

County School Superintendent Roy Lowry left here Wednesday to attend a three-day session of the county and city school superintendents' department of the association, meeting in Wilmington Wednesday through Friday of this week.

Miss Virginia Chapin student at East Carolina Teachers College in Greenville and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Chapin, of Plymouth, was elected to the vice-presidency of the Lanier Society at officer elections recently conducted by the group.

The local post of the American Legion will not sponsor an Empty Stomach Fund in Plymouth this year due to the number of projects already undertaken by the organization, legion officials have stated.

Reports from the law enforcement officials in Plymouth state that a total of only five cases were tried in magistrates courts here during the entire month of November.

The long-awaited steam-heated serving counter for the Plymouth school lunchroom has arrived and is being used, school officials reported.

Officials in the Washington County Athletic Association have reported that a total of \$3,200 worth of stock shares have been sold to date in the Association's current drive to secure an increased amount of cash on hand for the improvement of the school building at Stillacres.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Frith Winslow and Miss Ellen Winslow were in Raleigh on Wednesday attending a meeting of the North Carolina Art Society.

Shirley Davenport, eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davenport of Plymouth, who has been a diphtheria patient in a Rocky Mount hospital for the past two weeks is reported to be showing much improvement and hopes to return to her home here this week-end.

Member Campaign Final Count 376

The final count of the Washington County Farm Bureau at the close of its membership drive on Friday was 376, barely half of the county's assigned quota of 600.

W. T. Freeman of Plymouth, president of the organization in this county, stated that memberships will be accepted throughout the remainder of this year, but that no canvassing for new members will be done on a large scale.

He added that the Bureau plans to have a big feed down in the Creswell section some time after Christmas, but that definite plans for the affair will be formulated later.

Officers Destroy Still Last Week

County ABC officer L. L. Basnight, Officer Alvin Allen, and L. C. Snell, captured and destroyed a two-barrel whiskey distilling outfit in Deep Bottom Swamp, near the Mackeys Road, last Thursday, Mr. Basnight has reported.

The ABC officer stated that the still was found by the three men just before operations for the day were to have been begun by the illicit business owner. He added that no mash was found in the barrels, but that the complete distillery was located and smashed. The still operators, Basnight said, were away on other business, when the officers paid their respect to his industry.

List Takers Appointed At Meeting This Week

Tax listers for Washington County for 1948 were appointed by the board of county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting here on Monday and a special meeting of the commissioners and listers was called for Monday December 22, when the listers will be given procedure instructions and prices set on livestock, and other taxable items.

Listers appointed by the county governing body were as follows: Paul B. Belanga for Scuppernon Township, W. W. White for Skinnerville Township, R. W. Lewis for Lees Mill Township, and Mrs. Hermine Ramsey for Plymouth Township.

Town Building Is Ordered Sold

Farm Training Meet in Roper

Any veteran in the Plymouth-Roper area who is engaged in fulltime farming, and who is interested in receiving training under the Veteran Farmers' Training Program, is requested to meet with Mitchiner Banks, Roper school agriculture instructor, at the Roper school building this Friday at 7 p. m.

Education Board Delays Awarding School Contracts

Action Due to Too Few Bids Received; Will Consider Matter at Called Meet Later

Due to the fact that only three bids were received for electrical installations, only one on heating plant work, and none for general construction and plumbing in the planned erection of a new Negro school building in Creswell, members of the Washington County Board of Education, meeting in Plymouth Monday, voted to consider the matter of contract letting at a meeting to be held later in the month.

Advertisement for sealed bids on four different aspects of the construction of the school was made by the board several weeks ago. Separate contracts were to have been awarded for general construction, heating, plumbing, and electrical installations.

Although no definite solution to the problem was adopted by the education board at its Monday meeting, the board members may decide to adopt the course of action used in the construction of the Plymouth High School's new class rooms in employing a construction crew and supervisor on a flat-fee basis.

Date of the special meeting was not set at the Monday session and will be decided and announced later.

Discuss Schools At Club Meeting

Members of the Plymouth Rotary Club, meeting in regular session on Tuesday night, heard an informal discussion by Rotarian Finley Ferguson concerning the schools in Plymouth and what its graduates may expect when they receive their diplomas.

