A pair of goats in Richard Thompson's yard along the Washington Highway have given several passers-by eye trouble. About 11:30 on a recent night a car was driven swiftly into the yard of Alvin Allen, Thompson's next door neighbor. The driver yelled for Mr. Allen. He wanted to borrow a gun so he could shoot some 'deer" in the next yard. Mrs. Thompson, alerted by the noise, informed the "deer hunter" to throw his car lights on the "deer" they were only a couple of goats. Next afternoon a couple drove miles down the road, the occupants drove back to see the what they thought at first glance were

usual, thus creating a terrific jam, also as usual.

for airplane parts, with head-James III plans to spend the re mainder of the summer with his grandparents near Roper.

Russell Harrison, chief aviation boatswain's mate in the Navy, arrived here yesterday to nine months Chief Ha

fort, Germany, for the most part during that time.

question where the money donated goes. Some even doubt that it is put to good use. For the benefit of "doubting Thomases," she

## Lake Phelps Area

the past several weeks the DDT crew fell just short last week of their earlier weekly average of 100 houses sprayed, as 84 houses ere worked by the unit.

The total for the county now is of 304 homes refused to have hem sprayed. Only 17 dwellings have been found vacant. The rew has found 230 houses locked.

### Tobacco Meeting To Be Held Here Friday of the shape.

A full explanation will be made

An important tobacco meeting | Every person in the county who accident, indicted Pittman for careless and reckless driving and ordered him to report to the reclock. J. L. Kelton, representa- ing will determine whether or

There are three proposals on the tobacco referendum to be the ballot, and tobacco growers eld on Saturday, July 23, and a may vote for any one of the folumber of questions the difference of the president of the county organization at this ses- they approve of marketing quot- section and will continue for one J. S. Fleming. In his accompany- fund. they approve of marketing quoton to put forth every effort to
e that all eligible farmers in the
ounty vote on July 23.

All community committeemen
at they are opposed to any quotas whatsoever. Marketing quotas whatsoever. Marketing quotas are urged to attend and bring at the producers of the participating producers. Price supplies they are opposed to any quotas whatsoever. Marketing quotas are favored by two-thirds of the participating producers. Price supplies they approve of marketing quotas section and will continue for one week, according to announcement Monday by the Rev. Richard Ambrose, pastor.

A session will be held each of the participating producers. Price supplies they approve of marketing quotas are they approve of a producers are they approve of marketing quotas are they approve of a producers are they approve of marketing quotas are they approve of a producers are they approve of a produce

# THE ROANOKE BEACON

AND WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS

Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thursday, July 14, 1949

A home newspaper dedicated to the service of Washington County and its 13,000 people.

#### **Farm Agent Reports June Crop Conditions**

W. V. Hays, county farm agent, Black Shank have been presented his report for the the county. county commissioners at its reg- early in the month had 36 farmers ular meeting Monday. Highlights participating, with 353 lambs sold. from the report follow:

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slowly because of low germina- 1-2 cents. There have been largtion and poor stands. Some farm- er shipments from local sales, but ers had to replant as many as this was the highest quality group three times. Twenty per cent of lambs ever shipped.

good until the heavy rains fell a staggers" has caused considerweek ago, according to Mr. Hays' able trouble in horses and mules. report. Some sections of the Soybeans have failed. The trou-

The top lambs brought 27 1-2 The county peanut crop started cents and good lambs brought 26

### Graham and Bonner To Make Addresses At Sesqui Centennial

#### **BLOODSHED** BOX SCORE

From midnight Monday of last week through midnight Monday of this week, 11 persons were killed in North Carolina highway accidents and 144 were injured, the State Highway Patrol has reported. Following is the box score for this year, as compared with the same period last year:

Killed July 5 through July 11 Injured July 5 through July 11 144 Killed through July 11 this year

Killed through July 11, Injured through July 11 4,449 this year

# In Superior Court No word has been received

ommendations Made by Group This Term

The Washington County Grand Jury completed its work for the and in a short time, was financed put in a full day Monday at the by the county's collection of seal courthouse and then was divided he has several persons in mind school buildings, agricultural them at this time.

> In its report the grand jury stated the outside of the county Automobile Hits home building is in fair condition, the grounds are clean, but the in-

also in need of repairs, according dicted for careless and reckless to the jury. The new janitor is driving when an automobile and reported to be doing satisfactory bicycle collided at the corner of

was found to be in satisfactory condition. The lock-up at Cres-

#### was reported fair, with addition-(See GRAND JURY, Page 7)

of the acreage was planted over because of southern root rot.

