

The Washington County rationing board is holding its regular weekly meeting Tuesday night instead of Thursday this week on account of the Thanksgiving holiday.

S/Sgt. Church W. Styons, of the Army Air Corps, stationed at Homestead, Fla., and O'Neill Styons, fireman 1/c, USNR, who recently received an honorable discharge after 18 months' service in the Atlantic area, are visiting their father, C. C. Styons.

AAA community committeemen are being elected at a series of meetings being held in the county this week.

James Earl Ainsley, MoMM 1/c, of the Navy, is spending some time in the county with relatives and friends.

The annual golfers banquet is being held at the Country Club of Plymouth Wednesday night of this week.

Coin jars have been placed in practically all stores and business houses in Plymouth to collect funds for the purchase of football equipment for the local high school team.

The James E. Jethro Post of the American Legion will hold its regular meeting in the Legion Hall here Friday night of this week at 8 o'clock.

W. A. Davenport, of Creswell, was a visitor here Tuesday. He recently accepted a position on the Edenton city police force.

It was learned here this week that Pfc. Burrace F. Ange was seriously wounded at Brest, France, on September 10.

High School Library Gets 71 New Books Last Week

The Plymouth High School Library received 71 new books last week as a gift from last year's graduating class.

The new books were put into circulation last week and most of them were soon checked out.

Service Men's Center Is Opened Here; Several Furniture Items Still Needed

The service men's center and USO club here opened last Saturday night in the Legion Hall, with a fair-sized number on hand.

The center is badly in need of a davenport, or sofa, some additional smoking stands, and a few easy chairs.

No Reports Yet on Progress of Sixth War Loan Drive in County; Started Monday

Very little progress could be reported Tuesday morning on the Sixth War Loan Campaign, which officially began in Washington County, as well as throughout the nation.

County Chairman W. Ronald Gaylord said today that, due to the gasoline shortage, he would be unable to get in direct touch with all of the workers; but that

he was relying on their patriotism and knowledge of the necessity for raising this money to spur them into putting their best efforts in the campaign.

Some of those asked to help in the campaign failed to see their names in the list published

last week. The chairman requests everyone to check the list again, and if their names appear there, to please enter upon their share of the task wholeheartedly.

County Club Women Here Wednesday for Yearly Fall Meeting

State President, Mrs. Edison Davenport, Honored; Alba Wins Award

By FRANCES M. DARDEN Home Demonstration Agent Mrs. Edison Davenport, president of the state Home Demonstration Club, was honored at the Fall Federation meeting, November 15th, by twelve women from various home demonstration clubs in the county.

Mrs. W. V. Hays presided over the meeting and the regular business was attended to.

Mrs. Davenport presented Mrs. P. P. Gregory, recording secretary of the state Home Demonstration Club, who made a most inspiring talk on "Women's Place in the Post-War Plans."

Alba Club had the largest number present, with all paying Federation dues. This entitled them to the \$5 prize offered each Fall Meeting.

Cross Road Club won the \$5 prize offered by the county council for the best all-round gardens, which includes growing the greatest variety, and canning the largest amount.

Wenona Club was first in defense work. As an individual in defense work Mrs. A. R. Hooker, Roper Club, reported more hours worked than any other member.

Each club presented its report in a skit form which was very entertaining.

After the meeting the women enjoyed a social hour in the Agricultural Building which was decorated with fall leaves and large baskets of fruit and vegetables.

Roper Young Man Wounded in Action

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The telegram was received on November 12, Corporal Spruill's 22nd birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Spruill were not informed as to the extent or nature of their son's injuries, except that they were "slight."

Corporal Spruill was driver of a "jeep" with a unit of mechanized cavalry attached to General Patton's Third Army, and it is presumed he was wounded during the fighting in the neighborhood of Metz.

He has been in the Army since January 26, 1943, and went overseas in May of this year.

He attended Roper High School and worked at the North Carolina Pulp Company here for two years before he went into the service.

they are willing to lend or donate to the club is requested to get in touch with members of the American Legion Auxiliary, who will arrange to have them taken to the hall.

GETS COMMISSION



Robert Campbell, son of Register of Deeds and Mrs. J. R. Campbell, of Plymouth, graduated recently from an officer candidate school at New Orleans, La., and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Transportation Corps of the U. S. Army.

