



Mr. and Mrs. Stanton R. Norman returned to their home at Hayfield Farm, near Alexandria, Va., Monday after spending several days here with Mr. Norman's brother, Z. V. Norman, and Mrs. Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Bennett, Mrs. Bertha Hardison, Miss Emma Belle Hardison, Peggy Joyce Daniels, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Tetterton, Mrs. Hilton Forbes, Becky Lou Forbes, Mrs. Delmar Harris, and Elsie Harris visited Pfc. James E. Hardison Friday in the U. S. Naval Hospital at Portsmouth, Va.

Pfc. James E. Hardison, 801 of Mrs. Bertha Hardison, was transferred last week from the U. S. Naval hospital in Oakland, Calif., to a naval hospital at Portsmouth, Va. Private Hardison was seriously wounded on Okinawa in April, but is improving.

Two of the county library committee, Mrs. Clarence Ayers and Mrs. Robert Campbell went with Mrs. Lulla Jackson, librarian, to visit the Creswell library last Friday. Mrs. Jackson took some new books for the Creswell library.

Dr. A. Papineau, skipper of the local sea scout troop, went to the Elizabeth City ship yard last Sunday afternoon to inspect the sea scout boat, which is now undergoing repairs. He was accompanied by three scouts, Raymond Peelle, Jerry Polk and Glenn Jones.

Mrs. Edison Davenport has just returned from the national home demonstration council held in Columbus, Ohio, where she was appointed a member of the liaison committee of the associated county women of the world, with headquarters in London.

The local police department had another banner week-end with 22 arrests reported, 17 being placed in jail. Most of the arrests were for drunkenness and fighting. Less than a dozen arrests were made during the preceding week, and no reason could be assigned for the sudden spurt in law-breaking.

A show window full of World War II trophies is attracting a lot of attention this week at the E. H. Livingston store here. On display are several types of German uniforms, weapons, money, and other souvenirs, as well as some Japanese trophies and mementos from the Pacific war zone. Most of them were sent home by Mr. Livingston's three sons.

W. F. Veasey, superintendent of schools, will attend the North Carolina Education Association meeting in Greenville Friday.

The Rev. Paul B. Nickens, pastor of the Ludford Memorial Baptist church, is attending the Baptist state convention in Raleigh this week, which began Tuesday. Mrs. Nickens accompanied him.

Christmas Seals On Sale Monday

Sponsored by Local Woman's Club; Goal for County Is \$450

The sale of Tuberculosis Christmas seals in Washington County was sponsored by the Plymouth Woman's club and will get under way next Monday. It will continue until Christmas in conjunction with the National sale, with the goal for the county set at \$450 this year.

Every one will be given an opportunity to buy these seals, either by mail or through personal solicitation. The schools throughout the county are participating. Mrs. H. G. Harris, chairman of the Tuberculosis Christmas Seal sale for the county, expressed the hope that all parents will buy at least a dollar sheet of seals.

Three-fourths of the amount raised is used for cases of tuberculosis in Washington county, the remainder being sent to headquarters in Raleigh. The purchase of these seals last year made it possible for the county to hold T.B. clinics in the schools and it is impossible to estimate the number of active cases of the disease prevented in this way. Any one desiring additional seals may see Mrs. H. G. Harris at 217 E. Main street or call her at phone 249-1.

Number From Here at Annual Meet Of Southern Albemarle in Columbia

Several carloads of local people left this morning to attend the annual meeting of the Southern Albemarle Association at Columbia today. It is the first general meeting of the association to be held since 1941, the annual gatherings since then having been called off on account of the war.

W. L. Whitley, of Plymouth, is president of the association and heads the delegation from this county. John W. Darden, also of Plymouth, is the Washington County vice president of the organization. Twenty-five

Boiler Building at Local Peanut Plant Is Destroyed by Fire Wednesday Morning

A spectacular fire, discovered about 2:45 Wednesday morning, almost totally destroyed the boiler room and equipment at the Farmers Cotton and Peanut Company plant here on Monroe Street Extended, causing an estimated loss of from \$3,000 to \$5,000, according to insurance adjusters.

and nearly half the population of the town turned out for the spectacle. The fire was discovered by Night Patrolman Foy Davenport, who turned in the alarm. The fire department had equipment on the scene in a very few minutes and two lines of hose were laid. They worked steadily until 5 a.m., preventing the blaze from sweeping the main building of the plant. The origin of the fire has not been determined.

E. J. Broughton, manager, said he hoped to have the plant back in operation within a week or 10 days. Despite the damage done, buying of peanuts by the company will not be halted. Farmers are advised that they can continue to bring peanuts to the plant and not to wait for it to resume operation.

