

Local merchants are appealing to

they are shopping. A great many

leave them at home, and a serious

has been impossible to secure an additional supply. One or two stores

were completely out of the changemaking tokens early this week.

KILLED IN ACTION



housewives to bring their red and VOLUME LV-NUMBER 20 blue ration tokens with them when

and any other containers that

will hold water should be eli-

minated. Mr. Brown said that he

found five barrels full of water at

KILLED IN ACTION

Pfc. Alfred Davenport, of

Plymouth, was killed in action at

Bouganville in the South Pa-

cific on April 16. Son of Queenie

Davenport, of Mount Vernon, N.

Y., and the late Hubert Daven-

port, of Plymouth, he is the first

colored man from the county to

be killed in action during the

present war. He was the grand-

son of Noah H. Moore and wife

and Aaron Davenport and wife,

of Plymouth, and highly regarded

by both white and colored people

Ten Cases Tuesday

here.

Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thursday, May 18, 1944

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Water Barrels Blamed for Unusually shortage of tokens is resulting, as it Large Number Mosquitoes This Week

It was learned here Tuesday that Mrs. Mary Cotton Davenport, of Mackeys and Plymouth, had been awarded a cup by the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs for the best short story written by a North Carolina woman during the year. The award was announced at the state convention of the federation, which is being held this week in Charlotte. Mrs. Davenport's many friends in the county are congratulating her upon winning what is generally regarded in the state as one of the most distinctive annual awards made by any organization

Friends here are in receipt of cards from Pvt. Fletcher H. Modlin, formerly the popular manager of the M. H. Mitchell Furniture Company, who is now stationed with a quartermaster company at Camp Shelby, Miss. He has been in the service for about a month and guesses he is "getting along O. K ... " although things there aren't like they are in Plymouth

The season for hook-and-line and rod-and-reel fishing in inland watrs, closed since April 10th, will reopen Saturday of this week, May 20. A large number of local sportsmen are planning to return to the creeks and lakes of the section this weekend to fish for bass and "speckled perch."

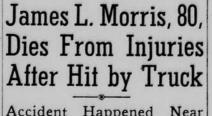
Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Garrett received a letter from their son, Technician, fifth grade, Harry L. Garrett, announcing that he had arrived safely at an unnamed overseas post.

Ordinarily, Highway Patrolman M. B. Stewart, stationed in Plymouth, is very even tempered and soft spoken. However, there is one motorist in this section who probably never will believe it. Said motorist was proceeding along Highway 64 near here a few days ago just a mite over the 35 miles an hour allowed by law. Stewart came along and decided to gently remonstrate with him. He pulled up alongside and told the motorist maybe he had better slow down a bit. The man didn't understand him and asked the patrolman what he said. About that time one of these cantankerous striped-uh-that is, one of these mean two-tone wasps with yellow stripes around the rear sector of low stripes around the rear sector of its fuselage and armed with a 100- At All-Day Session caliber rapid-firing stinger-flew into the patrolman's sleeve. "I said," began Stewart, and then that wasp backed up and pushed, "Blanketyblank, so-and-so, SLOW DOWN!" Is Record Session of Court Stewart's car started weaving and he pulled off the road to kill the insect,

Despite the oiling program unone place this week, and stated that they provide ideal breeding derway here, the town has been overrun with mosquitoes this week. Chief of Police P. W Brown said vesterday that failure of the public to cooperate by emptying all containers of water is largely responsible for the unusually large number of mosquitoes here. He especially asks that all water barrels be emptied,

places for the winged pests. The oiling program is now underway, with two men employed practically full time in this work.

They are putting oil on all standing water in ditches, low spots and like places where water will stand. However, it will all go for naught unless tin cans, boxes, barrels, gutters, and all other places where water can stagnate are cleaned out to eliminate breeding places.



