Miss Eloise Camp, State supervisor of school libraries, was here Tuesday to aid the Beta Club in the local high school with the reproject for the year.

According to an estimate made Police Chief P. W. Brown,

To Spray Program

According to reports from J. not official. One well-informed emphasized that those who register to resident of the Creswell section ter and then do not vote actually sold that approximately 40 to 50 by Police Chief P. W. Brown, around \$1,000 was spent by the town in the past few weeks for repairing broken-down sewers which suffered badly from the heavy weather experienced during February. On the Washington Street collapses \$750 were spent and on the Brinkley Avenue breaks \$250 were laid out.

in April

Washington County Commiss-

oners, meeting in regular ses-

sion in the courthouse on Mon-

of \$1,500 to be used to defray the

county's portion of expense in the

gram, slated to get underway in

mosquitoes, the county will pro-

Dr. Claudius McGowan, acting

health officer for the Washing-

ton-Tyrrell district, made the re-

quest for funds, informing the

rucks, supply them with gas and

oil, as well as furnish spray guns

operating the two spraying units

Vet Talent Show

pacity Audience

third prize. First winner was

Cecil Craft of Roper who played

second prize was taken by A. J

dience by each contestant.

Other contestants in the show

Roger Davenport, Creswell, vo-

destroy the mosquito pest.

With the return of agreeable weather, grading operations on the athletic field in the Stillacres annual Mosquito Control prosection of Plymouth have been resumed, the workmen reporting this section in April, making for duty on Tuesday of this week, further provision that if more officials in charge of operations money is needed to complete the have reported. They added that DDT spraying used to combat it is hoped to have the field completed by this week-end, if the vide it. weather continues to be in a good humor, of course.

Rayford Elks, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Elks, who suffered a dislocated neck recently is steadily improving in a Norfolk, Va., hospital. Attending physicians say he may be able to return home in several weeks if he continues to

Disaster struck the section of and Main Streets again on Tuesday night only this time it was a water main that collapsed instead of a sewer. Repair work was begun at once but will not

J. S. Fleming, principal of the Plymouth High School and member of the local Rotary Club, has been nominated by the club as the club's candidate for a Plymouth Man-of-the-Year contest being sponsored by the young wo-men's organization of a local

The meeting of the American Legion post here, scheduled to have been held last Friday, was postponed so that the legionnaires could attend the VFW home talent show being presented at the same time. The legionnaires will assemble again on Friday night of next week at 8 o'clock.

### Select Joyner as Rotary President

W. H. Joyner was elected president of the Plymouth Rotary be turned away at the door. Club in election of club officials for 1948 held at the club's regular series of variety acts, ranging was made last Saturday, the meeting on Tuesday night of this from vocal solos to tapdancing, recommendations anounced on week. Other oficials selected to was given in the auditorium of the Monday. serve during the forthcoming Plymouth High School with 19 term are Moye W. Spruill, vicepresident, and the Rev. Edward M. Spruill, secretary-treasurer.

In addition to the three officers. two other club members were a harmonica solo, "Foxchase; named to serve on the organiza-

Rotarians W. R. Hampton and Roy F. Lowry were appointed to represent the Plymouth Rotary organization at the district conference to be held in Raleigh March 28 through 30. Featured speaker of the evening was Rotarian Sherwood Roberson of Robersonville, candidate for governor of the one-hundred eightyninth district of Rotary International. He spoke on the subject "Rotary International, It's Meaning and Ideals." Other guests included Nun Everett of Robersonville, and Jerry B. Vaden of Ra-

### VFW Meeting Is Slated

The Plymouth post of the Vet- Buford, Acre Station, accordionerans of Foreign Wars will con- ist. Williford Whitley and Miss county courthouse tonight at 8 panists for the vocalists. o'clock, Post Commander W. S. Next spectacle to be put on in Davenport has announced. He Plymouth under the VFW sponadded that all VFW members are sorship will be a boxing tourney being urged to be present at the in the school gymnasium on

### Equalization Board Will Meet Monday, March 15 The Washington County Board | Persons desiring to make com-

of Commissioners and the county plaints about their county taxes Tuesday at 3 p. m. The truck, tax supervisor will meet in the commissioners' room in the county courthouse in Plymouth on Mon- on the day that the board sits which met its accident about three miles from Plymouth on the washington Road, was owned by day, March 5, as a board of equalias it will be difficult to secure G. V. Bradshaw, Old Dominion zation and review.

corrections after that time.