Long Acre Man Dies In Hunting Accident

Forbid Burning Leaves in Streets

Chief of Police P. W. Brown this week appealed to local people not to burn leaves on the city streets. It is against the law, for one thing, and it damages the streets by causing cracks and deterioration of the surface. Chief Brown says the street cleaning department will remove the leaves if they are swept into piles along the curbing. But, again quoting the chief, "Pulverized leaves don't set fire to 'em on the streets."

Welfare Department Urges Donations of Clothing for Needy

Some Children Kept Out of School by Lack of Suitable Apparel

The county welfare department is urgently in need of second hand clothing, it is reported by the superintendent, Mrs. Ursula B. Sprull. The needy cases come from families where there has been long illness, frequently the bread-winner. Others are needy because of accidents or death in the family.

All types of clothing are needed, as well as blankets, shoes, overshoes and top coats. Articles of wearing apparel are needed for both adults and children.

However, the need for children's clothing is greater because a few families are having to keep the children out of school, due to a lack of proper wearing apparel. Now that the weather is beginning to feel more like winter the need for school clothing is greater, Mrs. Sprull pointed out.

The people of Washington county have always responded in answer to calls for clothing, she said; however, the welfare department never keeps the articles for any length of time. The calls come in for them so rapidly that there is no supply on hand when other needs arise.

Those who have clothing or bedding to contribute to the welfare department may leave them at the office in the courthouse or call and make a report as to what they have to offer. Nothing is wasted and all contributions are used for needy, deserving persons in the county.

Ministers of County Will Meet Monday in Creswell

The monthly meeting of the Washington County Ministerial Association will be held Monday, November 19, 11 a.m., at the Creswell Methodist church, with the Rev. N. M. McDonald, host pastor. The Rev. E. B. Quick, secretary of the association, announces that the Rev. P. B. Nickens, president of the association, will preside, and the Rev. T. R. Jenkins, chairman of the program committee, will have charge of the program. All ministers residing in the county or serving churches in the county are invited to attend.

Killed Instantly by Gun of Companion

Dallas R. Respass, 33, Victim of Accident Sunday Afternoon

Dallas R. Respass, 33, of the Long Acre section, near Plymouth, was accidentally shot while deer hunting with his brother and three friends last Sunday about 1 p.m., and died almost instantly.

Coroner Jack Horner investigated the accident and declared it was unavoidable, no inquest being deemed necessary by him or members of Mr. Respass' family. The accident occurred when the gun of Harry Groce, with whom Mr. Respass was hunting, was discharged as Mr. Groce jumped a ditch.

Mr. Groce stated he did not know just how it happened, as he was holding the gun downward when he jumped. The entire load of shot struck Mr. Respass in the lower left shoulder from a distance of only four to six feet. Friends and the family said that Groce and Respass were the best of friends. Other men in the party were Heber Respass, jr., brother to the victim, and R. A. Westmoreland.

The men all worked for the Grinnell Construction Company at the plant of the North Carolina Pulp Company, and they had been engaged in some emergency work at the plant Sunday morning. Leaving there about noon, they decided to go deer hunting. Respass and Groce left their stand to go into the woods to look for squirrels while waiting for the dogs to pick up the trail of deer when the accident occurred.

Mr. Respass had lived all of his life in Washington County except for the period from 1941 until about a month ago, during which time he worked at the Naval Base in Norfolk, Va., as a pipe fitter. He is survived by his parents, H. L. and Emma Askew Respass; his wife, Mrs. Faye Sprull Respass; one son, Billy, age 10; and a daughter, Betty Jean, age 12, all of Plymouth. He also leaves two brothers, Irvin Long Respass and Heber L. Respass, jr., of the Long Acre section, and several aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2:30 in the Long Acre Chapel church, with the Rev. E. B. Quick officiating, assisted by the Rev. J. W. Hollis, of Pantego. Interment was made in the family cemetery at the home place.

Child in Roper Is Diphtheria Victim

Four-year old Bobbie Franklin Edwards, of Roper, died at 5:30 p.m. last Saturday in a Washington hospital with diphtheria. He had not been ill very long.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. and Margaret Phelps Edwards, of Roper, where the child had lived all his life.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 3 p.m., at the home, with the Rev. H. M. Poke, pastor of the Holiness church of Williamston, officiating. Interment took place in the Edwards cemetery near Roper.

Surviving are the father, mother and a brother, Billy Edwards, and one sister, Jeanette Edwards.

