B. Cox were together on a recent week-end for the first time in seven years. All three boys are in the They are Hubert L. Cox, chief motor machinist's mate; W. Bryan Cox, jr., first-class machinist's mate; and Ensign J. Brinson Cox, Naval aviator. They met at the home of Hubert L. Cox in Long Beach, Calif.

Mrs. Hazel Styon received word last week that her husband, Pfc. William Daniel Styon, had arrived safely in New Guinea. He entered the service in February last year and is in a paratroop outfit. Before going into the Army he was employed at the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company here. He trained at Fort Benning, Ga., and Camp Mackall, N. C., and took part in Louisiana maneuvers last year.

There was an error in the headline last week over the article about the commissioners meeting this month. The board will meet on Monday, July 24th, to consider the budget for the current fiscal year, and not on the 18th as stated in the heading. It is generally expected that the rate for this year will be about the same as last year,

J. A. Broughton, city sanitary inspector, said yesterday that he was making good progress in getting rid of hogs inside the city limits. He has notified all owners to get them out of town by July 15th, and most of them have already complied.

They say the following happened at the Fort Bragg induction center recently, when a group from this county was being examined. One of the fellows had passed everything and he went back to the officer who examined his eyes to put up a squawk. "Doc," he said, "My eyes are terrible. Why, I can hardly see anything." "Sorry, son," said the medico, "We don't examine eyes any more-we just count them.'

Chief of Police P. W. Brown has been busy the past few days issuing Schedule "B" licenses to all local stores and business houses. Old licenses expired on June 30, and the new ones are for the fiscal year beginning July 1st.

peak this week, when an average of pleted their work in time to be dis-2,500 bushels daily were being re- charged with the thanks of the court ceived at the C. C. Lang plant on Tuesday morning. Brinkley Avenue here, according to C. W. Dinkins, manager. Mr. Dinkins said that receipts were considered very good in view of the exdry weather that has pre-

chairman for the Red Cross drive last Davenport, Clyde W. Spruill, Dan spring, this week reported the names Spear, and William C. Woodley, Scupof six contributors who were over- pernong Township; J. B. White and looked in the earlier published re- W. M. Hufton, Skinnersville Townports. Each of them contributed \$1, ship. as follows: Mrs. W. H. Thomas, Mrs. A. Bodwell, Joe Lewis and Tom San- jury is as follows: deson, of Plymouth; Joe Jefferson and B. F. James, of Jamesville.

Survivor of Sub Sinking Is Visitor

Jesse W. Everett One of Three Survivors of Sub Sunk in Pacific

Mackeys .- Jesse W. Everett, grandson of the late N. T. Everett, visited his step-grandmother at Mackeys last week. Mr. Everett enlisted in the Navy immediately after Pearl Harbor and served in the South Pacific where he was a member of the crew when a United States Army airplane of a submarine that was sunk last crashed and exploded in the Wenona September. He is one of three sur- section yesterday morning about 10 viving members of a crew of fifty- o'clock. The accident occured near four. Mr. Everett remained in a the "Sand Bridge," about half-way foreign hospital from September 16, between the Washington Highway 1943, till January 7, 1944, when he and Wenona on the Turnpike road. Revival Begins at pitalized until about three weeks ago, a single-place fighter from Seymour when he was given an honorable dis- Johnson Field, Goldsboro. The name charge. For 27 days of this period he of the pilot and other particulars of didn't even know his name. His the crash are being withheld by Army chief aim now is to get back in the officials pending notification of the Navy and help to finish the job.

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County 'Over Top' in Sale of 'E' Bonds

Purchase of New Fire Truck by Town Given Approval of W. P. B.

Rationing Guide For Coming Week

Meats, Fats: Red stamps A8 through Z8, good indefinitely. Processed Foods: Blue stamps A8 through Z8 and A5, good indefinitely.

