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Plymouth, Washington County, North Carolina, Thursday, November 10, 1949

auditorium Thursday afternoon.

November 3, with members of the

Creswell, Cherry and Scupper-

nong clubs as hostesses. About

125 club women and guests at-

The meeting was opened with

the group singing "The Old North

State." The devotional followed

and was conducted by Mrs. W. B.

Chesson of the Mackeys club

Greetings were extended by Hal

L. Furr, principal of the Creswell

high school, following which Mrs

Betty Davenport of the Creswell

lub gave the address of welcome.

Mrs. Ray Brown responded on be-

half of the clubs, all but one of

W. J. White, superintendent of

Tyrrell county schools, was the

most interesting address on

which were in attendance.

tended.

of Plymouth, returned home Monday at noon from New York City after spending more than a week there to be with their 11-year old daughter, Betty Blount Davenport, who was operated on last Wednesday in the Hospital for Special Sugery to correct curvature of the spine. Miss Davenport has been hospitalized for

about seven weeks and it is exreports that she underwent the American Legion and Veterans at the school building on the school building on the operation successfully and is getting along nicely.

Tuesday morning the Plymouth mander of the Veterans of For- on Water to the Washington service organizations at the Lehigh school band turned out fifeign Wars, presided. ty strong, including eleven major-The program, as announced Legion Hall, where the ceremon- "dutch" and all ex-service men super market here. The band by Commander Hunter, calls for ies will be heid. marched from the high school an assembly at the Plymouth high

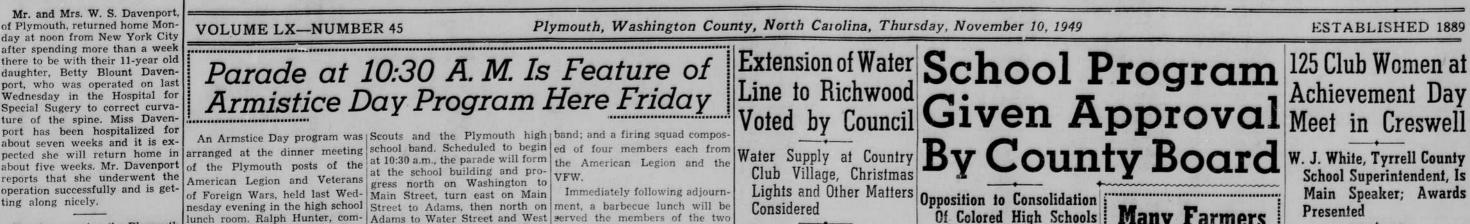
down Washington Street and school at 10 a. m. of the following which it was deemed would be zation or not. Also, all former turned east on Water Street to units which will participate in the too lengthy, will be the invocation service men are requested to turned east on Water Street to take up positions facing the new store. Half a dozen numbers, in-cluding the "Star-Spangled Bancluding the "Star-Spangled Banner," the "Notre Dame Victory March," and "The Caissons Go Rolling Along," were rendered Creswell Man Wins Regular Meeting and drew applause from the appreciative audience

Tom Bunting, rent representative from the office of rent control. Goldsboro, will not be in the courthouse here Friday, as tomorrow is Armistice Day, a national legal holiday. He plans to make this month's visit to Plymouth on Friday, November 25, when he will be at the courthouse from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Capt. and Mrs. Russell S. Callis and daughters, Pam and Hope, of Plymouth and Ahoskie, left Monday from Fort Hamilton, Brooklyn, N. Y., aboard an Army transport for Bremerhaven, Germany, where Captain Callis will be stationed on a three-year tour. of duty with the U.S. Army Engineer Corps. They left Plymouth last Wednesday. Mrs. Callis and children have been here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Liverman, since last June while Captain Callis was attending an en gineering school at Fort Belvoir, Va. Captain Callis was among the second group of inductees to ave Washington County in 1941. He attended Officer Candidate

land, New Guinea, Okinawa, and Greenland. He was attached to the U. S. Air Force at McDill Of District Scouts Air Force Base, Tampa, Fla., until recently.

