

Captain Dallas G. Morris, of the Army Air Corps, who was killed in an airplane crash near Nashville, Ga., last Saturday, is remembered here as a member of the Plymouth Rocks baseball club in the old Albenmarle League.

Sergeant Gordon C. Chesson, who is stationed at Bolling Field, near Washington, D. C., is spending some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Chesson, of Roper. He was promoted to sergeant on September 1. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in September, 1939.

P. B. Bateman, Mayor B. G. Campbell, Chief of Police P. W. Brown, B. A. Sumner and Paul Basnight are among those from here attending the civilian defense council meeting in Raleigh today.

Franklin Earl Nobles, of Plymouth, and Grady Jones, of Creswell, have enlisted in the Navy recently; and William Wells Bateman, of Creswell, enlisted in the Army.

Miss Helen Bratten, secretary in the office of C. E. Ayers here for some time, last Friday entered training as a student nurse at Rex Hospital in Raleigh. Her sister, Miss Claudia Bratten has taken over her work in the office of Mr. Ayers, and Miss Martha Hornthal succeeded her as secretary of the local building and loan association.

Work on remodeling and enlarging the post office building is progressing rapidly. The extension has been completed, except for the flooring, and the interior of the office is being repainted this week.

The first Sunday in October will be observed as "Orphanage Sunday" at the local Methodist church, according to James W. Norman, superintendent of the Sunday school. Mr. Norman says the orphanage needs are now greater than ever before in its history, and he hopes every member of the church and Sunday school will make a substantial contribution to the institution.

Technical Corporal Paul W. Swain, of Plymouth, has been transferred from Camp Rucker and is now stationed at the O'Reilly General Hospital in Springfield, Mo., where he is being trained to become a surgeon's assistant. He was selected from the 321st Infantry, Medical Detachment, by the commanding officer of the medical battalion of the 81st division.

Building and Loan Office Here Moved

Miss Martha Hornthal was recently elected secretary of the Plymouth Building and Loan Association, and all records of the association have been moved from the office of C. E. Ayers to the office of W. R. Hampton on Water Street. Miss Hornthal will be in the office from 9 to 12 a. m. and from 2 to 6 p. m. every Monday and Friday for the purpose of receiving payments on installment stock and loans.

The annual meeting of stockholders of the association was not held last Wednesday night, as scheduled, due to the fact that there were several conflicting meetings at the same time. The board of directors met Friday and decided to call the stockholders' meeting for Wednesday, October 14, at 8 p. m., in the municipal council chamber.

Private Thos. D. Woodley Studying Army Finance

Private Thomas D. Woodley, of Creswell, is now at the Finance Replacement Training Center, Fort Benjamin Harrison, near Indianapolis, Ind., for basic training in finance. Upon completion of an intensive field training program, he will be sent into the classroom to study army pay methods, reports from there state.

T. J. Collier Succeeds A. T. Brooks as Principal Creswell School This Week

T. J. Collier has been made principal of the Creswell High School, beginning his duties there last Monday. He succeeds A. T. Brooks, who resigned last Friday, after one week of school work, in anticipation of being called into the army, and with Mrs. Brooks left Creswell on Tuesday. Mr. Brooks had been principal at Creswell for the past five years. Mr. Collier is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, where he was a member of Phi

Plymouth Merchants Discuss Program To Help Local Business

Sheet 2 Soon Good In Ration Book A

County motorists are reminded that coupons on page 1 of their A ration books will not be good after next Monday, September 21. The eight coupons on page 2 of the A books become valid on Tuesday, September 22, and remain effective for two months, through November 21.

Many car owners have already used up all the coupons on the first sheet in their A books, but there are some who still have a few units left. The local rationing board says it is their privilege to buy up all the gasoline allowed by their rationing coupons, but warns that the gas is supposed to be put into the tanks of their cars and not stored in containers for later use.

E. O. Arnold, Roper School Principal Is Proficient Teacher

Has Taught in Manteo, Mars Hill, Vanceboro; Son In Army

E. O. Arnold, who began his work as principal of the Roper High School when the term began recently, is an experienced teacher and a former citizen of Washington County. For two years he was principal of the Manteo High School, and he was at Mars Hill for four years and at Vanceboro for eight years. One of his sons is a lieutenant in the army, another is in the Naval Reserve and will go to Columbia University this year to complete his training.