Sugar: Sugar stamps 30, 31 and 32, each good for five pounds indefinitely. Sugar stamp 40, good for five pounds of canning sugar through February, next

Gasoline: A-10 coupons, good through August 8, for 3 gallons

Fuel Oil: Period 4 and 5 coupons, good through September 30. New Period 1 coupons, now good. Shoes: Airplane stamps 1 and 2. good indefinitely.

Grand Jury Winds

Report Filed Tuesday on Investigation of Public Affairs in County

Judge Leo Carr, of Burlington, made a comprehensive charge to the grand jury at the opening session of the Washington County Superior Court Monday morning, outlining the duties and importance of that body. The members entered upon their task The cucumber season reached its immediately afterwards and com-

The grand jury was composed of J. W. Norman, and W. H. Joyner, Plymouth Township; A. L. Watson, Phillip W. Bowen and Henry Starr Growers are having fair Everett, Lees Mill Township; Mar-

The report submitted by the grand

"We have examined all bills and

(See GRAND JURY, Page 4)

Pilot Killed in Plane Crash Near Wenona Wednesday

It was reported here Wednesday

next of kin.

Temporary Releases To Be Given Farm Workers Meeting Certain Conditions

Farmers of Washington County who can comply with certain conditions may be granted releases for temporary employment in industry during the next few months. This decision was reached last Thursday night at a joint

meeting of county selective service board, the USDA War Board and officials of the U. S. Employment Service.

The conditions under which the temporary releases will be granted are very strict. _The applicant must show that his farming work will not demand his attention during the period in which he will be employed in industry, and he must have the signed permission of his landlord for that period.

Application should be made at the office of the U. S. Employment Service in the courthouse here. The applications are then referred to the USDA War Board for investigation and next to the office of the local draft board. If approved, the applications are then returned to the employment office, which will issue the state-

ments of availability. The length of time for which releases will be granted depends on the type of crops grown and general conditions determined by the War Board. A large number of farmers have already made application here for the releases,

Delivery Expected Latter Part of Year

Will Give Department Here Two Pumpers; Needed For Long Time

Permission was finally secured from the War Production Board last week for the purchase of a new fire truck by the Town of Plymouth. Order was placed for the new equipment at the June meeting of the town council, but it was necessary to secure priority from the WPB before confir-

The old International truck, bought by the town in 1924, is being traded in on the new Mack pumper, while the American LaFrance truck bought in 1929 is being retained. The new equipment will almost double that now abailable, since the 1924 truck has not been in usable condition for

The new Mack truck has a 500-galon pump, as compared with the 750gallon capacity of the present truck. Up Work in Hurry sallon capacity of the present truck. the "booster" tank being of 200-gallon capacity, as against the 150-galtruck. The firm which accepted the made in about 120 working days, or Alice White, of Skinnersville. about five months, making the approximate date of delivery in November or December.

volunteer fire department, both pieces ed on condition that Boone remain of apparatus will answer all calls. away from Plymouth on week-ends This will be done to keep both trucks during the next nine months. He in good operating condition at all was also placed on probation for three cruiting additional members to form two complete engine companies. A short time ago, the department had the following: E. F. Still, foreman; only 12 members, while it now has about 23, only two short of the maximum number of 25.

The new apparatus is built on a special fire-truck chassis, of about vin Spruill, Erwin Chesley Ambrose, Lonnie Spruill, Joseph W. Alexander. Irvin Ambrose, D. C. Oliver, H. L. weight of which is 12,000 pounds.

Gross cost of the Mack truck will be \$5,524, with a credit of \$529 for the old International truck, making the net cost to the town \$4,995. Equipment includes the ladders, axes and extinguishers, but does not include any hose, as the department presentments that came to our attention and made an effort to properly is stated. The town has been buildnow has an ample supply on hand, it lispose of them.

We have made examinations of the truck for several years and has jail, county home, offices of the court house, agriculture building and prison camp.

The jail is clean and well kept, and we wish to commend the keeper for its splendid condition. The offices of the courthouse were found to be in a satisfactory condition. We suggest that some added attention be given The three main industries tributed their payments for a year's service, which amounted to approximately \$200, with the town putting up the remainder.

