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"Jack" Harrison, electrician's mate, third-class, of the Seabees, his wife and baby son are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Harrison here.

Mrs. A. D. Hanes has accepted a stenographic position in the law offices of Z. V. Norman here.

East Carolina tobacco markets will return to a schedule of four selling days each week after this week.

Second-Class Petty Officer William Henry Gurganus, of the Navy Seabees, is spending a 30-day furlough with his wife, the former Miss Cotie Mae Price, of Plymouth.

Ray H. Goodman and C. G. Crockett, of Williamston, were among the visitors to the Democratic rally here Monday.

The town council will hold its regular October meeting tonight in the municipal building.

H. Marion Ramsey returned this week to the employ of the Manning Motor Company, after an absence of about three years.

Mrs. J. K. Reid returned to her duties as chief clerk in the office of the Washington County War Price and Rationing Board the first of this week after spending her vacation with relatives in Alabama.

Motorists are again reminded to file application for a new basic A gasoline rationing book just as soon as they use all the A-11 coupons in their present book.

City Clerk M. W. Spruill is hobbling about with the assistance of a cane as the result of a sprained ankle suffered yesterday.

Suspend 23 Students For Insubordination

Twenty-three Plymouth High School boys were suspended Monday afternoon for the remainder of this week as the outgrowth of a "strike" against the unheated building.

It was impossible to heat the building Monday on account of repairs being made to the furnace. Parts have been ordered and shipped, but have not been received here and installed yet.

Mr. Boyd said that after the tardy bell rang, he talked with the students, telling them they could either go home or come into the classrooms.

Members of the board of education happened to be in session at the time, and Mr. Boyd reported to them.

Good Progress Being Made Over County in War Fund Campaign

Local Man Gets Jerry Prisoners

By PVT. MARK PORTER With the 3rd Infantry Division of the 7th Army, France.—Pfc. Victor H. Humphreys, of Plymouth, N. C., wishes he could continue capturing Germans as cooperative as one he recently took prisoner.

Walking his prisoner in front of him they rounded the corner of a building. Immediately the prisoner in his best imitation of Humphreys' style shouted, "Hanz oop."

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Hard Work Called For by Canvassers To Surpass Quota

Favorable Reports Made to Chairman From All Parts County

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More Than 1,000 at Democratic District Rally Here Monday

Herbert Bonner and Gregg Cherry Made Principal Addresses

It is estimated that more than 1,000 Democrats were in Plymouth Monday for the district rally, which was described as one of the largest and most successful ever held in the district.

The Washington High School Band paraded and gave a concert on the streets here before the meeting got underway at the courthouse.

W. Roy Hampton, of Plymouth, nominee for state senator from the second district, opened the meeting in the courthouse and presented Z. V. Norman, who made the address of welcome.

In addition to the main speakers, several state officers who are candidates for reelection were presented to the crowd, and Secretary of State Thad Eure made a brief talk to the people of his home district.

Mrs. B. B. Everett, of Palmyra, vice chairman of the state executive committee, made an appeal for "getting out the vote," directed especially to the women.

Brother of Dr. Johnson Dies in Dunn Hospital

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Plan To Repair and Reopen Hampton School by Monday

25 White Men Called For Draft Induction Will Leave Tuesday

Is First Group Called Into Service From County Since August

Twenty-six white men will leave here next Tuesday morning to enter the military services in answer to the first induction call made on Washington County since August.

During the period from April to August, no men were called for induction who were over 26 years of age. However, as soon as the 18 to 26 age group was exhausted, the boards were instructed to resume calling those over 26 and in some cases men over 30.

The local board has no other induction calls on hand at this time, but has received small pre-induction calls for both white and colored men for November.

Ira Stanley Sawyer, Thomas Abram Terry, Thomas J. Freeman, Frederick G. Simpson, Roland A. Allgood, Charles W. Spruill, William H. Phelps, Edson W. Patrick, Freeman G. Allen, Clinton Respass, Curtis Ange, William H. Barnes, John S. Lilley, Chester Furlough, Sam Reason, Edward A. Westray, Thomas F. Davenport, Murray H. Askev, Howard M. Respass, Marshall L. Moore, Joseph H. Woodley, William W. Spruill, Joseph E. Barber, A. Eli Caswell Spruill, William R. Tetterton, and Charlie E. Harris.

