

There will be a meeting of the officers of the Albemarle District Boy Scouts Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the office of J. R. Manning at the Manning Motor Company. There are about a dozen or more members of this board in the scout organization.

W. F. Winslow, Plymouth artist was again honored recently, his water color, "Afternoon in March," being one of 33 subjects exhibited in the Robert E. Lee Hotel in Winston-Salem at the annual exhibit of North Carolina artists sponsored by the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs on May 7 and 8.

Miss Evelyn Arps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Arps, has been chosen as Plymouth sponsor of the first annual cotton festival to be held in Tarboro Friday, May 23, with a parade, baseball game, band concerts, swimming and dancing as the features.

Mrs. Harold Harris, whose little daughter, Annie Jane Harris, recently won the first prize of \$200 in the "Popular Baby Parade," sponsored by the Roanoke Beacon, said this week that she had used the money to establish an educational fund for her child. She said that the little girl had won the \$200 and was entitled to the money.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crowder and son, James, and O. L. Thompson, of South Hill, Va., spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Crowder. Joe Crowder, who recently came here from South Hill, has had his Lions Club membership moved from the Virginia town to Plymouth and he was welcomed into the local club last Thursday night.

Local Boy Scout officials, who sponsored the dance at the Plymouth High School gym last Friday night, when Jimmy Byerly and his orchestra played for a benefit dance for the scouts, had a deficit of \$17.50 on the event, according to J. R. Manning, district chairman.

Freeman Davenport, colored, of Plymouth, has a small 8-cent silver coin bearing the date 1835. Made over a century ago, the coin looks about like a present-day dime, although it is a little smaller. It has a liberty head on one side and an eagle on the back.

To comply with wage and hour law requirements, the Branch Banking and Trust Company today went on a new schedule of hours. The bank will be opened at 9 a. m. and closed at 1 p. m. daily. H. E. Beam, the cashier, asks for cooperation of the public in observing the new hours.

A crew of workmen digging the hole for a new tank at the Esso station at the corner of Main and Washington Streets here Tuesday found the bones of a large animal some 10 feet below the surface. There was quite a discussion as to whether the bones were those of a horse, several observers stating they were too large, and no decision was ever reached as to just what kind of animal they came from.

Local Store Adding Plumbing Supplies

Announcement was made this week by James W. Norman, owner of the Norman Furniture Company, that he was adding plumbing equipment to his line of merchandise and would have a competent plumber in charge of this department, making this type of service available to people in Plymouth.

Mr. Norman also said that he had secured the services of George Harrison, well-known young man, who has been engaging in plumbing work in Norfolk, to take charge of this part of his firm's service. All work will be guaranteed and prices will be reasonable.

Mr. Harrison is well qualified to do plumbing work, and the new service will be available to the people of Plymouth on and after June 2.

Program of Services at Grace Church Sunday

Services at Grace Episcopal church Sunday will be as follows: Sunday school at 10 a. m. Worship service at 11 a. m. The Rev. Sidney E. Matthews will preach. Young People's Service League at 7:30 p. m.

Paper-Making Machinery Arriving Here From Richwood, W. Va., Plant

It is understood that 11 of the 22 freight carloads of machinery being brought to the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company here from the Cherry River Paper Company plant at Richwood, W. Va., have arrived and are being unloaded. The equipment included a large paper machine which was obtained when the Kieckhefer Container Company, of which the North Carolina Pulp Company is a subsidiary, bought the West Virginia plant about two years ago.

Officials of the local firm hope the remainder of the machinery will be received and the machinery reassembled in time to begin operation of it by the latter part

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Poppy Day Proclamation

Saturday, May 24, was proclaimed as Poppy Day in Plymouth, in a proclamation issued today by Mayor B. G. Campbell. The Mayor called upon all citizens to observe the day by wearing the memorial poppy of the American Legion and auxiliary.

The proclamation stated: "Whereas, the wearing of the memorial poppy is a fitting and effective way of keeping bright the memory of those young men who gave their lives in America's service in the World War; and "Whereas, the men of Plymouth served gallantly in that war, some being called upon to sacrifice their lives in that service; and

"Whereas, the present national emergency requires the same type of unselfish patriotism displayed by the men and symbolized by their memorial flower; and

"Whereas, the women of the American Legion Auxiliary will distribute veteran-made memorial poppies throughout the city on Saturday, May 24;

"Now therefore, I, B. G. Campbell, Mayor of the City of Plymouth, do proclaim, Saturday, May 24, to be Poppy Day in the City of Plymouth, and urge all citizens to observe the day by wearing the memorial poppy of The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary in honor of the men who died for America in the war of 1917 and 1918."

