The local volunteer firemen have had a very quiet week, for a change.

Not a single alarm has called out the

department during the past seven

demic of calls which were experienced here during the preceding three or

Dr. and Mrs. A. Papineau left yesterday for Durham, where Dr. Papi-

neau will attend a medical symposium

Thursday and Friday. They will re-

Mrs. Jack Frank has been ap-

pointed collection clerk for the Caro-

lina Telephone & Telegraph Com-

pany here. She will be at their of-

fice in the Harney Building each

week-day for the purpose of collect-

ing telephone accounts. Hours are

from 9 to 12 each morning and from

2 to 5 in the afternoons, Mondays

through Friday; and from 9 a.m. to

Ganderson's Quality Shop is mov-

ing to its new location on Water

Street this week. It is now located

in the building formerly occupied by

J. R. Campbell's Red Front grocery,

between Pender's and Byrd's Cloth-

A war bond rally will be held

in the school auditorium tonight

at 8 o'clock. An entertaining

program will be presented and

in addition a bond auction will be

held, with the prizes for buyers

to include ladies' silk hose, a box

of gunshells, and a goat, among

other things. The public is in-

ing unit at Quonset Point, R. I.

Mrs. W. H. Peele and little son will

leave Saturday for Atlanta, Ga.,

where Mr. White is to enter a hos-

pital for treatment. Mr. and Mrs.

White will remain there for some

time, while Mr. and Mrs. Peele and

son will return next week.

the Pacific in the near future.

School Boys Get

was allowed to take an Army

one at the end of 30 days.

noon at 3:15.

days whether or not they passed, and

ed to the principal of the school.

Roper Parents-Teachers

Legion Auxiliary Will

vited and urged to attend.

turn home tomorrow.

1 p.m. on Saturday.

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days, in marked contrast to the epi-Things Expected To Warm Up on County Political Front Soon State Purchasing Agency's being held at one of the hospitals

Income Tax Man Here This Week

A deputy collector of internal revenue will be at the post office in Plymouth today, tomorrow and Saturday for the purpose of asisting taxpavers to file their current Federal income tax returns. Local taxpayers who need help-and who doesn't-in filling out their income-tax blanks are advised to see the deputy collector one of these three days. All returns must be filled before midnight of March

It is also announced that the deputy collector will be at the post office in Creswell on Friday, March 3rd, as well as at the post office in Columbia on Wednesday and Thursday, March 1 and 2, for the convenience of people in those sections.

Facilities of Country Marvin E. Spencer, jr., of the U.S. Naval Reserve, has recently been transferred to the advance base trainwhere he is serving as an instructor. Of Members, Guests lican on the county board missioners as late as 1932. He was formerly at the Norfolk Naval

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. White, Mr. and Action Taken at Meeting of Stockholders Held Last Week

> last week, unanimously decided upon a number of changes in the manner

trude Woolard are leaving today for A resolution was passed limiting New London, Conn., where they will the facilities of the club house and visit J. R. Manning, jr., for a few golf course to members and their out-They are going as far as New of-town guests, room guests and golf mendation of the county representa-York City with A. B. Hopkins, jr., of guests. No person will be admitted to Columbia. Roy Manning, jr., has the club house without a membership just completed training at the sub- card except out-oftown guests of club marine school in New London and members, room guests or golf guests. expects to be assigned to sea duty in The dining room will continue to be operated, but will be available only to those outlined above. All these new regulations become effective on

Members of the armed services December, 1943, when the term of the Air Corps Exam of the United States will be entitled to golf privileges without charge if to golf privileges without charge if they are accompanied by club mem-A group of 20 high-school boys bers. Otherwise, the regular schedule Air of green fees will be charged, it was Forces mental screening exam at the stated.

local school Tuesday morning. The Local residents who do not play purpose of the test was to determine golf but who wish to avail themselves whether or not the boys were eligible of the facilities of the club rooms to apply for training in the Army and dining room may secure a house Most of those taking the test were per year. This entitles them and ville, died last Friday afternoon at juniors and seniors, although the re- their out-of-town guests to facilities the home of her son, Willie Hardison, quirement was simply that those who of the club house and dining room near Roper. Mrs. Hardison was 75 took the test be 16 years of age. In but not to the golf course.

