Members of the senior class of

Plymouth High School received a spe-

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#### cial holiday Monday of this week The class as a whole averaged over 98 per cent in average daily atten-Woman's Club Here Sponsors Sale of dance throughout the past school month and was given the holiday as a reward for the splendid record. Christmas Seals Throughout County

J. Roy Manning, president of the Washington County Farm Bureau, and L. E. Hassell, of Roper, left today for Raleigh, where they will join the North Carolina delegation leaving tomorrow for Chicago to attend the national convention of the Farm Bureau Federation. Two special buses have been chartered to carry the North Carolina group to the meeting.

The county salvage committee reminds local people that old newspapers will again be picked up next Monday morning. They should be tied in bundles 12 inches high and left on the front door steps. Properly prepared tin cans should be delivered at the municipal building, where receptacles have been prepared for them. They will not be picked up at the houses, however.

Clyde Hassell has been ill at his home here since last Friday. He is reported to be improving. Dut to his illness, there has been no baking at the Hassell Brothers Bakery this week, but he hopes to be back on the job by the first of next week.

Members of the Plymouth Merchants Association were invited guests at a barbecue supper given last night by the Plymouth Volunteer Fire Department. The barbecue was cooked and served by the fire laddies in the American Legion Hall

Sergeant Robert Bowen and Corporal Leroy Bateman, of a mechanized calvary outfit stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C., are visiting relatives and friends here for a few days. Sergeant Bowen is the son of Jesse Bowen of Plymouth Route 1, while Corporal Bateman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bateman, of Plymouth.

Theodore Johnson, director of the State Office of Price Administration, and Mr. Bernhardt, head of the gaso. line division, both of Raleigh, were in Plymouth this week, checking some of the records in the office of the local rationing board. It is understood that issuance of supplementary gasoline allotments will be more strictly supervised by the local board in the future as a result of

Very little additional contributions have been turned in on the United War Fund Drive during the past week, it was learned yesterday from H. H. Allen, treasurer. It is understood that the campaign will be brought to a close this week, although John W. Darden, county chairman, is out of town, and a definite statement could not be secured from

Due to a clerical error in the copy of Pender's advertisement last week. Plymouth, died at his home here last the price of cranberry sauce was Friday night at 9 o'clock after a perquoted at 28 cents for a 16-oz. jar, jod of declining health extending whereas the correct price should have over several years. been 18 cents, it was announced Friday by Ronald Nichols, manager of

#### Compliance Check With Meat Regulations Made to the grave some years ago.

A compliance check of all meat handlers in Washington County is Christian church, and he was a membeing made this week by assistants to the price ceiling panel of the local time of his death. The funeral servwar price and rationing board. The reports are being made to the panel and will be reviewed by the members within the next few days.

The compliance check was made in Plymouth by Mrs. T. W. Earle and Mrs. Virginia Johnson; by Miss Beulah White in Creswell, and by Mrs. J. F. Leary in Roper.

pliance with the ceiling price regu- A. and Oscar Jackson, of Jamesville; A check is also underway for comlations governing sellers of luggage in the county

#### Two Autos Collide at Intersection Sunday

The Ford cars owned and driven by Jack Horton, white, of Plymouth, noon at 3 o'clock, with the Rev. E. B. and Herbert Davenport, colored, also Quick, pastor of the Christian church, of Plymouth, collided at the inter- officiating, assisted by the Rev. Wilsection of Fourth and Washington liam B. Daniels, jr., rector of Grace Streets here early Sunday morning. Episcopal church, and the Rev. J. No one was injured, but both cars were damaged extensively. No ar. ville Christian church. Interment rests were made by police who investigated the accident.

#### is double that of last year, and The Senior Woman's Club of Plymouth, is sponsoring the sale of Christmas Seals in this county, the proceeds of which go to The Woman's Club received fight Tuberculosis. Three-fourths \$300 worth of the seals and it is

of the amount raised will be used to fight tuberculosis in Washington County and the remaining one-fourth will be sent to State According to Mrs. Donald W.

