

Private Jack H. Britt, a brother of Mrs. S. F. Garrett, is now playing on the medical baseball team at Camp Rucker, where he is getting his army training, his sister has been informed. Private Britt plays third base on the team.

William Davenport, of Washington, an uncle of Dan Satterthwaite, was in Plymouth last week-end, coming to attend the funeral of his old friend, James E. Lilley. He was accompanied by his wife and three daughters, the Misses Helen, Katherine and Susie.

John F. Asby, who lives about 2 miles from Plymouth on Highway 64, sold 540 pounds of tobacco at the opening sales Tuesday for \$227, an average of a little more than 42 cents a pound. Another 42-cent average was reported by Herbert Bateman, who farms on the Arthur Vail place on the Long Acre road near here.

E. H. Liverman and his three sons had a "family foursome" at the golf course here last Sunday afternoon. Technical Sergeant Aubrey W. Liverman, who has been stationed in the West Indies, and W. Benton Liverman, second-class petty officer in the Navy, who are home on leave, comprised half of the foursome, with Mr. Liverman and another son, Phillip, rounding it out. Incidentally, Mr. Liverman shot a better score than any of the youngsters.

Edw. S. (Ted) Blount reopened his hardware store here Monday morning after a brief vacation in Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. Blount went to Philadelphia last week, closing his store; but Mr. Blount was back on the job Monday, while Mrs. Blount will continue her visit with relatives in Pennsylvania for several more days.

**Boy Scouts Spend Night in Camp at Albemarle Beach**

**Make Hike on Bicycles and Cook Their Meals Over Campfire**

Eleven boys of Plymouth Troop No. 84, Boy Scouts of America, accompanied by their leader, the Rev. B. E. Taylor, spent last Tuesday night in camp at Albemarle Beach. They rode there in the late afternoon on bicycles and, making a late start on their return trip Wednesday, did not get in until near noon. The boys carried with them material for their supper and breakfast, which they cooked over camp fires. The supper was plentiful, well cooked with the skill of Boy Scouts and much enjoyed by all. But the breakfast Wednesday was skimpy, some stray dogs having raided the camp during the night and eaten all supplies they could find. However, the Scouts made out and did not leave camp hungry.

Only one folding cot was taken along and only two boys could sleep on that, but the others rolled up in blankets or sheets and slept comfortably on the sand.

The party included: Rev. B. E. Taylor, leader; Junior Rath, Joe Reid, Frank Landing, Marvin Scherr, Gordon Ambrose, Richard Carr, and his brother, Billy Carlyle, Jerry Polk, Robt. Darden Swain and Bill Robbins.

**Committee Revised On Civilian Defense**

P. Bruce Bateman, chairman of the Washington County Civilian Defense Council, announced today a newly revised committee on Emergency Public Works and Utilities and Protection of Industrial Plants and Public Buildings, as follows:

J. R. Manning, chairman; E. F. Still, co-chairman; Dr. S. V. Lewis, J. W. Darden, Clyde Davidson, E. L. Walker, T. W. Earle, Ethel Arps, and H. H. McLean.

At Roper: Barton Swain, co-chairman, W. W. Mizell, and L. E. Hassell.

At Creswell: A. T. Brooks, co-chairman; Harry Pritchett. At Mackeys: J. E. Davenport. At Skinnerville: H. L. Harris. Messengers: Plymouth Boy Scouts, Rev. B. E. Taylor, scout leader; Harry McLean, Jim Winesett Jerry Polk, Bill Robbins, Eddie Thomas, Robert Darden Swain, Ralph Howell and Junior Rath.

**Pick-Up Trucks No Longer Eligible For New Tires and Tubes, Board Told**

New tires and tubes will not be available for pick-up trucks, the local rationing board was informed yesterday by E. H. Schellenberg. State tire rationing specialist, of Raleigh. All tires capable of being used for passenger cars must be assigned to such cars, the state specialist said.

W. L. Whitley, local rationing board chairman, had a lengthy telephone conversation Wednesday with rationing authorities at Raleigh, presenting the urgent need of pick-up trucks and trailers to move the tobacco crop to market, but he was unable to secure a modification of the ruling. The refusal to make any concessions to facilitate marketing tobacco was positive. If it becomes necessary, it was suggested, farmers should pool their tobacco and employ large trucks. Only obsolete tire sizes will be available in the future for either pick-up trucks or trailers, it was stated.

