

FIFTY-PIECE BAND OF PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL BAND — SEASON OF 1941-42



The Plymouth High School 50-piece band for the 1941-42 term is shown above. Left to right, the members are: Front row: Billy Winesett, Gracelyn Reid, Martha Manning, Anna Cahoon; second row: Frances Spruill, Helen Darden, Phyllis Davidson, Leon Dunbar, Edward Westray, Roy Manning; third row: L'Engle Barnes, Fanny Lou Winslow, Zeb Norman, Owen Hurley, Raymond Leggett, Eunice Holliday, Harry McLean, Gertrude Woolard, Nancy Fish, Clarence Ayers, Felton Magee; fourth row: Jack House, Iris White, Mary L. Campbell, Frances Bass-Louise Price, Martha McGowan, Clifford Fromier, Lee Landing, Carl Bailey, Pete Browning, Dewitt Darden, Shelton McNair, Bobby Dunning, Jack Horton, Billy Swain, Ben Robertson, Sonny Williford; flag bearers: Tom Hampton, Bosie Owens; not in picture: Robert Darden Swain.

A. E. Midgett, farmer of the Long Acre section of Beaufort County, said Wednesday while in town town that practically all farmers who grew tobacco this year realized a profit. He said it sold good and that the farmers in his section were well pleased.

Wood sample displays have been placed in the Plymouth schools by Lee Roy Cox, John Hays, Lester Sandy, Junior Rath, Ralph Howell and Alton Mayo. There are about 8 or 10 samples of wood produced in this county in each display.

It was learned today that the schools in Roper and Creswell could not close Friday for students to attend school day at the state fair in Raleigh. The Plymouth school will be closed.

There are still some information booklets available for eligible men who wish to join the Navy or Naval Reserve. They can be obtained by either writing a card or coming to The Beacon office. White and colored men are needed in the service.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fish spent several days recently in New York, where they attended the World Series, a rodeo and went to several shows. Mr. Fish is an official of the North Carolina Pulp Company here.

Shares of installment stock in the 16th series, dated October 1, are still offered to the public this week, according to M. W. Spruill, secretary of the Plymouth Building and Loan Association. Fifty-four shares have been sold so far.

The only case on the docket of recorder's court this week, that of Ernest Johnson, 26, colored, charged with assault, was continued because of failure to summon witnesses needed by the state. There will be no session of the court next week, due to the superior court being in session. Recorder's court cases are being set for October 28.

Miss Irene Mizelle, of Wilson, has been transferred to Plymouth to become home supervisor for the Farm Security Administration, succeeding Miss Spoon, who was transferred elsewhere.

Farmers To Elect Committeemen at Series of Meetings

First Meeting Scheduled for Monday, October 27, at Creswell School

Meetings for the election of local committeemen for 1941, and of delegates to the county convention, will be held in the three AAA districts in Washington County, starting Monday night, October 27, with 833 farmers eligible to vote under the terms of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration farm program, it was announced today by County Agent W. V. Hays.

The schedule of meetings is as follows: Monday night, October 27, at Creswell school building, for Scuppernon and the eastern part of Skinnersville Townships; Tuesday night, October 28, Roper school building, for Lees Mill Township and the western part of Skinnersville Township; and Wednesday night, October 29, at the agriculture building in Plymouth, for Plymouth Township. It is also understood that the county committeemen will be elected Wednesday night after the township meeting here.

There will be no meeting in Skinnersville Township, since, as has been the practice since the program was inaugurated, this community will be divided between Lees Mill and Scuppernon along an imaginary line drawn at the Pritchard store.

Creswell Seniors Visit Washington

By a happy coincidence, eight Creswell High School seniors, who spent the week-end in Washington, D. C., were fortunate enough to glimpse President Franklin D. Roosevelt although they had been advised prior to their departure that it would not be possible for them to see the nation's chief executive.

1941 Plymouth Band Is Said to Be Best in Six Years of Course

Objectives for Current Term Outlined by Director L. W. Zeigler

This is the sixth year that instruction in the Plymouth High School band has been offered as an accredited subject in the local high school, and the band is the most advanced of any group in its history, according to Instructor L. W. Zeigler. Twelve of the present members attended the all-state six-week band course at the University of North Carolina during the past summer.

Main objectives of the band for this year, according to the director, are the addition of a badly needed third Sousaphone, which will cost \$150; improvement in the marching band with emphasis on formations; new uniforms, if a suitable plan can be worked out for financing them; recruiting of 20 bands members, as some of the best players will graduate this year; and preparations for taking part in the district music festival at Greenville this term.

So far this year, Mr. Zeigler said, the band has attended high-school day at the University of North Carolina and appeared on the field at the Carolina-Leon Rhyne football game. The band has accepted an invitation to attend the National Peanut Festival in Suffolk, Va., October 31, when there will be competition for cash prizes; and the band will also participate in the local celebration of Armistice Day on November 11, an outdoor concert at an early date, and the county music festival March 27.