The town made all arrangements to buy another truck about two years ago, but was unable to secure WPB afternoon that the pilot was killed permission at that time. The additional equipment will greatly increase the protection which can be afforded by the fire department here, practically doubling its effectiveness in case of a really serious blaze.

Oak'Grove July 16

Creswell.-The Rev. S. B. Wilson, pastor, announces that a series of revival services will begin at the Oak Grove Church on Sunday, July 16, with the Rev. J. L. Jones, of Murfreesboro, as the preacher. The people of the Oak Grove section are cordially invited and urged to attend all the services. It is planned to have a day and night session each day of the meeting.

Mr. Wilson writes that Mr. Jones is a minister of experience and comes to the community well recommended. He is pastor of the church at Murfreesboro. It is particularly requested that the young people of the ommunity attend and fill the choir to sing for the meeting. Special prayers will be offered for the men on the fighting fronts, it was stat-

Ice Cream Supper at Dardens Church Friday

The Ladies Aid Society of the Dardens Christian Church will have an ice cream supper, Friday night, July 14 at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to

July Term Superior Fourth in State and First in Court Adjourned by Judge Carr Tuesday Region I to Reach 'E' Quota

Most of Cases Cleared From Docket in Opening Day Of Session

The July term of Washington County Superior Court was wound up here in short order this week, adjournment coming about 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Judge Leo Carr, of Burlington, presided and kept things moving in lively fashion during the brief time the court was in

Following is a resume of the pro-

for several terms.

leave, was entered in the case against Vernon Nixon, white, of Edenton, Gregory Norman and Raymond Ever- a year. This case, too, had been on is also from Plymouth. the docket for several terms.

Due to absence of a prosecuting left yesterday witness two cases against J. D. Vick, white, of Plymouth, for carnal knowlyears of age, were continued.

ton, Ga., drew the heaviest sentence lon tank on the American-LaFrance of the session, 5 to 7 years in the state penitentiary, for assault and attemptorder said that delivery would be ed robbery with drearms of Miss Daniel Gee, Arthur Lee Phelps, Jeff

The court accepted a plea of gunty of forcible trespass from Madison Boone, and he was sentenced to 18 According to officials of the local months on the roads; to be suspend-

> John Banks and Earl Aiken, colored, of Greenville, charged with robbery of the ABC store at Creswell a few months ago, were granted continuances. Both defendants are now serving sentences in Nash County for similar offenses

Matthew Sheppard, colored, of Plymouth, charged with hit-and-run (See SUPERIOR COURT, Page 4)

HOW WE'RE

DOING

Watch This Chart

Bond Sales

\$130,000

\$125,000

\$100,000

\$ 75,000

\$ 50,000

\$ 25,000

5™WAR LOAN

Jr., Said To Have Suffered Heart Attack

ored boy, died suddenly of what is believed to have been a heart attack last Thursday afternon about 2:30 Representative Herbert C. Bonner, of boys at the Welch Creek bridge on the pulp mill highway. It was first reported that he was drowned, but later learned that there was no water Institute, where he was a cadet lieuin his lungs when the body was recovered three or four hours later.

Four colored youths were in swimming at the time and several others, including his 12-year-old brother, Freddie, were sitting on the creek bank. Johnson threw up his hands 2 Draft Delinquents while swimming and went down. The others immediately tried to find him, but were unable to do so. The Coast Guard crew at Elizabeth City was called, but shortly before they reach- Curtis Ange, a white registrant car- Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Burgess this week. ed here about 7 o'clock, Johnson's ried on the records here as a delin- Thomas is in the Medical Corps of the body was found by James Jordan, jr., quent. His last-known address was Army, while Miss Claudia is in the

Son of Levy and Queenie Johnson, Md., but it has not been able to lo- iliary. Levy, jr., was born in Plymouth on cate him there. Listed as nearest of Mr. and Mrs. Burgess have another was a member of the New Chapel Box 242. Baptist church, where the funeral Anyone who knows his present adwas held Sunday afternoon by the dress would be doing him a favor by Rev. A. R. Winborne, pastor. Inter- informing the draft board here, as ment was made in the colored com- his name will be turned over to FBI munity cemetery here. His classmates officials as a delinquent if he is not served as pall-bearers.

