

Armistice Day Program Announced

A joint meeting of the members of the Plymouth American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts is scheduled for next Wednesday night at 8 o'clock in the Legion Hall to make final arrangements for the observance of Armistice Day on Friday, November 11.

The tentative program, announced yesterday, calls for participants in the parade to assemble at the high school building at 10 a.m. November 11 and begin the parade at 10:30 o'clock. The parade will progress north on Washington to Main street, turn east on Main street to Adams, then north on Adams to Water Street, and west on Water to the Washington street intersection, in front of the Legion Hall, where the regular Armistice Day ceremonies will be held. One minute of silence will be observed at 11 a.m.

Cotton Growers Vote Middle Next Month On Control Program

Rain Interrupts Peanut Picking

Peanut picking, after getting off to a slow start this season, was brought to a standstill by the heavy rains the first of the week in this county. However, the strong winds Tuesday night and cooler weather helped to dry out the stacks considerably, and with favorable weather continuing, pickers are expected to go forward on an intensive schedule.

Peanut shelling and cleaning mills were said to be operating the first of the week with very light deliveries from that portion of the crop picked in the past week or so.

New A & P Store Here Will Open Tuesday Morning

The new A & P self-service grocery store will open for business next Tuesday morning, November 8, Manager Howard Carr announced this week. Located between the Coca-Cola Bottling Works and the Belk-Tyler store, construction work on the building was completed about a week ago, and work has been proceeding since on installation of the equipment and fixtures.

The new store is one of the most modern and up to date of its kind in Eastern North Carolina. It affords 4,400 square feet of floor space, much of which is devoted to display cases and racks, with about 1,200 square feet of storage space in the back.

Farm Bureau Will Meet Friday Night; All Invited

All county farmers, whether or not they are members of the Washington County Farm Bureau, and all others interested in farming, are invited to attend the regular meeting Friday night at 8 o'clock in the agriculture building in Plymouth, Herbert R. Chesson, president of the county bureau, said this week.

Revival Begins Monday At Mount Tabor Church

Creswell—A revival meeting will begin Monday night, November 7, at the Mount Tabor Free Will Baptist Church near Creswell, with services scheduled each night. The Rev. Wade Calvert, of North Belmont, will be in charge, and the public is cordially invited to attend all services.

P. T. A. Realizes Over \$200 From Carnival

The Plymouth school grounds improvement fund of the local Parent-Teacher Association will get over \$200 from the "Farmers' Market Day" and annual Halloween Carnival held on the school grounds and in the gymnasium Monday, according to Mrs. H. C. Carter, who was in charge of the event.

Home grown foods that were donated by parents and friends of the school children brought a total of \$48 at the market as everything was sold out. This was the first year that the market

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Homemakers Club Formed Recently At Local School

The recently organized Future Homemakers Club of America at the Plymouth High School met Tuesday to complete its organization by the election of officers. The temporary chairman, Jackie Mizelle, presided; and the nominating committee, headed by Betty Riddle, presented the slate of officers, who were elected by the club.

Officers for the year are as follows: Jackie Mizelle, president; Joy Harrison, vice president; Dolly Faye Ange, secretary; Ann Rosenthal, treasurer; Betty Riddle, historian; Mildred Smith, parliamentarian; Phyllis Bishop, reporter; and Carolyn Ayers, song leader. The chapter mother is Mrs. Peckham, and Miss Carolyn Brinkley is the chapter advisor.

The Future Homemakers of America is a national organization of pupils studying home economics in high schools of the United States and its territories. A chapter has been organized in the local school for the first time this year, and considerable interest is being shown in it by the students. The local unit expects to have a large representation at the district rally, which will be held in Farmville on Saturday, November 12.

This week is national FHA week, which is being observed by the local chapter. An exhibit, showing the official emblem and outlining the objectives of the organization, is being displayed in the show windows of the Norman Furniture Company.

The accumulation of a new cotton surplus from the 1948 and 1949 crops led the department to propose quotas now. It has more than \$500,000 invested in extra supplies turned over to it by growers under price-support programs.

The 21,000,000-acre planting allotment would be divided among cotton growing states and counties and then apportioned among individual growers on the basis of formulas in crop control laws. These formulas take into account past plantings by individual farmers and recent trends in state acreages.

State and county allotments will be announced later. A grower would be free to sell all the cotton grown on his planting allotment. Cotton grown on excess acres, if sold, would be subject to a penalty tax equal to half of the June 15, 1950, parity price of cotton. At present parity prices the penalty would be almost 15 cents a pound, or slightly more than half the market value.

The junior class of Plymouth High School will sponsor a dance in the Legion Hall immediately after the Plymouth-Tarboro High School football game Friday night. The program calls for both round and square dancing. A small admission fee will be charged and soft drinks and sandwiches will be sold. Proceeds will be used to finance the junior-senior banquet and dance next spring.

