N. Womble announced this morn-

ing. Quite a number of club mem-

bers are on vacation, and the local baseball team has a doubleheader scheduled in the local park tonight, so club officials got together late yesterday and decided not to attempt the meeting to-

Walter F. Williams, Washing-

ton County Sesqui-Centennial

Celebration spectacle directorpromotion manager, from the John B. Rodgers Producing Com-

pany, of Fostoria, O., producers

of the spectacle and originators

of celebration idea, has taken up

his duties in the celebration head-

quarters in the Leggett Building.

F. R. Hartley, of New Bern, is managing the local A. and P.

Tea Co. Store while Howard Carr

is taking a three-weeks vacation.

Mr. Hartley is known in his com-

pany as a "relief man," substi-

tuting for regular managers who

are on vacation. He has four more

stores to manage, before he re-

It was announced last Fri-

day that the September meet-

ing of the Washington County

Board of Commissioners will

be postponed for one week,

from September 5 to Septem-

er 12, on account of the Labor

Day holiday on the first Mon-

day. All meetings of the county

board are scheduled to begin

at 10:30 a. m., in the commis-

sioners' room at the courthouse.

Roy F. Lowry, superintendent

of county sechools, left yesterday

morning for Mars Hill College

Mars Hill to attend a three-day meeting of county school super-

intendents. He expects to return to Plymouth Friday evening.

Nearly a dozen members of the

Plymouth local unions attended sessions of the North Carolina

Federation of Labor, which held

its annual convention in Charlotte

on August 8, 9 and 10. Among

those attending were Lewis E.

Price, representative of the In-

ternational Brotherhood of Pulp,

Sulphite & Paper Mill Workers:
Max Willette, Ludford McNair,
G. W. Ange and Nathan W. Spruill, of Local No. 356, IBPS&PMW;
Souglas Gurkin, Newman Allen

and George Waters, of Local No.

415. International Union of Oper-

ating Engineers; Alton Baker and

Dan McCray, of Local No. 605,

G. W. Hardison and G. A.

Peele are the new agents in

Plymouth for the Home Security

Life Insurance Company, A. W.

Liverman, district manager, an-

the company in Plymouth, was

transferred to Beaufort several weeks ago.

Mrs. Sabrie W. Reid, assistant

state supervisor of public school

lunch room workers in area 7,

expects to return to Plymouth

Friday afternoon, after spending

five days in Elizabeth City in-

structing classes in the colored

school lunch room workshop held

attending the annual state fire-

Street in Plymouth.

IBPS&PMW.

turns to New Bern.

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ing scheduled for tonight has been called off, Vice President L. VOLUME LX—NUMBER 33 Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thursday, August 18, 1949

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#### BACK-SLIDING BUSH-GROWER LITERALLY OVER A BARREL



That old expression "over a barrel" has literal meaning to L. Nyal Womble, local druggist, who shaved off his chin whiskers a week or so ago and is shown here getting his just deserts. The avenging bush growers applying the shaving lotion are, left to right, Dick Mallory, Tom Gardner (who, incidentally, is due the same medicine for shaving since this photo was made), Nick Ange, Perry Turner and John Forbes Davenport. Other non-patriotic males in Washington County can expect the same medicine as soon as the kangaroo court gets into action within the next few days. It's all part of the attendant publicity for the Washington County Sesqui-Centennial Celebration to be held here September 18-32.—Photo by Weaver Studio.

# Highway Needs Workshop Here In County Topic Workers of Area | Total Lulloff Hould | Selective Selectiv At Meeting Here Three-Day Session To Be Held at High School, Held at High School, type to attend to all the day of departing to all the day of day of departing to all the day of day of day of day of

### Electric Storm **Blows High Line**

A severe wind and electrical storm hit parts of Northeastern North Carolina Monday after-noon, doing considerable damage to electric power lines. Lightning blew out everything at the 110,000-volt sub-station in Tarboro, causing power to be off in all towns in the section nounced last week. Phil G. Liverfor nearly an hour. Service was man, who formerly represented fused shortly after 6 p. m.

