

The Eureka Cafe was sold this week by Harry Parisay and his partner, Harry E. Stephens, to Gus Perry and James Saravas. Mr. Parisay, well known and well liked here, said that he was retiring to his farm in Florida, where he could be near the flowers in which he liked to work.

George M. Snyder, former resident manager of the North Carolina Pulp Company here, severed his connection with the local plant this week. Mr. Snyder, who came here from the Cherry River Paper Company at Richwood, W. Va., stated that he had no immediate plans for the future other than to visit a son in the south for some time.

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner has mailed to people in this district a list of publications of the U. S. Department of Agriculture covering a wide variety of subjects, and he says he will be glad to secure any of the publications for his constituents if they will write him.

Miss Nellie Wilson, of New Bern, has been employed by the Eureka Cafe as a waitress. She is living with her sister, Mrs. Stewart Phelps, and Mr. Phelps. She has been living here only a short time.

A crew of men working under the supervision of Dr. S. V. Lewis, of the district health department, and Chief of Police P. W. Brown, are now engaged in spraying the swampy areas near Plymouth with poisonous oils that are designed to effect a measure of relief from mosquitoes.

Corporal Marvin Snell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Snell, of the Roper section, is at home for a few days after returning with his Marine Corps outfit from Cuba, where he has been for some time. Corporal Snell, who will be here for several days, is the only member of the Marine Corps from this county, so far as he knows.

C. O. (Shorty) Kelly, owner of the Economy Auto Supply, said today that he was busy replenishing his stock and that he would have one of the best stocked stores in the section as soon as merchandise now ordered arrives.

Four colored men Go To Army Today; Five More Monday

Call Received Yesterday for Additional Eight To Leave May 22

Four colored men left here today for Fort Bragg, near Fayetteville, to be inducted into the Army for a year's military service, according to E. S. Blount, chairman of the local selective service board.

They were Robert Edward Moose, of Plymouth; order No. 3; Robert Lee Littlejohn, of Creswell; order No. 52; Bernard Boston, of Plymouth; and Walter Moore, jr., of Roper, volunteers.

Five additional colored men will leave next Monday, May 12, for Fort Bragg, as follows: Frank Belcher, of Plymouth, order No. 61; Jeff Turner Scarborough, Plymouth, order No. 68; Johnny J. Howell, Plymouth, order No. 77; Carlton Arthur Jordan, Plymouth, order No. 111; and Phillip Junior Garrett, Plymouth, order No. 112.

S. A. Ward, clerk to the local board, received a call yesterday for eight more colored men to leave on Thursday, May 22, for their year's military training.

So far, there have been 55 men called into service from this county, the eight men to be sent on May 22 bringing the county total to 63. It is expected that the calls will be more frequent from now on.

Local Bank To Be Closed Saturday

Employees of the Branch Banking and Trust Company here will enjoy two and possibly three holidays this month. The first closing will be Saturday of this week, May 10, which is in observance of Confederate Memorial Day. The bank will again be closed on Tuesday, May 20, in observance of Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence Day. Friday, May 30, National Memorial Day, is also a legal holiday, but it has not yet been definitely determined whether the local bank will be closed then or not, since it falls on a busy day for local merchants and comes so near the end of the month.

Norman, Pritchette, Hatfield, Stillman Win Places on Creswell Board Monday

Unopposed for reelection when two other candidates withdrew, Mayor C. N. Davenport, sr., of Creswell, nevertheless received 54 votes and was second high man on the ticket at the municipal election held there Monday, when the mayor and four commissioners were elected. There were seven candidates for the office of commissioner.

H. W. Norman led the entire ticket with 57 votes for commissioner and was elected along with H. W. Pritchette, 52 votes; O. D. Hatfield, 41 votes; and H. E. Stillman, 34 votes. The three unsuccessful candidates were C. L. Barnes, 33 votes; Earl Davenport, 22 votes; and Claud Brinn, 19 votes.

