

Robert B. Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Campbell, claim adjuster for an insurance company in Charlotte, has received a promotion and has been transferred to Wilmington for three months, possibly longer.

Charlie McCullers, director of the Edenton High School Band, telephoned here this week asking The Beacon to carry the information that the University of North Carolina Band would give a concert at the Edenton High School auditorium Tuesday night, sponsored by the Edenton Band Boosters.

The Tarboro Rotary Club will hold its next orthopedic clinic Monday at 9 a. m. in the Presbyterian Sunday School rooms in Tarboro. The Rotary club is anxious to render service to all cripples, regardless of age or race, who are unable to pay for treatment.

Glenna Ange, Maurice Bate-man, Newman Allen, Katherine Bratten, Shirley Nobles, Marvin Browning, Thelma Mizell, Sara Ritchie and Warren Robbins are principal characters in the play entitled "It's a Long Lane," to be presented Wednesday, March 26. It was stated the date was changed so that the play would not conflict with other scheduled events.

Rascoe Browning attended the Joe Louis-Gus Dorozio prize fight in Philadelphia Monday night. Champion Louis disposed of Dorozio after 1 minute and 30 seconds of the second round by a knockout. The first round was scored about even by the sports writers.

Leslie B. Sprull, a private in Company C, 120th Infantry, 30th Division, of Fort Jackson, S. C., spent a short time here Sunday with Miss Jennie Brinkley. Mr. Sprull was a resident of Roper at one time and is well known in the county.

Dr. McDonald Will Be Speaker at Lions Meet Here Tonight

Annual Charter and Ladies' Night Program To Be Presented

Fifty or more Lions and Lionesses from Plymouth and the surrounding towns will gather at the community hall here tonight for the fourth annual charter and ladies' night, with Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, state forum counselor of the University of North Carolina, on the program as the principal speaker.

Lion President P. W. Brown will preside over the meeting and Lion R. H. Lucas will pronounce the invocation. Visiting Lions and their ladies will be welcomed by Lion W. L. Whitley, while Lion Z. V. Norman will introduce the speaker.

Guests will be introduced and special recognition extended to those from out of town.

Officers of the Lions Club are as follows: P. W. Brown, president; W. V. Hays, first vice president; B. G. Campbell, second vice president; L. S. Thompson, third vice president; T. C. Burgess, secretary and treasurer; Dr. A. Papineau, tail twister; George M. Scott, Lion tamer. Directors are Dr. S. V. Lewis, A. J. Riddle, B. G. Campbell, Z. V. Norman.

Members include: P. W. Brown, T. C. Burgess, B. G. Campbell, Dr. E. W. Furgurson, W. V. Hays, Dr. E. A. Harper, W. J. Highsmith, Dr. S. V. Lewis, E. H. Liverman, R. H. Lucas, J. R. Manning, W. J. Mayo, H. H. McLean, J. W. Norman, F. E. Nobles, Dr. A. Papineau, W. K. Paramore, A. J. Riddle, E. F. Still, George M. Scott, L. S. Thompson, R. B. Trotman, W. L. Whitley, and L. W. Zeigler.

Local Boys Win, Girls Lose, Here Last Night

The boys' basketball team of the Plymouth High School defeated Hertford here last night, 17 to 10, while the local girls were losing, 21 to 19. Duncan Getsinger, with 10 points, led the Plymouth boys, and Byrum, with 4 points, led Hertford. M. Gault with 7 points, was best for the Hertford girls, while Eloise Ange rang up 9 points for the home team.

Kieckhefer Says Industrialists Fear Recession Would Follow End of War

It is generally thought by industrialists that after the present war ends, there will be a major recession while industry and all other phases of our economic existence undergo a period of readjustment, according to H. M. Kieckhefer, secretary and treasurer of the Kieckhefer Container Corporation, of Delair, N. J., who was a visitor here this week. According to Mr. Kieckhefer, this is a matter which is causing grave concern to officials of the national administration of government—as well as to business leaders—and they are even now studying plans to mitigate the effects of such a recession and to establish business on as safe and secure a basis as possible. He said that after the war