Corn prospects are good despite the heavy rainfall. No hog chol-The tobacco crop looked very era has been found, but "blind

## Opening Night

celebration of the 150th anniver- by the post office officials. sary of the founding of the coun-

Plymouth September 18-22. Senator Graham is to speak on the "Youth Day" program, Tuesday, September 20. Repreprincipal address on "Homecoming Day," Wednesday, September

before the curtain rises on the first of the four spectatcles to be tles." He has been flying between Patuxent, Md., and Frank- Is Made Tuesday first of the four spectatcles to be presented there on succeeding

Miss Elizabeth Wood, public health nurse, says that every year during the Tuberculosis Christmas Seal drive, many people mas Seal drive, many people mas Seal drive, many people mas Seal drive, many people may be a seal drive may be a designated at "Dignitary Day," hall here last Friday night. and for the last day of the celewhich will be "Veterans and Patriots Day."

The Rev. Paul B. Nickens, chairman of the religious commit. tee for the celebration, says that into committee for inspection of for the Sunday program of the the courthouse, county home, celebration, but is unable to name

## Girl on Bicycle

A 13-year-old girl was hurt and bicycle collided at the corner of The prison camp near Creswell Monday afternoon about 5:45. Sims girl and the bicycle. The of the bike was twisted out of Bland stated Monday.

Policemen Alvin Allen and Foy

Piney Grove Church

A daily vacation Bible school

ast four tobacco farmers from ticipating producers. Price sup- 9 o'clock. The public is cordially sum of \$2,500. The community. It will be a port is contingent upon approval invited to join members of the orthwhile meeting and very im- of marketing quotas, it is explain- church in the undertaking, Mr. ing individual funds: Athletics, as compared with the same date member in carrying out the prosenior class, home economics, in 1948. Ambrose stated.

# For Post Office Is Main Business at

month of June to the board of A cooperative lamb sale held Only One Site Authorized Favor Inclusion of Health In First District: Selection Is Up To Federal

> Plymouth's claim for a new post-office building request in a ing on the first Monday. letter to Senator Graham.

before the war. However, he Raleigh. stated the House had recently Dr. Claudius McGowan, acting Senator and Representa- ings; and in the hearings conduct- calling for a total of \$20,804.94, tive Accept Invitations; ed during consideration of the bill, Plymouth was listed as one Board members approved the lat-Carl Goerch to Speak of six towns in the First Con-ter amount. gressional District eligible.

United States Senator Frank P. and Senator Graham stated that budget of \$5,785. Graham, Representative Herbert selection of the one town in the C. Bonner and Carl Goerch, edi- district in which a site is to be tor of the State Magazine, Ra- bought was left up to the Postleigh, are among the prominent master General and the Commismen who have accepted speaking sioner of Public Buildings. Senatengagements for the Sesqui-Cen- or Graham promised to confer tennial Celebration here this fall, with Representative Bonner, and chairman of the speakers' committee. Fash of the there is a second of the speakers' committee. Fash of the there is a second of the there is a mittee. Each of the three will Plymouth in the past 10 years speak on separate days during the will be given due consideration provisions of the system.

In his original letter to Mr ty. The event will be held in Bonner, Mr. Norman cited the allow for this expense. rapid growth made by Plymouth doubled. Post-office receipts also sentative Bonner will give the have increased, and present faci-

## Carnival Gambling Clinics First Week of forgery.

speakers for the opening exer- Post, No. 164, American Legion, cises on Monday, September 19, held a formal meeting in their

A. J. Riddle, Plymouth mayor bration, Thursday, September 22, explained the town's new ordinance forbidding gambling at carnivals that may be set up here. Members of the post went on record as being against the ordi- rell District Health Department, nance.

The Legionnaires were said to be of the opinion that if a man is foolish enough to throw all his only 138 persons have taken tymoney away on the gambling devices at the carnivals, let him do Plymouth residents. so, but not ban the gambling, which they believe will stop carnivals from coming here.

### Begin Revival at Philippi Church

An "Old-Time Gospel Revival" Washington and Fourth Streets series of service began Wednesday night, July 13, at Philippi Mary Anne Sims, 13-year-old Church of Christ near Creswell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. and will continue through Sunwell was reported no longer in well was reported no longer in a bicycle north on Washington nouncement made the first of this ty are as follows: Street. Clinton Pittman, of Plym- week. The Rev. George W. Bon- Tuesday, July 19, 26: 9:30 a.m. outh, driving the car south on the Durant, president of the Roanoke to 10:15 a.m., Wenona residents same street, made a left turn into Bible College at Elizabeth City, at Wenona Filling Station; 10:45 is doing the preaching, and the a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Macedonia ressong service is being directed by idents at Macedonia school. right shoulder and both knees The public is cordially invited were skinned. The front wheel to attend all the services, Mr.

