

A special orphanage program will be presented at the Methodist Sunday School Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, it was announced today by James W. Norman, superintendent. The young people will be in charge of the program, and the public is invited to attend.

Mrs. Margaret Waters this week received a card from her husband, Corporal Dallas G. Waters, stating that he had arrived safely overseas. Corporal Waters has been in the service for nearly three years, and this marks his first trip across.

Tuesday's casualty list issued by the Navy Department carried the name of David Whitford White, seaman first class, U. S. Naval Reserve, as missing in action. The young man was the son of Mrs. Bessie Aline White and the late Charlie White, of near Cherry in this county. Few details could be learned here, and it is not known how long he had been in the Naval service.

Earl Bowen, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Bowen, of Plymouth, was recently elected president of the YMCA at State College, Raleigh, where he is a student. Bowen is also president of his Sunday school class at the Hilyer Memorial Christian Church in Raleigh. Before he entered State College last fall, he was employed at the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Moore announce the birth of a son. Hilton Farrow, jr., Saturday January 22. Mrs Moore is the daughter of Mr. and H. W. Dixon, of near Plymouth. Mr. Moore is a second-class petty officer in the United States Navy and has been stationed at Morehead City for some time

Private William Joseph Brown, Son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Brown, of Plymouth, has been overseas for about two months, it was learned recently. His parents have received several letters from him, one last week declaring that Ireland was no "rose garden" to him. He is in an infantry outfit.

A meeting of the Plymouth Boy Scout troop comittee will be held next Monday night in the courthouse at 8 o'clock. It is imperative that a meeting be held to arrange for a board of review and to secure new headquarters for the scout troop here, the chairman of the committee announced this week.

J. O. Everett, of Plymouth, is still having fresh tomatoes from his last year's garden. Shortly before the first frost, Mr. Everett pulled up his tomato plants and hung them in his smokehouse. They had a number of green tomatoes on them at the time. and as fast as they ripen, he has fresh tomatoes on his table.

Mrs. Fleta Freeman, 74, widow of the late H. L. Freeman, who lives with her son, W. Thomas Freeman, near

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 THE ROANOKE BEACON

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thorized; Last-Minute

Rush Developing

listing of taxes; but Washington

County property owners will get an

extra day, anyway. Due to the fact

that January 1 was a legal holiday

and listing did not actually begin un-

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E. F. Still Accepts

Task of Heading

Upwards of \$50,000 Worth

Of Bonds Sold Here

This Week

Eugene F. Still, president of the

Plymouth Box and Panel Company.

his week accepted the task of serv-

ing as chairman of the War Loan

Campaign in Washington County;

and complete plans for the drive will

be worked out at a meeting of inter-

ested persons in the agriculture build-

ing here tonight at 8 o'clock, Mr. Still

s confident that Washington County

vill not only reach but surpass its

oal of \$228,000 in bonds during the

H. E. Beam, chairman of the

ounty war finance committe and

cashier of the local bank, said yes-

terday that sales had already begun

o pick up, and up to that time the

ank alone had sold upwards of \$50,-

000 worth of bonds, which will be

redited to the county during the

irive. By the end of the week, it is

noped that at least one-third of the

In announcing his acceptance of

he chairmanship of the campaign,

Ir. Still addressed a letter to a num-

er of leading citizens throughout the

ounty, asking them to lend their

elp in carrying on a successful cam-

aign by attending the meeting to-

light, when the organization will be

Mr. Still explained that when he

was first approached about serving

as chairman, his first thought was

hat there was possibly someone else

who could give more time to the drive

than he could. However, "after con-

idering the fact that the most one

can do towards furthering the war

effort is not enough when we think

of the sacrifices that our fighting

boys are making," he accepted, call-

ing upon all who feel the same way

to work together in the drive, which

is already underway throughout the

With nearly two weeks of the cam-

baign already lost, it behooves every

oyal citizen of the county to rally

to the support of the workers by not

only buying all the bonds possible,

but to see that everyone in the coun-

ty has the same opportunity. There

is little point in reviewing here the

perfected and plans formulated.

ounty quota will have been raised

maining period of the drive.