Error in Time of Shows In Plymouth Theatre Ad

Due to an error in copy, the time of the next Monday and Tuesday night shows at the Plymouth Theatre appears as 8:45 p.m. in the theatre advertisement on page five of this paper. The correct time for starting these shows is 8 p.m. each night, and the error was not discovered until after this page was printed.

The picture is "Anchors Aweigh," featuring Frank Sinatra and Kathryn Grayson. It is playing at the Plymouth Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. There is only one showing each night, at 8:45 p.m. Sunday night, and at 8 p.m. the following two nights.

Lions Club Here To Sponsor DDT Spray Program Next Year

Hoped To Have All Local Houses Treated Against Mosquitoes

The Lions Club, at its regular meeting last Thursday night, voted unanimously to sponsor a town-wide spraying program with DDT next spring, in connection with the malaria-control program. Members of the club also listened attentively to Lion E. L. Smithwick, a former junior-grade lieutenant in the Navy who described the operations of North Atlantic convoys during the war, and the anti-submarine methods used to ward off enemy attacks.

The vote on the DDT spraying program was taken after a letter was read from Charles M. White, state director of malaria control in war areas, congratulating the club for its interest in the matter. Last year a number of houses in the county where malaria had been reported were sprayed, but the program planned by the club will call for an all-inclusive spraying of homes in the incorporated area here.

The letter from Mr. White, addressed to Dr. Papineau, president of the club, follows:

It is very gratifying that the Lions Club is considering a town-wide spraying program with DDT next spring. I have heard of no other civic organization undertaking such a spraying program, and wish to commend you and your fellow members upon your pioneering in such a worthy enterprise. The cost of the materials for hundred houses will vary considerably with the size of the houses. On our spraying program this summer, which was conducted largely in rural areas, about a pint of DDT concentrate solution was used per house. The cost of the materials at the price paid by the Public Health Service averaged about 25 cents per house. The cost for these materials will be slightly greater than that when purchased other than on a government contract. As the houses in areas, the cost per house will be somewhat greater. On hand, I would estimate a cost of from \$40 to \$50 per hundred houses for materials in the town of Plymouth. The labor will be a much larger item than the materials.

The U. S. Public Health Service has expressed an intention to cooperate with us on a Residual Spraying Program next summer. At this time, I do not know what facilities we will have available to offer, but feel confident that we will be able to carry a part of the cost of your program in the event it be inaugurated.

Attendance Good at Fall Meet of Home Club Women Here

Roper Club Wins \$5 Cash Award for Having Most Members Present

The fall federation of the Home Demonstration clubs in the county, held in the Agriculture building last Saturday afternoon, reported a large attendance, with the Roper club winning \$5 for the highest attendance. Mrs. Orlo Rath, of the Swain club, received the \$5 prize offered by the county council for outstanding club work during the year.

The women kept score cards during the year of work and the following were found to be highest in their clubs. County Bridge, Mrs. L. A. Parrisher; Pleasant Grove, Mrs. Inez Sprull; Alba, Mrs. S. I. Darden; Cross Roads, Mrs. Roy Chesson; Hoke, Mrs. Eva Beddard; Cool Spring, Mrs. Tom West; Creswell, Mrs. Eva Norman; Beach Grove, Mrs. T. V. Davis; Cherry, Miss Ida Davis; Roper, Mrs. Iva Hooker; Chapel Hill, Mrs. Luther Bowen; Wenona, Mrs. Glenn Furbee; Scuppernon, Mrs. J. B. Hathaway; Piney Grove, Mrs. Harold Patrick.

Miss Pauline Gordon, extension specialist in home management and house furnishing, of Raleigh, gave an illustrated lecture, showing slides to illustrate conveniences of the home. The auditorium in the Agriculture building was decorated with patriotic colors and red and white crysanthemums were used to decorate the serving tables. Coffee, doughnuts and nuts were served to the guests. The new officers were installed during the business session.

Methodist Churches At Creswell, Roper Get New Ministers

T. R. Jenkins Returned To Plymouth Church by Annual Conference

The Rev. T. R. Jenkins was returned to the Methodist church in Plymouth to enter upon his third year's work, but all other Methodist churches in the county will begin the new church year with new ministers. Appointments for all charges in eastern North Carolina were read out last Sunday at the concluding session of the annual conference, held in Goldsboro.

The Rev. T. L. House was assigned to the Roper charge, which includes five churches, three in this county and two in Martin. The Rev. G. C. Wood, who has been minister of the charge for the past four years, was assigned to Aulander. Churches in the Roper charge include Roper, Pleasant Grove, Mackeys, Jamesville, and Siloam, near Jamesville.