In Local Government Retirement System

Presentation and approval of post office building has been re- the county, district health depart- Thomas F. Hopkins, of Plym- organizing and promoting the cel- for the 1949-50 fiscal year, startferred to the Post Office Depart- ment and public welfare admin- outh, executive chairman of the ebration 100 per cent. ment for consideration, according istration budgets for the fiscal washington County Sesqui-Cenbers of the Roper club and their according to a decision of the bers of the Roper club and their according to a decision of the to letters received during the past year 1949-50 consumed most of few days from Representative the time of the county commis-Frank P. Graham. The letters here Monday. The meeting was

letter to Congressman Bonner Members of the board tentalast week, sending a copy of the tively adopted the over-all county budget for the fiscal year, with In his reply, Mr. Bonner stated a tax rate of \$1.70, as presented that Farmville was the next town by County Auditor E. J. Spruill. on the list at the time the public Neither the tax rate nor budget buildings program was discontin- are official until approved by the ued by the department shortly Local Government Commission in

passed a bill authorizing the ac-district health officer, presented quisition of sites for such build- the budget for that department,

The commissioners approved Both Representative Bonner the public welfare administration

Expressing themselves as betem as adopted by the recent ses- Monday.

this time, as the budget would not up to today follow:

the population has more than \$28,032 in taxes during June. Mrs. Frances M. Darden, county home lities are crowded and inadequate, Hays, county farm agent, tender- the appeal was abandoned. demonstration agent, and W. V.

# Typhoid Shots at

munization Offered by Health Department

advantage of the free shots for prevention of typhoid as they should in clinics set up about the county by the Washington-Tyrrell District Health Department,
law for three years.

dittor that each remains on good severe snock to his wide circle
of friends and relatives in the community. Brickwork is prosection. according to Miss Elizabeth Wood, public health nurse

In the first week of the clinics, phoid shots and 48 of these were

Miss Wood says that the clinics are set up at designated places throughout the county for the convenience of the rural people, so they will not have to make an extra trip to the office in Plym-

Parents who have children beginning school this fall who have charged with assault, failed to ployed at first by the Norfolk this week. He plans to complete not received the necessary vaccinations for the prevention of typhoid, diphtheria, whooping cough and smallpox may have them vaccinated at this time.

Schedule of hours and locations

(See CLINICS, Page 7)

## young girl received a bruised the Rev. G. C. Bland, pastor. Wednesday, July 20, 27: 9:45 to embezzlement trial. It is expectright shoulder and both knees The public is cordially invited 10:15 a.m., Long Ridge residents

High School Funds An Elizabeth City certified science, junior class, class of 1947, Marrow is the new president of this week. public accountant recently made Beta club, school, elementary a complete audit of all the activia complete audit of all the activi-ty funds of the Plymouth High high school instructional supplies P. B. Nickens, first vice presi-

School and found everything in fund, block letter club, sophomore ing remarks the auditor compli- Total receipts in all funds twister; Z. V. Norman, lion tammented the school on keeping amounted to \$7,565.85; and total er; and F. M. Bowers, member books and records in very good disbursements during the year of the board of directors.

condition, and also for having the were \$7,691.36; reducing the com-Mr. Marrow expressed his apschool treasurer bonded in the posite balance of all funds from preciation for being elected head will act as a stimulant to business Mr. Beam wishes to remind \$1,181 to \$1,0055.49 at the close of of the local organization and re-The audit covered the follow- the fiscal year on June 30, 1949, quested the cooperation of every

### Plymouth's Claim Budget Approval County Tax Rate Is \$1.70; Being Considered Meeting of Board Same as Last Four Years

#### Department Employees Roper Ruritans Back Plans for Celebration

**End Criminal Docket** 

as stating they would help with time.

tennial Celebration Commission, wives to hold a joint meeting with county board of commissioners Herbert Bonner and Senator sioners at their board meeting spoke to members of the Roper the Creswell Ruritan Club mem- meeting here Monday. The coun-Ruritan Club about the 150th an- bers and their wives at a picnic ty budget was approved and the were received by Z. V. Norman, was being held a week late due niversary celebration to be held at Albemarle Beach on the next tax rate fixed at the meeting, allocal attorney, who revived the to the Fourth of July holiday fall- in Plymouth September 18-22 at meeting night, Augsut 4, at 6 p.m. though both are subject to rethe regular meeting of the club Cartis Olds, of Virginia, vice last Thursday night.