Brother Local Man

Blake A. Cratch Accidentally Asphyxiated at Home of Sister

Blake A. Cratch, 34, was accidentally asphyxiated while asleep in his room at the home of his sister, Mrs. Dallas Swindell, of Norfolk, Wednesday night of last week. He was a brother to C. A. Cratch, of Plymouth. Mr. Cratch's home originally was at Blount's Creek in Beaufort County, but he had been working in the Navy Yard at Norfolk for some time.

Funeral services were held in Blount's Creek Friday afternoon at the home of his brother, G. A. Cratch, and burial was made in the family

He is survived by one daughter, Eleanor, aged 5; his mother, Mrs. Eallie L. Cratch, of Washington; three brothers, C. A. Cratch, of Plymouth; G. A. Cratch, of Blount's Creek; William W. Cratch, of Washington; and three sisters, Mrs. Dumas Toler, Mrs. Herbert Trower and

NOW IN FRANCE

Pvt. William Chesson is with

an infantry outfit now in France,

his parents were informed in a

letter from him received July

5. Son of Mr. and Mrs. D. B.

Chesson, of Roper, he entered the

service in December, 1942, and

has been overseas about four

Is Sworn in as Midship-

man on July 5th

Young Davenport, only 18 years of

the United States Navy.

James Davenport

Pre-Induction Call Left Here Yesterday for Ex-

23 Colored Men in

amination at Fort Bragg; 17 From Plymouth

Twenty-three colored men from Washington County left Plymouth yesterday morning to receive their pre-induction examinations at the The state took nol pros with leave Fort Bragg reception center. One in the cases against Mrs. N. C. Wal-other man was summoned, but failed ters, for reckless driving, and Van B. to answer the call. The men who are Martin, charged with larceny. These accepted from this group will be cases had been carried on the docket placed in the pool of men available for service and assigned to the Army, The same judgment, nol pros with Navy or Marine Corps when they are ed for induction later.

enteen of the July contingent from Plymouth, three are from ett, colored, of Mackeys, who were Re er two from Creswell and one charged with the theft of fish, boat from Mackeys. The man who failed and gasoline from a Mackeys firm last to show up, Columbus Satterthwaite,

Following is the list of those who

From Plymouth: Rudolphe Ransome, Edmond Lee Lacy, Bishop edge of girls over 12 and under 16 Marvin Patterson, Clarence Nick Simmons, Walter Worsley, Samuel Frank Crew, colored, of Washing- Worsley, jr., Leroy Lucas, Henry Armistead, jr., Dock Downing, Edward Garfield Moore, Ernest Moore, jr., Louis Henry Phelps, William Davis McNair. William Harrison Patrick and James Edward Bell. From Roper: Wadsworth Hall Edison Earl Norman and Fred Wat-

> From Creswell: Garfield Blount and George Washington Blount. From Mackeys: Lupther Swain.

Colored Boy Dies While Swimming

14-Year-Old Levy Johnson,

nson ir 14-vear-old ed two terms at Oak Ridge Military tenant last session.

and Charlie Agnew, also colored.

Passes in Norfolk

Mrs. Dallas Swindell, all of Norfolk.

Sale Tuesday Night Stood at \$136,355.25

County Is \$100,000, or 37 Per Cent, Over Its Overall Quota of \$268,000

Washington County went "over the top" Tuesday of this week by oversubscribing it \$130,000 "E" bond quota in the Fifth War Loan Drive. Sales Tuesday night totaled \$136, The county chairman was informed Wednesday by the regional director, W. H. Woolard, of Greenville, that Washington was the fourth county in the state to reach its "E" bond objective, and the first in Region One. There are 100 counties in the state and 16 counties in Region

Already the county is nearly \$100 .-000, or 37 per cent, above its overall quota of \$268,000, with total sales-of all types of bonds yesterday afternoon standing at \$367,165. Since all bonds sold during the remainder of July are to be credited to the Fifth War Loan quota, the oversubscription of all types may run as high as 50 per cent before the drive is concluded.