Hunt, local chairman, the rate of sales is very good. The amount raised in the Hampton Academy

dent by the number of books bor-

rowed each month from the li-

Plans were discussed for in-

creasing the circulation of books

in the county when conditions

are considered more normal than

at the present time. It is hoped

that a district librarian may be

secured in the near future to

succeed Miss Elizabeth Carroll,

who resigned the post several

months ago. Members of the

county board are giving much of

their time to the work of the li-

Died Last Friday

In Declining Health for

Several Years

Son of the late Alred and Love Gur-

ganus Jackson, he was born in Wash-

and lived all of his life here. In

April, 1892, he was married to Miss

Martha Bateman, who preceded him

For about 60 years Mr. Jackson was

a very active member of the local

ber of the board of deacons at the

ice was very largely attended Sunday.

was held throughout the community

He is survived by three daughters:

Mrs. Joe Jackson and Mrs. Blanch

Swain, of Plymouth; Mrs. Roy Bai-

Raymond Jackson, of Plymouth; W.

tain. He also leaves a half-sister

Mrs. E. R. Jackson, of New Bern;

several grandchildren and one great-

M. Perry, pastor of the Roberson-

grandchild.

John W. Jackson

brary.

the amount raised in the High School is nearly double last

expected that the supply will be exhausted by the end of the drive. All organizations that are selling seals are instructed to have their returns in by December 10. Anyone who wishes to buy seals or get any to sell should get in touch with Mrs. Hunt in Plymouth.

# Two Killed When Oil Truck Hits Cart Near Here Last Saturday

#### Truck Driver Burns Library Board in To Death; Woman **Meeting Tuesday**

Miss Julia Ames, supervisor of rural libraries in North Carolina, Several Others Hurt, One met here with the Washington Seriously, in Accident on County Library board Tuesday of Highway 97 last week. Miss Ames said that increased interest and enjoyment of reading in the county was evi-

Two people were killed almost instantly and four others were injured, one critically, on highway 97 about a mile south of Plymouth Saturday afternoon shortly after 3 o'clock, when a gasoline-loaded transport truck overturned and burned after hitting a mule and cart. Mrs Betty Modlin, 53, of near Plymouth, her head crushed, died before reaching a hospital here; and Robert A. Bradley, jr., 37, of Whitakers, driver of the truck, was burned to

William Douglas Modlin, 9-monthold son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Modlin, suffered a fractured skull and is given a slight chance to recover by attending physicians at a Washington hospital. Mrs. Andrew Modlin was three-year-old daughter escaped with only minor injuries.

At His Home Here Mr. and Mrs. Modlin, their two children and Mr. Modlin's mother were coming to Plymouth from their Retired Merchant Had Been home on the Edgar Bateman farm. The truck was also headed toward Plymouth, and according to eye-witnesses, had started to pass the cart on a curve when it suddenly swerved John W. Jackson, 75 years of age, into the mule-drawn vehicle. After well-known retired merchant of hitting the cart, the truck driver ap parently lost control of the heavy transport, which was loaded with approximately 4,000 gallons of gasoline and it continued for about 125 yards before it turned over on the west ington County on January 23, 1868,

side of the highway. As it rolled over, gasoline was thrown high into the air, and the whole truck immediately enveloped in flames. Two of the witnesses said they saw the driver run from the cab across the road into a cornfield, where his body was found later, after the flames had subsided. He fell some

(See TWO KILLED, Page 6)

#### and the profuse floral offering at-County Agent Will tested the high esteem in which he Aid Communities To Get Rid of Rats ley, of Norfolk; five sons, J. H. and

Much Damage Is Done by Rodents on Some Farms Of County Recently

The county agent's office here will The funeral service was held from lend its aid in conducting communthe home of his daughter, Mrs. ity rat-eradication campaigns in Blanche Swain, here Sunday aftervarious sections of the county. During the past few weeks considerable damage by the rodents hase been reported on some county farms. Red squill, the poisoning agent, has been ordered by W. V. Hays, county agent, and he will be glad to instruct farmers as to the best methods of control-