Clyde Hoey To Speak At Memorial Program Near Creswell May 30

Ed Owens Swims River on \$25 Bet

For a wager of \$25, Edward L. Owens swam the Roanoke River here last Friday afternoon, with Sheriff J. K. Reid, A. R. Latham, W. T. Freeman and others watching him "do his stuff."

It all came about on this wise: Mr. Owens had been handling peanut bags and was wet with perspiration and covered with dust from the goobers. He asserted before the group that he believed a swim would do him good. Then came the boast that he could negotiate the river. And he was challenged and the wager made.

He stripped off all his clothes except his "shorts," plunged into the water and in about five minutes was standing on the opposite shore. A boat was sent to bring him back.

He said he was none the worse for his swim; and he was wealthier by \$25 if not healthier as a result of the exercise.

Members of Welfare Board May Get Part Pay for Their Work

Expenses and Subsistence Payment Ruled Legal by Attorney General

There is a probability that members of the Washington County Board of Public Welfare may be compensated in some measure for their service on this important board, as the result of requests to Harry McMullan, State's Attorney General, who has issued an official opinion that the county may compensate the members for traveling expenses and reasonable subsistence while at the meeting place.

Heretofore, there has been no money appropriated by the county commissioners for payment of welfare board members, although the law says board members may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in attendance at official meetings. It has not been made mandatory that governing bodies pay anything to the board members.

However, there have been some members here, it is understood, who came long distances and did receive a small amount for mileage.

It is understood that James W. Norman and Walter W. White, newly appointed members of this board, will take office the first of July, and then they will name the third member.

Pettigrew Graves To Be Decorated; Program Outlined

Exercises Will Mark Observance of National Memorial Day in County

Celebration of National Memorial Day Friday, May 30, in Washington County will center around elaborate exercises planned for historic old St. David's Episcopal Church Cemetery and the Pettigrew Cemetery, on the old Bonarva Plantation, near Creswell, with Former Governor Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, as the principal speaker.

Graves in the 100-year-old cemetery around Creswell, where Bishop Charles Pettigrew, elected the first Episcopal bishop of North Carolina, and his worthy brother, General Johnston Pettigrew, of Confederate Army fame, will be decorated at the time.

Services will begin at St. David's Cemetery at 10:30 in the morning. The Rev. C. A. Ashby, of Edenton, will speak at the 11 o'clock service in the church. A large vested choir, directed by Miss Lona Bell Weatherly, Mrs. Roy Hopkins, will sing for the services. Ministers invited and expected to take part in the event are the Rev. John Hardy, of Williamsport; the Rev. C. E. Williams, of New Bern; the Rev. John Armfield, of Ahoskie; the Rev. W. B. Gaither, rector of the church; the Rev. Sidney E. Matthews, of Washington; the Rev. R. N. Pitts and Dr. G. A. Martin, of Creswell. The Rev. Mr. Gaither will be in charge of the service.

Mrs. Claudius McGowan has been asked to take charge of decorating the graves of the bishop and the general prior to noon. Mrs. McGowan will be assisted by the United Daughters of the Confederacy and other organizations.

After services at the church and graves, a motorcade will leave the church and cemeteries for the Lake Phelps community house, where a basket picnic will be served and the Plymouth High School band, under the direction of L. W. Zeigler, will give a concert.

W. L. Whitley will preside over the afternoon exercises and will present former Governor Clyde R. Hoey, who will speak about 3 o'clock. C. W. Tatem, of Columbia, will speak at this time on "The History of Lake Phelps" and T. W. Armstrong, manager of the FSA Scuppernon Farms project, will also have a place on the program.

The committee in charge of arrangements for the event includes C. W. Tatem, of Columbia; the Rev. C. A. Ashby, of Edenton; W. L. Whitley, of Plymouth; T. W. Armstrong, of Lake Phelps; and the Rev. B. W. Gaither, of Creswell.