**Schools Here to Open Thursday Next Week**

**GETS PROMOTION**



Corporal T. B. Brown, of the State Highway Patrol, stationed here since 1937, has been promoted to sergeant and transferred to New Bern, effective September 1.

**Brown Promoted To Sergeantcy in Highway Patrol**

**Patrolman Stationed Here Since 1937 Transferred To New Bern**

Highway Patrolman Tom Brown—Corporal Brown heretofore but Sergeant Brown on and after next Tuesday, September 1—will leave Plymouth next Monday for New Bern, his promotion and new duties fixing his headquarters there. He will be in charge of Division 8 of Troop A.

Entering the State Highway Patrol service August 17, 1934, the patrolman served in Washington and Greenville, being assigned to Plymouth September 15, 1937. In October, 1939, he was promoted to corporal.

For the present, Sergeant Brown plans for his family to remain in Plymouth, Mrs. Brown continuing her work as chief clerk in the office of County Agent W. V. Hays and Tom Brown, Jr., entering school here next week. The patrolman said that he plans to move the family to New Bern as soon as he can find a suitable house in which to live. He said that dwellings are about as hard to get there as in Plymouth, because of the near-by activities of the armed forces.

Since he has been located in Plymouth, Sergeant Brown has been very active in the social, fraternal and civic life of the community. He is senior warden of Perseverance Lodge, No. 59, A. F. & A. M., and is also commander of the local cub pack, the embryo Boy Scouts. He has many friends in Plymouth who will be sorry to see him leave, although they are pleased with his promotion.

While it is understood that a highway patrolman will continue to be stationed here, no announcement has been made as to who will be Sergeant Brown's successor.

**Revival Services To Close Next Monday**

The tent revival services in Plymouth are to continue through this week and close next Monday night with a great missionary service. In announcing this, Evangelist Raymond Browning said it was necessary because of increasing interest. The best altar service of the revival was witnessed last Monday night, when 13 persons sought the Lord.

Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Jenkins will conduct the missionary service. They worked more than 20 years among the natives of Swaziland, South Africa. The messages they bring will be illustrated with lantern slides.

Evangelist Brown said that the cooperation of the church people in Plymouth has been excellent and his stay here has been a happy one.

**High School Pupils Asked To Register At Building Monday**

**Local Teaching Staff Complete Except for Agriculture Instructor**

The white schools of Plymouth will open for the 1942-43 term Thursday morning of next week, September 3, at 9 o'clock, according to Principal R. B. Trotman, who said that arrangements were about complete for the opening. Local teachers will meet in the high school building here next Wednesday afternoon, September 2, at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Trotman said that much difficulty had been experienced in holding teachers to their contracts and in securing teachers to fill vacancies, but he hopes to have all places filled before the opening next week.

Mr. Trotman stated that the school bus routes will be substantially the same as last term. The War Transportation Board is insisting that the number of bus stops be reduced to a minimum in keeping with the war conservation program, and is asking that all school patrons cooperate by not making selfish or personal requests. Mr. Trotman said that schools everywhere were having trouble keeping the standards up to the pre-war level, but added "We will do the best we can under the circumstances."

Pupils of the first three grades will report to the Hampton Building, which will be in charge of Miss Ethel Perry. Children must be 6 years old on or before October 1 to enter the first grade, in conformity with regulations of the State Department of Public Instruction. These children must also present birth certificates and evidence of successful vaccination.

Teachers assigned to grades in the Hampton Building are: First, Misses Ethel Perry and Frances Turnage; second, Mrs. Leta Liverman and Miss Ella Harper; third, Mrs. Katherine Harrison and Miss Gladys Rountree. Grammar grade teachers in the high school building are: fourth, Mrs. Janie Dunning and Miss Katherine Brandon; fifth, Misses Martha Allen and Nellie Tankerton; sixth, Mrs. Eva Spruill Sanderson and Miss Mollie Edgerton; seventh, Misses Annie James and Eva Bateman. The eighth grade, under the new State 12-year program, will still be considered an elementary grade but will be taught by high school teachers.