County Campaign

Fire Chief Asks Local People To Check On Fire Hazards About Their Homes

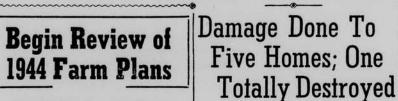
After answering seven alarms in the past five days, Fire Chief Miller Warren today issued an appeal to local householders to check up on the fire hazards that exist in far too many local homes. He particularly asks that no fires be built in heating equipment connected to chimneys which have unpluged openings. At least two of the fires in which

from this cause, he said. Another frequent cause is accumulations of trash, old paper, and the like back of fireboardsor anywhere else, for that matter-according to the chief. Care-

Will End Tuesday; Far From Complete For Fourth War Loan Drive lessness with matches or cigar ettes is believed to have started No Extension of Time Autwo grass fires, which might have gotten out of hand and destroyed adjacent property.

In addition to the above causes, which may be prevented by using a reasonable amount of care, there is always danger from defective flues and electric wiring, and it might be a good idea to check on these things every once which property loss was caused in a while, Mr. Warren said. He in the past few days originated pointed out that the firemen are not asking this for their own sake, as they can better afford to answer alarms than the average property owner can afford a fire loss.

Local Firemen Called Out Seven Times in **Five Successive Days**



The Washington County Selective Service Board Tuesday loss of \$3,000 Caused at night began reviewing the 1944 Plymouth Box & Panel farm plans of registrants who hold "C" classifications. It is Plant Tuesday announced that all registrants will be notified immediately af-The Plymouth Volunteer Fire Deter their cases have been conpartment had the busiest five days on sidered whether or not their farm

tinued by the board.

viewed.

record in its history, beginning last Saturday morning. The company classifications are being conwas called out seven times, once each on Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and At the meeting Tuesday, the board members reviewed the farm data sheets of about 75 registrants, continuing the deferments of most of them. There are still upwards of 200 to be considered, and each of those af-\$3,000. fected will be notified as soon as possible after his case is re-

Problems of Schools

with the cause not definitely known Discussed at Lions in one or two other instances. First in the series of alarms was ast Saturday morning at 3:10, when the company was called to a house

Ward and occupied by A. M. Walk-Delegation From Parent-

Tuesday night, although it will mean Wednesday, and three times Sunday. Two of the calls were to extinguish minor grass fires that did little or no damage, but there was some property loss in all of the other five, ranging from a few dollars to upwards of

Although two cases of atempted inendiarism have been reported, in neither was the department called ut. Chief Miller Warren definitely established the cause of several fires is due to neglect and carelessness,

on Wilson street, owned by Mrs. S. A.

This was one of the most serious of the series. The house was completely destroyed and the Walker family barely escaped with a few ar-

District Meeting of Christian Churches J. C. Knowles, assistant tax supervisor, said last night that no exten-sion of time had been granted for the Will Be Held Here sion of time had been granted for the

County Tax Listing Meet Tonight To Map Plans

Roanoke Convention Convenes With Local Church Saturday, Sunday

til Monday, January 3, he has ruled that the list takers shall remain on The Roanoke District Convention the job through Tuesday, February 1, of Christian churches will meet with which tacks the extra day on at the the local Christian Church Saturday end of the tax-listing period, where and Sunday, January 29 and 30 t will do the most good. Mr. Knowles said a large number ties of the district. Twenty-seven of property owners still had not listed, ministers serve a total church memand he looks for a big last-minute bership of 11,192. The total Bible

rush during the four days remain- School enrollment is 5,267. ing-Friday and Saturday of this The theme of the convention will week and Monday and Tuesday of be, "Evangelism." B. F. Leggett, sr. next. However, after next Tuesday, of Washington, is the president of February 1, the books will be closed, the convention. Rev. J. M. Perry

ship have been listed so far. They At the close of the session a barbecue are kept busy now, and are expect- dinner will be served.

ing a land-office rush during the remaining few days as late listers stam- will begin at 1:30 p.m., with a depede to get under the wire.

list-takers in other sections of the liamston, will deliver the afternoor county, but Mr. Knowles said he un- sermon, "Evangelism With Youth. derstood some of the townships were Other features of this session will not as far advanced in the work as be reports of churches and other or this one. However, it is believed that ganizations, special music by Zions a big majority will get their holdings Chapel church choir and reports of listed before the books are closed committees and other business.

a lot of waiting for some of those who have delayed so long.

Girl From Here in **Cadet Nurse Corps**

Miss Ruby Roberson, of 308 Wash-ington Street, Plymouth has enlisted for training in the United States of Williamston, on "Personal Evan-Cadet Nurse Corps. For the past few gelism" will be additional features of months, Miss Roberson, whose home the Sunday morning session which is in the Farm Life section of aMrtin

County, has been employed at the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company here. She will enter the School of Nursing at Park View Hospital in Rocky Mount next Tuesday, February 1, when a new class is to be organized. The Cadet Nurse Corps provides an



RECEIVES WINGS

Billy Wells Bateman, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bateman, of Creswell, received his silver wings and commission as second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces after graduating at an advanced pilot school in the Randolph Field, Texas, area earlier this month. He recently returned to duty after spending a brief leave at his home in Creswell.

