The office of the Washington County Selective Service Board this week received its white induction call for July, completing the list of call for that month. Contingents will leave from Plymouth for Fort Bragg next month as follows: White preinduction, Monday, July 9; white induction, Wednesday, July 25; colored pre-induction, Tuesday, July 17; colored induction, Thursday, July 12.

Plans are being made for an elaborate banquet by the local post of the American Legion when the new officers are installed at its next meeting on Friday, July 13. At that time it is hoped to have a record attendance. Dr. W. H. Johnson was recently elected to head the post for the next year, while Moye W. Spruill is the outgoing commander.

Miss Jean Modlin will become fulltime secretary to Register of Deeds J. Robert Campbell, effective next Monday. The last legislature provided for full-time secretaries for both register of deeds and clerk of superior court. Heretofore, they have divided the services of one secretary, who spent a half day in each office.

W. L. Basnight, superintendent of the County farm, found a pink cotton blossom Monday of this week, the first reported in the county this season. The color indicates the bloom was a day old, as they turn from yellow to pink on the second day. Mr. Basnight also stated that he planned to start "putting in" tobacco next week at the coun-

W. F. Veasey, who will become county superintendent of schools next Monday, was here last Saturday to make arrangements to move his family here as soon as possible. It is understood that he has secured an apartment at the home of Mrs. Minnie Cohoon, next to the Christian church, on Main Street. At present the apartment is occupied by City Councilman E. D. Keel and family but he recently purchased one of the new houses on East Third Street and plans to move in the near future.

Major and Mrs. Ernest W. Furgurson, formerly of Plymouth, announce the birth of a daughter, Clara Louise, on Wednesday, June 20, in Greensboro. Major Furgurson was therefrom must be delivered in Plym- office to the plant here, resulting in associated with Dr. Alban Papineau in operation of the Plymouth Clinic prior to entering the Army Air Forces in 1942. After more than a year overseas in the CBI theatre of operations, he returned to the United States and is now flight surgeon consultant for Army hospitals, and is stationed in Greensboro. Mrs. Furgurson taught music in the local high school for several years.

Asked how his Victory Garden is coming along, Highway Patrolman M. B. Stewart said this week that he was raising the finest crop imaginable of fat young rabbits. They have just about cleaned out his beans and are starting in on the other vegetables. There doesn't seem to be anything he can do about it, either, except for muttering threats and studying up on the game laws.

M. H. Rozzell, pastor of Nazarene Church of Christ, returned last week from West Virginia, where he had an operation. He announced that he would not be here for services this Sunday, as he is spending several days at his home in Salisbury.

Bible School Finals To Be Held Sunday

Commencement exercises for the Daily Vacation Bible school will be held Sunday night at 8 o'clock in the attorney, as vice president; and W Baptist church. Large crowds have M. Darden, clerk of court, secretarybeen attending all the classes this treasurer. John W. Darden, J. L. week, and everyone has had a won- Rea, jr., and L. E. Doxey are direc-

At the commencement program C. E. Ayers, P. Bruce Bateman, A. J. Sunday night certificates will be Byrd, S. D. Davis, W. R. Hampton, awarded to all the children who have Moye W. Spruill, C. A. Cratch, Dr completed the necessary require- W. H. Johnson, W. C. Jones, W. H. ments.. It is hoped that many of the Joyner, E. L. Owens, and John R. mothers and fathers will be present Williams. Sunday evening to see some of the things their children have learned.

Regular services will be held Sun-starting with Tuesday of next week day morning. Sunday school at 10 Sessions will begin at 7 p.m., and will o'clock, preaching at 11, and B.T.U. at 7 o'clock in the evening.

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Work Is Underway on Two More County All Houses in New Airport for Pulp Plant

Stores Here Will Be Closed July 4

Next Wednesday, July 4th, will be observed as a general holiday in the county, with the exception of industrial plants. Stores and places of business will be closed almost without exception in Plymouth, including bank, post office, ABC store, county and

town offices. No special program has been planned locally, and most people will try to go fishing, to nearby beaches, or just rest. A dance has been arranged at Albemarle Beach for that night, and a large crowd is expected there.

