

Delbert D. Allen, Washington County sanitarian, will resume active duty with the district health department here on Monday.

Donald B. Jones left Plymouth last week-end for several week's vacation in Missouri, his native State.

Miller Warren, Plymouth fire chief, returned home Friday after attending the convention of the International Association of Fire Chiefs held last week in New York.

According to J. E. Hull of Raleigh, district supervisor for the Farmers Home Administration, the corn crop being raised this year by Wendell Spruill, who lives near Roper, is the best-looking and healthiest he has seen in the county.

Jack Frank, local merchant, has had a very difficult week. Last Friday night while sitting on his front porch, he was attacked and bitten on the arm by an unknown and bloodthirsty insect, the results of which were so appalling that Mr. Frank was forced to seek medical attention and has since been swathed in numerous bandages.

The great rough spot left by repairs on the site of the mended sewer in the downtown section of Washington Street has at last been paved, workmen putting the finishing touches on the job Monday noon.

Repairs have now been completed on the Creswell White High School building, county school officials have stated.

Leaf Prices Lower at Opening This Week

Price Loss of \$10 Per Hundred Pounds Noted in Nearby Marts; Few Local Farmers Selling

Average prices by grades for tobacco sold on the Bright Leaf Belt markets in North Carolina at the opening on Monday of this week were considerably lower than those of the first sales last season, federal and State departments of Agriculture reporting losses ranging from \$1 to \$15 per hundred for the entire belt, while an average loss of about \$10 per hundred was recorded in the markets located in neighboring towns.

Most Washington County farmers, however, are still at work curing their leaf crops only about a dozen or so producers from this section marketing their tobacco during opening week.

A great many of the farmers from this section who have marketed to date have joined the Flue-Cured Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corporation and have sold their leaf to the government at somewhat higher prices than those being paid by other buyers.

Those growers from this county who began selling during opening week for the most part are patronizing the Williamston market although one or two have been reported as journeying to Washington.

Practically All Business Here To Be Closed for Labor Day Holiday

With the exception of the drug stores and theatres in Plymouth, all businesses in Plymouth will be closed on Monday which is Labor Day.

The drug stores will observe regular hours, except one which will run a Sunday schedule of 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. The two theatres will operate on the usual week-day schedule.

Labor Day for the majority of the employees and businessmen in this section marks the end of the summer vacation season and is one of the three holidays observed by the principal industries of this section, the other two being Christmas and the Fourth of July.

Lowry Says School Here Will Be Open Tuesday If Possible

Market Cards Partly Issued

Approximately one-half of the allotted tobacco marketing cards in Washington County have been issued to the more than 240 eligible tobacco growers in the county.

Most of the flue-cured producers in this section, she pointed out, are still putting tobacco in which accounts for the relatively small amount of marketing cards called for.

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Roper Boy Breaks Ankle In Accident Last Week

Marvin Edwards Hassell, six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hassell of Roper, sustained a broken ankle in an accident which occurred at his home last Wednesday.

Bus Drivers and Routes Chosen

According to reports from J. S. Fleming and R. B. Forbes, principals of the Plymouth and Roper Schools, school-bus drivers have been selected and assigned their regular routes for the 1947-48 term.

Drivers and routes for Plymouth and Roper are as follows: Plymouth: Wendell Ange, Long Ridge route; Marvin Ange, Washington Highway No. II; Paul Frymier, mill village-Westover; and Rudolph Bateman, Wenona.

Roper: Sidney Spruill, Westover route; Lloyd Jones, Mill Pond; Eddie Bunch, Mackeys; Douglas Chesson, Cross Roads; James Edwards, Backwoods; and Van Everett, Holly Neck.

Lack of Water, Plumbing Facilities Threatens Postponement of Local Unit's Opening

In spite of what appears to be extremely difficult every effort will be made by workmen on the Plymouth High School to have a sufficient water supply available so that the school can open its 1947-48 year next Tuesday in spite of a threatened postponement, Roy F. Lowry, superintendent of the Washington County Schools, has declared.

Mr. Lowry said that he had been assured by men in charge of the remodeling work that the plumbing in the old section of the building will be ready for use by next Tuesday, although water will not be available in the new section for something like several days to perhaps a week or more.

Lions, in Sarcastic Vein, Recommend Closing Up Town

Members of the Plymouth Lions Club passed without a dissenting vote a motion by Lion Bob Bowen at the club meeting last Thursday that all highways leading into Plymouth be barricaded and blocked off so that no one could enter the town and suffer possible injury within the city limits for which the town would be liable to a suit for damages incurred.

The motion, according to reports from other members of the organization, was a slightly sarcastic rap at the town's recent action in abandoning the proposed Plymouth Recreation Commission because the State Attorney General, Harry McMullan, had stated that the town would be liable to damage suits from persons injured at recreation projects held under civic auspices.

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Roper Residents Attend Lost Colony Production

Roper—Mrs. Joe Nowarah, sr., Mitchell Nowarah, George Lewis, Mrs. Jim Roberson, and Jimmy Roberson spent Sunday at Man-toe and attended a performance of the "Lost Colony" symphonic drama which concludes the 1947 season next Monday.

Half-Holidays End This Week

All stores in Plymouth will be open for business next Wednesday afternoon after observing a summer-long mid-week holiday each Wednesday afternoon since May.

Bureau President Asks Farmers to Take Co-op Loans

Tarkenton Says Some Selling Leaf Below 40-Cent Per Pound Government Support Price

An urgent appeal to tobacco farmers of Washington County to take full advantage of government loans through the Flue-Cured Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corporation was made today by J. C. Tarkenton, of Roper, president of the Washington County Farm Bureau Federation.

Mr. Tarkenton said that many farmers are now selling their tobacco below the 40-cent per pound average guaranteed support prices which is made on a prorated grade basis.

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Vacancies at Present in Creswell Unit; Difficulty Posed by Acute Teacher Shortage

With two exceptions, all faculty positions in the Washington County School system have been filled, Roy F. Lowry, superintendent of the county schools, has stated.

Considerable difficulties were encountered in securing the adequate number of teachers in the white schools in the county this year, Mr. Lowry said, adding that colored teachers, on the other hand, were plentiful and that the county schools had more applications for posts on the negro faculties than posts existed.

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Permanent Officers, Directors to Be Elected; Group to Be Named for Selling Stock

All persons interested in securing a baseball team for Plymouth, with possible participation in league games in 1948, have been requested to attend a meeting being sponsored by the Washington County Athletic Association, Inc. in the county courthouse in Plymouth this Friday at 8 p. m.

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Roper Couple Announce Birth of Son Thursday

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