreed that the house will be filled to capacity, and Miss Leslie Darden, chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements, and Miss Elizabeth

23. at 8 o'clock.

Campbell, president of the club. are urging that tickets be purchased in advance, as it possible those who delay will be greeted by the "S. R. O." sign when they get to the box office of the the atre.

Shep Brinkley, owner of the of the Plymouth Theatre, generously called off the movie scheduled for Monday and gave the use of the house free of charge to the club, which is underwriting a guarantee of \$50 and expenses to Dr. Koch for the reading.

The admission price is 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for school children.

25 of First 28 Registrants Examined Here Pass Physical Tests for Army

The first indication of how Washington County draft registrants stack up physically was furnished by a report showing that of the first 28 men examined 25 were found physically fit for military service in the preliminary examination. There were two colored and one white who failed to pass the examination, according to Clerk S. A. Ward, of the local selective service board.

However, it was pointed out that the final test of physical fitness will not be available until the men examined here have been passed or rejected by medical examiners at the army camps. Though Dr. Claudius McGowan,

the local board medical examiner, makes a thorough examination of the registrants sent to him, it is not as strict as those given by the army doctors. In some cases the registrants have contracted disease or disability after the examination by local physicians.

The men ordered to report for physical examinations include only those in class 1, who have no reasons, such as dependency or preferred positions, for asking deferment. By far, the greater number of those who have returned questionnaires have been placed in deferred classes without physical examination being required

and continue his payments. Opening the sale of stock in the 13th series just before Christmas, officers of the association hope gift buyers will consider buying a few shares, or start payments on them. as Christmas presents. They point out that it provides an excellent method of teaching children the advantages of systematic saving, as well

and paid-up stock.

as providing a sizeable nest-egg for the youngsters if they decide to go to college later in life.

Reduction May Be Made In Payments to Farmers

Large financial requirements for the national defense program may necessitate a reduction of cash subsidies to farmers and an increase in government loan rates on crop surpluses, says Federal farm officials.