Wounded Brothers Meet in Hospital

Son of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Warren Get Together in England

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Warren, of Roper Route 1, learned recently that two of their sons, wounded during the fighting in France shortly after the invasion last June, got together for a few hours last July in an English hospital.

Sergeant Vernon Warren enlisted in the Army in December, 1940, and was seriously wounded in France on June 14. His brother, Lacy, went into the service in September, 1941, and was wounded on July 12th.

Shortly afterwards, Sgt. Vernon Warren was returned to the United States, while Private Lacy Warren completely recovered and returned to his outfit in France about the middle of August.

Firemen Entertain Lions Friday Night

Pay Off Final Debt Growing Out of Softball Series Last Summer

The Plymouth Volunteer Firemen entertained members of the Lions Club and a number of invited guests at a barbecue supper in the fire department last Friday night.

Following the splendid barbecue supper, Fire Chief Miller Warren, as toastmaster, called on a number of the players, umpires and guests for brief talks.

There will be a Thanksgiving service in the Roper Methodist Church Thursday evening at 8 o'clock held by the pastor, Rev. G. C. Wood.

Executive Group of Southern Albemarle Association in Meet

Road Program for Region And Individual Counties Discussed

The road program of the Southern Albemarle Association was discussed at some length and steps taken to bring the objectives to the attention of state authorities at the proper time at the meeting held here last Thursday noon.

W. L. Whitley, president of the Southern Albemarle Association, presided over the meeting, after it was opened by H. H. Allen, vice president of the Lions Club.

In addition to endorsing the overall road program, the association members discussed the individual needs of the four counties, and it was agreed that they would receive the backing of the group as soon as the main objectives were underway.

The annual general meeting of the association had to be called off this year on account of the storm which disrupted travel to Manteo, where it was to be held in late August.

Pilot From Here on Rocket Gun Mission

1st Lt. Hugh F. Jordan With Famous Fighter Group Based in Italy

Advance Twelfth AAF Fighter Base, Italy.—1st Lt. Hugh F. Jordan, Thunderbolt pilot, whose parents, wife and daughter live in Plymouth, N. C., participated in one of the initial rocket-gun missions in the Mediterranean theatre of war, smashing an enemy rail train near Venice, Italy, it was revealed this week.

The fighter-bombers, installed with six rockets on each aircraft, made three passes at the Nazi train, scoring 25 to 30 hits on rail cars and destroying one steam engine.

Lieutenant Jordan is a member of the famous P-47 group commanded by Lt. Col. Melvin J. Nielson, now serving his third year overseas. The veteran unit was cited by the War Department for pioneer aerial work in support of the British Eighth Army in the Libyan desert.

Graduating from the Plymouth High School, Lieutenant Jordan then attended the United States Military Academy, West Point, where he graduated with a B.S. degree and was commissioned January 19, 1943.

His wife, Mrs. Evelyn Arps Jordan, infant daughter, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jordan, all reside in Plymouth.

Local Methodist Women To Stage Bazaar Tuesday

The women of the local Methodist church will sponsor a bazaar in the Legion Hall, Tuesday, November 28, and sales will last all day.

There will be a Thanksgiving service in the Roper Methodist Church Thursday evening at 8 o'clock held by the pastor, Rev. G. C. Wood.

Post Office Requests Christmas Gifts Be Mailed in November

Response Has Been Good, But Must Be Better To Avoid Disappointment

Public response to the Post Office Department's "Shop Now! Mail in November" campaign is good, but needs to be better, it was learned this week from Postmaster J. C. Swain, of Plymouth.

Mr. Swain quotes excerpts from a recent letter of Postmaster General Frank C. Walker in support of the "Mail in November" movement.

"It is not pleasing to us to have to ask the American people to mail packages so far in advance of the delivery date. We do so only because it has to be done. The job is a tremendous one, but we are confident that it will be done because we know from experience that given sound reasons Americans cooperate magnificently."

"Unprecedented shortages of man power and transportation facilities growing out of the war compell early mailing. The Postal Service has given 50,000 experienced employees to the armed forces and 300,000 railroad workers have gone to war.

"In a great number of our 43,000 post offices the man power situation is critical. The 200,000 extra workers whom we normally recruited to handle the swollen Christmas volume of mail were able to work long hours of overtime and to do heavy work.

"We urge everyone to buy now, mail in November and mark gifts 'Do Not Open Until Christmas.'"