Board Agrees to Allow Joint-Use Of School Field

Money Appropriated to Improve Athletic Facilities in Creswell, Roper, Plymouth

Agreement was reached Monday by the county board of education, the board of county commissioners, and the Washington County Athletic Association whereby the rear portion of the Plymouth School property in Stillacres will be used jointly by the school and association for an athletic field.

Council Advertises City Headquarters, Fire Station to Be Auctioned Next Month

Plymouth town councilmen, meeting Wednesday night, voted to advertise the present Municipal Building for sale at public auction and ordered further that blue-prints and specifications for the remodeling of the Old Market Building and the construction of a new fire house be drawn up, based on plans presented by a council committee, and approved at the council meeting this week.

The auction of the Municipal Building will be held at the county courthouse door at 12 noon on Monday, January 5, 1948, together with the present fire house. The council reserved the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Further terms of the sale will be announced at the time the auction is held.

According to preliminary sketches presented by the committee to the council, the proposed new fire station would be of brick, would be on the second floor, and would have a basement. It would also contain a toilet and shower. The building would be 30 feet wide by 60 feet long and would have a double door with an 11-foot clearance for the town's fire trucks.

Plans submitted for the remodeling of the Old Market Building, which would house Plymouth's municipal government disclosed the proposed establishment of five offices and a council room on the ground floor, while six offices and two reception rooms would be located on the second floor. Two toilets would be installed upstairs and two downstairs.

Bond Resolution For Hospital Is Ordered by Board

County Board Reserves Right of Final Decision to Sell All Hospital Bonds or Not

County Attorney W. L. Whitley has been authorized by the board of county commissioners to contact bonding attorneys in New York to prepare a resolution authorizing the county to issue \$50,000 in bonds for the construction of a hospital in Washington County, according to action taken at the commissioner's meeting here Monday. The resolution would be submitted to county voters later.

Cub Pack Meet Here on Friday

All parents of Plymouth boys between the ages of nine and 12 who are interested in having their sons become members of a Cub Scout pack here have been requested to meet in the local high school auditorium this Friday at 7:30 p. m. so that formation of the pack can be discussed, Harold Whitley, chairman of the Albarle district of the Boy Scouts of America, has announced.

Mr. Whitley said that advantages available to members of a Cub Pack would be explained to the parents at the meeting. Another session, which would include the boys as well as the parents, will be called next week, he said.

Plymouth's Bid for Membership In Albemarle League Accepted

Plymouth's bid for a franchise to play baseball in 1948 with the Albemarle Baseball League was accepted by the league's board of directors at a meeting held in Edenton Monday night, officials in the Washington County Athletic Association have announced.

County Asks for Conference With Highway Official

Commissioners Request Thorough Study of County's Road Problems at Early Date

The Washington County Board of Commissioners, meeting in regular session on Monday, instructed the clerk to contact State Highway Commissioner John Clark at Greenville, informing him that the Washington County Board had approved two more requests for road improvements in the county and asking that he arrange a meeting with the commissioners as soon as possible so that the county's highway problems can be thoroughly discussed.

The county board added that they would be willing to meet either in Plymouth or at Mr. Clark's office in Greenville but wished to hold the session as soon as conveniently possible.

The road improvement petitions approved by the board were one signed by 91 persons and asking that the State fix up the Pea Ridge Road from the E. O. Arnold place to the Scuppernon Church in Creswell, while the other petition, signed by 23 names and presented by a delegation of Roper section residents, asked that a four-mile section of road beginning at US 84 west of Roper and going north to the Mackeys Road be given an all-weather surface.

In informing the Highway Commission of its approval of the petitions, the board stated that if the project of repairing the old Plymouth-Columbia Road from the Patrick store to the Tyrrell County line is on the approved list of projects, the board members would rather that the Pea Ridge Road project be placed in its stead.

The commissioners, examining a request from Mrs. Georgia Allen that her county tax assessment be reduced from \$2,000 to \$1,850, found no error made by the county assessors and denied the request.

A total sum of \$4,480.83 was appropriated for improving athletic facilities in the Creswell, Roper, and Plymouth schools, and an \$800-lot bought from the Washington County Athletic Association. Jury lists for the January term of civil and criminal court were drawn and reports were heard from the county auditor and tax collector, and from the county home demonstration agent.

