

arrived safely at a base in the Pacific. Corporal Ange entered the service on

May 14, 1942, and received training

in Camp Shelby, Miss., Shreveport,

La., New Jersey and Los Angeles,

Calif.

THE ROANOKE BEACON

Of Schools Monday

port on Attenda .ce

dorsed by the organization.



Mr .and Mrs. Sam Ange, of Roper VOLUME LV-NUMBER 15 have received word from their son, Corporal Leon G. Ange, that he has

### James W. Norman Recommended for **Board of Education To Succeed Arps**

Announcement is made this week that the American Legion Auxiliary will hold its monthly meeting next Monday night, April 17, in the Legion Hall here at 8 p.m. Mrs. J. B. Wil-loughby, Mrs. P. W. Brown and Mrs. Corbett Swain will be co-hostesses to the meeting.

The Easter holidays passed very quietly in this section. Attendance at the special Easter services was said to be unusually good. Many clerks and storekeepers were sporting blisters on their hands Tuesday after putting in a strenuous day Monday in their Victory Gardens and cleaning up around their homes.

Second Lieutenant Margaret Pegram, of Durham, was in Plymouth yesterday in the interest of the WAC recruiting program. She conferred with Mrs. Eliza Daniels, who has been in charge of recruiting here, and made plans to return to Plymouth at regular intervals in the fu-

Up to yesterday, 161 dogs had been vaccinated against rabies at the podepartment here. Policeman Paul Basnight is in charge of the work, and dogs are being vaccinated at the police station each afternoon. The law requires that every dog over six months old be vaccinated annually. Last year approximately 300 dogs were treated here.

Washington County's War Bond quota for the month of April is exactly the same as it was last month, \$22,305. Sales so far have been at a very slow rate at the bank here, H. E. Beam, cashier and chairman of the County War Finance Committee, said this morning. Last month the county fell about \$5,000 short of its quota.

Mrs. Leroy Bateman left Monday to visit her husband, Corporal Leroy Bateman, of the United States Army, in New York City this week. He was recently transferred from Fort Jackson, S. C. Mrs. Bateman is expected to return the latter part of this week.

An uncle of Miss Annabell Dawson, new home economics teacher in the local school, died at his home in Dunn Monday. Miss Dawson was visiting relatives in Dunn at the time and remained over for the funeral Monday.

Saturday, April 15, is the final day for filing income-tax estimates for the calendar year of 1944 and making the first quarterly payment of

It was nearned this week that James W. Norman will be recommended for appointment to the Washington County Board of Education to serve out the unexpired term of P. M. Arps, who resigned February 1 to become chairman of the county ABC Board. The term has about one more year to run, expiring in the spring of 1945.

Education, and it is believed their

**Half-Day Closing** 

Local stores and business es-

tablishments will return to their

regular schedule of Wednesday

half-holiday closings next week

after having been thrown out of

gear by the Easter Monday holi-

day this week. The stores were

closed Monday all day, and re-

mained open all day Wednesday.

and continuing through August,

local places of business will close

every Wednesday at noon. This

will give the owners and their

employees a chance for some re-

laxation and recreation, and the

cooperation of their patrons by

Wednesday will be appreciated.

Former Local Man

shopping early in the day on

Beginning next Wednesday,

Va., High School from 1902 un-Appointment of a successor to til 1913; then returned to Plym-Mr. Arps is now up to the State outh and was principal of the school here from 1913 until 1927. Board of Education; since the He was elected county superincounty Democratic executive tendent in 1927 and served in committee lost its power to make that capacity until 1935. Since the appointments by failing to fill the vacancy within 30 days. then he has been in the furniture business here. However, the members of the ex-At present the board of educaecutive committee are recommending Mr. Norman's appoint-

tion is composed of L. E. Hassell, of Roper, chairman; and ment to the State Board of P. B. Belanga, of Creswell.

endorsement of Mr. Norman will

Mr. Norman has had many

years of experience in school

work and is generally regarded as

cant position. Following his

graduation from Trinity College,

now Duke University, he served

as principal of the Smithfield,

eminently qualified for the va-

be followed.



Those 26 and Under

ed by a new ruling issued last weekend by national Selective Service officials, it was stated at the office of the local draft board yesterday. As a matter of fact, the ruling has resulted in the postponement of induction of only one registrant so far, it

Blinded in Battle in Italy November 8th includes 35 classifications centered mainly around technical, industrial

Leslie C. Stotesberry Now War Manpower Commission as being in support of the war effort.



