

The U. S. Employment office in

The hours are 8:30 to 5:30 through

Miller Warren and William E. Wa-

ters left Monday to spend several

days in Atlanta, Ga., on a buying

county board of commissioners

Monday from the State High-

way and Public Works Commis-

sion declining a request that the

Cross Road, near Roper, be

made an all-weather road. The

commission said that the road

would be maintained in the best

condition possible, but that an

all-weather surface could not be

F. H. Modlin, manager of the

Mitchell Furniture Store here for

several years before going into the

for foreign relief neeted several

hundred clean garments. Both the

Hampton and high schools were

used as collection centers. Trucks

belonging to local merchants were

used to haul the clothes to the

American Legion Hall, collection

The high school basketball

teams have two games at home

this week, playing the Roper

teams here tonight and James-

ville tomorrow night. Next

week, the locals will go to Co-

lumbia on Tuesday night and to

Edenton on Friday night. They

are playing good basketball and

deserve better attendance at

their home games. Go to see

them play tonight and tomorrow

The Washington county public

library now subscribes to the Sun-

day edition of the New York Times

and readers who are interested are

W. Roy Hampton is leaving Sun-

day for Raleigh, where he will at-

tend a meeting of the board of

invited to read it in the library.

point for the entire town.

considered at this time.

They made the trip by car and expect to return before the last

Friday

of the week

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night.

THE ROANOKE BEACON AND WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS \*



#### the basement of the courthouse will VOLUME LVII-NUMBER 6 no longer be open on Saturdays.

Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thursday, February 7, 1946

### **District Health Board Is Seeking Full-Time Health Officer for This Section**

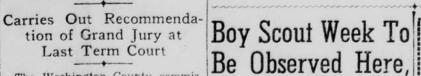
The Tyrrell-Washington district health board held a meet-Technical Sergeant C. V. Bradon, ing in Columbia Wednesday of son of Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Bradon, last week, with three represenof Washington street, returned to tatives from this county pres-Cherry Point Thursday, January 31, ent. A resolution was passed after a leave of more than 30 days with his parents. / Sgt. Bradon was asking state health officials to stationed in Guam, attached to the keep the district department in-4th Marine Air Wing during his duformed about the availability of physicians and help secure a full-time health officer for this A letter was received by the

area. Dr. C. McGowan, of Plymouth, has been serving as parttime health officer, and he was given a vote of thanks by the

board for this work in helping to keep the department func-tioning. Dr. McGowan, Dr. W. H. Johnson, and County School Superintendent W. F. Veasey attended the meeting from Plym-

outh. The meeting was held at the office of County School Superintendent W. J. White in Columbia. H. H. Allen, of Plymouth, was elected permanent chairman of the board, and Dr. Mc-Gowan is ex-officio secretary. There are four members from Washington County and three from Tyrrell County.

Action Assured by



Deputy and Jailor

At Meeting Monday

The Washington County commis Starting Tomorrow sioners put in a full day Monday, disposing of a number of important matters and discussing highway matters with District Highway Com-Local Boy Scout Troop Has missioner J. G. Clark, of Greenville Number Special Events who was here for the meeting. All

five members of the county were present as follows: H. H. Allen, ., A. R. Latham, J. C. chai-The Plymouth Boy Scout troop is s. H. W. Pritchett and T. F. Ko

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planning a number of special events and programs in connection with of Boy Scout Week, beginning Friday

Planned

Sheriff J. K. Reid, L. L. Basnight of this week, February 8, and conwas appointed deputy sheriff and tinuing through the 14th, according jailor, at a salary of \$75 per month. to Scoutmaster H. G. Harris. Feb-This action was taken at the sug- ruary 8th marks the 37th annivergestion of the recent grand jury, sary of the founding of the Scout which recommended employment of movement in the United Sates and a jailor and a deputy for this end of is being observed throughout the nathe county. The board combined tion by Scouts and Scout leaders. the jobs and gave it to Mr. Basnight. The local boys are planning to Commissioner Clark Other items in the grand jury re-port were taken up one by one and ment, which will be displayed in one Other items in the grand jury recompiled with as far as possible. of the store windows here for

The board approprated \$300 extra week.

A special religious service will be tion of Fire Warden S. F. Darden. held at the local Christian church This will be used for labor and ope-Sunday night at 7:30 by the pastor, Going To Beaufort rating expenses of a tractor-plow to Rev. E. B. Quick, and the Scouts will be made available by state and fed- attend in a body. A large turnout Turnpike Road in the immediate eral services. It is understood that of parents and friends of the Scouts the new equipment will be kept at is urged.