Mr. Trotman states that untiring efforts on the part of state and local officials have failed to secure a successor to W. S. Moore, agriculture teacher, but it is hoped a teacher will be found before the opening of school. All eighth grade and high school pupils are urged by the principal to come to school on Monday, August 31, according to the following schedule in order to have the new program explained and to get their schedules arranged: Monday morning, August 31, 9 a. m., all eighth grade pupils; 10:30 a. m., all second-year high school pupils; Monday afternoon, 2 p. m., all third-year high school pupils; and at 3:30, all fourth-year high school pupils.

High-school teachers and their subjects are as follows: Mrs. Thelma Barden, English and French; Miss Irene Dixon, mathematics; Mrs. Dix, home economics; Mrs. Ethel Gurkin, English and history; Mrs. Irma Hough, commercial education; E. W. Kale, mathematics and history; Mrs. Benton Liverman, biology, physics, and girls' physical education; Mrs. E. W. Furgeson, public school music and librarian; L. W. Zeigler, science and band.

**Albert L. Bratten Octogenerian, Dies**

Albert L. Bratten, formerly for many years a citizen of Plymouth, died early in the morning of Tuesday, August 18, at the age of 80 years, in his home at Alachua, Fla. Funeral services were conducted there and burial was at Alachua.

Born in Plymouth, February 13, 1862, this was Mr. Bratten's home until he removed to Alachua 16 years ago, since when he had never been back, even for a visit. He was the son of Joseph A. Bratten and Deborah E. (Latham) Bratten. He married Miss Annie Hathaway of Buford county, N. C. All his life he was a farmer. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Immediate survivors include his widow and his daughter, Mrs. Ruth Miller, of Alachua and her four children; one brother, Frank Bratten, of Plymouth, only 18 months younger; five nephews, Albert, Alfred and Charley Bratten, of Plymouth, W. M. Scarborough, of Onancock, Va., and Frank Scarborough, of Newport News, Va., four nieces, Mrs. Ed Jackson and Mrs. Adolph Stubbs, of Plymouth, Mrs. Garcia Webb and Mrs. Inez Munden, of Edenton, N. C. Mrs. Minnie Johnson, of Plymouth is a second cousin.

**Local Draft Board Gets October Calls; Four Now on Hand**

**56 Colored Selectees Sent To Fort Bragg Reception Center Today**

Draft calls are coming thick and fast to the local draft board, it was learned this week. Fifty-seven colored men left this morning, and there are four more calls on file with the local board, two for September and a like number for October.

On September 8 the board is to send 25 white selectees to Fort Bragg. While there are 35 men in readiness for this call, at least four of them are preparing to join the Navy, it was said, and there may be others. The call is for 1-A men. However, men classed by Army doctors as 1-B are now being accepted. Selectees go to Fort Bragg for their physical and mental examinations, and those accepted are inducted and then given a 14-day furlough to wind up their affairs before beginning training.

On September 30, colored men to the number of 45 will be called. The October calls are for 35 white men on October 9 and 25 colored men on the 27th. Notice of the October calls was received this week by the local board.

It was stated that classification of the fifth registration men is proceeding as fast as they become 20 years of age, and many of them will be called in October.

Two special busses this morning carried 56 colored men to Fort Bragg for examination and probable induction. From Plymouth 30 were taken, from Creswell 9, and from Roper 16, and there was also one transfer from Parkley, Va. One other man was supposed to go, but failed to show up. However, it was thought he would report later in the day, and it was said that his name would not be turned over to FBI men for prosecution before tomorrow.

The names of those leaving today were published last week, but the list has been amended to except Marcelus Gorham, James McNair and William Alex James, of Plymouth, and Silas Washington Hines, of Creswell, who were granted temporary deferments. One new name was added, William Henry Blount, of Roper.

**Sugar Ration Stamp No. 8 Is Not Bonus**

Conforming with instructions from the office of Price Administration at Raleigh to all County Boards, the local rationing board has announced the valuation of Stamp No. 8 for 5 pounds of sugar for a 10-week period.

Beginning August 23 to October 31, inclusive, Stamp No. 8 in War Ration Book No. 1 will be good at any time for 5 pounds of sugar. The stamp value will permit merchants to sell in 5, 10 and 25-pound packages of sugar which are now in the hands of refineries, wholesalers and retailers. This will eliminate temporarily the necessity for repacking sugar into small units. It is not a bonus.

It is also stated that the time being near when students will be returning to school, they are advised they should take their ration books along and turn them over to the proper authority in charge of the dormitory where they board.