Discuss Betterment Number Candidates File for

ANNOUNCES

Ben A. Sumner, Washington

County representative at the last

session of the General Assembly,

this week formally filed notice of

his candidacy for reelection, sub-

ject to the Democratic primary

Sumner Announces

Platform in Filing

Formally for House

States He Will Work for

Complete Repeal of Sales

Tax If Elected

on May 27.

Tuesday night, when a proposal for needed improvements to the local Reward of \$100 for Informaschool plant was discussed and ention Is Offered by Chairman of Board

A number of reports were made by various committees, and Principal R. B. Trotman made several recommen-

The Creswell ABC store was robbed dations which were adopted. Mrs. for the fifth time in the past several W. V. Hays, president, presided over years last Friday night, when unthe meeting. known persons carried away 28 cases

It was voted unanimously to turn and two bottles of whiskey and rum. over for continued operation of the So far there is no clue to the robbers, school lunch room the funds now re- although a \$100 reward was posted maining in the treasury of the as- yesterday by the chairman of the sociation. Mr. Trotman reported that county ABC board, P. M. Arps. for \$124.38 had been raised by the teach- information leading to arrest and ers and pupils through the sale of conviction of the guilty persons. magazine subscriptions, and that this Mr. Arps said that the robbers got

money would be used to buy addiaway with 25 cases of whiskey and 3 tional shrubs for beautifying the cases of rum last Friday night, in adschool grounds. He also secured apdition to two extra quart bottles reproval of the members for changing moved from the shelves of the store Mr. Arps said he did not know how the intruders gained entrance, but it is presumed they pried the door open. The retail value of the missing spir-

its was placed at \$1,017 by the chairman, who said that insurance will cover most of the loss. Recurring robberies of the Cres-

well store are posing a serious problem for the ABC Board. While losses so far have been taken care of by insurance, it is feared that such invictions follow the latest robbery.



#### Edenton Man Suffers Broken Leg and Collarbone At Mackeys

Tuesday was a hard day for auto-His report showed a total enrollmobile drivers in this county, no ment, at the end of the seventh month, of 717 pupils; 507 in the elesix cars, having been investigated by mentary and 147 in the high school. Highway Patrolman M. B. Stewart. One man was seriously injured, several others bruised and cut, and con-

siderable property damage done in Creswell Red Cross the three mishaps.

But One Contest Has Developed So Far; Others in Prospect

Three Announce for County Commissioners; Two for Board of Education

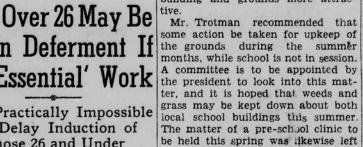
The rush of candidates to file for county offices is beginning to develop, it was learned yesterday from Walter W. White, chairman of the county board of elections. At that time there were 12 candidacies officially filed with him, although only one contest had developed, that for representative. However, there are candidates for all county offices to be filled in the primaries and elections this year except for one member of the board of education from the Lees Mill district.

Judge W. Ronald Gaylord started the ball rolling last Saturday, when he filed for renomination as judge of the recorder's court. The same day friends filed the name of W. Blount Rodman, now a first lieutenant in the Army somewhere in England, for nomination as solicitor of the county court.

A lull developed after these two filed which was not broken until Tuesday, when Ben A. Sumner filed for county representative, to be fol-Formally announcing Tuesday that lowed within the next 24 hours by he would be a candidate in the Demo- three men filling for county commissurance will be difficult to obtain in cratic primary for renomination as sioners and two others for memberthe future unless arrests and con- Washington County Representative to ship on the board of education. In the General Assembly, Ben A. Sum- addition, Z. V. Norman and W. R. ner, of Plymouth, stated that he plan- Hampton have filed as candidates for ned to begin actively campaigning the state senate.