No Change Effected Yet in Personnel of **Two County Boards**

Arps To Continue on Board Education Until He Assumes ABC Job

There has been some discussion, ut no action yet on the changes to take place in two county boards in the immediate future. P. M. Arps, present chairman of the county board of education, who was elected chairman of the ABC board recently, has not yet qualified for his new office and is continuing his work as chairman of the school-governing board. Mr. Arps has indicated that he will not take over his new duties until after the next regular meeting of the

board of education, which is scheduled for the first Monday in Febru-When he formally qualifies as chairman of the ABC board, he will reasons why everyone should buy all

automatically vacate his place on the the bonds he possibly can. It has been school board, and his successor on gone over a thousand times through

country.

There are 59 churches in the 9 coun-

and those who have not listed by of Robersonville, will be song leader then will be subject to the penalties The convention will open Saturday provided by law for their delinquency. at 10:30 a.m., with a service of song Mrs. Hermine Ramsey and Mrs. followed by a devotional service led Moye W. Spruill, list takers for Plym- by the host pastor, Rev. E. B. Quick. outh Township and the Town of The morning sermon will be delivered Plymouth, respectively, estimated yes- by Rev. W. O. Henderson, of Elizaterday that possibly 60 per cent of bety City, on the subject, "Evangelthe property in the town and town- ism In the New Teastament Church.

> The Saturday afternoon session votional service led by Mrs. E. B

There were no direct reports from Quick. Rev. John L. Goff, of Wil-

The Sunday morning session will begin at 9:45, with a devotional service led by H. H. Allen, superintendent of the local Sunday School. The Sunday School lesson will be taught by

J. H. Latham, of Tranters Creek Church. The president's address, a devotional service led by Rev. F. A. Lilley, of Washington, special music by the Elizabeth City and Plymouth church choirs, the Communion service and sermon by Rev. D. W. Davis.

See CHRISTIANS, Page 4) Thieves Break in

Roper, fell and broke her leg early Monday morning. She was taken to a Rocky Mount hospital after receiv. ing first-aid treatment at the office of a local physican, and is reported to be getting along as well as could be expected.

Creswell Churches Get New Minister

Creswell.-The Rev. Perry F. Baldwin, formerly of Rockford, Ill., has arrived in Creswell to begin his work as pastor of the Creswell and Columbia group of Christian Disciple churches. At the present time Mr. Baldwin and his family are making their home in the Disciples parsonage in Creswell

The Rev. Mr. Baldwin has been a pastor for the past 30 years. He is a native of Wisconsin and graduated from Phillips University, in Oklahoma. Besides engaging in evangelistic work for 10 years, Mr. Baldwin has served as pastor of churches in Washington, Montana, Louisiana,

Texas and Missippi, before coming to Creswell. During World War I the minister

served as chaplain of the 335th Field Artillery Batallion.

Basketball Doubleheader In Roper Monday Night

Roper.-The Roper and Columbia High School basketball teams will play a doubleheader in the Roper gymnasium next Monday night, Jan- a whole is considered one of the most started there. uary 31, with the first game called at enlightening held by the Lions in re-7:30 p. m.

chimney. Total damage was estimatent-Teacher Association at its regular meeting Thursday night of last ed in the firemen's report at more week. The meeting was held at the than \$2,000. Mrs. Ward carried some Country Club of Plymouth, and the insurance on the house, but Mr. PTA was represented by the follow- Walker had none on his personal being committee: Mrs. W. V. Hays, longings, practically all of which were Mrs. W. A. Smith, Mrs. B. G. Campost

Club Meet Thursday

Teacher Association in

Charge of Program

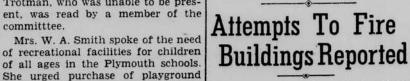
bell, Mrs. A. J. Byrd, Mrs. Archie Considerable damage was done to Modlin, Mrs. A. Papineau and Mrs. the roof of an adjoining house, oc-J. R. Manning. son. The loss there is estimated at

Following the regular luncheon, Dr. \$150 to \$200. Firemen were handi-. Papineau, program chairman, incapped by the length of hose necestroduced the visiting delegation,

sary to reach the blaze, and two secmembers of which discussed problems tions burst under the pressure needed facing educational authorities, as well as some of the particular needs in to pump water through the 1,500 feet of hose laid. the local school system. A grass fire in the woods back of