Williamston bu, will be available as needed for use in this county. chairman of the Albemarle District R. S. Clayton, of Creswell, was Committee, will be host to the allowed payment at the rate listed Scouts at a fish barbecue to be held for 35 hens killed by stray dogs. J. at the baseball park. A number of C. Tarkenton, of Pleasant Grove, games and athletic events are to be of the commission, was here to get also was allowed payment for one staged at this time.

Contributions for the "Shirt Off Tax Collecto, E. J. Spruill report- Our Backs" campaign will be reed that county taxes amounting to ceived by the Scouts from now nated the Turnpike Road as their \$26,200 were collected in January. through February 14. This is part No. 1 project, and Mr. Clark said J. R. Campbell, register of deeds, reported \$2,079.28 in fees collected dur- old uniforms and equipment to be mmediately. Starting from High- ing the calendar year 1945. Report sent to the Boy Scouts of the warof the some demonstration agent, ravished countries so that Scouting outh, 7.9 miles of the road is in Mrs. M ry F. Darden, was received activities may be resumed there. ed.

Elber S ruill was relieved of the payment of tax on \$600 worth of personal property listed by error. (See COUNTY BOARD, Page 6)

it would be necessary to revise this Ex-Service Men Invited to

missioners decided upon an overall American Legion will have an oys- barbecue Monday night. Arrangements are being made to 1943. 24, also of Plymouth. The shooting Turnpike road. Adding the latter at 7 o'clock at the camp built back hold the next Court of Honor at the 1943.

Boy Scout Week To Get All Trash in **Single Container** 

For New High School Site

Basnight Appointed Board Education Contracts

Unless litter and refuse is collected in one single container or pile, city trash trucks have been instructed not to pick it up, Chief of Police P. W. Brown anounced Monday. He said that garbage collection was taking entirely too much time of the street-cleaning force, which is needed for other work, due to the practice of many local people requiring the trash trucks to drive all over back yards to pick up small lots of refuse.

The cooperation of local residents is requested. If possible, place all trash and garbage in a single container and have it conveniently located so that the truck can pick it up without loss of time.

# Rev. Wm. B. Daniels Church on March 1

Monday night. Harold Whitley, Resigns as Rector of Episcopal Churches Here And in Roper

The Rev. William B. Daniels, jr. November of this year. rector of Grace Episcopal church in Plymouth and St. Luke's church in

es on February 1.

Ex-Scouts and parents of former Scouts are urged to give no-longerthis most worthy cause.

Arrangements are being made to of the local parishes on March 9, The land contracted for is con-

Faces Highway 64 In East Part Town

Agreement Made for Purchase of 71/2 Acres Land In New Subdivision

Sites have been chosen for location of the new high school building and primary school building in Plymouth as part of the program of school improvements planned in the country. The high school building will be located on the property of E. F. Still fronting on Highway 64 in the eastern part of town, while the primary building is to be built on the lot adjoining the present high school property

The county board of education, at its regular meeting Monday, unnanimously voted to enter into a contract with Mr. Still to purchase 71/2 acres of land in the "Stillacres" subdivision for \$7,500. The board also voted to begin negotiations with an architect, and instructed Attorney Carl L. Bailey to supervise the proceedings necessary for the board to take title to the lot on which it is proposed to erect the primary school.

For the past month or more, members of the board of education have been visiting and considering possible sites for the high school building. The lot for the primary building was bought by the board in 1942. and final payment is to be made in

The board selected the lot in the "Stillacres" section after reviewing Roper for nearly three years, has all the factors. It is located about accepted a call to St. Paul's Church midway of the subdivision, laid off in Beaufort and will leave to enter recently as a residential area on the of the national campaign to collect his new work March 1, it was north side of Highway 64 just east of learned this week. Mr. Daniels sub- the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad mitted his resignation to the vestries crossing. The site chosen has a of the Plymouth and Roper church- frontage on the highway of 400 feet and extends back about 900 feet.

A native of Wilmington, the Rev. It is explained that approximate-Mr. Daniels first came here as a min- ly 5 acres additional was offered to needed clothing and equipment to isterial student in 1940. He did sum- the board by Mr. Still for \$2,500, but mer work with the churches here the school authorities decided they All items of Scout clothing and and at Roper while attending the could not afford to buy it at this such equipment as knives, hatch- Virginia Theological Seminary in time, although it is realized that the ets, tents, compasses, canteens, and Richmond for two years. He re- additional tract probably will be cooking kits, are urgently needed ceived his degree as Bachelor of Di- needed in the future. Hope is ex-Oyster Roast Friday Night by the Scouts across the seas. Local vinity in 1942 and began full-time pressed that the \$2,500 can be raised Scouts are asked to bring their con- work in the county as a deacon on by private subscription and the The James E. Jethro Post of the tributions for this campaign to the June 14, 1942. He was ordained to land donated to the board of educathe priesthood and became rector tion.

sidered adequate for present needs.



and teachers alike in this worthy cause.