Mr. Arnold reports the Roper High School enrollment this week to be 110, and the elementary school enrollment, 212.

Much interest in basketball is developing at Roper. Mr. Arnold said, but little in football, students there never having been very enthusiastic about the gridiron game.

The Roper school has a full teaching staff, but average daily attendance last year caused the loss of one teacher from the faculty, which Mr. Arnold hopes to regain this year.

Attend Funeral of Little Granddaughter In Charlotte

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Nooney went to Charlotte last week to attend the funeral of their little granddaughter, Cynthia Jo, aged 18 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hopkins of Charlotte. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning, September 10, in the South Side Baptist Church and burial in the church cemetery. The infant was ill only a short time with teething trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins and their little son, Stephen, aged about 3 years, returned to Plymouth with Mr. and Mrs. Nooney, whose guests they were until last Sunday, when they went back to their home in Charlotte with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Joyce.

Aged Negro Dies Friday In Macedonia Section

Will Johnson, an aged Negro citizen of Macedonia, died last Friday night. Funeral services were held Sunday. He was a member of the A. M. E. Z. church of Macedonia and of the Elks lodge at Plymouth. He was 80 years of age.

Earl Bowen in Charge of Scout Meet This Week

Earl Bowen, former scoutmaster, directed the Boy Scout activities at their meeting last Monday night and will have charge of them again next Monday night during the absence of the Rev. B. E. Taylor, who is conducting a revival in Beaufort County.

Betta Kappa, national honorary fraternity, he taught seven years at Arapahoe, both in Pamlico County. He voiced enthusiasm about his work in Creswell in anticipation of a happy and successful school year.

At present Mr. Collier is living in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Holmes, friends of many years standing. As soon as he can find suitable living quarters, his wife and two-year-old son will join him in Creswell.

Annual Meeting At Country Club Draws Liberal Attendance

Free Discussion of Trade Betterment Problems Discussed Monday

Plans to stimulate buying in Plymouth were discussed at some length at the annual meeting of the Plymouth Merchants Association Monday evening at the country club. The attendance was good, and before taking up the business end of the program a nice fried chicken dinner was served and several speakers were heard.

President E. E. Harrell introduced the several speakers, first being J. H. Newkirk, president of Local No. 356, International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers, who said that having formerly been in the mercantile business he felt at home among merchants. Having lived here a little more than five years he could testify, he said, that cooperation between Plymouth merchants and workmen in the plants here was very gratifying and he was sure it would continue.

Z. V. Norman, speaking for the lawyers, said the sympathetic relations between the legal profession and merchants was evident because a lawyer to be successful must be a good salesman; to a large extent they have the same problems to solve, the same difficulties to overcome.

T. C. Burgess, speaking for employees of the merchants, speaking on "How To Regard the Boss," said that clerks, who should be called salesmen, represent a large part of Plymouth's business element, and cooperation between them and the bosses is good because each has regard for the interests of the others. While the hours are long, he said, averaging about 53 a week possibly, most of the merchants coordinated the work so as not to work a hardship on their employees.

R. H. Lucas spoke briefly of his many years in Plymouth, which have given him many pleasant memories, he said.

Better Business Plan

Introducing the plan for better business to be discussed, President Harrell said the merchants in other years had sponsored programs of progress and he had appointed a committee to recommend a program for this fall. The committee had suggested the gift of a \$25 War Bond each week, the bond to be paid for by two or three merchants whose stores would be specially advertised that week, the buyers to be eligible for prizes under certain conditions not yet determined.

Some rules were mentioned and the discussion became general, but no definite agreement was reached. On motion of J. W. Norman, seconded by W. F. Winslow, the committee's plan was adopted in principle, with details to be worked out by a committee to be named by the president. The committee appointed includes W. H. Booker, chairman, H. A. Williford, L. S. Thompson, W. F. Winslow, J. W. Norman, and Mr. Rogers, of Pender's store.

Chief Air Raid Warden P. W. Brown suggested that merchants who leave lights burning at night have outside switches installed so that officers may turn off the lights in the event of unexpected blackouts. Otherwise officers may have to force entrance, he warned.

Mayor Campbell suggested a clean-up along the river front, behind the stores on the north side of Water Street, and of the alleys behind the stores on the south side of Water and back of stores on Washington Street. He said that conditions in the back lots called for immediate action.