Six members of the student science club at East Carolina Teacers College, Greenville, including



Extension of water lines to Lit-Street intersection in front of the gion Hall. The lunch will be tle Richwood, Christmas lights. the water supply in the Country are urged to attend, whether Club village, and several other In place of the usual roll call, members of the veterans' organimatters were discussed at length by the Plymouth City Council at its monthly meeting Monday night, the session lasting until 11 o'clock again. All the council and approving in its entirety the

members were present, and Mayor A. J. Riddle presided at the committee September 28, in which ession

way

By a vote of five to one, the tion in the county. council decided to order a car-That committee, composed of oad of water pipe for use in extending water lines to Little Rich-

O. P. Johnson, Duplin County wood, with shipment to be made school superintendent, L. W. Jen-Is Held Monday wood, with shipment to be made after January 1st. This action kins and A. S. Hurbert, of East hrows the current budget out of Carolina Teachers College, was named by the division of surveys balance, according to Mayor Riddle, but a majority of the council of the state department of education. The county board of education had requested the aid of

In the discussion preceding the the division of surveys in develvote, it was cited by J. A. Holoping plans for a building pro brook that the town had extendgram, funds for which will be reed water lines to several new

ceived from proceeds of the state Members of the county board developments, although Little bond issued authorized last June. of commissioners met in the court- Richwood was supposed to be Washington County will receive house in Plymouth Monday for served ahead of the new projects. \$341,360.58 under this program, the monthly session. Several mat- Mayor Riddle said the money for and school-building needs in the a carload of pipe, about \$4,000. county are so great that it was would not be available from this realized expert help was needed

get maximum benefits from to members said other projects had the program. been handled when no money iting all schools and studying conditions, recommended construction of an elementary build Mr. Holbrook mide the motion

to order the pipe, and it was ing and an auditorium adjoining the present high-school building seconded by Max Willette. Vot-Plymouth, a gymnasium at Creswell, and a 12-grade building

way commission for improvement D. Keel and W. H. Joyner. Coun- for the Roper colored school. It cilman R. E. Bowen stated that also recommended consolidation fact that if farmers want more he was just as much in favor of of all colored high schools in the funds available in the future with county at Roper, as well as con- which to carry out soil building extending the lines to Little Richwood as any of the others, but solidation with the elementary practices, more farms must partic-

that he couldn't vote to spend schools at Creswell, Roper and ipate in the program than have Plymouth of all one and two been doing so in the past. by the town didn't have, and Protests against use of city wa-1 mentary pupils would be trans- states that all the \$31,058.00 al-

nearest them. who formerly secured their water supply from the country club, colored school attendance at high left in the pool with which to They asked the town to enter in- schools in the county during the carry out fall practices of sowing sant Grove club, president; Mrs.

maintain proper standards and ceived an aditional \$8,000 with



At the monthly meeting of the Peanut pickers, stopped by board of county commissioners the recent rains in this section, here Monday, a resolution was began anew Monday and by unanimously adopted, endorsing Tuesday morning were in full swing in Washington County, report turned in by the surve reports W. V. Hays, county agent. According to Mr. Hays, several recommendations were the nuts are again dry and in made concerning school construct good condition for picking. He states that much progress has been shown in the county this year in the matter of stacking peanuts. Farmers generally have done a much better job than usual by placing cross slats higher on the poles and the county agent emphasized the importance of this, especially

with regard to the stricter grading of peanuts being marketed this year.

principal speaker. Mr. White gave Need More Farms "Citizenship in Relation to Our National Government." The To Take Part in speaker was introduced by Mrs. Mary F. Darden, Washington Soil-Building Plan County home agent, who presented awards to the winning clubs

in their national competition. The Chapel Hill club won the gavel The survey committe, after vis- \$31,058 in Benefits Accrued award for largest attendance, bas-426 Farms in Program ed on the number present plus miles traveled. This club also was This Year; More Avail- awarded first prize for original able If Interest Increases presentation of its yearly report and the Cool Spring club received

second prize. Other clubs receiv-Attention of farmers in Washing honorable mention for their ington County is called to the reports were Beech Grove, Pleasant Grove and Piney Grove.