It is explained that rat campaigns should be conducted on a community-wide basis, as individual efforts are hardly worth while. If one farmer decides to put out the poison bait, a few rats may be killed, but the others usually leave that particular farm for a short while, and return later. When the campaign is conducted on a community basis, all

The red squill is furnished at cost and the agent will be glad to instruct It is emphasized that this super- farmers as to the best method for vision does not require the owner to mixing and placing the bait. Interested groups are invited to ask for farm, but only requires that he visit further details

Most of the damage is being caused by big wharf rats, which have spread throughout the section in recent single night by the rats.

Named at Series of Meetings Held This Week

The Agricultural Adjustment Adninstration organization for Washngton County for the coming year was perfected at a series of communty and county meetings this week Committeemen and alternates were elected for the seven communities and delegates and alternates were named to attend the county convention, being held in Plymouth today, when the three county committeemen are to be elected to administer the 1944 AAA program

Meetings were held in Creswell, Roper and Plymouth Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, respectively, where the community organizations were set up. There are three community organizations in the Scuppernong district; two in Lees Mills and two in Plymouth townships.

county convention here today was elected; also a community chairman. vice chairman, regular members and two alternates. Those elected for the Is Killed in Crash two alternates. Those elected for the various communities are as follows: Cherry: W. P. Davenport, dele-

chairman; J. M. Davenport, regular member; Steve Davenport, first al- and Robert William Carter; ternate member; and Phillip Spruill. second alternate member.

Issac W. Furlough, alternate; Isaac ill: W. Furlough, chairman; J. R. Davenport, vice chairman; Sam D. Spruill, member; Earl Midgett and L. A. Ambrose, alternates.

Mount Pleasant: P. B. Belanga delegate; Heber Alligood, alternate; P. B. Belanga, chairman; Heber Alligood, vice chairman; Herbert L. Davenport, member; Leon L. Davenport and W. A. Spruill, alternates.

Roper: L. E. Hassell delegate; R W. Lewis, alternate; F. L. Stillman chairman; R. W. Lewis, vice chairman; F. C. Tarkenton, member; Morton Marriner and Ronda Lee Davenport, alternates.

Plasant Grove: Walter A. Knowles. painfully cut and bruised, while her husband, driver of the cart, and their W. White, chairman; J. M. Clagon, vice chairman; W. C. Spruill, member; C. L. Everett and L. A. Parrisher, alternates.

Long Acre: P. H. Darden, delegate; C. W. Bowen, alternate; R. C. Jackson, chairman; W. E. Allen, vice chairman; S. F. Darden, member; J. F. Carter and W. F. Ange, alternates.

Plymouth: S. D. Davis. Dan R. Satterthwaite, alternate: H. G. Simpson, chairman: S. D. Davis vice chairman; R. H. Lucas, jr., member; Tom Harrison and C. B. Barnes,

## Southern Albemarle **Association To Hold** Annual Meet Dec. 17

Will Be Held at Manteo; W L. Whitley, of Plymouth, Is President

The tenth annual convention of the Southern Albemarle Association will be held at Manteo, in Dare County, on Friday afternoon, December 17, it George M. Modlin, of Robersonville was announced this week by W I. Whitley, of Plymouth, president of ence Modlin, of the U. S. Navy, who the group. The association comprises the counties of Dare. Hyde. Tyrrell and Washington.

Mr. Whitley has notified the county commissioners of the four member counties of the annual meeting and requested them to name their delegates at the December meetings of the several boards of commission

rs. Each county is asked to name up to 25 delegates to accept Dare's inviation to meet at Manteo, extended at the convention held in Columbia a year ago. The convention will be by the Rev. A. M. Williams, pastor held on the afternoon following the of the Whitakers Methodist church. Kitty Hawk Day celebration, to be Burial was in the Whitakers cemeheld in commemoration of the first airplane flight by the Wright Brothers at Kill Devil Hill on December

Following the luncheon, the business meeting will be held at 1:30 and will adjourn in time for the delegates to return on the ferry leaving Manteo at 5:30, as most of the delegates are expected to drive back by way of Englehard and Fairfield.