Extra Allotment of Meat for Plymouth

Beef and Pork Allowed for June by OPA

age in Plymouth, the Raleigh district by company officials to look over office of the OPA last week autho- tracts of pulpwood in connection rized an additional allotment of 27,- with mapping and surveying opera-180 pounds of beef and pork to two tions. Pantego slaughterers, L. H. Johnson was allotted 10,000 additional and takes off from the river, and a pounds of beef and Scott Topping concrete ramp has been poured on 17,180 pounds of hogs, both figures the bank of the river, where it comes being live weight.

month. In providing the additional tually use several planes in its opemeat, it was stipulated that the live rations. At present, it requires comanimals could not be shipped over pany executives only two and a quar-200 miles and all meat resulting ter hours to fly from the Camden

have resulted from a conference held the amphibian now in use. here early this month by local deallocation, dealers here have had some meat on hand most of this week

Shep Brinkley Is

Elected President

Organization Perfected at

Meetings Here Monday

And Tuesday

Plymouth secured its second civic

club Tuesday morning, when a Ro-

tary Club was organized with 18

charter members. The organization

neeting was originally set for Mon-

day night, and a number of persons

were on hand at that time; but, due

to the storm, formal organization was

postponed until Tuesday morning.

Plymouth Theatre, was elected presi-

dent of the club; with Carl L. Bailey

J. Shepherd Brinkley, owner of the

Other charter members are:

The new club will meet on Tues-

days, according to present plans,

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Rotary Club Formed;

Three 2,000-Foot Runways in Plan

Company Expects To Use Airplanes Extensively In Future

North Carolina Pulp Company, it was learned this week. The project, beof the pulp plant and is expected to be in operation sometime this fall.

Each of the three runways will be 2,000 feet in length. It will have a Bermuda grass surface of standard conform to the specifications out- star medal with an oak-leaf cluster, ed for building 110 more. width, and in other particulars will lined by a representative of the CAA His campaign ribbons include the who conferred with plant officials American Defense bar and the Afabout the plans here several weeks

The company, is planning to make extensive use of airplanes in its 1, 1938, and served overseas for two business, both in the immediate fu-Additional 27.180 Pounds ture and after the war. It already has one Grumann twin-engined amphibian in operation, purchased a short time ago, and used for travel between the plant here and offices in To relieve the acute meat short- Camden, N. J. The ship is also used

The amphibian now in use lands out of the water. A hangar has also The revised allotments are effective been built inside the fence at the only during June and are designed to west side of the plant, adjoining the give Plymouth 134 pounds of dressed site of the new airfield, and it is exneat per week per person for this pected that the company will evena tremendous saving in time. A for The extra allotment is believed to mer airlines pilot is employed to fly

It was stated by a company official ers and Representative Herbert Bon- that it was not planned to light the ner. As a result of the additional al- airport being built at the present (See AIRPORT, Page 4)

Cpl. James G. Britt Had 148 Of 40 Homes, 22 Sold and Points; Cpl. Roy D. Haislip 116 Points

Two more Washington County men Work has been started to clear porals, and both served in infantry total, 22 have been sold and the other three runways for an airport by the cutfits in the European theatre of 18 rented, he said. The houses are son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Haislip, of the Country Club village. Plymouth; and Cpl. James G. Britt,

Plymouth. Corporal Britt has 148 points, for service in Algeria. French Morrocco, Tunisia, Sicily, Normany, northern bronze stars for major battle actions. He volunteered for service on August years, seven months and 29 days. He was in Company H of the 26th Infantry regiment.

Corporal Haislip, with 116 points, volunteered for service and entered the Army on September 4, 1940. He was overseas for three years, four months and four days. His service ribbons include the European-Afri- to employes of the pulp company. can theater bar. American theatre of However, in the past month or so, all operations bar, and American defense bar. He also has the Army good conduct medal and a bronze one battle star for the Rhineland campaign in Germany, recently conclud-

Ex-Sailor Charged With Houseburning

Allen O'Neal Held for Superior Court After Hearing Here Monday

ce man of the Pleasant Grove section, was arrested by Sheriff J. K. Reid Sunday on a charge of houseburning, as the result of two mysterious fires in that section in the past two weeks. Arraigned in recorder's court here Tuesday morning, O'Neal pleaded not guilty, but Judge Gaylord ordered him held for superior court on probable cause