Cherry Tuesday of Last Week

James Leonard Morris, 80-year-old farmer of the Cherry section of this county, died in the Colmbia hospital Tuesday afternoon of last week as the result of injuries received when he was struck that morning by a truck operated by James Phillip Spruill, 15year-old high-school student of Creswell.

the truck, owned by E. F. Turner, of Gatesville. Norfleet Pruden, also of Gatesville, was regular driver of the truck but had permitted young Spru-

ill to take the wheel shortly before the accident occured. The young driver was slowing down to give Mr. front wheel locked and the heavy vehicle ran over the aged man.

licensed operator to drive.

church. In Recent Months; Few

Private Henry Clayton Marriner, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Marriner, of Roper, was killed in action in Italy on January 30, his parents were informed on aMrrh 11. Private aMrriner, 23

years old, was in the parachute infantry, and had been in the service since June, 1942. Names of 171 New **Registrants Put on**

Voters in This Precinct

To 1,438 No reports have been received from \$100 short of the \$600 goal, it was

other precinc., in the county, but stated. Plymouth Township had a fairly Morris a ride, he said, when the left large registration of new voters before the books closed at sundown last Saturday, according to Mrs. Hermine The accident was not reported to Ramsey, the registrar. A total of 171 Highway Patrolman M. B. Stewart new names were put on the books,

immediately made an investigation. indicate there is more interest in the coming primary and elections than operator's license and Pruden for per- has been generally supposed. At the present time, the registrar

drive his truck. Tried in recorder's said there was a total of 1,438 regiscourt here Tuesday, Spruill was ex- tered voters in Plymouth Township, onerated on a manslaughter charge, of which 1.352 are registered as but fined \$25 and costs for driving Democrats and 86 Republicans. This without license. Pruden was fined does not represent the true strength of the two parties, however, is it is known that a great many voters who are nominally Republicans register of Washington County and a promi- as Democrats in order to vote in the Of Recorder's Court of Washington County and a promi-nent farmer of the Cherry section. He Democratic primaries for local of-ficials

> Saturday of this week, May 20, will be challenge day; but this is con-Allen Morris; five daughters, Mrs. sidered a formality, as very few reg-



Corporal Leland L. Riddick, son

of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Riddick, of

Breaks, Dropping Car

On Him

tiring president, Mrs. W. V. Hays, The new officers are Mrs. W. A. Smith, president; Mrs. A. J. Byrd, vice president: and Mrs. Archie Modlin. treasurer.

The association agreed to begin a campaign immediately to raise money for building a coal house at the Hampton Building, in order to prevent the scattering of coal over the playground there.

Plans were also made for launching a drive immediately to raise money for putting the gymnasium building here into condition for athletics and recreational use. A dance in honor of homecoming college students will be given in the gymn earv in June with the following committee on arrangements in charge Mrs. W. A. Davidson, Mrs. J. R. Manning, Mrs. W. V. Hays and Mrs. W. A. Smith

Plymouth Route 1, is somewhere The president expressed apprein Italy, according to recent niation of the association for the doletters. _Corporal Riddick, now nations made to the lunch room can-25 years of age, has been in the ning project by the senior and junior service for four years, two of Woman's Clubs, the Eastern Star them overseas. He was first sent chapter, and the American Legion to England, then to North Africa Auxiliary. All the money in the asand is now in Italy. sociation treasury at the end of the school term is to be turned over to this fund, which still will be about

Mrs. Smith announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Membership and hospitality: Mrs T. W. Earle, representing the country club village; Mrs. Ray Brown and

Mrs. Charles Wyndham, Little Richwood; Mrs. W. C. Styons and Mrs. Wesley Ange, beyond tracks on Washington Street; Mrs. George Salyer Washington Street: Mrs. Lester Crofton, Brinkley Avenue; Mrs. Alton Harrison, East Main Street; Mrs. Madeline Norman. West Main Street: Mrs Carolyle Doughtie, Jefferson Street; Mrs. Dave Kulman and Mrs. Jack Peele, Third Street.

