Mrs. Wesley Marrow got the point of that old adage, "Never strike at a bee," that is the point of the bee's stinger, Monday, while she was helping with an Easter egg hunt on the Methodist Church lawn. The bee stung her. She didn't know what had happened at first and fanned the air with her arms. The bee got mad, and really gave Mrs. Marrow a

Two small boys were peering into a store window last Friday afternoon, which was decorated with an Easter bunny and candy One little boy said to the other. "You know the Easter Bunny is coming Sunday." And the other little boy replied, "Yes, we'll have Albemarle League to Frank E. Bratten "You know the Easter Bunny is little boy replied, "Yes, we'll have to be good until Sunday."

Local stores and business houses will join in closing Wednesday afternoon starting next week and continuing through the summer months. Heretofore, there has been some division, some stores closing and others remaining open. They got to-gether last week, however, remaining open the Wednesday before and Wednesday after Easter and closing all day Easter Monday.

F. M. Bowers, committeeman of Plymouth Boy Scout Troop 84. who originated the idea of having the first annual Easter egg hunt for town children on the Scout Hut property last Sunday, has come up with another idea. Since there were five Easter egg hunts in Plymouth during the week-end, each sponsored by a different organization, he suggests that these organizations pool their efforts next year and hold one big Easter egg hunt on the hut property as there is plenty of space and good places to hide

E. H. Liverman reports that a trencher began preparations for laying tile on the old county farm be in operation this afternoon Local Draft Board and probably for the next five ros six days, Mr. Liverman said. Tas Classified 449

Those who have difficulty in knowing how and where to park could benefit by following the example of Plymouth volunteer Has 315 More To Go Befiremen. They park so they can get away quickly in case of fire. A week or so ago, Miller Warren, Phillip Liverman and Earl Bowen, all firemen, were at a meeting where a number of cars were parked. There was no fire call, but after the meeting the three in the county, more than half of firemen had parked in such a whom have been classified thus first base; Brooks, first base; of the Methodist church, in charge,

County's Cancer **Drive Still Lags**

Contributions to the county's annual cancer drive fund campaign under the American Cancer Society are "trickling in" according to Mrs. W. J. Woolard, county commander, who reports that only \$210 of the \$800 quota has been turned in. The campaign ends the last day of this month.

All contributions handed have come from the town Plymouth. No other section of the county has made any kind of a report, Mrs. Woolard said. Any person in the county who has not been solicited and wishes to contribute can do so by mailing their donation

Fire Saturday Damages Sofa In Hotel Building

Fire from a carelessly placed cigarette caused approximately \$35 damages to a sofa in the union total; 1-C (now in service), 2 just across the street from the office in the Brinkley Hotel white; 2-A (occupational defer- polling place, and they will rebuilding Saturday night shortly ment), 1 white; 3-A (deferred be- main open until 9 o'clock Saturafter 7 o'clock, according to Milcause of dependents), 22 white, 19 day night, April 23. Saturday of ler Warren, Plymouth Fire Chief. students), 2 white; 4-F (physical- lenge day. ly or mentally disqualified), 29 The deadline for candidates to

No New Draft **Quota Received**

The official draft holiday, which included February and March, is continuing unofficially, according to Mrs. Lorraine Hunter, clerk to the Washing ton County Selective Service

Mrs. Hunter said yesterday that the board had received no official word of the holiday continuing, but neither have any orders or quotas for men from this county been receiv-

Recently, a high Army official expressed the personal opinion that the draft holiday would continue indefinitely, at least as long as enlistments hold up at their present rate.

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Abandon Local Bus Service May 15

vice by May 15th was announced chuk has been operating two bus- nizing the buses, and I have been yesterday by Nicholas Ataman- ses on a half-hour schedule, run- compelled to operate at a great line, who said local patronage had ning from the Pines, east of Plymber compelled, as much as I rebeen disappointing since he began outh, through the town, out to gret to do so, to surrender the operations here last December Little Richwood Village, the Red franchise, and I propose to dis-16th. The announcement was Hill section, country club village, continue operation by the 15th contained in a formal notice mail- and to and from the pulp mill. day of May, 1949. I am giving ed to Town of Plymouth officials, The text of Mr. Atamanchuk's you this notice as per the terms as required by terms of the letter, addressed to the Town of of the franchise.

great convenience to many local operated by me under franchise I have done my very best and people, especially those who live here have been a losing propo- have been to considerable exin the several villages around the sition ever since I began opera- pense and loss in the effort."

