State Farm Bureau director from

this district, will attend a directors meeting in Raleigh on Fri-

day. A letter to Mr. Freeman indicated that the major topics for discussion at that time are

current farm economy problems

and the organizations 1947 mem-

the state board of conservation

the regular spring meeting of

the Board of Conservation and

Development at Elizabeth City

next Monday and Tuesday. At

that time, the board will hear

petitions from commercial fish-

eries, and will discuss the cur-

rent regulations pertaining to

the fishing industry, particular-

ly laws passed during the re-

cent session of the legislature.

Representing Plymouth and

Jefferson Day dinner given by the

North Carolina Democratic Party

in Raleigh last week-end were

Ed Owens, Carl L. Bailey, and W.

About 500 dogs in Plymouth

itself have recived anti-

rabies treatment during the

current dog vaccination cam-

paign, according to Police Chief

P. W. Brown, who added that

the remaining 200 dogs, all

living in Plymouth township

will be vaccinated sometime this

week by Officers Paul Bas-

night and Foy Davenport. Re-

ports on the progress of the

drive in other sections of the

Karen Kay Pickett with 2,365

votes, Walter B. King with 1,822

votes and the Hardison twins

with 661 votes are the leaders

in the three divisions of the baby

popularity contest being featured

as one of the outstanding events

of the Plymouth May Day cele-

bration. Final results will be an-

nounced next Thursday at which

time prizes will be awarded win-

School Buses' Drivers

Drivers and substitute drivers

of the county's school buses were enter ained at the Roper School

at a dinner last Monday night

given by county school officials

C. C. Brown, director of school transportation for the Board of Education and Mrs. Ellis Futrell, district supervisor of the training schools for bus driv-

Officers Conduct

on Friday Night

Automobile Check

county were not available.

Roy Hampton, all of Plymouth.

W. Roy Hampton, member of

bership drive plans.

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Wednesday Closing May Discontinue Colored Student Two More Candidates in To Begin Next Week

All business establishments in a petition to that effect signer Plymouth, with the exception of by some 18 of the business hous and development will attend filling stations, garages, and some es in town. The petition requestdrug stores, will begin their an- ed the date of the afternoon closnual summer Wednesday after- ures be advanced one week since noon closings next Wednesday, the last day of April will fall on April 30, instead of the follow- Wednesday. The previous at ing week, it has been announced rangement would have had the by Carlyle Hall, president of the closing begin on the first Wedho added that the Wednesday

This change was made by the on Saturday afternoons instead Association in compliance with of on Wednesdays.

Plymouth Merchants Association, nesday in May. County, state and federal ofhalf-holidays would continue fices, according to current plans, through August as originally will maintain their regular schedules, taking their half-holiday

Washington County at the annual Outline Plans for May Day Event

Farm Bureau To Hold Meet

A joint meeting of the men and women of the county Farm Bureau will be conducted in the Agricultural Building in Plymouth on Friday night, May 2, at 8 o'clock, according to an announcement from W. V. Hays, county farm agent.

Mr. Hays has stated that the meeting is important to the farm men and women throughout Washington County and has requested that as many attend as possible. It is understood that a hospital savings insurance plan will be discussed. Dr. L. M. Massey of Zebulon and Mrs. B. B. Everette of Palmyra will be guest speakers

Attend Dinner in Roper Construction on Furniture Store

Let Next Week

Construction on the new threeloor Plymouth Furniture Company building will begin within he next two weeks on the site of the old Customs House on upper Water Street, the store manage-Up Station Here ment has announced. Contract for the building will be let sometime To Hold Other Check- next week, probably to a local Ups in Future; Discover firm, the announcement added.

According to present plans, the Between 100 and 125 automo- into basement storage and ware- American Legion and Veterans of biles with faulty lights or muf- house space. The front of the Foreign Wars from Monday, April flers or both were apprehended building will be faced with black 28 to Saturday, May 3, it has been by the Washington and Martin carrara structural glass. Two en- announced. County Highway patrolmen and trances will be used, both doors Money cleared by the veterans the Plymouth police at an auto being plate glass. The first floor organization from the carnival equipment check-up station held of the building will be used for will be placed in the fund for a in Plymouth last Friday night as general display, with office space a part of the state-wide car check- at the rear, while the top floor project is currently being spon-

operating on the state highways.