There are two other types of mem- past five months. the event anyone failed on the examberships available to local people: ination, he is allowed to take another Single and family. A single mem- tin County and lived near Jamesville bership, at an annual fee of \$40, pro- until about three years ago, when she Those who took the examination will be notified by mail within 30

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the individual grades will be forward-Local Boys Scouts Get New Quarters To Meet Tuesday Night

The local Boy Scout troop has fi-Roper.—The regular meting of the Roper Parent-Teacher Association nally succeeded in finding a new will be held in the school auditorium meeting place. It is the old voca-Tuesday evening, February 22, at 8 tional agriculture work shop buildo'clock. At that time the dramatics ing on the high school grounds. The club will give a Founders' Day pro- troop held its first meeting there gram, under the supervision of Mrs. Monday night of this week, when the L. E. Hassell, jr. All patrons are urged Rev. T. R. Jenkins, pastor of the local Methodist church, talked briefly to the boys. A meeting of the executive com-

The Plymouth Scouts and Cubs mittee will be held Monday afterpreviously had been meeting in the basement of the courthouse. However, there was insufficient space there to accommodate the growing Meet Monday Night organization, and arrangements were completed last week with Principal The American Legion Auxiliary will R. B. Trotman for use of the work meet Monday night, February 21, at shop building.

The local troop continues to grow. 8 o'clock, in the home of Mrs. W. C. Jones, it was announced this morn- Three prospective new members were ing. All members are urged to at- present for the first meeting at their new quarters Monday.

Nearly All Offices Will Be at Stake in Election This Year

didacies Yet, But Plenty Are Expected

This is an election year; and, although there have been no surface indications yet, it is expected that the county political pot will begin biling over" within the next 30 days or so. Despite the lack of visible in-terest, those who have their ears to the ground say that things are seething underneath.

Democratic primary in May, as well coal was reduced to 339.5 tons. as in the general election next November. For the past several elec- for county schools must be purchased a number of changes are to be made years ago, the county was fairly and requested that the coal be bought evenly divided. There was a Republican on the county board of com-

County offices which are to be filled ter. in the primary and general election are as follows: Representative to the General Assembly, Register of Deeds, Judge of Recorder's Court, Solicitor of Recorder's Court, and three mem-Stockholders of the Country Club bers of county board of commissionof Plymouth, at their annual meeting ers. In addition, three members of the county board of election are to be nominated in the Democratic pri-Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Manning and of operating the club in the future, it mary. Their names will not appear daughter, Martha, and Miss Ger- was learned from officers this week. on the ballots in the November geneboard of education are appointed by the General Assembly upon recomtive. However it has been customary in the past for the representative to recommend appointment of the high men on the Democratic pri-

mary ballot. The office of treasurer will not be at stake in the primary or election, this year, since a bill was passed by the last legislature abolishing the office, effective the first Monday in

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Mrs. Millie Jane

Mrs. Millie Jane Hardison, widow membership for a nominal fee of \$15 of the late Frank Hardison, of Jamesyears of age and had been ill for the carload would be received in due

> Mrs. Hardison was a native of Marcame to this county to live with her son. Her husband has been dead for a number of years.

Funeral services were held at the grave side in the Lotan Gardner cemetery, near Williamston, last Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Hardison was a member of the Cedar Branch Baptist church at Jamesville, and her pastor, the Rev. W. B.

Harrington, conducted the last rites. She is survived by three sons, Lonnie, Willie and Eddie Hardison, all of Roper R. F. D.; one daughter, Mrs. Virginia Gardner, of Williamston R. F. D.; one sister, Mrs. Mosella Williams, of near Jamesvile; and a brother, Charlie Gardner, of Tarboro.

Labor Department Inspector in Town

Orel V. Rowe, inspector for the state and federal Departments of Labor, is in Plymouth this week making a check of working conditions in local business houses and industrial establishments. His work includes surveys of safety and sanitary conditions, as well as consideration of wages, hours and other provisions of state and federal laws relating to employment of labor.

Mr. Rowe stated yesterday that he was here to assist both employers and employees in any way possible concerning problems or interpretations of various laws relative to employment. He said that he was particularly interested in clarifying questions about the child-labor laws, which have been relaxed considerably in recent months. He invites employers who have any questions about the employment of youths to get in touch with him while he is here. He will be here all next week,

Mr. Rowe said that he had found only a few minor infractions of the law since he arirved here Tuesday, and that most of them were easily

Delay in Placing Order Responsble

ed Monday morning, due to lack of fuel, and all students were dismissed shortly after they arrived to begin the day's work. Temperatures dropped so low in classrooms at the high school building that it was feared the No Announcements of Can- health of pupils would be endangered, according to Principal R. B. Trot-

was resumed Tuesday morning.

