

# Town Topics

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## Abandon Local Bus Service May 15

Discontinuance of local bus service by May 15th was announced yesterday by Nicholas Atamanchuk, owner-operator of the local line, who said local patronage had been disappointing since he began operations here last December 16th. The announcement was contained in a formal notice mailed to Town of Plymouth officials, as required by terms of the franchise. The bus service has proved a great convenience to many local people, especially those who live in the several villages around the edges of the town.

## Few Actions Tried At Short Session Of Superior Court

Two Divorces Granted; Four Other Cases Acted Upon; Judge Chester Morris Presides

## Five More Candidates for Town Council Announce; 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.

### 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.

## Albemarle League to Open Season June 1

The Albemarle League will open on Wednesday, June 1, it was decided at a meeting of league directors held at the Mayflower Restaurant here Monday night.

## Frank E. Bratten Passes After Brief Illness Wednesday

Frank E. Bratten 85, one of Plymouth's oldest citizens, died at his home here Wednesday morning at 2:30 after an illness of only a few hours.

## Dog Vaccinating Now Underway

Paul Basnight and Foy Davent, the dog-vaccinating team for Washington County this year, reported yesterday that approximately 425 dogs in Plymouth Township were vaccinated the first three days of the campaign.

## One of Town's Oldest and Most Highly Respected Citizens; Rites This Afternoon

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## Local Bill Killed By Committee in Senate Last Week

Two other bills introduced by Mr. Arnold sometime ago were passed by the senate and ratified during the week.

## 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.

## Local Draft Board Has Classified 449 Registrants So Far

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.

## Local Draft Board Has 315 More to Go Before May 31; Classification Cards Are Being Mailed Out

Classification cards are going out to selective service registrants in the county, more than half of whom have been classified thus far, it was learned yesterday at the office of the local board.

## Local Attorneys Block Measure Requested by County Board; One New Bill by Arnold

A non-suit was entered in the case of O. D. Hatfield and William T. Hatfield, executors of the will of O. D. Hatfield, against Earl Midgett, of Creswell.

## Offer 6-Day Trip to New York in June For School Pupils

Reservations are now being taken for Plymouth High School students to go on a six day trip to New York City from June 20 through the 25th.

## County's Cancer Drive Still Lags

All contributions handed in have come from the town of Plymouth. No other section of the county has made any kind of a report, Mrs. Woolard said.

## Little Interest in Election at Roper

Very little interest has been shown thus far in the Town of Roper election, set for May 3rd, according to Aubrey R. Phelps, town clerk.

## Continue To Spray DDT In Plymouth

DDT spraying in the town limits of Plymouth by the Washington-Tyrrell District Health Department is in full swing, according to Delbert Allen, sanitation officer.

## Apply for Potato Price Aid by 13th

Washington County farmers who have one or more acres of Irish potatoes for market, and who wish to apply for price support, are required to pay their service fee at the county AAA office not later than May 13.

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## Secure Blanks Before Making Road Requests

A new method of submitting requests for the State Highway Commission to take over maintenance of rural roads has been worked out by the commission.

## Benefit Operetta Set For Tonight

"The Gypsy Troubadours," a two-act operetta will be presented tonight by members of the Plymouth High School Band in the school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

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A meeting of the members of the James E. Jethro Post No. 184 of the American Legion is slated for tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in the Legion Hall.

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