'POPULAR BABY PARADE' QUEEN AND KING



Little Miss Annie Jane Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Harris, of Creswell, won the \$200 first prize and a silver loving cup in the "Popular Baby Parade," sponsored by the Roanoke Beacon, which closed last Saturday night. "Tex" Benton (right), son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Benton, of Plymouth, won the other silver cup as the leading male contender and fourth prize of \$15. Presentation of awards and crowning of the queen and king took place at the Plymouth Theatre Monday night.

22 Graduates To Get Diplomas Tonight at Finals of Local School

Concert Monday By Singing Class

The Oxford Orphanage Singing Class will give its annual concert in the Plymouth High School auditorium on Monday night at 8 o'clock, it was announced today by officers of Preservation Lodge, No. 59, A. F. and A. M., which is sponsoring the appearance of the class here.

There will be songs, recitations, pageants, and patriotic drills, with 14 children in the group, it is said. An offering will be taken for the orphanage at the conclusion of the exercises. The public is invited and urged to attend.

Luther Hassell Dies In Truck Accident Near Roper Sunday

The lifeless body of Luther Hassell, white, was taken from a canal about four miles from Roper on the Newlands road Sunday afternoon, after a truck that he was said to have been driving left the dirt road and turned over on its side, throwing him beneath it in the water. G. W. Craddock, Catherine Spruill and Sadie Mae Spruill, also reported to have been passengers on the truck, escaped injury.

Sheriff J. K. Reid investigated the accident, but was undecided as to whether Mr. Hassell was killed by the truck or drowned as a result of being thrown in the water when the auto turned over.

Funeral services for Mr. Hassell were held in the Pentecostal Holiness church at Roper Monday afternoon, with the Rev. R. N. Pitts officiating, assisted by the Rev. L. B. Bennett. Interment took place in the family cemetery near Cherry.

A life-long resident of Washington County, Mr. Hassell was well known and highly respected in his neighborhood. He was a prominent farmer of the Roper section.

Mr. Hassell is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Martha Jane Phelps, of Creswell; Mrs. Selma Overton, of Roper; Mrs. Ethel Furlough, of Roper; Mrs. Ira Smith, of Roper; and Mrs. Mataka Spruill, of Norfolk; two sons, Nathan Hassell and Roy Hassell, of Roper; three sisters, Mrs. Affie Edwards, of Norfolk; Mrs. Ida Edwards, of Berkeley; and Mrs. Carolyn Phelps, of Creswell; and two brothers, John Hassell and Jordan Hassell, of Roper.

94 of 105 Teachers Allotted To County Next Term Elected

List Released This Week Leaves Only 11 Vacancies To Be Filled

Teachers elected for service in the schools of Washington County for the 1941-42 term were announced this week by H. H. McLean, county superintendent of public instruction, who said that there were still some vacancies to be filled.

There are a total of 105 teachers allotted to the county, and the list released this week contains 94 names, which leaves 11 vacancies still to be filled. The allotment calls for 53 white and 52 colored teachers in the county.

The list, as released this week, follows:

Plymouth White Schools: R. B. Trotman, Mrs. Thelma Barden, L. W. Zeigler, Irene Dixon, Hilda Eaker, "Red" Mayberry, W. S. Moore, Ruth McLemore, Annie L. James, Mollie Edgerton, Nellie Tarkenton, Marian Allen, Ethel Perry, Frances Turnage, Ella Harper, Mrs. Katherine Harrison, Mrs. Leta T. Liverman, Gladys Rountray, Katherine Brandon.

Roper High School: D. E. Poole, R. B. Forbes, Juanita O'Brien, C. H. Floyd, Lucy B. Hudgins, Callie H. Spruill, Ruby Braxton, Evelyn Bazemore, Rosanna Barnes, Evelyn Farless, Hazel V. Owens.

Creswell High School: A. T. Brooks, D. J. Johnson, Mrs. Josephine Holmes, Jamie H. McInnis, Julia S. Galloway, A. H. Tucker, Hilda Clontz, Mary Armstrong, Elizabeth Rivers, Flossie Metcalf, Grace Stillman, Christine Lawrence, Mrs. Sadie Etheridge, Kate Ogilvie, Julian Van-Landingham.