> W. H. Joyner received a slight shock from a lightning bolt shortly after noon, just as he was entering his office on Water Street. The shock caused his arm to draw up for a few minutes, but he was not hurt nearly as badly as he was

#### at Elizabeth City State Teachers Leder Bros. Open by Commissioners Jesse L. Known ies, of Roper, and A. R. Latham, les, of Roper, and A. R. Latham, Plymouth Fire Chief Miller Warren and Mrs. Warren, firemen Durant Keel and Mrs. Keel,

Earl Bowen and Mrs. Bowen and Leder Brothers are opening a sent. Parry Barnhill plan to return to Plymouth this afternoon after new department store in Williamston Thursday night of this week. about allocation of the road funds William S. McCombs, formerly way officials indicated they men's convention at Carolina assistant manager of the Plym- would be governed largely by the Beach, which began last Monday. outh store, is manager of the new desires expressed by the county Celebration Headquarters store in Williamston, which is lo- board of commissioners. The

J. J. Segerman, manager of status of projects presently un-Washington County Sesqui-Centennial Celebration headquar- the local store, has been in charge derway. ters is upstairs above O. R. Leg- of arrangements for opening the Mr. Hargett asked for expres gett's Sons Jewelry Store in the new unit in the Leder Brothers' sions by the board members as lobby between Weaver's Studios system, and a number of local to the secondary roads considerand the Ward-Ashby Insurance Agency office on East Water formal opening of the store in School Superintendent R. F. Low-

Plymouth Colerainin

Double-Header Here

Members of County Board Confer With District Commissioner and Engineers Last Friday

Members of the Washington County Board of Commissioners and district and division highway officials met at the courthouse here last Friday afternoon for a preliminary discussion of the county's road needs and prospects under the secondary road building program to be launched by the state as a result of ratification of the \$200,000,000 bond ssue by state voters early in

second district highway commisville, division engineer; and J. J. Gilbert, of Washington, district engineer, were the highway officials present. Frank L. Brinkley, chairman of the board of county ommissioners, presided over the meeting, which was also attended by Commissioners Jesse L. Knowof Plymouth, Commissioners Hu-Williamston Store bert L. Davenport, of Skinners-ville, and Harry W. Pritchett, of Creswell were unable to be pre-

No definite decisions were made To Be in Leggett Building cated on Main Street next to whole road situation in the country was discussed, including the ty was discussed, including the

> ry was called in to give some information about school bus routes and the population served by several roads. The commissioners made no specific requests, and said they wished to have the advice of the two absent members (See HIGHWAYS, Page 5)

# For Lunch Room

Starting Monday of Next Week

Preparations are just about gistrants in the county. complete to hold a workshop for The location of the sub-depot in area 7 of eastern North Caronouncement made Tuesday by Mrs. Sabrie W. Reid, resident as-

The three-day schedule of the workshop is as follows:

Monday, August 22-Registration is planned from 9 a. m. to 9:30 a. m. From 9:30 a. m. to W. Guy Hargett, of Richlands, 10 a. m. Roy F. Lowry, county of Foreign Wars post will hold a school superintendent, and J. S. military burial in the Vail Cemesioner; R. Markham, of Green-Fleming, Plymouth High School tery near Plymouth Friday afterprincipal, plan to extend greet- noon at 4:30 o'clock for W. Rex ings to those attending. Mrs. Reid Harrison, a former resident, who plans to review last year's lunch died at 12:20 a.m. after an illness room program from 10 a. m. to 12 of three weeks. Services will be noon. Lunch is planned from noon held in the Ludford Memorial to 1:15 p. m. At 1:15 p. m. to 3 Baptist Church. The Rev. W. B. p. m. Mrs. Elsie McCormick, of Harrington, of Williamston will

(See WORKSHO,P, Page 5)

#### **BLOODSHED BOX SCORE**

From midnight Monday of last week through midnight Monday of this week, 10 persons were killed in North Carolina highway accidents and 199 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 August 9 through

August 15 Injured August 9 through August 15 Killed through August 15, this year Killed through August 15,

Injured through August 15, this year Injured through August

double-header of the current season tonight, when the Colerain Tuesday night the Rams go to son tonight, when the Colerain Tuesday night the Rams go to

# the Rams in the local park, the close with Hertford here Wed-first game, a seven-inning affair, as seven-inning affair, nesday night of next week. Will Meet in County is mostly kept on the farm for nesday night of next week. Farm Agent, which would top last year's record figure since the last year's record figure s

Youths Reaching Age of 18 Must Continue To Insurance Rebates Register; Regional Office To Be Set Up

County Selective Service Board No. 95, located in the courthouse, cording to word received from Col. Thomas H. Upton, deputy state director of selective service.

The office records will be moved to a sub-depot for maintenance and servicing. The local board is to remain intact, with Robert L. to aid the 1,500 veterans in Wash-Tetterton, of Plymouth, as chair- ington County by two methods man; Otis A. Chesson, of Roper, about September 1st, according A. W. Davenport, of Cherry, as to information from W. Ronald members; and Zeb V. Norman, Gaylord, county veteran's service