At that time the board will Since this is an off-year, that hear complaints on property tax- is not a year of revaluation of Young and John Sanderson, who ations listed in the county and taxable properties in the county, witnessed the accident, made inmake whatever corrections and comparatively little business is vestigation of the afair. No adjustments they deem to be expected to be brought before the charges have been brought against group when it meets.

## THE ROANOKE BEACON AND WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS

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### the local high school with the rearrangement and classification of the books in the school's library. \$1,500 Allocated 700 Register Here for Special Election; Jaycee Group Set Red Cross Drive The club undertook the re-arrangement of the books as their By County Board Interest Low in Other Parts of County Up Last Night at

names on the books in this pre-county. cinct has reached the 700 mark, day, voted to appropriate a sum

will be held on March 26. so well, although the reports are in the election. It was especially nong.

Provide for Further Funds registrar in the special registra- said that approximately 40 to 50 cast a ballot against the measure if Needed; Mosquito tion of voters for the coming last Saturday, and indications are since a majority of those register-Control Drive to Begin \$50,000 hospital bond election, the that the situation is pretty much ed is needed to pass the bond number of persons having their the same in other precincts of the issue.

> Meanwhile only eight days re- from 9 a. m. until 6 p. m. daily almost twice the number having main in which voters may regis- except Sundays. Registrars for registered one week ago when ter for the election, books being the five county precincts are Mr 429 were recorded. The election closed after Saturday, March 13. McNair, Plymouth; Wade Hardi Those voters, old and new, who son, Lees Mill; H. J. Furbee, We Other sections of the county fail to have their names entered nona; Mrs. W. W. White, Skinhave been reported as not doing on the books cannot legally vote nersville; J. A. Combs, Scupper-

> > Farm Group to

Convene Here

dent Freeman added, are being

urged to attend the meeting.

Weekly Half-Day

Closing to Start

Doors at 1 p. m.

the beginning date of the annual

was enacted by the merchants of

by those attending.

Veterans Aid

Officers Named

W. Ronald Gaylord, com-

Certificates of Appointment

mitteemen and they will aid

county veterans in obtaining re-

employment and seniority rights to which they are en-

titled under the Selective Ser-

on Tuesday.

has announced.

Registration books are open

### Advise Opening All Managers' Board Lake Phelps Canals Favors Setting Up

Jones Says Closed Floodgates Are Source of county board that the federal Periodic Rise of Surface government will provide two of Waters

and the necessary amounts of Donald B. Jones, Washington DDT. Money given by the coun- County soil conservationist, and ty will pay salaries of crewmen George N. Renfro, district engineer with the Soil Conservation Dr. McGowan added that the Service, investigating the flood-Town of Plymouth will also be ed conditions around Lake Phelps Washington Street between Water asked to aid in the campaign to at the request of W. Roy Hampton, member of the board of di-The county board approved a rectors of the State Department request by W. E. Allen that a of Conservation and Developstretch of road leading from High-ment, have recommended that all way 99 to the Old Test Farm be floodgates in canals leading into necessitate closing the street to necessitate closing the street to through traffic, P. W. Brown, the State Highway Commission. supervising the work, has report- Also approved were a petition water from the area. In this presented by A. J. Furlough, manner the land may be cleared signed by 53 persons, that a sec- of water so that Spring planting (See COUNTY BOARD, Page 12) may not be delayed too long by the high water.