In announcing the meeting this year, Mr. Whitley, who has served two terms as president of the organization, recommends the election of a new slate of officers.

In former years the Southern Albemarle Association was very active sored a dance Wednesday night in in promoting the progress of the four the High School shop. The purpose counties, particularly in reference to of the dance was to get money for the extension of highway facilities in the annual Christmas baskets which the section. Since the outbreak of the Beta Club distributes to local famiwar, it has necessarily been more or lies that are in need each year. The less inactive, but there is a strong dance was suggested and planned at feeling among leaders in the section the last business meeting to be a Meat produced by a farmer who years. They are especially destruc- that the organization should be con- "leap year" dance with girls inviting 200 have been reported killed in a work after the war without any de- break." Card games were enjoyed by

County Quota of White Men for December

Eighteen fathers and three nonfathers are included in the list of selectees who will leave here Friday morning for Fort Bragg, where they will receive their final examina tions prior to possible induction into the armed forces. More than a dozen others were included in the original call, but their induction has been temporarily postponed, due to lastminute changes in their status.

Of the 21 men summoned to leave tomorrow morning, 14 are from Plymouth. 4 are from Roper and 3 are from Creswell. The percentage and number of fathers included in the call are the greatest ever recorded by the local board. The men are ordered to report to the draft board at 10 o'clock and will leave at 10:20.

The three non-fathers in the group At each community meeting, a are as follows, Robert Demitrus delegate and an alternate to the Spruill, of Creswell; J. B. Harris and John Harrison Rogers, of Plymouth The list of fathers is as follows:

From Plymouth: Roger L. Williams, Elbert Lee Woodley, Jesse C Harrington, George Musgrave Scott Raymond Irving Jackson, Carl Burgate; Chesleigh Ambrose, alternate ton Roberson, William Thomas Ar delegate; W. P. Davenport, commun- rants, Foy Garland Davenport, Al ity chairman; Ernest Davenport, vice pheus Mewborn Faulkner, Clyde Carlton Chesson, Harold Edison Asby

From Roper: Phillip Wayne Trueblood, Rossie Atlas Oliver, Adrian Creswell: W. D. Phelps, delegate; Earl Barnes, and John Latham Spru-

> From Creswell: Jesse Williard Craddock and Wallace Trinigan

# Victims of Accident Are Held This Week

Rites for Mrs. Betty Modlin Held at Home of Sister Near Plymouth

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. for Mrs. Betty Modlin, one of the victims of the truck-cart accident near here last Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Modlin's head was crushed when the cart in for the Army or Navy. which she was riding was struck by a large gasoline transport truck, and she was pronounced dead upon arrival at the Plymouth Clinic here shortly after the accident.

The final rites were held from the home of her sister, Mrs. Joe Styons. near Plymouth; with the Rev. W. B. Harrington, of Williamston, RFD. pastor of the Cedar Branch Baptist church, in charge. Interment was made in the Modlin family cemetery near Jamesville. Daughter of the late Fannie Per-

ry and Sam Modlin, Mrs. Modlin was orn in Martin County on August 20. About 33 years ago, she was married to the late Clayton Modlin. who died on September 10, this year They lived in Martin County until about three years ago, when they moved to a farm near here. Mrs Modlin was a member of the Cedar Branch Baptist church at James ville for many years and was very active in its affairs.

She is survived by seven sons Dalma Modlin, of Bear Grass; Claris stationed at New London, Conn. Andrew, Harmon, Clayton, and Horace Modlin, of near Plymouth; and one daughter, Marjorie, of Plymouth. She also leaves a sister, Mrs Joe Styons, of Plymouth, RFD; and three brothers, Sam, Louis, and Hor. ton Modlin, all of Jamesville.