18 Charter Members igation made by Sheriff Reid and W. . Basnight early Sunday morning, following the burning of a stock barn on the Ben Marriner farm, owned by Dennis W. Chesson, where O'Neal ived. O'Neal said he discovered the when he returned home shortly before midnight Saturday, and stated that two persons ran out of the back yard as he entered. He went to the barn to save the stock, including a mule, cow and calf, at the same time yelling to attract the attention of neighbors. All the stock was saved but the barn, containing a quantity of corn, hav and farming implements,

About a week before, a tenant louse on the nearby farm owned by Chauncey Swain was burned. Edison Norman, colored tenant who lived in the house, was not at home at the time and lost all of his belongings. including more than \$250 in cash O'Neal discovered this fire also and

After completing his investigation Sunday, Sheriff Reid had a warrant ssued for O'Neil, charging him with nouse-burning. The case probably will be tried at the superior court

Jett, of Plymouth, last Sunday re- Street, was painfully hurt Tuesday ceived an honorable discharge from afternoon about 5 o'clock in a freak the U.S. Army on the point basis af- accident at the intersection of the ived for about 20 minutes after the ter nearly five years in the service. He pulp mill highway and the country

Sergeant Jett served with Company Highway Commission truck, being gaged in shoveling salt cake into the A of the 13th Tank Battalion towed by another, struck a car from bin feeding the screw-type conveyor. throughout the North African, Tunisian, and Italian campaigns, his overinto the bin, the screw catching him seas service amounting to three years, one month and four days. He was

The sergeant was awarded the Pur-

Men Recipients of Development Have Point Discharges Been Sold, Rented

18 Rented in Past Few

reported to the local draft board here in the past year have been either this week after receiving honorable rented or sold, it was stated this discharges from the Army under the week by P. W. Brown, agent for the point-discharge system. Both are cor- two firms which built them. Of the war. They are Cpl. Roy D. Haislip, located on East Third Street and in

Permits to erect the 40 homes were as practicable, is located just west son of Mrs. Bertha Respass, also of granted last July to the North Carolina Pulp Company in an effort to partially relieve the critical housing situation here. At that time it was announced that as soon as the firs France and the Rhineland. He holds 40 houses were built and occupied the distinguished unit badge, bronze additional priorities would be grant-

The pulp company turned the permits over to the Player Realty Comrican-European theatre bar with six pany, of Fayetteville, and the Weaver Construction Company, of Greensboro, which actually built and disposed of the homes. Work was begun in late September, and houses were completed and ready for occupancy in February. Although the price was considered high by lo cal standards, all of them are now oc. upied or contracted for.

When the houses were first offered for sale or rent, they were restricted restrictions were removed, and they were offered to anyone who wanted

It could not be learned today whether application is being made for the other 110 houses as originally plan-

Services Announced for Grace Episcopal Church

The Celebration of the Holy Comipal service at Grace Episcopal summer. Church for July 1, the Fifth Sunday after Trinity. The rector will deiver the sermon.

County Is Within Few Thousands of Goal as Bond Drive Nears End

Use-Tax Stamp Sale Here Slow

Although they are required to be purchased and displayed on all motor vehicles before July 1st, sale of the \$5 use-tax stamps at the post office here continues at a very slow rate. J. C. Swain. postmaster, said this morning that hardly more than 20 stamps had been issued so far, although they should be on all cars by next Monday.

The \$5 stamps may be purchased at post offices or from rural mail carriers. Normally, about 700 stamps are sold every year at the post office here, which means that well over 600 motorists must still buy them to comply with the law by next Monday. Severe penalties are provided for failure to display the stamp.

Riddle Plans To Enlarge Ice Plant

Will Raise Capacity From 21 To 35 Tons Before Next Summer

A. J. Riddle this week announced that he was planning to almost double the capacity of the Plymouth ice plant before next summer. The local plant has been unable to supply the demand this summer, and Mr Riddle hopes to start work on addi tions sometime in December in ornunion at 11 a.m. will be the prin- der to complete them before next

At the present time, the plant has a daily capacity of 21 tons. Mr. Riddle plans to enlarge the building and Other services will be Church add two units that will make 14 tons School at 9:45 a.m. and Evensong at daily, raising the output to approximately 35 tons per day.