Jones pointed out that at present, floodgates have been kept closed until a head of water has Nets About \$100
For Organization

been built up on the lake some 29 to 38 inches beyond the capacity allowed as safe by bulkheads installed by the State and federal governments. Due to these closgovernments. Due to these closures. Jones said, water has been Cecil Craft, A. J. Ange, coming out of the northern lake George Peele Winners:

Shore and flooding the Newlands section periodically since last summer. Heavy moisture percipitates in the past month have caused critical conditions in the ed to a capacity audience under gates now will cause flooded contions, garages, restaurants, and where it can handle them. the sponsorship of the Plymouth ditions in some sectors, the consome drug stores, will begin the post of the Veterans of Foreign servationist said, but added that traditional Wednesday afternoon

Attendance at the show was so Copies of the recommendation, heavy that about 40 or 50 had to Jones stated, are being forwarded to T. W. Morse, superintendent The show, which featured a of State Parks. The investigation

## persons vying for the \$25 first prize, \$15 second prize, and \$10 State Officer Is

place was awarded George Peele of Plymouth Lions Club, inof Plymouth for his tenor solo, formed the club members that
"My Desire." Winners were se-longly one out of six North Caro"My Desire." Winners were se-longly one out of six North Carodle of the week. "My Desire." Winners were se- only one out of six North Carolected on a basis of the amount lina voters are taking part in of applause earned from the au- elections held in this State today.

Comparing the situation with that of 80 years ago, Mr. Eure were Joyce Marie and William said that the mere 750,000 quali-McKeel, vocalists; Eugene Ange, fied voters of that day took a guitarist; Asa Johnson, jr., Roper, much more active part in ballot cornetist; Tom W. Norman, Roper, ings held in the State than do the tapdancer, Russell Chesson, Rop- better than 3,000,000 voters of the er, inpersonator and trombonist; present time.

Following the regular meeting calist: Millie Woodley, Creswell, of the club, which was held in vocalist; Mrs. C. L. Walker, Plym- the Plymouth High School lunchouth, piano soloist; Billie Leary room, a meeting of the organizaand Billie Gaylord, impersona-Ition's board of directors was held tors; William Edwards and Gord- at which three new members on Sexton, guitar and vocal were accepted in the club. Presi-At Courthouse Tonight duetists; Bettie Jean Jackson, dent C. W. Dinkins presided at

### vene in the courtroom of the Eva Woodley acted as accom- Dodge Fish Truck Is Wrecked Here

Although considerable damage was done the vehicle involved, its driver escaped with only minor cuts when a 1946 one and onehalf ton Dodge fish truck, driven mander and service officer of the local American Legion Post, Gordon Webster Zipperer, white, age 23, of Norfolk, Va., ran W. H. Dunn and W. L. Tucker, assistant State service officers. off the road, did a fancy somerhave been named Veterans' sault, landed on its nose and Reemployment Rights Commitstrewed fish all over everything teemen for Washington County, Hugh W. Bradley, VRRD field representative, has reportare being issued to these com-

Fish Company, Norfolk. State Highway Patrolmen R. W. the driver.

# 20-Bed Unit Here

When Necessary

The Washington County Farm Bureau will conduct a regular meeting at the Agriculture Building tomorrow, Friday, at federal aid, the county hospital 7:30 p. m., W. T. Freeman, president of the organization, 20-bed unit with room for ex- zation. A film on farm safety measpansion when needed would more ures will be shown, he said, and exactly suit the demands of the arrangments are now underway to secure a speaker for the meeting. J. C. Swain is program chairman for the session. tion in its early years. All Bureau members, Presi-

Annual Wednesday Half- ed.

