

\$440 Reported in Red Cross Drive

Review Board Meets Monday

Residents of Washington County are being reminded that the county commissioners and the county tax supervisor will meet in the commissioners' room in the county courthouse in Plymouth next Monday, March 15, as a board of equalization and review.

Marrow Chosen to Be Vet Commander in VFW Elections

Six Other Officers, Three Trustees Also Named; Show Profit Report Is Presented

Osborne A. Marrow was chosen commander of the Bosie Bateman Post No. 4023 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Plymouth in elections held by the organization last Thursday night.

The committee in charge of the recently conducted VFW home talent show reported to the group that a net profit of \$155 was taken in at the show, the money being placed in the VFW building fund for the purpose of erecting a veterans' club house in Plymouth.

The meeting of the Plymouth Lions Club, set to be held tonight, has been postponed until Thursday night of next week, according to C. W. Dinkins, president of the club.

Farm Safety Talk Presented Bureau

Principal speakers at a regular meeting of the Washington County Farm Bureau, held last Friday night at the Agriculture Building in Plymouth, were P. B. Bateman and J. C. Swain, both of Plymouth, who addressed the assembly on safety measures as regarding farm machinery and its proper operation.

F. L. Brinkley Is Named Head of Welfare Board

Frank L. Brinkley of Plymouth, has been re-appointed to the post of chairman of the Washington County welfare board, according to announcements from Mrs. Ursula Spruill, county welfare agent.

County Hospital Group To Examine Books Here

The Washington County Hospital Board of Managers will convene in called session next Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. in the commissioners' room in the county courthouse to examine registration books for the forthcoming \$50,000 hospital bond election and to form some organization to get registrants to the polls on Friday, March 26, the day on which the election is to be held.

Supply Pastor Is Secured by Local Christian Church

Rev. J. D. Waters of Bertie County to Fill Post Until Permanent Man is Employed

The Rev. J. D. Waters, retired Christian minister of Bertie County, will move his residence to Plymouth shortly and assume the duties of supply pastor to the local Christian Church until a permanent pastor can be secured, according to reports from lay officials in the church.

The Rev. W. Dennis Helsabeck, of Arcadia, Ind., who had previously been elected to the pastorate of the Plymouth church, has notified the board that he will be unable to accept the local charge and will remain in Indiana.

The Rev. Mr. Waters, accompanied by his wife, is expected to move into the Christian parsonage in the early part of next week. He is a native of Washington County, having been born about four miles from Plymouth at the Waters home on the Washington Highway.

Church officials have announced that with the securing of a resident, although temporary, pastor full-time morning and evening services will be resumed at the church. It was also announced that a pre-Easter revival will begin on Palm Sunday, March 21, and will terminate at the Easter Morning service on Sunday, March 28.

Drainage District Commission Board Convenes Tuesday

To Plan Final Survey, Assessment Roll for Scuppernon Area; Meet in Columbia

Members of the Scuppernon Drainage District board of commissioners will meet with County Soil Conservatorist Donald B. Jones, George N. Renfro, drainage engineer with the Soil Conservation Service, and Samuel Woodley, attorney for the drainage district, in Mr. Woodley's office in Columbia next Tuesday at 2 p. m. to make plans for the final phase of getting the new drainage district into full-time operation, it has been announced.

Knowles Will Run For Commissioner

Jesse C. Knowles, of Roper, has announced his candidacy for the post of county commissioner from District No. 2, comprised of Lees Mill Township, subject to the Democratic primary on May 29. Mr. Knowles, a former member of the county board, is the first to announce for a place on the Washington County governing body.

Mr. Knowles was first elected county commissioner in 1938 and served four successive two-year terms in office, retiring from the county's political arena in 1946 after being defeated by A. R. Latham of Plymouth in a runoff vote. During his tenure of office, Mr. Knowles also served as county tax supervisor.

Local PTA Unit Slates Meeting Next Thursday

The Plymouth Parent-Teacher Association will convene in the Plymouth High School Thursday night of next week at 8 o'clock, officials in the local unit of the PTA have announced.

Schedule Mock Marriage Here

The Woman's Society of the Christian Service of the Plymouth Methodist Church will present a Tom Thumb Wedding in the auditorium of the local high school next Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock, according to an announcement from Mrs. W. C. Jones, who is in charge of the program.