Cartis Olds, of Virginia, vice view and approval by the Local Government Commission at Ra-

Club members went on record expected to be present at that leigh. Superior Court Nears to balance the budget of \$8,400,000. The total budget require-

Try 9 Out of 13 Cases in First Three Days of Terms; Judge Leo Carr Is Presiding

Nine of the 13 criminal cases on the docket were disposed of in the first three days of the July ing in favor of the local govern- term of Washington County Sument employees' retirement sys- period court, which convened here The four remaining sion of the General Assembly, the cases are expected to be completcommissioners adopted a resolu- ed today, with the civil calendar tion to place all the courthouse winding up the proceedings to-

Judge Leo Carr, of Burlington is presiding, and Solicitor George It was decided not to have the M. Fountain, of Tarboro, is prosecounty record books reindexed at cuting the docket. Proceedings

William Henry Keyes, colored in the past 10 years, during which lector, reported that he received state prison following his convic of Plymouth, who has been in tion on a murder charge, appealed to the supreme court at the time he was convicted last fall, but ate limits have been extended morth to the bear of the court dismissed the appeal Mon-

Roy Rigsby, colored, of Scup-pernong, was sentenced to four to seven years for breaking, entering and larceny.

John D. Wrighton, colored, of Macedonia, was found not guilty

The grand jury did not find a

prosecuting witness failed to ap-

Array Rhodes, of Plymouth, answer when called. Papers were issued for his arrest.

ford, up for speeding over 75 miles per hour, failed to answer when called. His \$250 bond was ordered forfeited and capias is-

Eddie Hines Capers, of Norfolk, Va., was found not guilty on a charge of hit-and-run driving. fred Sawyer, of Columbia, on an

## Audit Completed on President of Lions

Trip Is Planned Mrs. Frances M. Darden, county home demonstration agent, is seeking 15 women to attend "The Common Glory," in Williamsburg, Va., Wednesday of next week. A group of women from Roper chartered the bus, but need more women

'Common Glory'

to make up the load. Plans are to leave Plymouth at noon Wednesday and return immediately after the presentation that night. Anyone interested in making this trip is asked to get in touch with Mrs. Darden by Saturday.

#### W. B. Cox, Sr., Dies Suddenly Tuesday At His Home Here

Formerly Cashier of Lo- tax rate 5 cents for both years; Rites Yesterday

cleaning establishment in Cres- denly at his home on Monroe well last year. Each was sentenc- Street here about 4:45 Tuesday ed to 15 months on the roads for morning. Mr. Cox had been in breaking and entering; and a his usual health, working at the County people are not taking three-year sentence for larceny Edenton Marine Air Station all was suspended, after the 15- day Monday, and his death was month sentence is served, on con- entirely unexpected, coming as a made on the several building dition that each remains on good severe shock to his wide circle projects now underway in the

> A native of the Blount's Creek store next to the Coca-Cola Bottrue bill in the case of Willard section of Beaufort County, Mr. tling Works, and the exterior of M. White, Paul Phelps, Junior Cox was the son of the late Josh- the new Belk-Tyler store has just Clifton and Jarvis Sawyer, all of ua and Charlotte Warner Cox. about been completed. Work al-Creswell, for larceny and cruelty He was born on May 20, 1895, so is progressing satisfactorily on A Nol pros was entered in the of age. At the age of 13 years, M. H. Mitchell Funriture store case of Raymond Everett, colored, he lost his right leg in a hunting building on Washington Street. of Mackeys, charged with assault accident, but never permitted that with a deadly weapon, when the handicap to affect his activities to if the plasterers complete their any great extent.