Upward Revision of Real Property Values Will Add \$300,000 to Valuation

Real property in Washington County is undergoing an upward revision in general by tax assessors, and it is believed that with the allowance for inequalities which have been adjusted there will be an increase of about \$300,000 in the total valuation of property, which last year was approximately \$8,000,000. Such is the opinion of S. A. Allen, one of the tax assessors who has been engaged in the revaluation work for Plymouth Township. Mr. Allen said that this township alone would probably account for most of the \$300,000 increase expected, as it is understood there will be very little

change in the total valuations in Lees Mill, Scuppernon and Skinnerville Townships. Mr. Allen said this week that the assessors for this township were about 70 per cent through with the revaluation task. They are now working in the Town of Plymouth, and they hope to complete their work within the next two weeks. It is understood that the Lees Mill assessors will complete their task within the next few days. The revaluation in Scuppernon and Skinnerville Township has already been completed, and the tax abstracts have been turned into the county office here.

Adjustment in Rate of Pay Made at Pulp Mill

HOME ECONOMIST



Miss Mary Brown, home service director for the Williams district of the Virginia Electric & Power Company, will be in charge of the demonstrations at the cooking school, sponsored by the Methodist W. S. C. S., here March 3, 4, and 5.

Small Percentage of Employees Said To Receive Wage Raise

Wages Now in Effect Here Declared in Line With Highest in South

Only a small percentage of the workers at the North Carolina Pulp Company here was affected by the upward adjustment of the scale of pay following a series of conferences between union officials and the management of the plant here last week, agreement having been reached at the final conference last Thursday. It could not be learned which departments or how many employees were affected by the increase.

H. M. Kieckhefer, of Delair, N. J., secretary and treasurer of the Kieckhefer Container Corporation, operators of the local plant, said in an interview Tuesday afternoon that the scale of wages paid now at the North Carolina Pulp Company here was in line with the highest paid by the industry in the south.

Mr. Kieckhefer stated that the yearly contract with the unions still has several months to run, but that there was a clause in the agreement whereby questions of rates of pay could be brought up for discussion in February, as was done last week.

Asked about further additions to the plant here, Mr. Kieckhefer said the building program started in 1937 had not yet been completed and that the expansion program now underway was in conformity with plans made sometime ago but only recently developed. He said that the second paper machine was being dismantled now in Richmond, W. Va., and would be reassembled and put into operation here within the next few months. He hoped the new machine would be ready for operation here by August, but added there was no assurance of this, as transportation facilities are now heavily taxed with national defense matters, and it is not known how the delivery of materials will be made.

Mr. Kieckhefer also said that when this machine was moved to Plymouth the Richmond plant would be closed, although there are two small paper machines there which will not be moved here. A number of other families are expected to move to Plymouth as soon as the machine now being dismantled at Richmond is put into operation here.

Few Will Be Cited For Failure to List

It is believed there will be less than 100 persons for whom warrants will be issued for failure to list their 1940 poll taxes and personal property, as a result of the grand jury report, since Judge W. C. Harris allowed those cited for failure to list until March 1 to save themselves the expense and embarrassment of arrest. There were 827 names listed in the grand jury report, but so far about 700 of them have either listed or had their names stricken from the list when it was found they had valid excuses for not listing.

However, it was learned today that Recorder John W. Darden and Prosecuting Attorney S. A. Ward were preparing to issue warrants for those who have not listed or reported by March 1, when the documents will be placed in the hands of the sheriff.

Community Sing To Be Held Here Friday Night

There will be a community sing at the residence of Mrs. Mary Smith Cahoon, on Third Street, Friday night at 8 p. m., sponsored by the Young Woman's Auxiliary of Grace Episcopal church. A silver offering will be taken, and refreshments will be served.

The public is invited to attend. Old and new songs will be sung, and the sponsors say that everyone will have a good time.

Bill Is Proposed to Lower Cost of Cases In Recorder's Court

Darden Plans To Introduce Measure in Legislature This Week

A bill entitled "An act to fix and regulate the cost in recorder's court of Washington County," was to be put into the hopper of the House of Representatives at Raleigh this week by Representative W. M. Darden. It is designed to reduce the costs assessed against defendants from about \$17 to a maximum of \$10 in cases within the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace, where no jury trial is demanded.