5.35 Inches of Rain

Officially Recorded

For Several Hours To

Repair Line Break

section by the high winds and heavy

rain Monday afternoon and night, so

far as could be learned here vester-

day. The storm probably was the

fringe of the tropical hurricane,

which originated in the Caribbean

area and traveled northestward up

the coast of the United States. The

hurricane turned inland about Hat-

ters, later changed its course and

went back out to sea and continued

ing, due to a break in the lines lo-

over town for about two hours, start-

terday that the damage would not ex-

(See STORM, Page 4)

order to repair the break.

Little Damage From Storm Monday Night various parts of the county, and this will be worked out on as fair a basis as possible.

Overseas Papers Only on Request

Under a joint ruling of the Navy and Post Office Department, publishers will not be permitted to mail newspapers to navy personnel overseas after July 1, except on written request of the person to whom the paper is to be sent.

Subscriptions already in effect may be continued and, renewal may be made, before a going subscription lapses. Once it is permitted to lapse, however, there must be written request from the

The rule applies not only to the navy men and women in overseas service, but also to Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel. It has been in effect as to the army for some time.

Local Man Hurt in

Was Getting Out of Car Which Was Struck by Towed Truck

Newsom H. Respass, of East Main club village road. He suffered bruis-Member of a medium tank crew, es to his head and side when a State which he was dismounting.

> Mr. Respass was riding from his work at the pulp plant with Audrey Lee Jackson, a fellow employee who lives in the village. Mr. Jackson had stopped his car at the itersection to let Mr. Respass out, when it was hit by the towed highway truck, causing the car door to give Mr. Respass a sharp blow on the head and side.

Highway Patrolman M. B. Stewart and his parents. At the time of his tle stars, for action in Algeria, French investigated the accident. The first highway truck was driven by Delton call to the armed forces in the very Rome-Arno, North Appenines and H. Sexton, of Creswell, while the towed truck was being steered by The body was removed to Wash- He volunteered for service on Au- V. H. Alexander, of Columbia Route ington, and final rites will be held gust 7, 1940, and was discharged on 1. Mr. Respass was not seriously injured and is able to be out today.

E Bond Sales Now Total About \$147,000

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Overall Quota Reached; Almost in Sight of E-Bond Quota of \$163,000

Washington County is today withn a few thousand dollars of its \$163,000 E Bond quota, it was learned yesterday from H. E. Beam, chairman of the county War Finance Committee. At that time total sales of E bonds in the county stood at ap. proximately \$147,000, Mr. Beam

The Seventh War Loan campaign fficially ends Saturday night, June 30, but an additional week has been allowed to get all reports to the Federal Reserve Bank at Richmond. All reports of E bond sales received by the Reserve Bank up to the close of business on Saturday, July 7, will be credited to the Seventh War Loan drive, it was stated. If this county an sell about \$15,000 more E bonds between now and next Wednesday, t will reach its goal in every partiular, as Mr. Beam said vesterday he county was already "over the

on" on its overall quota. Sales of E bonds up to Saturday night in the county totaled \$141.553. including a credit of \$8,965 for bonds bought by Washington County men in the armed forces. Since then, the bank and post office in Plymouth have sold \$5.381.25 worth of bonds to bring the aggregate up to today to approximately \$147,000.

Official reports of sales up to Saturday night by the four selling agencies in the county and service men credits were as follows:

\$ 92,775.00 Plymouth bank Plymouth post office. 29.44.25 Roper post office 7.012.50 Creswell post office. 3.356.25 8.965.00 Service men sales

\$141.553.00 Mr. Beam said he had not yet made definite allocation of the sales by communities, but will do so at the conclusion of the campaign. Some of the sales made at the bank here are to be credited to communities in various parts of the county, and

Sales in Plymouth Township have ed all other sections of the county, Mr. Beam estimating that approximately \$100,000 worth of E bonds have been sold here. This is \$20,000 above the quota of \$80,000. Wenona

(See BOND DRIVE, Page 4)

Electric Current Here Off Native of County Killed in Norfolk Very little damage was done in this

Mrs. John Spruill Fatally Shot Early Wednesday Morning

Norfolk, Va.-Mrs. Matoka Estelle Spruill, native of Creswell, was fatally shot shortly after midnight early Wednesday morning at a South Norfolk apartment, dying a short time later. Lolly Cecil Williams. Navy The electric current was out in Yard workman, formerly of Colesome parts of town from early Mon- raine, waived preliminary hearing day night until early Tuesday morn- and is being held for the Norfolk County circuit court, charged with cally, and power was turned off all the shooting.