The Rev. P. B. Nickens, pastor of the Baptist church, took part in the program sponsored by the high school, presenting a number of sleight-of-hand and tricks of magic.

Young Colored Man Killed by Another Near Here Saturday Washington County, with the re-mainder of the route to Pantego in

Probable Cause Not Found Against Slayer at Hear-

the Chapel Hill schoolhouse.

Both men were said to have been

drinking heavily at the time, and

both Taylor and the dead youth's

father, Henry Spruill, claimed the

shooting was accidental. Taylor

was arrested and held on a murder

charge for preliminary hearing

Tuesday in recorder's court, but was

released then when no probable

According to local police, Spruill

and Taylor went hunting Saturday

afternoon and ran across a liquor

still just back of Henry Spruill's

Tom Gaylord, Lul Gibbs and Chris-

tian Hyman. The youngsters fired

their guns, and the four ran, Henry

Spruill running into a tree and

They saw four men there,

ause was found.

bruising his head.

house.

Edison Spruill, 18-year-old colored youth of Plymouth, was shot

ed \$75, while the Hampton school raised \$78.11, it was reported this week by Principal Herbert D. Lassiter. Much interest was shown by students

and almost instantly killed about 3 jects. About a year ago, the comhunting companion, Willie Taylor, program that did not include the ter roast Friday night of this week

Is Revised future, District Highway Commis-

sioner J. G. Clark, of Greensborn told members of the county board of commissioners at their regular meeting Monday. The highway commissioner, accompanied by W. N. Spruill, of the engineering staff

some matters straightened out in sheep killed by dogs. connection with work on the road. The board of commissioners desig-

that work would be started on it way 32 about 5 miles east of Plym-Washington County, with the re- and ac Beaufort County. Beauford commissioners had previously designat-

upor

running to the Tyrrell County line.

state highway commission was now

centering its efforts on improvement

of secondary roads. Very little new

work is to be done to the primary

Asked about the surveys made to

reroute Highway 64 around Plym-

outh to eliminate several railroad

crossings, the district commissioner

**Horton Announces** 

Hugh G. Horton, Wililamston at

1941 and 1942.

the seven counties

into better shape, he said.

While he was here, Mr. Clark

ed their end of the road as their No. l project. Mr. Clark also told the local board ing Tuesday

county's overall program of secondary roads selected as federal pro-

## Designated No. 1 Project by for forest-fire work, at the sugges-County Board; Program

Turnpike Road Work

Will Be Started Soon

trustees of the University of North occurred in front of the home of Carolina, scheduled for Monday. Spruill's father, Henry Spruill, near

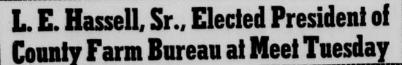
The new Dodge for 1946 has been received and is being displayed here by C. E. Ayers, representative for this territory. The demonstration model, a red four-door sedan, embodies a number of refinements and improvements over the last model produced by Dodge in 1942.

Chief of Police and Mrs. P. W. Brown left yesterday for Greensboro, where they will meet their son, Pvt. Charles D. Brown, of the U. S. Army Air Forces, who is coming home for a visit. Charles has been stationed at Keesler Field, near Biloxi, Miss. They will return to later identified as Henry Spruill, Plymouth today.

#### **Attendance Contest** At Masonic Lodge

home. Smarting from his bruised ate future. head, Henry Spruill took the gun] An attendance contest will be launched next Tuesday night at the away from his son, struck Taylor regular meeting of Perseverance and ran into the house. Taylor then Lodge, No. 59, AF&AM, it was an- started reloading his double-barnounced this week by the master, reled gun with the intention of go-H. H. Allen. The membership of ing after the elder Spruill. Edison the lodge has been divided into two Spruill tried to stop him, grabbing teams, captained by C. W. Dinkins the barrel of the gun, which was and W. S. Bowen, with about 75 on discharged, the entire load hitting each. The contest will continue the him in the right chest. He died remainder of the year, with the los- within two or three minutes and ing side to entertain the winners Taylor ran.

every three months at a dinner. Taylor was arrested at his home The roll will be called each meet- in White City about an hour later ing night at 8 o'clock and every b, Patrolman Paul Basnight and resenting Martin County for several member present at that time will lodged in jail. The policeman said count one point for his team. It is Taylor was dead drunk when arexpected that a great deal of inter- rested. Coroner Jack Horner viewed est will be created and attendance the body of the dead youth, and deat the lodge will show a marked in- cided that an inquest was not necessary. crease.