Reading certificates were presented to the following; Mrs. Bill Mizell, Hoke Club; Mrs. P. B. Bingham, Mrs. L. E. Hassell, Mrs. Dell Norman and Mrs. Roger the only vote against the teacher colored schools in the Miss Miriam Ausbon, secretary Chesson of the Roper Club; Mrs. county. Under this plan, the ele-mentary pupils would be trans-states that all the \$31,058.00 al-club; and Mrs. W. B. Davenport er were received from a number ported to the consolidated school located the county to carry out of the Pleasant Grove club. all practices for 1949 was used by

Due to a downward trend in August. Therefore, no funds were for the new officers as follows: They asked the town to enter in-schools in the county during the carry out tan provident president; Mrs. to a contract with club officials past eight years, there are not winter cover crop seed. As the Hilton Chesson of the Scuppersufficient students at any of the three county colored high schools to enable school authorities to secretary; and Mrs. L. A. Parobtain adequate facilities. At the which these fall practices were treasurer. risher of the County Bridge club,

ry, Cool Springs, County Bridge,



Plymouth stores and business houses wil be closed two hours tomorrow in observance of the Armistice Day holiday. According to W. S. Davenport, president of the Plymouth Merchants Association, stores will close at 11 a.m., when the Armistice program is scheduled to

made as usual.

Farley M. Bowers Elected Chairman Of District Scouts School at Fort Belvoir, Va., and served overseas at Ascension Is- Elected Chairman

Will Serve One Year To Be-

gin In January; Harold damaged. Whitley Named District Other

Commissioner

start, and reopen at 1 p.m. The Bank, post office, and other federal and state offices

will be closed all day. There will be no rural or city carrier deliveries, but mail will be placed in lock boxes at the post offices and dispatches will be

Other contestants and their

100-Bushel Contest

bins, of Plymouth, gave a series of talks and demonstrations on aspects of physical science at the November meeting held last week. Subjects included "Diffusion of Gases and Its Application To Fire Prevention" and "The Making of

L. O. Armstrong To Speak

At Creswell PTA Meeting

testants With Average of Variety of Routine Matters Disposed of at Session; voted for it anyway. 124.78 Bushels; Seven Improvement of School **Others Over 100 Bus Route Asked**

Of County Board

Eight contestants in the 1949 00-bushel corn contest in Washington county had average yields of 100 bushels per acre or higher, according to information released

through the office of the county ters of business were taken up. agent this week. The most popular The board agreed to reimburse hybrid varieties among the con- W. M. Bateman the 10 per cent year's budget; but several council testants were N. C. 27 and Dixie penalty charged against his fail-

17 in that order but the winner. ure to list 1949 taxes when it was Ervin Ambrose of Creswell with shown to be an oversight of Tax was available and they were in an average of 124.78 bushels, used Lister W. N. Piercy who received favor of placing the order any-Funks 717. The list of 100 bush- written request from Bateman in el producers with their respect- due time.

ive averages follows: It was moved by H. W. Pritch-Ervin Ambrose, Creswell, 124.ett, seconded by J. C. Knowles 78; J. M. Davenport, Creswell, 122.76; H. R. Chesson, Mackeys, project be forwarded to the high-were Councilmen H. H. Allen, E. Cre

Ervin Ambrose Tops Con-

122.75; W. C. Stephenson, Roper, 121.28; Ervin Ambrose, Creswell, at their next road-letting meet-

honorable mention since they to the Collins house and from the were well within the 100-bushel point where this road turns off class but no estimate was taken Newland road westerly up New-

because the corn was down and land road about three miles to of country club village residents, Spruill's store. A petition was received to wid-

averages were: K. R. Hopkins, en and clean bushes off the road Plymouth, 98.94; Sylvester Twid- leading from highway 64 to Beas-

Gases and its Application to Fire Prevention" and "The Making of day night in the scout hut. He suc-88.08; David E. Craddock, Plym-(See COUNTY BOARD, Page 7) ceeds Harold Whitley, of Plym- outh, 87.52; G. G. Gaylord, Roper, a Simple Magnet." outh. 84.87; J. A. Chesson, Roper, 81.32;

Billy Winesett, of Plymouth, Mr. Whitley was chosen com- and B. B. Brown, Plymouth, 73.was one of the 180 high school missioner of the district. Other 14.