of Plymouth, as appeal agent. duty at the sub-depot to keep the surance is planning to give a divirecords of all boards filed in that dend to veterans who held any office up to date. The clerk will amount of insurance with them work under close direction of a at any time. Practically every clerical audit supervisor. When veteran is entitled to a rebate, the supervisor feels that there Mr. Gaylord said. Secondly, the are enough cases in the local Veteran's Survey Service is inboard requiring consideration of terested in learning whether any the members of the board, she claim filed by a veteran hasn't will notify the local board to ar- been received, and if not, fulfill range for a meeting at a time, the veterans desire by making the date and place in the county claim good. agreed upon by the members. The Both of these methods of aidclerical audit supervisor will be ing the veteran are to be operatpresent at such meetings as the ed concurrently. Plans are being ocal board clerk and have with formulated to have the local woher the files of those cases that men's service organizations in-

available for call in sequence of veterans will be taken care of at selective service number, to ob- Plymouth White High School and details will be handled from the the schools will be set up when Held at High School, be present on the day of departure to attend to all the details said.

A selective service registrar,

white school lunch room person- and the name of the supervisor nel, principals and other interest- will be made known soon, accorded persons from the 21 counties ing to selective service officials. County boys who reach the age lina in the Plymouth High School of 18 on or before August 26th building next Monday through are reminded to continue regis-Wednesday, according to an an- tering in the office in the court-

### sistant state supervisor of lunch W. Rex Harrison Dies in Hospital

Members of the local Veterans conduct the services.

late Luther D. Harrison, of Washington County. He was born in the county on October 29, 1909. He lived in the county until nine years ago, when he moved to Norfolk, Va. Mr. Harrison was a fireman in the shipyard there. He bush growers spent their Wed- cosmetics without purchasing per- bed the last five days. married Clara Martin, of James-ville, in South Mills on March 22, 1941. He served in the U. S. Navy

mits are also lawful prey for the bush growers and sisters of the late Jessie and Annie Spruill, of swish. A shaving permit may or Washington County. She was born ville, in South Mills on March 22, during World War II for 31/2 years equipment together, and they may not excuse a man for not in the county on February 21, 18as a Machinist Mate First Class. will soon be "ready for business" For the most part he was in the on a wholesale scale. They built the mood of the court. Pacific Theatre of operations.

Harrison, jr., of Norfolk, Va.; court" on the vacant lot between three brothers, Tom Harrison, of Margolis Brothers and the A&P the B-1 class slipped up and regular attendant. Plymouth; Roddy Harrison, of store on Water Street. Norfolk, Va.; and Earl Harrison, Now they are waiting for cus- or so, if a county man appears one daughter, Mrs. Mable Barnes of Hampton, Va.; two sisters, Mrs. tomers. A committee has been on the streets here with a smooth White, of Roper; one son, Roy H. Ethel Cockrel, of Norfolk, Va., named to call on men who start- face, he is very likely to wind Barnes, of Raleigh; a brother, and Mrs. Hazel Miers, of Ply- ed out to grow whiskers, beards,

# Local Draft Board Office Will Close Friday, August 26 Section Opening Friday

## **Due Most Veterans** The office of the Washington Local Officer Says

will close Friday, August 26, ac- Arrangements Are Being Made by Service Officer of County To Aid in Filing Claims

> Arrangements are being made officer.

A full-time clerk is to be on First, National Service Life In-

require the attention of the board. terview the veteran for insurance In case there is an induction rebates and claims in a mass ope call, the supervisor will give the ration at the Plymouth High ist of names of the registrants School buildings. County white

To apply for the insurance reand discharge papers.

No Home Club Meetings Scheduled This Month

Mrs. Frances M. Darden's 'Home Club News" does not appear in the Beacon this week as their will be no home demonstration club meetings until Septem-

Local Rotarians See

Louisiana to members of the at a meeting of the executive regular meeting Tuesday night. Columbia on October 2. William E. Waters, vice president of the local club, presided over the meeting.

PRESIDENT



County, was elected president of the Southern Albemarle Association at its annual session in Manns Harbor Wednesday of last week. He will take office

# Arnold President South Albemarle

Elected at Business Ses- than 50 cents, or slightly less than sion in Manns Harbor the first day figures of a year ago. House Vice President

County Representative to the over the county. Some farmers General Assembly, was elected lost a big majority of their leaf in A selective service registrat, not yet named, will handle the continuing registration of new registrants in the county.

The location of the sub-depot and the name of the supervisor and the name of the supervisor will be made known soon, accordpresident of the Southern Albe- the mid-June rainy spell, and of Plymouth, was named Wash- about two-thirds of a normal crop. ington County vice president of the organization; and Wade Hard- crop is marketed on the markets ison, of Roper, was chosen recording secretary. ing secretary.