The band has received one new member this term, Miss Nancy Fish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fish, by transfer from the Richwood, W. Va., high school band.

Local Merchants in Meet Last Monday

Seventeen merchants were present at the meeting of the Plymouth Merchants' Association held at the municipal building Monday night, when matters of importance came before the meeting.

L. H. Lowe, reporting for a special committee, said that arrangements had been made to have mail bound north and south, by way of Williamston, leave here at 5:45 p. m., instead of 5 o'clock. This gives patrons of the local office 45 minutes more time to get mail into the post office.

District PTA Meet at Creswell October 22nd

Civil Docket Ready For Superior Court Opening on Monday

Judge Leo Carr, of Burlington, To Preside; Dozen Cases on Calendar

A one-week civil term of Washington County Superior Court will convene next Monday, with Judge Leo Carr, of Burlington, scheduled to preside. The calendar includes an even dozen cases, with several divorce cases and hearings on other matters to be heard at the will of the court.

The calendar includes the following cases: Monday: N. H. Harrison, jr., vs. Gertrude Darden, et al.; N. H. Harrison, jr., vs. Neva C. Darden, et al.; Georgia P. Houston vs. Phillip J. Houston. Tuesday: N. T. Elliott vs. John Halsey; Annie Mae Spruill vs. W. Jolly Bell; H. J. Howell vs. Adams-Johnson Company. Wednesday: J. J. Johnson vs. Tazwell Wheelock; Gladys P. Cooper, Adm., vs. American National Insurance Company; Town of Plymouth vs. Nancy Coffee; Industrial Bank vs. W. T. Freeman; Industrial Bank vs. Joe Nowarah. Thursday: Frances C. Hutchins vs. C. Edley Hutchins; Maggie Swain, et al. vs. A. J. Riddle, et al.

Young Man Shot in Hunting Accident

The first serious accident of the 1941 hunting in Washington County was reported Monday, when a number of scattered shots were removed by a physician from the body, legs and arm of Ralph Armstrong, young white man, after he was accidentally shot by Bennett Ambrose, another young white man, in a forest near here. It was said that the shooting was entirely accidental and no official report was made to officers. Dr. T. L. Bray, the attending physician, said that Armstrong was not critically injured.

It was reported that Ambrose was on a deer stand, while Armstrong had been hunting squirrels. When Ambrose saw the bushes move in the direction from which he was expecting a deer, he fired and a number of the shot struck Armstrong.

4th Anniversary of Plymouth Theatre To Be Marked by Special Shows Next Week

Celebration of the fourth anniversary of the opening of the handsome new Plymouth Theatre will be observed here next week, with a number of outstanding screen hits being booked for the patrons by Shep Brinkley, owner and manager.

Funeral Held Local Church Sunday for Mrs. H. E. Overton

Died in Norfolk Saturday; Had Been Ill for About Two Years

Funeral services were held last Sunday in the Plymouth Christian church for Mrs. Sarah Seymour Overton, 59, who died of heart trouble in Norfolk, Va., last Friday night, following an illness of about two years. The Rev. J. M. Johnson, pastor of the local Baptist church, officiated, and interment took place at the Windley cemetery near here.

Heart trouble was given as the cause of the death of Mrs. Overton, who was a native of Washington County. She was born January 4, 1892, and spent most of her life in this county. She was a daughter of the late Asa and Mrs. Annie E. Craddock, of this county, and was married to Henry E. Overton on November 8, 1906.

Boy Soprano Will Sing Here Sunday

Francis Price, 14-year-old Norfolk boy soprano, will sing at the Methodist church here Sunday morning, adding to the fine music rendered there every Sunday by a talented choir which is rated one of the best in the section. Shep Brinkley, organist at the church, was largely responsible for the visit of young Price. The Rev. O. L. Hardwick, pastor of the church, will preach on the topic, "A Plea for Discipline" at the service.

The young singer, whose voice brought him superior rating in recent Virginia state-wide contests, is to have a singing part in a musical comedy on Broadway within a few months, and he is also regarded as a very talented singer of sacred songs as well. He is a pupil of Mrs. Edwin Feller, who will probably accompany him here. Francis has been appearing in musical events and doing solo parts in Virginia since he was 10 years old. His mother, Mrs. Evelyn Price, was his first accompanist. The public is cordially invited to attend the service.

Annual Gathering of Southern Albemarle In Swan Quarter 23rd

Josephus Daniels To Speak; 52 Delegates Named from County

Official call No. 19, for the November quota of selectees issued by the state selective board, did not include a quota for Washington County, according to E. S. Blount, chairman of the local board. This county did not have a quota in official call No. 18 for October, but 15 white men were sent to the army on September 15 in answer to the 17th call.

Little Girl Killed by Car Near Here on Her 13th Birthday

Death ended the celebration of the thirteenth birthday of Corintha Bowen last Saturday afternoon, when an automobile fatally injured her as she was riding along Highway No. 32 with a companion in Beaufort County near Acre Station.