Parents-Teachers School Here 25th

Officials of National and State Congress Will Be on Program

A school of instruction for members and officers of local parent-teacher associations in the western part of the ninth district will be held at the Plymouth High School Wednesday of next week.

The principal talks will be made by Mrs. Charles R. Roe, of Chicago, field representative of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers; C. W. Phillips, of Greensboro, president, and J. W. Burke, executive secretary, of the state congress.

Registration will be in the principal's office, and a luncheon will be served at 1:30 p.m. in the school lunch room.

Former Student Here Dies In Recent Plane Accident

News was received in Plymouth yesterday of the death of 2nd Lt. Edward Stokley, of the Army Air Corps, in an aircraft accident near Casper, Wyo., recently.

Local Grocery Establishments Can Make Deliveries Only Two Days of Each Week

Informed by officials of the state Office of Defense Transportation that deliveries of groceries must be limited to twice a week, representatives of three local grocery firms who attended a special meeting here Tuesday night decided to make deliveries only on Fridays and Saturdays of each week in the future.

TO SPEAK HERE



C. W. Phillips, director of public relations at Woman's College, and state president of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers, will be main speaker at a district meeting of the Congress to be held in Plymouth, on October 25.

Work Is Progressing On Housing Project

Foundations Being Laid for 40 Houses in Spite of Labor Shortage

Rapid progress is being made on the housing development recently authorized for Plymouth, despite a shortage of labor, it was learned this week.

The work is being handled by two contracting firms, the Player Construction Company, of Fayetteville; and the Weaver Construction Company of Greensboro.

Foundations have been laid for a number of the houses in the village, and most of the standing timber has been erected for the parsonage building.

According to the terms of the contract, the 40 houses allocated by the WPB are to be finished within 90 days after construction began.

Two Fire Calls in Past Few Days

\$500 Damage To Colored Home on Water Street Tuesday Afternoon

Plymouth's volunteer firemen have answered two alarms within the city limits this week.

On Sunday night the firemen were called out at about 9:30 to the home of A. R. Dupree to extinguish a chimney fire.

The home of Walter McCoy, on West Water Street, caught afire Tuesday afternoon around 5:30. The origin was unknown, but fire was first discovered in a bedroom on the second floor.

Steps Being Rebuilt And Number Other Changes To Be Made

Action Grew Out of Meeting Of County Officials and Local Group Tuesday

It is now planned to resume school sessions for the six local primary classes in the Hampton Academy building next Monday morning, provided a program of repairs and alterations are completed by that time.

Decision to reopen the building was reached at a meeting Tuesday night attended by members of the board of education, board of county commissioners, several parents of children who attended school in the academy building here, and a number of other interested citizens.

The meeting Tuesday night was called by L. E. Hassell, chairman of the county board of education, who presided. He explained that the board had tried every method to reach a solution to the problem posed three weeks ago, when the Hampton Building was condemned by the chief of the local fire department.

Mr. Hassell then stated the situation as follows: Repairs could be made and the entire Hampton building used until a new building can be secured; or the three rooms on the lower floor of the Hampton building could be used, together with one room at the high-school building—made available by moving the lunch room to the agriculture workshop—and two additional rooms secured either at Roper or the old Chapel Hill schoolhouse about 1 1/2 miles from Plymouth.

Mrs. E. H. Davenport Dies Near Plymouth

Was 83 Years Old; Funeral Services Held Last Saturday Afternoon

Mrs. Fannie M. Davenport, widow of the late E. H. Davenport, and one of the county's oldest citizens, died at her home in the Long Acre section last Friday morning at 8:40, after an illness of two weeks.

Mrs. Davenport is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Lizzie Darden, Mrs. Lula Spruill, of Plymouth; Mrs. Maude Harrison, of Elizabeth City; Mrs. Pearl Mizelle, of Newport; and Mrs. Mamie Wiggs, of New Bern; two sons, E. L. and M. H. Davenport, of Plymouth. She also leaves 23 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

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