Under the new bill there would be no trial fee for the recorder or solicitor taxed against defendants in the cases which may come within the jurisdiction of justices of the peace. In other cases coming under the jurisdiction of the recorder, the prosecuting attorney's fee would be \$2 against each convicted defendant. Where two or more defendants are convicted in the same cause, the prosecuting attorney's fee in the bill of costs will not be permitted to exceed \$4, to be apportioned among the defendants convicted.

Witnesses in recorder's court, under the new bill, will receive 50 cents for each day of attendance under subpoena, and they will be allowed 5 cents per mile for traveling to and from their places of residence. When convicted defendants are assigned to prison, and when defendants are acquitted, witnesses will be paid only one-half the fee and mileage by the county.

When a defendant is convicted in trial by jury, where the jury trial was demanded by defendant, the jury tax of \$2 will be assessed. If there is a jury trial, but not upon demand by the defendant, no jury tax will be charged to the convicted defendant. The bill also provides that no defendant, before conviction, shall be required to make a deposit of any sum to cover jury costs upon demand of trial by jury.

Fees paid to jurors serving in said court, and regularly drawn from the box, are fixed at \$1 for each day of service and 5 cents for each mile of travel to the court and return. Talia jurors will be paid only 50 cents for each day of service.

Where a justice of the peace or other officer issues a warrant returnable to recorder's court, or recognizes a defendant for his appearance at said court, the all-inclusive fee shall be 25 cents in each case.

No fee is to be charged against the defendant when an officer of the recorder's court, who may also be a justice of the peace, issues a warrant or process, although he actually issues such papers in his capacity as a justice of the peace. Such an officer is to receive no fee or compensation except the salary for his office. The fees of the clerk of the recorder's court is provided by law in all cases, but the new bill provides that such fees shall not exceed such amount as when added to the other fees taxed against the defendant would make the total cost equal the maximum of \$10.

Another provision is that no witness fee will be allowed the officer who makes the arrest if he appears as a witness against the defendant. No peace officer who is paid a salary by the state, by Washington County, or by any municipality in the county, shall be paid any witness fees for attendant in said court, although he may be paid the same travel allowance as other witnesses if his place of residence is more than five miles from the courthouse. No fee for any officer which is not allowed to be taxed under this section shall be paid from any public fund.

Where a witness appears in more than one case tried on the same day, the law provides that he shall receive only one fee and travel allowance, and that it shall be apportioned equally among the several cases in which the witness appeared and in which a defendant is convicted. The new act will become effective immediately upon its ratification.

Three Cases Tried In Court Tuesday

Four cases came before Recorder John W. Darden and Prosecuting Attorney S. A. Ward Tuesday morning, with disposition made of three cases and one continued.

Proceedings were as follows: R. L. Bateman, 46, white, charged with reckless driving and causing property damage to the car of R. B. Bilbro, of Washington, was found not guilty.

Alice Rawls Righton, 37, colored, charged with possession of illegal whiskey for sale, was given three months on the roads, suspended upon the payment of \$25 and costs and good behavior for two years.

Wilbur C. Davenport, 43, white, charged with assaulting William Sitterton, was given 30 days in jail, suspended upon the payment of \$10 fine and costs and good behavior for two years.

Gike Simmons, charged with possession of non-tax-paid whiskey, had his case continued until next Tuesday.

Seven County Men Ready to Leave for Service Next Week

Five in White Quota Will Leave Monday; Others Go Thursday

Physical examinations completed, the seven young men chosen for the February quota from Washington County will leave next week for Fort Bragg, where they will be inducted into military service for a year's training under the selective service act.

The five white men who will leave Monday are: Charles Freeman Lowe, of Roper, order No. 23; Henry Ward Stillman, of Plymouth, order No. 24; Pearly Ray Craddock, Plymouth, order No. 32; Grady Hassell Ange, of Plymouth, order No. 41; and Elwin Henderson Furlough, Creswell, order No. 85.

The two men in the colored quota will leave Thursday. They are: Clyde Blount, of Creswell, and Roosevelt Ford, of Plymouth, both volunteers.

Jesse Leon Patrick, Roper, volunteer, failed to appear for his physical examination and will not leave with the white group as planned. William Walter Gurkin, of Plymouth, order No. 100, entered an appeal for deferment, which was granted. He was included in the list published last week as a replacement.