According to South Norfolk Police ing at 11 o'clock Monday night in Chief H. L. Scheuerman, Williams occupied a room across the hall from Some damage was done to garden a second floor-apartment which was Highway Accident and field crops, but not nearly as being visited about 1 a.m. by Mrs. Spruill and a party of three others. to farmers from several sections of Police were told that Williams came the county. Corn was blown down, to his door and fired a .22-caliber the early varieties suffering most, rifle at the group as it came up the County Agent W. V. Hays said yes- stairs.

Mrs. Spruill was struck, and ran

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Number Important Matters To Come Before County, Town Boards Monday

boards will hold their regular meetings next Monday, with a number of important matters set for disposition. Practically all of them will begin consideration of budgets for the next fiscal year, which begins July 1st.

The county board of commissioners have several out-of-ordinary matters for consideration. First is to hold a hearing and set the date, appoint pollholders and attend to other details for holding the special school bond election, probably sometime in August. They also have the matter of deciding about a county treasurer to formally dispose of,

and guite possibly there will be some talk about the new budget. The county board of education will meet with the new superintendent of schools. W. F. Veasey, who will take over the duties of that office Monday. The school budget, too, may be given some consideration, if time permits.

The city council, meeting Monday night, has so many things on the agenda that it will be difficult to know where to start. Fiscal matters, the annual audit, sale of the observation tower, and a host of other things will be brought to the attention of council members, and it looks as if a lengthy session is in prospect.

Many Ex-Service Men Slow To Record Discharges and Service Records Here let out for physical disability, A great many service men are

failing to have their honorable discharge papers recorded in the office of the register of deeds, it was learned this week. It is estimated that upwards of 150 Washington County men have been discharged from the service in the past few years, since the start of World War II, but up to yesterday only 87 of them had put their papers on record, although there is no charge for this service.

Of the 87 discharges recorded so far, 76 were from the Army, 9 from the Navy and 2 from the Marine Corps. Most of them were although several were over the age limit, and in recent weeks the point-discharge system has resulted in a few releases.

Veterans of this war are considerably ahead of World War I service men, though, as only 45 in that category have their discharges and service records on file. It is pointed out that in cases where the discharge papers are lost or destroyed for any reason, the courthouse record would be invaluable to the service men in proving claims for benefits. For that reason, all are urged to have their service records regis-

Permits Required For Slaughtering

Farmers who slaughter as 6,000 pounds of meat per year must secure a slaughtering permit before the July 1 deadline, according to the OPA district office. The permits may be secured from the local war price

and rationing board. The permit entitles the farmer to do the same amount of slaughtering as in the corresponding period last year. It is also stressed that farmers who sell meat must collect ration points and observe ceiling prices according to the official charts.

Colored Workman Killed at Pulp Mill

Marcellus Clark, 20, Dies in 20 Minutes After Being Caught in Conveyor

Marcellus Clark, 20-year-old colored laborer, was accidentally killed about noon Monday, when he was aught in a salcake conveyor and badly mangled at the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company. He accident, but was too badly hurt for had a total of 132 points.

emoval to a hospital. It is reported that Clark was en-In some manner he slipped or fell by the left leg. Before it could be stopped, it had mangled his left leg and torn it practically from his body.

Clark would have been 20 years old esterday, June 27. He was the son ple Heart Medal with an oak-leaf of Garfield and Leslie White Clark, cluster, Army Good Conduct Medal, of Terra Ceia. He was considered a American Defense Medal, and the very reliable workman and was high. European-African-Mediterranean ly respected by those who knew him Campaign Medal with six bronze batdeath, he was said to be expecting a Morocco, Tunisia, Naples-Fogga, near future.

for him in Belhaven next Sunday. June 24, 1945.

Allen O'Neal, young white ex-serv-

O'Neal's arrest followed an inves-

burned to the ground.

ounded the alarm. term beginning here a week from

Point Discharge for Sgt. Luther C. Jett

wounded in action twice, each time returning to duty after recovering.

Po Valley