County Superintendent H. H. Mc-Lean, a member of the club, explainpartment for its first time Sunday, ed recent school legislation, as well as some proposed legislation which

mount of damage. should be supported by the club mem-At 3:30 Sunday afternoon the firebers. A paper on compulsory atten (See SERIES OF FIRES, Page 4) dance, written by Principal R. B. Trotman, who was unable to be pres



Two attempts at incendiarism have equipment for the smaller children been reported here in the past few and securing a community center which can be used as a meeting place days. An attempt was believed made by those in the 'teen-age group. The to burn the Spencer fish house, near latter is also needed to further the the A. C. L. station here, sometime work of boy and girl scout troops, as Saturday night, but the fire went out of its own accord. Kerosene had been well as any similar organizations. There were several other speakers poured on the floor of the porch and

on the program, and the meeting as there were signs that a fire had been A similar attempt was made on the front steps of the old Riverview Ho-

tel on East Water Street Sunday night. Chief of Police P. W. Brown and his son, Charles, happened to pass that way and saw a blaze on the steps. They extinguished it and found that kerosene had been poured on the steps where the fire had start-

Investigations are underway of both occurrences by police. Local people are asked to notify the authorities

uspicious along similar lines. Although the firemen have been called out an unusually large number of times in recent days, it is not believed that any of the alarms which they answered were caused by "fire bugs." In most of teh cases, Fire Chief Miller Warren definitely established carelessness or neglect as the

committee from the Plymouth Par- from an unplugged opening in the their country and themselves. The business here during the past week. need for nurses becomes greater ev- The Owens pool room on ery day, and girls who have good Street was entered sometime Saturscholastic records and are in good day night and one machine stolen health are urgently needed. Each girl who becomes a student nurse relieves a graduate nurse for military

or other duties.

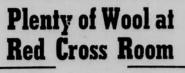
cupied by the family of Hope Harri- Pfc. James E. Harrison Visiting Mother Here cept the chewing-gum machines. The

Pfc. James E. Harrison, of the U. S. which leases them to the Local Lions Marine Corps, is spending a few days Club. Profits from their operation with his mother, Mrs. Bertha Hardi- go to the fund raised by the Lions to son, who lives on Park Avenue at provide glasses for children who are

Little Richwood. Hardison enlisted in unable to pay for them. the Marine Corps in January of last the colored school called out the de- year, when he became the five thous- break-ins have been reported recent. about noon. There was a negligible Raleigh recruiting office. He is a ner of Jefferson and Main Streets, member of a military police company heard someone prowling about his now stationed at Parris Island, S. C., house last Friday night and took a

where he received his training. It is expected that two of his brothers, Marvin Hardison, machinists' mate, second class, of the U. S. Navy. Landmark Is Being Norfolk, and Pfc. L. B. Hardison, of

join him later in the week. Pfc L B. Hardison, who enlisted in the Marine Corps in July of last year, was re-Atlantic. Marvin Hardison, the other the intersection of Jefferson, is bebrother, enlisted in the Navy in Sep- ing torn down and moved away this tember, 1942.



There is plenty of wool on hand at the Red Cross room in the Harney Building, but few persons are calling for it, it was stated this week by Mrs. T. W. Earle, chairman of the local chapter. More local women are needed in order for the chapter to complete its quota of knitted articles for men in the military service, and the chairman urgently requests volunteers to call for the wool as soon as possible.

The Red Cross room will be open every morning for the next week between 10 and 12 o'clock, Mrs. Earle said. There are eight boxes of wool on hand here, while other chapters are said to be running short; and if the local supply is not called for soon, it will be packed up and returned.

Water committee.

The law provides that vacancies on from there. An identical machine was stolen from the Standard Serv-

machines are owned by a syndicate

ison Knowles, Lees Mill precinct Walter W. White, Skinnersville prenong precinct; and Jesse Vaughn, of Wenona precinct.

Eastern Union at Concord Church

Sunday, January 29 and 30, it was Wesley Allen, sr., of LaGrange. Razed This Week Sunday, January 29 and 30, it was announced this week by Noah L. Am- He had been in the Army Air Forces

it was stated.

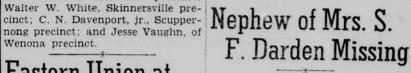
week. Built some 35 to 40 years ago by the late D. O. Brinkley, the old structure has housed a variety of business establishments in that time the church grounds Sunday if the ing. His relatives and friends here and has become one of the Water weather is favorable.