**Plymouth Lions Club Regular Meet Tonight**

The weekly meeting of the Lions Club of Plymouth will be held tonight in the Legion Hall. It is called for 7 o'clock and dinner will be served by the ladies. President L. S. Thompson and Secretary T. C. Burgess urge members to be on hand early. Interesting discussions of various matters are expected.

**Eastern Union of Primitive Baptists Meets August 29-30**

The Eastern Union of the Primitive Baptist church will meet at Concord Primitive Baptist church, between Creswell and Cherry, this week end. Elder S. Gray will be the pastor in charge. The session will convene Saturday, August 29, and continue through Sunday, August 30. Dinner will be served on the grounds Sunday.

**Postoffice Closes Saturdays 1 P. M.**

Beginning next week, according to announcement by Postmaster John W. Darden, all windows in the post office will be open from 8 o'clock a. m. to 6 p. m. on week days except Saturday, when they will close at 1 o'clock p. m.

This is a change from the summer schedule, when the half holiday was observed on Wednesdays, conforming with the Wednesday half-holiday in mercantile circles.

**Everything Set for Practice Blackout Here Friday Night**

**War Bond Sales Nearly Four Times More Than Quota for Month in County**

With a total of \$65,475 worth of War Bonds sold in Plymouth alone so far this month, the county quota will be quadrupled for August, it is indicated. In addition, \$4,573.80 worth of War Stamps have been sold, but these are not credited against the monthly county quotas until they are converted into bonds. The county fell \$15,000 short of its

July quota, but this has been more than made up this month. Surplus money in the hands of tobacco farmers during September and October should be invested to a large extent in War Bonds and Stamps, so Washington County should be able to remain well above its quota for those two months if they are in line with the goal for August.

**Scrap Metal Drive in County Brings Results**

**Campaign Will Be Intensified During Coming Few Days**

**Most of Scrap Collected Is Being Delivered at Yard Here**

Responding to the Government's urgent call for scrap metal, the salvage committee of the Washington County Council of Civilian Defense reports that people throughout the county are making an earnest effort to gather in all the iron and steel junk they can find. Some is brought to Plymouth and sold at the junk yard here, 45 cents per 100 pounds being paid, much is collected at other points in the county and brought in by Richard West, the same price being paid for it, less the cost of transportation. What is collected in one week is sent to Norfolk, Va., the next. The shipment out this week amounted to 17,740 pounds.

Richard West, to whom H. H. McLean and W. V. Hays, co-chairmen of the salvage drive in Washington County, refer most of the inquiries, says the collection of junk metal in the county is only in its initial stages. "The church ladies are becoming interested," he said, "and when they take hold of anything they do it. A few days ago a lady from Westover, a member of a ladies' aid society, asked me to pick up a load of scrap at Westover. I did so, and the money I paid for it went to the church." If the church women at all places undertake to gather junk metal to help their churches, there will soon be a big supply for government needs, he suggested.

Seven cars that had been run beyond their usefulness were also bought for salvage this week. Valuable parts of these cars may be sold to keep other cars running, but a substantial amount of junk metal remains which is sold as scrap.

**William H. Gardner, Roper Citizen, Dies**

William Harrison Gardner, aged 85 years, died at 10 o'clock Monday night, August 24, at his home in Roper where he had lived for 20 years. Infirmities of old age contributed to his death and feebleness had kept him in bed four weeks just before the end.

Mr. Gardner was born in Jamesville, Martin County, and made his home there until he moved to Roper. He married Miss Canella Mizelle of Jamesville and five children were born to them. For years he was an active member of Zion's Chapel, Christian Church at Roper.

Funeral services were conducted in the home on Tuesday by the Rev. O. M. Mankamyer, pastor of his church, and burial was in the Roanoke Rapids cemetery in the family burial lot.

Immediate survivors are his widow, 84 years of age; one son, Elbert Gardner of Suffolk, and five daughters: Mrs. George Coburn, of Plymouth; Mrs. L. N. Gerkin, of Roanoke Rapids; Miss Edith Gardner, of Roper; and Mrs. D. H. Vick, of Washington, D. C.; and several grandchildren. Because of the distance and family duties Mrs. Vick was unable to attend the funeral, but all the other children were there.