> House's predecessor as Washington County vice president was Harry W. Pritchett, of Creswell. Other officers elected last week were: Paul Liverman, of Columdent; E. A. Williams, of Swan Movie About Louisiana Quarter, Hyde County vice president. M. A. Matthews, of Engel-P. Bruce Bateman presented a hard, was reelected treasurer. All movie in color of the state of the new officers will take office Plymouth Rotary Club at their committee of the association at

Members of the executive com-

(See ARNOLD, Page 5)

### Mr. Harrison was the son of Mrs. Sadie Vail Harrison and the late Luther D. Harrison of Wash. Bush Growers Ready For Kangaroo Court

a jail, set up stocks, placed the It was noticeable that business 1903. Mr. Harrison is survived by his barrel and paddle and cleaned off picked up as soon as the bush Mrs. Barnes was a member of

mustaches, and the like, and then on his anatomy.

growing a beard, depending upon 76. She married Arthur J. Barnes,

bought permits. In another week | She is survived by her husband, up with some ridges elsewhere Clyde Spruill, of Norfolk, Va.;

County Has Poor Crop, Due to Heavy Rains; First Sales Delayed for One Day

Eastern North Carolina tobaco markets will begin their 1949 ales Friday morning of this week, instead of Thursday, as a result of a decision by the Bright Leaf Warehouse Association to invoke a one-day delay in the opening, in order to give the Georgia-Florida markets an extra

The association's board of governors met in Florence, S. C., last Friday night and extended the Georgia-Florida auction season one day, automatically deferring the beginning of sales in Eastern North Carolina.

Washington County does not have an auction market, but county growers will be fairly well represented at the near-by markets, according to reports here this week. Although much of the county crop has been harvested, few growers appear to be in a big rush to get their tobacco on the first sales, and weather conditions have not been too favorable for the last day or two to get the leaf ready for selling.

It is certain that a great many farmers will take the day off and visit the opening sales to see for themselves just how the prices Group Next Year are stacking up. Reports from the border markets have led most of opening average of slightly better

Last Week; Jack W. has been hit hard by adverse The Washington County crop weather this year, and the yield will be the lowest in several sea-E. O. Arnold, Washington sons, according to reports from

Most of this county's tobacco bulk of it, with smaller quantities Mr. Arnold succeeds D. Victor bulk of it, with smaller quantities being carried as far away as Greenville Rocky Mount and

Greenville, Rocky Mount and The loan rate of the Commodity Credit Corporation for the 1949

#### (See TOBACCO, Pagfie 5) Funeral for Mrs.

Funeral services will be held for Mrs. Alice Spruill Barnes, of the Pleasant Grove Section, in the Methodist Church there Friday afternoon at 2 p. m. The services wiill be conducted by her pastor the Rev. B. E. Bingham, assisted by the Rev. Will Stevens, of Creswell. Interment will be made in

Alice S. Barnes

the church cemetery. Mrs. Barnes died at 6:20 p. m. Wednesday at her home. She had been in declining health for five Several Washington County shaved them off. Women who use years and was confined to the

of Roper, there on January 3,

mother, wife, one son, W. Rex a space for holding "kangaroo growers started work on the jail, the Pleasant Grove Methodist etc. Several clean-shaven men in Church for 50 years and was a

## Crops in County Worth \$2,949,000

stimated to bring a total of \$2,- acres planted. 949,000 this year, according to W. Corn again has the largest according to W. Lambs shipped through coop-V. Hays, Washington County reage planted, 13,000 acres, which 6,000 acres planted. The success erative sales throughout the counwar, by \$349,000.

County crops are valued at \$2,ure report.

The big-three of the county produce more valuable corn.

County crops and livestock are is expected to come from the 6,000. The soy bean crop is improving ed at an estimated \$559,000, ac-

crop is \$650,000, some \$50,000 less control of insect pests by dusting stock which was sold privately at than peanuts. Better fertilization and better seeds to start with.

over previous years. \$200,000 is cording to Mr. Hays.

and the "corn war" between Cotton, once king of all crops county. 390,000 by Mr. Hays' fact and fig- North Carolina and Virginia are in this section, is making a better Returns from hogs is expected factors that encourage farmers to showing this year with the 250 to be about \$375,000. Beef cattle acres planted expected to total is expected to sell for around \$75,-

markets in places outside the

Flymouth will have its first day afternoon, and the Trappers Trappers play two games with Hertford, and the season will

and Saturday night the Rams go said yesterday that a meeting of the Hertford.

Rain has just about wrecked held the first of the week to de-Rain has just about wrecked the league schedule, which was carded to end Saturday night of this week. At a directors' meeting several weeks ago, it was decided to add four days to the sear of July 13, 14, 15 and 16 games, all of games, all of which were rained out. This means that Plymouth will play in Colerain Sun-

will be for the regulation nine will play off Monday's rained-out

innings, weather permitting. Friday night, Hertford plays here, ard B. Gaylord, league president, cond Judicial District will hold according to Z. V. Norman, of