Holidays to Begin in The managers were informed ting in 20-bed units have agreements with other larger nearby hospitals to care for the more All Plymouth business houses, difficult cases until the 20-bed The home talent show present- section, he added. Opening the with the exception of filling sta- unit is expanded to the point

In discussing the progress of Wars is considered by the local a flood now is better than one closing on the first Wednesday in pital bond election to be held in VFW members a complete suc- later when crops would be in the next month, April 7, one month the county on March 26, the vess, the net intake being estifields. Only a few inches of rain
earlier than in 1947, according to
managers voted to have a meeting of the long of the board at the courting of the board at the court-Plymouth Merchants Association house at 7:30 p. m. on March 17 Closing hours will begin at 1 to form some organization to get p. m. instead of at 12 noon as has registrants to the polls on elecbeen the custom heretofore. No tion day.

date was set for the discontinu-The board also received reance of the mid-week half-holi-ports on the inspection of posance of the mid-week half-holidays, but they are generally terminated about the time the tobacco markets in this belt begin their annual sales in the latter and foderal medical medic

### lle of the week. No business other than setting Funeral Held for downs, he said, were not as serious or as extensive as those red them for town property they the 32 school children were in-Wednesday afternoon holidays Newman H. Dotson

the town at the meeting this Funeral services were con-Woman's Club Bridge to Be Held Tuesday Night Church in Richwood, W. Va., on through traffic. The street Holder of tickets to a pay man H. Dotson, 63, of Plymouth, bridge party scheduled to have who died at his home here on Brinkley Avenue pipes, he added, been held in February, but post- Sunday after an illness of only poned because of bad weather, one day. The Rev. Paul B. Nickare being advised that the party ens, pastor of Ludford Memorial will be given at the Legion Hall Baptist Church, officiated at the next Tuesday beginning at 8 p. Plymouth rites and the Rev. M. In addition to bridge, bingo Powers, pastor of the Richwood and rummy will also be played Church, was in charge of the services held in West Virginia, Interment was made in the Rich-

wright at the North Carolina and broken up in one day. Pulp Company's plant here. He The four stills smashed by the left work at the mill around 5 officers were taken last Wednesp. m. last Friday and was found day two of them, two-barrel coming here from Richwood.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. later. Ettie M. Dotson; three sons, On Sunday morning, a fourth cation system in order to prevent day school days will be corres-James Dotson and Thomas Dot- two-barrel still was found and a delayal of the schools' May 31 pondingly higher son, both of Plymouth, and Wil-smashed by the men close to the closing date. liam Dotson of Richwood; one Mackeys Road. A total of 1,100 The schools will convene on thorized Roy F. Lowry, county daughter, Mrs. L. A. Boothe of gallons of mash was poured out Saturday at the regular hours superintendent of schools, to em-

Nyal Womble Elected President; Other Officials Named; Williamston JC's Present

Plymouth's newest civic oranization, the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Plymouth, holding its second organizational meeting here last night elected Nyal Womble as first president of the group. Other officers hosen at the session are Wood ow R. Collins, first vice-presi lent: Felton Magee, second vice president; J. J. Segerman, secre ry; and J. W. Allen, treasurer. A sergeant-at-arms and other

embers of the board of directors will be elected at a later meeting of the organization. A constitu-tion and by-laws, modelled on that governing the Williamston Smaller Hospital Plan club was read and, with pro-Would Include Possi- vision for several minor changes bility for Expansion made, adopted by the young business men's group at last night's session. A membership commit-Discussing tentative plans for the proposed Washington County hospital to be built with State-federal aid the county hospital board of managers, meeting here would be considered good mem tween the ages of 21 and 35 who Monday afternoon, voted that a bership prospects for the organi

Also present at the meeting were 10 members of the William county at this point and might ston Jaycee group, including possibly provide extra money for President Wheeler Manning, and the maintenance of the institu- William Harrison of Rocky Mount, national director of the The next step, it was pointed Junior Chamber of Commerce of out, would be expansion to a 30- the United States. Mr. Harrison. bed unit. Frank L. Brinkley and who is also candidate for the of-C. E. Ayers, members of the fice of State Jaycee president, admanagerial board reported that dressed the 15 members of the investigation of construction costs new Plymouth group on the had revealed that a 20-bed unit ideals and aims of the organizawould be constructed at a cost tion, outlined the machinery and Here Next Month