Principals in the presentation will be Brenda Warren, bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Miller Warren; and Johnny Marrow, bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Marrow. Money realized from the event will be placed in the church's education building fund.

Saturday Is Last Day To Register for Special Bond Election Set for March 26

Little Interest Seen in Lower Section of County; Balloting Set for March 26th

Although a regrettable lack of interest seems to be evidenced in the lower end of Washington County in the forthcoming \$50,000 hospital bond election, special registrations for the election in the upper end of the county, particularly in the Plymouth precinct, are soaring.

According to Plymouth Precinct Registrar J. T. McNair, a total of 353 registrants have been recorded by him so far in the registration period which began on February 21 and will end this Saturday, March 13. Officials in charge of the balloting have emphasized that only two days remain in the period of registration and that all persons, whether old voters or new, must register if they wish to participate in the election which will be held on Friday, March 26.

It was further emphasized that all persons who register should appear at their respective polling places on the election day and cast their ballots since a majority of those registering is required in order to pass the measure. This means that if a person registers and then fails to vote, he as much as casts a ballot against the much-needed county hospital.

So far as can be determined at present, practically the entire population of Washington County is in favor of the hospital project which would be secured through State-federal aid, with the county putting up about 27 per cent of the money needed to operate the hospital. Some opposition, but indications at present are that the measure will be passed by the county's qualified voters. The residents of the county will also be asked to approve a 10-cent tax levy on each \$100 of assessed property valuation in the county to maintain the institution for the first two years of its operation.

Meanwhile, all persons eligible to vote in the election are being urged to register. The books are open daily, except Sunday, from 9 a. m. until 6 p. m. Registrars and their locations are as follows: Plymouth, Mr. McNair, at his home week-days and at W. T. Freeman's office on Saturday; Lees Mill, Wade Hardison, at his home week-days, at Knowles Grocery on Saturday; Wenona, H. J. Furbee, at his home week-days and Saturday; Skippersville, Mrs. W. W. White, at her home week-days and at White's store on Saturday; Scuppernon, J. A. Combs, at his home week-days and at his office on Saturday.

Roper Club Hears Talk by Scientist

Roper—Dr. B. A. Krantz, soil scientist with the United States Department of Agriculture, was featured speaker at a regular meeting of the Roper Ruritan Club last Thursday night, addressing the gathering on hybrid corn types.

Dr. Krantz's talk was illustrated with slides showing the development, cultivation, fertilization, and average yield per acre of hybrid corn. In an open forum period held after his speech, Dr. Krantz explained adaptation of corn hybrids, spacing, and use of fertilizers. The meeting was attended by a large number of farmers in the community who were guests of the club that night.

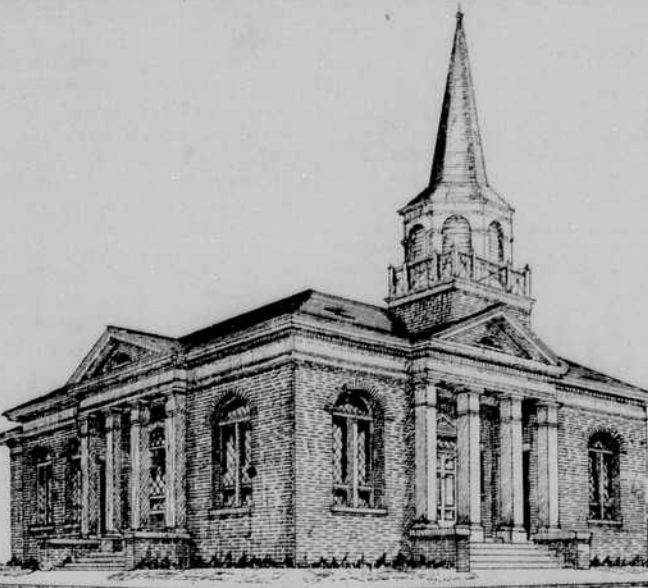
\$55,496.55 Earned in AAA Projects

Total farm earnings in Washington County under the 1947 Triple-A program amounts to \$56,406.55, according to the AAA annual compliance report sent in to the State office in Raleigh by officials in the Washington County Triple-A headquarters.

PTA Meeting Scheduled in School at Creswell

The Creswell unit of the Parent-Teacher Association will convene in regular session tonight at 8 o'clock at the Creswell School building, according to announcements from officials in the PTA. The principal topic to be discussed by the organization will be "Health."