Christmas Lights Nearly Completed

The canopy of colored lights hung over Water Street from Adams to Jefferson Streets and over Washington Street from Water to Main Streets has been completed and workmen, under the supervision of Police Chief P. W. Brown, have erected a star outlined with lights over the Old Market Building.

The strings of lights, Plymouth's first since 1941, herald the beginning of the Christmas holiday season for the town and promise to make it at least one of the most colorful since before World War II.

Chief Brown said that original plans to have a lighted bell hung at intervals down the two streets was necessarily abandoned due to the scarcity of light bulbs. He added that if enough bulbs can be located, additional stars will be hung at the street intersections in the business part of town.

Dinkins Elected Master of Lodge

C. W. Dinkins was elected master of the Perseverance Lodge Number 59 A. F. & A. M. in elections held by the lodge members here on Tuesday night. Mr. Dinkins succeeds Walter S. Bowen in the post of master of the lodge.

Other officials elected at the meeting Tuesday were L. E. Doxey, succeeding Mr. Dinkins as senior warden; W. A. Roebuck, succeeding Mr. Doxey as junior warden; B. G. Campbell, treasurer; and John W. Darden, secretary. Mr. Campbell and Mr. Darden were re-elected to their respective posts.

The new officers will be installed on Tuesday, January 6, and will serve for one year. Following his installation, Mr. Dinkins will appoint lodge members to the posts of senior deacon, junior deacon, two stewards, tiler, and chaplain who will be installed immediately.

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Washington County farmers will cast ballots next Tuesday on the question of establishing marketing quotas on peanut crops grown in the next three years, with a two-thirds majority being required throughout the referendum area, which covers the peanut section of the South, for the passage of the proposal.

Ballot boxes will be placed at the Agriculture Building in Plymouth for the farmers residing in the Plymouth-Long Acre section; while the peanut growers in the Creswell-Mt. Pleasant-Cherry section will vote in the Barnes Sandwich Shop in Creswell. Pleasant Grove voters will cast their ballots at the J. C. Tar-kenton store and Roper section peanut producers will vote in the Percy store in Roper. The polls will be open from 9 a. m. until 6 p. m.

All persons engaged in the production of the 1947 crop of peanuts are eligible to vote in the referendum, according to rules released by Miss Miriam Ausbon, secretary of the Washington County AAA organization, sponsors of the balloting, although only one member of a family is allowed to vote. All producers must cast their ballots in the box provided for their residential section of the county. No voting by mail, proxy, or agent will be allowed. Only persons who shared in the proceeds of peanuts produced on a farm in 1947 on which more than one acre of peanuts was picked or threshed is considered as eligible to vote in the election.

If the referendum is carried by the necessary two-thirds majority, quotas will be placed on the peanut crops grown in 1948, 1949, and 1950. AAA community committeemen will be in charge of the polling.

Funeral Held for John E. Williams

Last rites will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Albert Williams home near Jamesville for John Ed Williams, 70, of the Cool Springs section of Washington County who died there Wednesday at 12:30 a. m. following a short illness. The funeral will be conducted by the Rev. A. B. Ayers of Williamston. Interment will be made in the Williams cemetery, near Williamston.

Last Rites Held For W. S. Spruill

Funeral services will be held from the Pleasant Grove Methodist Church at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon for W. S. "Will" Spruill, 57, of Pleasant Grove who died suddenly at his home there Tuesday at 6 p. m. The Rev. B. E. Bingham of Roper will officiate at the last rites. Burial will be made in the church cemetery. Prior to the funeral, the body will lie in state at Horner's Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Mr. Spruill, a prominent farmer of the Pleasant Grove section, was a native and life-long resident of Washington County. He was the son of the late Jesse and Annie Swain Spruill of Washington County and was married in 1915 to the former Miss Maude Spencer of Tyrrell County, who survives. He was a member of the Pleasant Grove church.

Besides his wife, Mr. Spruill is survived by two sons, H. W. Spruill and Nathan Spruill, both of Roper; three daughters, Miss Statha Spruill, Miss Annie Spruill, and Miss Dorothy Spruill, all of the home; one brother, Clyde E. Spruill, of Norfolk, Va.; and one sister, Mrs. Alice Barnes of Roper.