home as soon as he can locate a

The latest shortage hampering work on the new classrooms at the Plymouth High School, according to Superintendent W. F. Veasey, is a labor shortage. Mr. Veasey stated that materials for the installation of the wiring in the new school are coming in every day, but so far no one has been to do the installing.

Applications are being received for teaching positions in the county's white schools for the first time in 3 or 4 years, according to Superintendent W. F. Veasey, who added that the number of vacancies occurring in the white schools will soon be tabulated and the applications acted Proposed Site of lated and the applications acted upon accordingly.

Reports made at the Board of Education meeting held here Plast Monday state that so far \$47,947.42 have been spent in the construction of the additions to the Plymouth High School. The figure, it was stated further, includes the amount spent for wiring, plumbing and heating materials.

J. C. Tarkington, president of

to the army recently, reporting lina. last Thursday to Camp Stoneman, Calif., has been stationed in the Tokyo area of Japan and will sail for one'e today, it has by n " ported. Before leaving Plymouth, Lieutenant Ward stated that he expected to be with the army for about two years this

American Legion has obtained such medical projects. has announced.

Council Declines **ToExtendSewers** Beyond City Limit

Builders Offer \$1,000 to inal Plans

building some 31 homes in the matter at its meeting which will Pantego. building some 31 homes in the Stillacres section appeared before the Plymouth town council at its life that at its intering which will also will be plymouth town council at its life this week.

Mr. Waters, who was a native of Beaufort County and a memthe Plymouth town council at its this week. meeting on Monday night stating that they had almost com- among the 105 male students in Church for many years, had livpleted eighteen houses, requested grades 7 through 11 revealed that ed in Mackeys for twenty years information on the council's plans 66 are interested in enrolling in His first wife, the former Miss for the laying of sewer and water an industrial arts class. The same Lula Dickens of New Bern died

already within the corporate in agricultural pursuits after gra-limits of the town, but that no duation. Nine students reported lie Skiles, of Washington, seven settles, was being taken by the their ways protected in grandehildren; two great-grand-grandehildren; two great-grandwater service into Stillacres un- tural studies. til such time as it is incorporated

into the town. The company representatives offered to donate \$1,000 on the cost of buying and installing the service materials needed, and suggestion was made that the offer be accepted with the remaining \$3,000 of the \$4,000 cost being borrowed on the bonds retired by the town last year which would still allow ample funds for completing the projects already outlined for the town. The suggestion, however, was not acted upon, the council adhering to its original plans. The company representatives then stated that they would get sewer and water facilities to the houses if they had

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Make \$1,015 on May Day Event For County Buses Tuesday; Riddle Renamed Mayor

Home and Farm Agents in Meet

The home and farm agents of Washington, Martin, Hyde, and Tyrrell Counties will conduct a general conference in the Agricultural Building in Plymouth today with B. Troy Ferguson, district farm agent, and Miss Pauline Smith, district home agent, as principal speakers, it has been announced.

The 4 counties represented are members of the 21-county North-Eastern District of North Carolina. It is understood that a special program has been arranged for those attending.

Center Approved By County Board

gional Hospital

The county board of commissioners, at their meeting here on following the womanless wedthe Washington County Farm bu- Monday, unanimously endorsed ding. reau, is now sufficiently recover- the State Planning Committee's Prizes were awarded winners ed from his recent illness to be recommendation that Washing- in all events involving contests out and about his business as ton, (N. C.) be the site of the prousual, it has been reported. Mr. posed state-federal-local sponsor- lows: Baby Popularity contest, blue-prints call for a 10-room the John L. Roper Lumber Com-Tarkington was quite ill recently ed regional hospital which would boys division: Andy Allen with building which would be reduced pany, stated to the board that a and was placed in an oxygen tent serve Washington, Beaufort, Mar- 4.849 votes; girls division: Karen to an 8-room structure if the piece of road at Mackeys was not at a Rocky Mount hospital for tin, Tyrrell, Pitt, Hyde, Craven, about two weeks, it is understood. and Pamlico Counties as a part Lieut. Sidney A. Ward, local quate medical care within access ren's jewelry. Awards were also attorney who was called back in- of every family in North Caro- presented to the runners-up. May lot near the old St. David Church point. He asked that the board council.

ed out, however, that the State's appropriation rests on the passage of the Hall of the Hall of the project. They point-first prize; second prize tie beach bus student from \$600 to granted the result of the project. They point-first prize; second prize tie beach bus student from \$600 to granted the result of the project. They point-first prize; second prize tie beach bus student from \$600 to granted the result of the project. They point-first prize; second prize tie beach bus student from \$600 to granted the result of the project. Lake Phelps Legion to appropriation rests on the passage Dorothy Humphreys on solos, Use Community Building of the Hill-Burton Bill, now under discussion in Congress, which both receiving awards. The Lake Phelps Post of the would give one-third financing to merican Legion has obtained such medical projects.