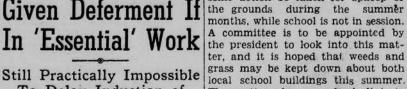
The three who filed for county ent time Mr. Sumner is working for commissioners are H. H. ("P-D") the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation Allen, of Plymouth, district No. 1; J. at Elizabeth City, but is continuing C. Knowles, of Roper, district No. 2: and Harry W. Pritchett, of Creswell, Mr. Sumner made his debut in district No. 3. Mr. Allen is the only county politics two years ago, when new man in this group, as Messrs. he defeated W. T. Freeman and Ed- Knowles and Pritchett are present ward L. Owens for representative in members of the board seeking rethe primary. Mr. Freeman was elim- election. Chairman E. G. Arps, of inated in the first primary, when Plymouth, has stated that he would Mr. Owens was the high man; but not be a candidate for relection.

in the run-off Mr. Sumner defeated The two who filed for membership Mr. Owens by a vote of 856 to 736. on the board of education are James Both Mr. Owens and Mr. Sumner W. Norman, of Plymouth, from disless than three accidents, involving are candidates for the nomination as trict No. 1; and P. B. Belanga, of Creswell, from district No. 3. L. E. Hassell, of Roper, is chairman and present member of the board from Woodrow Collins, of district No. 2. but he has not yet in-dicated whether or not he would be Fund Now Stands at Mackeys, where a 1937 Chevrolet car Mackeys, Were a 1937 Chevrolet car Drigonous of Control of the would be a candidate for reappointment. Mr. Belanga is a member of the present board, and it is understood that Mr.



Very few registrants in Washington County will be materially affect-

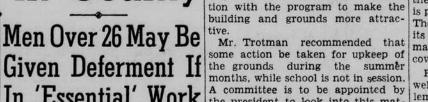
The latest directive provides that the induction of all registrants 26 years of age and over, including those already instructed to report for actual duty, be postponed if such registrants are engaged in an "essential" or warsupporting occupation. The list of "essential" occupations, applying on-



To Delay Induction of

was stated.

ly to those 26 years of age and over, includes 35 classifications centered and farm work that is rated by the



elementary teacher would be lost, but

Mr. Trotman said Tuesday night that

it was now hoped the high school

teacher could be retained as a result

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of the better attendance record.

the president.

the tax. Not all taxpayers are required to file the returns, but a great many are affected.

## William M. Bond Dies in Edenton

William M. Bond, 58, former resident of Plymouth, died early Monday Mrs. Ira Stotesberry, of Pike Road, not be learned immediately, but a morning at his home in Edenton, was formerly employed at the plant meeting is being held in Edenton toafter a period of ill health that con- of the North Carolina Pulp Company day for board members and clerks, tinued for several years, following a here. He is now stationed in the and it is expected that a definite stroke of paralysis two years ago. He Valley Forge General Hopspital, course will be charted for them was a member of one of Edenton's about 28 miles from Philadelphia, one there. According to an unofficial remost prominent families, being the of two service centers set up in this port, "Essentiality of jobs held by son of the late Judge W. M. Bond and country to treat eye injuries and men men 26 and over will be determined on Mrs. Laura Griffith Bond.

After graduating from the University of North Carolina in 1906, he or five years. When he left here he went to Denver, Colo., where he became a prominent lawyer and trust officer. He served as vice president of the International Trust Company and later became associated with

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. periences in the Army. Incidentally, Louise McMullan Bond; a son, Wil- Mrs. Ira Stotesberry, the young man's liam M. Boyd, jr.; a brother, Lyn mother, is visiting him and her daugh-Bond, of Tarboro; and a sister, Mrs. ter, Mrs. Julius Raichle, in Philadel-Minton H. Dixon, of Norfolk. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the graveside, with the Rev. E. L. Wells, pastor of the Edenton Baptist church, officiating.

At Valley Forge Hospital in Pennsylvania

ferment only if they are engaged in An article about United States a very few super-essential occupasoldiers blinded in battle, appearing tions, and farming is not one of them. in a Philadelphia, Pa., evening news-It is established that very few men in paper last Sunday, was illustrated by this age group can hope for even a photograph of Leslie C. Stotesberry, former Plymouth and Pike Road temporary deferment. man, learning to read a Braille map.

Just what the board in this county Young Stotesberry, son of Mr. and plans to do about those over 26 could

blinded in battle. Two clippings of the basis of whether they are in one the article and the young man's pic- of the 35 industrial categories listed ture were forwarded to The Beacon by the War Manpower Commission. sity of North Carolina in 1906, he practiced law in Plymouth for four county who now live in Philadelphia. Men over 26 who are employed in County who now live in Philadelphia. What Selective Service regards as Although Leslie lost the sight of non-essential work still will be inboth eyes during action in the Ital- ducted as usual and will not be afian campaign last November 8 and fected by the order. returned to this country in January.