S. A. Ward, clerk to the Washington County Selective Service Board, said that another call for selectees was expected early in March, but that the board did not any information as the probable number to be required.

Legion To Register Ex-Service Men for Voluntary Services

Registrars and Places Appointed by Commander For Work Saturday

Final arrangements had been made today for registration of World War veterans and legionnaires in Washington County next Saturday, February 22, it was announced today by Commander J. B. Willoughby, of the James E. Jethro Post of the American Legion, which is sponsoring the registration in this county. The registration is entirely voluntary, according to Commander Willoughby, who said that the local post plans to secure the answers to the 28 questions on the registration blank which catalogs the qualifications and talents of each registrant for possible home-defense service under the nation-wide home defense program.

An effort will be made, Mr. Willoughby said, to secure a complete index of every local world war veteran, showing his capabilities, in order that the post may, if necessary, produce quickly men with specific qualifications for specific jobs.

The commander of the local post has designated registrars and registration places throughout the county as follows: Plymouth, W. Linwood Hassell, community hall; Roper: C. L. Walker, pool room; Skinnerville: Walter White, at White's store; Creswell: Roy Hopkins, at Peele's drug store; Cherry: Harry Barnes, at Barnes' store.

In a conference with Commander Willoughby today, Mayor B. G. Campbell, of Plymouth, said: "Our nation, state and community always have looked upon the American Legion as the first line of defense. For more than 20 years the Legion has almost single-handedly been the foremost champion of all patriotic endeavors and has been rendering a high type of service. I sincerely hope every former service man and member of our legion post will register on Saturday."

Raymond B. Moley Expected Here 6th

"The old professor is coming around on March 6" reads a card received this week by James W. Norman and signed by a national textile organization. However, Mr. Norman knew that "the old professor" is none other than Dr. Raymond B. Moley, one of the original members of the New Deal's so-called "brain trust" of a few years ago; and Dr. Moley has been given a great deal of the credit—or blame, depending on political affiliations—for numerous reforms inaugurated by the Roosevelt administration.

The former Columbia University professor and one-time editor of a national magazine now travels for the textile organization. When he was here last year, Mr. Norman had a long talk with him and asked him to try to come this year on a Thursday so that he could speak to the Lions Club here.

When Mr. Norman learned this week that Dr. Moley's next visit here would fall on the first Thursday in March, he immediately wrote "the old professor" asking him to attend and speak at the Lions Club meeting, and it is hoped he will accept.

Representative Plans Introduction of City Limits Bill This Week

Few Local Places To Close Saturday

Folks in the county who may want stamps, cash, or the ardent spirits this week-end would do well to stock up Friday, because the post offices, bank, and ABC stores will be closed all day Saturday, February 22, George Washington's birthday.

No postal deliveries will be handled either in the towns or rural communities. General business, however, will operate on its usual schedule.

H. E. Beam, cashier of the Branch Banking and Trust Company, advises merchants to secure their change for Saturday business Friday, as the time lock on the vault will be set for Monday morning when the bank closes Friday.

Boundary Changes Subject To Vote of All People Affected

Proposed New Limits Altered From Original Proposal

Representative W. M. Darden said Monday morning, before leaving for the General Assembly at Raleigh, that he would introduce some kind of bill before the end of the current week providing for extension of the present corporate limits of the Town of Plymouth.

Zeb Vance Norman, attorney for the town, promised Mr. Darden he would draft a new measure containing some suggested changes from the boundaries originally proposed, and send it to him in time for introduction sometime this week.

It is understood that the boundaries now proposed are substantially as follows: Excluding the Plymouth Box and Panel Company plant but extending to Conaby Creek on the east; on the south the line would be a ditch between the Latham and Terterton property (including the holdings of Mr. Darden); on the west the boundary would be the old abandoned Norfolk Southern railroad right of way, excluding the plant of the American Fork and Hoe Company.

Mr. Darden emphasized that the extended limits in any bill he would introduce would be subject to ratification at a special election by the qualified voters affected, including those who live within the present city limits and those who live in the area proposed to be annexed. City officials hope to hold the special referendum within a few weeks.

Mr. Darden said that new boundaries would necessitate changes in the areas of the three wards here, and that the bill he would introduce would likely provide for them as follows: Ward No. 1, the area south of Fourth Street; Ward No. 2, area north of Fourth and west of Washington Streets; Ward No. 3, area north of fourth and east of Washington Streets.