Funeral services for the other victim of the same accident. Robert A Bradley, ir., were held Sunday afternoon from the home of his mother. Mrs. R. A. Bradley, sr., in Whitakers,

In addition to his mother, Mr Bradley is survived by his widow, the former Ella Mae Whitley, of Smithfield; one son. Bobbie Bradley: two sisters, Mrs. Thomas B. Cockey, jr of Catonville, Md., and Mrs. O. K Dozier, of Rocky Mount: two brothers, R. B. Bradley, of Whitakers, and Staff Sergeant Wiley Bradley, of Monterey, Calif.

#### Dance Wednesday Night Is Sponsored by Beta Club

The Plymouth Beta Club spon

# Farmers Elect Local Eighteen Fathers in Aubrey Asby Killed in Men To Administer List of Selectees To 1944 AAA Program Leave Here Friday Leave Here Friday In South Pacific Area

# County Short of **Bond Goal Again**

Unless Roper and Creswell come up with much larger sales than usual, Washington County has again fallen down on its monthly quota of war bonds. Sales during November at the local post office and bank amounted to \$15,693.75, while the quota was \$25,650, according to H. E. Beam, county chairman of bond sales. Reports have not been received from Creswell and

The county had a quota of \$17,955 in series E bonds for the month, plus \$7,695 in series F and G Bonds. Sales here totaled \$12,693.75 in series E Bonds, and \$3,000 in series G. The post office sold \$4,087.50 worth, while sales at the bank aggregated \$11,606.25 during the month.

# Knitters Asked To Make Garments for Red Cross Chapter man would be able to communicate with his relatives. His sister also re-

Room Open Three Times Weekly; Ample Supply Wool on Hand

The Red Cross room, in the Harney Building over P. M. Arps Pharmacy, Funeral Services for Building over P. M. Arps Pharmacy, will be open every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday morning from 9:30 until 11:30, and every Thursday af-W. Earle, production chairman for service of his country. To prevent there was a great deal of wool on hand at this time, and all knitters tion. Present situation necessitates are asked to call at the Red Cross room for it and complete as many articles as possible.

A chart will be tacked to the desk, and those who call for the wool are requested to list their names and the number of skeins taken out on it; also if the articles are to be knitted

The following ladies will be in ing two weeks:

morning, December 6: Mrs. Wade Johnson, Wednesday morning, December 9: Mrs. T. W. Earle, Saturday, December 11:

Mrs. Clarence Ayers. morning, December 13; Mrs. Hal Williford, Wednesday morning, December 15; Mrs. Alban Papineau, Thurs- February, 1942, when he volunteered day afternoon, December 16; Mrs. T. for service in the Marine Corps. He W. Earle, Saturday morning, Decem- had two years of foreign service, in ber 18; and Mrs. Lawrence Jones. Hawaii, while with the army; and af-Monday morning, December 20.

to be there when it is their time to South Pacific area in December of

## Warnie Gurkin To **Graduate Saturday**

Luther Warnie Gurkin, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Gurkin, sr., of Plymouth, will graduate from the Army Air School at Moody Field, Valdosta, Ga., Saturday of this week, when he will receive his silver wings Browning, corner of Wilson and and commission as second lieutenant | Third Streets, here Monday mornin the Army Air Forces. As an air cadet, young Gurkin

has been flying bi-motored bombers, and he expects to be assigned to duty with the bomber command

before going into active service.

## Parents Informed Last Friday of His Death on Nov. 11

Is Sixth Washington County Man To Lose Life in Line of Duty

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Asby, of near Plymouth, were last Friday nitifled of the death in action of their son. Corporal Aubrey Wendell Asby, of the United States Marine Corps. somewhere in the South Pacific war zone. Corporal Asby was 23 years old and had been in the Marine Corps since February, 1942. He is the sixth Washington County man to lose his life in line of duty since the beginning of the war nearly two years ago

No details concerning the action in which the young man lost his life are known by members of the family. However they believe that he was wounded and died later, probably in a hospital, since his sister here received a letter three weeks ago from another corporal in his outfit, stating that Aubrev was unable to write. but for his people not to worry, as it might be some time before the young ceived two letters from young Asby about four weeks ago.