Washington Superintendent H. H. McLean that salers. Tokens wil be isued only in County nearly always manages to the cause of the coal shortage here generate plenty of heat in an election dates back to May of last year, when and 250 is the minimum amount isyear, and this one promises to be no the State Division of Purchase and sued. Contract arbitrarily reduced by near-Practically all county offices, ex- ly 25 per cent his estimate of the coal secure tokens only from their banks, cept those of sheriff and clerk of su- requirements for the county school and none will be issued at the office perior court, will be at stake in the system. His request for 446 tons of

tions. Republican strength has steadi- through the state agency. Last May in the present method which makes ly declined, although up to 10 or 12 he estimated the needs for this term, it absolutely necessary that retailers then, as it could be transported and when the changes become effective. handled much more advantageously before the schools opened than af-

vere than last year, and the avail- cerned. able suply of coal here was exhausthas been scrapped up from first one his retailer 2 blue stamps and keep the schools operating.

aged to get one t uckload of coal to cold building.

McLean renewed his attempts to get ration book last longer.

as he believed an additional small may be used at any time.

Pulp Plant To Have Monthly Publication

that the North Carolina Pulp Company would begin publishing a monthly newspaper for the benefit of its employees next month. Heretofore, news about the Plymouth plant Container," published in Delair, N. Station, formerly operated by C. W J., by the Kieckhefer Container Com- Burnham. Mr. Allen, formerly empany, parent firm of the local pulp

tirely to news about the local plant and its personnel. George A. Shannon, personnel director, has been

ters from men and women in the tinue to handle Sinclair products service for publication, especially here and will make a specialty of present employees.

Bank, Post Offices To Close Tuesday

Although there will be no general observance of George Washington's birthday next Tuesday, February 22, in this section a few places of business will be closed. The Branch Banking & Trust Company will be closed all day, while post offices in the county will give partial service. There will be no rural or city carrier deliveries, but dispatches will be made and mail placed in lock boxes, Postmaster J. Corbett Swain said yesterday. The win-

dows will be closed all day. "Business as usual" will be the program at local stores, and no observance of the holiday

Local School Closed One Day This Week By Shortage of Coal War Loan Quota 37 Per Cent

Corporal Louis Elmer Turner,

son of R. A. Turner, of Roper, is

with the Army Air Forces some-

where in Italy. He entered the

service in April, 1942, and trained

at Fort Bragg, later going to

Sheppard Field, Tex., Lowry

Field, Denver, Colo., Detroit, Mich., Fort Dix, N. J., and

Kearns, Utah. He served in North

Africa before going to Italy.

While at Fort Dix, he received

the Army good conduct medal.

His wife, the former Alice Jean-

nette Ambrose, lives in Plym-

27 White Men Leave

Next Tuesday to Get

Sixteen Pre-Pearl Harbor

Fathers Included: Two

Volunteers

The list of those leaving next Tues-

From Plymouth: Phillip Lee Ayers

ry, Orlo Valdine Rath, Derwood Bel-

From Roper: Harry Stark Arnold,

By Miss Machel Hassell

Wilson Street Extension. 4:30 p.m.,

every Sunday afternoon.

Sunday, 3:30 p.m., Sunday school

Cecil Clarence Craft, jr., fathers.

of 18 in recent months.

Plymouth

Stores May Get Red [And Blue Tokens at Banks Starting 21st

Simplified Rationing Plan Will Go Into Effect on February 27th

Washington County retail mer-When the schools were dismissed chants will begin getting their blue Monday, it was announced that ses- and red ration tokens from their sions would not be resumed until banks on February 21, it was an-Wednesday morning, However, a car- nounced this week by the local raload of coal came in shortly after- tioning board. In applying for the wards, and regular clasroom work tokens, retailers are advised to enclose the stamps which they wish to It was learned from members of trade for tokens in envelopes, just as the county board of education and they do when buying from wholeamounts of 250 and multiples of 250;

> It is emphasized that retailers may of the rationing board

Ration tokens will come into use Mr. McLean explains that all coal by consumers on February 27, and have a supply of tokens on hand

For one thing, each red and blue stamp in ration books will be worth 10 points under the new system. The The state purchasing agency, in numbers printed on the ration stamps reducing the amount of coal asked will no longer mean anything, so far for, stated that the preceding win- as value is concerned, as a 1-point ter had been very severe and said stamp and and 8-point stamp will be that a more nearly normal season worth the same, 10 points each. should be anticipated during the Tokens will be used to provide 1943-44 season. As a matter of fact, change, just as pennies are used in this winter has been even more se- making change where money is con-