L. E. Hassell, sr., of Roper, was elected president of the Washington County Farm Bureau for 1946 at the annual election of officers held Tuesday night. J. C. Swain, of Plymouth, was elected vice president; and Mrs. Norma B. Spruill again is secretary-treasurer of the organization. The new officers have entered upon their work and will serve for one year.

Dr. E. L. Lovvorn, extension agronomist, et Beleich, made an interesting discussed beleich of

how Washington County farmers can increase their corn yield to three times the present average. Following this, an open forum was held, and a number of matters of interest to county farmers discussed. There were about 30 members present at the meeting.

The president announced appointment of W. V. Hays, Roy Chesson and J. L. Rea, jr., to the program commmittee. Other committee appointments are to be made later.

road necessitated removing 7.9 miles of the pulp mill several months ago meeting of the parent-teacher asfrom the system previously agreed for Barbadian laborers. Dr. W. H. sociation here on Thursday, Febru-

With H. W. Pritchett voting there will be plenty of oysters and program. Boys who have advanced against the county board decided all ex-service men in the county, in rank since the last Court of Honor Monday to take the 7.9 miles from as well as Legion members, are in- will receive their awards and inthe road one mile east of Pea Ridge vited and urged to attend.

while he was here, Mr. Clark told the Commissioners that the John J. Rodgers **Died Last Night** 

system until feeder roads are put Had Been in Ill Health for Several Years; Veteran Of World War I

John J. Rodgers. 52, veteran of said that nothing definite has been World War I, died at his home on decided in this connection. Highway Third Street here about midnight

engineers have surveyed at least last night, after an extended period two proposed new routes for the of illness lasting for several years. highway in recent months, but Mr. He was formerly employed for many A little later young Spruill and Clark indicated that nothing would years at the Plymouth Box & Panel

Taylor came by the elder Spruill's be done about them in the immedi-Company here. Funeral arrangements had no been completed at noon today, pending arrival of a son, Asa Rogers, of the U.S. Army, who has been stationed at Greenville, Miss., in recent For State Senator months

Mr. Rodgers had been an active nember of the Ludford Memorial Baptist church since his early teens, torney, last Friday announced his and he also was a member of the local American Legion post.

candidacy for the state senate from Besides his widow, Mrs. Bernice the second senatorial district, sub-Harrison Rodgers, of Plymouth, he ject to the Democratic primary on is survived by two sons, Asa, of the U. S. Army, and John H. Rodgers, May 26. Mr. Horton has had considerable legislative experience, repof the home; and one daughter, Miss terms in the house and going to the Bernice Rodgers, of the home. He

also leaves a brother, T. W. Rodger's senate from the second district in of Elizabeth City; and two sisters, Mrs. M. G. Ward, of Plymouth; and While no announcement has been Mrs. C. J. Bennett, of Kinston. forthcoming so far, it is expected

**Oyster Roast Tonight** 

The Plymouth Lions Club will have an oyster roast at its regular meeting tonight. The meeting is being held at "Camp Barbadia," back of the pulp mi tion to property

1939. signia

has made a great deal of progress, Recruiting Officer To Be In Plymouth on Tuesdays

Twenty-nine persons have been baptized and 28 presented for con-It was announced today by Lt. firmation since he entered upon his James B. Pagett, recruiting and in- ministry here. The local church duction officer at Greenville, that Sgt. James M. Crisp will be at the the Roper church has about 50 draft board office in Plymouth ev- members.

ery Tuesday, starting February 12th Being a qualified recruiter, Sergeant 3-Months-Old Infant Is Crisp can answer any questions. anyone might have pertaining to

the Army recruiting program. Little Dolean Patrick, three It has come to the attention of month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lieutenant Pagett that veterans and men interested in original enlist- D. O. Patrick, of the Mill Pond Road near Roper, died in Columbia hosments in the Army because of the pital Wednesday morning at 9 benefits offered have been without o'clock after an illness of two days the services of a qualified recruiter. with pneumonia. Born on October Therefore, there services are being 29, 1945, the little girl is survived by brought directly to them. Take adher parents, three half-brothers and vantage of them-stop in and see five half sisters. Sergeant Crisp this coming Tuesd-

Although the charter for the

yet been received, J. Roy Manning,

chairman of the organization com-

mittee, said yesterday that pledges

for \$93,000 worth of stock were al-

ready on hand. He said it is now

tores on the first floor and 50 or 60

A meeting of the stockholders will

be called as soon as the charter i

received and the organization com

pleted. A joint meeting of the Ro-

ary and Lions clubs is planned in

he next week or so to get members

of both civic clubs interested in the

Church Services Sunday

The regular second Sunday serv-

Church, will be held next Sunday

February 10th, with the Rev. D. W.