B. A. Sumner was introduced as the county's next representative to the legislature and invited to address the merchants at their next monthly meeting.

Deferment From Draft Granted To Two Men

Two men, now subject to the draft, were granted temporary deferment by the local selective service board this week. They are:

Jack Beasley Willoughby, Plymouth, given deferment to January 1, 1943, so as to have time in which to straighten out his affairs.

Heber Alligood, Creswell, given deferment to the December call in order to house his crop.

Lewis Styons Jr. To Preach Plymouth Christian Church

Because of the absence of the Rev. B. E. Taylor, pastor of the Plymouth Christian Church, Lewis Styons, Jr., will preach there next Sunday at the 11 o'clock morning and 8 o'clock evening services. He will also fill in for Mr. Taylor at Chapel Hill at 3:30 in the afternoon.

Eight Colored Men Called For Service Neglect To Report

Included Among First September Selectees; Whereabouts Being Sought

Nine colored registrants of Local Board No. 1, Washington County Draft Board, failed to obey their order to report for physical examinations for the call for the month of September. Two notices were sent to each addressed to their last known addresses and some of these have been returned. One of these delinquents has since reported, so now there are eight, whose last known addresses are:

- Charles Robert Simmons, R. F. D., Plymouth; William Percy Wyne, Roper; William Henry Tarkenton, 8 B St., White City, Plymouth; Charlie Boyd, 5420 CCC MCP, 74 Maple Hill, N. C.; Bradley Lee Norman, 5420 CCC, Maple Hill, N. C.; Wadsworth Hall, Roper, N. C.; William Henry Knight, 644 Nichols St., Norfolk, Va.; James Willie Horton, Jacksonville, N. C.

If anyone knows of the whereabouts of any of these men it is requested that notification be sent to the Selective Service Board in Plymouth. If no report is received from them by September 20 their names will be turned over to the State Director of Selective Service.

The names of these men were not included among those who left Washington County on August 27 because none had replied to the call to report.

Schools Enlisted To Garner In 1750 Tons Scrap Metal

Washington County Needs All To Help Collect It, Says Superintendent

Asking for 1,750 tons, at least, of scrap metal to be garnered in Washington County and turned over to the salvage committee of the Washington County Civilian Defense Council within the next three or four weeks, and seconding the appeal of Governor Broughton and Mr. Erwin, state superintendent of schools, a letter has been sent by County Superintendent H. H. McLean to all schools under his supervision, the P. T. A. and other interested persons urging them to enlist in the campaign. In part the letter says:

"This state has been asked to collect and ship by January 1, 1750 tons of scrap metal. On an average, this means that Washington County has been asked for 1,750 tons. If we produce the scrap that has been allotted to us, it means that every man, woman, boy and girl in the county will have to become active. The campaign begins October 5."

"May I solicit your cooperation with the local schools in this matter? Our country expects us to do our duty in this respect just as much as it expects the boys overseas to do theirs. Let's not fail the boys. Let's get in the scrap, too."

New Firm of Cotton and Seed Cotton Buyers Here

C. E. Ayers and W. T. Freeman have formed a partnership, under the firm name of Ayers & Freeman, to buy bale and seed cotton: They will buy the cotton at the farm or will accept delivery at the Esso Service Station here.

Junior Club Will Sell War Stamps

The Junior Woman's Club is again sponsoring the sale of War Savings Stamps in the Plymouth schools, as it did with remarkable success during the first five months of this year. During this month Mrs. Harold Darden will be at the Hampton School each school day at 1 o'clock and Mrs. Ruth Dix will serve at the high school at 11:30 o'clock to make sales.

Mrs. Linwood Brown, president of the club, will name one member each month to sell the War Stamps at each school. She asks the cooperation of parents in reminding their children to buy War Stamps.

Beginning the sales last week, stamps were sold to the amount of \$15.25. Sales were similarly small when selling was begun early this year, but near the close of the term the sales reached \$125 a week. Mrs. Brown hopes for equally good success the last four months of this year.

Local Draft Board To Reclassify Men For Limited Service, Starting at Once

Notification was received this week by the local selective service board to reclassify all registrants now classed in 1-B, 1-BO, or 4-E-LS. It is not definitely known exactly how many men in the county are affected by the order.