Dog Vaccinating

Now Underway

Paul Basnight and Foy Dav-

enport, the dog-vaccinating

team for Washington County

this year, reported yesterday

that approximately 425 dogs in

Plymouth Township were vac-

cinated the first three days of

the campaign this week. They

are at several points in Lees

Mill Township today, and will

wind up their work in Skin-

nersville and Scuppernong on

The number vaccinated in

Plymouth Township is slight-

ly less than last year, when 486

were treated. However, it is

expected that a few late-com-

ers will have their dogs vac-

cinated within the next few

days. Owners who fail to have

their dogs vaccinated are to be

prosecuted, according to Sheriff

out to selective service registrants ing:

board, said that 449 have been

classified thus far, and there are

315 more to go. The classifica-

tion work must be finished by

May 31, according to present di-

Mrs. Hunter stated that many

registrants do not understand the

classification cards now going out,

and several persons have report-

ed to the office under the im-

pression that the cards were in

classified as 1-A are now coming

up with marriage certificates,

necessitating their reclassification

into 3-A. She asks all registrants

36 white, 31 colored, 67 total.

Automobile Turns Over

On Highway Last Night

for drunken driving last night,

Base, were not injured. The au-

tomobile was a total wreck, ac-

gated the accident.

duction notices. Others who were

Mailed Out

rectives.

ranchise.

Plymouth, follows: "I am comThe bus service has proved a pelled to state that the city buses been able to make a go if it, but

Here Monday Night

their respective names.

third base; Cathey, pitcher; Liv-

(See BASEBALL, Page Twelve)

Little Interest in

ingston, second base.

The Albemarle League will

Discontinuance of local bus ser-jedges of the town. Mr. Ataman-ltion. The people are not patro-

loss ever since I began. I will

Plymouth Gets Names of Meet of Directors Held Afternoon

open on Wednesday, June 1, it

70-game regular playing season Son of the late John A. Bratwas agreed upon, to be followed ten and Deborah E. Bratten, Mr. by the play-offs between the top Bratten was born in Beaufort on four teams. It was decided to December 1, 1863. He came to schedule six games weekly, Mon- Plymouth to live when he was day through Saturday, with Sun- a small boy and remained here for days left open for play-offs of the remainder of his long and rained-out or postponed games. useful life. He was married to A lengthy discussion preceded Miss Mary E. Allen about 50 years a drawing for players of the "Big ago, and she, with two children, colleges-Carolina, Duke, survive.

Davidson, N. C. State and Wake Mr. Bratten served mail car-Forest. A vote resulted in playrier for a number of years, later ers from all other colleges being classed as free agents. Players Company as a watchman and conof the Big Five schools may deal tinued in that capacity when the virces in seprate cases upon two and referred to the judiciary comonly with the teams drawing mill was taken over by the Chica-The drawing was conducted in and still later by the Plymouth inverse order of the standing of Box & Panel Company. He had the clubs at the end of the sea-son last year. Elizabeth City got several years.

He was one of the oldest members of the Plymouth Methodist Plymouth drew the names of Church and was a regular attendant of its services over a 22 players from the Big Five varsity squads. McClenny, Wake long period of years. As a young fore May 31; Classifica- varsity squads. McClenny, Wake Forest pitcher, was the first playtion Cards Are Being er selected by W. H. Joyner, company formerly stationed here. league director representing

The funeral will be held from Plymouth. Other players drawn Classification cards are going by Plymouth include the follow- his late home on Monroe Street o'clock, Creswell Colored School here this afternoon at 3 o'clock, children are to report to the whom have been classified thus way that they were out of the area before the other cars moved. area before the other cars moved. The office of the local board. Miss area before the other cars moved.

Inst base; Brooks, first b hart and Blanks, pitchers; Erwin, man cemetery.

outfielder; from Duke: Ayers, Besides his widow, Mrs. Mary Straunch, Kline and White, pitch- Allen Bratten, he is survived by ers; Falwell, infielder; from Caro- one daughter, Mrs. Ed Jackson; lina: Gurganus, catcher; Gaston, one son, Albert Bratten, four Nicholson, pitchers; Brookshire, grandchildren and two great-dates, may appear at the district infielders; from State: Utley, grandchildren.