Scuppernong Christian

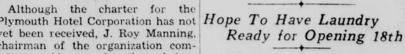
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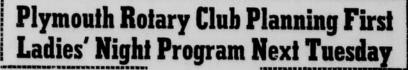
ttend both services

hotel rooms in the upper stories.

The funeral service is being conducted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Thursday afternoon at 4 \$93,000 Worth Stock o'clock by the Rev. T. H. House, pastor of the Roper Methodist In Hotel Subscribed charge. Interment will be made in the Ambrose cemetery near the home



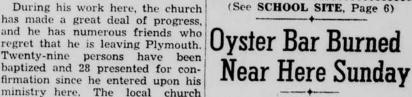
C. W. Dinkins and C. J. Norman stated this week that they hoped to have everything for reopening the a three-story building, with six February 18.



had a 100 per cent attendance of members at its regular meeting Tuesday, one of the best sessions held by the club since it was organized. The Rev. P. B. Nickens, pastor of the Baptist ces for the Scuppernong Christian church, made an interesting talk on "Fellowship" that was enjoyed by all the members and two guests present.

Arnold, of Washington, preaching at both morning and evening serv The club went on record as endorsing the movement to se-The public is cordially invited to cure a hotel for Plymouth and it was announced that a joint

Before studying for the ministry, in that it provides sufficient space Mr. Daniels attended the public for a new high school building and Johnson, post commander, says ary 21, as part of the entertainment schools in Wilmington and received recreational facilities, including a his A.B. degrees from East Carolina bootball field and a baseball dia-Teachers College at Greenville in mond.. However it is smaller than During his work here, the church



now has a membership of 138, and Owner Says Loss Approximately \$4.000; Cause Not Known

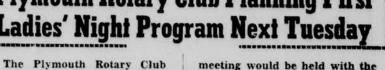
> The oyster bar and a considerable Victim of Pneumonia quantity of supplies at Juniper Lodge, one mile east of Plymouth, were destroyed by fire Sunday night shortly after 10 o'clock. M. L. Nobles, owner, estimated Tuesday that the loss was around \$4,000, and said that some insurance was carried.

Origin of the fire is unknown The building was ablaze when discovered by Ivan Atamanchuk and Eddie Joyner, who turned in the alarm. The local fire company responded and succeeded in saving the boiler, water pump, as well as adjacent buildings, but the oyster bar building was too far gone when the fire was discovered.

The building has not been in use in recent weeks except as a storage house. A considerable stock of soft drinks, beer, vegetables, some chickens, and all the oyster equipment was lost. Several crates of turkeys and chickens were saved, "Red" Rid-

dick having his hands burned severely in carrying them out. Mr. Nobles said yesterday that he

planned to raise \$150,000 and build local laundry by next Monday week, had not definitely made up his mind whether or not to rebuild.



Lions Club in the next week or so to promote interest in the project. The club is planning to hold its first "Ladies' Night" next Tuesday, with an entertaining program being arranged for the Rotarians and Rotary Anns expected to attend. Efforts are being made to secure I. M. Bai-

ley, Raleigh attorney who is a candidate for the district governorship of Rotary, to make the principal address.



The Boy Scouts of Plymouth collected more than a ton of waste paper in the town last Saturday in the first of such drives held here in several years. The collection yielded 2,460 pounds of mixed paper that brought the Scouts \$17.66. according to Scoutmaster H. G. Harris.

The money will be added to the Scout Building Fund, it is announced. Plans are being made for another paper collec-tion to be made about March



that W. Roy Hampton, of Plymouth again will be a candidate. He served his first term in the 1945 legislature, and it is the usual custom in this district for a senator to serve two terms. E. A. Daniels, of Beaufort County, who served with Mr. Hampton in the last assembly, is not ex-

pected to be a candidate again. The second district is composed of Dare, Hyde, Pamlico, Tyrrell, Washington, Beaufort and Martin counties. Two senators are elected from Lions Club To Have