Patrelman R. W. Young, of stall an elevator, although this Plymouth has disclosed that simi- point has not been settled as yet. lar check-ups will be held in and Lighting will be flourescent while round Plymouth at unannounced the floors will be covered with around Plymouth at unannounced the floors will be covered with periods in the future and that felt and linoleum. The walls will drivers who wish to save them- be plaster and the ceilings of selves the embarrassment of be-celotex tiles. The management ing hauled in should have their stated that the building will procar checked immediately. He ad- bably be completed by the latter ded that if conditions warranted, part of August.

Piercy Store in Roper Now Selling New Lines found by the oficers are required

mediately. If garage service is w. N. Piercy, retailer in Roper, inness. Enter S. Grey of Kinston, be used for scientific research in district for a vote on the three needed, the driver is given a tick- has recently opened new lines of assisted by the Rev. G. C. Bland et specifying the repairs neces- electric appliances in his store of Philippi Church, officiated at the causes and possible cures for sary and stipulating that the there, it has been announced. In- the services. Interment was made card be mailed back to the of- cluded among the items offered in the Philippi Cemetery. fice within 48 hours and that it are radios, radio batteries, elecbe signed by a garageman indicat- tric stoves and fans. Mr. Piercy ing that all required repairs to also features auto parts and ac- Concord Church. She is survived the automobile have been made. cessories of all kinds.

Councilmen Call for Bids on Sewer Lines

has given notice that the town outh Town Clerk, W. A. Roewill receive bids for the laying buck, and must be accompanied of about 5,500 feet of 6-inch by a certified check in the amount water mains and about 2,800 feet of 5 per cent of the bid, made Phelps and Mrs. Phelps, the The shop will specialize in corof 8-inch sewer pipes in the Wil-son Street extension and Red Councilmen will open and dis-chali of Casablanca, North Africa, Modlin stated, adding that cater-Hill sections of Plymouth, with cuss all bids at the special session have arrived here to make their ing to funerals and the execution all bids to be considered at a next Thursday, reserving the home. The couple were married of funeral designs is also given special meeting of the town coun-right to reject any and all bids in February of this year. Private careful attention. She stated furcil in the Municipal Building which do not meet with their Phelps served several months ther that the shop will sell all

penalties would be imposed on

to have their cars repaired im-

Drivers of faulty automobiles

the drivers.

The town council of Plymouth | be made in writing to the Plymhere next Thursday at 8 p. m. approval. No bids have been reThe bids, it was stated, must ceived to date.

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The shop will be open at all times.

Baby Parade to Open carry much of the incoming and

Climax Festival

Club May Day celebration, which have been completed, events, ccording to statements from club state. officials, taking place as follows: Baby parade, 11 a. m.; special nnouncements by Mrs. Edison Davenport, 11:45 a.m: dinner at the Christian Church Annex, 12 noon; Maypole Dance in front of Plymouth Theatre, 1 p. m.; pet . m.; flower show, Christian Church Annex, 2 p. m.; miscellaneous contests, 2:30 p. m.; awarding of prize in baby con-Health Queen in front of theater, 4 p. m.; womanless wedding and home talent show at county courthouse, 7:30 p. m.; crowning

Leading off the May Day fes To Start Shortly tival, the baby parade, composed of all children entered in the of all children entered in the baby popularity contest, will widnig Will Be Erected form in front of the funeral home on Site Old Customs on Washington Street at 10:45 a. m. with the procession begin-House: Contracts to Be ning at 11 o'clock. The course of the parade will be from the funeral home to the corner of Main Street, turning left down Main to Adams Street, turning

of May Queen and square dance

at Plymouth School gymnasium

(See MAY DAY, Page 12)

Here Next Week

The James M. Raftery's Show Over 100 Faulty Autos structure will be of brick with featuring carnival concessions a concrete foundation, one of the rides and shows, will be in Plymthree floors being incorporated outh under the auspices of the

veterans memorial center which ring program aimed at reducing will be arranged in the "model sored by the two groups. The run ber of unfit automobiles room" type of furniture display. liamston highway.

Funeral services were held W. N. Piercy, retailer in Roper, illness. Elder S. Grey of Kinston. Mrs. Arnold, who was a native

of Creswell, was a member of the Hymouth and Creswell areas by three sons, Andrew and E. O. Arnold of Roper, and Jim Arnold of Edenton; three daughters, Mrs. New Flower Shop Claud Watson and Mrs. Henry Hassell, both of Edenton, and Mrs. Allison Swain, of Creswell. The pallbearers were grandchildren of Mrs. Arnold.

Returned Vet and Bride To Make Home in Roper West Third Street, Mrs. A. R.