A consumer who buys items worth ed several weeks ago. Since then coal 23 blue points, for example, will give here next Tuesday morning, February ty. They also paid a glowing tribute place and then another in order to blue tokens. If he has no tokens, he will give the merchant 3 blue stamps inations. Sixteen of the number are drive. Mr. Beam estimated that at The county superintendent man- and get 7 blue tokens in change.

the local school fonday morning, each buying period will remain the but, in the meantime, decision had same as at present, it is stated, albeen reached by the principal to dis- though fewer coupons will be used. miss the children on account of the One of the objects of using tokens is Plymouth, 7 non-fathers and 10 fa to reduce the work of retailers in About the middle of January, Mr. counting stamps and to make the

some additional coal here, and he Tokens are expected to make ra- non-father and 4 fathers. One of organized their respective territories finally succeeded in getting the state tioning simpler for both the con- the volunteers, Phillip Lee Ayers, of and had them thoroughly canvassed purchasing department to place an sumer and the trade. There will be Plymouth, is making his second trip order on January 25. This coal was point currency of only two denomi- to the induction center, having been finally shipped from Virginia ear- nations—all stamps will be worth 10 rejected the first time. The other lier this month, and it eventually ar- points; all tokens, one point. This volunteer is Selby O. Price, also of nved in Plymouth about 11 o'clock makes it easier to figure than when Monday morning, after the school handling stamps worth 8, 5, 2 and 1 Hardison Passes children had been dismissed for the points as at present. It will be easier day is a printing at the points as at present. It will be easier day is a points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present the points as a present the points as a present. It will be easier the points as a present the points are present the points and the points are present the points as a present the points are present the for retailers to count stamps and The coal now on hand is not con- make change than when they had to Selby O. Price, volunteers; Thomas sidered sufficient to finish out the examine each stamp to determine Jerome Freeman. Harry Paramore term, but the superintendent said its point value. Tokens are also Swain David Harmon Modlin, James yesterday he did not anticipate any easier to handle than stamps. The John Croley, III, Harold Latham Wil- Democratic Committee To further difficulty in this connection, tokens have no expiration date and liford, non-fathers; James Lee Cher-

There will be two kinds of tokens, mont Harris, Elliott Ereckson Harrell. the only difference being in color, and William Thomas Arrants. Lester the color matches that of the stamps Hugh Lowe, Lloyd Ronald Waters, stamps and blue tokens will be used Chesson, Harold Edison Asby, fathers. for processed foods; red stamps and red tokens for meats and fats.

Announcement was made this week Water Street Station lin Tyson, fathers. Has New Proprietor

J. W. Allen last week became pro-Presbyterian Services has appeared in a section of "The prietor of the Water Street Service ployed at the North Carolina Pulp Company, is well known throughout The new paper, also to be called the community and has many friends "The Container," will be devoted en- who wish him well in his new venture

In taking over operation of the station, the new owner seeks a connamed editor, and the first issue will tinuation of its former patronage, asappear around the midle of March. suring the best service possible under Mr. Shannon would like to get let- war time conditions. He will confrom those who formerly worked at washing and greasing cars. He will the local plant or who are related to also continue to maintain it as an official OPA tire inspection station.

Blanks for Owners Of Farm Trucks

Washington County farmers who own motor trucks and hold Certificates of War Necessity with class numbers from 100 to 190 are required to fill out an information sheet about their trucks and file it with the Farm Transportation Committee. The blanks may be secured from the Triple-A office in the agricultural building here.

The information required deals with expected life of tires now on farm trucks. It asks the farmer to estimate the length of time his present tires will last, without recapping; and as supporting evidence that the truck is essential to the war effort, to show the number of acres cultivated, kind and size of various crops, number of livestock, nearest market, etc.

'E" Bond Goal Was NOW IN ITALY Exceeded Tuesday, Final Day of Drive

Leaders Give Credit for Success To Canvassers and Bond Buyers

It required just a little over two weeks of intensive campaigning by a group of loyal workers to put Washington County well "over the top" in every respect in the Fourth War Loan Campaign, which officially came to a close Tuesday. It was learned yesterday morning from H. E. Beam, chairman of the county war flinance committee, that the county had oversubscribed its total quota by 37 per cent. or \$83,397.25; and its "E" bond quota by \$4.731.25, or approximately 4 per cent.

Although the drive officially ended Tuesday night, all "E" bonds sales for the remainder of the month will be credited to the Fourth War Loan campaign. This means that possibly \$10,000 or \$20,000 will be added as Roper is having an "E" bond rally tonight, and sales at other points had already amounted to several thousands of dollars up to this morning since Tuesday.