**Dave Chism Enlists For Naval Overseas Work**

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Chism have rented their house at 19 Pine Street, Country Club Village, to Mr. and Mrs. Pat Hamilton. They have given up their home temporarily since Mr. Chism is now in the Naval Reserve Overseas Construction Corporation and expects soon to be sent across the seas. Mrs. Chism said she is planning to return to her old home in Tuscaloosa, Ala., and her former work as a beauty specialist until after the duration and her husband comes home, but will remain in Plymouth for awhile.

**All County Towns To Be In Darkness For 30-Minute Test**

**Chief Warden Brown To Meet With and Instruct Deputies Tonight**

Sometime between 8 o'clock tomorrow night and 1 o'clock Saturday morning the local fire siren will be sounded for one minute, calling the people to participate in their second blackout practice. For 30 minutes thereafter the town of Plymouth is to be without lights. The blackout will be effective throughout the Williamston district, which includes all three of the towns in this county, as well as those in Martin County.

For 30 minutes the only lights will be those shining in the heavens. All street lights will be turned out, auto lights must be cut off and cars parked at the curb. In business and residential sections all lights must be extinguished or so dimmed and shaded that no reflections from them may be seen outside. With exception of the air raid wardens and other blackout officials all persons must remain indoors. A special ordinance probably will be enacted by the town council to enforce blackout regulations and providing penalties for all violators. Until then operations will be under special authority.

P. W. Brown has been named chief air raid warden with 21 deputies to aid him besides 20 auxiliary police and 20 auxiliary firemen. All will have full authority to act during tests or actual raids. The later may never come to Plymouth, but it is common sense to be prepared. The deputy air raid wardens are:

Richard Carr, captain; H. W. Joyner, R. L. Tetterton, Tarleton Gardner, Richard West, C. C. Craft, Roy Manning Jr., G. T. Barden, F. Morris Smith, Foy Davenport, W. H. Peele, W. S. Swain, and colored: Ernest James, J. J. Jordan, John Smithwick, John Brown, Joe Mitchell and Jake Harris.

Chief Warden Brown will instruct his deputies about their duties, provide each with arm bands and assign them areas to supervise. He has called them to meet tonight to be sworn in and to receive instructions. When the City Council meets on the first Monday night in September the special blackout ordinance desired will come up for consideration.

**Miss Brinkley To Operate Theatre**

Shep Brinkley, who is leaving tomorrow morning for Fort Bragg to enter active service with the Army, announced this week that the operation of the Plymouth Theatre during his absence would be in the hands of his sister, Miss Marian Brinkley. Mr. Brinkley was accepted with the group of selectees from this county August 14 and has been home for the past two weeks getting his affairs in shape before returning to duty.

Miss Brinkley has been in charge of the local theatre on several previous occasions, while her brother was in Murfreesboro, where he had another theatre up to a year or so ago.

Coming to Plymouth in 1933, Mr. Brinkley took over an old theatre and developed the business to the point where a newer modern building was required several years ago. He has secured the best pictures obtainable, which resulted in a steadily increasing patronage; and he expresses the hope that his patrons will continue their attendance while he is away.

"Conditions in the movie business are becoming increasingly difficult due to the war," Mr. Brinkley said, "and if everything is not exactly as you think it should be, blame Hitler. We are going to make every effort to provide the best entertainment possible, and I will be very grateful for any consideration shown me or my sister while I am away."

**Tobacco Markets Open With Prices On Low Grades Higher Than Expected**

With prices for better grades of tobacco ranging up to 47 cents and inferior types showing even greater proportionate gains over opening-day averages a year ago, tobacco sales on the eastern Carolina markets Tuesday reached the highest levels in many years. Prices Wednesday and Thursday continued equally encouraging. Bright Belt tobacco is in demand, and Washington County tobacco farmers, jubilant over the prospect of good prices for all their product, have turned with redoubled efforts to the harvesting and curing of their crop and getting it to market as quickly as possible.

At Williamston Tuesday, the first tobacco sold, 16,682 pounds, averaged \$39.34 per 100 pounds, some selling as high as 47 cents. Inferior grades brought lower prices naturally, but these types showed gains over opening price averages a year ago. In fact, the inferior grades, if they possess body and can meet smoking demands, are selling at new high figures.

Washington County tobacco farmers were much in evidence at Williamston and Robersonville and some at more distant markets. Individual averages of 42 to 46 cents were reported by them in numerous instances, and all were pleased with the prices offered.