The celebration began with the baby parade at 11 a. m. and con-

permission to use the Communi- The State, the delegates said, dinner being served in the ty Building at Lake Phelps for would give another third of the Christian Church annex, followed recreational activities, T. F. Dav- funds and the county in which by a flower show from 2 to 4 p. m enport, Pettigrew Park warden, the hospital is located would pro- The festival concluded with the nport, Pettigrew Park warden, as announced.

The festival concluded with the square dance following the crown- for being by the properties of the many stated that the square dance following the crown- for being the first the square dance following the crown- for being the square dance following the crown- for being the square dance following the crown- for being the square dance following the crown- for squar the building will be rearranged Washington County could not af-school gymnasium. in the near future and that ford to appropriate the amount sleeping and eating facilities will which would be necessary, enbe improved and installed at the dorsed Washington as the site for Last Rites Held the Regional Hospital which would serve this county.

Board Proposes Industrial Study

on the basis of information secur- three years of illness and a long Virginia Deanne Moore; his moth-Aid in Expense Defray outh High School, have been Rev. E. B. Quick, pastor of the Mrs. Bray, of Plymouth and Mrs. but Board Keeps Orig- authorized to recommend to the First Christian Church of Plym- J. H. Bonner of Elizabeth City. instituted at the Plymouth School, the funeral here. Burial was tion companies now engaged in The committee will vote on the made in the Latham Cemetery in

Questionnaires distributed ber of the Pantego Christian questionnaire, inquiring on agri- in 1904. Mayor A. J. Riddle stated that cultural interests, disclosed that Mr. Waters is survived by his present plans included work on of the 33 farm boys in the group, the Wilson and Washington 30 are interested in study along of Mackeys; one son, Melton E. Mr. Combs. Streets extensions, the Red Hill that line while 7 other students Waters, of Long Island, N. Y .: Streets extensions, the Ked Hill that line while i other students waters, or March, or Taylor, area, and the Stillacres section reported that they plan to engage one daughter, Mrs. L. W. Taylor, board of aldermen, H. W. Noralready within the corporate in agricultural pursuits after gra- of Newport; one sister, Mrs. Moltion was being taken by the that they were not interested in grandchildren; two great-grandeither industrial arts or agricul-children; and several nieces and

Building Fund; Baby Contest Reaps \$500

The Plymouth Woman's Club in the club's community building hand for the project.

Commissioners Endorse gymnasium at 9 p. m., followed other than of class-rooms. chosen from among the 4-H Club girls, and a home talent show which took place immediately

with the winners chosen as fol-Kay Pickett with 5,209 votes; and of the State's plan to bring ade- 2,751 votes. Prizes were child-Queen contest: Betty Riddle win-A delegation of Washington residents, C. W. Thompson, Harry McMullan, and M. O. Fletcher, appeared before the local board on Monday and reported the control of Monday and reported the control on Monday and reported the State committee's action to the Washington County group, asking Wood Sawyer; Talent show: trio Washington County group, asking composed of Dorothy Humphreys, their cooperation and endorse- Frances Ange, and Anne Veasey,

tinued throughout the day with

For S. Z. Waters

last Friday at 2:30 p. m. for part in the services. Samuel Z. Waters, 76, of Mackeys The county board of education, Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. after two daughters, Barbara Jane and Plymouth School Committee that outh, assisted by the Rev. J. W. an Industrial Arts Department be Lollis of Pantego, officiated at

Veteran Groups Net \$424 From Carnival

Reports from officials in the Plymouth American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts state that a \$424 profit was realized from the carnival sponsored here last week by two organizations. The money has been placed in the Veterans Memorial Building fund, making a total amount of about \$3,300 to date.

It was remarked that an even larger profit would have been realizel from the carnival if the concern had not been rained out on Saturday night. Police officials state that for the most part the show was operated in an orderly fashion except for a single cutting scrape early Saturday in which the victim was only slightly hurt.