Total sales of all types of bonds at the close of the drive Tuesday night amounted to \$311,397.25. Mr. Beam said, while the overall quota was Pre-Induction Tests said, while the overall quota was \$228,00. At that time "E" bond sales stood at \$134,231.25, while the quota was \$129,500.

Eugene F. Still, county chairman of the Fourth War Loan campaign, and Mr. Beam were both more than well pleased with the results of the Orders are going out this week for campaign. They gave the entire cre-27 Washington County white men to dit for its succes to the loyal workers report at the office of the draft board and canvassers throughout the coun-22, when they will leave for Fort to the more than 1,000 persons in the Bragg for their pre-induction exam- county who bought bonds during the Pre-Pearl Harbor fathers; while the least 1,200 or 1,300 individual bonds The number of points available for other 11 non-fathers are mostly were sold, ranging in amounts from young men who have reached the age \$18.75 to up in the tens of thous-

Beyond question, it was the best Seventeen of the number are from organized and most enthusiastic camthers. Creswell will furnish 3 non- paign of its sort ever waged in the fathers and 2 fathers for a total of county. The various community 5; and Roper is called on for a single chairmen, both colored and white.

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Board of Elections For County To Be Named Next Month

Suggest Appointments By March 10

The first step toward holding the with which they will be used. Blue Lowry Louis Sawyers, Clyde Carlton primary and general election this year will be taken within the next few weeks by the county Democratic From Creswell: Reginald Dalton Phelps, James Edward Spear, Rob- executive committee, which is supert Elliott Bateman, non-fathers; Al- posed to recommend the appointfred Benjamin Sawyer, Fred Frank- ments of men to serve on the county board of elections. These appointments will be made by the state board non-father; Robert Morris, James H. of elections at a meeting in Raleigh about the middle of March. Gaylord, III. Nathan Wilson Barnes,

E. G. Arps, chairman of the county Democratic executive committee this week received a letter from state board officials, asking that the coun-For Week Announced ty group's recommendations be forwarded not later than March 10.

Two Democrats and one Republiat the home of Mrs. Lloyd Jordan on can compose the membership of the county board of elections. For the Church services, Rev. D. C. Craw- 1942 elections, Walter W. White, of ford, jr., pastor, presiding at the Skinnersville, was chairman; W. J. home of Mrs. Floyd Jordan. Let's Marrow, jr., of Roper, was the other all show our welcome to Mr. Craw- Democratic member; and J. Richford by our good attendance at ard Carr, of Plymouth, was the Rechurch again, so that we may con- publican member of the board.

tinue to have these preaching services When the executive committee holds its meeting, it is considered Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., The Ladies' likely that apointment of a county Bible Hour will meet at the home of board of education member to suc-Mrs. Campbell. We will begin the ceed P. M. Arps will be discussed. Mr. study of the Epistle of James; all the Arps resigned as chairman of the ladies are asked to read through this education board the first of this Epistle this week in preparation for month to become chairman of the ABC board.

Legion Post Here To Assist Ex-Service Men Applying for Mustering-Out Pay

The local American Legion post is prepared to assist discharged service men in filing their applications for musteringout pay, according to Moye W. Spruill, service officer. The post here has had application blanks printed, and Mr. Spruill will be glad to help those entitled to mustering-out pay to file appli-

Men who have been honorably discharged from any branch of the armed services, except by their own request to acept ementitled to payments ranging up to \$300, under the terms of a recent act of Congress. Those with less than 60 days' service get \$100; those who have had more than 60 days' service in the United States get \$200; and those who have had overseas service get \$300.

Ex-service men who wish to apply for payments are invited by the Legion Post to see Mr. Spruill if they need an aplication blank or help in filling it out.

20 To 25 Farm Registrants Put in 1-A For Failure To File 1944 Data Sheets

About 20 to 25 registrants between the ages of 18 and 38 who formerly held farm classifications were reclassified in 1-A by the Washington County Selective Service Board at its regular meeting Tuesday night of this week. None of those reclassified had filed the farm data sheets for 1944, as called for by the draft board some time ago.

All farm clasifications are now being reviewed by the board and their farm plans for 1944 checked with their data shets for the past year. A few statements have

Since the new induction regulations were issued a few months ago, a much tighter check is behold deferred classifications, including those on farms. While agriculture is regarded as essenthe selective service system is dofarm activities actually live up

to their obligations.

USDA War Board for investigation, it was learned.

ing made of all registrants who tial to the prosecution of the war, ing all it possibly can to see that those deferred because of their

been referred to the County

and is staying at Williford's tavern.

Plymouth white schools were clos-