Child Dies Sunday In Duke Hospital

Funeral services were held at Athens Chapel, near Washington, Monday afternoon for Lowell Thomas Cutler, 4, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cutler, of Bath and Plymouth, who died in a Durham hospital Sunday morning at 2:30, following an illness of 10 days. The body was carried to the home of an aunt, Mrs. Ascha Cutler, in Washington.

The Rev. Harold Tyler officiated, assisted by the Rev. D. W. Arnold. Burial took place in the Cutler cemetery. Survivors include the parents and paternal grandparents, George Horace Cutler.

Mr. Cutler is employed in a local industrial plant and has an apartment in the home of Mrs. Clyde W. Owens here.

250 Persons Attend Local Lions Show in Columbia This Week

Club Has Given Scouts \$150, Band \$50, and Has About \$60 for Spectacles

The Lions Club Minstrel, presented in Columbia Wednesday night, netted only a small sum to the benevolent fund of the organization, but it was believed that it created a large amount of good will for Plymouth among the 250 persons who attend. Prior to the first act, the Rev. W. B. Gaither, rector of the Episcopal church in Columbia, made a short talk, mentioning that the production was directed by R. B. Trotman and Dr. S. V. Lewis. The ladies' organization of the church sponsored the show.

The Lions Club made a profit of \$225 on the show in Plymouth, after paying about \$150 in expenses. From the proceeds, \$150 was given to the Boy and Sea Scouts here, \$50 to the band and the remainder left in the treasury for the purchase of glasses for needy children. With the amount taken in at both places, and including some money already in the treasury, the Lions will have about \$60 for the purchase of glasses for indigent children, who will be supplied shortly.

Lion, President P. W. Brown said today that he wished to express the appreciation of the club to the men and women who participated in the show and who gave of their time, talent and money in making the event one of the most successful in every way, of any home-talent production given here in recent years.

Plan To Abandon Motor Fuel Bulk Station Is Protested

Official of Standard Oil Co. Expected To Confer With Local People Today

An official of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey is expected here today by John W. Darden, secretary of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, and other civic-minded citizens, relative to the company's plan to partially abandon its bulk plant here. It is understood here that the company plans to service its stations in the Town of Plymouth from Washington, those west of Plymouth from Williamsport, and those east of Plymouth from Columbia, doing away with its distributing center here.

Bulk handling of fuel oil and kerosene here would be continued by C. E. Ayers, local agent, who would also continue operation of the large Esso Service Station here, but wholesale distribution of motor fuel from the large tanks on Roanoke River would be discontinued. Z. V. Norman, local attorney and civic worker is opposed to the plan on the grounds that it will reduce the personnel of the company here and would make a change in the business, believed better than it has ever been before.

It was stated that the company is planning the change as an economy move, but just why this should come up when the company is enjoying a better business than ever before is puzzling local people.

The company official was to be entertained at a dinner here Wednesday, but was unable to get here, wiring that he would be here today.

Norman Named Lay Leader for District

At the annual district conference of the Methodist church here last Thursday, Zeb Vance Norman, prominent churchman of Plymouth, was named lay leader of the Elizabeth City district. Mr. Norman's duties will constitute cooperation with the lay leaders in the 33 churches of the district and with representing the laity in church affairs, as well as cooperation with all district officials of the church.

There were over 300 delegates at the conference here last week, which was the first time in about 25 years that the district conference was held with the local church. The Plymouth church has become widely known in the conference as having one of the best choirs of any church in the state, it was said.

Choice of Mr. Norman for this special honor brings the Plymouth church recognition throughout the district.

Lord Halifax May Speak At 'Lost Colony' Opening

Washington.—Representative Herbert C. Bonner visited the British Embassy this week and extended an invitation to Lord Halifax, British Ambassador, to speak at Fort Raleigh on the opening night of "The Lost Colony" on July 3. Representative Bonner, who was greatly impressed with the tall Britisher, said the ambassador was most anxious to accept and asked many questions and expressed deep interest in the spot where the English first landed. He will be unable to give a final decision until about the middle of June.

Five Young White Men From County Leave for Fort Bragg Tuesday, June 3

Five young white men from Washington County have been selected to report to Fort Bragg, near Fayetteville, on Tuesday, June 3, to enter the army for their year of military training, under the terms of the selective service act, according to S. A. Ward, clerk of the local board. They are: Carlton G. Spruill, of Plymouth, volunteers; Elbert Forte Coates, order No. 96, and Lonnie Herman Craddock, order No. 322, both of Plymouth; and Osbourne Aldridge Marriner, of Roper, order No. 110.