Mrs. Ethel G. Hopkins and Helen Carr, of the Plymouth High School faculty, and Myrtle Jackson and Hardy Cobb, students, gave a musical program of violin, piano, voice and drum selections, respectively, before members of the local Rotary Club in their meeting Tuesday night. Roy F. Lowry was in charge of the meeting.

Patrolman Young said that Elsie Newberry, the county school's auto mechanic, accompanied him on the inspection and corrected the only deficiency found, a loose sun visor on one of the buses.

Farm Applications For Housing Being Taken Here

The Washington County office of the Farmers Home Administration located in the courthouse building in Plymouth, began taking applications for farm housing loans Monday, according to Willis Bowen, district administrator. The loans were authorized by the housing act of 1949.

Farmers desiring assistance under this program may make their applications at the local FHA office from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The office is closed on Saturdays.

The housing act allocates funds for construction and repair of farm dwellings during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950. Under the program, loans will be made for construction and repair of farm buildings essential to the operation of the farm. Only farm owners who cannot get adequate credit from private sources, such as banks and insurance companies, and who do not have sufficient resources to make needed improvements, are eligible for loans under the program.

The loans carry an interest rate of 6 percent, and repayments may be amortized over a period not to exceed 33 years. Loans for housing improvements are not restricted to owner-operated farms, but will be extended to landlords who desire to construct or repair dwellings and other buildings on tenant-operated farms, provided the landlords cannot get adequate credit for this purpose from other sources and are financially unable to make improvements from their own resources.

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Roper Parent-Teacher Association collected approximately \$116 in proceeds from the annual Halloween carnival sponsored by that group in the Roper High School auditorium Monday night. The proceeds will go toward financing meals in the school lunch room for children who cannot afford to pay for the meals.

Money was obtained during the carnival through the admission price at the door, sale of sandwiches, pies and cakes and the various game booths. As prizes, Ted Blount won a 70 pound pig and Carl Bray received a blanket.

A barbecue dinner and meeting is scheduled for members of the Bosie Bateman Post, No. 4023, Veterans of Foreign Wars, tonight in the high school lunch room at 7:30 o'clock. All those who plan to attend are requested to notify William Ruffin or Ralph Hunter before the meeting. The Armistice Day program and bingo games will be topics of discussion at the business session.

Members of the executive committee of the Plymouth Parent-Teacher Association will meet next Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock at the high school library. Mrs. K. S. Trowbridge, president of the association, announced yesterday.

The colored unit of the Washington County Farm Bureau is to meet Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in the auditorium of J. J. Clemmons High School in Roper, according to T. L. Wilkins, president of the group. Every member is urged to attend.

All members of the Plymouth Junior Chamber of Commerce are urged to attend the dinner meeting Friday night at 7 o'clock in the Christian Church Annex. Each member is to bring a prospective new member.

County to Get 25 Miles Of New Surfaced Roads

B. & L. Stockholders Meeting Set Tonight

The annual meeting of members and stockholders of the Plymouth Building & Loan Association will be held Thursday night of this week in the municipal building, starting at 8 o'clock, according to announcement last week by I. Miller Warren, secretary of the organization.

The local association is closing one of the most successful years in its history, and a review of its operations will be presented to the stockholders gathered in 1937, the association now has total resources in excess of \$325,000.

Two Large Outfits Wrecked Last Week and ABC Store Reports Revenue Up \$100 Over Normal Saturday

The sale of legal liquor at the local ABC store showed a substantial increase last week-end, following a series of setbacks for the illegal liquor business in Washington County in the past week or so. P. M. Arps, chairman of the county ABC board, said sales at the Plymouth store last Saturday totaled more than \$100 above those of the preceding 10 Saturdays, largely attributable, he thinks, to the work of law enforcement officers during the week before.

One of the setbacks was the seizure of a large distilling outfit on the old James Walker home place above Beaver Dam Swamp on the Long Ridge Road last Friday. The raid was made by Sheriff J. K. Reid, Deputy L. L. Bassnight, and Policeman Foy Davenport. In addition to a 200-gallon copper still and complete outfit, the officers brought in 26 gallons of "stump-hole" whiskey and poured out 18 barrels of mash. Five barrels had already been run, it was stated. Warrants were issued later for Ray and James M. Walker, both colored, and they paid fines totaling \$250 in recorder's court Tuesday for possession of the liquor.

Alcohol Tax Unit operatives out of Elizabeth City located and destroyed another sizeable distilling outfit inside the Plymouth city limits last Wednesday. It was a 7-barrel outfit, and the ATU men simply blew it to pieces with dynamite. No arrests were made. The still was located at the edge of a swamp not far from the Norfolk Southern tracks leading to the freight station here.