Roper.-Pfc. Joseph Harrell prise, has announced.

tion Monday; Would Be Effective June 1

According to a notice received n Wednesday by A. J. Riddle, Mayor of Plymouth, the Norfolk Southern Railway Company will apply to the North Carolina Public Utilities Commission in Raleigh on Monday for authority to discontinue the operation of passenger trains One and Two now traveling between Norfolk and stopped on and after June 1. The two trains are, at present, the sheriff said. the only passenger trains oper-

This would have direct effect County since both the trains ing of May Queen to this section and, if the petition is granted, it is assumed, would cause considerable inconvienence to local businessmen and private Schedules for the featured individuals. The railway comvents of the Plymouth Woman's pany will also make application to the Virginia commission for will be held next Thursday, May cessation of the part of the run going through territory of that kins, principal of the school.

> At previous hearings, the rail- court next Tuesday. some compensatory service

Local Passenger Stabbed to Death Train Schedules AtRoper Tuesday Contest for Town Council

Norfolk Southern to Ask State Authority for Ac- er Placed in County Creswell to Hold Jail Pending Court Hearing Next Week

Floyd Douglas, 17-year-old Roper colored boy, student at the J. J. Clemmons School there, died while en route to the Plymouth Clinic of wounds sustained in a school-yard fight during the noon recess on Tuesday, J. K. Reid, sheriff of Washington County, has reported. Douglas was stabbed in the chest with a large pocket Raleigh, requesting that this run knift by Rupert Cox, 14, also a student at the Clemmons School,

on Plymouth and Washington ing baseball on the school grounds baseball game when he (Cox) threw a ball Money realized from the cele stated, stood a few seconds and Entries for the May Queen con then fell to the ground. He was test are now being chosen from the fell to the ground. He was

discontinuance of the two trains, ing a hearing in county recorders Votes will be one cent each.

road has been able to prove that Cox lived with his parents all-day celebration are a motion the trains are operating at a loss, David and Christabel Cox in Rop- picture show and a concert by the test, 3:30 p. m.; crowning of and if allowed to discontinue the ca while dead boy had resided Creswell Glee Club. Lunch will runs will be required to work out there with his grandmother, be servide in the school lunch-

Local Records Office To Close on May 10th

The Washington County Of release for reference purfice of Selective Service Records will definitely close on' Saturday, May 10, at 5 p. m. according to an official order from State selective service headquarters, Mrs. Mildred Collins, chief clerk in the local office has announced. The clerk added that all re-

cords in the county office will be forwarded to the State Selective Service Records Depot in Raleigh where they will be

men's Clubs to Canvass

Those Areas: Other

Plans Not Complete

Joyner and Hatfield were ap-

pointed chairmen of the drive in

by their respective clubs. Collec-

Is Opened Here

"Katie's Florist Shop," new

Plymouth flower business, has

opened at its location here on

Modlin, manager of the enter-

tions will start immediately.

headquarters for selective service, opened in Plymouth in the fall of 1940 and under that name continued until March 31 of this year when it was changed to its present status of draft records office for the county.

Mrs. Collins, formerly with the Orange County office has been in the Washington County office since January, 1946.

County Is Given Committee Named Quota of \$500 in To Nominate List Cancer Campaign Of Commissioners day with present plans placing completion of the job at some

Washington County has been washington County has been owners in the newly formed with a wide panel of ivory glass two children, ages 1 and 3 years, the homes, basing the allotments carnival will be held at the old tion-wide Cancer Society drive. Scuppernong Drainage District, containing an incrustation of the were visiting relatives in Martin on the urgency of individual the organization, has announced. nating committee for the purpose

those two sections of the county. | Committee memebers are Jen-So far as could be learned by nings Davenport, J. R. Daven- ed some time ago. from Concord Primitive Baptist Church last Wednesday at 3 p. m. for Mrs. Bettie Arnold, 81, of m. for Mrs. B Creswell who died at her home at Cherry on Tuesday of last week at 10:15 a. m. after a long paign, which is being conducted selections, will submit the list of through the month of April, will candidates to the people of the

(See DRAINAGE, Page 12)

Clean-Up Day Is Proclaimed

Mayor A. J. Riddle has proclaimed May 5 as "Clean Up Plymouth Day," requesting that all citizens of the town clear away trash, weeds, and ash heaps from all back lots as well as frontages in both the business and residential sections of Plymouth.

Mayor Riddle also suggested that since the garbage trucks will be angaged all day in removing the debris deposited by owners, property holders would probably find it more convienent to complete the clean-up job early and avoid having unsightly piles of trash around their homes all day.