Finance committee: Mrs. E. F. Still, W. Frith Winslow, Mrs. W. A. Davidson, Mrs. J. M. Polk, T. W. Earle, Mrs. J. R. Manning.

Parents' Education committee: Mrs. T. R. Jenkins and all grade mothers.

Publicity committee: Mrs. W. V. Iays, W. H. Booker, R. B. Trotman.

Most of Those Called Are Between Ages Of 26 and 30 Years

No Men Over 30 Years Old In Contingent: Call Is Less Than in April

While not quite as large as the list of men sent to Fort Bragg last month, a large number of white men have been ordered to report to the office of draft board here Friday morning of this week for their pre-induction examinations. Last month's white call was somewhere around 80 men. while the call leaving tomorrow will be in the neighborhood of 50.

Most of those called up this month are between the ages of 26 and 30 years old, although there are a few under 26. There are five transfers from the jurisdiction of other boards to go with the county contingent. Pre-Pearl Harbor fathers are slightly in the majority, but the margin is rather slim. There are no men in the call over 30 years of age, it was stated at the office of the board. There are some farmers and farm workers in the list.

Plymouth's share this time is slightly less than half of the total number called, with Creswell and Edwin Lester Cobb Roper together furnishing most of the others. Mackeys is on the list with one name, and, of course, there are Dies in Accident at the five transfers from other sections. A special bus or two will be on Creswell Last Week hand to take the men to Fort Bragg for their examinations. Those accepted will have at least 21 days af-Skull Crushed When Chain ter they return before they will be called for induction into the branch of service for which they qualify.

Following is the list of those who have been ordered to report tomor-Edwin Lester Cobb, 34 years of age, row morning:

was almost instantly killed last From Plymouth: Edmund Culpep-Thursday afternoon while at work on per Griffin, Jasper Lee Squires, Saman automobile in Earl Davenport's uel Biscoe Mobley, Floyd Lawrence garage at Creswell. He was repair- Simpson, Thomas Abram Terry, Daning the engine of a passenger car, iel Francis Cronin, jr., Frederick and had the front end suspended by Gilbert Simpson, Dempsey Lee Wila chain hoist, when the chain broke, liams, Woodrow Wilford Goff, Eli dropping the car on him and crush- Caswell Spruill, Jewel Eustace Wilson, William Ronald Tetterton, Al-Mr. Cobb was a native of Edge- bert Garfield Watson, Russell Orda combe County, but had made his Butler, Emmett Leon Phillips, Dewey home in the Creswell section for Jasper Hardison, William Thomas about five years. He was the son of Hopkins, Thaddeus Theodore Har-

Poll Books Here near his home when he was hit by Brings Total of Qualified

here until the following day, and he most of them Democrats. This would citing Spruill for driving without an

mitting an unlicensed operator to \$50 and costs for permitting an un-

Mr. Morris was a life-long resident was a member of the Methodist ficials.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Kate



Morris was walking on the road

but not before it had left its signature in three big welts between his left elbow and shoulder. Whether know to this day, but undoubtedly while. Carolina selects its road cops for their ley served as solicitor for the day. bull-voiced proficiency in the use of Although the court continued in seschoice language.

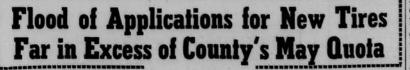
Mrs. Sabrie W. Reid, clerk to the local rationing board, this week advises all consumers to be sure to use SPARE stamp No. 37 to secure sugar for canning purposes, and not the regular sugar stamp No. 37. great many people are said to be using the wrong stamp, which means that they will lose their regular stamp No. 37, as it cannot be replaced if it is torn out of the ration book by mistake.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Moore received a letter Wednesday of last week from their son. Sergeant Mahlon S. Moore, dated May 1, from the first intimation they had that their son had gone overseas.