Plymouth city policemen also arrested a couple of persons in the past week for possessing illegal liquor, and the offenders were fined at the Tuesday session of county court.

Begin Rehearsals For Minstrel Show

Chorus rehearsals began last night in the Plymouth High School auditorium for a high school minstrel show entitled, "Merrie Minstrels of 1949," to be presented there Thursday afternoon and night, December 1, and Friday night, December 2. The proceeds will go toward financing the local high school band. The show will be about two hours of fun and frolic with all the characters in black-face. Mrs. Ethel G. Hopkins, high school band director, wrote the show and will direct it. Helen Carr, Plymouth school music teacher, is in charge of the music and will accompany the performers at the piano.

Boards Set First Monday Meetings

The Washington County Board of Education, Board of Commissioners and the Plymouth City Council all will hold their regular first Monday meetings next Monday, November 7. The two county boards will meet in their respective headquarters at the courthouse at 10:30 Monday morning, while the council meeting will be held in the municipal building at 8 p.m. So far as could be learned yesterday, only routine business matters are scheduled for consideration. However, something usually

First Phase of Bond Program For Counties in Second Division Announced By Commissioner Hargett

Washington County will get 25.28 miles of hard-surfacing secondary roads and \$30,000 worth of stabilized roads under the first phase of the bond program announced last week by W. Guy Hargett, of Richlands, highway commissioner for the second division. This is in addition to the Mackeys Road project, which is being graded and structures built at the present time and which is to be surfaced with regular highway funds outside the bond program, according to Mr. Hargett. Three specific projects were outlined for Washington County in the program announced last week. It was not announced in what order they would be taken up, but they were listed as follows:

PTA at Creswell To Meet on 10th

The Creswell Parent-Teacher Association will hold its regular meeting on Thursday evening of next week, November 10, in the high school auditorium there. L. O. Armstrong, head of the vocational film library at State College, Raleigh, will speak on the use of visual aids in classrooms and will show a film to illustrate his talk. The community choir will sing several numbers at the meeting. All patrons and friends of the school are urged to attend.

Important Factors On Christmas Mail Outlined by Swain

Plymouth Postmaster J. C. Swain announced yesterday several important factors regarding mailing parcels and greeting cards for Christmas both overseas and within the United States. The Post Office Department is cooperating with the several departments of the National Military Establishment in arranging the acceptance of Christmas parcels for members of the armed forces serving outside the continental United States. Many persons in Plymouth and throughout Washington County are planning to send special Christmas parcels overseas, and these instructions, Postmaster Swain said, are issued to assure delivery on time and in good condition.

Patrons of the Plymouth post office may, if they desire, endorse each such gift parcel "Christmas Parcel" and special efforts will be made to effect delivery of all Christmas parcels mailed from today to November 15, in time for Christmas. According to Postmaster Swain, the term "armed forces overseas" includes personnel of the armed forces, members of their families and authorized United States civilians employed overseas who receive their mail through an APO or Fleet Post Office, care of Postmaster, New York, N. Y., San Francisco, Calif., Miami, Fla., New Orleans, La., or Seattle, Wash.

In calling attention to the Christmas overseas mailing dates, Mr. Swain stressed the importance of the program.

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Nathan H. Yelton, executive secretary of the State Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System, Raleigh, will give a talk on the subject of his work. T. R. Spruill, of Roper, president of the county NCEA unit, will be in charge of the program.

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Beginning on U. S. Highway 64 at Roper and running northwardly 4.58 miles to Albemarle Beach. This stretch is known as the "Cross Roads."

Beginning at a point on U. S. 64 in Creswell, running northwardly and westerly 10.8 miles via Davenport Forks and the Pea Ridge Road to N. C. 32 at a point 1.2 miles north of the junction of N. C. 32 and U. S. 64 at the "Y."

Beginning at a point on U. S. 64, 2.55 miles south of Plymouth, and running southwardly 9.9 miles along what is known as Long Ridge Road via Hinson and Hoke to the Beaufort County line.

There was no mention of where the \$30,000 allocated for road stabilization would be spent, but Commissioner Hargett stated that "Building stabilized roads is an integral part of the over-all program. That work will proceed hand-in-hand with the hard-surfacing projects, as we expect that for each mile of road stabilized, an important county roads in the division."

It was stated that work is underway on many of the bond projects outlined for the second division, and that others will be begun and work continued, if weather permits, through the winter months. "This is the first phase of our bond money program," Mr. Hargett said, and while work is progressing on the construction of these roads, new surveys are being made to determine which roads will be considered for hard surfacing in the second part of our program."

In connection with the selection of the first bond money roads, Commissioner Hargett and Division Engineer Romilus Markham made detailed surveys of each county's roads, met with boards of county commissioners and reviewed the program, in addition to hearing petitions from numerous citizens' delegations.

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