Annual Festival On May Seventh

Yearly Celebration Being Sponsored by PTA for Benefit Memorial Gymnasium Project The seventh consecutive Cres-

well May Day Festival, sponsor ed by the local Parent-Teachers Association, will be held there or Wednesday, May 7, featuring According to the Cox boy, May Queen contest, flower show several of the students were play- May Pole dance, pageant, and

which struck Douglass' younger bration will be donated to the Plymouth Fete; Crown- out-going mails and express in las, Cox claimed, came up to him fund, the completion of which is and slapped him in the face and the current project of the loca then reached for a knife. Cox PTA and Woman's Club. The drew his own knife and struck May Day program will begin at the first blow. Douglas, Cox 9:30 a. m. and will last all day.

taken to the clinic by E. V. Wil- the grades in the Creswell High School with names of the entrie Sheriff Reid declared that the to be announced later. Judgins Mayor Riddle is now making Cox boy was at home when the in the contest will be on the basis investigations as to when the arrest was made and freely ad- of the number of votes received public hearing on the matter will mitted cutting Douglas, although with the winning contestant bebe held by the commission in Ra- he apparently did not know the ing crowned Queen of the festileigh and is planning to head a delegation of local citizens to delegation parade and bicycle parade, 1:30 register protest at the proposed the county jail in Plymouth pend-

Other attractions offered in the Hot-dogs, hamburgers,

May Queen contest: Mrs. contest: Mrs. O. R. Armstrong, chairman; Glee club: Miss Millie

Woodley, Mrs. Jennings Daven-poses. The Washington County office, operating as registration

Woodley, Mrs. Jennings Daven-post. Say Post dance: Mrs. W. B. Gaither, Miss Lois Norman; Pageant: Mrs. O. O. Lassiter, Miss Hazel Craddock; Motion picture: H. V. Chappell; Flower show: majority of them registered by Mrs. A. H. Tucker; Baseball the end of the week. game: Ray Cox, manager; Luncheon: Mrs. Jennings Davenport. chairman: Refreshments: Chester Hopkins, chairman; Mrs.

Jewelry Store to Build New Front

jewelry store was begun last Fri completion of the job at some time within the next 30 days.

thirds of the store front will be only the walls standing. A group of 7 farmers, all land- faced with black glass and topped Lloyd's family, his wife and given opportunities to purchase

is modern. Renovation of the cured. interior of the store was complet-

Browning Funeral Conducted Sunday

outh who died at her home here on Saturday at 3:30 p. m. following a long period of declining health. The Rev. R. H. Lucas, assisted by the Rev. E. B. Quick. officiated at the services. Interment was made in the Baptist Cemetery.

Mrs. Browning, wife of the late Frederick deFuniak Browning of Brownsville, Pa., had lived in ance Union.

erick Allen Hill, also of Plym- nounced.

Reporters Are Named by AAA

Meeting in the Agricultural Building in Plymouth last Friday, The Washington County AAA Committee appointed R. C. Jackson of Plymouth and W. P. Davenport of Creswell potato acreage reporters for the county. Mr. Jackson will work in the Plymouth-Roper section while Mr. Davenport will operate in the Creswell area.

Acreage measuring will begin May 15. The reason given for the unusually late date of the procedure is that had weather earlier in the year had killed the first planting of the potato crop, necessitating replanting. There are 14 growers in Plymouth - Roper section and 15 in the Creswell area.

Saturday Is Last Day to Register For City Election

Thirteen More Names Listed in Each of Second First has "4 or 5"

Plymouth both recorded 13 new candidates are waging a lively registrations of voters for the campaign. municipal elections in May, Reg istrars Roy Cutler and Mrs. C. A. Cratch have reported. Last week and cold drinks will also be sold. Mr. Cutler had placed only 8 new program arrangements are as fol- ward, while Mrs. Cratch had reported 14 for the third area. The T. D. Woodley, chairman; Page total now stands at 21 for the second ward and 27 for the third

Mr. Cutler stated that he expected a few more registrants on the week-end. Mrs. Cratch said chapter was installed in 1940. that there are still quite a fev qualified voters in her district but that she expected to have the

The books will be closed or Saturday of this week which Mrs. leaves two days for the unregistered voters to be placed on the books. Challenge day will be on the following Saturday, May 3. Lacking official information, it is understood that 4 or 5 persons have been placed on the books in

Colored Home Is Burned Thursday

Plymouth, Creswell Wo- Farmers to Vote Prefer- According to blue-print eleva- ty wiring, fire swept through the tion. ence on 3 Men for Ap- tions, the entrance will be a door home of Willie B. Lloyd, colored, The VFW finance committee pointment As Scupperpointment As Scuppernong District Officials play windows. The lower two-