RENOVATED BAPTIST CHURCH HERE



An architect's drawing of the proposed remodeling and renovation of the Ludford Memorial Baptist Church in Plymouth which has just been completed. The congregation will resume regular services in the sanctuary next Sunday, March 14.

Will Hold Services in New Church Sunday

Greatest Building Program in History of Religious Group Here to Close Sunday

The complete interior and exterior remodeling of the Ludford Memorial Baptist Church in Plymouth, with but very minor exceptions, has now been completed and the church congregation will resume regular services in the church sanctuary next Sunday, according to announcements from officials in the church. The morning service next Sunday will be broadcast.

During the remodeling a great number of marked changes were made in the building. The interior seating arrangement has been changed from a cater-corner set-up to a forward-seating arrangement and the floor, which had formerly been elevated at the rear, inclining downward toward the pulpit, has been leveled and covered with oak. The walls have been replastered and fluorescent lights recessed into the ceiling have been installed. A modern automatic oil burning heating plant has been put in and all windows have been rebuilt and covered with cathedral glass. Painting will not be done until the plastered walls are completely dry which will take about one year.

Roper Schools to Give Benefit Film

Pictures of the Louis-Walcott prize fight for world's heavyweight championship in boxing will be shown at the Roper Theater on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 23 and 24, under the sponsorship of the Roper Athletic Association, officers in the association have announced. Proceeds realized from the showing will be placed on a fund to provide for a high school baseball team this spring.

Plan New Aerial Photo Map of Area This Year

An aerial photographic map will be made of Washington County this year, probably in the mid-summer, according to plans made at a meeting of the county AAA committee last Friday, the map being the first of its kind made of this section since 1940.

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At present the committeemen are arranging to secure a crew to do the work. In addition to photographic equipment and a plane as well as pilot, men must be employed to make individual visits to all farm property owners in order to secure accurate information on boundary lines, since individual farms will be marked off on the map.

All Farmers Urged To Sign Plan for 1948 Program Now

Deadline for Making Out Farm Plans Is Next Monday; AAA Hopes to Get 100% Record

According to reports made on 1948 work sheets at a meeting of the Washington County Triple-A committee, held in the Agriculture Building here last Friday, approximately 85 per cent of the farm operators in this section have signed farm plans in the county's AAA program this year. Of this amount, it was explained, 80 per cent are participating farms.

Since next Monday, March 15, is the deadline for signing plans under the program this year, all county farmers are being urged to appear at the AAA office in Plymouth and place their signatures on the forms at once. The county committee hopes to get a 100 per cent record by that date.

Minimum assistance will also be set up for county farms in 1948. Use will be made of cropland considering past activities carried out on the farms.

Tobacco checking yields on the 1947 listing sheets were approved, the approval being based on personal knowledge of the operator and his past records. The county register of indebtedness was reviewed and the peanut marketing quota program was discussed. No definite information was immediately available on whether or not marketing quotas will be set up on this year's crop of peanuts. The committee also approved plans to have an aerial photographic map made of Washington County sometime this summer.

School Men Hear Address

Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, of Raleigh, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was featured speaker at a meeting of the Albemarle Schoolmasters Club held at the Plymouth High School on Monday night, addressing the assembly on problems to be met in the educational system in this section of the State today.

Pointing out that a heavy drain of rural youth to urban centers is being noted, Dr. Erwin said that in order to combat this situation, a better education program, involving consolidation of schools, should be effected and that the advantages of city life be brought to the country that young people will not be forced to migrate in order to live more comfortably.

In speaking on the administration of a school, Dr. Erwin said that a good principal should have knowledge of the complete school setup at his fingertips in order to keep the school operating smoothly. He was introduced by R. F. Lowry, superintendent of Washington County schools. Following Erwin's address a brief business session was held by the club. The meeting was attended by 48 members and guests.

Creswell Principal Is Confined to Hospital

Hal L. Furr, principal of the Creswell Schools, underwent an appendectomy at a Columbia hospital last Friday with his condition being reported this week as satisfactory. It was added that Mr. Furr expects to return to his work within a week.

Local Legionnaires to Convene Friday Night

The local post of the American Legion will convene tomorrow night, Friday, at 8 o'clock in the Legion Hall in regular session. Post Commander W. Ronald Gaylord has announced. He added that all legionnaires are being urged to attend the meeting.