The Veterans Memorial Building will be used by the local groups for an assembly hall and

Education Board

Money Placed in Organ- Group Also Makes Tenization's Community tative Plans for Erection of New Colored School at Creswell

Members of the county board netted a profit of \$1,015 from the of education, meeting in regular May Day festival sponsored by session in the courthouse in Plymthat group here on Thursday of outh on Monday, authorized the last week with the baby contest construction of a county schoolevent clearing more than \$500 of bus garage, although it is not certhe final net sum, it has been re- tain as yet that there will be ported. The money was placed adequate funds immediately at

fund now reported at about It was revealed at the meeting Aside from the baby parade, about \$5,942.50 from the sale of regular session in the county the most outstanding event of the the Chapel Hill and Cherry courthouse in Plymouth on Moncelebration was a womanless wed- Schools but architects' estimates day authorized Willis Bowen, ding presented in the court room on the construction cost of the district supervisor of the Farmof the county courthouse at 8 p. State - recommended type of ers Home Administration m. that day with some 200 per- garage planned to be built by the Washington and Tyrrell Counties sons attending the performance board call for an \$8,000 budget to occupy the office in the court and approximately \$100 being which leaves around \$2,100 to be house basement now being used taken in at the box office. The obtained. It was suggested by by the Employment Service and dramatis personae of the affair board members that the funds ap- to assume occupancy on was made up of various promin- propriated for school building after June 1 of this year. ent male citizens of the town. | construction be made available | It was revealed that Miss Mir-Other featured events were and investigation is being made iam Patrick, supervising interbicycle and pet parades, a May along that line, although the viewer, while leaving the office Queen contest with the corona- board is doubtful if the funds on May 31 at which time the local tion taking place in the school will be available for constructions office will be closed out, will be Exum Cline Company of

Plans were made at the Monday meeting to begin construcas the State Board of Education there. If the school is continued, in Creswell.

The last legislature, it was dis-

Funeral services for Richard J. J. H. Lansinger, pastor of the Smithfield Presbyterian Church, officiating. Mr. Moore died around noon last Thursday in a Raleigh hospital. Interment was Services were held from Horn- made in Riverside Cemetery er Funeral Home in Plymouth where the Masonic Order took

Elect Alexander

W. T. Alexander, incumbent andidate for mayor of Creswell of the applicant, it was stated. defeated his opponent, J. A. Combs, by the slim margin of 9 at Alexander Park in Portstions held there on Tuesday. Mayor Alexander polled 39 votes, second wife, Mrs. Ella L. Waters while 30 ballots were cast for

cumbents, were reelected. They had been challenged by Dr. J. M. Phelps, Thomas H. Smith, and E. C. Craddock. Votes polled by the aldermen were Norman, 60; Davenport, 59; Hatfield, 57; Stillman, 49; Dr. Phelps, 33; Smith, 7; and Craddock, 8.

Engineer Tours County Conservation Projects

this area, it has been reported insurance plan. on in the county.

County Board in **Employees of Bank To**

Regular Session Here on Monday

Allow Farmers Home Office to Move to Old Employment Office Beginning June First

The Washington County Board that the county has at present of Commissioners, meeting in

in Plymouth each Friday for the Work on the new garage will purpose of serving clients in Washington as Location for Planned Reby cake walks and a square dance, a May-pole dance, the crowning of the County Health Queen, are secured.

Work on the new garage will begin as soon as adequate funds are secured.

Work on the new garage will begin as soon as adequate funds are secured. Patrick to use the commissioners room at this time for the Emtion on the planned new Colored ployment Service. Mr. Bowen High School at Creswell as soon explained that the move from his Rocky Mount was accepted by present quarters to the court- the Plymouth town council, in house would effect an annual special session last Thursday continuing the negro high school rent saving of \$150 in his budget. night, for the installation of the

school is consolidated with J. J. being maintained and that the recommend to the State Highway

of the Albemarle Sound railroad

Reports were heard from the tax collector, who stated that during the month of April, \$2,ing the new homes under construction there. Mayor A. J.

All but Two Vet Houses Assigned

Members of the Plymouth post Mr. Moore is survived by his of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who died at his home there on wife, the former Josie Susman; meeting last Thursday, held further discussion of finance arrangements for individual veteran purchase of the remaining pre-fabri cated houses being sold through

the local VFW, with all of the houses being assigned except two. It was announced that county veterans wishing to buy the re maining two homes should con-Creswell Mayor tact either Blount Rodman or according to the immediate needs

The 5-room homes are located mouth, Va. and have been given the individual purchase price of about \$2,000. Mr. Davenport presided at Thursday's meeting.