seniors in North Carolina who officers are to be appointed by the Prizes will be awarded contestqualified for entry in the Stu- new chairman and will be an- ants at the annual Farm Bureau dent Forum for Safety, conducted nounced at the next meeting, De- meeting at noon on November

by the Highway Safety Division, cember 8. The new officers will 29th. it was announced last week. The take office in January and serve

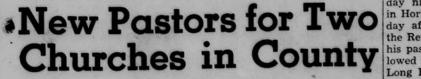
180 students will compete for six a one year term. scholarships, ranging in value The week of November 18 from \$1,000 to \$100, during a 13- through November 23 was set as week series of radio programs to Scout Finance Week to raise \$1,be conducted over several North 100 in the Albemarle District to Carolina stations. send to East Carolina Council

L. L. Basnight, county ABC of- | cal districts part in keeping the quor still in the Skinenrsville section. He left his car parked

on the shoulder of the old Plymouth-Columbia dirt road just off Funeral Thursday for Mrs. the paved highway. He got his

still all right-a big copper kettle with an oil burner and every-• thing that goes with it, including

eight barrels of mash. But he re- Elizabeth Davenport, 76, who died to attend. turned to the road to find his auto- at Creswell Wednesday morning mobile in flames. The car, a 1941 were conducted Thursday aftermobile in flames. The car, a 1941 were conducted Thursday after-Chevrolet 5-passenger coupe, was noon at Philippi Church of Christ Funeral Saturday hear the ankle. practically a total loss, as it was by the Rev. G. C. Bland. Burial not insured and the fire had gut- followed in the church cemetery. ted the interior to the dash, in- Pallbearers were Jim Davis, Laucluding radio and heater. Cause die Davenport, Jennings Davenof the fire is a matter of specu-lation. Spruill and Philip Spruill.



Ministers were changed at two ed supply pastor for the Creswell ago, Mr. Chambers was a me- mitteemen at a meeting of the new members. out of the three Methodist charg- Methodist charge, which includes es in Washington county by the annual conference of the Metho-dist Church held at Sanford last W. F. Meacham, formerly at annual conference of the Metho-dist Church held at Sanford last week. The new appointments were announced Sunday night Chambers.

at the closing session of the con- Bingham was returned to the

vocational film library at State treatment and is reported to be headquarters in Wilson as the lo- college, Raleigh, will speak on doing nicely. the use of visual aids in class-

(See BOY SCOUTS, Page 6)

Funeral services for Charlie T.

day night, were conducted here in Horner's Funeral Home Satur-

day afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. Robert Lee of Pinetown,

Accidentally Shot On Hunt Friday

Roper man, was accidentally shot urer. On the board of directors of

W. Brown, vice-president; and H. E. Furlough, 41 year old I. Miller Warren, secretary-treas-

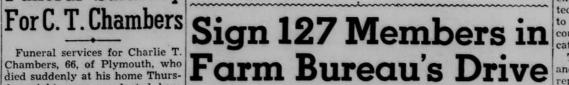
in the right leg with buck shot the association are Z. V. Norman while on a deer hunt on the In- P. W. Brown, E. G. Arps, B. G. land Waterway canal near Gum Nack Friday merning Ho was Campbell, J. W. Marrow, Lyman Board Education

Since its founding twelve years

L. L. Bashight, county ABC of the distribution of a bargain last Thursday after-of a bargain last Thursday after-the view Washington and Turrell the birt rabed and sociation in the high school audi-Roper and Hubert Britton of all banking institutions in the day, agreed that stipulations con torium at Creswell. Mr. Arm- Plymouth and had stopped after country, being insured through cerning the contract with the ar-

strong also will show a film to putting the dogs out and was sit- Federal Savings and Loan In- chitectural firm of Leslie N. Boney ting on a log near a small bush surance Corp., a government & Sons, of Wilmington, for pro-The Creswell community choir which he was unknowingly mov- agency.

bush move and fired, thing it to building and hear Association to fattons of the contract the with-be a small deer. The shot entered foreclosure has been made on any tects agreed to draw plans with-handling the four major crops of Trying to get back, skidded across Furlough's leg just below the home financed by it and not a out fee for any proposed struc-the county, corn, tobacco, peanuts the highway into the arainage knee, in the middle of his leg and penny has been lost on bad ac- ture on which the low bid should and soybeans.