Apply for Potato Price Aid by 13th

Washington County farmers Election at Roper who have one or more acres of irish potatoes for market, and who get married to report this fact to the board immediately, shown thus far in the Town of bringing the marriage certificate Roper election, set for May 3rd, according to Aubrey R. Phelps, cording to Miss Miriam Ausbon, The classification record at the local board office here stands as follows: Registration, 448 white, ficially filed for mayor or any 3.3 acres. Over that amount the 415 colored, 863 total; under 19 of the three council posts which fee is 90 cents per acre.

years age, 43 white, 54 colored, of any, have registered since the white, 227 colored, 449 total;

of the time total poly a few, of any, have registered since the books opened last Saturday.

Any farmer who plants irish potations without having a goal set up should report to the county white, 227 colored, 449 total;
1-A (available for military service), 64 white, 57 colored, 121 the home of Mrs. Helen Phelps, can be measured. This is necessitated to the street from the control of the country of the control of the country of the control of the country of the sary before any application for price support can be considered.

colored, 41 total; 4-D (ministerial next week, April 30, will be chal- Legion Meet In Hall

white, 95 colored, 124 total; 5-A file for office is Thursday, of didate should be filed with the for tomorrow night at 8 o'clock to call on him at his new loca-city clerk. work on the construction of the veterans building.

ed Upon; Judge Chester Morris Presides

A three-day civil term of Superior Court scheduled here this week proved to be only about one day as the court convened Tuesday morning, recessed at noon until Wednesday morning, and finished the term before noon Wednesday.

Of the 14 cases called, 8 were Open Season June 1 Passes After Brief Superior Court, two divorces were granted and four other cases were acted upon. Judge Chester More continued until the next term of Illness Wednesday ris, of Currituck County, presided over the court.

'lymouth Gets Names of 22 Players in Draft at One of Town's Oldest and against P. H. Darden and Joe Most Highly Respected Oliver over timber rights, Mr. Owens and Mr. Darden com-Citizens; Rites This promised before the case reached the jury. Mr. Owens is entitled to all the timber under 12 inches Frank E. Bratten 85, one of and Mr. Darden has the right to was decided at a meeting of league Plymouth oldest citizens, died at all the timber over 12 inches. directors held at the Mayflower his home here Wednesday morn- He has until March 18, 1951, to Restaurant here Monday night, ing at 2:30 after an illness of only remove the timber. This judge-David Holton, of Edenton, was a few hours. Mr. Bratten had ment however is not to be inassigned the task of working out been up town the day before and terpreted as a settlement of the a schedule, to be presented at the apparently was in good health controversy between Edward L. next meeting for adoption. A until he became ill Tuesday night. Owens and Joe Oliver, and the cause is retained.

> Junior Spruill, of Roper, was ordered to pay W. E. Knowles and R. R. Knowles, trading as Knowles Grocery Company, Roper, \$758.58, together with in-

A non-suit was entered in the case of O. D. Hatfield and William T. Hatfield, executors of the Arnold last week in the General will of O. D. Hatfield, against Earl Midgett, of Creswell. Lyman Elks, of Plymouth, and superior court of the county, but

Maurcelean Strickland Elks; Wil- does not apply to any litigation lie W. Mizell and Hyacinthe Mizell, of Roper, were granted di- bill was introduced last Friday

(See COURT, Page Twelve)

End Pre-School Clinics Monday

The Washington-Tyrrell District Health Department will complete its schedule of pre-school clinic vaccinations for county turned an unfavorable report on

school for their vaccinations. bill was introduced at the request Creswell White School children of the Washington County Board taken for Plymouth High School of Commissioners. However, a students to go on a six day trip o'clock.

Miss Elizabeth Wood, public health nurse, says, that any child who has missed or will miss being checked on the scheduled health office in Plymouth for vaccinations on Thursday afternoons or Saturday mornings. noons or Saturday mornings. Last Friday 35 Roper Colored School children were checked for DDT In Plymouth vaccinations, bringing the county total to 187 children vaccinated.

Used Furniture Store Is Opened officer, and it probably will be

The Davenport Furniture Company, a new firm specializing in used furniture and new floor outh houses had been sprayed. coverings, is opening for business 43 persons refused to have their here today. Located on the second floor of the Davenport Hardware locked and none were vacant. Company, the new business is For the entire county, 437 houses under the direction of Raymond B. Smith, who has had several years experience in the furniture usiness and in the installation and 65 were locked.