Bureau Discusses

Economical means of securing hospitalization insurance for farm families was discussed with the 35 members of the Washington County Farm Bureau attending the special meeting called by that group in the Agricultural Building in Plymouth last Friday night.

Soil Conservation District En- the organization with Haywood Hermine Ramsey, registrar, who, years. The recent registration for Windsor, Md., from which point gineer J. W. Hanna of Washing- Dell of Greenville, director with according to unofficial reports, the municipal elections, they will be sorted and shipped ton, N. C., was in Washington the State Farm Bureau, leading has registered only 3 or 4 persons pointed out, in no way covers the overseas. County Tuesday with Donald B the discussion. Mrs. B. B. for the election which takes place balloting to be held on June 3. Jones, county soil conservationist, Everette of Palmyra, director of day Ive 2 who made a tour of inspection of the woman's bureau, spoke on the day, June 3.

J. C. Tarkington, president of attending.

Get 3 Holidays in May

Elect Two New Council Members

Three official holidays will be observed by various and sundry offices and business in Plymouth during the month of May, it has been learned. The days are Confederate Memorial Day on Saturday, May 10; Mecklenburg Day on Tuesday, May 20; and National Memorial Day on Friday, May 30.

All federal offices, including the AAA, the post office, and the Farmers Home office, will observe May 30, while the local bank will take May 10 and 20

although since the National Memorial Day comes at the end of the month it may not be observed by the bank. Holiday celebrations for the county and town offices will be settled at the meeting of the town and county boards on Monday.

So far as can be determined at present, no other businesses than those named will observe the three holidays since most of the business houses in Plymouth have half holidays on Wednesday or Saturday of each

Get Bids for Added Water-Sewer Lines

Rocky Mount Low Bidders. Work Schedule To Start Today

The \$11,617.50 bid of the Exum Cline Construction Company of Harold Palmer, representing sewer and water mains in the Wilson and Washington Streets extensions, and Red Hill sections

twins division: Modlin twins with Clemmons School at Roper. The company was experiencing difnew building would be of cinder ficulties in transporting logs and of Boykin, Va., but its \$14,280 blocks and situated on a 15-acre lumber to railroads cars at that estimate was declined by the

Representatives of the Cline

During the meeting, it was revealed that some sections of pipe closed, had authorized county bridge, the road described being were to be laid in the section of Stillacres now within the city limits and discussion arose concerning the advisibility of extendcounty farm and home agents and that collector who stated that

and water lines will be laid on Four candidates had announcsouth-eastern boundary of Plym-

Lake Flood Gates To Be Installed Consults with Officials

Building operators on the in stallation of the new flood gates signment of the houses is made at the Bonarva, Transportation, of the Washington County Schools Thirty-Foot, and Western Canals traveled to Raleigh today to conleading to Lake Phelps will begin sult with State education officials ding and shoes by Chairman

> for several months to obtain the tained from State sources on the installation of flood gates in the matter, final plans for the containing a safe level of the lake building will be made by the of Washington County. The local farm lands in its vicinity

False Alarm Is Turned in Here

ment, answering an urgent call didate for mayor, J. T. McNair, on Monday afternoon, rushed to the scene of conflagration on Madison Street, just behind the Colored Methodist Church, and found a colored man carefully supervising a small but smoky trash fire.

The alarm, according to Chief Miller Warren, was turned in by a very excited 14-year-old boy and his equally excited mother who saw the smoke coming from behind a house in that direction and promptly gave the alarm. The alarm, though false, Chief Warren said, was given in innocence and no charges would be preferred against anyone con-

Roper Elects Set

Roper voters elected an almost For R. J. Moore 466.10 in taxes had been collection there. Mayor A. J. completely new slate of town of ficials in the municipal election there. Clagon Reappointed to for expenses covering 2 days work in looking up maps and detailed bear the expense of purchase to be a purch

As the plans now stand, sewer positions on the town board.

the Wilson and Washington Street ed for the council with E. M. extensions, in the Red Hill sec- Chesson being defeated by Mr. tion, and in the portion of Still- Everett by only one ballot, the acres now inside the city limits final count being 27 votes cast up to the ditch which marks the for Everett and 26 for Chesson.