Young Hurley, a volunteer, will be reporting for the fifth time. He said this week that if he is

turned down again it will be his last attempt to enter the service. Mr. Coates was deferred in an earlier call in order to complete his term as a teacher in the Plymouth schools.

The county now has 111 men in the armed forces of the nation who did not enter through the selective service method. The 5 leaving June 3, if all are accepted will make 64 who have entered under the terms of the selective service act and will bring the total number of men in service from Washington County to 175.

The local draft board has had only two appeals from classifications so far. One of the appeals was rejected, while the other will be heard soon.

New School Here May Be Delayed Result of WPA Labor Shortage

However, Plans Are Proceeding To File Request for Project

Believed It May Be Some Time Before Actual Work Begins

Although arrangements are being made to file application for WPA financial aid in the construction of the additions to the Plymouth school or a new graded school building, it may be some time before the actual work will begin, it was learned this week.

E. Leigh Winslow, construction engineer for the WPA district office at Williamsport, while here this week said that there is a general shortage of WPA labor, and that the number of Washington County people certified and assigned to such projects had dwindled during the past year from 150 to about 80.

It was further pointed out that the town had several projects underway, besides road projects and the Pettigrew Park project, which are drawing on the dwindling labor supply; and officials are unable to predict when sufficient WPA clients will be available to go to work on the school construction job.

However, undeterred by this problem, county and local school officials are proceeding as rapidly as possible with plans, and it is believed they will be ready for filing with the WPA office within a few days. It may require a month or two after that before the Washington, D. C., headquarters give final approval to the project, it was stated.

H. H. McLean, county superintendent of public instruction, said today that Frank Benton, of Wilson, architect, was proceeding rapidly with plans for the building, and it is believed the application will be ready for filing with the district WPA office within a few days.

Committee Member From Here Favors Reynolds Over Hoey

Carl L. Bailey To Attend Meet of State Committee In Raleigh Friday

Carl L. Bailey, local attorney and one of the 12 members of the State Democratic Executive from the First Congressional District, said today that he would cast his vote for Richard J. Reynolds, mayor of Winston-Salem and National Party treasurer, for Democratic National Committeeman in preference to Former Governor Clyde R. Hoey, at the meeting of the state committee tomorrow night.

Mr. Bailey said that of the six men and six women, comprising the executive committee of the first congressional district, he believes at least four will cast their vote for Reynolds. However, he further said he believed the two candidates were in a nip-and-tuck battle for membership on the national committee and that it would be hard now to even make a guess as to the winner.

The candidates are seeking the place as national committeeman made vacant by the death of A. D. (Lon) Folger, of Mount Airy, a Congressman, who has held the place for several years. The national committeewoman for North Carolina is Miss Beatrice Cobb, of Morganton, a newspaper publisher, who has held the place for years.

There are 132 members of the state executive committee eligible to vote on the place at the Raleigh meeting Friday night.

Governor J. Melville Broughton is supporting the candidacy of Former Governor Hoey, who is battling Reynolds for votes. Some state officials are reported to have become very active for Mr. Hoey, while Mr. Reynolds is making every effort to get the place himself.

SPECIAL SERMON



The Rev. O. L. Hardwick, pastor, will be in charge of dedicatory services for the new pipe organ, now debt free, at the Methodist church here Sunday morning.

Local Methodists To Dedicate Pipe Organ At Service Sunday

Pastor Will Speak; Special Musical Program Is Arranged

The Rev. O. L. Hardwick, pastor of the Plymouth Methodist church, is preparing a special sermon for delivery at the Sunday morning service, when the new \$3,000 organ of the church, installed last year, will be dedicated with appropriate ceremonies.