It is apparent from the new orhe has many friends throughout the ders that the armed services are county who have not learned of it. Lawrence Lewis, Congressman from Colorado. He retired about two another son, Raleigh Stotesberry, exhausted, Selective Service will years ago because of his health and here this week, and from him was then step up the age possibly to 29 learned something about Leslie's excounties will not be able to meet their \$38.50; phia this week, and the father said group, more or less, immediately. In yesterday it was hoped that Leslie would get a furlough to come home

men 26 years or older and who are \$129.41. holding "essential" jobs, will be de-

Registrants between the ages of 18 \$623, Chairman Says and 25, inclusive, are eligible for de-Review of Collections by renza Norman, colored, of this coun-

Communities Made by Mrs. Smithson

A few additional contributions have pital, while the others escaped with been reported in the past week by canvassers for the Red Cross in the badly damaged. Norman, driver of Creswell section. The total collect- the car, is to be tried in recorder's ed for that section was raised to court next Tuesday for drunken \$623.97 by the latest reports, includ- driving; while Warren was fined \$50 ing \$129.41 raised by the colored and costs last Tuesday for allowing workers, according to Mrs. Ethel S. an intoxicated person to drive his Smithson, chairman of the War Fund car. drive there.

Mrs. Smithson said that in the event the names of any contributors were left off the list now being published she would be glad to check it and add their names. However, it will be probably several weeks before all the names now in the Bea-

con office can be published. A portion of the list is being printed each week, as space allows, and will be continued until it is completed.

Mrs. Smithson reported the following contributions by communities and roads in the Creswell areas: Newyears, and even to 33 or more, if land Road, \$33.75; Ambrose Road, necessary. It is possible that some \$33.35; Creswell, \$225.93; Cherry, Lake Farms, \$19.25; Mount quotas from the 18-26 group, and Tabor, \$33.28; Mount Pleasant, \$18; \$65; Star Route, \$17.50; Scuppernong other counties, induction for those Road, \$10; and colored people,

layed possibly several months.



in manning the observation post each Wednesday afternoon. The Army deems this training period necessary to maintain the Air-

craft Warning Service in the event an emergency should arise. It helps to keep observers and information center volunteers efficient in their particular work. It also gives the Army a chance to keep training new interception crews, although for short periods, who will do the same type of work in theatres of war.

and a pick-up truck were in head-on Prisoner of Germans Hardy Lee Warren and Alvin Ben-

nett, of Edenton, and driven by Lo-In Action Over Europe ty; while Antley Wilson, colored, was Since February 5 driving the truck. Bennett had his

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right leg and left collarbone broken and was taken to the Windsor hos-Mrs. R. I. Collins, of Mackeys, have who may announce before the deadbeen informed that their son, Ser- line. Their entry would develop concuts and bruises. The cars were geant Woodrow Collins, of the Army tests for several of the offices, which Air Forces, is a prisoner of war in at present are uncontested. It is Germany. Sergean Collins had been also rumored that practically a full Mrs. Collins for confirmation of the tion in November.

report, but telephone calls to friends

About 11:30 the same morning, a in Mackeys stated that such a teletruck driven by Henry S. Everett, of gram reporting him a prisoner had Roper, and a Buick sedan driven by been received. A similar report was James S. Eaves, of Youngsville, col- prevalent here early last week, but lided in Roper. Mr. Everett had was denied by Mr. Collins at that started to make a left turn from the time.

Sergeant Collins' wife fives in odist church will sponsor a "Womanhighway in Roper, when Mr. Eaves attempted to pass him. Damage to Rougemont, and it was to her that less Wedding" on Friday night, April the car was estimated at \$150, while the telegram reporting him missing 21, in the high school auditorium. A the truck was damaged slightly. No in action was directed about the mid- small admission fee will be charged. one was hurt and no arrest was made. dle of February. The young man, The public is invited and urged to at-

Later in the day, cars driven by 25 years of age, had been in the tend. Lomas K. Reason, of Williamston, Army for a little more than a year and Dr. L. S. Mitchell, colored, of and went overseas last fall. He was Plymouth, sideswiped on the high- tail gunner on a heavy bomber. way at Little Richwood Village. It The young man has many friends was raining at the time. No one throughout the county who hope was hurt, and no arrest was made. there is truth in the latest report will have to go to the older age Creek Road and Mountain Canal, Damage to the Reason car was esti- that he is safe, although a prisoner Episcopal Church will meet on Monmated at \$175 and to Dr. Mitchell's of war. He is a graduate of the day evening at 8 o'clock. The meetcar at \$150.

service.

appointment to the board to fill out the unexpired term of P. M. Arps, Had Been Reported Missing who resigned recently to become chairman of the county ABC board.

