

George Harrison, for years employed at E. G. Arps Drug Store here, has resigned his position to accept one as a plumber's helper in government work around Norfolk.

J. C. Blanchard, of Hertford, was in Plymouth Wednesday, calling on L. S. Thompson while here. Mr. Blanchard succeeded his father in a mercantile business that is about 105 years old.

L. L. Basnight, ABC enforcement officer, believes he has captured the still which was operating in a poultry house on his farm near Concord church in the Skinnerville section some time ago when tax assessors visited the house.

Three pints of non-tax-paid whiskey were found in the poultry house on a farm owned by V. Johnston in the Garrett's Island section, near Plymouth, about two weeks ago.

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H. H. Allen, owner of the Allen Grocery here, has enlarged the front part of his store and market. He moved the partition toward the rear of the store, reducing his storage space but giving him much more room in the front part of the building.

Clerk of the Superior Court and Mrs. C. V. Ausbon and son, Fred Ausbon, went to Norfolk Wednesday, when a nephew, Earl Brewer, a former Plymouth resident, died.

William Grover (Bill) Bell, a soldier in the Canadian Army, here this week, said that he was married to Miss Virginia R. Spruill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Spruill, of Roper, at Elkton, Md., last Wednesday by Charles E. Stewart, of the U. S. district court there.

Canvass for Funds For Local Hospital Is Now Underway

Chairman Says Pulp Workers Can Be Counted on For \$6,000

Meeting Monday night in the Labor Temple here, the committee which is undertaking to sponsor the construction of a community hospital here, elected John N. Carr as chairman, with Mrs. B. G. Campbell as secretary and W. T. Stillman as treasurer.

Chief of Police P. W. Brown was asked to investigate sites for the hospital and to make his recommendations at the next meeting. W. L. Whitley was asked to attend to the legal phases of the movement.

To secure financial support for the undertaking, J. H. Newkirk, L. E. Beck and Miss Leslie Darden are to work with others among the workers of the North Carolina Pulp Company; W. F. Winslow, J. R. Manning and J. B. Willoughby will work among the business people; Mesdames B. G. Campbell, Leon Rose, J. B. Willoughby and Miss Leslie Darden among the women's clubs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Willoughby, Mrs. B. G. Campbell and Mr. Carr were named members of a committee to visit the Brown Community Hospital at Williamston for the purpose of observing that building.

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Contacts will be made by Mr. Carr with the workers and management of the Plymouth Box and Panel Company looking toward a contribution. One business firm here has pledged \$400 toward a community hospital and Mr. Carr says others should contribute or call Mrs. B. G. Campbell, giving their names, addresses, and amount of pledges, and when they wished to pay their pledges.

The consensus among those at the meeting was that about \$25,000 could be raised by local subscription for a building and that the Duke Endowment Fund would also contribute and would probably equip the building.

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County Commissioners Oppose Changes Proposed in Bills Introduced This Week

The Washington County Board of Commissioners, in a special session here Wednesday night unanimously passed a resolution opposing three bills proposed by Representative W. M. Darden in the past few days. The bills are designed to reduce the costs paid by defendants in recorder's court, to place the register of deeds and clerk of superior court on a salary basis of \$150 per month each, and to make the office of prosecuting attorney of the recorder's court elective. The recorder's court bill is being considered by a house committee, while the other two, said by the

representative to have been introduced this week, have not appeared in the official record, and their status is unknown. In the resolutions passed last night the commissioners say that the recorder's court is not now self-sustaining and that reduction of the costs to convicted defendants would enlarge the deficit paid by the county. The commissioners object to a salary basis for the clerk of court and register of deeds because it would further increase the financial burden of the county, as the fees received by these offices do not amount to as much as the salaries specified in the bill.

Opposing the change in method of selecting a prosecuting attorney for the recorder's court, the commissioners say "the board is competent to pass on qualifications of the appointee, and it is to the best interest of the court to allow power of appointment to remain in said board." The resolutions also state that the board has not been conferred with by Representative Darden, and as they have been duly elected to manage county affairs they believe they should be permitted to have a voice in legislation affecting Washington County.

County Board Acts To Provide for Additions To School Plant Here

Revaluation Work Nears Completion

It is now believed that the tax lists and assessors in Washington County will complete their revaluation of all real property sometime next week, it was said today by E. F. Swain, tax supervisor.

Skinnerville and Scuppernon Townships have completed their work. Plymouth and Lees Mill will complete the work next week. It is understood that about \$300,000 will be added to the total property valuation.

Local School Offers Program on Parity With Any in State

Principal Gives Outline of Advantages for Benefit Of Newcomers

By R. B. TROTMAN Principal, Plymouth City Schools For the benefit of newcomers to Plymouth, and for those who may not know all the facts concerning the public schools here, the school submits the following information: Plymouth High School was accredited in 1923 and is today on the accredited list. According to the State of North Carolina, we were classified in group II-A. The minimum state requirements for classification in this group are:

- 1. A four-year course of study; 2. A term of 180 days or eight school months;

Annual Livestock Day at Blackland Test Farm, Wenona, April 2 This Year

Beef cattle, hogs, sheep and horses will be the center of attraction at the annual livestock day to be held at Blackland Experiment Station, near Wenona, on Wednesday, April 2. It was learned today from J. L. Rea, assistant director in charge of the farm.