A complete line of used furniture of all kinds will be carried in stock, Mr. Smith announces as well as new linoleum and wool Slated Friday Night floor coverings. Some of the stock Post No. 4023 Veterans of Foreign is being moved into the store to- Wars are scheduled to meet to A meeting of the members of day, and the remainder is ex- night at 8 o'clock in the court-(registrant over 26 years of age), next week, April 28. Written the James E. Jethro Post No. 164 pected within the next few days. house. The main topic of discusnotice of intention to be a can- of the American Legion is slated Mr. Smith invites all his friends sion will be the resumption of

Few Actions Tried Five More Candidates for At Short Session Of Superior Court Town Council Announce; Two Divorces Granted; Four Other Cases Act- All Wards Have Contests

Total of 995 Register For Election May 3rd

Registration books for the town election will close at 9 p. m. Saturday, and local citizens are again reminded that they must be registered by that time if they wish to vote on May 3rd, regardless of whether they have voted before or not. Past registration does not count this time, as completely new registration has been ordered.

Up to noon yesterday, a total of 995 persons had been registered in the three wards. Registrar Clarence Blount, of

Local Bill Killed

By Committee in

Senate Last Week

Local Attorneys Block

Measure Requested by

County Board; One New

One new local bill was intro-

duced by Representative E. O.

Assembly. It would validate all

prior acts of the deputy clerk of

now pending in the court. The

Two other bills introduced by

Mr. Arnold sometime ago were

passed by the senate and ratified

during the week. They were HB

864, relative to the Scuppernong

Drainage District, ratified April

13; and HB 1056, relating to di-

vision of ABC profits between the

The senate committee on courts

HB 926, providing for automatic

transfer to superior court of all

cases when a jury trial was de-

manded in recorder's court. This

DDT spraying in the town

ington-Tyrrell District Health De-

Through Saturday, 123 Plym-

sprayed because of a negative

answer, two were found vacan

VFW Meets Tonight In

Courthouse At 8 o'Clock

is finished.

Plymouth, ratified April 13.

Bill by Arnold

the first ward, reports 343 names on his book; Mrs. C. A. Cratch had registered 413 in the second ward; and Mrs. Ray Brown reported 239 names on the third ward book. Most of the registrars said that they expected to add a few more names, and it is regarded as certain that more than 1,000 names will be on the books by 9 o'clock Saturday night, when the books close.

Saturday, April 30, will be challenge day, and the election will follow on Tuesday, May 3.

Hospital Bonds Sold This Week

Washington County hospital bonds sold very well Tuesday, according to observers, when the \$50,000 issue was disposed of at an average rate of interest of 2.6833 per cent. The sale was conducted by the Local Government Commission at Raleigh, and the bonds were bought by Vance Security Corporation, of Greensboro, and J. Lee Peeler, Inc., of Durham.

The first \$11,000 of the issue was sold at an interest rate of 234%; the next \$14,000 at 6%; and the remaining \$25,000 at 11/2%. The average of slightly less than 23/4 % was about the last issue of county bonds sold about a year ago.

Offer 6-Day Trip to second ward who have announced since last week's issue of the New York in June Hardison, of Jefferson Street, employee of the North Carolina For School Pupils Pulp Company, who is making his first bid for public office; Wesley county and towns of Creswell and

Of Educational Excursions Planned by Local contractor and present member School This Term

posed the measure went to Ra- through the 25th. This is the leigh recently and succeeded in fifth visual education excursion having the unfavorable commit-planned for Plymouth students tee report returned. This ef-fectively kills the bill for this have been to Williamsburg, Va., Washington, D. C., and two to the North Carolina Pulp Com-

Present plans call for 37 students to leave Plymouth the morning of June 20th by chartered bus. A visit to Mt. Vernon will be made that day with the afternoon and evening free to tour Washington, D. C. The stulimits of Plymouth by the Wash-dents will stay at the Washington tourist camp at East Potomac partment is in full swing, accord- Park.

ing to Delbert Allen, sanitation students will travel to New York ballot will be started by that three more weeks before the task City by way of U. S. Highway 1 time. Notices of candidacy should through Baltimore, Md. and Phila- be filed with City Clerk W. A delphia, Pa. The remainder of Roebuck. that day, two more days and three nights will be spent in New houses sprayed, 35 were found York City. The students will be lodged in the Belmont Plaza Hotel, just across the street from have been sprayed, 109 were not the famous Waldorf-Astoria.

Day-time tours will be conducted up-town, down - town, around Manhattan Island by boat and a visit to Radio City. Night visits will be made to the Music Hall in Radio City, to sevral radio proadcasts and to Coney Island. Free time will be allotted to students to visit places of special

The fifth day the party plans to return to Washington and stay at the tourist camp, returning to Plymouth the sixth day. J. S. Flemming, high school principal, plans to accompany the students.