He came to Washington County hopes to start moving into the about 35 years ago and was em-Southern Railroad Company here. He later went with the old Wash-David Thomas Hurdle, of Hert- ington County Bank, serving as before the end of the month. assistant cashier, and was named cashier of the United Commercial Bank when the two local institutions were merged in the places of business ready for oc-

> Mr. Cox afterwards was a field representative for the General (See W. B. COX, Page 7)

Budget Total Is Slightly Less Than Last Year; Valuation Total Now at

Washington County's tax rate ing July 1, will again be \$1.70,

The \$1.70 total rate will raise an estimated \$139,540.80, needed to balance the budget on the total ments for the current fiscal year are estimated at \$225,414.53, but an estimated \$85,873.73 will come from sources other than ad valor-

Total budget requirements this year are slightly less than last year's figures, but the amount available from sources other than property taxes is about \$5,000 less than last year, which makes the amount to be raised by taxation slightly higher. Total property valuation in the county is estimated at \$8,400,000, which is \$200,000 higher than last year. The exact total valuation will not be known until after corporation listings are certified to the county by the State Corporation Comnission, probably sometime in

August. A breakdown of budget requirements shows an increase in amounts needed for five items, and decreases in three other items. The tax rate is exactly the same, both by continents

comparison budget are as follows: County general fund. \$54,820 this year, against \$52,205 last year, tax rate both years, 7 cents; poor fund, \$13,064.48 this year, against \$15,-390 last year, tax rate 5 cents both years; health fund, \$11,549 .-55 this year, against \$11,474.55, cal Bank and Deputy old-age assistance fund. \$7,500 Clerk Superior Court; this year, against \$5,700 last 3 car, tax rate 7 cents both years; aid to dependent children, \$2,268 this

(See TAX RATE, Page 7)

### Good Progress on Local Buildings

Good progress continues to be

Mr. Mitchell said last week that work according to schedule, he new store by the latter part of the moving task and be ready for business at his new location well

Officials of both the Belk-Tyler Company and the A & P Company hope to have their new cupancy by the early fall. Workmen were to begin the finishing operations on the Belk-Tyler building sometime within the

### County Is Behind on J. W. Marrow New Savings Bond Quota

have purchased \$36,000 worth of official figures.

The Plymouth Lions Club in- U. S. Saving Bonds, or 65 per Kenneth C. Wible, of Greensstalled its new officers for the cent of their quota, during the bonds for the U. S. Treasury De ing last Thursday night. J. W. current "Opportunity Drive," H. E. Beam, county chairman, said Beam and Postmaster J. C. Swain

The county probably will be drive in the United States will unable to reach its bond quota in end Saturday. North Carolina is dent; L. N. Womble, second vice the campaign because of adverse expected to reach its goal by that months of August and September. quota is \$12,000,000. Mr. Wible The amount of bonds purchased expressed thanks for the excelin the past has served as a brake lent assistance of volunteers in during periods of inflation and the drive that is closing.

North Carolina held \$641,000,000 post office.

yesterday. He reported that the

during the present decline of bus- county citizens that bonds may iness activity, Mr. Beam added. be purchased on the "bond-a-At the end of 1948, people of month" plan at the local bank or

in her yard and he would find by the geats in the yard. After county noted up to one-third loss. ble has been attributed to disease the automobile had gone several Evidences of Granville Wilt and and farm sun scald.

'deer." Only goats again. James Boyce, state automobile license examiner, said y sterday that so far only one person in the L-M category had been to him for renewal of a driver's license since July 1st. Persons whose last names bein with an L or M have from how until January 1 to renew their driving permits, but it looks as if most of them will wait until the last minute, as

Mrs. James A. Chesson and Children, James III and Ellen Ross Chesson, of Tampa, Fla., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. James A. Chesson, sr., near Roper. Mr. Chesson is a former lieutenant in the Naval Air Force and is now a manufacturers' representative quarters in Tampa, Fla. Young

spend a few days with his mother. Mrs. R. G. Hardison. For the past the months Chief assigned to the company assigned to the control of the limit and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in that the local baseball park and commercial buildings have taken place in

during the Tuberculosis Christported Good; Few Recsaid yesterday. says the mobile X-ray unit stationed here recently, which en- June term Tuesday and submitabled 2.024 county residents to ted its report to the superior court be checked for tuberculosis, free in session at that time. The jury

DDT Spray Unit in school buildings, agricu building and prison camp.

The DDT sprayer unit and terior of the rooms need painting.

A fall and spring cleaning of the interior of the agricultural the interior of the in into the Lake Phelps region this building was recomended. It is the driver of an automobile in-

1,745 houses sprayed. Occupants use.

ill be the speaker.

rtant to tobacco growers.

duilding in Plymouth Friday sharecropper, will be eligible to corder's court next Tuesday for ight of this week, July 15, at 8 vote in the referendum. The votve of the State AAA Committee, not marketing quotas are to be Plan Bible School at applied to future crops.