Would be constructed at a cost of \$8,000 per bed or a total cost of \$8,000 per bed or a total cost of functioning of the Jaycees, and offered his services in helping get the local organization started. The Plymouth town council the local organization started. Prime aim of the Jaycees, he is part in helping defray expense in the annual mosquito control said, is to promote we have of the in the annual mosquito control town and to price the said, is to promote we have of the in the annual mosquito control town and to price the said, is to promote we have of the in the annual mosquito control town and to price the said, is to promote we have of the in the annual mosquito control town and to price the said, is to promote we have of the in the annual mosquito control town and to price the said, is to promote we have of the said, is to promote we have of the said, is to promote we have on the said. and charitable projects. Presi- health department and slated to April; Stores to Shut that other counties who are put- dent Wheeler Manning of the begin early in April, the measure

local Jaycees to be present at Monday night. the next Williamston meeting tomorrow night.

## to examine registration books and four Breakdowns dinance to the effect that all the year.

bacco markets in this belt begin of representatives from the State on Brinkley Avenue near the L. Speaker at Club their annual sales in the latter part of August or early Septem- grams last week. It was pointed ber.

The state of Brinkley Avenue near the L. V. Landing and Miller Warren homes. P. W. Brown, local police for feiture of the \$50. out that no official approval chief, in charge of repair operation's board of directors. They were J. Shepherd Brinkley and J. S. Fleming. All will take of an July 1

At the same time all county, could be given any site until tions, has announced that two of State and federal agencies in formal application for State-fed-laundry and E. D. Keel and Plymouth will continue their custom of taking a half-holiday on unit is made by the county.

At the same time all county, could be given any site until tions, has announced that two of meter be installed at the local three pipes were mended by Satlaundry and E. D. Keel and Plymouth will continue their custom of taking a half-holiday on unit is made by the county. up by Wednesday of this week. a committee to contact laundry

cently occurring on Washington now occupy. Street and required much less

ducted from the Dotson home in portion of Brinkley Avenue in presided over the meeting. Plymouth on Monday at 2 p. m. the blocks where the breaks oc and from the Richwood Baptist curred, was blocked off to Youth for Christ Rally Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. for New- Brown said, has now been re opened. Total cost of fixing the was approximately \$250.

### County ABC Men Take Five Stills

County law enforcement ficials, headed by L. L. Basnight, speaker of the evening Mr. Dotson was the son of the county ABC officer took and de late William and Rebecca H. Bay stroyed a total of five illicit Dotson of Summersville, W. Va., whiskey stills in this section last and was employed as a mill- week, four of them being found

O. Collins and Ordie L. Collins, the raids were Deputy Sheriff W. p. m. Saturdays on which class-repair work in and around the both of Richwood; and one brother, W. E. Dotson of Summersville. Snell, and Mr. Basnight.

# Organizing Meet Off to Slow Start

HERE TUESDAY



Nelson Sabin, distinguished American baritone, will appear in a concert at the Plymouth High School next Tuesday, March 9, at 1:45 p. m. The concert is being presented under the auspices of the school's music department.

### Council Votes to Donate \$800 Fund For DDT Program progress toward achieving the \$500 goal alloted the colored

Town Board Also Sets Up torily. tising Placards

town and to raise funds for civic program sponsored by the district Williamston group pledged \$50 being passed upon the request of from that organization toward Dr. Claudius McGowan, acting helping with the Plymouth Chart- district health officer, at the er Night dinner and invited the council's regular meeting held on

In making his request, Dr. Mc-

The council also pased an ortraveling shows exhibiting in In Sewer Mended Plymouth must post a \$50 bond tending PTA members at the at the time the exhibit permit is meeting consisted of a Peter granted, to guarantee that they Rabit drama enacted by the first