Youth for Christ" Rally At Powell Point Church

Creswell.-A "Youth for Christ"

Six Candidates for Two Posts in Second Ward: Three Each in First and Third Wards

Interest in the town election on May 3rd is picking up rapidly, and there are now a total of 13 candidates in the field for the seven offices that will be at stake. Mayor A. J. Riddle, who announced last week for reelection, is the only candidate thus far who has no opposition.

The second ward has a banner crop of candidates, with six men now in the running for the two positions as councilmen. The six are: John E. West, Robert E. Bowen, Henry T. Hardison, George W. Hardison, Wesley W. Hardison, and G. R. Leggett. Mr. Harrison is the only member of the present council from this ward who is running for reelection.

The first ward has three candidates for two positions, W. H. Joyner, E. D. Keel, incumbents, and E. Ludford McNair. The third ward this week picked up a contest, when Woodrow R. Collins, of the country club village announced he would be a candidate. J. A. Holbrook, of Little Richwood, and Max Willette, of the country club village, had previously announced.

Announcements this week made certain there would be a contest in each of the three wards. It is also proposed to vote on the parking meters. Mayor Riddle stated last week, although the manner in which this referendum will be conducted had not been definitely decided. So far as can be learned, any vote taken on this proposition would be purely ad-

The four new candidates in the second ward who have announced W. Hardison, also an employee Fifth and Last in Series of the pulp company, who is making his first try for public office; of the council, who is in the race for his second term; and G. Rayproprietor, native of Plymouth, who has served several terms as councilman in the past although he is not a member of the present

> In the third ward, Woodrow R. Collins is the new candidate. He is a veteran, purchasing agent for pany and is making his first try for public office.

With contests in every ward assured, and registration nearing the 1,000 mark, it is now regarded as certain that a recordbreaking vote for a town election can be expected on May 3rd. Several other candidates are reported to be in the making, and it is expected that the lists will Park.

The second day the group of as preparations for printing the

> Creswell Stores Close Wednesday Afternoons

> Creswell.-The stores of Creswell will close each Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock, beginning on the first Wednesday in May, the 4th, according to announce ment this week. The cooperation of patrons by shopping early is

Benefit Operetta Set For Tonight

"The Gypsy Troubadours," a two-act operetta will be pre-sented tonight by members of the Plymouth High School Band in the school auditorium at 8 o'clock. A special presentation is scheduled for this afternoon for the elementary students of the high school building. Proceeds from the operetta will go towards payment of band uni-

Mrs. Ethel G. Hopkins will direct the operetta with Mrs. K. S. Trowbridge accompany-

ing at the piano.

During the intermission, the winners of the king and queen of the band contest will be an

Delbert Scott Burns, of the Secure Blanks Before Making Road Requests

and Thomas Pazos, also of the USMC at Edenton, received a broken right arm, when the 1938 Dodge driven by Burns, churned into the soft shoulder on U.S. Highway 64 just east of Plymouth about 11 p. m. last night and rolled over several times. Three other occupants of the automobile, all from the Edenton Marine

Commission.

road, it will be necessary to ap- who live on both sides of the Mr. Campbell stated that use way commission.

quests for the State Highway a formal application blank. This blank must be filled out in de-by married persons, both hus-sion. If requests are submitted Church of Christ at Harbinger on tail, signed by the petitioners and bands and wives must sign, and as in the past, they cannot be Sunday, April 24, at 3 p. m. tenance of rural roads has been submitted to the county commiseach signature must be witnessed. considered until the form is Harold C. Turner, professor at worked out by the commission, sioners for their action. If ap- It is also required that the peti- properly executed, which means Roanoke Bible College and also according to J. Robert Campbell, proved by the commissioners, it tioners grant to the highway comregister of deeds and clerk to the will then be forwarded to the mission a 60-foot right of way the form is secured in advance. Church of Christ, will be the Washington County Board of State Highway & Public Works for the road. When the request He will be glad to furnish the principal speaker. His theme is for hard surfacing, a building blank forms to any county citi- will be "Christ for the World." In the future, when residents The blank form to be filled out line is to be established 50 feet zens who wish to submit a recording to R. W. Young, state highway patrolman, who investihighway patrolman who investihighway patr

A new method of submitting re- ply to the register of deeds for road for which work is request- of the special form is made man-