Merchants Here in Regular Meeting

To Close But One Day for Christmas This Year; Give \$50 to USO

Plymouth stores will close only one day for the Christmas holiday this year, it was decided at a meeting of the merchants association held here Monday night.

Since Christmas comes on Monday this year, it was decided that keeping the stores closed Sunday and Monday would constitute sufficient holiday.

The association also voted to donate \$50 to the local service men's center. Several other matters were discussed at the meeting, but no action was taken.

Union Thanksgiving Service at Creswell

Creswell.—A union Thanksgiving service will be held Thursday morning at 10 o'clock in the Creswell Methodist church.

Creswell.—The Creswell Woman's Club will sponsor a dance Friday night, November 24, from 8 until 12 o'clock.

Creswell Woman's Club To Sponsor Dance Friday

Young people are especially invited, as this is the first dance of a series planned by the Woman's Club in connection with the youth recreational program.

Thanksgiving Holiday Observance in County Thursday Is Outlined

WOUNDED



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Farm Bureau Still Short County Quota

280 Signed Up, While Goal Is 400; This County Said Lagging

Although the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation has reached its goal of 30,000 members for this year, Washington County is lagging somewhat in the annual membership drive, according to J. Roy Manning, president of the county bureau.

Mr. Manning urges all farmers in the county to become members of the Farm Bureau, which is taking the lead for maintaining prices of farm products at present levels.

Although the county has not reached overall quota, it was one of the first 17 counties in the state to report two-thirds of its quota secured by November 1.

Special Service To Be Held at Creswell School Sunday

Elder John Bruce Patrick, of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will conduct a service Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Creswell High School auditorium, it was announced Tuesday.

Mileage Record Must Be Submitted for Added Gas

Motorists who apply for supplemental gasoline allotments are advised by the local rationing board that the Mileage Rationing Record must be attached to all applications.

The Mileage Rationing Record is a small form that is furnished the owner of every car with his basic A gasoline allotment.

Late Applicants for A Gas Books Will Lose Proportionate Part of Allotment

Either a lot of Washington County cars have been taken off the roads, or a lot of car owners are careless about applying for their new A books, it was learned at the office of the rationing board here yesterday.

Those who wait to apply for their books will lose part of their basic gasoline allotment, too. A proportionate part of the currently valid coupons will be torn out of the book before it is issued to those who wait. For instance, beginning Wednesday, November 22, one four-gallon A coupon will be torn out of all A books issued, and every two weeks thereafter an additional four-gallon coupon will be torn out before issuance.

Stores and Business Places To Be Closed; Services Announced

Practically All Business To Be Suspended; Schools Close Two Days

The annual Thanksgiving holiday Thursday of this week will be observed generally throughout Washington County, with most offices, stores, business houses and industrial plants closed for the day.

All local stores and business houses, including the post office, bank, ABC store, town and county offices will be closed, but some of the filling stations and drug stores will be open for part of the day.

No special community programs have been planned, other than a union Thanksgiving service at the Methodist church in Creswell, so far as can be learned.

The gasoline and tire situation, coupled with crowded conditions on railway trains and buses, will eliminate a great deal of the visiting commonly associated with the Thanksgiving season in the past.

FSA Headquarters Now Located Here

Workers Will Divide Time Between Washington and Tyrrell Counties

For the benefit of those who do not know about the change in County Farm Security Administration headquarters, W. Willis Bowen, County FSA Supervisor, announces that official headquarters have been moved to Plymouth for Washington and Tyrrell Counties.

Mr. Bowen and Miss Eva McMillan, associate FSA supervisor (home), have planned to work in Washington County from Wednesday afternoon through Saturday of each week and will be in the Plymouth office each Saturday morning.

The office will be open from 8:30 a.m. through 5:30 p.m. the entire week by Miss Charlotte McNair, Mr. Bowen and Miss McMillan will work in Tyrrell County Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning of each week.

The office in Columbia will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 12 noon on Mondays. Those wishing to make application for operating loans, farm ownership plans, loan repayments or applications for land on Seppermong project and other business transactions in either Washington or Tyrrell County will please keep these dates in mind.

Those who wait until too late are going to lose one or more coupons. At the present time A-13 coupons are good for 4 gallons each, and they will continue valid until December 22, when the six A-14 coupons become valid for the ensuing three-month period.