Candidates and votes in the Roper election were as follows: For Mayor: Spruill, 40 votes; for council: Forbes, 42; Mizell, 37; Everett, 27; and Chesson, 26.

On New Creswell School

W. F. Veasey, superintendent high school at Creswell.

A movement has been on foot As soon as definite word is obcanals with an eye toward main-struction of a new colored school and prevent periodic flooding of Washington County Board of Edu-

Health Insurance Must Register Again To Vote on Extension | collection of goods in this area: bring donations to the church of which the donor is a member of

required for the special election held, and that only those who May 12. on the extension of Plymouth's register for the election will be These goods will then be colallowed to cast ballots, regard- lected and carried to the Legion A discussion was also held of city limits were opened on Mon-less of how many times they have Hall in Plymouth where they A discussion was also held of day, May 5, in the office of Mrs. registered for voting in past will be packed and sent to New

day except Sundays until Satur- in Europe and other foreign lands Town officials have emphasiz- day, May 24, which has also been makes warm clothing more imed that a completely new regis- designated challenge day. Regis- portant than ever. The state special attention to the dragline the county bureau, presided. Re-tration of all qualified voters in tration place is at Mrs. Ramsey's goal is at least one pound of cloditching operations being carried freshments were served to those Plymouth, and the sections pro- office on Water Street and polling thing for each citizen of North posed to be included within the place in the courthouse.

W. H. Joyner and George W. Harrison Win, Replacing H. E. Harrison and J. W. Marrow

Plymouth voters elected two new councilmen, W. H. Joyner from the first ward and George W. Harrison from the third ward, and re-elected A. J. Riddle as mayor of the town in the biennial municipal election held here on Tuesday.

The council is now composed of E. D. Keel and Mr. Joyner from the first ward; J. Shepherd Brinkley and Harold Whitley from the second ward; and A. J. Byrd and Mr. Harrison from the third ward.

Mayor Riddle and the councilmen took the oath of office in the Municipal Building shortly after noon yesterday, as soon as official canvass of the election returns was completed. The oaths were administered by Justice of the Peace W. T. Freeman. In the election Tuesday, approximately 380 votes were cast as compared with the 437 ballots cast in the 1945 municipal election which even then was not considered full voting strength of the town. Of the ballots cast in the 1947 election, about 145 were cast in the first ward, 74 in the second, and 160 in the third. The Plymouth Fire Depart- Mr. Riddle led the opposing canin all three wards by a wide margin. Total votes for mayor were

Riddle, 280 and McNair 98. Voting for councilmen was fairly close in the first and second wards where new candidates had announced, and ballots cast in the second ward were almost identical in number due to lack of opposition experienced by Incumbents Brinkley and Whitey, running for re-election, both polling 66 and 63 votes respec-

while the contest between Henry Harrison and E. D. Keel, incumbents, was closer, Keel winning

out with a 30-ballot margin. Third ward, most active politically of the three districts, recorded the heaviest balloting in the election, with New Candidate Of New Officials George Harrison polling 113 votes, A. J. Byrd running a close

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ed at the home of his mother, Hamilton was employed as courtthe council unanimously voted the Roper council, was unanitered to be the council to be the co Mrs. J. W. Moore, in Smithfield house janitor for the month of ing that the town government's mously elected mayor with no of county commissioners at their mously elected mayor with no of county commissioners at their first duty is to the areas and citi- opposing candidate recorded, and regular monthly meeting in the zens already living within the R. B. Forbes, H. S. Everett and courthouse on Monday. Mr. Clag-L. L. Mizell were all voted into on has served with the board for

To Conduct Drive For Old Clothes Here This Week

The Rev. T. R. Jenkins Named County Chairman; Campaign to End Monday, May 12

Plans have been announced for the collection of clothing, bedfull cooperation of every citizen leading to Lake Phelps will begin suit with State Colored in the near future, according to on the continuation of a colored Washington County relief cloth-T. R. Jenkins, who is heading the ing drive. The drive will run from Monday of this week, May

5, to next Monday, May 12. The Rev. Mr. Jenkins urges the full cooperation of every citizen effort, he said, is a part of the state-wide material goods campaign from April 20 to May 12.

The county chairman also stated that the following steps were o be taken specifically for the which the donor is a member, or to the nearest church, not later Books for the new registration town's corporate limits, must be than 10 a. m. Monday morning,