County at the time the fire oc- needs. The committee's decisions All glass facing are now being curred. Firemen stated that when will be announced at a later date. He added that the Plymouth Wo- of selecting a list of potential shipped to the store, the manage- the fire engines arrived at the man's Club, under the leadership commissioners for the new dis-ment stated, and are expected to house flames were pouring from rooms and bath, are at present of Mrs. W. H. Joyner, and the trict. The 7 men were chosen arrive here within the next few the windows and roof. The familiocated at Alexander Park in Creswell Woman's Club, led by at a meeting of the farmers in days. The design used in the ly is living with Lloyd's mother Portsmouth, Va., and will be sold For Mrs. Arnold Creswell Woman's Club, led by at a meeting of the farmers in days. The design used in the ly is living with Lloyd's mother of the veterans at approximately reconstruction of the store front until another house can be set to the veterans at approximately

Legion Auxiliary Will

Legion Auxiliary will conduct a ing arrangements to finance purmeeting in the Legion Hall here chase of the homes. next Monday at 8 p. m., according | Members of the VFW committo an announcement from Mrs. W. tee in charge of studying the aped from Ludford Memorial C. Jones, president of the organi- plications are Blount Rodman, Church in Plymouth last Sunday zation, who stated that plans for chairman; Ray Kimbrough and at 3 p. m. for Mrs. Jessie Cunn-the American Legion's Poppy Bill Davenport. The homes are ingham Browning, 68, of Plym- Day will be made at that time. a part of a veterans housing pro-Mrs. Jones urged all members of ject being sponsored in the counthe group to be present.

Joyner and Price File for Town Council; Allen Denies Plans to Run for Mayor's Post

didates for office in Plymouth's municipal election being held on May 6 has risen to four with the filing of W. H. Joyner for councilman from the first ward and Louise E. Price, filing for the same position from third ward. Mr. Joyner, well-known local businessman, is opposing E. D. Keel and Henry Harrison who are running for re-election, while Mr. Price, ex-president of local 356 of the pulp, sulphite, and paper mill workers, is running against A. J. Byrd and J. W. Marrow, who are candidates for re-election. Also running for

or the post last week. The sole candidate opposing Mayor Archie J. Riddle, candidate for re-election, is J. T. Mc-Nair. Reports had been circulated around town that H. H. Allen was planning to file for candidate for mayor, but Mr. Allen denied this on Wednesday stating that he had no intention of following

councilman from the third ward

George W. Harrison who filed

Despite the increase of the number of candidates, political interest is still lagging, if registrations of new voters are any and Third Districts; indication. Most of the political activity in Plymouth seems to be concentrated in the third ward Second and third wards in where it is reported that the new

Donald Phelps Pledged To College Fraternity

Donald E. Phelps of Creswell, freshman at Wake Forest College, became a pledge of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity on April 1, it has been announced. The social organization was founded in Richmond and the Wake Forest

Applications for Houses Will Be Studied by Group

Final Decision on Allotment of New Homes to Be Based on Urgency of Individual Needs

Meeting in the county courthouse last Thursday night, the Plymouth post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars delivered informational questionnaires to some 30 applicants for the 15 pre-fabricated homes being made available to Washington County veterans Starting apparently from faul-through the local VFW organiza-

The houses, which contain four \$2,000 each. The houses themselves, which contain all essential plumbing facilities, are priced at around \$920 while transportation Meet on Monday Night and assemblage would cost about \$600. It is understood that many The members of the American of the 30 applicants are now mak-

ty by the Plymouth VFW

Require Teachers To Renew Certificates

Approximately 50 per cent of the General Assembly had ex-Plymouth for the past five years, the teachers in the Washington tended the expiration of teachcoming here from her former home in Brownsville where she was a member of the First Pres- to renew their teaching certificates every year since 1931 and this year had left the matter to the State Board of Edubyterian Church and the Browns- cates through summer schools cation who had given only a oneville Woman's Christian Temper- either this summer or in the summer of 1948 or else disqualify for he explained, that certificates She is survived by one sister, employment in the state educa- which will have expired by the Miss Mary S. Cunningham of tion set up, W. F. Veasey, county summer of 1948 must be renewed

Plymouth; one grandson, Fred-school superintendent, has an- by a six-weeks course at an accredited college in order to be outh; and a niece and nephew. I The superintendent stated that valid for the 1948 fall term.