The Rev. J. C. Harmon comes to the Creswell charge, which also includes five churches. The Rev. N. M. McDonald, who is on the retired list, was assigned to the Ocracoke charge. He has been pastor at Creswell for two years. Churches in the charge are Creswell, Rehoboth, Woodley's Chapel, Mount Elma and Mount Hermon.

The changes are effective immediately, and the new ministers are expected to hold their first services in the new church year this coming Sunday. Mr. House, of the Roper charge, will preach at Mackeys Sunday morning and at Roper Sunday night. Regular services will be held at the local church by Mr. Jenkins. Announcements for the Creswell charge were not available today.

The Rev. Mr. Wood was in Plymouth yesterday and said that he and Mrs. Wood expected to move to Aulander next week. Their two daughters are not at home right now. Miss Katie Wood is teaching at Rocky Mount, and Miss Evelyn Wood is in her second year at Greensboro College.

Other appointments of interest to local Methodists include the return of the Rev. J. Herbert Miller as superintendent of the Elizabeth City district; the Rev. O. L. Hardwick, a former local pastor, to the Northampton circuit in the Rocky Mount district; and the Rev. C. T. Thrift, another former pastor here, to Ellerbe in the Fayetteville district.

Funeral Today for John F. Swain, 79

A prominent farmer and church leader, John F. Swain, of Roper and Mackeys, passed away at 2:15 a.m. Tuesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. O. A. Chesson, of Roper. Mr. Swain was in failing health for five years and had been recently ill for about ten weeks. He was 79 years old.

Mr. Swain was the son of the late Abijah and Elizabeth Swain of the same community in which he lived all his life, except for eight years spent in Durham. His wife, the late Ida L. Knowles Swain, died a little over a year ago.

He was a member of the Methodist church of Mackeys for 60 years and was on the board of stewards before his health failed. Mr. Swain was active also in civic and school affairs.

Funeral services will take place at 2:30 p.m. today in the M. E. church of Mackeys, with the Rev. G. C. Wood of Roper officiating, assisted by the Rev. T. R. Jenkins, pastor of the Plymouth Methodist church.

Interment will take place in the family plot at the Windley cemetery in Plymouth. The body lay in state at the Horner Funeral Home until one hour before the funeral services and then lay in state at the church. Surviving Mr. Swain are five daughters, Mrs. O. A. Chesson and Mrs. N. G. Chesson, of Roper; Mrs. C. M. Robbins, of Plymouth; Miss Max Weaver, of Chapel Hill and Mrs. L. B. Woodbury, of Raleigh; six sons, A. T. C. W. and E. R. Swain, of Durham; C. M. Swain, of Norfolk, Va.; J. L. Swain, of Plymouth; and Phillip R. Swain, of the U. S. Army, stationed in the South Pacific, who was not at the services; one brother, E. G. Swain, of Currituck county and several grandchildren.

Blount Rodman Returns To Duties as Solicitor of Court

Capt. Blount Rodman, county solicitor, associated with the firm of Norman and Rodman, has returned from service and was on duty in the Recorder's court Tuesday.

Captain Rodman was on a leave of absence from his county post and was re-elected as solicitor while in service. He was in the service over three years as was in the European theatre of war, where he was battery commander.

Due to the absence of witnesses, all cases were continued in Recorder's court this week.

War Fund Campaign In County Will Close Saturday Next Week

Beacon To Print Early Next Week

The Beacon will be published early next week on account of the Thanksgiving Day holiday. It is now planned to complete the printing Tuesday night and put the paper in the mail early Wednesday morning in order that it may go out on the rural routes before the Thanksgiving holiday.

Correspondents are notified to get all their copy in the office not later than Monday, and those who have notices or articles for next week are likewise advised to have them in Monday. The office will be closed Thanksgiving Day.

State News Bureau Officials Here on Hunt-Fishing Trip

Get Lot of Pictures But Little Game During Four-Day Sojourn

A couple of representatives of the State News Bureau of the Department of Conservation and Development who came to this section last Sunday for a few days' fishing and hunting—at the invitation of C&D Board Member W. Roy Hampton—have made almost a complete water-haul, not referring to yesterday's rain, either.

Bill Sharpe, director, and John Hemmer, photographer, of the State News Bureau, Raleigh, and M. Prongay, of the Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel, were in the party from up State. They have been accompanied by ex-Cpl. Charles Ed Brinn, ex-Sgt. "Pete" Hampton, Carlisle Doughtie and Roy Hampton, of Plymouth, in their peregrinations about this section.