Among the speakers to be present will be the following: Earl H. Hostetter, professor of animal husbandry at State College; R. M. Salter, state director of experiment stations; F. E. Miller, state director of test farms; Dr. W. A. McArdle, director of the Appalachian Forest Experiment

Eight Rooms To Be Added and Repairs Made Where Needed

County To Borrow \$34,000 From State Fund and Seek WPA Grant

Upon recommendation of the Washington County Board of Education, the county commissioners in session here Monday agreed to borrow \$34,000 from the State Literary Fund to be used in enlarging and repairing the Plymouth High School Building and repairing and enlarging the Roper colored school. The total cost of the two projects will be in the neighborhood of \$68,000, according to preliminary estimates, with approximately half of the amount to be sought from the WPA. The board of education went on record as asking that about \$35,000 be made available for the additions to the Plymouth school alone, which it is estimated would provide sufficient additional facilities to eliminate the necessity of continuing to use the old Hampton Academy for primary children. However, it is not believed the funds to be provided will be enough to comply with the educational board's request.

It is understood that the money to be made available by the county commissioners will pay for an entire new roof for the high school building, a new heating system, and the addition of eight rooms on the north side, making available a total of 18 rooms in this building. The addition is to be made on the north side, next to the property of Mrs. Delia Jones. The other side will be left open for additions later, with the possibility that a larger auditorium will be provided in the near future. (See ADDITIONS, Page Four)

Revival Series Will Begin Here Sunday At Baptist Church

Services Each Night at 7:30 Next Week; Sermon Topics Outlined

By Rev. P. B. NICKENS, Pastor Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour, our annual meeting will begin. We hope this meeting, which will continue for two weeks, will result in a revival. The pastor, Rev. Paul B. Nickens, will do the preaching this year, and services will be held each evening at 7:30.

With the world in the condition that it is today, surely we need a great spiritual awakening among our people. We need to return to God. Many have apparently forgotten that there is a God, and we sincerely hope that this meeting will help some to rediscover Him.

The sermon subject for the week beginning next Sunday, March 9, are as follows: Sunday morning, "The Pew at Work;" Sunday night, "What Is a Revival?;" Monday night, "Plymouth's Greatest Need;" Tuesday night, "The Kind of Church God Wants;" Wednesday night, "The Kind of Home God Wants;" Thursday night, "The Kind of Man God Wants;" Friday night, "Tomorrow's Christians;" Saturday night, "Humanity's Life Guard."

You are cordially invited to attend every one of these services. Come, let's draw a little closer to God.

Four Cases Tried In County Court

Four cases came to the attention of recorder's court Tuesday morning, keeping the court in session for most of the day. The proceedings follow: John Matthew Rhodes, 22, colored, had prayer for judgment continued in his case, in which he was charged with assaulting Nicholas Curlings and Earl Lucas with bricks.

Hassell Harrison, 25, white, charged with operating an automobile while under the influence of intoxicants, was fined \$50 and costs and his license was revoked.

Mark Bowen, 20, white, charged with trespass on the premises of J. D. Vick and with removing parts from a tractor, had judgment suspended on payment of the costs.

S. B. Davenport, 54, white, charged with violating the forest fire law, was fined \$50 and costs. He noted an appeal and bond was fixed at \$100.

Regular Services at Local Methodist Church Sunday

"The Good Shepherd" will be the subject of the morning sermon at the Plymouth Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The Rev. O. L. Hardwick will preach again at the evening service at 7:30. Other services are as usual.

Three Bills Affecting County Are Presented By Darden This Week

The Town of Plymouth Council, in session here Monday night, ordered the current program of construction of sewer and water lines inside the corporate limits to be continued as long as the expense incurred by the town is within the \$3,000 allotted for this work. It was decided to lay water and sewer lines on two blocks on West Fourth Street, between Jefferson Street and the highway, and on Monroe Street, between Third and Fort Williams Streets, in accordance with the original program.

O. E. Britton is in charge of the WPA workers who are doing the work. It has not been necessary for the town to issue any bonds for these projects, since local officials have set aside a certain amount yearly from current revenue to care for improvement and extensions of the water and sewer systems.

Town Board Votes To Continue Water-Sewer Extensions

Lines Being Installed on West Fourth and Monroe Streets

Arrangements were made for the special election on Tuesday, April 15, when voters of the town and those in the affected areas will vote on the proposal to extend the city limits. Mrs. Hermine Ausbon was appointed registrar. A. R. Dupree, sr., and Maurice Smith, pollholders for the election. The registration period and other details of the election will be announced next week.