Cherry White School: A. W. Davenport, Mrs. Gladys Davenport, Mrs. Essie J. Lassiter, Margaret Carson Gibbs.

Colored Schools: Plymouth: William Berry, Madelyn Watson, Charles V. Bell, Joseph W. Parker, Alberta V. Whitsett, Elizabeth Ledford, Willie Walker, Velma Lee Turnage, Gladys Whichard, Sophia Spruill, Ruth Williams, Agnes H. Jones, Pauline Alston, Reunice A. Walker.

Morattock: Emma D. Walker, Mary C. Austin.

Brooks: Carlton A. Jordan, Margaret A. Jordan, Margaret H. Bert, Helen Sutton; Ernest L. Owens, Deep Bottom.

J. J. Clemmons High School: J. J. Clemmons, Elmer V. Wilkins, Elizabeth W. Wilkins, Robert Louis Graves, George M. Smith, Daisy Lee Clark, Ezell Johnson, Erma Cooke Bias.

Macedonia: James H. Bias, Montrose Bias.

Mount Delane: Minnie Freeman, Cora Honable.

Back Woods: Maggie Boyd Riddick, Rosetta Honable.

Sound Side: Charles V. Bell, Theresia Hill, Azella Ferrebee Norman, Creswell Colored: P. W. Littlejohn, Mildred B. Garrett, Pencie Nixon, Irvin Honable, Mariah Bacon.

Cherry Colored: Peter H. Bell, Trumilla Brickhouse.

Pritchett: Rosa Littlejohn Brickhouse.

High School Bands Concert Tomorrow

The Plymouth High School Band will be joined by the Edenton High School Band for a joint concert by the 80-piece combined group on the stage in front of the school building tomorrow (Friday) night at 7:15, it was announced today by L. W. Zeigler. The bands were originally scheduled to present the concert last Sunday afternoon, but the Edenton band was unable to be here at that time, and it was decided to postpone the event until Friday night.

Charlie McCullers, director of the Edenton band; L. W. Zeigler, director of the Plymouth band; and Phillip Liverman, president of the Plymouth band, will share in conducting the nine selections to be presented. The Edenton band will bring 35 musicians to join the 45 here.

The local band is to return the visit to Edenton on Sunday, May 18, when they go there for a street concert.

WPA Project Approved At Scuppernon Farms

Washington, D. C.—Congressman Herbert C. Bonner was notified Monday of the approval of the WPA project on the Scuppernon Farms Area in the amount of \$24,194. This project, sponsored by the Department of Agriculture, Farm Security Administration, is for the purpose of clearing land for further agricultural development.

Negotiations Underway To Purchase One of Two Sites for New School Here

Negotiations are underway for purchase of one of two sites for the location of a new school building to house the elementary grades of the Plymouth schools, it was learned today from H. H. McLean, county superintendent of public instruction. It is hoped that with the money the county commissioners have made available a site may be purchased and a new 10-room building erected, with construction to be started as soon as the architect can complete the plans.

With the approximately \$50,000 in local and WPA money available, local school authorities hope to build a new elementary school structure, replace the roof on the present high school building and install a new heating plant in the latter.

It was stated that school officials will probably offer the old Hampton Academy building for sale, and bids on this structure are invited to be made to Mr. McLean immediately. There has already been one inquiry made by a prospective purchaser.

School authorities are anxious for an early decision on the matter, in order that work can be started as soon as possible.

No Contests in Town Election Tuesday and Little Interest Shown

Only 58 Votes Cast Out of Nearly 900 Registered Citizens

Mayor and Three Councilmen Elected; Three New Councilmen

There was virtually no interest in the biennial municipal election here Tuesday, when a mayor and six councilmen, all unopposed, were placed into office by a total vote of 58 in three wards, out of a total registration of about 900.

Mayor B. G. Campbell, who has served for nine years as a member of the council and five years as mayor, was reelected for another two years. Mr. Campbell received the entire 58 votes cast, as there were no scratched tickets in any of the three wards.

In the first ward, A. J. Riddle was reelected for his second term and J. R. Manning was elected to succeed W. J. Mayo, who was not a candidate. There were 28 votes cast in this ward out of a registration of 224.