Shep Brinkley will be at the console of the handsome organ and a large vested choir will sing. The complete program for the service follows:

Organ prelude, "Pilgrim's Chorus," by Richard Wagner.
Hymn No. 532: "Hark, Hark, My Soul."
Apostle's Creed.
Prayer.
Prayer response.
Organ selection, "Fanfare," by J. Lemmens.
Anthem: "Lift Up Your Heads."
Responsive reading.
Gloria Patria.
Announcements.
Offering.
Anthem: "My Defense Is in the Lord."
Remarks: "Music in Worship," by the Rev. O. L. Hardwick.
Dedication of organ.
Hymn: "Wisdom of God."
Benediction.
"The Lord Bless You and Keep You."
Postlude: "March aux Flambeaux," S. Clark.

M. K. Blount and E. G. Flannagan To Speak at Merchants' Banquet Monday

Speeches by Marvin K. Blount and Ed. G. Flannagan, both of Greenville, will be features of the first annual banquet of the Plymouth Merchants Association, to be given in the community hall next Monday night, it was announced today by James W. Norman, president of the organization.

Mr. Blount is a prominent attorney and is connected with the large Blount-Harvey department store in Greenville. He recently announced himself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination as Representative in Congress from the first district in opposition to incumbent Herbert Bonner and Herbert Leary, of Edenton, who are also candidates. Mr. Flannagan is a well-known

School for Midwives Planned by District Health Department

Better Health and Healthier Babies Linked With National Defense

By S. V. LEWIS, M. D.
District Health Officer

National defense does not necessarily mean anything near or akin to war, although that is the usual interpretation placed upon the term, and if we should be so unfortunate as to be involved in a national conflict, it is but natural that all American citizens should desire the best health, the best living conditions and the best manner of preparedness possible to make certain that such an enemy be repelled with telling loss to his ranks. Many items may enter between our duties and our ability to administer a sound licking to any future foe, but the most important item that we may be confronted with is the general health and welfare of our people. Even a monster tank or airplane cannot be operated by a weakling or a person not in good health.

There are many handicaps to impede the progress of our nation, but it is the purpose of your health department to render a service that may not be rendered by any other source or efforts.

Syphilis is one of the most telling diseases, from the standpoint of taking human lives. Blood tests will reveal its presence, and it may be cured by prompt and adequate treatment. May it be remembered that the damage done by syphilis may not be repaired, but the progress of the disease may be stopped and further damage prevented. We should be reminded that syphilis may imitate any other of the most dangerous and fatal diseases, and it is necessary that you have a regular examination to make sure you do not have the disease.

In order to have a healthy citizenship, assistance and corrective measures should begin before the birth of the child. Among the mothers having syphilis, 90 per cent will give birth to a syphilitic baby unless the mother is properly treated before the birth of her child. If such a mother is properly treated, there is very little chance for her to bear a child that will have the disease. We must not forget that syphilis may be inherited down through as many as four generations.

As a further aid in order to prevent blindness and perhaps permanent crippling among the new-born babies of this county, this department wishes to advise that classes will be held for the teaching and training of midwives throughout Washington County, such classes to be held at the following places on the dates and hours mentioned:

At Roper Colored Church
Wednesday, May 28, at 1 p. m.
Monday, June 2, at 1 p. m.
Wednesday, June 4, at 1 p. m.
Friday, June 6, at 1 p. m.
Cherry Colored School
Friday, June 20, at 1 p. m.
Monday, June 23, at 1 p. m.
Thursday, June 26, at 9 a. m.
Friday, June 27, at 1 p. m.

The midwives in Plymouth and vicinity will be transported to Roper for classes by the county nurse. There are not enough midwives in the neighborhood of Plymouth to justify the additional time for conducting midwife classes in or very near Plymouth.

Young Democrats Meet Here June 6

Plans are being made for a rally of members of the Young Democratic clubs of the first congressional district at the Plymouth Country Club Friday night, June 6, according to a letter received by Representative W. M. Darden today from Paul Liverman, of Columbia, chairman of the district.

Mr. Darden was to confirm the date and make local arrangements in order that tickets could be placed on sale immediately. It is not definitely known yet whether use of the country club can be obtained for the event.

State Senator Gordon Gray, of Winston-Salem, former state president of Young Democratic clubs, has been invited to speak; and if he is unable to come another well-known speaker will be secured, Mr. Liverman said.

J. R. Manning, who is chairman of the program committee, said today that there were about 36 members of the organization and that each member and his wife was expected to attend the gathering.

In addition to the speeches by the visitors, there will be brief discussions participated in by the merchants, and President Norman said that the plan was to limit the meeting to about an hour.