In observance of her birthday, her mother, Mrs. H. Wilmer Bowen had baked a birthday cake and invited a few of her playmates to participate in the occasion. While playing about the home, the young girl rode her bicycle onto the highway. She noted the approach of a motorcycle, but failed to see the approach of an auto proceeding in the same direction. Her playmates watched with horror as she was struck down. She suffered head injuries and was rushed to a Washington hospital at 5:30, death occurring shortly after 7 o'clock.

The driver of the car, a Mr. Schwab of Virginia, stopped immediately after the accident and rendered all possible assistance. An inquest was held during the week-end, and he was exonerated of all blame. The accident was held unavoidable on his part. Mr. Schwab brought flowers and attended the funeral of the little girl.

The victim was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wilmer Bowen, who have many relatives and friends in this county. The little girl was a student in the seventh grade at the Pantego school and was vice president of the Christian Endeavor Society at Long Acre Chapel Christian church, of which she was a member.

Services were conducted from the home of the parents Sunday afternoon, with the Rev. J. A. Saunders, assisted by the Rev. John J. Keenbeck, of Terra Ceia, officiating.

Manteo Chosen for Meeting Next Year

Manteo, on Roanoke Island, was chosen as the place for their meeting next year by 96 delegates from Eastern Star chapters in Hertford, Elizabeth City, Coinjock, Roanoke Island and Plymouth, who attended the annual meeting of the first district of the Masonic auxiliary which was held in the Christian church here Wednesday afternoon and evening, with the local chapter as host.

A turkey banquet was served at 7 p. m. in the annex to the church. Marvin Scherr, local youth, entertained the guests with several accordion numbers. Mrs. Frances M. Darden, of Plymouth, welcomed the visitors, and Mrs. Daisy Perry, of Elizabeth City, responded.

Woman's Club Members Tour N. C. Pulp Co. Plant

Members of the Plymouth Woman's Club went on a conducted tour of the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company following the Friday meeting held in the community building.

Josephus Daniels To Speak; 52 Delegates Named from County

United States Ambassador to Mexico Josephus Daniels will be the principal speaker at the annual meeting of the Southern Albemarle Association, which will be held in Swan Quarter Thursday, October 23, it was learned today from W. L. Whitley, of Plymouth, vice president of the association for Washington County.

Officers will be elected at the annual meeting, and the 52 delegates named by the county commissioners and Mr. Whitley will have authority to vote the full strength of this county on all matters which may come before the meeting.

Officials delegates from Washington County are: Plymouth: Z. V. Norman, John W. Darden, J. R. Manning, W. H. Paramore, P. W. Brown, H. H. McLean, Dr. E. S. Furgurson, Mrs. Claudius McGowan, Mrs. A. E. Davenport, C. E. Ayers, John Allen, W. H. Peele, S. F. Darden, S. D. Davis, Charlie W. Bowen, E. G. Arps, E. H. Liverman, B. G. Campbell, and Mrs. W. F. Winslow.

Roper: J. H. Gaylor, 3rd, W. Barton Swain, J. R. Knowles, C. L. Everett, W. W. Mizell, L. E. Hassell, Mrs. Clara E. Snell, J. C. Tarkenton, A. R. Phelps, and W. T. Freeman.

Creswell: John Combs, Mrs. Sidney Smithson, C. N. Davenport, sr., A. L. Holmes, O. D. Hatfield, W. D. Peal, W. T. Phelps, Earl Davenport, Mrs. Fred Smith, Clyde Smithson, E. J. Spruill, E. F. Swain, W. W. Bateman, Hugh Patrick, W. A. Swain, Stewart J. Woodley, M. F. Davenport and Guy Combs.

Wenona: J. L. Rea, H. J. Furbee and W. E. Allen.

Red Cross Calls for Volunteers to Make Garments for Needy

County Is Assigned Quota Of Over 100 Garments in Two Months

A call for volunteers to make garments for war relief was issued this week by Mrs. J. K. Reid, production chairman of the Washington County Red Cross, who urges those who wish to help to see her, as the need is very urgent, rather than to wait for solicitation.

Mrs. Reid said there was need for the following to be made in this county within the next two months for the Red Cross: 24 hospital night shirts; 15 women's cotton dresses; 16 girls' cotton dresses; 10 crocheted shawls; 20 layettes; and a large number of socks.

The Creswell unit has its material and supplies and those living in that community who will help in the work are asked to get in touch with Mrs. Edgar E. Woodley.

Those in the Plymouth, Roper, Mackeys and Wenona communities are urged to see Mrs. Addie L. Brinkley for knitting material and Mrs. P. B. Bateman for garment material. Patterns for the garments can also be supplied, according to Mrs. Reid. Mr. Reid said that those who wished to help in this worthy cause, but who cannot sew, may arrange to have the work done by paying for it.

Samuel J. Woodley Passes at Creswell

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the home near Creswell for Samuel Johnson Woodley, 60, who died Tuesday as the result of a heart ailment. The Rev. C. N. Fitts, pastor of the Creswell Methodist church, officiated. Interment took place in the family cemetery near the home.