Eastern Delegation Seeks Completion Route 64 to Manteo

Representatives From Here At Meeting in Raleigh Yesterday

A group of delegates from Washington, Dare, Tyrrell and Hyde Counties was in Raleigh Wednesday, when they had lunch in the Manteo room of the Sir Walter Hotel with state officials and discussed improvements of highway connections by extension of the paving on Highway No. 64 from Columbia to Manteo in Dare County.

John W. Darden, an official of the Southern Albemarle Association, who represented Washington County at the meeting, said today that the conference was encouraging and that he thought within the next year free ferries would be established over Alligator River, Croatan Sound and Oregon Inlet, and that development would begin to connect Highway 64 with the North Carolina coastland. It was decided at a meeting held by the eastern group prior to the luncheon that nothing would be said about the request that has been made to let the Southern Albemarle Association recommend the member of the State Highway and Public Works Commission from this section.

Governor J. M. Broughton was unable to attend the luncheon, but it is understood that in the reorganization of the highway commission, there is an excellent possibility that the Southern Albemarle Association may have a hand in naming the commissioner from this section.

Plans Go Forward For Cooking School Here March 3, 4, 5

Canvassing Committee Expects To Have 500 Prizes To Give Away

Based on the success with which canvassers are meeting in their solicitation of gifts for the cooking school to be held in the community hall here March 3, 4, and 5, under the sponsorship of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church, it is believed that there will be 500 gifts for distribution among those attending the event.

Mrs. E. A. Harper, chairman of the committee on arrangements for the cooking school, said today that only eight local merchants had been seen, yet they had donated upwards of 200 gifts ranging in value from 10 cents to \$15.95. Last year there were about 300 gifts.

Mesdames B. G. Campbell, H. A. Williford, W. C. Jones, and L. W. Zeigler have been named by Mrs. Harper as chairman of the various departments of the school, and they report that present indications point to the most successful event of its kind ever held here.

Miss Mary Brown Allgood, home service director for the Virginia Electric and Power Company, will have charge of the demonstrations and will cook a complete meal at each of the three sessions to be held. Discussions and demonstrations will include electric cooking and party decorations.

The food cooked by Miss Allgood during the demonstrations will be distributed among those attending. In addition to this, the list of free gifts includes groceries, household furnishings, electrical appliances and many other home necessities.

Boys Urged To Join Boy Scouts

Scout officials here today joined in an appeal to all parents in Plymouth to have their boys of scouting age present at a meeting to be held in the scout room in the basement of the courthouse here Friday night at 7:30 for the purpose of enrolling in the organization.

J. R. Manning, district chairman; Dr. A. Papineau, sea scout skipper; Jerome Prazelle, scoutmaster; John Womble, assistant scoutmaster; and Dr. E. W. Furgurson, scout counselor, are joining in the appeal to have as many boys as possible enroll in the movement.

Mr. Manning stated that there were many duties the Boy Scouts would be called upon to perform in periods of national emergency or war, and he urges that the youth of Plymouth begin at once to receive training for the activities of a war-time scout in home defense.

Troop A Patrol Area Shows Reduction In Fatal Accidents in Past Three Years

Reduction in fatal accidents in the 25 counties of this section patrolled by Troop A of the State Highway Patrol, from 180 to 112 in the last three years, although Washington County failed to keep pace with the rest of the district in showing a downward trend.

Corporal T. B. Brown, of the patrol, said this week that figures for Washington County, sent to him by Lieutenant Lester Jones, of Greenville, troop commander, showed five persons were killed in traffic accidents in the county in 1938, two in 1939, and three in 1940.

In view of the increase of fatal accidents throughout the state in

1940, it will be noted that this troop area had a nice reduction in 1940, despite a large increase in motor vehicle registration, according to Lieutenant Jones.

Corporal Brown agreed with the troop commander that "this is conclusive evidence that we are operating in the right direction to reduce fatalities, and this type of record is far superior to that of wholesale arrest."

Lieutenant Jones concluded by stating that he was "requesting all members of the troop to continue this record for the year 1941, and all of us must be on the alert and continue to concentrate on the communities with the largest number of fatalities."