Friends of Louis Phillip Hornthal, native and resident of Plymouth for paid a fine of \$15 and costs for 25 years, will be interested in learn- speeding ing that he entered the Army in April and is now stationed at Camp well, was fined \$25 and costs for care-Crowder, Mo. His wife and two less and reckless driving. children are living in Tarboro, which Prayer for judgment was continhas been his home since leaving ued in the case of Gaston Smith, col-Plymouth some years ago.

ing failed to report an accident. Two Marine Corps officers who are Two Marine Corps officers who are living in Plymouth while stationed outh, entered a plea of guilty to petat the Edenton air base received pro- ty larceny in one case and Judge motions recently, it was learned this Gaylord is reserving judgment. In

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records.

Eligibility for Grade I tires is not a guarantee that such tires are available, since a recent flood of applications by newly eligible drivers far exceeds the entire county's quota of 71 for the current month, Ed H. Hill, chairman of the Washington County War Price and Ration Bolard, said this week.

"Although the tire situation as improved considerably," Mr. Hill said, "there are still only enough for essential use. Last

Cases Continued

Ten cases were tried in recorder's Vernie Simmons, of East Lake; Mrs the motorist dropped dead or sprout- court here Tuesday in the busiest Sara Bowen, of Bertie County; and ed wings and flew, Stewart doesn't and longest session held in quite a Miss Edna Morris, of Norfolk, Va.: Judge W. Ronald Gaylord two sons, George Morris, of Roper, there's one driver who thinks North presided, and Attorney W. L. Whit- and Robert Morris, of the U. S. Navy 25 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

sion for the greater part of the day. Funeral services were held from the a few cases were left over and were late home Thursday. continued until next Tuesday.

Following is the list of proceedings: Norfleet Pruden, white, of Gatesville plead guilty to allowing an unlicensed person to operate his car and was fined \$50 and costs.

Charles Henry Stillman, colored, of Plymouth, was found guilty of operating a car without operator's license outh was completely destroyed by and with improper tags. He was fined fire early Tuesday morning. It is so and costs. \$50 and costs. believed the blaze started from a

Lawrence Hilliard, colored, of smoldering grass fire, the origin of Plymouth, charged with assault with which is not known.

a deadly weapon, was fined \$50 and Henry Everett, who lives near the costs and released upon promise of beach, saw the blaze and called the good behavior for the next 12 months. chief of the local fire department. Fate McAllister, colored of Plym- Miller Warren, about 3 o'clock Tuesouth, was given a 60-day sentence, day morning. Mr. Warren and S. F. somewhere in England. It marked suspended upon payment of \$25 and Darden, county forest fire warden, court costs and a \$15 doctor's bill after being found guilty of assault unable to do anything except put out

with a deadly weapon. J. B. Voliva, white, of Creswell, ing.

James F. Spruill, white, of Cresbeach, and its contents represented a loss of about \$3,500, with about

week we had 69 applications for

new tires, while the local board's

quota for the entire month of

Mr. Hill also reminds car own-

ers to keep their tire inspection

records, which will have to be

presented in order to purchase

new tires. Some motorists, he said, had misinterpreted the re-

cent OPA order suspending com-

pulsory tire inspection and had

lost or discarded their inspection

May is only 71," he added.

\$900 insurance. None of the other nearby cottages was damaged, as the wind happened to be blowing the ored, of Plymouth, charged with hav- other way at the time.

Herman Spencer, colored, of Plym-(See COUNTY COURT, Page 4)

John Brown, colored man about 50 rears old, was seriously injured Sun-

day morning about 7 o'clock, when

Matthew Lee Shepard, also colored

time later by Highway Patrolman M. B. Stewart and lodged in jail here. charged with drunken driving and failure to remain at the scene of the chairman, of Greenville; J. A. Prit-

witnesses to the accident, which occurred about 200 yeards west of the

Lewis Sawyer, of Creswell; Mrs. Mit- istrants have been challenged in re tie Roughton, of Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. cent years.