More effort needs to be put Wenona, 3: J. L. Swain, of Roper, the board chairman, L. E. Hassell, forth in the Washington County and J. D. Swain and Russell As-Farm Bureau membership drive, kew, of Plymouth, 2 each. his pastor, officiating. Burial fol-lowed in Jackson cemetery on the I ment to another on the Creswell school I another on the Cres Names of only 127 members were ting new members and urged the grounds. The Creswell school

Until his retirement one year turned in by membership com- other committeemen to strive for principal had requested that the A branch office to handle the public service, according to James poles be moved for the safety of chanic for the American Fork & organization in Plymouth last A barbecue supper and meet- children getting on and off buses. sale of state automobile license A. Odom, area manager for Caro-Hoe Co. here. He moved to Wash- Friday night. The membership ing for Farm Bureau members R. F. Lowry, county school sup- plates and to transact business lina Motor Club. The Branch of-

of memberships they have hand- building. Attempts will be made representatives and to take out a There are 70 such license branch- plate sold.

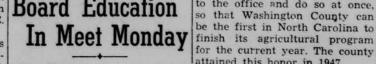
at the closing session of the con-ference. The Rev. D. L. Fouts, formerly of Hertford, was assigned to the Plymouth Methodist church, for the past two years, was assigned to the Rev. J. O. Long, who has served the local church for the past two years, was assigned to the past two years, was assigned to the Rev. J. T. Smith was nam-The Rev. J. T. Smith was nam-

arried out. current term, there were only 245 This year Washington County Beech Grove, Chapel Hill, Chere first two weeks of

Directors Elected current term, there were only 245 has a total of 874 farms with only plymouth having 113, Roper 77 426 receiving payments for soil At the meeting here Thursday night of the Plymouth Building I here are reports of dissatisfac-There are reports of dissatisfac-

and Loan Association officers for tion among colored people in program. the coming year were elected as follows: Z. V. Norman, president; losing the local colored high cont in 200 conflictions for the latter being two new clubs recognized and welcomed during losing the local colored high sent in 300 applications for pay- the meeting. school through consolidation, and ment, leaving 162 yet to be sub-

(See SCHOOLS, Page 6)



for the current year. The county attained this honor in 1947. Farm Bureau Committee

exceed architect's estimate. Architects also agreed to draw all plans to the satisfaction of both the

cation The board heard R. E. Kimball

and W. R. Glover, of Williamston, representing Virginia Electric &

Power Co., and agreed to have

A social hour was held in the

mitted. All farmers who have not rear of the school auditorium. signed application for payment with members of the host clubs are urged by Miss Ausbon to come serving punch, cookies and salted to the office and do so at once, nuts. Lovely Christmas suggesso that Washington County can tions were on display.

> No One Hurt in Accident Here Early Saturday

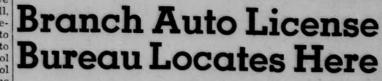
An automobile driven by Luther To Discuss Farm Prices Wilson Bowen, jr., of Plymouth Route 1, skidded across U. S. Highway 64 east of Plymouth and The ways and means committee landed upside down in Melvin

of the Washington County Farm Boyd's front yard about 2:45 a. Alice Elizabeth Davenport will do several numbers at the meeting and all patrons and ing some distance away, saw the building and Loan Association no listic of the contract the archi-

ditch on the left and turn d over,

Committeemen expected to at- landing wheels up in the Boyd tend are Carl Heynen, of We- yard.

county and state boards of edu- nona; Lonnie Ange, of Plymouth; The driver escaped with slight Roy Chesson, of Roper; and Paul bruises. Damages to the car was Belanga, of Creswell. Herbert R. estimated at \$400, according to Chesson, of Mackeys, president Highway Patrolman R. W. Young, of the Farm Bureau, will preside. who investigated.



Neck Friday morning. He was Mayo, L. S. Thompson, W. E.

L. O. Armstrong, head of the taken to Columbia hospital for Waters and W. M. Darden.

ago, the association's total as-