Men in Class 1-B are available for limited military service when found acceptable to the land and naval forces. There are some of these in Washington County, but the number cannot be stated, and they will be reclassified within the next four months.

Conscientious objectors are listed in Class 1-BO, these being available for non-combatant military service. Only one man in the county is known to be in this

General Election Day Looms About Six Weeks Ahead

Washington County Registrars Announced; Challenge Day Oct. 31

General election day, Tuesday, November 3, looms just ahead, being only a little more than six weeks away. Preparations for it are being made in all the states.

In North Carolina the registration period for this general election will open October 10 and close October 24. All who have registered since the new registration law was enacted two years ago need not register again.

Challenge day will be October 31, the Saturday just prior to the general election.

W. W. White, of Roper, chairman Washington County Board of elections, announces the following registrars:

- W. L. Furbee, Wanaona for the Wanaona Precinct; Mrs. Hermine Ramsey, Plymouth, for the Plymouth Precinct; Tom Dillon, Roper, for the Lees Mill Precinct; Mrs. M. A. White, Skimmersville, for the Skimmersville Precinct; J. A. Combs, Creswell, for the Scuppernon Precinct.

The Absentee Ballot Law provides for absentee voting. It provides that the application for an absentee ballot must be made on the absentee application form furnished by the county chairman and cannot be made more than thirty days prior to the date of the election. This means that application under this Act cannot be made prior to October 3, since the election comes on November 3.

The U. S. Congress has just enacted an absentee ballot Act providing another method for soldiers, sailors, marines, nurses and others in the country's armed service who desire to use same to vote for members of United States Congress only. This Act places its administration on the Secretary of State and relieves the County Chairman of that duty. It permits men and women in the armed forces to vote by absentee ballot in Federal elections irrespective of registration and also of poll tax requirements in those states requiring such. Those wishing to vote will apply for official war ballots to be supplied by the Secretary of State of the respective state, by the North Carolina Secretary of State for such absentee balloting in North Carolina.

Vocational Teachers of Three Counties Plan Work

Vocational home economics and vocational agriculture teachers of Washington, Martin and Tyrrell counties met in joint session at Roper last week. Representatives of each school discussed their plans for joint programs to be conducted during the coming year and also plans for vocational education in the eighth grade.

In separate groups individual problems were compared and studied. The home economics teachers elected their officers for the coming year: Beulah White, Creswell, chairman; Frances Ford, Robersonville, secretary; Lela Davenport, Columbia, program chairman; Ruth Brett, Williamston, publicity chairman.

It was decided to hold their meetings once each month.

Sermon On "God and Human Suffering" Sunday

The Rev. O. L. Hardwick, pastor of the Plymouth Methodist church, will preach the second of a series of sermons on "God and Human Suffering" next Sunday morning. Last Sunday he approached the subject from a negative point of view; next Sunday he will start with the positive. The public is invited to hear it. Services for the day are: Church school, 9:45 a. m.; Morning worship, 11 a. m.; Epworth League, 7 p. m.; Evening worship, 8 p. m. The public is cordially invited to all services.

Darden Deplores Unpatriotic Trend

Postmaster John W. Darden told Plymouth merchants at their annual meeting Monday night that War Stamp sales in Plymouth had reached an average of about \$6,000 monthly, and he hoped and believed this would soon reach \$10,000 and more.

The postmaster stated that he deplored the practice of some employees who had agreed to accept a part of their wages in War Stamps presenting the stamps almost immediately for redemption. The stamps are not supposed to be redeemed except for War Bonds. He asked and was promised the help of the merchants in using their influence against the practice of "cashing in" War Stamps except in cases of real emergency.

Colored Selectees To Be Called To Leave Here September 30

Orders to 45 colored men of Washington County to report to the local selective service board and be ready to leave here at 7:15 a. m., Wednesday, September 30, to go to Fort Bragg for physical examinations to determine their fitness for service in the army, will be sent out early next week. One of the number is a volunteer. Of the total, 20 are from Plymouth, 13 from Roper, 10 from Creswell, and 2 from Mackeys.