> Warns Owners of Personal Property To Pay '43 Taxes 38 Said Accepted

Chief of Police P. W. Brown today served notice on all who owe 1943 poll and personal property taxes that he would take action starting June 1st to garnishee wages or seize

personal property to satisfy such delinquent tax accounts. There will be no extension and no exceptions made. he said, as he has been given orders to collect these taxes. Taxpayers can save addititional costs by paying up this figure is unofficial, as the final

The cottage at Albemarle Beach their accounts immediately.

Thefts Cleared Up

A series of cigarette thefts from the wholesale establishment of B. G.

Campbell here was cleared up last week-end by the arrest and confession of Herman Sawyer, colored emwent down immediately, but were ployee of Mr. Campbell. Around 100 service in the branch of service for cartons of cigarettes were recovered the brush fire to keep it from spread- at various place

Spencer admitted taking cigarettes Mr. Horton said Tuesday that the from the Campbell warehouse, the cottage, one of the nicest on the thefts taking place over a period of

several months, with the amount of goods taken aggregating in value Final Rites Held Today around \$200. Spencer said he sold the stolen cigarettes to Alton Ray-

nor, white, operator of the Green Oil indicted for receiving

en up again next Tuesday.

Bar Association Committee

Holds Hearing Here Today A committee from the council of

convened in the courthouse here this Roper. morning to take evidence in a disbarment proceeding instituted sometime ago against Edward L. Owens, Plym-

outh attorney. The committee is composed of Judge Albion Dunn.

lick, of Jacksonville.

Indications are that the remainder Welches Creek bridge, and it was of the day will be required to comupon information furnished by them plete taking the evidence. The comthat Shepard was arrested. He is mittee will report its finding to the being held in jail pending the out- council of the bar association at a ers to get sufficient change Friday future date.

Social Hygene committee: Dr. A Papineau, Mrs. Arthur Gay, district health officer and nurse.

From Last Call

ing his skull.

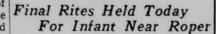
It is unofficially reported that 38 Negroes were accepted for service by the Army and Navy out of the large contingent of men sent to For Bragg from this county Friday of last week. It is emphasized that returns have not been received yet cemetery, near Rocky Mount.

by the local draft board. If 38 were accepted, it represents about 70 per accepted, it represents about 70 per cent of the number of colored men Revival To Begin sent to the reception center for their pre-induction examinations last week.

The local board is in receipt of

A one-week series of revival servcalls from the Army and Navy for all the colored men available from May 21, at 8:15 in the Roper Metho- Charleston, W. Va. pre-induction examinations prior to the one last week. They will leave dist church, it was announced yesterday by the Rev. G. C. Wood, pastor. here on June 2nd to begin active The Rev. W. Ray Anderson, of Laurens, S .C., will be the guest preacher which they qualified when they were examined. Although the exact numfor the week, with the series to be ber is not made available for publibrought to a close on Sunday, May cation, it is known that upwards of 28

half a hundred are affected.



Funeral services are being held station here, and Mr. Raynor was this afternoon for Jesse James Garrett, six-day-old infant son of Jesse The cases were called in recorder's Garrett and Olean Patrick Garrett, court here Tuesday, but no final de- of the Mill Pond section near Roper. Struck by Auto cision was ever rendered, and it is the infant the yesterday at the final rites are being conducted at the Chesson cemetery by the Rev. G. C. Wood, pastor of the Roper Methodist

> church Besides his parents, the infant is survived by a brother, Phillip Garrett, and two sisters, Frances and the North Carolina Bar Association Violet Garrett, all of the home near

Bank Here To Observe

Saturday as Holiday

The Branch Banking & Trust Comchett, of Windsor; and John W. War- pany here will be closed all day Saturday, May 20, in observance of Mecklenburg Day, a state holiday. So far as could be learned, no other local firms will observe the holiday. Merchants are urged by local bankto last them until Monday.