The first news of his death was contained in a telegram to the parents from Lieut. Gen. Thomas Holcomb, commandant of the United States Marine Corps. Reading as follows, it was received here last Fri-

"Deeply regret to inform you that your son, Corporal Aubrey Asby, ternoon from 2:30 until 5 o'clock, it USMCR, was killed in action in the was announced yesterday by Mrs. T. performance of his duty and in the the county chapter. She said that aid to our enemies, please do not divulge the name of his ship or stainterment temporarily in local city where death occurred and you will be notified accordingly. Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. Letter fol-

Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Asby received a letter from Captain O. P. Lancaster, of Marine Corps headquartres in Washington, stating that young Asby's death occured on November 11. Beyond that brief ancharge of the room during the com- nouncement, no other details have been received by the family.

Mrs. T. W. Earle, Thursday after- eys, in Washington County, on July noon and Saturday morning of this 31, 1920, and moved to this section with his parents about 10 or 12 years ago. He attended school at Mackeys, Roper and Plymouth. Shortly after he was 18 years old, he enlisted in the United States Army and Monday served three years, returning to his home here in July, 1941. He worked at the pulp mill from then until ter a brief period of training in the Those whose names appear above Marines he was promoted to the are earnestly asked to make an effort grade of corporal and went to the

He was a quiet and likable lad and had many friends throughout the county. He joined the Christian church at Saints Delight while quite young, and later had his member-

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#### Fire at R. S. Browning Store Here Last Monday

A small fire at the store of R. S. ing caused considerable damage to his stock of tobaccos. Firemen quickmade a splendid record. Recently he and very little damage was done to the building, but an estimated loss of \$800 to \$1,000 was caused to the stock, mostly cigarettes, snuff and to-Immediately after he completes his bacco, according to Fire Chief Miller course at Valdosta, Ga., Saturday, he Warren. It was thought the fire expects to return to Plymouth for a started from an oil-burning hot-wabrief leave with his wife and child ter heater. There was no insurance on the building or contents

# Community Sing and Patriotic Rally At Creswell Tuesday, December 7th

A patriotic rally will be held at the Creswell school building Tuesday night of next week, December 7, at 8 p.m., to mark observance of "Pearl Harbor Day in that community, it was announced yesterday by Mrs. Sidney Smithson, chairman of the committee on arrangements. Efforts are being made to secure a prominent speaker for the occasion, and invitations have been sent to the Marine Base at Edenton and the Coast Guard headquarters in Elizabeth City to have representatives present to take part in the event.

Everyone in the county is invited to attend. A program of patriotic songs will be featured. with the entire audience taking part. A short patriotic playlet will also be presented, the cast to be composed of ladies of the

Arrangements for the program were worked out at a meeting of the committee Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Sidney Smithson. Besides Mrs. Smithson. other members of the committee include Miss Matilda Alexander, Miss Beulah White, and Principal T. J. Collier.

### was made in the Windley cemetery near Plymouth. How Those Who Own But Do Not Live On Farms May Get Meat, Point-Free

ing executive for the OPA, this week least 60 days before slaughter and farmers usually put out the bait at announced the following ruling per- visited his farm one-third of the days the same time, and such methods mitting a person who owns a farm, during this period for the purpose of have been found very effective. but does not live on it, to get meat raised on it without having to surrender ration points: "If a person owns or operates a

sumption of his household, point (1) He actually supervised the raising of this meat by visiting the farm at least one-third of the days lives on his farm may of course be tive to baby chicks, and as many as tinued, so that it may take up its the boys, paying the way, and a "girl

being raised, or if

farm, but does not live on it, he may

still receive the meat for the con-

spend one-third of the days at the

tion most of these days. during the time that the meat was consumed by members of his household point free

W. Vance Hofler, district ration- | (2) He purchased the animal at

the farm one-third of the days. His

visits may be of the very short dura-

# Community Committeemen Only Three Non-Fathers in