The public is cordially invited

lions of soldiers and sailors poised to

launch the big invasion of Europethe board of education shall be filled scores of them from Washington by action of the county Democratic | County-it is the least we can do to executive committee, and that a per- lend our money to furnish the supson so appointed shall serve until the plies on which their lives may depend

To sell \$228,000 worth of War cratic Executive Committee is com- Bonds in the next few weeks is a job posed of the following: E. G. Arps, for all of Washington County, and of Plymouth, chairman; W. Ronald this is a direct appeal to you to do Gaylord, Plymouth precinct; W. Ed- all you can-which is your full part.



Wesley Allen, jr., of LaGrange, nephew of Mrs. S. F. Darden, of Plymouth, was reported missing in action after an aerial raid over Ger-

The Eastern Union meting of the many on January 5th, it was learned Primitive Baptist church will be held here this week. The young man, an with the church at Concord, between aerial gunner on a heavy bomber, was Creswell and Cherry, Saturday and the son of Mrs. Darden's brother,

brose, assistant clerk of the church. for a little more than a year and had Elder S. Gray, of Kinston, the pas- been overseas only about two months, tor, will be in charge of the services, Mrs. Darden said Tuesday. His grandmother, Mrs. J. D. Allen, who In addition to Elder Gray, Elder J. lives here with Mrs. Darden, received R. Baker, of Rocky Mount, and El- a letter from the young man last der A. B. Ayers, of Williamston, will week. It was dated January 2, only also be present and take part in the three days before the raid over Gerservices. Dinner will be served on many in which he was reported miss-

> are hopeful that he landed safely in Germany and was taken prisoner

Pulp Company Gives \$200 for Purchase Playground Equipment at School Here

It was announced this week that the North Carolina Pulp Company had authorized a contribution of \$200 for the purchase of playground equipment to be placed at the local school. The **Plymouth Parent Teacher Asso**ciation is sponsoring the movement to raise money for the playground equipment.

The local Lions Club last fall authorized a contribution of \$100 for the same purpose. Definite plans for the purchase of the equipment have not been made.

but with \$300 on hand, it is expected that steps to this end will be taken shortly

H. M. Kieckhefer, secretarytreasurer of the Kieckhefer Container Co., of Delair, N. J., was here last week and authorized D. B. Kuhe, resident manager of the local pulp company, to make the \$200 contribution. following the Lions Club meeting Thursday night, when needs of the local school system were discussed by members of the Plymouth Parent-Teacher Association.

Number Colored Men To Get Physical Tests at Fort Bragg Early in February

committtee.

cent months

It was learned this week that the local draft board has received a call for a large number of colored men to go to Fort Bragg early in February for their preinduction examinations. No call has been received for white registrants so far, but it is understood that one is expected later in the month.

Under the new regulations, those who pass the pre-induction physical examination will have at least 21 days before they are ordered to report for training.

However, future calls for men to service.

examination and induction will be extended, according to present plans. It is hoped that eventually men called into service will have up to 45 days in which to

go to Fort Bragg for examination are expected to be much larger than in the past few months in

order to build up the reserve pool of men physically acceptable for As the reserve pool increases in size, the length of time between

wind up their affairs.

ed. Several families live in the old frame hotel building.

immediately if they observe anything

cause

the Marine Corps, will be home to,

The old Brinkley Building, located cently assigned to sea duty on the on teh north side of Water Street at

Street landmarks.

use since.

ing immediately.

Several other cases of attempted andth Marine to be sworn in at the ly. Leroy Ange, who lives at the cor-

shot at the intruder with a .22 rifle.

It was bought five or six years ago

by John L. Phelps and hold by him

early this month to J. R. Manning,

owner of the Plymouth Motor Com-

pany. A two-story frame and gal-

vanized iron structure, the building

was condemned some years ago by

the town council, and has seen little

Mr. Manning said this week that

he hoped to be able to build a two-

story brick building on the lot, which

he plans to utilize as a used-car de

partment in connection with his ga-

rage business. If he can secure per-

mission from the WPB, he wants to

start construction of the new build-

The lot has a frontage of 50 feet

and extends back 67 feet to the Nor-

folk Southern right of way bordering

the river front. Mr. Manning sold

the old building to Ivory Keyes, who

is tearing it down and selling the

lumber and other material.

ice Station at the corner of Main and Washington Tuesday night. next session of the legislature. It is believed that young boys broke The Washington County Demointo the two places of business, as nothing was taken from either ex-