the late Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Cobb, of rison. Preston Earl Tucker, Emory Rocky Mount. Latham Whidbee, Eli Howard Wil-In addition to his widow, Mrs. liams, William Benjamin Grimes. Maybelle Cobb, he is survived by five From Creswell: Joseph Hardy sisters, Mrs. Ethel Shiffet and Mrs. Woodley, Henry Gilbert Snell, Ray-Nannie Winston, of Charlottesville, mond Louis Phelps, Ervin Washington Va.; Mrs. Sallie Bowden, Mrs. Nellie Ambrose, Will Ed Alexander, Ben-White and Miss Mitchell Cobb, of jamin Franklin Wynn, Stanley Ever-Rocky Mount; and three brothers, ett Oliver, Johnnie Nicholas Mueller,

James Cobb, of Rocky Mount; Jos- Hallet Linwood Davenport, Billy Eueph Cob, of Weldon; and Sergeant gene Spruill, James Walter Peal, Mahlon Cobb, of the U. S. Army, now Douglas Erwin Phelps. somewhere in the South Pacific. From Roper: William Warren

Funeral services were conducted at Spruill. Charles McCoy Hassell, Ed-Christ Episcopal church Sunday gar Joseph Barber, William Woodmorning at 10 o'clock and concluded row Phelps, Eugene Craddock, Wade at People's Chapel, near Rocky Hampton Collins. John William Spru-Mount Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. ill. Charlie Edward Harris. Asa Interment was made in the family Pritchett Johnson, Wesley Edwin Halsey, Edgar Llewellyn Spruill, jr., Richard Harold Craddock.

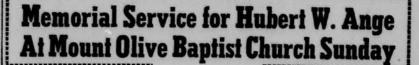
From Mackeys: Daniel Clifton Everett.

Transfers: Abram Elwood Com-Sunday at Roper stock, from Norfolk, Va.; Henry Owen Lovic, from Greenville; Leroy Roosevelt Snell, from Norfolk, Va.; Wilbur Earl Cutler, from Washingices will begin next Sunday evening, ton: and Donald Wilson Hunt, from

Playground Equipment Is Installed and in Use

A considerable amount of playground equipment was installed re-

A song and prayer service will be- cently on the grounds at the Hampgin each evening throughout the ton school here and is being put to week at 8:15, with the preaching serv- good use by children of the town. ice to begin at 8:30. "The Rev. Mr. The equipment was bought and in-Anderson is a man of God and a stalled by the Parent-Teacher Asgreat Bible preacher," Mr. Wood said sociation with funds largely conyesterday, "and we desire the co- tributed by the North Carolina Pulp operation of the other churches in Company. The association and childhelping to make this meeting a suc- ren alike are very grateful to pulp cess." The public is cordially in- mill officials for making the equipvited and urged to attend all services. ment available



A memorial service for Pfc. Hubert W. Ange, formerly of Plymouth, killed in action recently on the Italian battlebatlefront, will be held next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 in the Mount Olive Free Will Baptist church, it was announced this week. Private Ange was a member of this church and a regular attendant until he went into the service in 1942.

Son of the late Charlie W. Ange and Mamie Browning Ange, he was born in Washington County near Plymouth on

November 29, 1912. His mother died when he was about 12 years old and his father about two years later. He afterwards lived with relatives in the county for a number of years.

He was employed at the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company here for about four years before he entered the army on May 14, 1942. After he went into the service he was married to Miss Thelma Heath, of Tarboro, who, with an infant daughter, survives him. He also leaves three brothers and three sisters.

he was struck by a hit-and-run driver on the road to the pulp mill. Brown was on his way to work at the mill at the time and was riding a bicycle. He

suffered a fractured skull

of Plymouth, was arrested a short

accident. There were several eye-

come of Brown's injuries.

Horton Cottage at Beach Is Burned

owned by H. Lewis Horton, of Plym-