Motion was passed that a water The Brinkley avenue break- officials and settle on a satisfac-

W. H. Joyner acted as clerk to ime, effort and money to re- the council in the place of City of Creswell, ran off the road and Clerk W. A. Roebuck who is on turned over in a ditch on the During the repairing process, a sick leave. Mayor A. J. Riddle Scuppernong Road Tuesday

nounced. Theme of the meeting was ill. will be "Christian Leadership." Patro The Rev. L. D. Thomas, pastor of of Columbia investigated the ac-Zion's Chapel, Church of Christ, cident. The bus was taken to the near Roper, will be the principal county garage in Plymouth for

Campaign Leaders Hope to Achieve \$1.650 County Quota by End of Drive Next Week

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> According to reports from J. Shepherd Brinkley, county chairman of the Washington County Red Cross campaign, currently underway, about \$250 has been collected so far toward the county's alloted quota of \$1,650. This report, Mr. Brinkley pointed out, is not exact since full reports from community chairmen have not been made as yet. More definite information on the progress of the drive will be available this week-end, he said.

The drive, which began in the county on Monday of this week, will end next Wednesday, March 10, and all county residents are being requested to give to the canvassers as generously as possible. One half of the money, or \$825, will remain in Washington County to take care of any emergency situation which may demand the attention of the Red Cross in this section, officers in the campaign have pointed out. The remainder of the money collected will be sent to the Red Cross national organization to be used in its work of a national and international nature.

Although no official report has been heard from E. V. Wilkins and the Rev. A. R. Winborne, county co-chairman of the colored campaign, it is understood that drive is coming along satisfac-

Washington County has been Ordinance to Make All divided into canvass communi-Shows Remove Adver- ties, urban centers into neighborhoods, and chairmen have been appointed to supervise collections The Plymouth town council made in each. The district and chairmen will be

### Roper PTA Plans To Aid Lunchroom

According to measures taken at a meeting of the Roper unit of the Parent-Teacher Association, Next meeting of the Plymouth organization will be conducted on Wednesday, March 17. A total of 28 persons attended last night's session

Gowan pointed out that there are 1,167 homes in Plymouth which will be offered the DDT treatment. The work, he said is done at a cost of about 75 cents per project. The lunchroom project. The lunchroom project was undertaken by the Gowan pointed out that there are plans are now being formulated project was undertaken by the organization as its project for

A program presented to the attending PTA members at the

### No Students Hurt By Bus Accident

Although all but two of the jured when Washington County School Bus, No. 4, operating out around 3:30 p. m., county school officials have reported.

Investigation of the accident re-To Be Held on Saturday vealed, they said, that muddy conditions of the road was the Another Youth for Christ Ral- direct cause of the upset. Name ly will be conducted at Phillippi of the boy driving the vehicle Church of Christ, near Creswell, could not be learned, but it is this Saturday, March 6, at 7:30 understood that he was substip. m., church officials have an- tuting for the regular driver who

Patrolman Leonard N. Walters

### Schools Will Have Class Schedules on Saturdays

Since the schools in Washing- lows: March 6 and 20; April 3, in his automobile the next day units, being found within one ton County were closed for eight 10, and 24. about 11 a. m. an apparent vic- mile of each other near Creswell. full school days due to adverse It was pointed out that the

tim of a paralytic stroke. He Wednesday night, the officers weather conditions in February, step, a necessary one, is not as died on Sunday at 9:40 a. m. Mr. captured a three-barrel business the county board of education, stringent as Saturday class rul-Dotson had been a resident of between Creswell and Cherry and meeting in regular session in ings adopted by some counties in Plymouth for the past eight years, found another two-barrel setup in Plymouth on Monday, has ruled the State where school were closthe Backwoods section a little that five Saturday schools days ed as long as 16 days and more will be held by the county's edu- and where the number of Satur-

# Plymouth, vocalist; and James both meetings.