Time for filing expires at 6 p.m. Saturday of this week, April 15th, and it is understood that there are It is reported here that Mr. and several other prospective candidates previously reported missing in action slate of Republican candidates will over Germany since February 5th. be filed before the time expires to as-It was imposible to reach Mr. or sure competition in the general elec-

Womanless Wedding at

Roper School April 21

Roper.-The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Roper Meth-

#### Grace Church Study Class Will Meet Monday Night

The Woman's Study Class of Grace Roper High School and worked at ing, sponsored by the Woman's Auxthe plant of the North Carolina Pulp iliary and St. Mary's Guild, will be Company here before going into the held at the home of Mrs. Z. V. Norman.

### **Record Catches of Fish Reported in This Section During Easter Week-End**

Record catches of fish were reported last week-end by sportsmen in this section. M marked the last day of the open season on inland waters until May 20: but, judging from reports and some strings of fish seen, those who went fishing Sunday and Monday caught about enough to last them

through the closed season. A party of four local men-C. W. Burnham, Seawell Bowen and Carlyle Doughtie-fished at Lake Phelps Sunday and on their return displayed what was declared by many to be the largest and prettiest string of fish ever seen here. They had about 80 'speckled perch." or crappie, and possibly 20 or more bass, the total catch weighing approximately no pounds. Many of the perch

Those who fished on County Warren Neck and other nearly creeks likewise reported large catches, principally of perch; but those who went to Lake Phelps over the Easter week-end really broke records. A couple of Martin County men at Lake Phelps Monday were said to have had more than the law allows, and practically everyone who fished in the lake during the two days caught all they wanted.

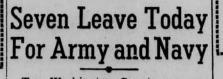
Begin Mosquito-Control Work Today; **Cleaning Out Ditches Around Town** 

The mosquito control program for Plymouth will get underway today, it was learned yesterday from Chief of Police P. W. Brown, who is in direct charge of the work. Oiling water in the low places about the town will not begin until the weather is more favorable, but Mr. Brown said a crew of men was starting out today to clean out ditches and cut weeds along ditch banks.

The clean-up program has not been as successful as it should have been, Chief Brown said, but he explained that the weather has not been at all favorable during the past week and that he expected better results later. Many people have cleaned up their back yards and vacant lots, but a lot remains to be done in order to make the control program really effective.

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An allotment of 1,200 gallons of oil has been made by the rationing board for the control program, and the North Carolina Pulp Company donated another 400 gallons. Mr. Brown said he believed this amount would be sufficient to last throughout the season. The town has employed Terry Ford to do the spraying, while cleaning the ditches and ditch banks is being done by the regular town crew of workmen.



Two Washington County men are leaving today to begin active service with the Army and five others are

going to the Navy. The two for the Army, Joseph Gaston Clark and Fletcher Hilton Modlin, are reporting to Fort Bragg; while those for the Navy, Cyril Coronna Ange, Leroy Milton Comstock, William Steele Winesett, Addis Melford Kelly and William Thomas VanHorn, are reporting to the Navy receiving station in Raleigh.

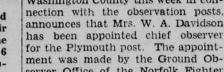
The men listed above received their pre-induction examinations at Fort Bragg about a month ago; and, after being accepted, were placed in the pool of men available for service. Calls were received for them a little over a week ago.

# **Filing Time Ends** Saturday, 6 P.M.

Candidates for all county and township offices must file their pledges and notices with the county board of elections by 6 p.m., Saturday of this week, April 15, in order to be eligible to take part in the primaries and general election this year. Walter W. White, chairman of the board of elections, has the proper forms, which must be filled out correctly and in the hands of the board by the date and hour specified above.

Arrangements will be made within the next week to have the ballots printed, Chairman White indicated yesterday, so that absentee ballots may be sent to service men and women who have applied for them.

Is Being Manned Staff Sergeant Charles Lehner, in Washington County this week in con-



server Office of the Norfolk Fighter Wing. It will be Mrs. Davidson's job to get the cooperation of ladies here