The group essayed a rock fishing trip out of Columbia Sunday, going on Collier Spencer's boat. They caught one rock, but got lost in the fog and remained fogbound until the middle of Monday afternoon. Mr. Hampton, who had sounded off about how well he knew the waters in this section, came in for considerable ribbing from the up-Staters, who said that about all the directions he had right were up and down.

Tuesday the party took off on a deer hunt along the river swamps. They caught one small buck in the river, but turned him loose; and then came back to the wharf with a nice big doe and a tale of not having fired a shot, since "the dogs killed the doe." Anyway, inmates of the county home will eat venison for the next few days, as County Game Protector J. T. Terry was with the group.

Incidentally, the visitors were staying at the Country Club of Plymouth, where a big 8-point buck, pursued by a pack of hounds, was seen crossing No. 9 fairway within gunshot of the club porch Monday afternoon, shortly before the party got back from their fishing trip.

A bear hunt had been planned for Wednesday, but was called off on account of rain, or there's no telling what might have developed—no reflection on Sharpe and Hemmer's cameras being intended. It is understood that they got some mighty fine "shots" of hunting and fishing methods in this section, but nothing whatever on results.

Local Lions Club Expecting Number of Visitors Tonight

At least a dozen or more visiting Lions from Washington, Belhaven, and Elizabeth City will attend the meeting of the local Lions Club this week. The third district governor will be present. The meeting will be held at Juniper Lodge, starting at 7 p.m., and a turkey supper will be served.

Local Business Houses To Close Next Thursday for Thanksgiving Holiday

Practically all business will cease in Plymouth Thanksgiving day, unless it is the eating places and possibly a few filling stations. It is thought that all government offices will be closed. State offices have been advised to take one day, Thursday, only and the county offices in the court house have announced that they will follow the same procedure. The Office of Price Administration rationing board has had no ruling on the holiday

Little Prospect for Raising \$5,000 Goal

Contributions So Far Total \$1,748; Several Groups To Report

The United War Fund campaign in Washington County definitely will end Saturday of next week, November 24, it was announced yesterday by Shep Brinkley, chairman. At the same time he announced that contributions received during the past week raised the total actually on hand to \$1,748.71 or a little more than one-third of the county's quota of \$5,000.

A special Thanksgiving Day appeal for support of the United War Fund organizations was issued this week by Governor R. Gregg Cherry, honorary state chairman. In it he urges that the people of the state "give more than thanks" on Thanksgiving Day, next Thursday, by making "it possible for others to give thanks through unselfish gifts to the United War Fund."

"Thanksgiving Day can only be real for millions of service men on active duty for many months yet," the governor states, "if your thankfulness makes possible the USO program which the Army and Navy ask you to provide for them. If your gift has not yet been made, please make it quickly, generously, thankfully," he concluded.

Mr. Brinkley said most of the canvassing groups in this county have now been heard from except local labor unions, industrial plants, and the Mackeys section. Of the \$5,000 goal sought in the county, \$3,750 will go to national agencies, while the remainder stays here to take care of needs at home.

The Creswell High School sent in donations of \$147.15 last week, and the Plymouth colored schools reported \$102.25. Other contributions have been added to bring the present total to \$1,748.71. In addition to the schools, contributions are acknowledged as follows:

Skinnerville: Mr. and Mrs. Clint Everett, \$5; Mrs. Mary Jane Leary \$1; Mrs. L. H. Ambrose, \$1; Plymouth: Rose's 5 and 10 Cent Store \$24.78; H. E. Harrison Wholesale Company \$10; Hampton school \$10.

Scuppernon Sale Is Set for Tuesday

Will Complete Liquidation Of Resettlement Project Near Creswell

Possibly the largest auction sale in the history of Washington County will be held at Scuppernon Farms, near Creswell, next Tuesday, when 43 farm tracts, 20 timer tracts, and a number of buildings will be sold to liquidate the Farm Security Administration holdings in that section. The sale is in charge of Britt Davis, of Columbia, Tenn., a specialist in large-scale real estate operations.

Hundreds of prospective purchasers are expected to attend the sale, which will be held in auditorium of the community building at Lake Phelps, starting at 10 a.m. The land to be sold includes about 8,000 acres, 80 dwellings, 340 other buildings and an estimated 7,500,000 feet of timber, located in Washington and Tyrrell counties.

Much of the land borders Lake Phelps and includes the famous Magnolia, Somerset, and Bonarva plantations. This property was bought by the FSA in the middle 30's and operated as a resettlement project by the government. A large number of modern four and five room dwellings, with electricity and other conveniences, were erected. The project never proved successful, and Congress has ordered liquidation of this and similar undertakings undertaken by the FSA.