In the second ward, James W. Norman and C. E. Ayers were reelected, with 16 votes cast out of 210 registered.

Two new councilmen, E. E. Harrell and Raymond Leggett, were elected in the third ward; the incumbents, E. H. Liverman and W. F. Winslow, declining to offer for reelection. There were 14 votes cast in this ward out of a registration of 440.

The election Tuesday was one of the quietest in the history of Plymouth. The small group exercising their franchise represent less than 7 per cent of the 874 persons registered.

Annie Jane Harris Wins First Prize in Subscription Drive

Barbara McNair, of Plymouth, Second; and Melba Fern Peed Third

Little Miss Annie Jane Harris, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Harris, of Creswell, won the \$200 first prize, a silver loving cup and the honor of being named queen of the "Popular Baby Parade," sponsored by the Roanoke Beacon, in special ceremonies held at the Plymouth Theatre Monday night, with Walter H. Paramore, as master of ceremonies, presenting awards to the participants in the campaign.

"Tex" Benton, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Benton, of Plymouth, winner of fourth place award of \$15 in cash, was the top vote-getter among the male babies and was given the other silver cup and the title of king of the "Popular Baby Parades."

Little Miss Barbara McNair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. McNair, won the second prize of \$50 in cash; and Melba Fern Peed, also of Plymouth, won the third prize of \$25. The fifth-place winner was Sammy Getsinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Getsinger, of Plymouth, who received \$10.

The following won a \$5 prize each: Betty Lou Davenport, Myra Lou Daley Martha and Mary Riddick, Nicky Paul, Theresa Maude Peele, Jean Miller Oliver, Joyce Faye Hardison and Dianne Manning.

Serving as judges at the final tallying of votes Monday at noon were B. G. Campbell, mayor of Plymouth; R. C. (Dick) Peacock, member of the board of education from Roper; and C. N. Davenport, jr., member of the board of education from Creswell. W. Linwood Hassell, county treasurer, also assisted with the ballot checking.

All the prizes were awarded and the campaign officially closed with the ceremonies Monday night. The event was generally successful, and the Beacon substantially increased its mailing list as a result of efforts by the campaigners. The event was conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Al Harvey.

Body of Franklin D. Simmons Recovered From River Sunday

Coroners Jury Returns Verdict of Death by Accidental Drowning

Funeral services were held at the Courtney Funeral Home here Monday afternoon for Franklin David Simmons, 33, industrial employee, whose lifeless body was recovered from the Roanoke River Sunday afternoon near the Norfolk Southern Railroad Company dock on the fifth day after Mr. Simmons had mysteriously disappeared from the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company, where he was employed.

The Rev. P. B. Nickens, pastor of the Baptist church, was in charge of the final rites, assisted by the Rev. O. L. Hardwick, Methodist minister. Interment took place in the cemetery near the Monroe Street Service Station.

A coroner's jury, working under the direction of Dr. S. V. Lewis, acting coroner, found that death came to the popular local man by "accidental drowning, his lungs being filled with water." Dr. Willis, of the staff of a Rocky Mount hospital, performed an autopsy after the body was recovered upon the finding of which the coroner's jury returned its verdict.

Sonny Willford and Junior Rath, young high school boys, discovered the body while boating on the River Sunday afternoon. They called for help and Claus Blount, white, and Ed Pettiford, colored, went out in another boat and helped tow the body to shore, where it was taken from the water. The news spread rapidly, and a large crowd gathered at the dock before officers arrived and authorized removal of the body from the water.

Mr. Simmons was last seen by employees of the local plant Wednesday morning, April 30, about 2:15 a. m., when the machine he was operating was temporarily closed down and he walked out of a side door of the plant toward a dock there.

Boatmen dragged the river for him Wednesday and Thursday, with a Coast Guard airplane and boat assisting part of the time. When found, the body was about three-quarters of a mile below the plant dock toward which he was going when last seen.