The results will be tabulated at a mass meeting of all community chairmen and workers at the agriculture building here Friday night of this week at 9 o'clock, and T. W. Earle. chairman of the Ffth War Loan Campaign in the county, urges all Enters Annapolis who possibly can to attend. There will be a short program of entertainment and the success of the drive will Meets All Requirements and be reviewed and recognition accorded those who worked so faithfully. Every co-worker, canvasser and community chairman is earnestly asked to be present, and Mr. Earle especial-James E. Davenport, jr., son of Mr. ly urges all chairmen to be prepared and Mrs. J. E. Davenport, of Mackeys to furnish a complete list of all can-

and Plymouth, passed all entrance vassers. requirements and was sworn in as a The Roper community is still away midshipman at the United States Na- out in front among the individual val Academy in Annapolis, Md., on communities. With a quota of \$20,-Wednesday, July 5. He was assigned 000, sales there up to yesterday to classes and entered immediately amounted to \$30,787.50, or more

upon the course of study there, upon than 50 per cent over its goal. The next feature of outstanding the successful completion of which he will be commissioned an ensign in interest in the summary for this week bonds bought by Washington Coun age, received his appointment from ty service men up to June 30, according to figures furnished H. E. Beam the first congressional district. He chairman of the War Finance Comgraduated from the Roper High mittee, by the Federal Reserve Bank. School in 1942 and has since attend- It is now expected that total sales of bonds to service men will be over \$10,000 when the figures for this

> month are in. (See BOND DRIVE, Page 4)

Seek Information on Son and Daughter of Mr. And Mrs Burgess Here

Private Thomas C. Burgess, jr., of Camp Grant, Ill., and Third-Class The local draft board is seeking in- Yeoman Claudia Burgess, of New Orformation as to the wehereabouts of leans, La., are visiting their parents, reported to the board as Baltimore, Spars, Coast Guard Women's Aux-

October 30, 1929. He was in the kin was his grandmother, Mrs. Fan- son and daughter in the service, Lt. ninth grade at the local school and nie Baynor, of Plymouth Route 1, Walter C. Burgess, with an engineers outfit in England, and Pvt. Camille Burgess, of the WAC, who is stationed at Fort Wright, N. Y.

> Service Sunday Morning Roper Episcopal Church

The Rev. William B. Daniels, jr., will conduct the service of Morning ored, of Plymouth, who failed to re- Prayer and deliver the sermon at St. port for his pre-induction examina- Luke's Episcopal Church on Sunday tion with the group which left yes- morning, July 16. The service will begin at 11:15 a.m.

Local Boy Now in France Says Germans Sorry Lot— Even Worse Than Italians

That Nazi super-man propaganda has lost its effect on Sgt. Joe D. Smith, formerly of Plymouth, according to a letter received by relatives here last week-end. The sergeant says his opinion of German soldiers has dropped 75 per cent since he has actually seen them. He is now in France with a combat engineers outfit. Following are the high spots from his recent letter:

located in the next few days.

terday for Fort Bragg.

The board also wishes information

about Columbus Satterthwaite, col-

"Believe it or not, but it's monotonous as hell here. For the first few days quite a few things happened, but now it's quiet as a country churchyard. I came in on the morning of D-Day. I didn't know what it was all about. but it surely didn't take long to

"My opinion of Jerry has drop ped about 75 per cent after see ing them. They are the crumbiest-looking lot I've seen-even worse than the Italians. Some of them look to be no more than 14 or 15, and some look to be 50.

"I have been practicing my French on the local populace every day, and now they run when they see me coming. But I'm improving. Incidentally, the ones I've seen and talked with haven't appeared overly optimistic about their liberation. I feel sorry for the kids. Most of them are pretty dirty and at first they were afraid of us, but a few bonbons fixed that. Now I save all the candy I get from my K rations for them."