W. F. Winslow and A. J. Riddle were appointed trustees of the Firemen's Relief Fund.

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(See NEW BILLS, Page Four)

County Board Asks State To Maintain Two Road Sections

Petitions Approved at Regular Meeting Held Monday

Two petitions were handed to the Washington County commissioners at their monthly meeting here Monday, asking the county officers to approve the requests and forward them to the State Highway and Public Works Commission, which was done.

The first petition carried the signatures of 53 persons, asking that the state commission take over and maintain as a part of the county system one-half mile of road in Skinnerville Township known as the Pea Ridge road, leading northwardly to Long's Island farm, now owned by John W. Spruill, and farms owned by G. W. Spruill and Harrison Hassell. Twenty-two persons are served by the road.

The second request had 14 signers who asked that the state take over and maintain three-fourths of a mile of the Ambrose road in Scuppernon Township which serves six families. Part of this road is already in the state system of county roads and is maintained by the state. The part (See COUNTY BOARD, Page Four)

TO HOLD REVIVAL



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New Defense Road Endorsed Friday at Merchants Meeting

Would Shorten Route From New Bern To Norfolk By 40 Miles

Presented by a delegation of eight men from Bath and Pinetown, the plan to request the state and federal governments to construct a bridge across Pamlico River was endorsed by the Plymouth Merchants Association Friday. The proposed span would be a link in a new defense highway connecting Norfolk with Marine Corps bases in the region of New Bern, and would shorten the present route from New Bern to Norfolk by as much as 40 miles.

It was suggested by H. T. Latham, jr., secretary of the Colonial Roads Association, with headquarters at Bath, sponsors of the road, that the bridge, 1.73 miles in length, should be built over the river from Core Point to Archibald Point, this being in direct line with New Bern, the Marine Corps air base in Pamlico County, Camp Davis the Marine base at Jacksonville in Onslow County.

Other speakers at the meeting last Friday night stated that in case of emergency, the present U. S. 17 route could be used for regular traffic, while the new route, coming across from Bath to Pinetown, over highway 32 to Plymouth and thence over Albemarle Sound bridge, could be restricted to military traffic only.

John W. Darden, secretary of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, J. R. Manning and E. H. Liverman were named on a committee to cooperate with the Colonial Roads Association in getting the matter before proper officials. Mr. Darden will be named as a vice president from this county.

Those coming here Friday, despite the snow, to meet with the 15 merchants were C. W. Bowen, S. P. Bowen, W. E. Sheppard, H. V. Gibbs, Dr. J. H. Norman, jr., Mr. Latham, W. H. Bowen, and B. A. Bowen. The visitors said that President G. Y. Webster, W. A. Tankard, F. A. Mason and F. C. Sipe attended a similar meeting in Aurora the same night to secure the support of people in that section.

THIS IS GOOD FOR 200 VOTES in the "POPULAR BABY PARADE" Baby's Name Address Save these coupons and vote them for your favorite in the "Popular Baby Parade." If your favorite baby has not been entered, fill out entry blank in today's Roanoke Beacon and mail or bring to "Popular Baby Parade" headquarters at Womble's Drug Store in Plymouth. THIS COUPON NOT GOOD AFTER APRIL 5th

"Popular Baby Parade" Is Being Sponsored by Roanoke Beacon---\$500 in Prizes Are Offered

By "Popular Baby Parade" Editor The "Popular Baby Parade" comes to Plymouth in all its splendor. The Roanoke Beacon, having studied the above plan, and realizing the benefits the youngsters would receive, is happy to announce that it will award \$500 in cash and prizes to the 25 most popular babies between the ages of six months and seven years. There is no cost to enter.

prize, plus a 22-inch silver loving cup, to symbolize forever your child's supremacy of popularity in this locality; \$50 cash second prize; \$25 cash third prize and 22 other cash prizes to the next most active paraders. Another 22-inch silver loving cup, exact duplication of the first, will be presented to the baby of opposite sex having the highest position so as to crown a "Baby King" and "Baby Queen."

ing your baby's picture and publishing pictures and story of your child. Please come to the "Popular Baby Parade" headquarters, located in Womble's Drug Store in Plymouth, and fill out entry blank, giving us the desired information or data to be published with your baby's picture in The Roanoke Beacon, then ask all your friends and relatives to save the 200-vote coupons appearing in the Roanoke Beacon.

March 10, and the 25 babies having the highest number of votes will be listed in their respective positions on the honor roll. Your baby's name being on the first honor means much to its success in the "Popular Baby Parade."

Enter your baby immediately that we may publish the first pictures in The Roanoke Beacon next week if possible. Remember, it's very important to have your baby's name appear on the first list, as by not appearing in the first list your baby might lose the support of friends and relatives to some other baby whose name did appear on the first honor roll. Entries wanted in Washington and surrounding counties, regardless of where you live in this territory, whether in town or R. F. D., your baby is eligible to participate in the "Popular Baby Parade." No babies of employees of The Roanoke Beacon may enter the competition.

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