Born January 23, 1908, at Astoria, Long Island, New York, Mr. Simmons had been in Plymouth for about four years. Secretary and treasurer of the Local Union No. 356, International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers, Mr. Simmons was well liked by his fellow workers and was popular down town, where he worked as part-time clerk in a grocery on several occasions.

He was married to Miss Velma Foxworth Simmons, in Laurel, Miss., on June 10, 1934. In addition to his widow and two children, Valera and Franklin David Simmons, jr., all of Plymouth, Mr. Simmons is survived by the following: His parents, Benjamin Simmons and Mrs. Cornelia Simmons; three brothers, Walter, Norman and Lester Simmons; and two sisters, Annie and Ruth Simmons, all of Astoria, Long Island, N. Y.

Active part-bearers were employees of the department in which he worked at the plant; and honorary part-bearers were officials of the local union.

Owners Warned To Have Their Dogs Vaccinated

Chief of Police P. W. Brown said today that there would be no more slaughtering of dogs whose owners failed to have them vaccinated, but that the owners would be subjected to arrest and prosecution under the law which requires the vaccination.

J. L. Nobles and Policeman Paul Basnight are at police headquarters each afternoon to vaccinate the animals. Owners are requested to bring their dogs there for the treatment and avoid prosecution.

66-Year-Old Mother of Eight Catches Measles

Creswell.—Sixty-six years of age, Mrs. J. L. Clifton, the mother of eight grown and married children, had not been ill since she had influenza during President Woodrow Wilson's administration in 1917 until a few days, when she came down with the measles.

A daughter, Mrs. Claud Phelps, quotes Mrs. Clifton as saying, "Children, I always wanted the measles, but now I want them to go away." Her grown children, Mrs. Phelps said, do not remember their mother being sick except for the one time mentioned above.

MAYOR REELECTED



Mayor B. G. Campbell, who has served five years as mayor and nine years as councilman, was reelected chief executive of the local city government in Tuesday's election.

J. L. Memory, Jr., Is Speaker at Finals In Creswell Tuesday

Stresses Necessity of Young People Exerting Selves As Citizens

"Never in the world's history has it been so necessary for young people to exert themselves as citizens," Professor J. L. Memory, jr., of Wake Forest College, told the seniors at the Creswell High School Tuesday night at the graduating exercises.

The speaker pointed out that the prime qualities of a good citizen are loyalty, courage, and helpfulness, and he urged the seniors to maintain a close adherence to the ideals of their grandparents, who sought religious and personal freedom.

Marjorie Bateman made the salutatory address and C. N. Davenport, jr., member of the county board of education, introduced the speaker. Following Professor Memory's address, County Superintendent H. H. McLean presented diplomas to the graduating class and Principal A. T. Brooks made the achievement awards. J. C. Gatlin made the valedictory.

The following medals were awarded: J. C. Gatlin, valedictory; Marjorie Bateman, salutatory; Heber Aligood, agriculture; Marjorie Davenport, home economics; Neva Patrick, music; J. C. Gatlin, citizenship and athletics; Estelle Ayers, athletics; and Bossie Bateman, athletics.

The Rev. L. B. Scarborough, pastor of the First Christian church, of Rocky Mount, spoke to the class Sunday afternoon on character building. The invocation was made by the Rev. L. B. Bennett, and the Rev. R. N. Pitts read the Scripture lesson. The benediction was pronounced by Dr. G. A. Martin.

H. S. Everett Defeats J. J. Hassell for Mayor in Election at Roper Tuesday

Eighty-one ballots were cast in the municipal election at Roper Tuesday, when Henry Star Everett defeated J. J. Hassell for mayor by a margin of 8 votes. Mr. Everett received 44 votes and Mr. Hassell polled 36.

Councilmen named were L. L. Mizell, with 59 votes; W. Barton Swain, with 53; and Raymond Tarkenton, with 52. A. R. Phelps

with 42, and Charley B. Chesson, with 36, were defeated.

The new officials will be sworn in next Tuesday night, when the regular meeting of the town board is held.

Mr. Everett, only 26 years of age, is thought to be one of the youngest successful candidates for mayor in the state. He will succeed Mr. Hassell, who has served the town for a number of years.