The selectees are: From Plymouth: James Henry Downing (volunteer), Lorenzo Fred McNeil, Beatrice Downing, Benjamin Hebrew Belcher, George Lee Cherry, Joseph Carroll Pruden, James Williams Johnson, Alphonza Cradle, Sylvester Small, James Alton Brown, John Arthur Rogers, John Henry Dixon, Roy Hampton Simpson, Austin Louis Allen, Joe Nathan Manley, Edgar Alfonza McNeil, Leslie Linwood Garrett, Clifton Smith, James Henry Moore, Jesse Lee McNeil.

From Roper: Cornelius Simpson, Thirles Simpson, Robert Louis Holley, James Hays Satterthwaite, Henry Pete Greene, Henry Allen Rhodes, Dennis Cox, John Earl Davenport, Warren Everett, James Edward Knight, James William Robertson, John Henry Norman, Monroe Wright.

From Creswell: William Palin, Theodore Edward Littlejohn, Henry Louis Blount, Louis Melvin Littlejohn, Fred Jenkins, Lonnie Claudius Harris, Willis Jupiter Sawyer, Charlie Thomas Norman, James Thelby Robinson, Ermer Lee Roberts.

From Mackeys: Leroy Midgett, Alexander Junior Nixon.

Rev. B. E. Taylor Holding Revival in Beaufort County

Rev. B. E. Taylor, pastor of the Plymouth Christian Church, left last Monday afternoon for Beaufort County to hold a ten-day revival meeting in the Rosemary Christian Church, Lewis Styons, Jr., will preach for him here next Sunday.

Sales of War Bonds and Stamps, September 1-15

War Bonds sold in Plymouth September 1 to 15 inclusive totaled \$11,000, reported H. E. Beam, chairman of War Bond Sales in Washington County, today.

War Stamps sold at the postoffice during the same period totaled about \$4,500.

Family of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bowen, Of Near Roper, All-Out for War Effort

This is the record of one Washington County farm family. Harold, Gordon and Ben Frank are serving in the army. Ray and Marvin are in the Coast Guard, Phillip is engaged in defense work at Edenton. So much for the six sons; the two girls are not idle. Marguerite is in defense work with the Navy Yard at Portsmouth and Mrs. Mary Bowen White, also at Portsmouth, is in the Army-Navy Store. There are no slackers in this Bowen family.

County War Bonds Goal for September Is Fixed at \$16,500

Treasury Head Says Voluntary Purchase Program Continues Essential

Washington County's quota of War Bonds in September, the amount allotted for purchase here, is \$16,500. This is a little less than the total sales in either May, June or July and only a little more than one-fifth of the total sales in August, when the quota was the same as for September. The Treasury Department has informed H. E. Beam, Washington County chairman for War Bond sales that sales in excess of quotas probably would be credited to future quotas, so while harvest returns are coming in the investment in War Bonds should be as large as possible.

Chas. H. Robertson, of Greensboro, State Administrator War Savings Staff, advises receipt of a message from Secretary of Treasury Morgenthau in which he expressed continued faith in the voluntary War Bond program, but says it cannot alone close the gap between the amount of money available for consumer spending and the supply of goods available for civilian use; that it must therefore be supplemented by a more drastic and comprehensive tax program, including a tax on spendings, a part of this to be treated as a debt to the taxpayer and repaid after the war.

"We shall continue to rely upon voluntary lending for a large part of our financing; the mounting requirements of the war demand that our sale of war bonds be continued and intensified," said the treasurer. "The voluntary War Bond program has produced and will continue to produce a great contribution to the nation's war effort regardless of the other measures that are needed. The voluntary savings program will be essential until the war is won."

"To our hundreds of thousands of War Bond volunteers I should like to say that the nation is counting on them more than ever to carry on the magnificent work in which they are so unselfishly engaged."

Permission Given To Purchase Car

The application of Dr. Alvin Papi-neau for permission to buy an automobile, a passenger car, was granted by the local tire rationing board at its meeting last Thursday. Being a physician, he has a priority claim.

Other applications were granted as follows:

- H. L. Browning, Plymouth, two recaps and two tubes; J. E. Bowen, Plymouth, two obsolete trailer tires and tubes; Robert W. Bowen, Plymouth, two recaps for car; T. L. Wynne, Roper, one recap for car.

Test Farm Relocating Committee to Report

Committee investigations relative to relocating Blackland Test Farm are to be submitted at the next meeting of the State Board of Agriculture, to be held soon, according to Commissioner W. Kerr Scott.

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